

Mask Vs. Hair Match Highlights PWF Card

Just who is that masked man who calls himself the Russian Assassin? He's big and tough and can take care of himself. But why does he hide behind a mask?

The Italian Stallion, PWF world champion, says he plans to find out Tuesday, July 31, in the main event of a big PWF wrestling card at Kings Mountain's National Guard Armory. Bell time is 8 p.m.

The Stallion is so sure he can successfully defend his title that he has offered to have his long, curly hair cut if he loses the match. But, the Russian also has to put something on the line: his mask. If the Italian Stallion wins, the Russian must remove his mask and reveal his identity.

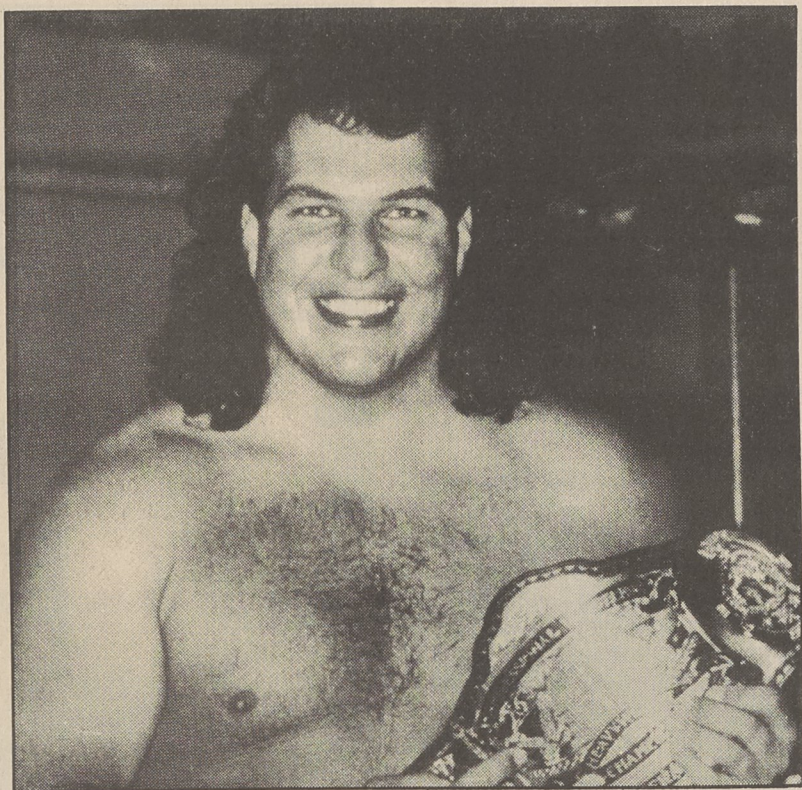
Several other matches are on tap Tuesday, including a no disqualification match between junior heavyweight champion Gorgeous George South and David Taylor.

The Hillbilly will also be in action, along with several other top stars from the PWF.

Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$8 at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased at Allen's Flower Shop and One Hour Cleaners.

For more information, call 739-4741.

Any non-profit group wanting concession rights to raise money for its organization may write the PWF, P.O. Box 21212, Charlotte, N.C. 28277.



THE ITALIAN STALLION
...Vows the belt (and the hair) will remain his

BRIEFS

ball and/or cheerleading call Mark Blanton at 739-8317.

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due upon registration.

Parents of football players should accompany their youngsters to registration and also take a copy of his birth certificate.

Cheerleading registration will be August 1-6 (excluding Saturday and Sunday) from 6-7 p.m. Girls ages 8-13 are eligible.

A \$10 fee is due upon registration.

For more information on foot-

KMHS Grid Practice

Kings Mountain High School football practice will begin Monday at 6 p.m.

Over 40 Mountaineer hopefuls participated in a recent two-week mini-camp and have been working on their own to stay in shape this week while coaches attended the annual N.C. Coaching Clinic in Greensboro.

The Mountaineers open their season on August 24 at Canton Pisgah.

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Long Branch Wins Tourney

Long Branch First Baptist Church won the women's division in the Lisa Beason Memorial Golf Tournament last weekend in Shelby.

Long Branch defeated Sandy Plains Baptist of Shelby 6-5 and 11-1 in the championship round Saturday afternoon after falling into the loser's bracket earlier in the day.

Long Branch scored five runs in the seventh inning to force a second championship game. Joann Cole hit a home run and Yvette Thompson had two hits to lead the Long Branch plate attack.

Debra Bell had two hits to lead Long Branch in the championship game.

