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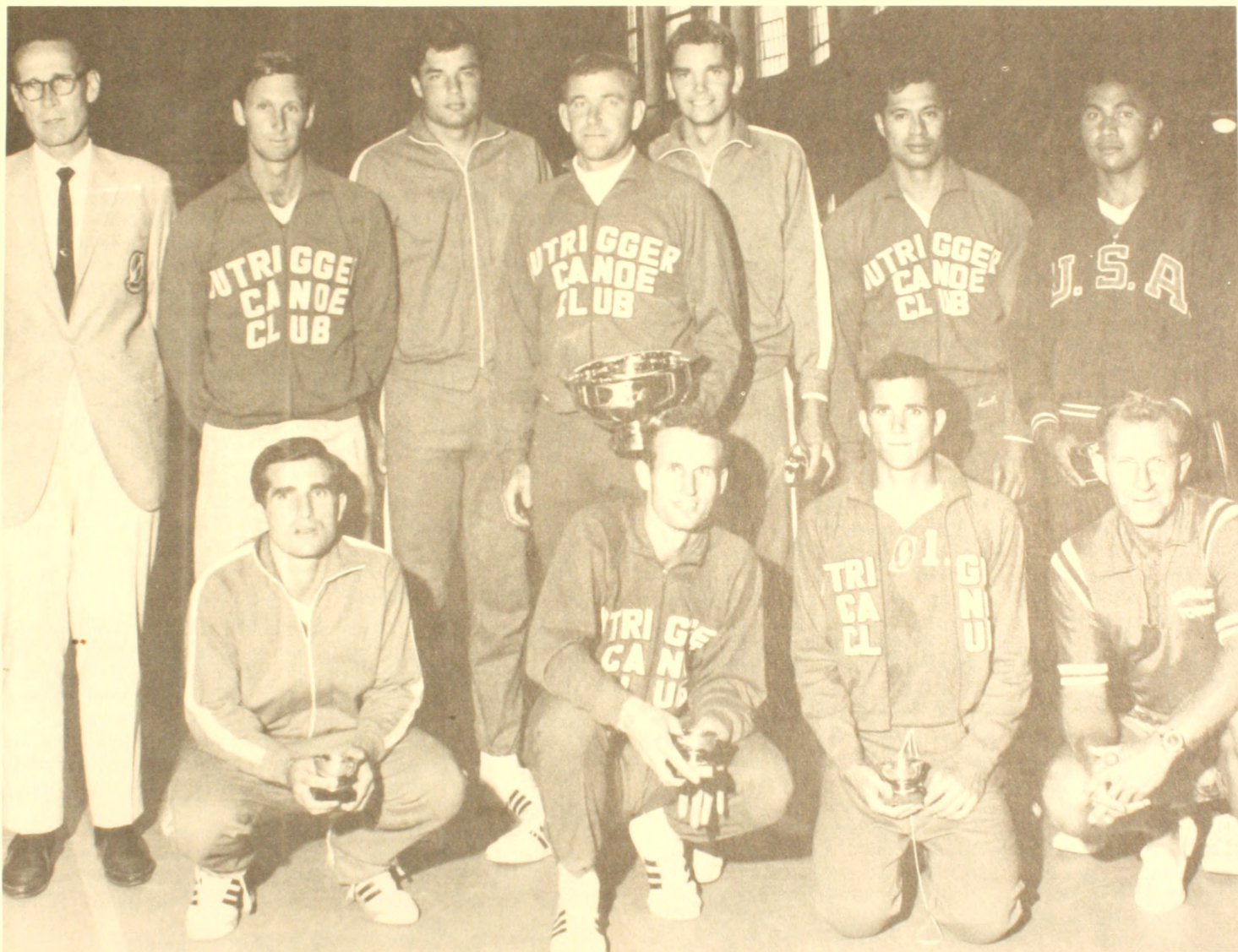
Outrigger Canoe Club

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National Volleyball CHAMPIONS

Volleyball

AAU AND THE NATIONALS

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The Outrigger Canoe Club's Volleyball Team made an excellent showing on their recent trip to the mainland to defend their National AAU Championship and play in the United States Volleyball Championships. Our trip started in Seattle, Washington where the AAU Championships were held at the University of Washington. This is a two-day tournament and its entries included the sixteen top teams in the U.S.A. The Outrigger went through the first day undefeated and then Sunday lost only one game on its way to the Championship, defeating Westside Community Center of Los Angeles in the final match. We not only defended our title, we won another National Championship. Members of the winning team were: **Tom Haine, Paul MacLaughlin, George Sarantos, Dodge Parker, Pete Velasco, Colin Chock, John Stanley, John Alstrom, and Carl McGowan.** Selected to the tourney's All-Star Team were: **Tom Haine, Pete Velasco and John Stanley.**

We next moved to Portland, Oregon and Portland State College for the U.S.V.B.A. Championship. We entered three teams in the two divisions and came home with second place in the Open Division and second place in the Senior Division (men 35 years and older). This was truly the finest Nationals of them all, with every team and team member doing his best to win a spot for the tryouts to pick our Olympic Team.

