

# Dallas Wayne Arthur and Jimmy Davis Thrill Fans in Blues' 10-Inning Victory

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DALLAS WAYNE Arthur had his brightest hour in the sun yesterday evening at 6:45 and it wasn't because he had just won another ball game.

He pitched 6 and two-thirds frames of no-hit no-run baseball to give the Eastern Blues a 7-6 victory over the Braves. This third straight Seashore League triumph for the Blues gave the losers a 10-inning thriller for the official dedication of their exciting new Salter Path Ball Park.

But his finest moment

## SEASHORE STANDINGS

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Eastern Blues	3	0
Coastal Grays	1	1
Carteret Tides	1	1
Newport Red Sox	1	2
Salter Path Braves	0	2

came when Dallas Wayne requested that his picture not appear in THE NEWS-TIMES today. What he left unsaid was that he felt the tremendous spirit of sportsmanship and community togetherness far overshadowed all else as the true story of the afternoon.

### THAT IT DID INDEED.

The Braves lost, 'tis true, but they gave Manager Wilson Davis' Blues the battle of their lives in this finest Seashore competition I personally have seen in the 3-year history of the league.

The Blues led, 2-1, then 4-1, then 4-2, then 6-2. But then the Braves tied it up, 6-6, with a tremendous 4th-inning rally.

AND THAT'S the way things stayed until 6-foot-4 230-pound Paul Damren broke up the ball game in the 10th inning. He crashed a clear-the-tracks double to deepest left field to score Ronnie Fulcher from second with the go-ahead run.

Even then the Braves refused to roll over and die. Neal Smith opened the Salter Path 10th with a screaming line drive to right that barely failed to clear the fence. John LaChance and Robert Salter both walked. But then Stanley Ackerson grounded out to Damren, unassisted, at first base.

And that's all she wrote.

NINETEEN YEAR Old Jimmy Davis, a 5-10 185-pound right-hander, matched Dallas Arthur pitch for pitch, only Jimmy went the full 10 innings. This magnificent newcomer to the community gave up 9 hits, 3 earned runs and struck out 8.



Salter Path's Jimmy Davis shows form that kept teammates very much in contention Sunday afternoon. The Eastern Blues won 7-6, but had to go 10 innings and that "extra mile" to do it.

(Photo by Duane Willis)

tremendous take-charge guy behind the plate, paced the Braves with a 380-foot home run.

Starter Brad Piner walked himself out of the pitcher's box when he gave up his 4th base on balls along with all 5 Salter Path hits in 3 official innings.

THEN CAME ONE for Ripley's Believe It or Not. George Zurenko came out of the Blues' dugout and was charged with 2 base on balls on just 7 pitches.

Here's how it came to pass: George inherited a bases-loaded situation with no outs. He walked Ted Willis of the Braves on 4 straight pitches, forcing in a run, then hurled himself into a 3-0 jam on Jimmy Davis.

That's when Wilson Davis called in Dallas Arthur from

left field to the mound. Exit Mr. George. Dallas completed the walk, forcing in another run, but it was charged against Zurenko.

HERE IS ONE VERY special prediction: Generations from now, this Seashore classic of yesterday will live in the ages-old folk-lore of this grand community known as Salter Path.

"John Turnage pitched the finest game we've seen him hurl in a long time," said Co-Manager Rodney Kemp of yesterday's other Seashore League game.

Co-Pilot Donald Leatherman agreed as the defending champion Carteret Tides lambasted the Newport Red Sox, 12-3, on Gannon Talbert Field. Chuck Lewis paced the Tides at bat with 5 for 5.

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Game # 3

7-6 against

Salter Path

His poise, pitching savvy and all-around self-control on the mound spelled out big-league PROSPECT to more than one seasoned observer. He has a steaming fastball that moves, a lightning-sharp curve and some better-than-adequate changes of speed.

His teammates committed 4 errors, while the Blues were guilty of just 1 and thereby hangs the tale. We're going to be hearing a

BEST OF ALL, Jimmy Davis showed he knows how to lose with a smile — just as Dallas Wayne Arthur proved a gracious winner.

The details? Milton Scott, Dale Lewis and Ronnie Fulcher each collected 2 hits apiece for the Blues. Ronnie and Damren smashed key doubles. Lewis Meador, a