

Atlantic, Salter Path Teams Win First of Playoff Games

Playing on the homefield proved to be a good luck omen Sunday as Atlantic defeated Newport 5-4, and Salter Path beat Smyrna-Harkers Island 6-3, in first round playoff games in the Carteret County Baseball League.

Error Costly

At Atlantic an error in the last half of the ninth inning gave the All-Stars a 5-4 win over the Newport team, in a hotly contested game.

Joe Willis went the distance for the winners as he allowed seven hits. Lloyd Culpepper went the first six rounds for Newport allowing four hits, and Mel Adcox was

charged with the loss as he allowed three hits over the final three frames.

On The Move

Howland went around end to the 25 and another first down.

Morehead City was penalized on the next play at the backfield was illegally in motion and it was first and 15 from the 30. O'Neal cracked tackle to the 25 and O'Neal went through the middle to the 14 and a first down.

The Eagles were penalized for delaying the game and it was first and 15 from the 19. Darrell Sanders carried the ball on the last play of the game and went to the 12 where he was stopped.

Every player on the Eagles squad that saw action in the game did an exceptionally fine job. Bradley McIntosh, Kent Brown and Jimmy Willis were defensive standouts, with McIntosh giving Perry of Williamston fits every time he carried the ball.

Backs Did Well

The backs, including Walter Willis, who was hurt early in the first quarter and returned to action for the second half, all played exceptionally well. Danny O'Neal looked very good, as did Ron Howland.

The full squad playing the game included Linwood Swinson, Jimmy Willis, Kent Brown, Bradley McIntosh, George Whittel, Tommy Oglesby, Gus Aspenburg, Jimmy Parker, Danny O'Neal, Walter Willis, Ron Howland, James Guthrie, Richard Powers, Darrell Sanders, Charles Wells and Raymond Earl Willis.

The defense of the Eagles was especially strong as they held the Greenwave to but 23 yards rushing and but 6 in the air, as Williamston completed one of seven passes.

It was a good showing for the Eagles, and if the Williamston club is stronger than it was last year, they're in for a rough time in their conference this season.

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Billy Gaskill of Newport was the leading hitter for the game with 2-3.

At Salter Path Jerry Pittman pitched fine ball for 8 and a third innings to chalk up the victory over Smyrna-Harkers Island. Bobby Bass relieved Jerry and got the final two outs of the game.

Don Coates went the route for Smyrna-Harkers Island and was charged with the loss.

Salter Path Scores

Salter Path started the scoring in the last of the first as they put together hits by Wade Willis and Harold Bass coupled with a stolen base and an error good for a pair of tallies.

In the second they scored another pair of runs on a pair of errors following a walk to Henry Frost and Bass's double.

Smyrna-HI scored their initial run in the third as Louis Thomas drew a walk and moved to second on Crawford Pigott's ground out. Thomas scored as Wilson Davis singled to center.

Salter Path extended their lead in the fourth as they picked up a single tally on a walk to W. Willis and a fielders choice grounder by H. Bass. Bass scored the run on Purcell Jones's double to left.

Smyrna-HI Tallies

Smyrna-HI scored their second run in the fifth on hits by Don Coates and Bruce Babbitt coupled with an error.

R. C. Pate scored the final run of the afternoon for Salter Path in the last of the eighth as he walked and went all the way to third as Jimmy Willis grounded out. He tallied the run as Jerry Pittman laid down a perfect squeeze bunt.

In the top of the ninth Smyrna-HI scored their final run on hits by Mac Pigott and Wilson Davis coupled with a walk to Crawford Pigott.

A scoring attempt by Smyrna-HI in the eighth led to the banishment of Elvin Davis. Snoball Gaskill led off with a double and Gaskill tried

to score on Babbitt's single.

The umpire ruled that Gaskill had slid out of the baseline in attempting to score and the argument was on in earnest. In the course of the argument Elvin was pushed into the umpire who sent him out of the game.

Harold Bass was the leading hitter for the winners with 3-4, as Wade Willis had 2-4 and P. Jones 1-2.

For the losers Babbitt was the leading sticker, with 3-5, as W. Davis and S. Gaskill each had 2-5, and M. Pigott 1-2.

JV Contest Postponed

The home and home series between the Jayvee teams of Beaufort and Wallace Schools will get underway Thursday night, Sept. 22, at the Wallace field instead of this Thursday as planned. The second contest will be played at Beaufort on Sept. 29, according to Coach Hugh Gordon.

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