



Photo By Gary Stewart

BLASTING AWAY — Tony Beam blasts from the sand trap on hole number 18 at Kings Mountain Country Club in Sunday's final round of the Kings Mountain Invitational Golf Tournament. Beam, a former golfer at Kings Mountain High and the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, came within inches of holing out the shot and sank his short putt for a par four. Vince Carpenter of Shelby and Curtis Elliott of Gastonia shared the championship.

Big Eighth Inning Dooms KM Juniors

Shelby scored five runs in the bottom of the eighth inning Saturday night at Shelby's Veteran Park to snap a 4-4 tie and hand Kings Mountain's Juniors their fourth straight Area Four loss, 9-4.

Lefthander Tim Leach, seeing his first action for Post 155, was the victim of the Shelby uprising.

Leach relieved starter Ronnie Sanders in the first after Shelby struck for a quick 3-0 lead and held the hosts to just two hits until they erupted in the eighth.

Kings Mountain picked up a single tally in the third to cut the deficit to 3-1 and after Shelby moved ahead 4-1 in the sixth, Post 155 tied it with three in the top of the eighth.

Steve Deal singled to start the rally and scored on a single by Trent Jones to make it 4-2. After a walk Robert Sanders singled in Deal, then Richard Van Dyke drove in the tying run when he drew a bases-loaded walk.



TIM LEACH
... Joins Post 155

Mike Stiles, who relieved starter Johnny Swink in the eighth, picked up the win for Shelby.

Post 155 outhit Shelby, 10 to 8, but committed some costly errors. Sanders and Saunders had two hits each to pace the KM attack and Leach, Hart, Deal, Tate, Jones and David Bolton had one apiece.

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Tennis Lessons To Begin

Tennis lessons for persons ages 10 and over will begin Monday at the Deal Street tennis courts.

Three sessions have been scheduled for the summer. They will be held June 19-20, July 10-21 and July 24-28.

Cost for each session is \$15. Registration for all three will be held Friday, June 16, at 10 a. m. at the tennis courts.

Becky Summitt will serve as instructor.

Summer Leagues Slated

All persons ages 12 and up interested in playing in one of several summer basketball leagues planned by the recreation department must sign up today. Registration will be held from 9 a. m. until 11 a. m. and from 2 p. m. until 5 p. m. at the community center.

George Adams, former pro cager and now program director for the Parks and Recreation Dept., is in charge of the leagues and anyone desiring further information may call him at 739-3549.

League play will probably begin next week.

Jaycees

To Hold Tourney

The Kings Mountain Jaycees have set a benefit softball tournament for June 11-24.

All proceeds will go toward sponsoring little league programs.

Entry fee is \$50 per team. Any teams interested should contact Roy Pearson or Red Kale at 739-3549 between 8 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Scotch

Foursome Planned

There will be a Scotch Foursome golf tournament Sunday at 4:30 at Kings Mountain Country Club. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p. m. For reservations, call the dining room before Friday night.

Water Skiing School Slated

DAVIDSON — Something new and different in the sporting world has been added to Lake Norman, Duke Power Company's massive recreational lake near Charlotte, North Carolina.

"In fact," says Dale Newport from New London, N. C., General Manager of the North Carolina Water Ski School, "I'm very surprised that no one has ever done this before. Water skiing is becoming the fastest growing family sport in the country, and up to this point, no one has offered instruction in all phases of this super fun activity."

The North Carolina Water Ski School just off I-77 in Iredell County on a semi-private lake will offer instruction in slalom, jumping and trick skiing. With two tournament Hydrodyne's tow boats, the school will have no problem keeping its students busy riding over the regulation water ski jump or running their metric slalom course. Plus there is plenty of room to practice tricking and barefooting as well.

"This is one of the main reasons for starting the school," says Newport. "With all the boats and skiers in our area, to do, teach the very beginner to the advanced skier who wants to get into competitive water skiing."

Chief instructor Kyle Ledbetter from Marion, N. C. agrees with Newport.

The reason Ledbetter is working for the school this year is to get that consistent practice he hopes will earn him a spot in the National Water Ski Tournament to be held later this summer in Michigan.

"A lot of very fine people have helped us this year," Newport added. "Charlotte's Sportshack Ltd. has arranged for us to have Connelly, EP, Stinger, O'Brien, Maharaja and Vector demonstrators plus all the other equipment needed. That means our students only have to bring themselves."

In addition, to a regular weekly schedule that will run through the summer the North Carolina Water Ski School will offer evening classes for those who work during the day and weekend skiing for those with Saturdays and Sundays off. There is also limited boarding for skiers who want to stay for the week.

"One of the main problems on our lakes and rivers today is that so few people are really aware of how to safely operate a boat and water ski. We want to have a good time, improve the water skiing ability of all those who attend, but also teach everyone how to safely conduct themselves while participating in what has become my favorite sport," concluded Newport.

A's Win 5-3 In 10 Innings

Kings Mountain's A's split a pair of Jackie Robinson League games last weekend, defeating the Union County Dodgers 5-3 in 10 innings Saturday in Monroe and losing 13-14 to the Mecklenburg Orioles Sunday at Davidson Park.

Bessemer City's Tommy Milwood hurled his fourth straight win Saturday. He fanned five and walked just one.

Mark Hager's 10th inning double snapped a 3-3 tie and gave KM the victory.

Hager, Charles Rhodes and Ken Balty shared hitting honors with 2-for-5

each and Otis Cole slammed a home run.

David Williams, 2-3, took the loss Sunday in a game which saw the two teams combine for 39 hits.

Larry Waters was 3-for-4, Balty 3-for-5, Cole 3-for-6, Rhodes 2-for-5 and Danny Ray McDowell 2-for-6 to lead the KM plate attack. McDowell hit a home run.

The A's host Norwood Saturday afternoon and will probably play makeup games on Friday night and Sunday. The site of the games had not been determined at presstime.

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