



HERE'S WHAT WE DO — Mountaineer coach Alan Dixon, right, goes over play with the three senior members of his team. Left to right, the players are Chuck Carpenter, Bill Loftin and Geep Howard. The Mountaineers host Chase Friday night.

Cagers Lose Two At Burns, Host Chase In Twinbill Friday Night

Girls Suffer First SWC Loss By 31-25 Score

Kings Mountain High School's varsity basketball teams dropped a Southwestern 3-A Conference doubleheader Tuesday night at Burns to begin the 1971 part of their schedule.

The girls fell out of a tie for the league lead by losing a 31-25 decision and the boys dropped their sixth straight in the nightcap, 66-46.

The KM girls got 10 points from Diane Cornwell but they weren't enough as the Lady Bulldogs captured their third league victory in four outings.

The loss by Kings Mountain enabled East Rutherford to take over sole possession of first place. The Lady Cavaliers won a 43-31 decision over South Point.

Julian Roberts scored 28 points and David Surratt added 23 to lead the Bulldogs over the Mountaineers in the nightcap. Geep Howard was the only KM player in double figures with 18.

Junior center Vernon Crocker played his first game for the first five games due to an operation before the season.

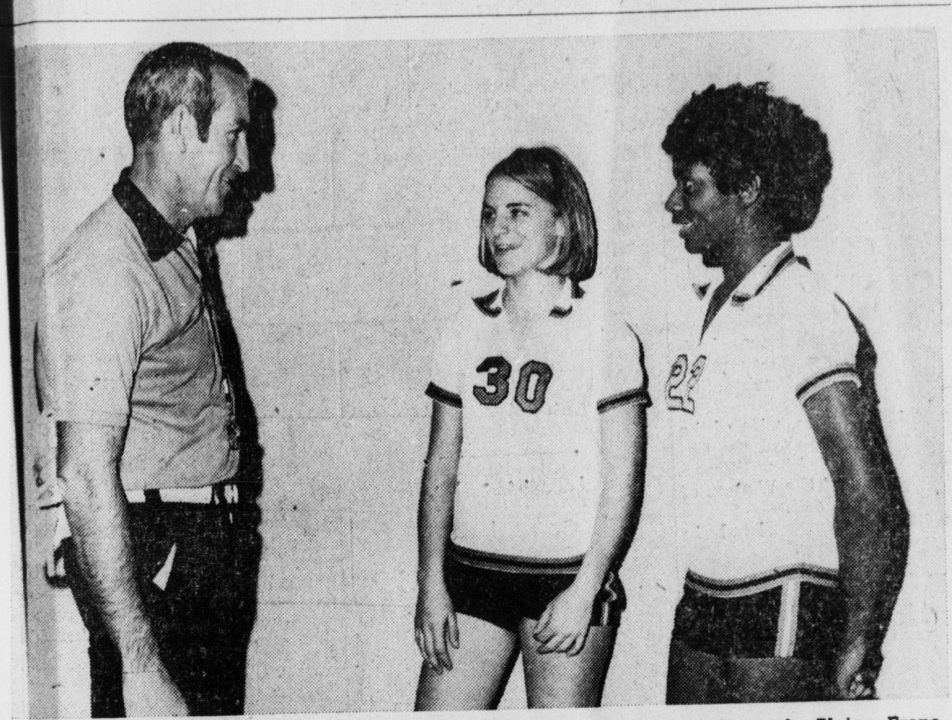
A key to the Bulldog victory was their defensive play on sophomore guard Mike Thombs of the Mountaineers. Thombs, who had been averaging over 10 points per game, scored only two.

BOYS GAME
Kings Mountain (46)—Howard 18, Brown 6, White 4, Carpenter 2, Grier 8, Crocker 5, Thombs 2, Manning 1.

Burns (66)—Roberts 28, Surratt 23, Tuft 10, Howell 1, Shade 2, Kee 3.

GIRLS GAME
Kings Mountain (25)—Crockett 8, Cornwell 10, Mitchem 3, Neisler 4, Lovelace and Goins.

Burns (31)—Betty 3, Whitaker 12, Dixon 5, Ramsour 9, Russ and Warlick.



MOUNTAINETTE CO-CAPTAINS — Kings Mountain High girls basketball coach, Elaine Fronberger, left, chats with her co-captains, who will help lead the Mountainettes into battle Friday night here against Chase. The co-captains are Diane Cornwell, center, and Carolyn Mitchem.

Go To Crest Tuesday Night For Big Tests

Kings Mountain's basketball squads return home Friday night to host Chase in a Southwestern 3-A Conference doubleheader.

For the first time this season, Kings Mountain will be favored in both games.

Both Chase clubs sport 0-6 records on the season. Kings Mountain's girls are 3-1 in the conference and 4-2 overall while the Mountaineers are 0-4 in league play and 0-6 overall.

The Chase girls have gone downhill the past two seasons after winning three straight association titles in the mid-sixties. Kings Mountain's girls, who dropped their first SWC game Tuesday night at Burns, are expected to get back on the winning side without too much trouble.

