

## Tough Competition Expected

# Seashore Baseball League Tournament to Start Sunday

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THE SEASHORE BASEBALL League ended its regular season last week, but its second season begins this weekend as the Eastern Blues, Carteret Tides, Salter Path Braves and Western Red Sox begin an end-of-season tournament.

The regular season champion Eastern Blues will meet the Western Red Sox in a vital contest at 2 p.m. Sunday at Smyrna. Although it is a double-elimination tournament, it's good to have that first win under your belt, not a first loss. The Red Sox have always been trouble for the Blues as they split their four games this year, two wins apiece.

IN THE OTHER game, the second-place Carteret Tides will open 2 p.m. Sunday at Swinson Park against third-place Salter Path. This game promises to be filled with excitement as the Braves have a solid chance at winning the tournament with the likes of Jimmy Davis, Tony Nauman, Neal Smith, Johnny Lippert, while the Tides counter with the Seashore League's Mr. Everything, Andy Raynor, and the league's best assortment of hitters.

Mr. Raynor of the Tides missed winning the triple crown this year by one home run. His batting average was a Seashore League record .552. He had 29 RBI's, but nine home runs, one short of the Blues' Paul Damren, who got 10.

CHARLEY HARDESTY of the Greys and Mike Bur-  
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Seashore League Top Party  
(Based on 35 at-bats)

	AB	R	H	Pct.	G
Andy Raynor, Tides	67	28	37	.552	17
Paul Damren, Blues	61	23	36	.426	18
Chuck Lewis, Tides	70	15	27	.385	17
Tony Nauman, Braves	69	12	18	.261	15
Rennie Willis, Red Sox	69	11	25	.362	20
Richard Collins, Greys	70	14	25	.357	18
Fletcher Poulit, Tides	73	14	26	.356	17
Richard Arthur, Blues	41	7	14	.341	12
Alex Fox, Greys	53	13	18	.339	18
Johnny Lippert, Braves	59	14	26	.338	16
Jimmy Davis, Braves	39	10	12	.305	12
Rennie Fletcher, Blues	35	13	10	.327	14
Mike Burchette, Red Sox	53	14	17	.320	15
Wayne Mobley, Tides	47	13	15	.319	14
Dallas Arthur, Blues	44	12	14	.318	12
Neal Smith, Braves	60	13	24	.300	19
Coch Lilly, Tides	50	9	14	.280	17
George Gilbert, Tides	30	15	14	.280	14
Charlie Hardesty, Greys	47	13	13	.276	16
Kenny Lewis, Blues	44	14	18	.272	18
Bobby Shelton, Red Sox	39	10	16	.271	17
John Turnage, Tides	57	21	15	.263	14
Manly Gaskin, Blues	72	11	19	.263	19
Bruce Norman, Braves	39	4	10	.256	10
Jay Garner, Red Sox	39	4	10	.256	13
Randy Grady, Blues	47	10	12	.255	15
Dale Lewis, Blues	57	15	14	.245	18
Bill Adams, Greys	41	6	10	.243	15
Roy Adams, Greys	51	6	12	.235	14
Doug Lanningham, Tides	61	11	18	.222	18
Ray Teter, Red Sox	43	12	14	.222	20
Braxton Piner, Blues	54	11	11	.196	17
Jimbo Hodges, Red Sox	62	11	12	.193	18
Randy Lewis, Braves	37	6	7	.189	13
Tommy Mann, Red Sox	44	6	12	.189	19
Tommy Vincent, Red Sox	39	4	7	.179	14
Keith Waters, Braves	52	7	9	.173	17
Mike Dudley, Greys	44	4	8	.173	14
Tony Hancock, Blues	52	17	9	.173	14
Rodney Kemp, Tides	41	4	7	.170	12

	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	SB	Avg.
Carteret Tides	451	155	192	22	4	30	17	.294
Eastern Blues	455	150	172	12	3	36	30	.362
Western Red Sox	394	88	141	20	2	15	29	.357
Salter Path Braves	604	91	143	32	1	12	26	.236
Coastal Greys	538	99	113	11	5	9	41	.210

Pitching — Top Ten (based on ERA)

	IP	H	BB	SO	W	L	ERA
Jim Raynor, Tides	45.3	39	15	98	5	2	3.21
Dallas Arthur, Blues	44.3	42	47	94	5	2	3.60
Neal Smith, Braves	32.6	14	14	32	4	2	3.86
Johnny Lippert, Braves	24.3	24	11	34	0	1	4.43
Gary Raynor, Tides	29.3	28	16	34	2	2	5.31
Rusty Nelson, Red Sox	28.4	25	21	14	1	3	7.98
Richard Arthur, Blues	39.4	29	15	31	4	0	8.06
Bruce Jeter, Red Sox	32.3	36	20	47	3	0	8.81
Brad Piner, Blues	64.4	53	22	65	6	2	9.43
Jimmy Davis, Braves	36.4	27	25	30	2	1	17.07