

Skipper's Log

by Bob Costa

Broach... Splashy culmination of the 1976 OCC Sailing Regatta—a festive Oct. 23 Hau Terrace banquet and awards presentation—got pushed off the log last month by the overwhelming volume of material emerging from the first international Hobie 16 World Championships. And somehow printing deadlines just never correspond to event schedules. **Gordon Bradley**, regatta chairman, kept the affair lively with his own brand of cheerful, easy informality and was generous with his thanks to members who'd helped make the six week regatta a success. The trophies were handsome, carved wood relief replicas of the three boat

dy Club sailmaker can stitch in paddles to fill the sail with OCC insignias ... The new craft needs a name, by the way, and the Sailing Committee is accepting suggestions. It brings the Club sailing fleet to nine boats; the others are four Lasers and four Scorpions ... Committee chairman **Hal Hutchings** has appointed an ad hoc committee to set up rules and a workable system for use of the new Hobie and, ultimately, establish a central purpose for the new boat—training, recreation or racing, all or any combination thereof. Current feeling is that training and recreation will get the nod. Ad hockers are **Jeff Kissel, Bruce Blakely, Peter Wheelon** and Hutch...



classes in the regatta, the Hobie 16, 14 and the Laser. And the winners, from left, front row, in photo, were: **Twain Newhart**, 3rd place, Laser; **Don Machado, Jr.**, 2nd place, Laser; **Dave Hoffman**, 2nd place, Hobie 16; **Hal Hutchings** (represented by **Dottie**), 1st place, Laser; and **Peter Wheelon**, 3rd place, Hobie 14. In the back row: **Leith Anderson**, 2nd place, Hobie 14; **Marc Haine**, Hoffman's crew; **Mike Holmes**, 1st place, Hobie 14; and **Bruce Blakely**, 1st place, Hobie 16. **Fip Sennif**, Blakely's crew, was out of camera range...

Ship-to-Shore... The Laser Frostbite Series, up to five races on five Sundays at Hickam Harbor, with three OCC skippers in the Club's new boats—Hutch, Todd Bradley and P.J. Wheelon. New feature of the regatta puts skippers in weight categories or classes for trophies: 176 lbs., and above; 145-175; and 144 and under. There'll also be an overall first place trophy. Series ends Jan. 23...

Pintles & Gudgeons... **Tom Vesey** checking on the condition of the cables along the ocean floor at the Outrigger small boat mooring ... **Gordo Bradley**, our house architect, has designed a superefficient-looking storage locker for the Club's Lasers, complete with dollies for easy handling of the boats which would be stored upright in the alleyway near the Snack Bar. Installation is yet to be approved ... Hawaii Yacht Racing Association-OCC chief of liaison, **John Langenheim**, just sailed in with a seabag full of "did you know?" As in, did you know that OCC is largest of 11 clubs in the HYRA? That 12 OCC Sailing Com-

mitteemen are HYRA delegates? That OCC is a sustaining member club of the national U.S. Yacht Racing Union, Inc.? That OCC is on the HYRA calendar for the first time next year—to conduct and sponsor a Class Boat regatta next September? We didn't.

Derelict Boats Waste Moorings

by Tom Reiner, Chairman
Beach and Water Safety

A critical shortage of boat moorings exists today, and there is a waiting list of active sailors who would like slips at Outrigger Beach. A number of moorings are occupied by derelict boats which take up badly needed space not only for a month or two but for years. In addition, these wrecks, which represent a \$1,000.00 investment, create havoc among all the boats moored near them. Fallen masts ding a hull, and good, well-cared for boats are severely damaged because owners do not check their mooring lines. In many cases the owners of these derelicts have not looked at their boats in years.



Specifically, boats in the worst condition at the moment are: HA 7144B (blue boat; no mast); HA 7826B (green; mast down); HA 6801B (white Sea Spray; sinking); HA 2058C (yellow; mast down); HA 7869B (green; mast down; no trampoline).

We urgently ask that boat owners who do not use their boats and whose boats are in very poor condition, please remove them. The free moorings that result could be used by active sailors who now moor elsewhere. The problem of their having to use the beach for storage during the day while they participate in regattas would be eased. All of the Club members who enjoy the beach would benefit.

Recently the Board of Directors proposed a new rule that causes a member to be fined for leaving a boat on the beach overnight.

Mainsheet... The Club's sparkling new (and only) Hobie 16, a gift from the National Hobie Class Association in return for the Club's contribution to the first Hobie 16 Worlds, has white hulls, red sails and lots of Os in its assigned sail number, specially arranged so that some han-