

Stock Car Association

Yamanaka Reelected

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Racing Group President**

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Harry Yamanaka was re-elected to his third consecutive term as president of Oahu Stock Car Racing Association during the group's annual election meeting last night at Club 100.

Also reelected were Mrs. Vivian Miller, secretary, and Gilbert Gims, treasurer. David

Nakao is the new vice-president.

Named as drivers' representatives were Harry Takemoto, modified; John Sizler, sportsman; and John Lane, futurity.

Members last night approved a motion to permit former drivers to join the association. These drivers were banned when they drove for the promotional group headed by Al Montgomery.

Yamanaka

THE OAHU STOCK CAR RACING ASSOCIATION
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Car Group

Harry Yamanaka was elected president of the Oahu Stock Car Racing Association at a meeting held last night at Club 100.

He succeeds David Nakao, who was elected treasurer. This is Yamanaka's third term as president. He served in this capacity in 1956 and '57.

Fred Matsushima was named vice president and Vivian Miller was re-elected secretary.

New Election Held

Yamanaka Back in Office As President of OSCRA

Harry Yamanaka, who two weeks ago lost out to Alan Sonoda for the presidency of the Oahu Stock Car Racing Association, was back in office today as head man of the drivers.

The sudden turn of events took place last night at an association meeting held at Honolulu Stadium. Confusion reigned throughout the two-hour hassle. It started when some of the drivers questioned the constitutionality of the recent election although the group has been operating without an accepted constitution since its inception more than a year ago.

Those who objected to the election of Sonoda and others two weeks ago pointed out that the meeting was carried out without a quorum and that it was not legal. They called for another election and in the process reelected Yamanaka and came up with a new slate of officers.

They also created the post of treasurer which went to Gilbert Gima. Elected as vice president was Tommy Sawatari while Mrs. Vivian Miller was named secretary.

The meeting at times flared into personality clashes between what appeared to be Sonoda and Yamanaka factions.

Drivers managed to get through one item of business when they voted to boost the futurity division purse from 10 to 15 per cent. Three per cent of the purse will come from the modified division while the other two will come from the sportsman.

This means that modified drivers will receive 57 per cent and sportsman 38 beginning

with next Friday's races. They formerly were getting 60 and 40, respectively. It was explained that the five per cent is coming from the modified and sportsman drivers' "kitty" which already has reached its quota.

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Members also voted to hold a special meeting following next week's program to work out a set of by-laws and a constitution for the club. Yamanaka said last night the group has a constitution but that members did not vote to accept it.

"Somehow," Yamanaka explained, "it got lost somewhere." But he assured members of a new one within the next few weeks.

Stock car race figure Yamanaka dies at 56

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By CARL MACHADO

Harry H. Yamanaka, 56, one-half of the successful Stadium racing team of the late 1950's, died early yesterday of a heart attack.

The late manager of outside sales for Royal Tire is survived by his wife, Katherine; three daughters, Mrs. Thomas S. (Patricia) Uyehara; Mrs. Albert K. (Joanne) Ota, of Los Angeles, and Elnora Yamanaka of Honolulu; two brothers, Kenneth M. and Stanley T. Yamanaka, and a sister, Misao Yamanaka, of Honolulu.

Combined wake and funeral services for late auto racing leader will be held at 7 tonight at Hosoi Garden Mortuary. Burial will be held tomorrow at Moiliili Japanese Cemetery.

Yamanaka, president of the Oahu Stock Car Racing Association for several years, and Promoter Herb Agena, teamed up to make stock car racing one of the most popular sports at the Stadium.

"He had the complete con-

fidence of the 500-member stock car racing association and he served them well," recalled an O.S.C.R.A. official of the deceased. "He was dedicated to stock car racing."

His popularity with the drivers continued even after stock car racing ceased at the Stadium five years ago. Several months ago he called a meeting of the association and several hundred drivers showed up.

He and Agena have campaigned tirelessly for the past 15 months to get the city to grant them a lease at the Keehi Lagoon Speedway for stock car racing.

He was warned by his doctor, after a previous heart attack to take things easy. This he planned to do only after he "got the boys racing again."

Harry Yamanaka

Combined wake and funeral services for Harry H. Yamanaka, 56, of 3039 Lanikaula Street, Manoa, will be held at 7 tonight at Hosoi Garden Mortuary.

Mr. Yamanaka, an employee of Royal Tire and Supply Company, died of a heart ailment yesterday at Queen's Hospital.

Mr. Yamanaka, who was a leader of the stock car racing program in Hawaii, was for several years the president of the Oahu Stock Car Racing Association.

Burial will be held tomorrow at Moiliili Japanese Cemetery.

Survivors include: his wife, Katherine; three daughters, Mrs. Thomas S. (Patricia) Uyehara; Mrs. Albert K. (Joanne) Ota, of Los Angeles and Elnora; two brothers, Kenneth M. and Stanley T. Yamanaka, and a sister, Misao Yamanaka.

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Mr. Yamanaka, a salesman for Royal Tire & Supply Co., was a native of Hawaii, Hawaii.

Survivors are his wife, Katherine Kiyome Yamanaka; three daughters, Mrs. Thomas Seichi Uehara, Mrs. Albert Kiyoshi Ota of Los Angeles and Elnora Mitsue Yamanaka two brothers, Kenneth Masao and Stanley Takeo Yamanaka; a sister, Miss Misao Yamanaka, and two grandchildren.