

# OCC Softball Team Wins Again

---

---

*By Jim Gaddis*

The Leahi League opener between the Elks Club and OCC was a special event honoring the late Kawika Fairbanks. The game was attended by Kawika's parents, David and Sharon Fairbanks, and his sister, Lori, as well as many friends.

Head Coach Jim Gaddis and outfielder-organizer John Kiner presented the Fairbankses with an official OCC cap with an embroidered "K" on it. Pokii and Paki Vaughan led the team and special guests in singing.

Unfortunately, the Elks team had to forfeit the official game. Nevertheless, a game was played. Highlights included home runs by Jim Cavanah and Paki Vaughan and nice catches by Pokii Vaughan and Dennis Fern. Nearly everyone enjoyed a multi-hit game including Bill Kilcoyne, John Kiner, Joe Muller, Jim Gaddis, Brian Hoernig, Byron Ho, Rick Piper, Jim McAluney and Dan Kirley.

The next week, the OCC softball team defeated Espresso, 11-9, to keep its record 2-0.

Highlights of the game include sparkling defensive play from the infield of Bill Lawson, McAluney, Paki Vaughan and Gaddis. Lawson and McAluney saved the game early by picking up every hot shot hit their way. Paki turned two double plays at second base and Gaddis dug out numerous throws at first base.

A big eight-run third inning for OCC gave the team a commanding 10-2 lead. Six singles, a double, two walks and an error resulted in the eight run barrage. Paki, Kilcoyne, McAluney and Keith Letman all had three hits each. Lawson, Gaddis and Pokii had two hits each. Kiner and Hoernig made nice catches in the outfield while Piper covered the plate duties with ease.

Scores and highlights from our next three games can be found in this column in next month's issue of the Outrigger.

Big games this month will be played on Monday, November 7 and Tuesday, November 15. Both games will begin at 5 p.m., across the street from the Club in Kapiolani Park. Thanks for supporting your team. Ø