

# HOBIE CAT REGATTA

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The Outrigger Canoe Club will host and administer the 1970 Hobie Cat National Championships, October 22, 23, 24, and 25, off Waikiki. There will be three days of racing in determining the national champion, with October 22 set aside as a consolation race for those skippers who have not previously qualified but would like to trip into Hawaii for the last minute hope to qualify.

Coast Catamaran Corporation is making arrangements to insure 45 boats which will be made available so that skippers may bring only their sails. The Hobie skippers will be drawn from seven regional divisions across the country and the Bahama Islands, Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands.

Two divisions, Hawaii and Southern California, will qualify ten skippers each with other regions supplying from four to a single skipper.

Paul Allen will be on hand to defend the crown he won last year in light air at San Diego. At least three hot Outrigger sailors will be out to sink Allen and keep the title in Hawaii and in OCC's trophy case. But it would be "telling" if we mentioned names.