

Ocean Water Polo at OCC

Water polo returned to Waikiki Beach for the first time since the 1920s when Outrigger hosted the Invitational Open Ocean Tournament, June 27, in the ocean fronting the Club.

Four teams from Rainbow Aquatics, Hawaiian Islands Water Polo Club and the Outrigger competed in the tournament.

Goals were anchored on the coral and floating ropes delineated the boundaries of the 25-yard course. Surf was running 1-2 feet and swells rolled through the playing area regularly.

The tournament was won by the Rainbow White team. Second place went to Rainbow Green. Outrigger was third and HIWP was fourth.

Members of the Outrigger team were Captain Bruce Black, John Nielsen, Scott Stevenson, Denise Devaney, Joe Teipel and Eric Soderholm.

Jr. Riggers Buck Giles and Todd Duplanty played for HIWP.

High scorers for Outrigger were

Stevenson with six goals and Black with five.

The event was organized by Bruce Black and John Nielsen.

Next up for the Riggers is the Hawaiian Invitational Tournament at the University of Hawaii's Duke Kahanamoku Pool, August 17-23.

The game was very exciting for Club members who sat on the Terrace to watch the action.

Results:

Championship: Rainbow White 11, Rainbow Green 4.

Third Place: Outrigger 9, Hawaiian Islands 6.
Quarterfinals: Rainbow White 9, Hawaiian Islands 4; Rainbow Green 7, Outrigger 5. 🏆

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High scorer Scott Stevenson aims the ball toward the Rainbow goal as UH goalie Gary Beall prepares to block.