



RONNIE YARBRO
Wins for KM against South Point

Track Team Wins Two

Kings Mountain High's track team won two Southwestern 3-A Conference meets last week at John Gamble Stadium.

The Mountaineers scored 79 1/2 points to defeat North Gaston and South Point in a makeup match Tuesday afternoon. North Gaston scored 68 points and South Point 38 1/2.

The Mountaineers scored 118 points to defeat R-S Central and South Point Thursday afternoon. The Hilltoppers had 35 points and South Point 29.

Kings Mountain's Greg Beckwith kept his unbeaten string alive in the discus, winning for the third and fourth straight time this year. He threw it 116 feet, 9 1/2 inches to win the Tuesday meet and had his season's best throw of 129 feet, 3/4-inch to win Thursday's meet.

North Gaston's Shawn Woods was the individual medalist in Tuesday's meet with 15 points and three first place finishes. Ryan Hollifield led KM with 11 1/4, Victor Bell had 7, Beckwith 7 and Mike Byers 6.35.

Joining Beckwith as winners for KM Tuesday were the 800-meter relay team (Mike Byers, Diron Bell, Rodney Houser and Pat Ross), Ryan Hollifield in the 1600 meters and 800 meters, Bell in the 400 meters, and the 1600 meter relay team (Ryan Hollifield, Mike Byers, Victor Bell and Craig Goode).

Bell was the individual medalist in Thursday's meet, winning all four of his events and scoring 16.25 points. Ryan Hollifield won all three of the events he entered and scored 11 1/4 points. Byers had 7.5, Rodney Houser and Diron Bell 7.1 each, and Timmy McClain 6.85.

Joining Beckwith in the winner's

circle were Shawn Grier in the triple jump, Bell in the long jump, 100 meters and 400 meters, Craig Goode in the 100 high hurdles and the 300 intermediate hurdles, the 800-meter relay team, Hollifield in the 1600 meters and 800 meters, Diron Bell in the 200 meters, and Ronnie Yarbrow in the 3200 meters.

Kings Mountain will host East Rutherford and R-S Central Thursday at 3:30 p.m.

(SWC track meet, Tuesday at KM's John Gamble Stadium)

Kings Mountain 79 1/2, North Gaston 68, South Point 38 1/2.

Pole Vault - Lee, SP, 10'; Andy Turner, KM, and Faile, SP, 9'6".

Discus - Greg Beckwith, KM 116'9 1/2"; Jonathan Hicks, KM, 116'9 1/2"; Kevin Moss, KM, 100' 1 1/4".

Shot put - Ross, NG; Sigmon, SP; Beckwith, KM.

Triple jump - Alexander, NG, 40' 9 1/2"; Armstrong, NG, 38'8 3/4"; Shawn Grier, KM, 36'4".

Long Jump - Woods, NG, 20'7 3/4"; Victor Bell, KM, 19'1"; Barnes, SP, 18'6 3/4".

High Jump - Woods, NG, 5'10"; Alexander, SP, 5'10"; Mintz, NG, 5'8".

3200 Meter Relay - SP 8:53.74; KM (Andy Hollifield, Roger Clemmons, Ronnie Yarbrow, D.J. Williams) 8:58.45;

110 High Hurdles - Ross, NG, 15.32; Alexander, NG, 16.67; Williams, SP, 17.27.

100 Meters - Woods, NG, 11.21; Mitchem, NG, 11.66; Ross, NG, 11.78.

800 Relay - KM (Mike Byers, Diron Bell, Rodney Houser, Pat Ross) 1:35.9; NG 1:39.72.

1600 Meters - Ryan Hollifield, KM, 4:50.82; Queen, SP, 4:59.48; Andy Hollifield, 5:19.98.

400 Relay - NG 45.01; KM

(Rodney Houser, Diron Bell, Pat Ross, Timmy McClain) 50.22.

400 Meters - Victor Bell, KM, 53.8; Mike Byers, KM, 55.02; Robbins, SP, 56.17.

3200 Int. Hurdles - Alexander, NG, 34.08; Craig Goode, KM, 45.92; David Ramsey, KM, 47.50.

800 Meters - Ryan Hollifield, KM, 2:09.63; Auten, SP, 2:17.53; D.J. Williams, KM, 2:19.33.

3200 Meters - Queen, SP, 11:02.97; Ronnie Yarbrow, KM, 11:09.00; Andy Hollifield, KM, 11:40.34.

1600 Meter Relay - KM (Ryan Hollifield, Victor Bell, Mike Byers, Craig Goode) 4:10.87.

(Results of Thursday's SWC track meet at KM's John Gamble Stadium).

