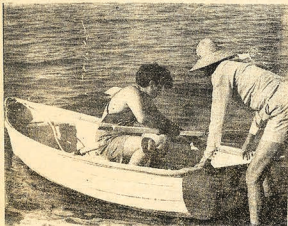


# Club Cruceiros Hold Dinghy Regatta



A rowing we will go! Our own Patricia Gorostieta was loaned a fast dinghy from "Inspiration". Paty didn't do as well as she wanted to. Oh well, somebody has to be last!

For the fourth time in as many years the Dinghy Regatta was held on the beaches of the State Capital. The event was put on by the Club Cruceiros de La Paz and has to be considered one of the most entertaining events of the year.

The club consists of "Cruisers" and that word is almost synonymous with "Fun". Everything this bunch gets together to do turns out to be fun. The Fourth Annual Dinghy Regatta was no exception.

Sunday afternoon found a small stretch of beach in front of downtown La Paz loaded with "cruisers", participants and spectators. While there are some "great rowers and sailors within this sailing crowd, the entire event was for amateurs and some competitors had never been in a Dinghy in their life! Our own reporter, Patricia Gorostieta, was game enough to enter the Womens Rowing Competition without ever having rowed a boat. She didn't win the event, needless to say, but she did finish the course which is more than some could have done.

Trophies and prizes were donated by local businessmen with the Corona and Pacifico Distributor and the local Coeca Cola Bottler picking up the Lions share of the donations.

Probably the most fun was had by local residents who didn't even know the event was scheduled for that Sunday afternoon. Many just saw the beach filling up with people and came down to see what was going on. Most stayed to watch the dinghies being rowed or sailed around the course with some going backwards and a few getting their oars tangled up with each other.

The hot sun and the cold Pacificos made the afternoon just right for being on the beach. It wasn't long before most of the kids was into the water and after the races, many of the owners of the dingies let the kids row them around for a while before taking them back to tie them behind their larger vessels.

Besides a lot of good, clean, family fun, another thing was accomplished by the Club Cruceiros de La Paz that Sunday afternoon. They helped to bring the english and the spanish speaking communities one step closer to understanding each other a little more. A lot of mingling was done on the beach that day and a lot of good will come from that for a long time to come.



THE KIDS HAD the most fun of all at the Dinghy Regatta. Gloria Morgan and Jessica Coleman enjoyed the event with a couple of their friends and were even loaned a dinghy to row around the bay themselves.



The Catamaran races saw some heavy competition. The fast "Cats" had to maneuver around a heavily congested course and back to the starting point in order to win.



EVERYONE HAD A good time either watching or participating in the Dinghy Regatta put on by the Club Cruceiros de La Paz.

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