

Girls Win State



STATE CHAMPIONS — The 18-15 year old Kings Mountain girls softball all-star team copped the Dixie Youth State Tournament title over the weekend at Tabor City. Team members include, standing, left to right, Mary Ann White, Mickey James, Renee Cook, Leslie Hamrick, Ginger Martin, Toni Ross, and Lisa Hampton. Kneeling, Bridget Glass, Trudy Whisnant, Kim Gladden, Judy Whisnant, Dana Horn, Susan Howze and Donna Myers. Not pictured, Diane Williams, Penny Blanton and Leslie Sherer.

Kings Mountain's 18-15 year old girls softball all-stars, heretofore a slowpitch team, took a quick lesson in how to play fastpitch softball last week and won the Dixie Youth State Tournament at Tabor City.

The local team, which finished fifth in the State ASA Tournament a week earlier in Durham, went to Tabor City thinking it would be playing in another slowpitch event.

"Our girls had never before played fastpitch," noted Coach Candy Albergine. "We had to make adjustments in our hitting and had to learn how to steal bases, and we could only play three outfielders instead of four."

Albergine also had to come up with another pitcher, as Dixie Youth rules only allow a pitcher to pitch 14 innings in a tournament.

Lisa Hampton had served as the team's pitcher all season in slowpitch action, and she hurled the team's opening round victory over Pender County on Thursday night, 18-12. Hampton hurled again in Saturday's second round, against Pender County again, and she lost that game 7-6.

In the championship game, still against Pender County, Albergine converted Susan Howze into a pitcher and she responded with an eight-hitter to nail down the title, 15-6.

"Our defense was the key to our victories," noted Albergine. "We'll be working very hard this week so we can properly represent Kings Mountain and North Carolina in the World Series beginning Monday in Whiteville."

The state champions from Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Virginia will join Kings Mountain in the World Series.

Hampton outdueled Pender County's Sara Jones for Thursday's opening round win and

Diane Williams hit the fastpitch for base hits each of her four trips to the plate to lead the offense. Howze and Bridget Glass were 3-for-4 each.

After Friday's round was rained out, Pender County came back on Saturday to halt KM 7-6 and force a second title game.

Ann Padgett picked up the win for PC. Howze was 4-for-4 and Hampton and Mary Ann White each 3-for-4 to lead KM at the plate.

KM actually tied the game in the bottom of the seventh at 7-all on pinch-hitter Judy Whisnant's single which scored Hampton. But Whisnant was ruled out because she did not report to the official scorer before taking her turn at bat.

KM came back in the second title game and completely outclassed the Pender County crew behind the pitching of Howze, Penny Blanton and Renee Cook, who had two hits apiece.

Batting averages for the tournament included Howze .750, Cook .667, Hampton .667, Diane Williams .583, Penny Blanton .545, Glass .545, Ginger Martin .400, White .385, Donna Myers .231, Trudy Whisnant .200 and Kim Gladden .000.

The victories at Tabor City gave Kings Mountain its second state championship in as many weeks. The 18-15 year old boys all-stars won the State ASA Tournament in Hendersonville, sweeping the double elimination tournament without a defeat.

The boys team will be representing the city and state in the ASA World Series August 12-14 in York, Pa.

Coach Darrell Van Dyke said the team is in need of financial assistance and any businesses or individuals interested in donating may contact Van Dyke at the community center (739-3549).

Young Gridders Begin Practice

The Kings Mountain pee wee, junior midget and midget football teams have begun practice and will be working out each night from 7-9 p. m. at City Stadium.

Cheerleader Registration Is Saturday

All girls ages 10-12 interested in trying out for a spot on the Kings Mountain youth football cheerleading squad are urged to register Saturday at the community center gym.

Registration will be held from 9 a. m. until noon and from 1 p. m. until 2 p. m.

The girls chosen will cheer for the three youth teams this fall which will be playing in the Gaston League under the sponsorship of the Optimist Club and the recreation department.

Tammy Blanton and Donna Sutherland will serve as cheerleader coaches.

Any youngsters ages 10 through 13 may come out for any of the teams by reporting for practice and seeing either Charles Burns or Jimmy Littlejohn.

