

# AA Volleyballers Champions Two Years in a Row

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The Outrigger Canoe Club AA volleyball team, defending AAU National Volleyball champions, won a second straight AAU Championship May 15 by defeating Maccabi, a strong California team, in the finals in Louisville, Kentucky.

Last month's cover story on volleyball focused on the USVBA Nationals in which the OCC AA's took fourth and the OCC Masters third in their division. Following are highlights of the preceding AAU tournament which the Outrigger won.

The OCC won the finals against Maccabi in two straight games. Downed by the Outrigger, Maccabi incidentally went on to win the Open Division of the USVBA tournament the following week.

Charlie Jenkins was named Most Valuable Player in the tournament for the second year in a row, having won that honor at the 1975 AAU Nationals.



Dodge Parker (l) and Charlie Jenkins. Photo Lucas

Competition was demanding, as the AA's played all of their matches, including the finals, in one day. They won a total of nine games in the tournament and lost only two.

The semi-finals match against Multnomah Athletic Club, ranked first in the nation, was a thriller. Scores were 11-15; 15-12; 15-11.

Players on the "AA" Championship team were Rod Durand, Dave Shoji, player-coach, Scott Rolles, Tom Davidson, Randy Shaw, Jim Iams, Cliff Kapololu, Bill Johnson, Scott Rigg, and Charlie Jenkins. Manager was Wally Young.