

Beaufort Seadogs are Leading County in Offense, Defense

The Beaufort Seadogs are living up to pre-season predictions so far with a record of two victories and no losses. The victories came over Pamlico Central and New Bern, both AA schools.

The Seadogs are currently averaging 59 points per game and allowing their opponents an average of 38.5 points per game. The Morehead City Eagles, with a record of two victories and one loss, are second in scoring, averaging 57 points per game. The Eagles have allowed their opponents 55 points per game.

The Atlantic Pirates have won four games and lost three. The Pirates are scoring at a 51.9-point per game average. Their opponents have averaged 48.9 points per game.

The Newport Hawks, boasting a 6-2 mark, average out at 1.4 points per game better than their opponents. The Hawks have averaged 50.4 points per game while giving up 49 points a contest.

The Smyrna Blue Devils are the only team with a losing record. They hold one victory and have lost six decisions. The Blue Devils have hit a 47.9-point per game and have given up 58.1 points per game.

Butch Hassell, Beaufort, after playing two games, has moved into the county scoring lead with a 21-point per game average. Johnny Mason of Newport has scored the most points, 123. He is hitting at an average of 15.4 points per game.

Leading scorers in the county follow:

BEAUFORT			
Games	Pts.	Avg.	
Butch Hassell	2	42	21
Pud Hassell	2	21	10.5
Allen Autry	2	15	7.5
Sammy Merrill	2	10	5
Frank Potter	2	10	5
Leon Thomas	2	9	4.5
ATLANTIC			
Games	Pts.	Avg.	
Roger Harris	7	102	14.6
Bobby Nelson	7	93	13.3
George Golden	7	55	7.8
Stevie Mason	7	54	7.7
Sammy Salter	7	38	5.4
SMYRNA			
Games	Pts.	Avg.	
Dale Lewis	7	86	12.3
Curtis Nelson	7	67	9.6
Braxton Piner	7	63	9
Horace Lawrence	7	53	7.6
Carroll Hill	7	34	4.9
Paul Wade	7	20	2.9
MOREHEAD CITY			
Games	Pts.	Avg.	
John Phillips	3	40	13.3
Lynwood Durham	3	38	12.7
Jimmy Swann	3	35	11.7
Walter Morris	3	35	11.7
Charles Thompson	3	13	4.3
NEWPORT			
Games	Pts.	Avg.	
Johnny Mason	8	123	15.4
Johnny Turpin	8	116	14.5
Billy Wade	6	83	10.4
Larry Kirk	3	25	8.3
Tommy Gillikin	7	35	5

Atlantic Pirates Sweep Twin Bill from Smyrna Blue Devils

The Atlantic Pirates swept a twin bill from the Smyrna Blue Devils at Atlantic Tuesday night. The Atlantic lassies took a 58-55 verdict in the first game and the Pirates won the feature game by a 72-58 margin.

Roger Harris paced the Atlantic attack with 24 points but high scoring honors for the night went to Dale Lewis of Smyrna who bucketed 28 markers for a losing cause. The Pirates grabbed an early lead and were never seriously threatened by the Blue Devils. By the end of the first period the Pirates held a 13-7 advantage which grew to a 31-20 score by the intermission.

The second half was more even as the Pirates out-scored the Blue Devils, 18-15, in the third quarter. Each team scored 23 points in the final period.

Bobby Nelson, Atlantic's scrappy guard, was taken from the game with an injured shoulder after scoring only eight points. He was hitting for an average of more than 14 points per game going into the contest.

Nelson was taken to the hospital Wednesday for a checkup and Coach Roy Cockerham hopes to use him against Morehead City tonight.

Others who played for the winners were George Golden, 13, Stevie Mason, 13, Van McIntosh, 6, Sammy Salter, 8, Ray Tallent,

Aubrey Harvey and Danny Harvey.

Playing for Coach Jimmy Parkin's Blue Devils were Lewis, Curtis Nelson, 12, Braxton Piner, 10, James Meares, 4, Horace Lawrence, 4, Paul Wade, 2, Roland Lewis, Carroll Hill.

The Blue Devils sank 20 of 26 free throws for 77 per cent accuracy. The Pirates hit on 26 of 36 charity shots for 72 per cent. Harris scored 14 of his 24 points on free throws, hitting 14 of 18 shots.

The girls game was a more closely contested affair and was a real crowd pleaser. The first quarter ended with the score tied at 16 all. Only two points separated the teams at the end of the half as Atlantic led, 32-30.

The Atlantic girls pulled away in the third quarter to build their biggest lead when the score stood at 49-42. Midway through the last quarter Atlantic had a 58-51 lead and Coach Cockerham called for his team to freeze the ball.

The Smyrna guards stole the ball less than a minute later and Atlantic's advantage dropped to five points. Moments later an Atlantic forward missed an easy lay-up and Smyrna got the rebound.

After Smyrna scored two points to move the score to 58-55, the Atlantic girls managed to freeze the ball effectively for the final

BASKETBALL

TONIGHT
Beaufort at New Bern
Morehead City at Atlantic
Camp Lejeune at Smyrna
Dixon at Newport

TUESDAY NIGHT
Smyrna at Swansboro

WEDNESDAY NIGHT
Beaufort at Atlantic

THURSDAY NIGHT
Swansboro at Morehead City
Newport at Havelock

two minutes of an exciting game. Rita Gilgo, with 34 points, was high scorer for Atlantic. She scored most of her points under the bucket after Anita Brown hit six outside shots during the first quarter to bring the Smyrna defense out a bit. Brown ended the night with 16 points. Linda Taylor scored the other eight points for Atlantic.

Jan Willis scored 29 points for Smyrna. Carolyn Phelps managed 16 points, Melinda Gillikin scored six and Brenda Golden and Brenda Baker scored two each.

Guards for Smyrna were Clarice Willis, Brenda Willis, Carol Willis and Sally Hooper. Brenda Salter, Jency Mason, Bonnie Brickhouse and Pat Fulcher played the guard positions for Atlantic.