

Local Cagers Tip Off Season With Double Wins



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Golf's 1964 All-America

For the first time in the history of an ancient sport, a new yardstick has been applied to measure the greatness of a golfer. Here are the year's finest performers — the professionals who are the most proficient with all the clubs in the bag . . .

To effect the greatest degree of accuracy in evaluating the potential players for the honor roll, assistance was requested from more than 400 members of the Golf Writers Association of America, as well as the sportscasters who regularly cover events on television and radio . . .

Each was asked to designate a first and second choice in the following categories: Driver, Fairway Woods, Long Irons, Middle Irons, Short Irons, Pitching Wedge, Sand Wedge, and Putter . . .

The rules were simple. Players were to be professionals who had played in 10 or more PGA-sanctioned tournaments during the year 1964.

JACK NICKLAUS — Driver

Nicklaus, 24, of Columbus, Ohio, won his first major tournament, the Ohio Open, when only 16. Later, while a student at Ohio State University, he took the NCAA Golf Tournament. Twice U. S. Amateur Champ before he turned pro in 1961, Nicklaus is the youngest player ever to win so much money so early in his career. He has captured three of the world's four major titles: the '62 U. S. Open, and the 1963 Masters and PGA.

Nicklaus is probably one of the biggest hitters in modern-day golf. He has been playing golf seriously since the age of 12.

Nicklaus won no major titles in '64 but became only the second man in history to earn over \$100,000.

GARY PLAYER — Fairway Woods

Player, 29, of Johannesburg, South Africa, has brought color, fashion, sportsmanship, and brilliant play to the world of professional golf. He turned pro in 1953, with a goal — to capture four major U. S. championships and to be leading money winner — which is three-fourths fulfilled, namely: the Masters, the PGA, and leading money winner in 1961. In 1964 Gary won the Speedway Open and \$61,439.54.

Player won the British Open in 1959.

ARNOLD PALMER — Long Irons

Palmer, 35, is considered by many to be the greatest golfer of all time. He has won every major golf championship except the PGA. He is a four-time Masters champion: 1958, 1960, 1962, 1964. He was the USGA Open Champion in 1960. He has won nearly \$620,000 in prize money since turning pro in 1955. He is the leading money winner of golf's modern era.

Palmer was selected PGA Player of the Year in 1960 and '62. Arnold is a graduate of Wake Forest, and lives in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. The money winner for most of '64, he topped \$100,000 for the second time.

BOBBY NICHOLS — Middle Irons

Bobby, 28, is lucky to be alive today. He was nearly killed in an automobile accident in 1953, when almost every bone in his body was broken.

Turning pro in 1959, he was awarded the Ben Hogan Trophy for his miraculous comeback. Nichols, a graduate of Texas A&M, had his finest year in 1964 and topped it off by whipping golf's greatest players in the PGA Championship at Columbus, Ohio. Later in the year, he won the rich Carling Open at Oakland Hills. Nichols was fourth on the money list with \$74,237. He is from Louisville, Kentucky.

KEN VENTURI — Short Irons

Ken, 33, had one of the most brilliant amateur records in modern golf. After nearly winning the Masters in 1956, he turned pro and became a big money winner.

Physical ailments and other misfortunes caused his strong game to collapse, and he was on the verge of quitting golf in 1963. In '64, he regained his winning touch and scored a spectacular victory in the USGA Open at Congressional. He won two other tournaments, and finished seventh in money with \$60,965. He lives in Hillsboro, California.

TONY LEMA — Pitching Wedge

A resident of Oakland, California, Lema, 30, is known best for his explosions of sub-par golf. Turning pro in 1955, he has played exceptional golf the last three years.

In 1964, he captured the British, Buick, Thunderbird, and Cleveland Opens, plus his biggest money prize of all, the World Series.

He ended up fifth on the money list with \$73,255, but his unofficial earnings took him well over \$100,000.

JULIUS BOROS — Sand Wedge

Julius Boros, 44, turned pro in 1950, and is known best for his ability to be at his peak in the "big one." This is shown by his great National Open record of having finished in the top ten nine times since turning professional.

He won his first open in 1952. Then in '63, he won it again. He was twice named Professional Golfer of the Year, in '52 and '63. He was also the leading money winner in '52 and '53, in both years, winning the George S. May's World Championship.