Other players who keyed the Long Branch hitting attack throughout the tournament were Dana Hopper, Cheryl Leach, Bev Wright and Angie Bell.



WIN SHELBY TOURNNEY - Here are some of the members of the Long Branch Baptist women's team, which won the Lisa Beason Benefit Tournament Saturday in Shelby, and the men's team, which finished second. Front row, left to right, Gloria Camp, Nadine Bell, Stephanie Jeffries and Angela Smith. Back row, Joann Cole, Terry Lefevers, Otis Cole and Sam Wilson.

Elliott's Strategy Backfires, Bodine Wins Race At Pocono

Geoff Bodine joined the list of multiple winners for the 1990 Winston Cup season by winning Sunday's race at Pocono International Speedway.

Bodine beat out Bill Elliott, who was the only leader with 10 laps to go that had enough fuel to go the distance. Elliott had pitted last and "topped off" his fuel tank.

This strategy went out the window for Elliott when Ken Ragan hit the wall in turn one, on lap, 197, bringing out the caution flag and allowing everyone to conserve fuel by running at a slower speed.

At the end of lap 199 both the white and green flags came out, leading to a one-lap shootout. Harry Gant was second at that time but ran out of gas and fell to 14th.

Following Bodine and Elliott were Rusty Wallace, Dale Earnhardt and Davey Allison.

The race started with an empty



slot lap in memory of Rich Vogler, who was killed Saturday night in a midjet car race in Salem, Ind. Vogler had qualified for Sunday's race in the 32nd position. His car was withdrawn.

Vogler was leading the 30 lap event Saturday night and crashed with another car, hitting the fourth turn guard rail. The red flag was dropped, stopping the race. Since Vogler led the last green flag lap he was declared the winner.

At Pocono, lap one featured Darrell Waltrip and Dave Marcis, injured at Daytona, being lifted from their cars for substitute

drivers. Both did it successfully with Waltrip being credited with a 20th place finish and Marcis coming in at 28th.

Dale Earnhardt had trouble from the very beginning but his crew kept him in the lead lap and he drove to a respectable finish.

Jake Elder moved to the Robert Yates team last week and, with Robert home with foot surgery, "Suitcase" Jake had one of the best cars on the track. But with the Ragan wreck, Davey Allison had to settle for fifth.

Derrick Cope stayed in the top five most of the day but had a bad set up on his last pit stop and dropped to a 13th place finish.

The movie "Days of Thunder" seems to have affected some of the drivers. In the last two races we have seen more multi-car crashes on super speedways than ever before.

This Sunday's Winston Cup race will be at Talladega.

CONCORD SPEEDWAY
CONCORD, Wesley Mills took the lead on lap 27, dodged some fender-banging action between Freddie Query and Robby Faggart three laps later, then sprinted away during the last 20 laps here Saturday night to claim his third 50-lap NASCAR Winston Racing Series late model sportsman weekly feature win of the season.

Two 30-lap late model sportsman features will highlight Saturday's regular weekly racing program at Concord. Henry Lee Furr, speedway owner and operator, said that the field for the second race will be inverted.

The double feature will get local drivers back on track in regional NASCAR Winston Racing Series standings.

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school in a long time. He earned a reputation all over western North Carolina for his strong right arm which nailed a lot of runners who tried to take extra bases on hits.

Cash hit .429 and drove in 23 runs--second only to state home run king Paul Brannon--in high school ball this spring and hit an even .300 in American Legion play.

"He's probably one of the best streak hitters to come out of here in a long time," Coach Clark said. "The only thing that holds him back is himself. He gets down on himself too easy because he expects too much of himself. When he gets over that, and he will in college because he'll be playing a lot more ballgames, he's going to be an outstanding hitter. In college he will learn to accept the fact that you don't have to shine every time out."

"He had the strongest arm on our team as far as an outfielder," Clark added. "He made tremendous improvement in his attitude and work ethics, and I think he's really just beginning to play up to his potential."

"Both Chip and Keith will represent Kings Mountain High School and this community very well at Montreat-Anderson," he added. "I look for that program to begin to really shine, especially if they're getting other players with the capabilities of our two."

With the signing of Cash and Allen, seven of the nine starters on this year's KMHS team have signed college scholarships, six in baseball and one in basketball. Catcher Paul Brannon signed with Wake Forest and later backed out to sign a professional contract with the Seattle Mariners.

"It's extremely exciting to see so many of our athletes have the opportunity to continue their education," Clark said. "It's part of our responsibility as coaches to help them accomplish that goal. This is becoming a tradition for us and we hope to continue to have quality players sign out of our program."

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