Saturday At Two Fields

## Mountaineer Bowl Is Set

Kings Mountain's youth footballers go "bowling" Saturday with two teams playing in the annual Mountaineer Bowl here and the third going after the Gaston County League championship in a game at Dallas

The KM junior midgets, 7-1 on the season and winners of Division One in Gaston League play, will meet undefeated Mason Athletics (8-0) in a 5 p. m. title game at the North Gaston High School Stadium. The midget championship game, pit-ting Shelby against Mt. Holly, follows the Little

Mountaineers' game. The KM midgets, 8-2-1 heading into their final regular season game Tuesday night against Mt. Holly, will meet Cramerton Saturday at 2:15 at John Gamble Stadium in the feature game in the annual Mountaineer Bowl.

The KM pee wees open the Mountaineer Bowl event at 10 a. m. at City Stadium. They will battle Mt. Holly.

Groves Thread will play Long Creek of Charlotte in another pee wee contest at 11:15 at City Stadium.

The Long Creek junior midgets meet Shelby Jefferson in a 1 p. m. game at Gamble Stadium and the Belmont and Dallas midgets will put the cap on the afternoon's activities at 3:30 at Gamble Stadium.

Saturday's action is the first of several bowl appearances for the KM teams, who have fared well in past events.

The junior midgets, who brought the city its first divisional title this fall, travel to Clewiston, Fla., next weekned to take on host Clewiston in the an-

nual Florida Classic. Both the junior midgets action in the John Henry Moss Classic Nov. 27 at

Gamble Stadium. The at 2:30. junior midgets will play and midgets will be in the Durham midgets at 1 p. m. at the KM midgets will battle Long Island, N. Y.,

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The midgets are tentatively scheduled to play in the Little Gator Bowl in Naples, Fla., Dec. 4.



returning starters will be key performers for the Kings Mountain High School basketball teams in 1976-77. At left is Eddie Ingram, a guard with the Mountaineers, who should be one of the team leaders and a strong

outside scoring threat. At right is Judy Henderson, junior center for the Mountainettes, who was the team's leading rebounder and number three scorer last season and who should rank among the best centers in the Southwestern Conference this season.

## **KM Cagers Progressing**

Kings Mountain High's R-S Central.
basketball teams are prodrills and are anxiously awaiting the Dec. 1 opener here against make their final cuts

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John Blalock of the Mountaineers indicate they'll

several players are showing progress and two winning seasons are certainly within reach. Mrs. Brooks, in her first

year at KMHS after coaching at her alma mater, Alleghany High School in Sparta, says she has been impressed with the play of several girls.

Susan Mitchem, of course, is the most promising KM performer, and should rank as one of the top players in the state. She's led the club in scoring the past two years and was the team's most valuable player last season.

Others who have looked good in practice include Phyllis Mack, Angle Hickman, Priscilla Rickenbacker, Gayla Roberts and Sherry Ingram. Ingram was starting for the Mountainettes last year as sophomore before suffering a knee injury that put her out for the season.

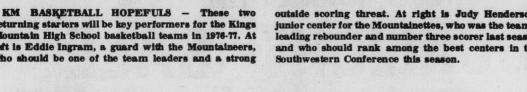
Judy Henderson, a returning starter. Felicia Bristol and Deborah Hayes have all looked good under the boards. Henderson was the team's leading rebounder a year ago and Bristol and Hayes are both over six feet tall.

"Everybody's excited," says Coach Brooks. "We're all anxious to get started."

Coach Blalock inherited four starters from last year's team, which finished second in the SWC under Coach Allen Dixon, but the former Compact coach says those returnees are having a hard time winning their positions

Several newcomers are progressing well, especially 6-4 William Lockhart, a transfer from Crest, and a pair of sophomores, Glenn Ellis and Vernon Bell. They're currently running on the first unit with returnees Bobby Odoms and Eddie Ingram.

The mountaineers neld a scrimmage Monday night and Coach Blalock said he was highly impressed. William Thompson, who just joined the team after competing in football, played well in the scrimmage and, according to Blalock, has improved a lot. Jeff Prescott and Terry McClain also came off the football



within the next few days Coaches Kathy Brooks of and then get down to the gressing well in early sea- the Mountainettes and task of choosing a starting

"We hope to cut down to about 15 in the next few (Please Turn To Page 4B) Both coaches report



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