

Swansboro Pirates Squeeze by Seadogs After Two Overtime Periods, 44-43

Teams Play Real Thriller At Beaufort Gym Friday

It took two overtime periods to do it, but the Swansboro Pirates finally took a 44-43 decision over the Beaufort Seadogs at Beaufort Friday night.

The regulation game ended with the score tied at 40 all. A last-second shot by Beaufort's Pud Hassell was followed by Alex Copeland, who hit just after the buzzer sounded. That put the game into its first overtime.

With 1:40 remaining in the overtime and Beaufort holding for one shot, officials called Danny Willis for charging. Swansboro's Ronald Lisk stopped to the line and sank his free throw to put the Pirates ahead 41-40.

The Seadogs took charge of the ball and moved back up the court, only to have Dallas Darnell of Swansboro foul Raymond Gillikin. Gillikin hit on his free throw to tie the score at 41 all with a minute left.

The Pirates had possession of the ball and were playing for one shot at the basket. Paul Kozma was called for walking and Beaufort got the ball.

With 15 seconds left, Beaufort's Larry Dudley palmed the ball and Swansboro took over again. The Pirates hustled down the court on a fast break with Darnell taking the shot.

Pud Hassell went up to block the shot, but officials ruled that he hit Darnell's hand as well as the ball and gave Darnell a free throw.

Misses Big Chance

The Swansboro star, who scored 19 points for the night, had a chance to win the game right then. He stepped to the line and shot. The ball hit the rim, rolled around and came out.

Beaufort grabbed the rebound and started a fast break down the floor with three seconds left in the game. Gillikin hit from 15 feet out just after the buzzer sounded. One of the officials ruled that he shot before the buzzer and that the game was over. Jubilant players carried Gillikin off the court and into the dressing room.

A red-hot conference at the scorer's table convinced the officials that Gillikin had shot after the overtime was finished. It took several minutes to clear the floor and get the teams back on the court for a second three-minute overtime.

The Pirates got the tap-off as the second overtime began. Aubrey Riggs got away to score a lay-up and give the Pirates a 43-41 edge.

Darnell hit on a free throw after Beaufort had scored and the ball game was over. Gillikin took a desperation shot at the basket from mid court as the buzzer sounded, but it was short.

Coaches Sweat it Out

The entire game was a thrilling event from the fans' point of view. The coaches died a thousand times as their teams missed many chances to wrap up a victory.

The Pirates held the lead during most of the game. With three minutes to go in the first half they had a 21-11 lead over the Seadogs.

Beaufort went into a full-court press at that point and pulled up to within four points of the Pirates by the end of the half. When the teams went to the dressing rooms, Swansboro had a 23-19 lead.

Pud Hassell hit with 5:30 left in the third quarter and put the Seadogs ahead, 29-27, for the first time during the game. The lead exchanged hands several times before the game ended in a 40-40 tie. Butch Hassell fouled out and left.

Beaufort Girls Lose 50-33 To Swansboro

The Swansboro sextet came from behind in the second half to take a 50-33 victory over the Beaufort Lassies Friday night. The game was played at the Beaufort gym.

The Beaufort girls solved the Swansboro zone defense early in the game, scoring 10 points in the first quarter and 12 in the second. Swansboro scored eight and 12 points in the first two quarters and trailed 22-20 at the half.

The Swansboro defense tightened up in the second half, allowing Beaufort's forwards to score seven points in the third quarter and only four in the final period.

The Swansboro forwards hit for 14 points in the third quarter and 16 points in the last eight minute period.

Nancy Mason, sharpshooter, Beaufort forward, led the scorers with 23 points. Linda Salter scored seven. Ft. Lupton, two, and Lynda Chadwick, one.

Mary Ann Williams was high scorer for Swansboro with 20 points. Beth Kellum scored 14. Susan Jones scored 12 and Agnes Thig scored four.

Beaufort guards were Sheila Willis, Judie Moore, Ann Davis and Diane Garner.

Guards who played for Swansboro were Shirley Wiggins, Eleanor Kellum, Charline Spakes and Becky Worman.

