

Aggregate to Islanders As Host Beach Paddlers Edged by Single Point

Island Canoe Club scrambled back on top of the western division paddling ladder when they racked up a 35-point aggregate Saturday to take club honors in the Balmy Beach Canoe Club's annual regatta.

The largest throng to witness a Balmy Beach water show in the memory of even the oldest members cheered and roared in vain, striving to bring the home forces in on top. The Beachers wound up in second place with 34 points. Toronto Canoe Club finished third, with a 27-point total.

Blessed with calm water on Toronto's often-turbulent lakefront, the regatta produced sensational racing. Back in big-time production in the paddling game for the first time since the war ended, the Beachers were hosts to the best in the western division of the Canadian Canoe Association as the bladesmen worked themselves into condition for qualifying competitions that will send them to Montreal for the Canadian titles next month.

Most spectacular finish of the day came in the senior war canoe event where Toronto Sailing and Canoe Club outlasted Balmy Beach and Island Canoe Club to win by a foot in a blanket finish. The Islanders were second to cross the line, with Balmy Beach a short distance back. By finishing second, the Islanders protected their aggregate margin from the title-hungry Beachers.

Another whippy drive to the finishing line's gunshot roar came in the juvenile tandem where Gordon Ford and Jake Chamberlain of Balmy Beach contributed a first-place to the home club. They needed all the power they could produce to come down in front.

Typifying the youthful upsurge of paddlers in the racing canoe game, the Beach Club has a commodore who is an active paddler as well as an able executive. He is Hank Farintosh, coxswain of the Beach senior war canoe. He also appeared in the several other races.

Junior fours—1, B.B.C.C., Lane's crew; 2, T.S. & C.C., Grey's crew; 3, I.C.C., Phelen's crew.

Juvenile tandem—1, B.B.C.C., Ford and Chamberlain; 2, I.C.C., Watt and Riley; 3, I.C.C., Magrath and Richmond.

Junior tandem—1, B.B.C.C., Lane and Farintosh; 2, T.S. & C.C., Richardson and Cameron; 3, I.C.C., Slade and Guthrie.

Junior war canoe—1, I.C.C., Porter's crew; 2, B.B.C.C., Mossman's crew.

Senior single—1, T.S. & C.C., Warren; 2, T.S. & C.C., Watts; 3, I.C.C., Oldershaw.

Juvenile war canoe—1, I.C.C., Porter's crew; 2, B.B.C.C., Ford's crew.

Junior single—1, Lane, B.B.C.C.; 2, Hudson, I.C.C.; 3, Grey, T.S. & C.C.

Juvenile four—1, I.C.C., Riley's crew; 2, B.B.C.C., Ford's crew; 3, I.C.C., Duggan's crew.

Senior tandem—1, T.S. & C.C., Watts and Russell; 2, I.C.C., Hudson and Plunket; 3, I.C.C., Stevenson and Oldershaw.

Juvenile single—1, B.B.C.C., Powell; 2, I.C.C., Bedard; 3, B.B.C.C., Ford.

Senior four—1, T.S. & C.C., Russell's crew; 2, I.C.C., Hodson's crew; 3, I.C.C., Johnson's crew.

Senior war canoe—1, T.S. & C.C., Bob Lawrie's crew; 2, I.C.C., Paul Porter's crew; 3, B.B.C.C., Hank Farintosh's crew.

Point standing—1, Island C.C., 35; 2, Balmy Beach, 34; 3, Toronto S. & C.C., 27.