

Three-Hitters Highlight Opening Night Of Little League Season

A pair of three-hitters highlighted the opening night of action in the local little league Monday night at Deal Street Park.

Gold of Police and Steve Plonk of Rotary threw the victories, Gold 4-3 over C&C Metal and Plonk 7-3 over the Kiwanis Club.

after two innings, then held on. C&C scored twice in the fourth inning to cut it to 4-2 and added its final tally in the sixth.

Ingram and Doug Shockley 1-for-3 each for Police, which managed just four hits off losing pitcher Chris Lovelace. Curry led C&C with 2-for-3.

Plonk struck out eight batters in his victory. Rotary scored four runs in the third inning to break a 1-1 tie. Phillip Ramsey was the losing pitcher.

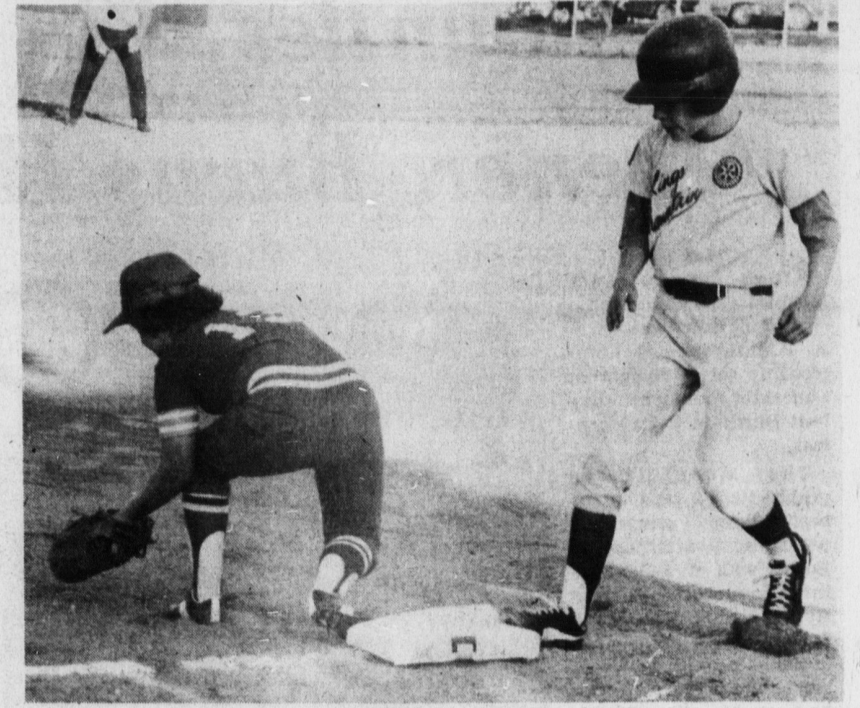
Keefer Ballew went 3-for-3 and drove in three runs to lead a nine-hit Rotary plate attack. Ray Bridges and Tim Biddix were cited for their defensive play. Sherrer and Boheler led the hitting for Kiwanis.

In Tuesday night action, Nationwide Insurance defeated the Lions Club 6-1 and Champion edged the Jaycees 3-2.

Jarvis Young hurled the win for Nationwide, scattering six hits, and Maury Williams took the loss for the Lions, giving up seven hits. Nationwide scored three runs in the first inning to put the game on ice early.

Champion scored single runs in the third, fourth and seventh innings to defeat the Jaycees, who got both of their runs in the fourth. McDaniel scattered four hits to get the win and Clark took the loss.

McDaniel struck out 19 of the 27 men he faced, and also helped out in the hitting department with 2-



STEVE PLONK safe at third...



Photos by Richard Reynolds

RICHIE GOLD working on three-hitter...

for-3. Lovelace, Byers and Morris also had two hits each. Little League games are played each week night, beginning at 8:30, at the Deal Street fields.

Kings Mountain Pirates

Open Season On Saturday

Kings Mountain's Pirates open Carolina State Musial League play Saturday at 3 p.m. at Davidson Park against West Rowan. The Pirates remain at home Sunday at 3 to host Ells of Salisbury.

former Gardner-Webb player and now a coach in the Kings Mountain school system, is head coach.

Some of the college players competing for the Pirates include Kings Mountain natives Steve Southwell of Erskine and Richard Gillespie of Gardner-Webb, and Mark McDaniel of Gardner-Webb, Phil Cherry of High Point and David Williams of Pfeiffer. Also, Darrell Van Dyke, former KMHS and Gardner-Webb outfielder, has joined the team.

KM Women

Participate

In Foothills

Three Kings Mountain women participated in the two-day Foothills Association golf tournament this week at Tanglewood Country Club in Clemmons, N.C.

Monday, KM's Lynn Mauney won low putts in the championship flight and Margaret Williams won low putts in the first flight.

Tuesday, Ms. Mauney was third low gross in the championship flight, Ms. Williams won low gross in the first flight and Lib Mayes won low putts in the first flight.

Sixty women participated in the event. Kings Mountain Country Club will host a Foothills Tournament in June.

Country Club Golf Tourney Is Scheduled

The third annual Kings Mountain Country Club team invitational golf tournament will be held May 12-13.

Entry forms may be obtained at any area pro shop or by calling KMCC pro Rudy Hayes at 739-5871. Entry fee is \$80 and includes two free practice rounds the week before the tournament.

The tourney will be a two-man, best-ball event and some of the top teams in the area have entered, including defending champions Frank Hoyle and Terry Abercrombie. Some of the top teams from KMCC already entered include Mike Ballard and Stoney Jackson and John Howze and Mickey Powers.

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