Kings Mountain's girls have played fine defensive basketball but the offense still hasn't jelled. Coach Elaine Fronberger is hoping it will soon, however, as his team is just now getting into the tough part of its schedule.

Coach Allen Dixon's young Mountaineers have come close to winning only once, against South Point, but the defending conference champions could crack the winning column this week.

Chase, like Kings Mountain, has had its troubles getting started but the Trojans don't have as much experience as the Mountaineers and that could be good news for KM followers.

Tuesday night, the KM teams will face their biggest challenge to date when they travel to Boiling Springs to take on Crest.

Dilling Cops Men's Title, Griffin Wins Ladies' Loop

Dilling Heating and Griffin Drug are first half champions in duckpin bowling league action at Mountain Lanes Bowling Center.

Dilling Heating won the men's title Monday night by winning three games from Quality Sandwich. Griffin took the ladies' loop title Tuesday by winning three games from Plonk Brothers.

Dilling finished with a 39-33 record, two games ahead of Vincent's Union 76, the leader for much of the season. Griffin had a 41-27 record, four games better than Plonk Brothers, which also led for much of the first half.

Ronnie Culbertson was the big man in Dilling Heating's three wins Monday. He scored single games of 135, 137 and 121 for a 393 series. John Dilling added a 353 set and Bill Mullinax chipped in with a 327.

High scorer for Quality Sandwich was Richard Culbertson with a 131 line and 372 set.

Plonk Oil won four games from Albert Brackett to claim a tie for third place in the final standings. Clarence Plonk's 135 and Dwight Reeves' 378 series led the way. Brackett had a 131 line and Bob Herndon added a 357 set for the losers.

Vincent's split its four-game set with Ranny Blanton. Bob Wells was high man for Union 76 with a 140 line and 364 set and Aud Tignor was high scorer for Blanton with a 158 line and 359 set.

Bobbie McKee sparked Griffin Drug to its three wins over Plonk Brothers. She scored a 311 line and 296 set while Doris Ware was high for the losers with a 102 line and 280 set.

Drewes Tax won four games from Oates Shell to claim a tie for third place. Becky Barnett's 113 line and 291 set topped the winners while Jenny Oates led losers with a 118 line and 329 series.

American Legion split with Dellinger's Jewelry to drop into a tie for third with Drewes. Barbara Miller's 116 line and 307 set were high for the Legion while Ethel Tignor scored a 115 line and Glenda Belk added a 296 set for Dellinger's.

FINAL STANDINGS (Men's League)

Teams	Won	Lost
Dilling Heating	39	33
Vincent's Union 76	37	35
Plonk Oil	36	36
Albert Brackett	36	36
Quality Sandwich	34	38
Ranny Blanton	34	38

(Ladies League)

Griffin Drug	41	27
Plonk Bros.	37	31
American Legion	33	35
Drewes Tax	33	35
Dellinger's	31	37
Oates Shell	29	39

with the younger folks we would like to have basketball leagues for the younger boys and girls.

(1) Sewing Classes for advanced Dress making will begin at the Community Center on Jan. 12 this will consist of a 39-hour course and will run through April 6 — Hours for this will be 7 p.m. til 10 p.m.

(2) Sewing Classes for Beginners will begin at the Community Center on Jan. 13th. This will consist of a 39-hour course. This will run through April 7th. Hours for this will be 9 a.m. til 12 a.m.

Minimum age for these classes will be 18 years. There will be no charge for either of these courses.

Jan. 21st, 7:30 p.m., Gaston College vs. Lees-McRae at the Kings Mountain Community Center. Admission. Adults - \$1.00, Students - \$.50.

There will be a fee of \$3.00 for try to have for our people and if we can find enough interested adults who will work and help

Duke Freshman Team Puts Streak On Line

DURHAM, N. C. — The Duke freshman basketball team will be back in action this week after a long Christmas lay-off and coach Jack Schalow's squad will be putting its five-game winning streak on the line against three Big Four foes.

The baby Blue Devils opened the new year in Winston-Salem Wednesday against the Wake Forest frosh, featuring 6-2 guard Bob Dwyer.

Friday night the Duke frosh travel to Chapel Hill to meet the North Carolina Tar Babies in a rematch of a game Duke won earlier this year in Durham. The Carolina frosh have not lost, except for that encounter, and have been led by 6-8 Bobby Jones.

A week from Wednesday, Duke's frosh will close out the first semester schedule at home against the N. C. State freshmen, considered by many experts one of the top frosh units in the country.

State is led by 7-4 center Tommy Burleson and 6-8 forward Steve Nuce. The Baby Wolfpack was undefeated going into the Christmas break.

The Duke frosh have been led so far this season by the fine play of 6-9 center Dave Elmer in the pivot and 5-11 Jeff Burdette in the backcourt. Elmer is averaging 21.6 points and 12.4 rebounds a game, while Burdette has been an effective floor leader and standout defensive player.

