

Seashore League

Tides, Blues Will Go Head-to-Head Friday

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THE CARTERET TIDES, with a record of 9-3, will meet the league leading Eastern Blues, 12-2, at 8 o'clock Friday night at Swinson Park in the key confrontation in the Seashore Baseball League this weekend.

In other games the Tides will play a pair of games with the Red Sox Sunday afternoon at Swinson, while the Blues will meet the Braves at Salter Path. Both Sunday matchups will begin at 2 p.m.

FRIDAY NIGHT'S GAME PROMISED to provide plenty of action. The league's top five hitters are on both teams, three Tides and two Blues. The league's leading home run hitter is on the Blues and a Tide follows him. In runs scored, it's the exact opposite. Both teams have plenty of pitching, as the league's ERA leaders are mostly Tides and Blues.

The Blues will most likely start their ace, Dallas Arthur, on the mound, while the Tides will probably start one of the Raynor brothers, Jim or Gary.

Top Twenty
(Based on 30 at-bats)

NAME — TEAM	AB	R	H	Pct.	G
Andy Raynor, Tides	41	21	24	.585	11
Ronnie Fulcher, Blues	33	13	15	.454	9
Paul Damren, Blues	42	19	20	.452	13
Fletcher Pouik, Tides	46	14	20	.434	11
Chuck Lewis, Tides	47	10	18	.382	12
Richard Collins, Greys	58	12	22	.379	15
Wayne Mobley, Tides	43	13	15	.348	12
Dallas Arthur, Blues	35	10	12	.342	8
Alex Fox, Greys	44	10	15	.340	15
Ronnie Willis, Red Sox	57	7	19	.333	16
Jim Taylor, Braves	31	4	10	.323	8
Mike Burchette, Red Sox	53	14	17	.320	15
Kenny Lewis, Blues	52	14	16	.307	13
Jimmy Davis, Braves	36	9	11	.305	11
Tony Naumen, Braves	36	8	11	.305	11
Neal Smith, Braves	60	5	18	.300	14
Richard Arthur, Blues	30	5	9	.300	8
Bill Adams, Greys	32	4	9	.281	12
John Turnage, Tides	33	13	9	.272	10
Randy Grady, Blues	30	8	8	.266	11

Top Five Pitching Records
(Based on innings)

	IP	H	BB	SO	W	L	ERA
Jim Raynor, Tides	28 one-third	13	5	43	3	0	1.27
Gary Raynor, Tides	33 one-third	21	12	20	2	1	1.42
Dallas Arthur, Blues	41 one-third	21	27	64	4	1	1.65
Richard Arthur, Blues	29	20	9	27	3	0	3.72
Bruce Jeter, Red Sox	25 one-third	20	20	40	2	0	5.21

Strikeouts:
Dudley, Greys, 92; D. Arthur, Blues, 64; B. Piner, Blues, 56; J. Raynor, Tides, 43; Jeter, Red Sox, 40; Waters, Braves, 39; Davis, Braves, 30; R. Arthur, Blues, 27; Hardesty, Greys, 22; Nelson, Red Sox, 21.

STATISTICAL LEADERS

Home Runs:
Damren, Blues, 9; A. Raynor, Tides, 7; Turnage, Tides, 5; K. Lewis, Blues, 5; Gaskill, Blues, 5; Brax Piner, Blues, 4; Fox, Greys, 4.

RBI:
R. Willis, Red Sox, 20; Pouik, Tides, 19; Fox, Greys, 17; Mobley, Tides, 17; Damren, Blues, 17; K. Lewis, Blues, 17; A. Raynor, Tides, 16; Gaskill, Blues, 16; Turnage, Tides, 11; N. Smith, Braves, 11.

Runs:
A. Raynor, Tides, 21; Damren, Blues, 20; Hancock, Blues, 16; K. Lewis, Blues, 14; Burchette, Red Sox, 14; D. Lewis, Blues, 14; Pouik, Tides, 14; C. Lewis, Tides, 13; Turnage, Tides, 13; R. Fulcher, Blues, 13; Mobley, Tides, 13.

Stolen Bases:
Burchette, Red Sox, 9; Session, Braves, 8; Hardesty, Greys, 7; Handock, Blues, 7; Lendingham, Tides, 6; Collins, Greys, 6; 5 tied with 5.