

Nite Raiders, Harkers Island Make Clean Sweep at Smyrna

The Smyrna Nite Raiders bombed the basket from every angle and turned Caudill's Comets every way but loose Saturday night at Smyrna. The Comets, who promised to build up a big lead in the first half and clown in the second, found themselves 20 points behind at the end of the third quarter, 56-36.

In the final quarter, the two teams clowned for a capacity crowd which had come to see if the Comets were as good as their captain's TV program. They did put on a good show, and everyone (particularly the Nite Raiders), went home happy.

Dallas Arthur and Gary Morris divided 40 of the Nite Raiders' points in the first three quarters. Young, Waters, and Andrews carried the scoring load for the visitors. Carl Caudill missed his only free throw and failed to hit from the floor. He did manage to collect three personal fouls and around "one thousand" on the laugh meter.

In the preliminary game, a scrappy crew from the Chilula gave the Harkers Island Islanders a tough battle but just didn't have the manpower necessary to stop the team from the island. The Islanders won by a score of 58-34.

Henry Brooks, an all-county selection when he played for Harkers Island High, showed fans that he still has the touch for hitting the bucket. He duked 28 points and played an outstanding floor game.

Edward Salter was top scorer for the Coast Guardsmen with 13 points. Hedrick Arthur was next for the losers with 9.

Nite Raiders — Arthur, 20, Morris, 20, Gillikin, 4, Sikorski, 4, O. Davis, 2, Golden, 2, Lawrence, 2, and G. kill.

Caudill's Comets — Caudill, Young, 13, Wollard, 4, Waters, 14, Andrews, 5, Whitley, Garris, and Bennett.

Harkers Island — Henry Brooks, 28, Bill Guthrie, 8, Bubble Willis, 8, Clark Davis, 6, Ronald Davis, 4,

Louis Willis, 4, Monroe Paylor, and Fredrick Willis.

Coast Guard — Hedrick Arthur, 9, Edward Salter, 13, Lauren Richter, 4, Robert Evans, 3, Donald Gray, 3, Lewis Stryker, 2, David Stalker, Harold Moore, and Rodger Moore.