

County League Playoffs Start Sunday; Games at Atlantic, Smyrna-HI Fields

The best two of three playoff series in the Carteret County Baseball League starts Sunday with first place Atlantic playing host to Newport, and Smyrna-Harkers Island playing host to Salter Path.

Smyrna-Harkers Island and Salter Path wound up the season with identical records to tie for second place, and Smyrna-HI has the first game at their diamond because they won the flip of a coin.

Each of the games this Sunday will be nine-inning contests, and the second contests, and third if needed, will be played at the Newport and Salter Path diamonds, and will be seven-inning games.

Manager Tye Frost of Salter Path is expected to start Jerry Fittman or Bobby Bass, with Manager Wilson Davis of Smyrna-HI expected to use either himself, Don Coates or Jamie Lewis for the opening contest.

At Atlantic it is expected that Joe Willis will be on the hill for the All-Stars with the Newport squad expected to start either Mel Adcox or Lloyd Culpepper.

Newport has been the hottest club in the league during the second half of the season, and they could conceivably be the team to beat in the playoffs.