

Blue Devils Post Easy Win Over Newport

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The Smyrna Blue Devils, playing without the services of their ace rebounder, Dale Lewis, got a 34-point effort from Braxton Piner Wednesday night to bury the Newport Hawks 85-45 in a game played at Smyrna.

Lewis, who sprained an ankle against the same Hawks last week, was forced to watch the game from the sidelines but, as it turned out, the Blue Devils didn't need his help as they handled the Hawks with ease.

The Blue Devils scored their first basket on the opening tip and from there were never headed as they raced to an 11-point lead at the end of the first quarter.

In a rough and ragged second period the Blue Devils poured 28 points through the hoop to open their lead to 21 points at 47-26. Leading the 28-point outburst was Piner who hit four straight field shots before missing one near the end of the period.

In the third quarter the Blue Devils put the game on ice as the Hawks came up with their coldest shooting of the night. In the eight-minute period, Newport could manage only seven points while Smyrna was collecting 25.

Blue Devil coach Jim Parkin gave his second unit some experience in the final frame and they had no trouble in holding the large Blue Devil lead.

Behind Piner in the scoring column came Winkie Chadwick of Newport who tallied 16 points and Curt Nelson of Smyrna who finished the night with 14 points.

As a team, the Blue Devils made

19 of their 37 free throw attempts for a 51.3 per cent accuracy. Newport attempted 40 gift shots and made 23 of them for a percentage mark of 57.5.

In the preliminary game the girl Blue Devils won their fifth straight of the year, riding to an 86-64 victory over the Hawks on the strength of a 56-point performance by Brenda Golden.

The Hawkettes trailed by large margins throughout the contest as they were unable to check the red-hot shooting of Golden. Carolyn Phelps, with 28 points, and Melinda Gillikin, with two, rounded out the Smyrna scoring.

Jenny Lynn Garner paced the Newport scoring by dropping in 28 points, followed closely by Margaret Lilly who tallied 26.

Smyrna coach Walter Fulcher started a back-court trio of Linda and Diane Willis and Elizabeth Styron. He also used Alice Chad-

wick, Becky Brown, Trudy Gillikin and Joan Valentine.

The Newport guards were Lana Linebarger, Paula Mann and Dottie Whitley. Jane Murdoch and Betsy Oglesby also saw action.

BOX SCORE

Morehead	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Whealton	4	1	4	9
Styron	5	1	3	11
Smithwick	5	2	3	12
Thompson	7	0	3	14
Sledge	3	1	4	7
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	24	5	17	53

Smyrna	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Piner	3	8	0	14
Lewis	5	2	4	12
Meares	4	5	2	13
Nelson	4	0	3	8
Jones	0	0	1	0
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	16	15	10	

BOX SCORE

Smyrna	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Jones	4	2	2	10
Nelson, N.	2	0	0	4
Piner	6	1	1	13
Lewis	10	5	4	25
Davis, G.	1	0	0	2
Meares	0	1	1	1
Yeomans	3	1	2	7
Nelson, C.	9	1	3	19
Davis, A. C.	0	0	2	0
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	35	11	15	81

Dover	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Jones	3	4	3	10
Whitley	3	1	4	7
Hudgins	6	1	1	13
White, G.	0	2	3	2
White, E.	3	8	3	14
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	15	16	14	46

Smyrna	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Jones	1	0	0	2
Piner	8	1	1	17
Lewis	7	1	2	15
Nelson	10	4	1	24
Meares	1	0	2	2
Yeomans	2	0	0	4
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	22	6	6	64

Aurora	FG	FT	PF	PTS
Bennett	9	0	3	18
Thompson	10	1	0	21
Midgette	1	0	1	2
Brown	1	0	0	2
Edwards	4	1	4	9
Jordan	1	0	0	2
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	26	2	8	54