He won over \$28,000 in '64. He is a native of Fairfield, Connecticut.

BILL CASPER — Putter

This year, the 33-year-old National Open Champion, was a model of consistency. Besides finishing first in the Doral Open, Colonial Invitational, and the Seattle and Alameda Opens, Casper was among the top ten money winners in 20 of 26 tournaments he entered.

Recognized as the best putter on the tournament trail, Casper is also a great player with other clubs in the bag, as shown by his ability to win money. He turned pro in 1954 and won over \$90,000 in 1964. He lives near San Diego, California.

POINTS TO REMEMBER

Driver — Sweep club back in wide arc with full left arm extension, avoiding quick wrist break . . . Try to achieve maximum body turn and take as full a swing as possible . . . Once you have hit the ball, continue to "throw" club towards hole . . .

Fairway Woods — Use good descending blow to get through the ball . . . Have courage to go after ball — swing hard through hitting area . . .

Long Irons — Use any of three types of grips you prefer, but make sure your grip is firm from start to finish . . . Don't panic; imagine you are hitting your favorite club . . .

Middle Irons — Narrow stance from that which you use for long irons or woods . . . Slow swing in favor of added rhythm and tempo . . .

Short Irons — Play shots from one basic stance —



STANDOUT — Pictured above is senior Mountaineer forward Jimmy Cloninger, who hit 11 of 13 foul shot attempts Friday night to aid in the Mountaineers' 67-57 whipping of the Belmont Red Raiders in the opening SWC basketball game. Cloninger was second highest in scoring with 17 points.

Robinson Lifts Griffin Drug Out Of Cellar

Mickey Robinson rolled a 158 line and a 356 set Monday night as the Griffin Drug men's bowling team climbed out of the cellar, after taking a three-game win from Plonk Oil Company. Four of the five Griffin bowlers recorded 300-plus sets.

Clarence Plonk was high for the losers with a 116 line and a 327 set.

In other action, the Clyde Culbertson team won three games from Tignor & Russell Garage to continue to be in the top spot, and dropping Tignor into the cellar. Dilling Heating took over second place in the standings by winning three games from Bob Herndon.

Clyde Culbertson and Lee Norville shared line and set honors for the winning Culbertson team. Culbertson rolled a 118 line and Norville added a 332 set. Robert Gantt was high for the losers with a 120 line and a 325 set.

Paul Ware rolled a 130 line and a 341 set as Dilling Heating took three games from heretofore second place Bob Herndon. Aud Tignor was high for the losers with a 137 line and a 335 set.

Team	W	L	Pct.
Clyde Culbertson	13	7	.650
Dilling Heating	11	9	.559
Bob Herndon	10	10	.500
Griffin Drug	9	11	.450
Plonk Oil	9	11	.450
Tignor & Russell	8	12	.400

Brackett Leads City Ice & Coal To Four-Game Win Over J. Parker

City Ice & Coal stopped melting ice and started burning coal to take first place after the first week of bowling in the Thursday night Mixed Bowling League.

The team ended up in the cellar the first half, but came roaring back Thursday and took four games from the Janet Parker team to take an early second half lead.

Two teams, City Paint Store and Jenny Oates, are tied for second place. City Paint won three games from Dot Tignor and Jenny Oates, after losing the first game, came back to take three-out-of-four from Betty Fite.

Albert Brackett copped line and set honors for City Ice & Coal with a 129 line and a 341 set. Furman Wilson also added a 300-plus set. Bob Herndon was high for the losers with a 127 line and a 333 set.

Jenny Oates and Bill Mullinax shared line and set honors as

this way you work with one arc—not nine . . . For backspin, apply pressure in grip to middle two fingers of right hand and break wrists quickly on backswing . . .

Pitching Wedge — Take your stance with weight more on left foot and with feet never more than one foot apart . . . Be sure to keep head steady at all times . . .

Sand Wedge — Open your stance, plant feet well in sand and open blade at address . . . Don't try to scoop ball out, explode it by hitting from one to two inches behind it . . .

Putter — Get putter which you think has right "feel" for you — experiment with various putters before making final decision . . . Concentrate on keeping head steady . . . Hold back of left hand square to hole . . .

