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VOLLEYBALL

ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S INVITATIONAL

The Annual New Year's Invitational Volleyball Tournament was held over the holiday weekend. Seven two-man teams competed in the junior division on December 31, 1965. Winners were Tommy Chapman and Tommy "Cooper" Cook, who proved themselves head and shoulders above the current crop of juniors. Taking second place were Tommy Levine and Mike Driscoll.

On January 1 and 2, the senior division contest was conducted with 21 teams competing, among whom were the winners and runners-up in the junior division. Winners were perennial champions Tommy Haine and Pete Velasco. Runners-up were Paul MacLaughlin and Butch May.



Volleyball winners are, front l to r, Mike Driscoll, Buster Chapman and Tommy Levine and rear, l to r, Butch May and Paul MacLaughlin. Inset is "Cooper Cook." Missing are Tommy Haine and Pete Velasco.

HAWAII-JAPAN

On December 16 and 17, 1965 Honolulu was treated to exhibition volleyball matches between the men's and women's teams from Japan and men's and women's teams representing Hawaii. Approximately 10,000 people saw the matches at the Honolulu International Center. The Japan teams are among the finest in the world, the women's having won the Olympic championship in Tokyo, 1964; the men's team took a third place in that Olympic. In addition, the Japan men had the distinction of being the only team to conquer the Russian team in the competition which was a round-robin affair.

The Hawaii Women All-Stars, which included Marilyn Haine and member Miki Briggs, were considerably improved over the performance of last May against the same Japan women. However, the latter are simply in a class by themselves and won every match with ease. In the men's match the Hawaiian All-Stars included Outrigger members Pete Velasco, U. S. Olympic Team Captain in 1964; All-Americans Tom Haine and Paul MacLaughlin; and Fred Noa, Bill Baird and Bob Jones.

The most exciting match came on the first night when Hawaii was able to defeat Japan 17 to 15 in the second game of the best-three-out-of-five match. This, however, was the only game Hawaii was able to win as the Japanese were clearly superior in condition and elements of the game.

1966 VOLLEYBALL GUIDE

A 1966 volleyball guide published by the U. S. Volleyball Association has just been received and summarizes the play in last May's national championships in Omaha. Designated as the outstanding player in the national tournament was our Pete Velasco who also was placed on the first team All-America selection. Tom Haine was awarded honorable mention.

NEW VOLLEYBALL COACH

Ron Sorrell was recently named as the new coach of the volleyball team which will represent the Outrigger Canoe Club in local tournaments and, hopefully, the national tournament. Ron has played for many years on Outrigger teams and competed in the nationals in 1960, 1964 and 1965.

For several years he coached the Outrigger juniors in the Paki Park League, which was won by our team. From 1958 to 1960 he served as Club Captain. For the last two years he has served as coach of the Punahou School volleyball team which last year won the inter-scholastic championship. He is a student of the game and a fine conditioner.

MIKI BRIGGS HONORED

The Honolulu Quarterback Club has just named member Miki Briggs as the outstanding female athlete in Hawaii for 1965.

This is the second consecutive year an Outrigger Canoe Club member has won this honor. The prior recipient was Fred Hemmings, Jr., who was named male athlete of 1964.

As a member of Punahou School's championship girls' swimming team, Miki holds the State records for 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle. Miki's coach is member Tom Haynie.

Oldtimers will remember that 40 years ago the records in these same events were held by member Mariechen (Wehslau) Jackson under the tutelage of Dad Center.