

# SPORTS

Defeat Chase Tuesday

## Mounties Home For Next Four

Kings Mountain High's basketballers open a four-game home stand Friday when East Rutherford's Cavaliers come to town for a tripleheader.

Junior varsity action gets underway at 4 p.m. Varsity action begins at 6:30.

The boys won and the girls lost in Southwestern 3-A Conference action Tuesday night at Chase. The Mountaineers won their second straight conference game, 78-59 to run their overall record to 8-5, and the girls fell to the league-leaders 55-37. The KM jayvees won the afternoon contest 77-52.

Brent Bagwell scored 22

points and grabbed 13 rebounds to lead the Mountaineers over the winless Trojans. Patrick Jones added 21 points for KM and Albert Ware had 18 points and eight rebounds for Chase.

The Mountaineers took command from the opening tipoff and were never headed. Larry Sipe's charges held a 20-9 lead after the first quarter, a 44-19 advantage at intermission and a 55-35 lead going into the fourth quarter.

The unbeaten Chase girls built up a 34-12 halftime lead over the KM ladies and led 49-20 going into the fourth quarter. Tara Miller led the

Chase attack with 22 points and Leslie Camp added 12. Adrienne Woods led KM with 10 points.

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Kings Mountain's jayvees jumped to a 19-2 first quarter lead and never let up in winning their ninth game in 11 starts. Ronnie Funderburke's team led 41-16 at intermission and 59-34 going into the fourth quarter.

Ryan Hollifield led the KM scoring with 21 points and Alan Williams added 16.

After Friday's meeting with East, the Mountaineers will entertain Burns next Tuesday, and then play R-S Central and North Gaston at

home before going back on the road February 12 at Shelby.

### BOYS GAME

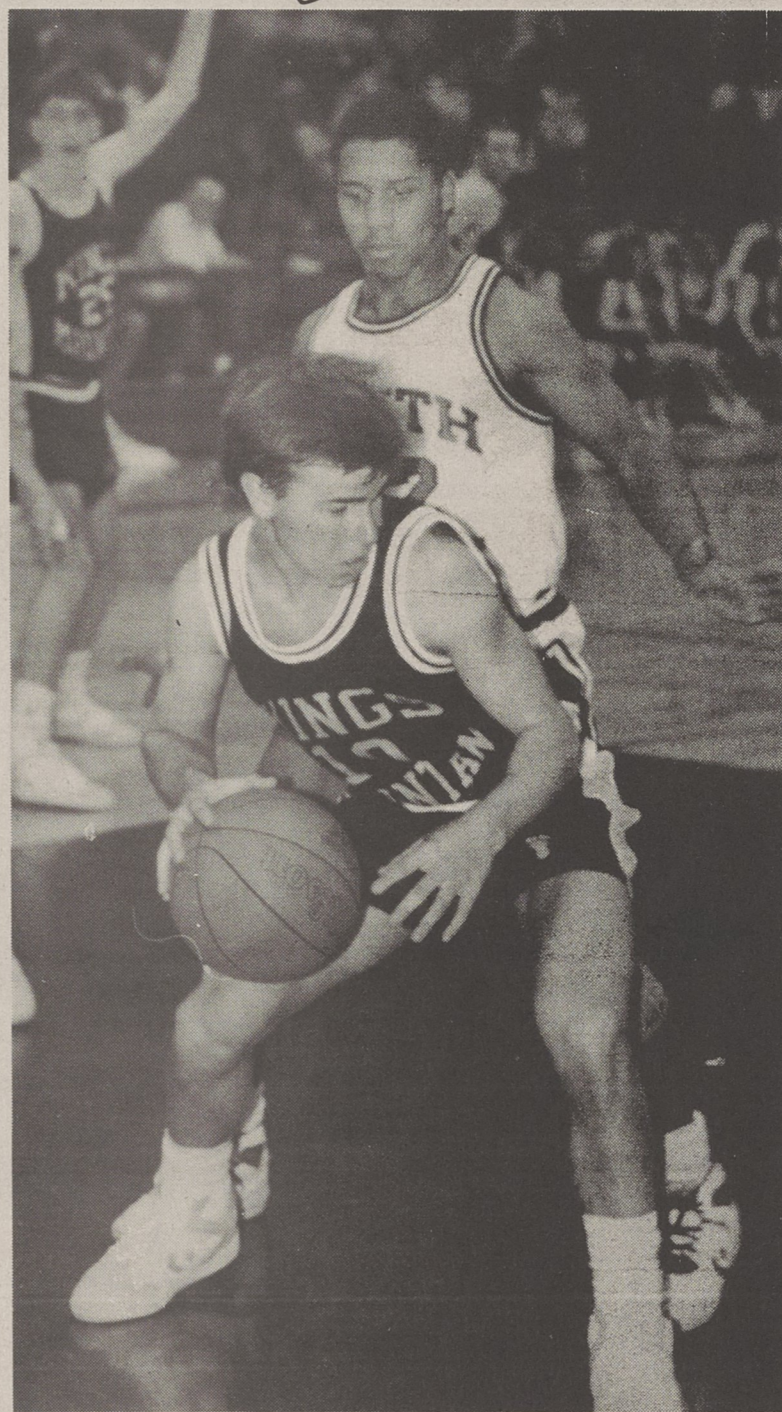
KM (78) - Meeks 6, Bagwell 22, B. Jones 4, P. Jones 21, Ross 8, Goode 2, Ballard 5, Griffith 2, Wilson 2, James 2.

