## **OCC Softball Turnout is Fantastic**

After a long absence, OCC softball is back in the news. Player participation is at an all-time high which suggests this exciting sport is here to stay.

OCC lost the league opener at Elks Field to Maharaja. Everyone played and had a great time. Shortstop Jim Cavanah and pitcher Jimmer Gaddis led the team with three hits apiece. Unfortunately, the game was riddled with dropped balls.

Second baseman Bill Lawson contributed three hits and Paki Vaughan crushed a three-run homer in game two. A record 20 players saw action including veterans Henry Ayau, Bill Kilcoyne and Bob Riley. Errors, again, proved to be our downfall in a 9-4 loss to Imua.

Sixteen players took part in an 8-7 loss to the Makuli's. Jim Cavanah belted a two-run home run. Outfielders David Dyas, Wes Goodwin and Bill Kilcoyne each had two hits. Burt Heilbron contributed two RBI's while Larry Tavares turned in brilliant plays at third base.

Despite the losses, this team is confident, upbeat and determined to win the league crown. Catch next month's softball news for all the stats and facts.