Forward Chris Redding is the team's second leading scorer with a 11.8 average, and the Baby Blue Devils have received some sparkling play from a pair of non-scholarship performers, guard Zeno Edwards and forward Budd Flesch.

Ron Righter scored 19 points to lead all scorers in Duke's 73-52 victory over East Carolina in the season opener. However, the 6-7 forward injured an ankle in practice and has been out of action ever since. After the long holiday break, Righter is healthy again and his return should play a big role in the Baby Blue Devils' defense of the Big Four Freshman Title.

The N. C. State game in the Duke Indoor Stadium will be at 6:30 prior to the varsity clash on television at 9:00 p.m.

Waters Would Like To Forget Duke Turnovers

DURHAM, N. C. — Turnovers — Turnovers — That's the one aspect of the game Duke basketball coach Bucky Waters would like to forget.

Although the Blue Devils have won four consecutive games, they have lacked consistency due to turnovers. Duke has been averaging 18½ turnovers in each of their 11 games. The Blue Devils posted a 7-4 record during the month of December.

"We just have been making too many mistakes," remarked Waters. "In order to compete successfully in the heat of the ACC race, we can't afford to make the errors we made in our first 11 games."

Turnovers have been the only poor statistic of the 1970 Blue Devils. Duke's shooting has been excellent, along with their board play and free throw shooting.

Duke has been hitting an excellent 478 from the field and a hot 809 from the charity line. The team has connected on 208 of 257 free throw attempts to rank as one of the national leaders.

The Blue Devils' opponents are shooting .404 from the field and .728 from the foul line. Duke is averaging 47.1 rebounds a game to their opponents' 43.1.

"We have been pleased with our play except for the area of turnovers," continued Waters. "At times we have looked exceptionally good, only to have mistakes stop our momentum."

Senior Randy Denton has been leading the Duke scorers with a 22.4 average. He has grabbed 141 rebounds for a 12.8 average. The 6-10 center leads the Blue Devils with a .583 shooting percentage from the field.

Richie O'Connor, a sophomore forward from Union City, N. J., is next in scoring with a 14.2 average. He has also added 62 rebounds for a 6.2 average.

Jeff Dawson has been the lead-

ing Duke shooter from the outside. The 6-1 sophomore has connected on 67 of 153 field goal attempts and 17 of 21 fouls for a scoring average of 13.7.

Veteran Larry Saunders and sophomore Alan Shaw have aided Denton in the rebounding department. Saunders has 95 for an 8.6 average and Shaw has 69 for a 6.2 mark. Both are averaging near 7.6 points a game.

Dick DeVenzio and Gary Melchionni have been sharing the point guard position. DeVenzio is averaging 5.0 points a game and has 48 assists. Melchionni has been slowed by an illness and has not seen much action.

One of the Dukes bright spots in recent games has been the play of senior Rick Katherman. He's averaging 7.2 points a game and scored 17 and 13 points in the last two games.

Recreation Activities

By ROY PEARSON
Recreation Director

If we can get sufficient demand and we have to have at least 15 persons per course and 18 years or older, we will begin courses in the following at the Kings Mountain Community Center.

Bridge Classes

Exercise Classes or Slimnastics for the Women.

Course in Tole Painting.

Serving Classes — Advanced Evening Serving Classes — Beginners — Morning.

Knitting Classes

Ball Room Dance Classes.

Brick Laying Class for Adults.

Carpentry Class for Adults.

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Applications Still Pour In For Grid Job

Schools Supt. Donald Jones said that applications continue to come in for the job as athletic director and head football coach at Kings Mountain High School.

Jones began interviewing candidates during the Christmas holidays and had hoped to be completed by now, but he said the new applications have delayed his task.

However, Jones said he still intends to make his recommendation to the school board at their next meeting, Jan. 18.

Kings Mountain is searching for a replacement for Bill Bates, who resigned following the 1970 season to accept the post as director of school-community relations.

"We've had three applications



DEFENSIVE STANDOUT — Junior James is one of the many reasons that Kings Mountain is faring well in Southwestern Conference defensive whiz at guard and will be the Mountainettes host Chase.

Saturday Cage Clinics Slated For Appalachian

BOONE — A Saturday morning basketball clinic for boys ages eight through 14 will be held again this winter by Appalachian head basketball coach Bob Light and staff.

The sessions, open to all boys in the Boone area, will begin this Saturday, January 9. The clinics will be held from 8:30 a.m. through 11 a.m. in Varsity Gymnasium at the town center.

Gardner-Webb To Host Point Park Thursday

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C. — Point Park of Pittsburg, Pa. will furnish the opposition as Gardner-Webb's Bulldogs start the second half of the season. The Bulldogs will meet Point Park, Thursday in Boiling Springs.

The Bulldogs will take a 10-2 record into the game with the Pioneers who are making a three-

eligible. Adams also leads in rebounds with an average of 14 per game. He is followed by Boyd with 10 per game.

Three other Bulldogs are averaging in double figures. This includes Al Graves, Cherryville sophomore, 14.3; Richard Thomas, Chicago Heights, Ill. junior, 13.2