

Morehead Ends Newport Mastery

60-48 Win Over Hawks Is First in Two Years

The Morehead City Eagles, who hadn't beaten the Newport Hawks for two years, put an end to the jinx Friday night as they spotted the Hawks a six-point halftime lead and then came from behind in the third quarter to post a 60-48 win.

The game was a close, hard-fought contest all the way with neither team being able to post more than a six-point lead until the final quarter when the Eagles made their surge.

Newport scored first in the contest and managed to hold on to slim leads throughout the first sixteen minutes of play although Morehead City knotted the score three times during the initial half.

At the end of the first quarter Newport, thanks to some fine clutch shooting on the part of All-County cager Johnny Turpin, was leading their Eagle foes by two at 16-14. They ran this lead to six in the second quarter as they left the floor with a 32-26 advantage over the Eagles.

Morehead City, which had gone into a full court press at the start of the second quarter, caught up with the Hawks late in the third quarter and took the lead as the two teams entered the final eight minutes of play. The fourth quarter saw three players, Johnny Turpin of Newport and George Styrn and Tom Thompson of Morehead City, leave the game with five personal fouls.

The Eagles did their best shot-relied by Dottie Whitley, Paula King of the year from the floor, hitting 25 of 52 attempts for a 49 per cent shooting average. From the free throw line the Eagles canned 10 of 14 charity attempts for a 71 per cent average. Newport's field goal percentage was 46.1 which came on 12 of 26 attempted from the floor. They had 24 of 31 from the charity stripe for a free throw average of 77 per cent.

Senior John Phillips and sophomore Jimmie Smithwick paced the Eagle scoring attack, canning 12 points apiece. However, high point honors for the game went to Larry Kirk of the Hawks who finished the night with 18 points. Kirk only had four field goals but he sank 10 free throws for the total. Turpin was next in line to Kirk with 15 points.

In the preliminary game the Newport Hawkettes found the Eagle defense to their liking as they poured 65 points through the hoop to score a 65-36 win over the Eaglettes.

Newport was ahead throughout the game as they posted a lead of three at the end of the first quarter and increased this to 10 points at halftime. Their advantage at the three-quarter mark was 19 points at 49-30.

The Newport forward corps got a pleasant scoring boost when freshman Carol Buchannan entered the game in the fourth quarter and scored nine points in the short time that she was in the game. High scoring honors for the game went to Margaret Lilly of the Hawkettes and Johnice Doshier of the Eaglettes.

Both girls scored 19 points. Dump Warren scored 16 for the winners and Jenny Lynn Garner tallied 14. Second high scorer for the Eaglettes was Andy Piner who had five points. Other forwards for the Eaglettes were Alta Dickinson, Clara Jo Gaskins, Nancy Duke, Portia Salter and Georgia Mizesko.

Helen Jernigan's back court combination consisted of starters Virginia Thompson, Lorraine Hatcher and Georgia Mizesko with substitutes Sue Smith, Sally Simpson and Mattie Phillips also seeing action.

Starting guards for Newport were Nancy Allen, Joanne Hohl and Lana Linebarger. This trio was relieved by Dottie Whitley, Paula

Coch Announces Games At Atlantic Saturday

Atlantic coach Roy Cockerham announces that Atlantic girls will play Atlantic All-Star girls in a game at 7 Saturday night at Atlantic.

Atlantic All-Star boys will play the Fry Raiders in the feature game of the evening, following the girls' contest.

Officers Nab Herbert Baum Again Wednesday

Herbert Baum, Beaufort, a frequent client in county recorder's court, will be back in court again next week on a new charge of possession of bootleg whiskey.

Marshall Ayscue, county ABC officer, county and Beaufort officers, visited Baum's premises at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning. They found a half gallon of illegal hooch in the kitchen, and under a pile of coal in a woodhouse in the back yard, 15 jars.

Cabbage Setting Begins With Arrival of New Year

Ten per cent of the county's cabbage acreage was set prior to the arrival of this week's rain.

R. M. Williams, county farm agent, says farmers are busy preparing tobacco beds, cutting stalks, clearing ditch banks and killing hogs.

Maola Defeated 73-57 by Raiders

The Fry Raiders opened their quest for the New Bern City League title Monday night with a 73-57 win over the Maola Milkmen in a game played in New Bern.

