

Mooreville Kicks Off Southland Era Sat.

It will be a new season in more ways than one when Mooreville's teams take part in the Southland Football League's season-opening activities Saturday.

Mooreville, the fielder of four teams competing at a pair of different levels, is the newest member of the established youth-oriented circuit that christens its 1987 season this weekend on the field at East Lincoln High School.

A pair of area teams each at both the Midget and Pee-Wee level, the latter a first-time venture for the Port City, will be among the units making their seasonal debuts during a full day of scheduled activity.

The first game gets underway at 9 a.m., and the last one is set to kick off around 5 p.m.

All of the games will be held on the East Lincoln Senior High field, home site for all the varsity and Jayvee Mustang contests.

Mooreville's four teams will play if or during beginning around 11:30 a.m. and continuing through most of the afternoon.

The Mooreville Mavericks, one of the two Pee-Wee level teams that consists of players eight, nine and late-turning 10-year-olds, will be the first local team to make an appearance, slated to do so at 11:30 against Lincoln.

The following game is set to feature Mooreville's Black Knights, one of two area Midget level teams, also against Lincoln, with that game slated to begin at 12:45.

At 2 p.m., the Mooreville Terminators, a second Pee-Wee division squad, will tackle the Boger City Steelers.

The Mooreville Civilians, a Midget level contender formed by players age 10, 11, 12 and those

turning 13 after Oct. 15, will then wrap up the area's representation by meeting the Steelers in a contest that carries a 3-15 kick-off time.

In the past, Mooreville has fielded Midget-level teams, but this year marks the town's first effort to conduct Pee-Wee level play.

In addition to Mooreville, Lincoln, Boger City and East Lincoln, other teams in the circuit include West Lincoln and Sherrills Ford.

Except for Mooreville, each of the others field only one team at each level, automatically making the Port City the league's largest participant in this first season of doing so.

Mooreville has obtained welcome Southland League status after stumbling through past several seasons with its own generation-old Midget League.

During recent years, the local circuit has struggled to man three teams. Last year, the crucial blow was administered when only two survived the length of the season.

Upon the completion of play last year, the league's board of commissioners sought and were eagerly granted admission into the league.

The Southland League prides itself in the promoting of the development of good character, attitude and sense of responsibility.

It is the purpose of the league, as stated in its charter bylaws, to achieve that through fair play, good sportsmanship, fellowship, and good adult leadership.

Play is divided into the two groups, Pee Wees and Midgets, with the emphasis in each on balanced competition.

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The Ben Bishop, also called the Blue Bird or simply just The Open, is annually the final stop on the local Mooreville Municipal Golf Course-sponsored tournament tour.

That will be no different when the yearly events arrives Oct. 10-11. What will be different, though, is its format, which really isn't that different but is being changed this year back to its original format.

Well known for the past several years as a two-man, best-ball affair, this year's Blue Bird will comprise of individual medal or stroke play.

The season's ending attraction also features a full-fledged sponsor, as Victor Blackwell Financial Consultants of Charlotte has agreed to serve as the prime supporter.

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