Kings Mountain 118, R-S Central 35, South Point 29.

Pole Vault - Lee, SP, 12'; Andy Turner, KM, 10'; Donald Bell, KM, 7'6".

Discus - Greg Beckwith, KM, 129'0 3/4"; Dotson, RS, 124'6 1/4"; Arrowood, RS, 109'1 1/2".

Shot - Arrowood, RS, 42'2"; Dotson, RS, 38'5"; Greg Beckwith, KM, 37'8 1/2".

Triple Jump - Shawn Grier, KM, 35' 9 1/2"; Timmy McClain, KM, 35'9"; Salisburg, SP, 30'8".

Long Jump - Victor Bell, KM, 20'3"; Miller, RS, 19'7 3/4"; Rodney Houser, KM, 18'2".

110 High Hurdles - Craig Goode, KM, 17.88; Timmy McClain, KM, 18, 14; James Ellis, KM, 21.33.

100 Meters - Victor Bell, KM, 11.18; Miller, RS, 11.34; Pat Ross, KM, 11.54.

800 Relay - KM 1:34.59; SP, 1:38.67.

1600 Meters - Ryan Hollifield, KM, 4:48.06; Roger Clemmons, 4:57.55; Queen, SP, 4:59.93.

400 Meter Relay - RS 45.16, KM 46.21.

400 Meters - Victor Bell, KM, 53.00; Mike Byers, KM, 53.38; Robbins, SP, 54.98.

300 Int. Hurdles - Craig Goode, KM, 45.58; David Ramsey, KM, 46.36.

800 Meters - Ryan Hollifield, 2:05.06; Neely, RS, 2:06.48; Auten, SP, 2:11.75.

200 Meters - Diron Bell, KM, 23.83; Rodney Houser, KM, 23.79; Mike Byers, KM, 23.83.

3200 Meters - Ronnie Yarbrow, 11:14.2; Bill Foard, KM, 11:37.63; Wilson, SP, 11:39.00.

1600 Meter Relay - KM, 3:46.52; South Point, 3:53.00.

Race Fans Will Remember 'The Wreck'

It was fast, furious and hazardous at Bristol Raceway last weekend.

Saturday's Budweiser 250, won by L.D. Ottinger, followed by Dale Jarrett and Kyle Petty, won't be remembered for the race but for "The Wreck."

Michael Waltrip assured himself a spot on racing film clips for years to come. "The Wreck" will be there along with Petty's wrecks at Darlington and Daytona, as well as the crashes of Bobby Allison, Phil Parsons and Fireball Roberts.

The fans got their money's worth. Most racing fans will deny it, but just good racing "round and round" is dull. They come to see the brightly painted cars bang into each other or go spinning out of control into the wall.

"The Wreck" occurred when Waltrip was forced high on lap 171. The 36 degree banking allows for faster racing in the turns. As Waltrip exited turn two he crashed directly into the juncture of the infield gate and the concrete wall, which is similar to a bridge abutment. The car burst into hundreds of pieces, leaving only the roll cage intact.

Survival appeared impossible



and brought a wave of shock, fear, tears and screams from the fans. Waltrip stood up from the wreckage and was helped to a rescue cot to the disbelief of everyone.

Veteran drivers and crewmen described it as "unbelievable." They also said it was the worse wreck they had ever seen in stock car history. Waltrip drove again the next day in his Winston Cup car.

Because of the new asphalt sealer on the track, cars spun out or into the wall both Saturday and Sunday.

In Sunday's Valleydale 500 everyone was hitting one another. As the race wound down Davey Allison became the leader. He outduelled Mark Martin, Darrell Waltrip, Ricky Rudd and Sterling Marlin for 109 laps, finishing just inches ahead of Martin, then Rudd, Terry Labonte and Rick Wilson.

There was only one groove on the track and Allison drove it flaw-

lessly, as if his car was on rails.

This was the second good race for Allison. At Darlington last week, he finished a strong third after being down a lap from hitting the wall.

The real Robert Yates showed through as he led his team to contention at Darlington and a victory at Bristol.

