

Softball Team Asks Why

The OCC Softball team doesn't want to hear about being the overwhelming pre-season favorite anymore. They don't want to hear opposing teams say, "Take is easy on us today," or "Please keep it close."

They don't even want to hear how sharp they look. All they want to do is start a long-awaited win streak.

It seems every team plays to a higher level when they meet OCC. The opposition keeps making impossible catches and improbable plays to snuff out big OCC innings.

OCC may lead the league in hitting, but when you lead the league in LOB's (left on base), chances are you aren't scoring all the runs you need to win.

And it doesn't help when you make all your errors in one inning. If you take away just one bad inning from every game OCC has played, they'd be 4-0 instead of 0-4.

OCC lost to SSD 8-7 even though OCC shut them out six out of seven innings. That's right. SSD scored all eight runs at one time.

Season highlights include two unbelievable sprawling catches by outfielder Kawika Fairbanks. Paki Vaughan has hit two homeruns. Jim Cavanah has hit one. Clayton

Chee was called out for stepping on home plate after he hit a home run. Henry Ayau's hobbled tape measure triple would have been the longest homer of the year if not for his bad knees.

A fantastic relay throw from Paki to Jim Gaddis to Jim McAluney nailed a runner trying to stretch a double into a triple in game three.

Fortunately it's a long season and OCC can still win the second round. Incredibly enough, team morale is high and everyone is having a great time.

If you want to see one of the best teams OCC has ever put on a ball field, come out on Tuesdays across the street at Kapiolani Park at 5 p.m. The team BBQ begins, as always, right after the game.

OCC's Top Hitters:

Bill Kilcoyne	.750
Paki Vaughan	.730
Henry Ayau	.600
Nolan Ramirez	.570
Jim McAluney	.500
Kawika Fairbanks	.450
Jim Cavanah	.380
Clayton Chee	.370
Jim Gaddis	.333
Kimo Brown	.300