

Blues Clinch First Place; Mason Lilley Hurls a Gem

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Here's to Brad and Dallas,
They're true Blue.

What about Gilbert
And Turnage, too?
But never forget
Old pro Mason Lilley.

'Cause they all belong
In the Seashore Who's Who.

WILSON DAVIS' Eastern Blues clinched first place in Seashore League baseball. They did it by scoring twin victories over the Carteret Tides, 13-3, Saturday and, 7-5,



MASON LILLEY

yesterday. Both afternoon games were played on the Smyrna School diamond.

Manley Gaskill and Paul Damren hit towering home runs to pace the Blues Saturday. Catcher Randy Grady proved all the difference in the way he handled the Down East pitching.

Dallas Wayne Arthur showed himself the prize left-hander of the last 2 years when he struck out 17 and spun a neat 5 hitter Saturday. Dale Lewis went 3 for 5 at bat, with a double and 3 stolen bases. John Turnage deserved a better fate on the mound for the Tides, but the Blues hit their batting peak. Fletcher Poulk and Cecil Lilley paced Carteret with 2 for 4.

Right-handers Brad Riner and George Gilbert tangled in a game that could have gone either way yesterday. Both yielded 13 hits, but played "kitty-bar-the-door" in the clutch. Gilbert and John Turnage each set the pace at bat with 3 for 5.

Mason Lilley Hurls Braves' Gem

AN IMPRESSIVE FORMER pro, Mason Lilley by name, age 23, dominated yesterday's 6-2 conquest of the Coastal Greys for the Braves in the Salter Path Ball Park.

He pitched a 4-hitter, struck out 11 and led the winning batters with 3 for 4. Louis Meador, Mason's catcher, cracked a double and single in 4 trips. Third-baseman Bob Stewart slammed a double and single in his 3 at-bats. Steve Burnette of the Braves and Monroe Johnson for the Greys walloped towering home runs.

Plate Umpire Bill Oliver volunteered this comment about the right-handed Lilley's pitching: "He's the best I've ever seen in the Seashore League."

SEASHORE BASEBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	AVG.
Eastern Blues	15	4	.789
Carteret Tides	10	8	.556
Newport Red Sox	9	8	.529
Coastal Greys	7	11	.389
Salter Path Braves	4	14	.222

WEDNESDAY'S GAME AT 8 P.M.

Tides at Sox (Swinson Park).

SATURDAY'S GAME AT 8 P.M.

Blues at Sox (Swinson Park).

SUNDAY'S GAMES AT 2 P.M.

Tides at Braves (Salter Path Ball Park).

Sox at Greys (Swinson Park).