Look out for them at Talladega. Allison won there in 1987 and 1989 in the Winston 500. Talladega is Davey's home track and Robert will have their Ford ready. One obstacle might be the restrictor plates.

CAROLINA SPEEDWAY - Carolina finally got its regular weekly racing events in Saturday without rain. Regular weekly racing for all divisions will continue this Saturday at 8 p.m.

Last week's results:

Late model - Lynn Mercer, Doug Sanders, Billy Knight, Tim Newman, Danny Toney.

Semi modified - Gene Sanders, Gene Miles, Roger Stone, Randy Terry, Tim Sigmon.

Super stock - Tom McCotter, Billy Thompson, Mike Bledsoe, James Gallaway, Danny Stutts.

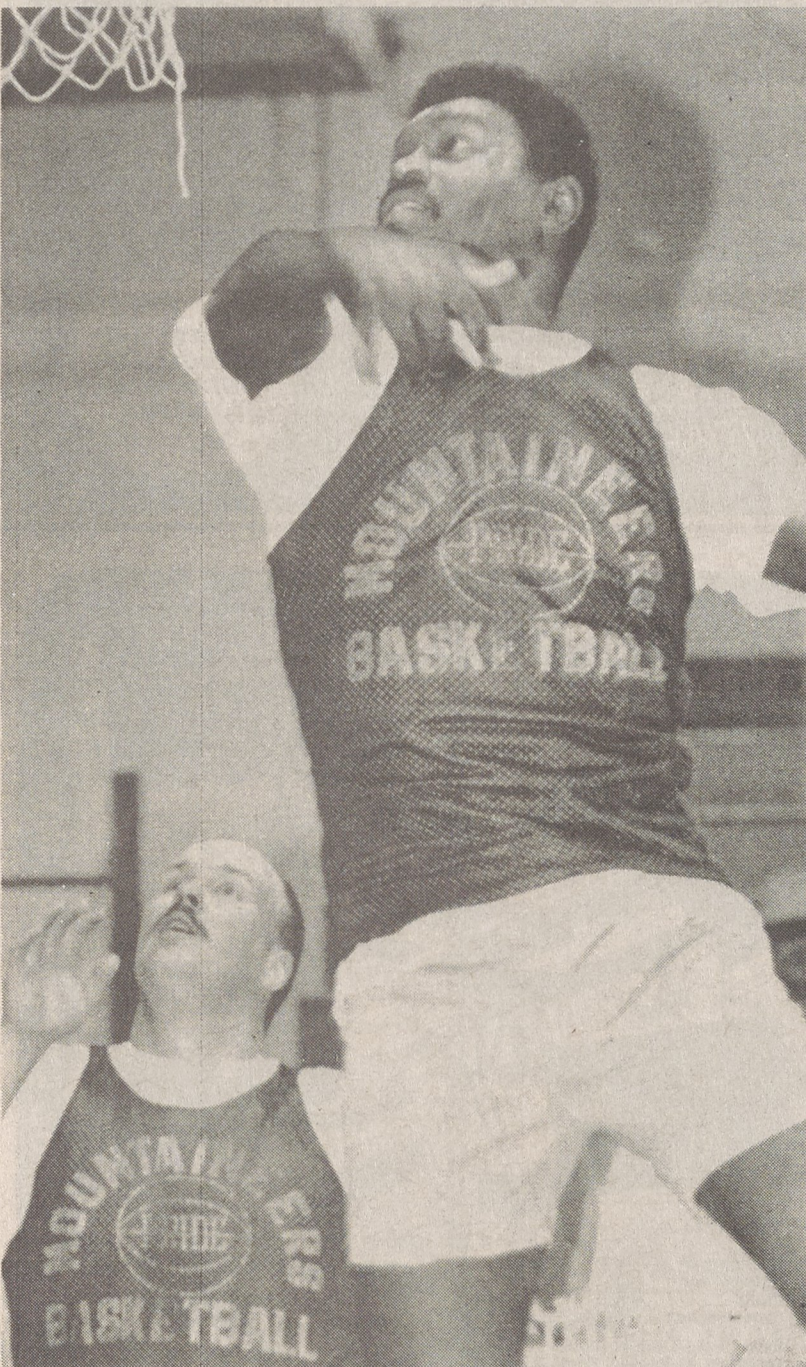
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Performs in Celebrity basketball game

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