Mounties Score 33 Foul Shots For First Win

The Kings Mountain Mountaineers sank 33 foul shots Friday night, and four Belmont Raiders left the game on fouls, to give the Kings Mountain boys a 67-57 opening conference victory, which was not clinched until the final two minutes of play.

The two teams stayed within two and three points of each other the entire game, until pressure made the Belmont boys start fouling numerous times, and the Mounties jumped to a six-point lead, 54-48 with about two minutes remaining.

Belmont outscored the Mountaineers 20-17 in field goals, so the fouls are really what won for the Mounties.

While four Raiders fouled out of the game, including high scoring guard Dickie Armstrong, only one Mountaineer, Richard Gold, left the game on fouls.

Senior forward Ken Bunkowski led the Mountaineer scoring with 19 points. He netted seven field goals and five foul shots for his total.

But it was Jimmy Cloninger who really carried the Mounties to the win. Cloninger threw 11 foul shots through the net, and added three field goals for 17 points, and center Mike Ballard was third highest in scoring with 14 points. Ballard hit on three field goals and eight foul shots for his total.

Guard Richard Gold was held to only 11 points, two field goals and seven foul shots. Mickey Bell rounded out the scoring with six points, two field goals and two foul shots.

The Mountaineers and Red Raiders changed leads at the end of every period. Belmont led 17-15 at the end of the first quarter; the Mountaineers led 30-29 at halftime; Belmont led 47-46 at the end of the third period; and the Mounties won the game, 67-57. Kings Mountain outscored Belmont 21-10 in the final period.

On the other hand, Coach Bob Hussey's Mountaineers never trailed once, as they cruised to an easy 36-23 win over the Raiders.

The Mountaineers held the Belmont girls to only two points in the first period, and held a 20-10 lead at halftime. The Raiders' made their first score with 20 seconds remaining in the first quarter.

Joyce Bolin copped scoring honors for the Mountaineettes with 15 points. She scored five field goals and five foul shots for that total.

Freshman Sharon Gold added three field goals and three foul shots for nine points, and seniors Joan Howard and Margie Huffstetler added seven and four points respectively. Hilda Lowery, a sophomore, scored the other Mountaineette point.

Leonard, Loudermilk, and Whitworth were high for the losers with six points each. Debbie Cortner added five markers.

Team	W	L	Pct.
Kings Mountain	15	7	.682
F-Bolin	15	7	.682
F-Howard	7	7	.500
F-Huffstetler	4	7	.364
F-Gold	4	7	.364
F-Sigmond	1	7	.125
F-Lowery	1	7	.125

Mountaineers Have Open Date Tuesday

The Kings Mountain Mountaineer and Mountaineette basketball teams will not play a game Tuesday night, as they have an open date for mid-term examinations.

The two teams will travel to Chase Friday, January 22 for a conference doubleheader, and will return home the following Tuesday to play host to the Wolves and Wolverettes of Lincolnton.

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Team	W	L	Pct.
City Ice & Coal	4	0	1.000
City Paint Store	3	1	.750
Jenny Oates	3	1	.750
Dot Tignor	1	3	.250
Betty Fite	1	3	.250
Janet Parker	0	4	.000



MOUNTAINETTE — Pictured above is Mountaineette forward Joyce Bolin, a member of the 1964 all-conference team, who has been a standout in the first two conference tilts. She was high scorer in the girls' opening conference win against Belmont Friday with 15 points.

Ross Announces Recreation League Card

An 18-game schedule for the City Recreation Basketball league was announced Monday by Recreation Director Elmer Ross.

Six teams are entered in the league, and they will play each other three times, beginning Monday night, January 18.

Those teams entered are: Belks, Midpines, Jenkins Metal, Lithium, Foote Mineral, and Hawks.

Doubleheaders will be held on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights until March 9, when the Jenkins-Lithium game will complete the regular-season play.

The Midpines - Jenkins game will tip off this year's action.

