

Seadogs Beat Hildebran in Tournament Opener

Beaufort made it 26 in a row Thursday afternoon, March 17, at Greensboro, winning its first contest in the State Class A Championship Tournament. The Seadogs owned Hildebran 68-56.

Gehrmann Holland paced the Seadogs with 25 points as the boys from coastal Carteret led Hildebran all the way. The closest the western opponents got to the Seadogs was at 7:49 in the third quarter when Beaufort led by 8 points.

At the half Beaufort was romping away with a 33-22 lead and All-State Gehrmann Holland, really hot, had poured in 19 points.

During the second quarter Holland scored 9 of his team's 11 points. He wasn't only popping the ball in but was keeping the nets swishing with numerous tap-ins.

Beaufort left the floor at the end of the first quarter with a 10-point lead, 22-12. Scoring started less than a minute after the game started when Holland tapped one in at 7:31. Then Beaufort's All-State made two free throws at 7:18 putting the score at 4-0.

Tap-In Good

Henry Safrit, the Seadog ace rebounder, tapped one in at 6:41 and Beaufort was on its way.

Hildebran's first score came at 7:27 when Tommy Johnson converted two free throws and the score moved to 6-2. Gehrmann laid another in at 5:12, advancing their lead 6 points.

And from there to the end of the quarter it was Beaufort all the way.

Safrit and Monk Pittman had no fouls called on them the first quarter. Pittman committed his third foul at 7:29 in the second quarter and was replaced at 6:44 by Ed Willis. Safrit had his third foul called on him at 6:44 and at the half two of the Seadogs were carrying three personals.

Holland scored 19 of his team's 33 points in the first quarter. Early in the second quarter Holbrook of Hildebran converted a free throw and Holland followed it with two quick lay-ups to move the score to 17-13.

The Seadogs maintained their

lead to halftime. Herb Mason scored 6 points in the first quarter, Pittman and Safrit scored 4 each. High scorers for Hildebran were Jimmy Houser with 8 and Reggie Rhoney with 8.

Scores Lay-Up

Holland opened the scoring in the second half with a lay-up at 7:53. The score moved to 35-22 and Jimmy Davis followed with a push shot that made it 37-22.

Jimmy Houser, high scorer for Hildebran with 18 points, popped one in at 7:12 and the scoreboard read 37-24. Davis hit on a lay-up at 7:02, making Beaufort's lead 15 points, 39-24.

Safrit committed his fourth personal foul at 6:49 of the third quarter and Ed Willis went in for Sa-

frit. Tommy Stephenson, continuing Hildebran's outstanding accuracy at the free throw line, converted two free throws to move the score for Hildebran to 26, trailing 13 points behind Beaufort.

From there to the end of the third quarter play was rather ragged by both teams and at the end of the quarter Hildebran had outscored the Seadogs 15-12.

The Seadogs led 45-37 at the end of the quarter.

Houser opened the scoring in the fourth quarter with a jump shot at 7:49, closing the gap, but not much. After Houser's marker the Seadogs started hitting and they capped the contest with a 68-56 score.

Holland fouled out with 51 seconds left in the final quarter.

Score by quarters:

Total					
Beaufort	22	11	12	23	68
Hildebran	12	10	15	19	56

The lineups: Beaufort—Holland 25, Pittman 12, Davis 8, Safrit 8, Mason 13, Willis 2, Potter.

Hildebran — Houser 18, Johnson 4, Stephenson 14, Van Horn 3, Rhoney 10, Holbrook 7.

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