The Raiders played the contest without the services of league scoring champion Jim Fodrie. Fodrie's absence in the lineup was offset by a 54-point performance between Raiders Walker Gillikin and Gehrman Holland. Gillikin grabbed high point honors for the game with 29 points while Holland was pumping in 25.

The Raiders led throughout the contest and pulled away in the last half after being played pretty close in the first half by Maola. Other Raiders breaking into the scoring column were Dallas Arthur, with 10 points; Cliff Lynch, with seven points; and Everett Golden and Craig Horn with one each.

The game was the nitecap of a City League doubleheader. In the preliminary contest the Pepsi-Cola entry chalked up a 61-55 win over Sealtest.

Seadogs Build 50-Point Advantage; Coast to 6th Straight Win 87-40

Pirates Bow to Blue Devils; Girls Win 37-24 over Smyrna

Basketball Games

TONIGHT
Beaufort at Newport
Camp Lejeune at Smyrna
Morehead City at Jones Central

TUESDAY
Morehead City at Smyrna
JAN. 15
Havelock at Smyrna
Wallace-Rose Hill at Morehead City
Atlantic at Beaufort

By LIONELLE TAYLOR
The Atlantic Pirates were unable to cope with the scoring attack of the Smyrna Blue Devils Friday night and as a result went down to their 10th straight loss of the year, 69-44. The Atlantic girls won over Smyrna, 37-24.

The game, played at Atlantic, saw the Pirates being able to stay pretty close to the Blue Devils during the first two periods but then wilting under a 42-point outburst by Smyrna in the final half.

The end of the first quarter saw the Pirates trailing by only two points at 12-10 and as the two teams left the floor at halftime the Blue Devils' lead was only three points at 27-24.

In the third quarter Nelson, Lewis, Piner and teammates sharpened their shooting eyes and began to pull away from the smaller

Pirates. Coach Jim Parkin's crew scored 20 points in the stanza while holding Atlantic to only eight to give them a lead of 15 at 47-32. Their 22-point last quarter gave them the final victory margin of 25 points.

Curt Nelson was high scorer for the game with his total of 17 points however he was followed closely by Dale Lewis, Carroll Hill and Braxton Piner of the Blue Devils. Lewis tossed in 15 points while Hill and Piner each had 14.

Bobby Nelson, Atlantic's leading point-maker, paced the Pirates in scoring with 16 points. Danny Harvey contributed 13 for the losers.

Smyrna proved ineffective at the free throw line making only 13 of 24 charity shots for a shooting average of 54 per cent. Atlantic, meanwhile, was sinking 18 of 26 from the free throw line to give them a 69.2 per cent accuracy.

In the opening game of the night the Atlantic girls built up a six-point lead over their Blue Devil foes in the first half and then went into a deep-freeze for six minutes and 40 seconds of the third quarter to give them a 37-24 win over Smyrna.

As a result of the freeze put on by the Atlantic girls in the third quarter only four points were scored by the two teams during the entire period, two by Atlantic and two by Smyrna.

Bonnie Brickhouse of the victorious Pirates paced all scorers in the game with her total of 28 points. Linda Taylor had five points for the winners and Cathryn Willis and Brenda Salter each had two.

Holding the Smyrna forwards to their lowest point output of the season were guards Jency Mason, Jean-Bell and Brenda Salter. Also seeing action in the front court for Roy Cockerham's crew was Annis Willis.

Two players did all of the scoring for the Blue Devils. Carolyn Phelps finished the night with 16 points and Brenda Golden added eight. Forwards who saw action but failed to score included Patsy Taylor, Rose Arthur, Barbara Davis, and Melinda Gillikin. Coach Walter Fulcher's back court combination consisted of guards Sally Hooper, Claudia Brown, Patsy Chadwick, and Linda and Diane Willis.

The next action for the Blue Devils will be tonight when they entertain the Camp Lejeune Devil Pups in a return match on the Smyrna hardwoods. Atlantic is idle until next Friday night when they take on the defending state Class A champs, Beaufort Seadogs, in a game to be played at Beaufort.