In the Open Division the Outrigger Whites (same team that won the AAU) won all their matches quite easily and moved into the finals of the Winners' Bracket to meet again Westside Community Center. The Outrigger won the first game in a best 2 out of 3 series, but Westside made a key switch in personnel and strategy and won second and third games. Thus the White team dropped into the finals of the losers' bracket there to meet again another Westside Team called the Reds. In this match which was quite exciting, Outrigger won in three games. Now we are in the finals of the Tournament again to play Westside Blue Team. In this match Westside was really playing terrific volleyball, and the Outrigger team played great also but seemed somewhat tired and got a couple of bad calls from the referee which took some of the fight out of the team. The Outrigger lost to Westside 15-5, 15-5. Every member of the White Team played well and certainly deserves all the credit due them.

We also entered a Green Team in the Open Division and this team was composed of members of the Senior Team and three players from the Varsity. This team lost to L.A.Y.M.C.A. (4th seeded in tournament) in its first match, but gave the L.A. team all it could handle before losing 13-10, 15-10. They played Beach State College in their first match of the losers' bracket and defeated Long Beach 15-6, 15-8. Then they played the Dallas Y.M.C.A., a strong national contender, and lost to them, 14-11, 15-6, thus they were eliminated from the Open Division. Members of this team were: **Pat Wyman, Ron Sorrell, Bill Baird, Bill Heilbron, Mike Holmes, Fred Noa, Dave Hendrickson, Dan Oredson, Mike McMahon and Cole McFarland.** This team and every member played their hearts out.

In the Senior Division, the Outrigger Team moved through the tourney quite easily and into the finals of the Winners' Bracket to play Long Beach Y.M.C.A.'s team. The Outrigger Seniors were really playing terrific volleyball in this match and won in two straight games. Long Beach then won the finals of the losers' bracket and came back to play the Outrigger Seniors again in the final

match. In the finals the Long Beach team was "red hot" and won two straight games thus forcing a one-game play-off for the championship. In the final game Long Beach, paced by Jim Montague (just elected into volleyball's Hall of Fame) and Dick Hammer (member of U.S. Olympic Team 1964), were too tough for Outrigger and won, thus capturing the Championship, and our Seniors were second. Members of the Senior Team and a real great team, were: **Bill Baird, Ron Sorrell, Fred Noa, Pat Wyman, Dan Oredson, Bill Heilbron, Wally Young** and the Iron Man of the tourney playing in both the Open and Senior, **Tom Haine.**

The Outrigger placed two men on the First String All-American Team, **John Stanley** and **Pete Velasco**, two on the Second Team, **John Alstrom** and **Tom Haine** in the Open Division.

In the Senior Division—First String All-American were **Tom Haine, Pat Wyman** and **Fred Noa.** On the Second Team were **Bill Baird** and **Ron Sorrell.**

A truly outstanding record and performance by all the players and they are to be congratulated.

Selected for tryouts for the U.S. Men's Olympic Team to be held in August were: **Tom Haine, Pete Velasco, Jon Stanley** and **John Alstrom.** The coach of Outrigger team, **John Lowell,** has been selected as the manager of the U.S. Olympic Team.

Selected as an alternate for the tryouts was another Outrigger member, **Tony Crabbe,** who played for Church College of Hawaii, and they came in second place in the Collegiate Division and were the "Cinderella Team" of the Nationals. Tony did an outstanding job for that team and deserves much credit for their success.

All in all, a great year for the Outrigger in volleyball, and certainly appreciated are all those who gave us support, and we hope to capture both National titles in 1969.

John Stanley has left Honolulu for six weeks of training with the Air Force in Texas. John will then go to Lake Tahoe to train with the U.S. Olympic Volleyball team.



VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

The following is a schedule of the summer sand volleyball tournaments. In an effort to eliminate some of the usual tournament confusion this summer we would appreciate all participants showing up on time for their games and to be available for two full days of volleyball.

Entries will close and the tournaments drawn up at **5 p.m. on Fridays preceding the tournaments.** Playing times will be available from the front desk on Friday nights.

Awards for all the summer tournaments will be given at a dinner the Sunday evening of the 4-man tournament.

The Volleyball Committee looks forward to seeing our new members, young members and the old guard on the courts this summer.

Volleyball Committee

Michael McMahon, Chairman

June	23-24	Open Draw Doubles
July	6-7	Kane-Wahine Open Doubles
	20-21	Men's Club Doubles
	27-28	State Open Doubles
Aug.	10-11	Junior-Senior Doubles
	17-18	75 Years or Older Club Doubles (Total of partners' ages at least 75 years)
	24-25	Wahine Open
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Sept.	1	4-Man Open