Kings Mountain will definitely sponsor three teams in the Gaston League, and there's a strong possibility the city will also field a team in the Cleveland County League.

Any persons currently involved in baseball or softball playoffs will be eligible to come out for football at the conclusion of their season.

Kings Mountain is coming off a banner season and should be contenders in all divisions. The junior midgets won their division championship last fall and the midgets finished second. Most of last year's junior midgets will move up to the midget ranks this year, making that team even stronger.

The KM teams are jointly sponsored by the Optimist Club and the city recreation department.

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<p>BATTLEGROUNDS AVENUE DOWNTOWN KINGS MOUNTAIN</p>		<p>PERT TOILET TISSUE 6 ROLL PACK 89¢</p>	
<p>MIDOL CAPLETS 30's 95¢ 12's 47¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>DATRIL 100's DATRIL SAFE NON-ASPIRIN 135 LIMIT 2</p>	<p>SEA & SKI SUNTAN LOTION 4 OZ. 125 SEA & SKI SUNTAN LOTION</p>	
<p>BAYER CHILDREN'S ASPIRIN 36's 33¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>DATRIL 500 EXTRA STRENGTH 72's 119 LIMIT 2</p>	<p>JERGENS SOAP 15¢ EACH</p>	
<p>NO DOZ TABLETS 15's 55¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>ARTHRTIS STRENGTH BUFFERIN 40's 89¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>BUFFERIN TABLETS 100s 139 LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>CURAD "OUCHLESS" ASSORTED 30's 65¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>CURAD "OUCHLESS" ALL WIDE 30's 75¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>PEPTO-BISMOL TABLETS 24's 69¢ LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>Colgate 100 MOUTHWASH 12 OZ. 83¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>PEPTO-BISMOL 16 OZ. 179 LIMIT 2</p>	<p>JIF PEANUT BUTTER 18 OZ. 89¢</p>	
<p>VISINE EYE DROPS KEEP THE RED OUT 1/2 OZ. 103 LIMIT 2</p>	<p>JOHNSON'S DENTAL FLOSS 50 YDS. WAXED AND UNWAXED LIMIT 2 65¢</p>	<p>VANQUISH CAPLETS 60's 99¢ LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>Goody's HEADACHE POWDERS 8 POWDERS 19¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>MICRIN PLUS MOUTHWASH 12 OZ. 87¢ LIMIT 2</p>	<p>NORFORMS LIPSTICK ASSORTED 12's 113 LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>Alberto VOS 3 OZ. RIGHT GUARD POWER PUMP A/P DEODORANT SCENTED UNSCENTED 133</p>		<p>Alberto VOS 1/2 OZ. TWIN PK. NEW VOS HOT OIL LIMIT 2 105</p>	
<p>Alberto VOS 1/2 OZ. F.D.S. FEMINE DEOD. POWDER-SPRAY EX. STRENGTH 3 OZ. SPRAY-5 OZ. 105</p>		<p>Alberto VOS 1/2 OZ. HAIR DRESSING TUBE FINE-BLUE REGULAR 89¢ LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>Alberto VOS 8 OZ. NON-AEROSOL HAIR SPRAY REG. - HARD - GRAY 107 LIMIT 2</p>		<p>RAINTREE REGULAR MOISTURE MAKER LOTION 4 OZ. 99¢ LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>RAINTREE DRY SKIN MOISTURE MAKER LOTION 4 OZ. 115 LIMIT 2</p>		<p>RAINTREE MOISTURE CONCENTRATE FOR DRY SKIN 1 1/2 OZ. 129 LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>COVER GIRL LONG LUSH MASCARA LONG LUSH MASCARA 163 LIMIT 2</p>		<p>AMMENS POWDER 6 1/4 OZ. 89¢</p>	
<p>COVER GIRL LIPS LICK ALL SHADES LIMIT 2 139</p>		<p>BAN ROLL-ON DEODORANT REGULAR UNSCENTED 2 1/2 OZ. 135 LIMIT 2</p>	
<p>COVER GIRL LIPSTICK ASSORTED LIMIT 2 139</p>		<p>HUNDREDS OF BRAND NAMES... AT LOWER EVERYDAY PRICES! MAKE SAFETY FIRST AND MAKE IT LAST!</p>	