The complete schedule follows: Jan. 18 — Midpines vs. Jenkins; Belks vs. Lithium. Jan. 19 — Hawks vs. Foote; Lithium vs. Midpines. Jan. 21 — Foote vs. Jenkins; Lithium vs. Midpines. Jan. 21 — Foote vs. Jenkins; Belks vs. Hawks. Jan. 25 — Hawks vs. Lithium; Foote vs. Midpines. Jan. 26 — Jenkins vs. Belks; Foote vs. Lithium. Jan. 28 — Hawks vs. Jenkins; Midpines vs. Belks. Feb. 1 — Hawks vs. Midpines; Foote vs. Belks. Feb. 2 — Jenkins vs. Lithium; Hawks vs. Foote. Feb. 4 — Jenkins vs. Midpines; Belks vs. Lithium. Feb. 8 — Jenkins vs. Foote; Hawks vs. Belks. Feb. 9 — Midpines vs. Lithium; Jenkins vs. Belks. Feb. 11 — Foote vs. Midpines; Hawks vs. Lithium. Feb. 15 — Midpines vs. Belks; Hawks vs. Jenkins. Feb. 16 — Foote vs. Lithium; Hawks vs. Midpines. Feb. 18 — Foote vs. Belks; Jenkins vs. Lithium. Feb. 22 — Jenkins vs. Midpines; Belks vs. Lithium. Feb. 23 — Hawks vs. Foote; Midpines vs. Lithium. Feb. 25 — Foote vs. Jenkins; Hawks vs. Belks. March 1 — Hawks vs. Lithium; Foote vs. Midpines. March 2 — Jenkins vs. Belks; Foote vs. Lithium. March 4 — Hawks vs. Jenkins; Midpines vs. Belks. March 8 — Hawks vs. Midpines; Foote vs. Belks. March 9 — Jenkins vs. Lithium.

Team	W	L	Pct.
Kings Mountain	33	7	.826
F-Bolin	15	7	.682
F-Howard	7	7	.500
F-Huffstetler	4	7	.364
F-Gold	4	7	.364
F-Sigmond	1	7	.125
F-Lowery	1	7	.125

Tie For Lead In Ladies' Bowling League

Belk's Department Store won three games from McGinnis Furniture Tuesday night to move into a tie for first place with Oates - Henderson Shell, since Shell split two games to two with Phillip's 66. In other action, Plonk's Department Store took three games from Medical Pharmacy to move into fourth place. Pharmacy is in fifth, and McGinnis Furniture is in the cellar.

Betty Fite and Pat Panther led the way for Belk's, Fite copping line honors with a 104 and Panther adding a 287 set. Doris Ware rolled a 98 line and a 274 set for the losers.

Barbara Miller rolled a 109 line and a 303 set as Phillip's 66 came from behind to split four games with heretofore league leaders Oates - Henderson Shell. Jenny Oates was high for Shell with a 100 line and a 289 set.

Lib Gault copped line and set honors for the night as Plonk's took three games from the first-half winner, Medical Pharmacy. She combined games of 103, 126, and 99 for a 328 set. Janet Parker was high for the losers with a 118 line and a 290 set.

Team	W	L	Pct.
Oates-Henderson	6	2	.750
Belk's Dept. Store	6	2	.750
Phillip's 66	5	3	.625
Plonk's Dept. Store	4	4	.500
Medical Pharmacy	2	6	.250
McGinnis Furniture	1	7	.125

Gold Scores 22 As Mountaineers Down Cherryville

The Kings Mountain Mountaineers and Mountaineettes swept to their second straight conference victory Tuesday night at Cherryville.

The Mountaineettes won the opener by a 33-18 margin, with forward Joyce Bolin leading the way with 13 points. She dropped in five field goals and three charity tosses for her total. Margie Huffstetler and Sharon Gold added three field goals and one foul shot each for seven points to aid in the scoring.

The Mountaineettes held the Lady Ironmen to only five points in the first half, while they were scoring 16. It was Cherryville's first conference meet.

Richard Gold scored 22 points as the Mountaineers cruised to their seventh straight season win, second in conference play.

Gold hit on eight field goals and six foul shots. Ken Bunkowski added 15 points, and Mickey Bell and Mike Ballard added eight and six respectively.

The Mountaineers led 24-16 at halftime, and 36-22 at the end of the third stanza. The Mounties caught fire in the final period to outscore the Ironmen 23-4.

