

SPORTS



HERE THEY COME — Three boats in the North Wildwood Beach Patrol Around-The-Island Row come charging down the inland waterway. The boats are from

Wildwood Crest, Wildwood, and North Wildwood. The final standings were North Wildwood, Wildwood Crest, Wildwood Crest, Wildwood and Wildwood.

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N. Wildwood rowers win

The North Wildwood regatta rowing team of Harry Zander and Lt. Jim Troy captured first place Thursday in the first annual North Wildwood Beach Control Around the Island Row.

Zander and Troy made the 3-mile row in three hours and 15 minutes, easily beating out second place Lt. Steve Monaco and John Freeman

from Wildwood Crest, who came in at 3:17. The Crest team of Max Bilkens and John Greenwood finished third at 3:20.

North Wildwood's chances to sweep the first two positions were stymied when Al Smith, one of the lieutenants who was scheduled to row, was taken sick with heat exhaustion and had to drop out.

Weather was a factor in the race which started in North Wildwood and ended in North Wildwood after circling the entire island. Thursday was one of the hotter days of the summer, and although the lack of breeze made the water calm, it also slowed down the rowers.

"Three hours is a very good time," North Wildwood

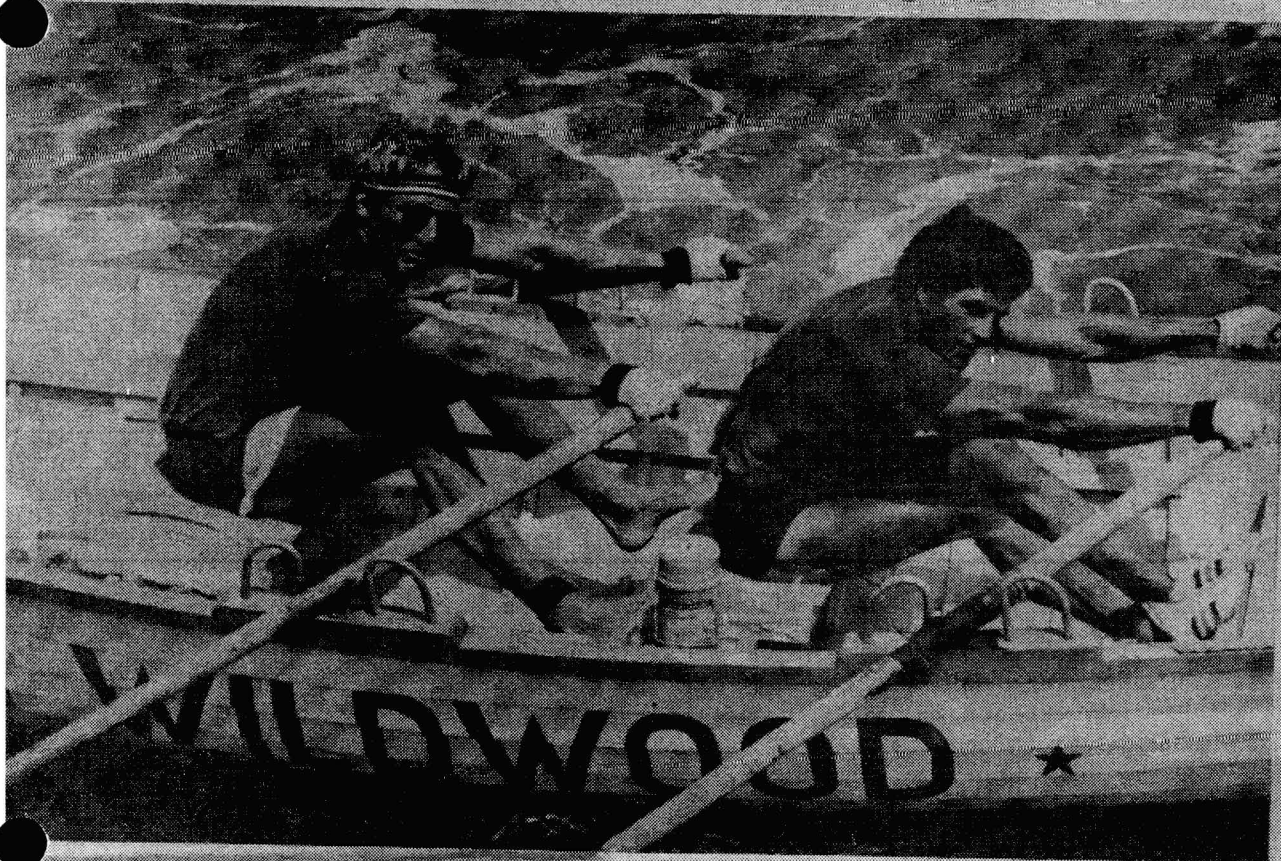
Councilman Bud Tarbotton, one of the originators of the race explained. "Our boys have done it about 2:35, 2:40 when they have a little wind to help them."

Tarbotton said that all the rowers deserved credit for participating "because it's a grueling race in that heat



THE WINNERS — Harry Zander and Lt. Troy of the North Wildwood Beach Control are flanked by Beach Director Bob Hall and Capt. Tony Cavalier after taking first place in an around-the-island rowing race.

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WINNING CREW — Harry Zander and Lt. Jim Troy of the North Wildwood Beach Patrol are shown on their way winning around - the - island race held Thursday.

Zander and Troy completed the 23-mile trek in three hours flat.

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around-the-island race

Tarbotton said the races could be expanded next year to include still more beach patrols. He said the race also increased his confidence in the top flight rowing team "can really put those up and take them on," and was confident they would do well in big

coastal competition in Atlantic City this summer. Tarbotton praised the "cooperation of our beach patrol helping set it up and the enthusiasm of the guys that were in it."

The boats were led on their trek by the Marine Police who "did an excellent job,"

Tarbotton said. In addition assistance was provided by private boats including ones belonging to Warrne Buckingham, Jerry McFadden and Lou Ostrander.

"These guys did a good job in keeping the traffic out and assisting the boats with orange juice, water, things like this."

Some crowds viewed the race as it proceeded around the island, and, according to Tarbotton, "it's quite a thing to see."

Zander and Troy, he said,

"never took a rest together. They finished as hard as they started."

All participants received a Bicentennial plaque and each rower will receive a color picture and frame. The winners were presented with trophies.

The next lifeguard competition will take place tonight at 6:30 at 18th Ave. when the North Wildwood Beach Patrol holds the Beschen Callahan races for the Wildwoods and Cape May.