CH (59) - Harris 13, Macopson 5, Waters 6, Ware 18, Conley 4, Hamrick 1, Jones 12.

### GIRLS GAME

KM (37) - Epps 7, Helms 4, Ruff 1, Smith 2, Ad. Woods 10, An. Woods 9, Roseboro 2, Degree 2.

CH (55) - Bristol 4, Camp 12, Miller 22, Green 2, Coffey 2, Hill 2, Pettit 2, Watkins 3, McKinney 6.



ONE ON ONE - Kings Mountain point guard Bryan Jones (10) works one on one against South Point's Willie Strain in Friday's Southwestern 3-A Conference basketball game at Belmont. Mountaineers won 59-58.

## Mounties Hold Off South Point 59-58

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers had to hang on at the end to edge South Point 59-58 Friday night at Belmont for their first Southwestern 3-A Conference victory.

Larry Sipe's five had a 59-56 lead with just seconds remaining but the Mountaineers were whistled for a technical foul. South Point hit both free throws to cut the margin to 59-58, but couldn't score on the inbounds play.

The victory gives the Mountaineers a 1-3 conference record and 7-5 overall mark.

Tim Goode and Bryan Jones led the KM scoring with 14 points apiece and Cliff

Meeks added 12. Brent Bagwell had 11 points and 14 rebounds.

Beljai Baklai scored 20 points and Demond Alexander added 14 points and nine rebounds for the Red Raiders, who dropped to 1-3 in the conference.

Kings Mountain held the upper hand most of the way but never could break the game open. The Mountaineers led 14-11 after the first period, 30-29 at intermission and 46-42 going into the final eight minutes.

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South Point's girls posted their first conference win in

the opener, 51-40, as Michelle Williamson scored 25 points and Trish Lewandowski 16. South Point led 21-17 at the half and 38-27 going into the fourth quarter.

Melissa Helms scored 14 points and Carmen Smith eight for the KM ladies, who fell to 2-2 in the conference and 3-9 overall.

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Kings Mountain's jayvees continued their torrid scoring pace in an afternoon contest, winning 92-61. It was the third time this season Ronnie Funderburke's lads have topped the 90-point figure.

Daniel Honeycutt led four double-digit KM scorers with

23 points. Quam Smith added 16, Petie McNeil 14 and Ryan Hollifield 13.

### GIRLS GAME

KM (40) - Epps 2, Ruff 7, Smith 8, Helms 14, Woods 7, Gardner 2.

SP (51) - Williamson 25, Lewandowski 16, Robinson 4, Johnston 6.

### BOYS GAME

KM (59) - Meeks 12, Bagwell 11, B. Jones 14, P. Jones 2, Goode 14, Ballard 6.

SP (58) - Strain 11, Baklai 20, Alexander 14, Kinlaw 4, Crump 5, Norris 2, McNeil 2.

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