

Lead Western Loop

Patriots Win Sixth Straight

Kings Mountain Junior High's Patriots will have a Happy Easter vacation after defeating West McDowell 15-5 Monday for their sixth straight Western Junior High Athletic Association baseball win.

The victory leaves the Patriots of Coach Porter Griggs alone in first place. The KM team holds a full game lead over county rival Shelby, which is 5-1. Those teams square off in the first game after the holidays on Thursday night, April 19.

The Patriots had their best hitting game of the year Monday, collecting 15 hits off a pair of West McDowell hurlers. Every KM starter had at least one hit.

Terry Bullocks continued his hot hitting pace for the Pats, going 3-for-4

with three runs batted in. Kevin Jones was 2-for-4 with three runs batted in and Randy Moss was also 2-for-4.

Jones and Roy Mathis teamed up for the pitching win, combining for a six-hitter.

West McDowell grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the first inning but the Patriots scored in every inning beginning with the second.

They struck for four runs and a 4-1 lead in the second. The uprising was keyed by Bullocks' double and singles by Jones, Jeff Moss and Scott Shaw.

A double by Mathis and singles by Bullocks and Jones led to three more runs and a 7-1 lead in the third. Edward Austin's

double, a single by Randy Moss and Bullocks' second double keyed a three-run rally in the fourth which hiked the margin to 10-1.

KM added two more in the fifth on a walk to Eric Spicer and singles by Brent Bell and Randy Moss, and the Patriots closed out the scoring in the sixth with three runs on singles by David Turner, Kenny Mitchem and a double by Jamie Green.

THE LINESCORE

By innings:	R	H	E
WM 100 021 0	5	6	1
KM 043 323 x	15	15	3

Wilson, Clemmons (5) and McKinney, Winsley (7). Jones, Mathis (5) and Austin, Ballew (5).

Carolina A's Fastpitch Team Opens Saturday

The Carolina A's fastpitch softball team opens its 1979 season Saturday night at City Stadium against Spartanburg.

The A's, formerly the Shelby Comets, are defending state champions and will be playing all of their home games in Kings Mountain. The team is coached by Freddie Barrett and sponsored by Bob Southwell.

Saturday's doubleheader will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Several players well known to Kings Mountain area fans will be in the lineup, including All-State infielders Tony Leigh and

Gerald Herndon, both former baseball players at Kings Mountain High School.

Scott Ellis, another former KMHS standout, will catch for the A's. Also on the roster are Phil Roark and Wayne Appling, both of Grover.

The A's will play in weekend tournaments all over the South and will host at least one tournament at City Stadium. The first local tourney will be played May 5-6.

Next weekend, the A's travel to Columbia, S.C., to compete in the Ft. Jackson tournament.



SCOTT ELLIS

Golfers Second Again, Go To Chase Today

Kings Mountain High's golfers posted their third straight second place finish in Southwestern 3-A Conference golf action Thursday at Burns.

East Gaston's Warriors won the match with a 311, followed by Kings Mountain 318, Burns 327 and Crest 348.

David Jones of East Gaston was individual medalist with a one-over par 73. Joyce Hawley of the Warriors was second with 74 and Darrell Austin of the

Mountaineers third with a 76.

Other KMHS scores included Delk Haigler 78, Darrell Forbes 78, Sammy Wolfe 85, Herbie Beam 86 and Dexter Tate 88.

The Mountaineers go to Chase this Thursday to meet the Trojans, Burns and R-S Central. KMHS will compete in the Cleveland County Tournament at Riverbend on April 19.

Lib Gault's Bowling Team Wins Mixed League Title

Lib Gault's team defeated Johnny Dye's team three games to two for the championship of the Mixed Duckpin Bowling League in a special rolloff Thursday night at the Dilling Heating Lanes.

Gault's team won the last two games after falling behind two games

to one. Gault's team had won the first half title and Dye's team the second half.

Gault's team posted individual game scores of 336, 354, 334, 315, and 345 to games of 361, 330, 385, 295, and 306 for Dye. Lib Gault had a five-game score of 572, Aud Tignor had 531 and Peggy Jackson 495 for the winners. For Dye's team, Clarence Plonk scored 524, Becky Dye 539 and Johnny Dye 616.

Lenoir-Rhyme Camps Slated

Hickory—Lenoir-Rhyme College announced four summer sports camps today and encouraged area youth to register immediately. Only a limited number of openings are available, college officials said, and applicants will be accepted on a "first-come-first-serve" basis.

The boys' basketball camp is scheduled for 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., June 11-15, and will be directed by Lenoir-Rhyme coach Neil Hodges. Girls' basketball is slated for the same hours, June 18-22, with Coach Pat Smith directing; and football, the same hours, June 25-29, Coach Jack Huss directing.

The gymnastics camp is open to youngsters 9-13 years old, and they may choose morning sessions from 9:30-11 a.m. or afternoon sessions from 1-2:30 p.m., July 16-20. Cost is \$20 per camper for five sessions under the direction of Lenoir-Rhyme's Dr. Jane Jenkins.

Applications for the Lenoir-Rhyme camps may be obtained from the college athletic department.

Junior High Girls Lose

Kings Mountain Junior High's girls softball team fell to its second straight defeat Monday at West McDowell, 14-8. The loss gives the Lady Patriots a 3-3 Western Conference record going into the Easter break.

Melinda Roberts led the KM hitting attack with 3-for-4.

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