Final Facts From the Softball Diamond

The 1993 OCC Softball team made great strides in returning the sport to the popularity it once knew. Participation and enthusiasm has never been better.

The team experienced a successful and enjoyable season. Here are some of the facts, figures and highlights from our Tuesdays at the ballpark.

It's hard to believe that, as a team, OCC batted .440 and didn't take the league crown. Twelve players cracked the .300 mark. Our top hitter, leadoff man Bill Kilcoyne had at least four solid hits taken away by miracle defensive plays. Those hits would have given him a whopping .810 batting average.

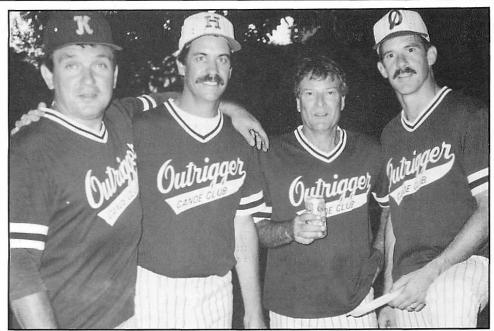
Jim Cavanah and Bill Lawson don't want to think about all the line drives they hit right at people. Clayton Chee once hammered a ball to third base that was accidentally snared by a young lady substituting for a missing player. It was the catch of the year.

Together, Henry Ayau and Jim Gaddis knocked in 17 runs but scored only five times. In most cases, pinch runners took their place to protect their bad knees.

Byron Ho struck out two batters in the season finale. That's unheard of in slow pitch softball.

Hot hitters and hitting streaks helped carry the team. Kilcoyne (10 for 12) and Kimo Brown (7 for 10) had their special moments. After a torrid 3 for 13 start, Keith Letman pounded out an incredible nine straight hits to spark our second half surge.

Gaddis, only 3 for 12 at one



Celebrating a victory and great food at a post-softball game BBQ were Bill Kilcoyne, Jim Gaddis, John Kiner and Bill Lawson.

point, finished the season with eight straight singles.

Three teammates found themselves playing four different positions at one time or another. Lawson (2B, 3B, SS, C), Letman (P, C, 1B, OF) and Gaddis (P, 1B, 2B, 3B) never knew what to expect.

Handyman John Kiner (C, 1B, OF) helped out everywhere. He made some great catches, contributed clutch hits and coached the bases.

Utility men Gerry Nishimoto and Pokii Vaughan (injured leg) inspired the team with their enthusiasm and desire to help the team in any way they could.

The most valuable player for 1993 is Bill Kilcoyne. Paki Vaughan was

a very close second. Kilcoyne not only led the team with his bat, glove and attitude, but his invaluable leadership as well. He always helped maintain OCC's pride and dignity.

The most valuable defensive player for 1993 is Nolan Ramirez. He sucked up grounders like a vacuum. He was truly a joy to watch. . . the best shortstop in the state.

Kawika Fairbanks challenged Ramirez' award with three unforget-table diving catches in the outfield.

A special thanks goes out to Kilcoyne and Letman for organizing the weekly post-game BBQ. The players and their families always enjoyed sticking around for great food and fellowship.

1993 300 Hitters

	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG
Bill Kilcoyne	27	11	18	3	.660
Paki Vaughan	29	10	16	10	.550
Jim Gaddis	20	4	11	12	.550
Nolan Ramirez	22	4	12	3	.540
Clayton Chee	26	14	14	7	.530
Henry Ayau	10	1	5	5	.500
Keith Letman	25	3	12	2	.480
Jim McAluney	23	8	11	7	.470
Kawika Fairbanks18		3	8	4	.440
Kimo Brown	23	7	10	10	.430
Bill Lawson	17	2	6	8	.350
Jim Cavanah	23	6	7	5	.300

HR--Paki Vaughan, 2; Clayton Chee, 1; Jim McAluney, 1; Jim Cavanah, 1.



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