BOX SCORE
Smyrna FG FT PF PTS
Piner 5 4 1 14
Hill, J. 1 0 1 2
Hill, C. 6 2 2 14
Lawrence 2 1 4 5
Lewis 7 1 5 15
Nelson 6 5 5 17
Mears 1 1 0 3
Totals 28 14 18 70

Atlantic FG FT PF PTS
Tallent 4 2 4 10
Harvey, D. 5 3 5 13
Nelson 3 10 2 16
Harvey, N. 1 0 3 2
Floyd 0 3 3 3
Totals 13 18 17 44

PTA to Meet
Smyrna PTA will meet Monday night at 7:30 in the school auditorium, announces Mrs. Katherine Golden, publicity chairman. Smyrna community will be in charge of the program and refreshments.

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Beaufort Girls Win 1st, 59-51 Over Pamlico

The Beaufort Seadogs, defending state Class A champions, made it six in a row for the year and 35 straight over the past two seasons Tuesday night by steamrolling past the Pamlico Hurricanes in an impressive 87-40 fashion.

Beaufort used a fast breaking offense and a pressing defense to completely outclass their Seashore Conference foes right from the opening whistle. By the end of the first quarter the Seadog scoring machine was in high gear as Beaufort posted a 21-point lead of 29-8 at the end of the stanza.

Hitting more than 50 per cent of their shots from the floor the Seadogs continued their onslaught on the basket in the second quarter to build up a 39-point halftime advantage at 50-20. Leading the scoring attack in the first two periods were the three Hassells in the Seadog lineup, Butch, Ray and Pud.

After the intermission the Hurricanes proved even more ineffective at stopping the red-hot Seadog attack as they managed only five points in the eight-minute period while Beaufort was garnering 27 points. This gave the Seadogs a lead of 52 points as the scoreboard read Beaufort 77, Pamlico 25.

As usual, coach Tom McQuaid cleared his bench at the start of the final quarter. The Beaufort reserves were outscored by Pamlico 15-10 in the last quarter but the tremendous lead built up by the starting five was too much for the Hurricanes to overcome. Beaufort was still leading by 47 points when the final whistle sounded.

In the scoring department Butch Hassell kept up his 20-point plus per game average with his total of 25 points. Butch was given ample support in the point-making department by his cousins, Pud and Ray Hassell, who had 19 and 18 points respectively. Alton Hill paced the Seadog second unit during the last quarter with a total of eight points while Doug Swain tossed in four.

High scorer for the Hurricanes

was Avery with 13 points. Lupton was the only other Pamlico cager scoring in double figures as he hit for 12 points.

Both teams were cold from the free throw line. Beaufort sank only 11 of 18 charity shots for a shooting per cent of 61 while the Hurricanes could manage only 35 per cent of their free throw attempts. They sank six of 17 tried.

BOX SCORE
Beaufort FG FT PF PTS
Hassell, B. 10 5 2 25
Hassell, R. 9 0 2 18
Hassell, P. 9 1 2 19
Hassell, J. 2 0 1 4
Jones, C. 2 1 3 5
Jones, D. 1 0 1 2
Swain 2 0 2 4
Gillikin 0 1 4 1
Hill 3 2 1 8
Lewis 0 1 1 1
Totals 38 11 19 87
Pamlico FG FT PF PTS
Avery 6 1 3 13
Daniels 0 2 1 2
Lupton 5 2 1 12
Stowe 1 1 1 3
Watson, M. 1 3 4 5
Harriett 1 2 2 4
Watson, B. 0 1 2 1
Totals 14 12 14 40

To Have Social
The Faith Free Will Baptist Church will have a covered dish social Saturday night at 7 at the church. Members of the Sunday school and church are invited to bring a covered dish to the supper and remain to see a film, To the Regions Beyond.

Butch Tops Individual Scorers; Seadogs Lead Team Statistics

With all county teams back in action after the holidays individual scoring statistics compiled after last Friday's games finds Butch Hassell of the defending state champion Beaufort Seadogs still on top of the scoring parade with an average of 24.8 points per game for the Seadogs' six games played to date.

In Beaufort's last two games Butch has scored 56 points to give him a safe lead over Johnny Turpin of Newport who is second with an average of 17.7 points per game. Against 71st high school Butch garnered 31 points and he followed this with a 25-point performance against Pamlico.

