

# Smyrna Lassies Defeat Morehead Eaglettes by 60-49 Score Friday

## Victory Clinches County Title for Smyrna Girls

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The Smyrna lassies wrapped up the regular season county championship Friday night with a 60-49 victory over the second-place Morehead City Eaglettes. The visiting Eaglettes were never in the ball game after the first quarter.

Smyrna gained a quick advantage and ran the score to 19-8 by the end of the first quarter.

## Player's Parents Write to Paper

The parents of Sherman Salter, tackle on Morehead City's state championship football team, wrote the following letter to Bob Seymour, sports editor:

Dear Mr. Seymour: Being the parents of Sherman Salter, we would like to thank those who were so kind to vote for him as being one to get a trophy for good sportsmanship.

We don't know who gave it to him since their names are not on the trophy, but we would like to say through your paper thank you so much for this honor.

We are proud to have been able to have had a son on the Morehead City football team. He, along with us, wishes to thank you again for the trophy.

It was the whole team and their fine coach which made the Morehead City Eagles the fine sports that they are.

We are sorry that we don't have another son to take his place.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Salter. The sportsmanship trophies were presented by Leary's, W. F. Freeman Wholesale Co. and the Morehead City Jaycees. The players themselves voted for the winners of the awards.

## Caldwell Oilers Defeat Raiders

The Caldwell Oilers handed the Smyrna Nite Raiders a 60-50 pasting in a New Bern city basketball league game Thursday night. The loss dropped the Raiders into a first-place tie with Maola. Each team has a record of six victories and two losses.

Smyrna's Dallas Arthur was high scorer for the night with 19 points. He was the only Nite Raider to score in the double figures. McCotter, Avery and Prescott scored 16 points each for the Oilers.

Others scoring for Smyrna were Kenny Davis, 9, Wilson Davis, 2, Louis Thomas, 2, Pierson Willis, 8, Bob Fagen, 1, Everette Golden, 4, and Nick Sikorski, 5.

The winners held a 28-26 edge after the first half of play.

## Coastal Plain Tourney Slated

The Morehead City Eagles will play Smithfield in the opening round of the Coastal Plain AA Conference tournament at Jones Central Wednesday, Feb. 26.

Conference secretary Ed Thompson of Pamlico has announced the following pairings:

Wallace vs. Hobbs at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 26; Morehead City vs. Smithfield at 9 p.m., Feb. 26; the winner of the Morehead City-Smithfield game vs. Pamlico Central at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 27; the winner of the Wallace-Hobbs game vs. Jones Central at 9 p.m., Feb. 27.

The championship and consolation games will be played Friday night, Feb. 28.

The score at the half had Smyrna ahead by a 33-25 margin.

Elberta Gillikin came through with her best performance of the year against the Eaglettes. She scored 27 points, eight of them on free throws in the last quarter.

Serina Davis scored 22 points and Jean Willis added 11 to account for the winning total of 60 points. Guards Laura Lewis, Brenda Willis, Clarice Willis and Sally Hooper contained the Morehead City attack very well.

### High Scorer

Jenny Lou Smithwick was the only Eaglette to score consistently against the Smyrna guards. She scored 30 points to top high scoring honors. Anna Faye Willis scored 14 and Faye Jones added five.

The game got pretty rough in the final quarter. Morehead City guards Sally Morris and Jessie White left the game via the five-foul route during the period. Patsy Robinson, Frances Gaskins and Barbara Harrell were holding down the guard positions when the game ended.

The winners connected on 14 of 22 free throws while the Eaglettes hit on five of 11 charity tosses.

### County Record

The victory gave Smyrna a record of 13 victories and two losses for the season. The Smyrna county record stands at seven victories and one loss. Morehead City has won five and lost two in the county.

Smyrna will draw a bye in the opening round of the county tournament next week. The first-place team always misses the first action since there are five teams.

The second and third-place teams and the fourth and fifth-place teams will meet in the first round of the tournament.

County standings for the girls follow:

	Won	Lost
Smyrna	7	1
Morehead City	5	2
Newport	5	3
Beaufort	1	5
Atlantic	0	7

## Beaufort Lassies Become Number 29 in Win Streak

The Pamlico County lassies ran their current victory string to 29 straight games Friday night with a 31-15 victory over the Beaufort sextet at Beaufort.

All three of Pamlico coach Ed Thompson's starting forwards missed the game because they were in Raleigh for college entrance exams. Forward Nancy Mason and guard Judie Moore did not play for Beaufort for the same reason.

The second string Pamlico forwards played a steady ball game under pressure and came through with 31 points against some top-notch guarding by the Beaufort guards.

Beaufort coach Hugh Gordon said that his guards played an outstanding game. "They blocked shots, intercepted passes and brought the ball up the court well," he commented.

The Pamlico guards played a good game, too, holding Beaufort to 15 points on only three field goals and nine free throws. Lynda

Chadwick hit a two-pointer in the first quarter. Pat Lupton hit a set shot in the second quarter and Linda Salter scored on a push shot in the final period.

The losers missed 18 free throws. Salter hit six and missed seven. Chadwick hit three and missed six. Lupton missed three and Regina Pake missed two. Pamlico fared very poorly at the line, too, hitting three of 10 chances.

Coach Gordon singled out guards Sheila Willis, Ann Davis and Diane Garner for special praise. "They really played heads-up ball," the coach said. "It was the most aggressive game played by my team all year," he concluded.

### 51 Wins — 1 Loss

During the past three years the Pamlico County team has compiled a record of 51 victories and one loss. Jones Central upset them early last year.

In the past seven years the Pamlico County team has a record of 182-6.

## Swansboro Girls Defeat Newport

The Swansboro lassies withstood a second half rally to win a close 39-38 decision over the Newport Hawkettes at Newport Friday night.

The winners grabbed a big lead in the first quarter, 18-4, and held a 22-13 lead at the half. In the third quarter, the Hawkettes began to hit and pulled to within one point of Swansboro.

The final period began with the score standing at 32-31 in favor of Swansboro. Each team scored seven points in the last quarter.

Clyde Mann, a converted guard, was high scorer for the game. She scored 15 points for the Hawkettes. Becky Garner hit for 13. Margaret Lilly scored eight and Jenny Garner scored two.

Newport guards were Peggy Jo Wallace, Genelda Garner and Gracie Small.

Williams and Jones were high scorers for Swansboro with 14 points each. Kellum scored 10 points for the winners.

## Swansboro Survives Hawk