



DRIVING IN — Kings Mountain's game at the KMHS gym. McGill scored Elizabeth McGill drives past an unidentified R-S Central player in tainettes to a 50-41 victory. Thursday's opening season jayvee girls

Junior High Jayvees Can Clinch Title

Kings Mountain Junior High's girls basketballers can claim a share of the Foothills Conference title for the second year in a row today when they travel to East Lincoln for their season's finale.

The Lady Patriots ran their record to 10-1 Thursday with a 48-13 victory over Lincolnton to stay in a tie with Burns for the league lead.

Sheryl Goode scored a career high 19 points and pulled down 13 rebounds to lead Thursday's win. Diane Williams added 14 points and seven rebounds and Karen Roberts contributed six points and a super defensive game.

KM held the Lincolnton ladies scoreless in the second half after leading 21-13 at intermission. The Lady Patriots shot 40 percent from the floor and 80 percent from the foul line while Lincolnton shot only 20 percent.

"I was really proud of the good all-around game the girls played," noted Coach Becky Summitt. "It was by far their best performance of the season. They were moving the ball well on offense, taking good shots, and hitting them."

"Our defense," she added, "also did a super job. We only gave up six field goals and all of them were in the first half. Everybody hustled and gave 100 percent."

"I hope we continue to play well today at East Lincoln," she continued. "Since this will determine the conference championship, we would like to have a lot of supporters at this game."

The KM varsity girls continued to play well in the nightcap, but came out on the losing end of a 43-41 score. A slow start hurt the Lady Pats as they fell behind 9-1 in the first period.

Debbie Appling led the KM scoring with 17 points, Kim Gladden added 10 and Andrena Goode eight. Appling also led in the rebounding department with 12.

"We played an absolutely awful first half and found ourselves down by 15 at halftime," noted coach Candy Albergine. "We decided at halftime that we had embarrassed ourselves and we had to get super tough in the second half."

"Our defense came alive," she added, "and we were able to force Lincolnton into many turnovers and we took advantage of them."

Patriots Win 66-6

Kings Mountain Junior High's wrestlers opened their 1976-77 season Wednesday with an impressive 66-6 victory over West McDowell.

The Patriots host undefeated Asheville in their first home match tomorrow at 4 p. m. Asheville was the only North Carolina school to defeat the Pats last season.

Kings Mountain won eight first period pins last week, with 157-pound Kenny Womack recording the fastest in 28 seconds. Maurice Jamerson, wrestling in the 147-pound division, pinned his man in 31 seconds.

THE RESULTS

90 Pd. — Terry McClain (KM) pinned Hutchins.
100 — Robert Oates (KM) pinned Goodson.
107 — Bernard Womack (KM) won by forfeit.
114 — Jeff Guyton (KM) pinned Kallam.
121 — Huskins (WM) pinned Robert Sheffield.
128 — Johnny Ross (KM) pinned Williams.
134 — Jeff Rowell (KM) pinned Holland.
140 — Todd Bell (KM) pinned Cross.
147 — Maurice Jamerson (KM) pinned Palmer.
157 — Kenny Womack (KM) pinned Hoyle.
169 — Darrell Brown (KM) pinned Gardner.
Unl. — Lenny Thompson (KM) pinned Lewis.

Jayvees Divide With R-S

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The Little Mountaineers missed eight straight one-and-one foul opportunities in the critical part of the ballgame and finished the game with a miserable 8-for-27 showing at the charity stripe.

KMHS led 32-25 at halftime and 44-37 after three periods. But the Little Hill-

toppers came back to tie the game at 52-all after regulation and outscored the Little Mounties 5-1 in the overtime period.

"I was very pleased with our discipline," noted Coach Dennis Dukes. "Our kids are very close to being a good basketball team. With none of them having much playing experience from the junior high, I'm pleased with the effort

they're giving.

"I was real upset after the game," he continued, "because I felt like the loss was partially my fault. I think we got a little nervous and I'm the type of coach that's intensive and I think it carried over with the kids. They might have gone out there and felt the pressure themselves. But it all boils down to the fact that we blew the ballgame and I hope we can improve on that."

Terry and Thomas McClain paced the KMHS scoring attack, with 13 and 12 points respectively. Jerome Miller added nine and Mike Adams eight.

KM's girls used their speed to overcome a big height disadvantage and post their first victory in the opener.

Barbara McClain of KM was the game's top scorer with 21 points, Annette Littlejohn added 12 points and Cheryl Leach eight. Coach Joe Rountree said he was highly pleased with the Little Mountaintettes' showing.

"R-S could shoot real well from the outside," he noted, "and had that big height advantage so we had to combat that with speed. I think all the girls hustled and played a real good control game. I was real pleased with the effort."

Rountree said he had planned all season to run a two-team attack, substituting by "fives" instead of individuals. But one of his key players quit the squad last week and that upset the team's balance.

Wrestlers Lose, But Gordon Is Still Unbeaten

Kings Mountain High's wrestlers dropped their opening regular season match last Thursday night at Ashbrook, 61-10.

Heavyweight David Gordon, who was named the most valuable wrestler in the recent Gaston Invitational Tournament, registered his fourth straight victory with a first period pin over Metts Banner. Robert Ingram declined Tom Diemliun 10-7 for the only other KM victory.

The Mountaineers travel to Shelby Wednesday for a non-conference match and go to Hunter Huss Thursday for another non-league bout.

98 Pd. — Jeff Ledford (A) pinned Brad Drum.

105 — Ronnie Sytz (A) won by forfeit.

112 — Keith Wells (A) pinned Sammy Bell.

119 — David Glover (A) won by forfeit.

128 — Barry Felton (A) pinned Lawyer Lewis.

132 — Mike Parker (A) won by disc. over Ponder Sherrill.

138 — Robert Ingram (KM) dec. Tom Diemliun.

145 — Gary Costner (A) pinned Charles Jenkins.

155 — Tom Barnhill (A) pinned Norman Phillips.

167 — Rick Morris (A) dec. Gary McClain.

185 — Sherman Mason (A) dec. Tim Spicer.

195 — Kirk Wells (A) pinned Kelly Land.

Unl. — David Gordon (KM) pinned Metts Banner.



LOOKING FOR OPEN MAN Kings Mountain's Darryl Friday looks for someone to throw the basketball to in Thursday's jayvee game with R-S Central at the KMHS gym. R-S Central

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