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Bows star in Vegas show

Defense saves 24-19 victory

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — It came down to one final yard of the line — and the football — but the University of Hawaii beat the home team last night.

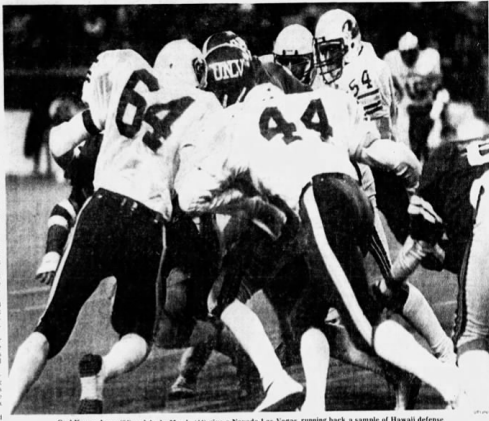
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Carl Kenney (64) and Andy Moody (44) give a Nevada-Las Vegas running back a sample of Hawaii defense.

quarterback Mike Thomas (47) of 117 yards in the first quarter, accumulated in a 24-19 victory. UNLV's offense was in jeopardy of an upset at home on the matter of the defense, had their 21-point first half offense almost gone, stopped the University of Nevada-Las Vegas at the 10-yard line with 17 seconds remaining in the game to preserve a 24-19 victory.

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Waianae uses same script

By Chae Mammone
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The Waianae Warriors, who have nearly 40 major OIA West championships in their history, were last night in the fourth round of perfect ball games. The Warriors were their fourth straight Western Division crown, and captured their 40th straight OIA title in the process. Led by James Alexander, the Warriors defeated the Maui team 24-19.

The victory was Waianae's 21st in the last 22 games and the 40th in the series. Coach Larry Gibbs said the Warriors had the script of the great-day OIA title.

It also moved the Warriors ahead of the Maui team in the standings. Waianae has now won four of the five games with two others winning up to a tie. More importantly, it was the Warriors' first straight OIA title in possession.

Last night's victory allowed Waianae to win the OIA championship game against Kapaemahu at Aloha Stadium. It will be the first time since the team's move to the OIA title with each having won once. The Warriors are the defending champion.

Waianae was not total command through the evening, although the lead remained a half-century offense and an unending defense that turned the game into a mere carnival side-show. The Maui team passed 300 yards, but it did so in one play — behind Timon Kaka's 30-yard run and 123 yards from the Maui "big play" — a 30-yard run by Kaka in the 10th minute and 30 seconds of the 30-minute game.

Fifty-five of Waianae's plays were on the ground as the Warriors found the stadium carpet for their liking early and decided to stay there.

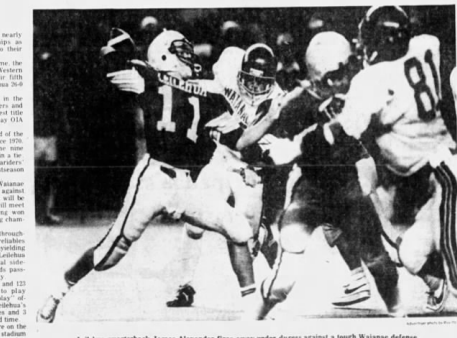
"We didn't know how they were going to do us against us. It took a couple of minutes to get their defensive scheme," said Gibbs.

The Warriors must have had what it was to do the Maui's efforts to counteract their defensive line defense.

"We tried to confuse their blocking scheme, but they're so well drilled they just picked it up and whipped us at the line," said Leitch coach Herb Leitch.

"We tried to take away their middle line, but they were just too good. We'd make the line and they'd carry us for 10 or 15 yards."

Actually it was more like 6 or 7 yards as



Leitch quarterback James Alexander fires away under duress against a tough Waianae defense.

the Warriors threw up 373 yards. They had on 30 and to keep on-helmet yards in the air for a whopping 48 yards in total offense.

"We're not pleased with the boys, it was a total team effort," said Gibbs. "We read it together on offense and defense."

Al Adams, the Waianae star, said Leitch was always proud of his defense, and probably on which the time was not very well be called the "Waianae Defense" — the opportunity is very familiar with them.

Last night's debut was the sixth on the line for the Warriors, who haven't given

Bowl lineup

- INDEPENDENCE BOWL**
Dec. 15, Shreveport, La.
Opponents undetermined.
- GARDEN STATE BOWL**
Dec. 15, East Rutherford, N.J.
Navy (12-0) vs. Houston (5-7)
- IRIDIUM BOWL**
Dec. 15, San Diego
SMU (12-0) vs. Wake Forest (10-2)
- TANGIER BOWL**
Dec. 20, Oklahoma, Ok.
Marshall (10-1) vs. Florida (7-7)
- Fiesta Bowl**
Dec. 20, Phoenix, Ariz.
Ohio State (9-1) vs. Michigan (8-2) vs. Penn State (9-1)
- SUN BOWL**
Dec. 22, Ft. Worth, Texas
Mississippi State (8-2) vs. Oklahoma (7-2) vs. Oklahoma (7-2)
- LIBERTY BOWL**
Dec. 22, Memphis, Tenn.
Purdue (7-1) vs. Missouri (12-0)
- HALL OF FAME CLASSIC**
Dec. 22, Birmingham, Ala.
Tulane (7-2) vs. Cincinnati (4-7)
- GATOR BOWL**
Dec. 27, Jacksonville, Fla.
South Carolina (8-2) vs. Pittsburgh (7-1)
- BLUEBONNET BOWL**
Dec. 27, Houston, Texas
North Carolina (9-1) vs. Texas (7-2)
- SLUG BOWL**
Jan. 1, New Orleans, La.
Georgia (10-1) vs. Notre Dame (8-8)
- COITON BOWL**
Jan. 1, Dallas, Texas
 Baylor (9-1) vs. Alabama (8-2)
- ROSE BOWL**
Jan. 1, Pasadena, Calif.
 Washington (8-2) vs. Ohio State (9-1) vs. Nebraska (7-1)
- ORANGE BOWL**
Jan. 1, Miami, Fla.
 Nebraska (9-1) vs. Oklahoma (7-2) vs. Florida State (9-1)
- PEACH BOWL**
Jan. 2, Atlanta, Ga.
 Virginia Tech (8-3) vs. undetermined opponent

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