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Photo: Josh Doheny

## PARTY FOR KAMALII CLIMAXES TRANSPAC RACE

Six hundred members and guests turned out in Hawaiian attire on July 18 to meet and honor the skipper and crew of **KAMALII**. The beautiful 75-foot ketch owned by member **Larry Doheny** had been the 8th boat to cross the finish line at Diamond Head silhouetted by a beautiful sunrise on July 15. The popular recording trio, **the Sunday Manoa**, played during the official 3 hours of the party, but even after that when drinks were no longer on the initial ticket, the most delicious pupus in never-diminishing supply continued to emanate from the kitchen until midnight. Only then were the last 200 or so guests forced to conclude that the party was over.

During the party, master of ceremonies **Howard Goss** called upon skipper **Doheny** to introduce his crew, which included besides members **Tom Arnott** and **Denny Alexander**, Cliff Pedersen, John Freitas, Jerold Booth, Skip Torbitt, Milt MacDonald, Dick Edwards, Dr. Jack Davis, Mark Yorston, Charlie Davies, Ray Aune and Capt. Bob Washkeit.

So ended an exciting 14 days of following the course of the race and its aftermath. The race, which began on July 4 with a record number of 72 starters, had additional records galore. Heavy seas and winds took their toll forcing 8 yachts to withdraw. The yacht **Mir** lost her main mast 300 yards from the finish and used her mizzen sail to cross, sailing backwards! Two yachts, **Windward Passage** and **Blackfin** in that order came in under the old elapsed time record set by **Ticonderoga** in 1965. And 57 yachts, including **KAMALII**, had corrected times under the record set in 1951. Finally, **Windward Passage** was assessed a 2-hour penalty which gave the elapsed time record of 9 days, 10 hours, 21 minutes, 00 seconds to **BLACKFIN**.

For the 5th year a bunch of competent junior member including **George McPheeters** and **Buster Chapman** assisted **Cline Mann** in compiling the daily positions, plotting the yacht flags on his large chart at the club entry way, and generally keeping the members' interest focused on this enjoyable biennial sporting and social event.