

Gaskins Bests Handley in 5-Hit Mound Thriller

Price and Company Gang Up on Woody, Webb To Cop Night Game

By Fred Miller

Morehead City clung to its slim one game lead in the Carteret County league semi-pro race by edging Beaufort 5-4 Sunday at Wade Bros. park behind the five-hit twirling of Dennie Gaskins. Beaufort, the night before, had walloped Morehead 13-4 to momentarily tie Manager Bill Tuttle's nine as second round action began.

The Saturday slugfest was a case of winning hurler Jimmy Piner giving up four less hits than did Tom Woody and Jim Webb as both teams—their big bats glittering in the light rain—whacked out a total of 28 bingles.

Youthful Piner, in going the long route, dished up 12 safeties, struck out eight, and walked seven. Losing righthanded speedballer Woody lasted just six innings, being knocked out for nine runs on 10 hits, while fanning nine and walking two. Lefty Webb took over long enough to be tagged with the remaining four tallies on six hits as Beaufort continued their base hit onslaught.

Led by shortstop Billy Price, Beaufort hitters could do no wrong as every starter with exception of Handley, playing third, connected for one or more base hits. Johnny Lynch, taking over hot corner duties in the sixth, however, drove out a single in Handley's stead.

Price Pounds Pill

Free-swinging Price had a field day, banging out two doubles and a single in five trips to the plate, driving in three runs and scoring once, while Dick Cahill followed closely with a double and a single in four times at bat, knocking in a run. The speedy leadoff man also stole two bases and scored four runs. Other stickers hitting frequently were Elvin Davis, Sam McCarney, George Graybill, and Reggie Bay—each rapping out 2-5.

Boyd was top platemate for Morehead, knocking in two runs with three singles in five times at bat, with Gaskins, playing rightfield, Carl Anderson, and Haywood Kelly right behind with 2-4, 2-4, and 2-5, respectively. Nimble catcher Anderson really disapproved the cliché that all catchers are cumbersome by pilfering four bases—two in the sixth, and two in the ninth.

Morehead broke into the scoring column in the second inning by tallying three runs on a sacrifice by Ellis, a walk to Anderson, a wild pitch, and singles by Gaskins and Boyd. They added another tally in the fourth on Boyd's single and Kelly's long double to left-center, added two more in the seventh on a walk, another double by Kelly and Ellis' triple, knocking out Woody, and concluded with one run each in the last two innings on four walks and singles by Boyd and Anderson.

Beaufort came back in their half of the first with a run on a walk to Cahill and cleanup man Graybill's long triple to right, added a singleton in the fourth, two in the fifth, two in the sixth, and exploded for five in the seventh. That was the ball game.

Bay Bangs Ball

Graybill started the big fifth by lining a single out over second, and raced to third on McCarney's two-bagger to deep right-center after Russell filed to center. Bay then banged another two-bagger down the leftfield line, chasing in two runs, and Lynch drilled a single to left, plating another run.

Cahill continued the assault with a single through short, and that was all for Woody. Price and Davis drove in the final tallies, greeting Webb with singles, before Graybill, hitting his second time of the inning, fanned for the third out.

Two additional markers in the eighth only proved insurance for Beaufort as Piner got Holt on a popper to second, and fanned Kelly with one run in and two-runners on base to end the ball game.

Sunday the exact opposite was true as Gaskins and Lee Handley



Team	W.	L.
Morehead City	6	2
Beaufort	5	3
Newport	3	5
Marshallberg	2	6

City Softball Standings

Team	W.	L.
American Legion	6	1
Beaufort Odd-Fellows	5	2
Morehead Jaycees	3	2
Morehead Marines	4	3
Lions	3	4
Tide Water Power	3	4
Coast Guard	2	4
Fry Roofing	0	6

Carteret County Results

Saturday

Newport 7, Marshallberg 0.
Newport 4, Marshallberg 3.
Morehead 8, Beaufort 13.

Sunday

Marshallberg 5, Newport 17.
Morehead City 5, Beaufort 4.

hooked up in a great total 10-hit game. Both righthanders were in control all the way except in the second inning when Morehead combined a walk to Skinny Ellis with sacrifices by Anderson and Gaskins and consecutive singles by Boyd and Holt to score three times.

Dennie Works Dandy

Chunky Gaskins, using an assortment of fastballs, curves, and change of pace pitches, had Beaufort stickers eating out of his hand, whiffing six and walking but four. He was in real trouble only in the first and last innings.

In the opening inning Manager Charles Hassell's boys came up with their first run on a walk to Cahill and singles by Davis and Sonny Russell, and in the ninth utilized a single by McCarney and infield errors by Holt and Boyd to tally twice, almost knotting the score. Gaskins, however, quickly got out of the jam with the aid of a lightning Holt to Tom Benton to Kelly double play on Cahill's smash, ending the game.

Stylish Handley, working his first full game on the rubber, also utilized an assortment of change of pace throws to keep Morehead batters off balance the better part of the game. The lean righthander struck out five and issued four free tickets.

Big batters in the Morehead attack were leadoff man Boyd and cleanup man Benton—each collecting 2-4. Boyd's timely second inning Texas leaguer chased two runs in, while Benton combined a third inning Texas leaguer to right with a stolen base and two wild pitches by Handley to tally another important marker. Lefthanded distance swinger Davis also garnered two singles in four plate trips to feature Beaufort stickers.

