

Tides Trip Blues 6-3 At Smyrna

THE CARTERET Tides appear off to a good start this season. Grady Willis and his Seashore Baseball League charges toppled the defending champion Eastern Blues 6-3 Sunday afternoon in an exhibition battle on the Smyrna School field.

Rick Heal got the pitching win for the Tides, although he was relieved by George Viereck. Together, they struck out 8 Blues, walked 3 and allowed only 4 hits.

RONNIE FULCHER started on the mound for the Blues, and got the loss, but three other pitchers saw action before the contest ended. They were Dallas Arthur, Danny Brooks and Kenny Lewis.

The Tides scored 6 runs on 10 hits, while making 3 errors. The Blues got 3 runs on 4 hits and were charged with 3 fielding mistakes.

Doug Landingham led the Tides at bat with 3 singles in 4 trips to the plate. Paul Damron paced the Blues, slamming out a 3-run homer in the first inning.

The Tides will take on the Salter Path Braves at 3 p.m. this coming Sunday on the Salter Path field.