The Kings Mountain junior varsity lost a 5-30 match to the Cherryville JV's, but not before putting up a fight.

Beam scored 20 points as Cherryville pulled out a four-point, 42-38, victory. Phillip Russ and Nelson Connor scored 14 and 12 points respectively for Kings Mountain. The Mountaineer junior varsity defeated Cherryville 52-43 last Tuesday on the home court. Their record stands at two wins and one defeat.

Team	W	L	Pct.
Kings Mountain	7	9	.438
F-Bolin	13	7	.652
F-Huffstetler	7	7	.500
F-Gold	4	7	.364
F-Howard	2	7	.286
F-Ruff	2	7	.286
F-S. Lowery	1	7	.143

Subs: H. Lowery 1, Beam 1, Russell 1, J. Dunn, B. Beam, Dobbins, Ware. **Cherryville** (18) F-Beck 2 F-Bumgardner 3 F-Moss 3 G-Howard 5 G-Cadwallader 1 G-Sigmond 4

Halftime Score: Kings Mountain 16, Cherryville 5. **By Periods:** Kings Mtn. 7 9 10 7-33 Cherryville 4 1 6 7-18

Team	W	L	Pct.
Kings Mountain	61	15	.803
F-Bunkowski	15	7	.682
F-Cloninger	3	7	.300
F-Ballard	3	7	.300
G-Bell	2	7	.286
G-Gold	2	7	.286

Subs: Henderson 2, Grimes 5, Cooper, S. Goforth. **Cherryville** (28) F-Barger 2 F-Chaney 2 F-Davidson 2 G-Motz 2 G-Beam 10

Subs: Harrelson 7, Cadwallader 1, Odell 2, Link 1. Halftime Score: Kings Mountain 24, Cherryville 16. **By Periods:** Kings Mtn. 10 14 12 23-61 Cherryville 2 14 8 4-28

Name The Team Contest!

Here's opportunity to name the team that will represent you this season. Just think of an appropriate name for a baseball team (preferably one with a North Carolina background to it) of no more than eight or nine letters.

To avoid possible duplications, think of a slogan of no more than ten words which will include your name for the team.

First prize will be a season ticket for two to all the Shelby home games. Second prize will be twenty tickets for games during the season, third prize will be ten tickets.

A panel of judges will make the decision and this decision will be final. Contest closes Tuesday, January 19 and winners will be announced Friday, January 22.

Send as many entries as you like to:

SHELBY BASEBALL TEAM
Box 237, Shelby, N. C.

I suggest the Shelby baseball team be called

Here's my suggested slogan

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Name

Street

City State

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STAR SCORER—Pictured above is Mountaineer forward Ken Bunkowski who was the high scorer in the Mounties' first conference win over Belmont Friday. Bunkowski, a 1964 all-conference player, netted 19 points in the opening win.

Gault Is Second In Turkey Trot

Lib Gault, of the Plonk Brothers and City Paint Store bowling teams, rolled a 621 set last week to take over second place in the duckpin Turkey Trot tournament, now being held at the Mountain Lanes Bowling Center.

She became the first lady to make a stand in the tournament by taking the spot previously held by Richard Bridges, who rolled a 617 three weeks ago.

Bridges moved into third place, knocking Bill Mullinax out of singles competition. Mullinax had a 614 score.

Clarence Plonk, of the Plonk Oil and Jenny Oates teams, is still in first place with a 640 score.

Clarence Plonk and Randy Blanton hold down first place in doubles competition with a combined score of 1204. Plonk and Mullinax are in second with 1150, and Richard Bridges and Furman Wilson are third with a 1145 total.

The tournament will probably continue some three or four more weeks. Prizes of \$50, \$30, and \$20 will go to the top three bowlers in each group.

Coach Bob Hussey's Mountaineers have lost to the Shelby Lions on two previous occasions by scores of 39-27 and 33-28.

Three girls, Rachel Gidney, Mary Sheppard, and Jackie Phillips, are neck and neck in scoring for Mrs. Bobby Reynolds' team.

The Shelby girls have a slight height advantage over the Mountaineettes.

The Mountaineettes, on the other hand, have gotten off to an uneven start, but are staying around the 500 mark.