Turpin still leads the county in points scored with his total of 212 for 12 games. Turpin's teammate Larry Kirk is second in total points, having scored 189. Curt Nelson of Smyrna has scored 182.

Beaufort and Smyrna each have three players in the top ten scorers among county cagers with Ray and Pud Hassell making it in addition to Butch. The Smyrna trio of top scorers includes Curt Nelson, Dale Lewis and Braxton Piner. Newport, with Turpin and Kirk, have two players in the top ten and Morehead City and Atlantic have one at 49-30.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Name, School Games Points Avg.
Butch Hassell, Beaufort 6 149 24.8
Johnnie Turpin, Newport 12 212 17.7
Curt Nelson, Smyrna 11 182 16.5
Bobby Nelson, Atlantic 10 161 16.1
Dale Lewis, Smyrna 11 172 15.6
Larry Kirk, Newport 13 189 14.6
Ray Hassell, Beaufort 6 84 14.0
Pud Hassell, Beaufort 6 84 14.0
John Phillips, Morehead City 6 82 13.6
Braxton Piner, Smyrna 11 139 12.6
Carroll Hill, Smyrna 11 106 9.6
Tom Thompson, Morehead City 6 58 9.6

TEAM STATISTICS
Team Games Played Points Scored Points Allowed Average Average
Beaufort 6 418 214 69.6 35.6
Smyrna 11 746 531 67.8 48.2
Newport 13 719 713 55.3 54.8
Morehead City 6 330 300 55.0 50.0
Atlantic 10 419 664 41.9 66.4

Rebound Scramble



Eagle guard Virginia Thompson, right, and Dump Warren of Newport battle for the rebound under the basket in this shot of first-quarter action of the two teams' game played Tuesday night in Morehead City. The Hawkettes won the game 65-36.



Viewing Sports

by Larry McComb

The Time to Act

Up until this year, Morehead City high school ruled county football like the Yankees have ruled the American league. This year Beaufort, for the first time in a decade, knocked the vaunted Eagles off their throne. It's now possible that Beaufort fans will have to settle for their one 'big year' for another decade or longer unless something is done in Beaufort to start a midget football program comparable to the one organized this year in Morehead City.

In two or three years the effect of the midget football program is going to be felt in the high school when Norman Clark starts getting boys off the Jayvee team that have anywhere from three to four years of football experience behind them. It stands to reason that the calibre of teams turned out at the high school will greatly improve.

Over on the other side of the river Curt Lancaster and his staff are getting players from the Jayvee football squad, most of whom have never played the game before their freshman year in high school. Can players with this limited experience be expected to play on a level with other boys their same age who have three and four years of experience behind them? I doubt it.

In any sport, and particularly in football, experience is an all-important factor. The Morehead City midget football league is teaching boys the fundamentals of the sport as well as giving them the opportunity of getting a taste of actual game competition. At a school where no midget program is in effect, high school coaches have to spend valuable practice time that could be used for learning more advanced phases of the game. They have to teach the fundamentals of blocking and tackling.

Money, or the lack of it, is the big problem with just about every organization or program that is started in Beaufort. To start a midget football program it will take money. But the amount required isn't a great deal. In Morehead City only enough money was raised this year to equip two teams. The program purchased pants and jerseys for four teams but bought only enough shoulder pads, helmets, etc. for two teams. This way the equipment can be alternated between the four teams.

Next year it is hoped that the program can buy the additional equipment needed so that each of the four teams will have their own gear. Such a start could be made in Beaufort. The easiest part of the job would be in getting enough boys for a four-team league. Although it probably wouldn't be possible in the first year of operation to obtain a franchise, much like the Little League franchises, by the second year Beaufort should be able to apply for their charter and become eligible for the state and national play-offs.

Find a town that has had a successful midget program in operation for any length of time and you will find a high school in the same town that, year after year, will rank among the powers in prep football.

But the time to act is now. Tomorrow could be too late. That's 30 for now.

Air Rifle Bullet Costs Child Sight of Right Eye

A bullet from an air rifle has cost Ronnie Pinkham, 11, the vision of his right eye. Ronnie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pinkham, Beaufort, was injured Sunday, Dec.

27, when another child fired an air rifle in his direction. The children were playing at the time. The rifle had been given to one of them as a Christmas gift. Ronnie is expected to undergo an operation for removal of the eye in the near future.

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