

# Seadogs Defeat North Brook, Red Oak to Gain Finals

## Blue Jays 70-54 Victims Of Defending State Champs

By BILL MORGAN

First-round play in the state playoffs at Durham Thursday night saw the Beaufort Seadogs winning their seventh straight state playoff game and their 74th straight game over a three-year period in blowing an out-manned North Brook team 70-54.

The game was a foul-filled affair with a total of 58 infractions being called in the 22 minutes of play. Twenty-eight of Beaufort's total points came from the charity stripe. J. Hill, the defending state champion had 42 points.

Unable to get started in the first half, the Seadogs couldn't take more than a five-point lead in the initial two quarters, and at halftime were leading by only three points, 23-20. Beaufort's inability to hit from the floor and the fact that the smaller Blue Jays were holding their own in the rebounding department kept the Seadogs from taking an edge in the first 16 minutes of play.

The second half of the game was a different story altogether as the Seadogs took advantage of North Brook's fouling to open a big lead early in the third quarter and then coasted to their first 1961 playoff win. Beaufort coach Tom McQuaid made liberal use of his reserves in the last half with his

and stringers seeing most of the action in the final quarter after his starters had built up a 20-point margin, 62-42.

Pud and Ray Hassell, who have been McQuaid's leading scorers throughout the season, threw a one-two scoring punch at the Blue Jays by scoring a combined total of 42 points. Ray rammed in 9 field goals and 5 free throws for a game high of 22 points while Pud was close behind with 6 field goals and 8 free throws for 20 points. Pud also led both teams in rebounding, sweeping carcasses off both boards.

Harry Arthur, a 6-4 North Brook senior, paced the losers with 19 points.

The win advanced the Seadogs into Friday night's semi-final play and pitted them against the Red Oak Rebels in a replay of last year's championship game. Red Oak barely made it to the second round with a narrow 43-41 win over Rossman Thursday on a last-second field goal by Roger Reges.

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The difference in the game came in points scored from the floor as the Seadogs hit 26 of 42 field goal attempts while the Black Knights were managing only 19 of 41 tries from the floor. From the free throw line, Beaufort collected 21 points to only 10 for Beaufort.

Beaufort	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Croon	4	0	2	8
Hill	0	0	4	0
Lewis	0	2	2	4
Hassell, P.	8	6	3	22
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Hassell Flying In



Beaufort's Ray Hassell, No. 15, goes high off the floor to dunk a layup against the Beaufort Black Knights Saturday in the state championship game at Durham. The layup, coming in the closing minutes of the game, gave the Seadogs a five-point lead over the Knights and helped the McQuaidmen to their third straight state championship. No. 15 for Beaufort is Steve Shore.

## Big Green Routs Rebels 57-49 on St. Pat's Day

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The green-clad Beaufort Seadogs gave head coach Tom McQuaid a fitting St. Patrick's day present Friday night by registering a 57-49 win over the Red Oak Rebels in the semi-finals of the state Class 1-A basketball tournament at Durham. The game was a replay of last year's championship tussle with only the score being different this year.

The Rebels, of coach W. R. Ennis, matched basket for basket with the more experienced Seadogs during the second and third quarters before faltering in the final frame under a 19-point effort by the defending state champions.

With Pud Hassell scoring in the first quarter, the Seadogs managed to open up a 14-9 lead over their capable foes but at halftime they found themselves all even with the Rebels as Gary Martin and Walter Faulkner sparked a drive that allowed Red Oak to knot the count at 24-24 as the two teams left the floor at halftime.

In the third quarter the Seadogs twice opened up leads of three points but could get no further as the Rebels stayed right on their heels. Tight man-to-man defense employed by both teams kept the scoring at a bare minimum.

At halftime, only six fouls had been called in the game and all of these were against Beaufort. Red Oak didn't draw its first foul until early in the third quarter and they finished the game with only seven personals.

An exchange of baskets near the end of the third frame knotted the count at 36-36 as the two teams went into the final quarter. Pud Hassell and Chuck Lewis dropped through field goals for Beaufort but these were countered by field goals by Red Oak's Gary Martin and Roger Reges.

Midway in the final quarter, a five-point spurge by the Seadogs opened up an 8-point spread for their largest margin of the night. With the score at 43-42, Pud and Johnny Hassell jumped in field

goals and Chuck Lewis added a free throw for the 8-point lead. Red Oak's next 6 points were scored by Walter Faulkner who drove through the Seadogs' defense under a 19-point effort by the defending state champions.

This narrowed the margin to 33-32. Beaufort tallied two free throws by Chuck Lewis and a field goal by Ray Hassell to put the Rebels in points behind with just seconds remaining in the game.

Before the final whistle, Gary Martin threw in a final Rebel basket to make Beaufort's final advantage 8 points, 57-49.

In scoring, each team had two players in double figures with Pud Hassell topping all of the point makers with 20 points. The senior captain of the Seadogs threw in 14 field goals and two free throws for his total. Red Oak's Gary Martin and Walter Faulkner trailed Beaufort with 17 and 15 points respectively while Chuck Lewis contributed 11 for the winners.

Beaufort	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Croon	1	0	0	2
Lewis	3	5	1	11
Hassell, P.	14	2	1	30
Hassell, R.	4	0	3	8
Jones	1	0	2	2
Hill	1	0	3	2
Hassell, J.	1	0	0	2
	25	7	10	62

Red Oak	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Reges	2	4	3	8
Smith	3	1	1	7
Martin	8	1	0	17
Coles	1	0	0	2
Faulkner	6	3	3	15
	20	9	7	49

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