Swansboro scored on 12 of 23 free throws for 52 per cent. Beaufort hit on nine of 16 for 56 per cent accuracy.

The Beaufort line-up with 2:05 left in the regulation game and watched the two overtime periods from the bench. He scored 14 points while he was in the game.

Gillikin scored 13 points. Pud Hassell hit for seven. Danny Willis scored six and Alex Copeland scored three. Larry Dudley and Allen Axtre failed to score.

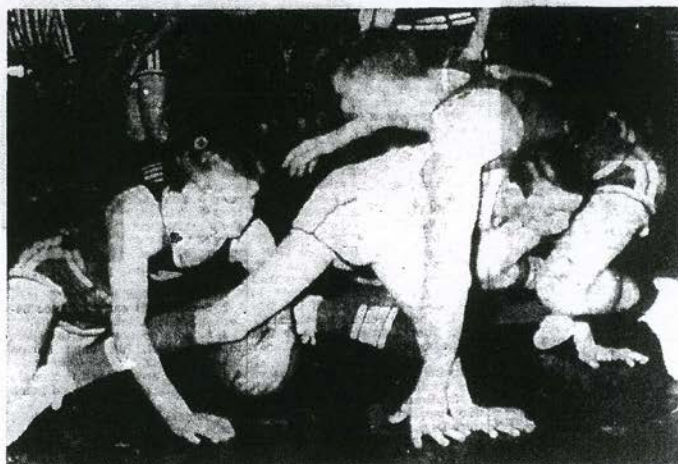
Darnell, with 19 points, was high scorer for the Pirates. Riggs scored 11. Jimmy Guthrie hit for 10 and Ronald Lisk and W. T. Casper scored two each. Paul Kozma, starting Pirate center, failed to score.

The Seadogs hit on 16 of 57 shots from the floor for 28 per cent accuracy. From the line they had a 58 per cent mark, 11 for 19.

The Pirates hit 15 of 33 shots from the floor for 45 per cent accuracy. They scored on 14 of 23 shots from the line for 61 per cent.

Car Windows Smashed

Vandals in Morehead City and Atlantic Beach smashed three car windows during the past week. The damage was caused while the cars were parked. Police are investigating.



Photos by Bob Seymour

Dallas Darnell, left, gains possession of the ball in a wild scramble during the Swansboro-Beaufort game Friday night. The Beaufort player, in white, is Pud Hassell. The third player is Ronald Lisk.



Butch Hassell of Beaufort fires a shot at the basket over the outstretched arm of Paul Kozma of Swansboro. Hassell scored 14 points for the Seadogs but fouled out before the game was over.

Pamlico Lassies Beat Atlantic

The Pamlico County sextet extended its fabulous win streak by another game Friday night when they took a 52-31 decision over Atlantic at Bayboro. The Pamlico County girls have not lost a game since early last season when they lost to Jones Central.

There was no question about the outcome of the game after the opening quarter. Pamlico took a 15-3 lead in the first eight minutes and held a 27-15 lead at the half.

Gilge of Pamlico scored 22 points and Rita Gilge of Atlantic scored 20. Anna Brown scored six points. Jamie Goodwin scored three and Linda Taylor scored two for Atlantic.

Brenda Salter, Jean Fulkner and Katy Gillikin started at the guard positions for Atlantic.

Scoring for Pamlico were Gilge with 22 points, Ireland, 15, Alexander, 9, Sanders, 4, and Whorton, 4. Hall, Barnes and Caraway started as guards for the winners.

Morehead Tops Beaufort Team

The Morehead City All Stars, bolstered by the presence of Wayne Cheek, scored a 91-79 victory over Beaufort at the Morehead City gym last Wednesday.

Cheek scored 22 points to lead the Morehead City team to the victory. Kent Brown scored 22 and Bob Willis hit for 21 for Morehead City.

David Lee was high scorer for Beaufort with 20 points. Larry Kirk scored 15 for the losers.

The score was tied at 50 all after the first half, but the Morehead City team pulled away early in the second half and won going away.

Scoring for Morehead City were Brown, 22, Cheek, 27, Willis, 21, Donald Chadwick, 5, Bruce Griston, 5 and Raymond Willis, 6. J.