Diamond Sidelights

Beltin' Benton, back with Morehead after playing good pro ball for Wilson, was installed cleanup man for both contests and did all right. He had 1-4, knocking in a run Saturday, and came through with 2-4 Sunday.

Davis, who swings from the heels on every pitch, had some tough luck at the plate against Gaskins, although collecting two singles in four plate attempts. In the first inning the big lefthander poled a curving foul over the rightfield wall; pulled another foul over the same wall in the third, and in the eighth, lined still another over the

MC Recreation Schedule

Wednesday — 9:30 a.m., First Methodist-Royal Ambassador baseball game; 9:30 a.m., second round of the ping pong tournament; 10:30-12 noon, midget football; 1:2 p.m., girls softball; 1:30-3 p.m., supervised play for children between the ages of 5-8; 4:5 p.m., girls basketball.

Thursday — 9:10 a.m., horseshoe tournament; 9:30 a.m., Eagles-Royal Ambassador baseball game; 11 a.m., Scout class; 1:2 p.m., midget football; 2:5 p.m., girls basketball and softball.

Friday — 9:12 noon, ping pong and horseshoe tournaments; 1:3 p.m., boys baseball, ages 13-16; 3:5 p.m., boys and girls softball; 4:6 p.m., tennis class.

Saturday—9:11 a.m., boys football; 9:30-11 a.m., boys and girls softball and basketball.

short wall which was foul by inches.

Box Score: Saturday

Morehead, 8	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Boyd, ss	5	2	3	3	1	0
Holt, 3b	6	0	1	3	0	2
Kelly, 1b	5	1	2	3	0	0
Benton, 2b	4	0	1	1	0	0
Robinson, cf	4	0	0	2	0	0
Gaskins, rf	4	2	2	0	0	0
Ellis, lf	3	2	1	0	0	0
Anderson, c	4	1	2	1	1	0
Woody, p	2	0	0	0	1	2
Webb, p	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	39	8	12	24	4	5

Beaufort, 13	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Cahill, 2b	4	4	2	2	3	0
Price, ss	5	1	3	3	6	0
Davis, rf	5	0	2	0	0	1
Fodrie, cf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Graybill, lf-c	5	1	2	5	0	0
Russell, 1b	3	2	1	1	0	0
McCarney, cf	5	2	2	2	0	0
Bay, c-lf	5	1	2	3	0	0
Hassell, c	0	0	0	1	0	0
Handley, 3b	2	0	0	0	1	0
Lynch, 3b	3	2	1	0	0	0
Piner, p	5	0	1	2	0	0
Totals	42	13	16	27	12	2

Morehead, 030 100 211—8
Beaufort, 100 122 52x—13

RBI: Price 3, Bay 3, Davis 2, Piner 2, Lynch, Cahill, Graybill, Boyd 2, Kelly, Benton, Ellis, Robinson, 2B: Price 2, Cahill, Davis, McCarney, Bay, Kelly 2, 3B: Graybill, Ellis; SB: Cahill 2, Holt, Anderson 4; DP: Price-Cahill; Sac: Ellis; LOB: Beaufort 10, Morehead 13; Hits off Piner 12 in 9, Woody 10 in 6 1/3, Webb 6 in 1 2/3; SO: Piner 8, Woody 9, Webb 3; BOB: Piner 7, Woody 2; WP: Piner; PB: Graybill; winner: Piner; loser: Woody; umpires: Rabon, Brown.

Beaufort, 4	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Cahill, 2b	3	2	0	0	2	0
Price, ss	4	0	2	3	1	0
Davis, rf	4	0	2	3	0	0
Graybill, c	4	0	0	4	0	0
Hassell, c	0	0	1	0	0	0
Russell, 1b	4	0	1	12	0	1
McCarney, cf	4	1	1	1	0	0
Bay, lf	3	1	0	1	0	0
Lynch, 3b	3	0	0	2	0	0
Handley, p	4	0	1	0	4	1
Totals	33	4	5	24	11	3

Morehead, 5	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Boyd, ss	4	1	2	0	5	1
Holt, 3b	4	0	1	1	3	1
Kelly, 1b	3	0	1	1	1	0
Benton, 2b	4	1	2	2	4	0
Robinson, cf	3	0	0	2	0	0
Woody, lf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Ellis, rf	2	1	0	1	0	0
Anderson, c	3	1	0	6	0	0
Gaskins, p	1	1	0	1	0	0
Totals	28	5	5	27	13	2

Beaufort, 100 000 012—4
Morehead, 031 000 10x—5

RBI: Boyd 2, Holt, Kelly, Russell, Davis, Handley; SB: Benton, Boyd, Cahill, Davis; Sac: Anderson, Gaskins; DP: Holt-Benton; Kelly, Handley-Price-Russell; LOB: Morehead 6, Beaufort 6; Hits off Gaskins 5 in 9, Handley 5 in 8; SO: Gaskins 6, Handley 5; BOB: Gaskins 4, Handley 4; WP: Handley 3; PB: Graybill; winner: Gaskins; loser: Handley; umpires: Rabon, Brown.