

It's Pigskin Picking Time

It's that time again! The Kings Mountain Herald's pigskin experts bring out their crystal balls this week to begin another season of picking the winners of each weekend's high school and college football games.

Editor Gary Stewart came on strong after a mid-season slump to edge Bullet Bob Hayes by two picks to win last year's competition. The Big Guy from the KMPD vows revenge this year.

Joining the dynamic duo as a season-long prognosticator this year is the Herald's publisher, Big D Austin. With Hayes determined to handcuff Stewart this year the editor said he had to beat somebody and he knew Big D knows very little, if anything, about football.

There will be one guest picker this year as opposed to two last season. This week's guest is Big D's brother, Gino, the night-time gospel DJ from WKMT and local racing expert.

The four pickers differ on just a few games this week...but enough to give one of them an early lead.

PIGSKIN PICKERS

Games	STEWART	HAYES	BIG D.	GINO
K.M. at B. City	K.M.	K.M.	K.M.	K.M.
Burns at Crest	Burns	Burns	Crest	Burns
Freedom at E. Ruth.	East	East	Freedom	Freedom
East Gaston at N. Gaston	East	East	East	East
Chase at R-S Central	R-S	R-S	R-S	R-S
Shelby at Hunter Huss	Huss	Huss	Huss	Shelby
S. Point at Ashbrook	Ashbrook	Ashbrook	Ashbrook	Ashbrook
Long Beach at Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson
Duke at South Car.	Duke	USC	USC	Duke
Miami (0) at UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC	UNC
Wake Forest at Rice	Wake	Wake	Wake	Rice
Western Car. at N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State	N.C. State
VPI at Maryland	Maryland	Maryland	Maryland	VPI
East Tenn. at ASU	ASU	ASU	ETSU	ASU
Virginia at Kansas	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia

KM Cross Country Teams Open Season September 13

Kings Mountain High's cross country teams will begin their season September 13 at South Point against the host Red Raiders and Shelby.

The Kings Mountain boys will be defending their first-ever Southwestern 3-A Conference championship while the girls will be trying to improve on a third place finish.

Gordon Edwards takes over the coaching duties this year and expects both of his teams to be competitive.

Members of the boys team are Ronnie Yarbrow, Matt Stout, Bill Foad, Matthew Denton, Tracey Shipman, Mike Black, Ronnie Ledford, Jon Putnam, Chuckie Dixon, Ken Rochford, Matt Shockley, Allen Logan, Kyle Hamrick and Ira Walker.

Members of the girls team are Sarah Dilling, Brenda Ledford, Brandi Sheppard, Everly Hutchinson, Sybilla Ridenhour, Lynn Foster and Dawn Hardin.

In addition to the regular season meets, the KM teams will compete in the Winthrop College Invitational on Sat., Sept. 22. Twenty-five high school teams will compete, along with JV teams and college teams.

THE SCHEDULE

Sept. 13 - KM, Shelby at South Point; Sept. 20 - East Rutherford, South Point at KM; Sept. 27 - KM, Shelby at East Rutherford; Oct. 4 - KM, R-S Central at Shelby; Oct. 11 - North Gaston, South Point at KM; Oct. 18 - Pre-Conference meet at Shelby; Oct. 25 - Conference meet at Shelby; Nov. 1 - Regional meet; Nov. 10 - State meet.

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RACING

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switched from Oldsmobile to Chevrolet, a move most teams dread during the off season. Their success continued.

Saturday morning in Bristol Kodak signed a three-year agreement with the Morgan-McClure team.

Saturday night in the Busch 500, Irvan proved to Kodak, Morgan-McClure Racing and crew chief Tony Glover that he was the right choice. Making it even sweeter, it was also the first Winston victory for owner Larry McClure after 161 starts.

PISGAH

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"We actually spend time in practice running in and out in all phases of the game, so our players know exactly what they're supposed to do," Hicks said. "You don't have to be an athlete to stay in a game and know where you're supposed to be. We wasted all three of our second half timeouts and, quite obviously, we could have used them at the end."

THE YARDSTICK

	KM	CP
1st downs	27	7
Yds. rushing	70	158
Yds. passing	0	60
Passes	0-6	4-6
Punts	4-34	4-33
Fumbles	0	0
Yds. Pen.	15	35

Score by quarters: T

KM 0 0 6 2--8
CP 7 0 0 5--13

CP - Thomasson 34 run (Skidmore kick)
KM - Houser 76 pt. return (Kick failed)
CP - Bryson 7 run (Kick failed)
KM - Safety, Hopper blocked punt out of endzone.

KM JAYVEES

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Marcus Bell, Antoinne Brown, Kevin Brown, Leon Burris, James Ellis, Tamaron Gaines, Demaris Henson, Kasey Holland, Derek Houser, Ricky Huffman, Jamie Ladd, David McCoy, James McGill, Cedric Moore, Bo Phongs, Jody Putnam, Chris Rider, Keith Rhodes, Scott Roper, Lequan Smith, Sheldon Smith, Travis Smith, Kelly Ware, Shane Webb, Sherman Witcher, Maurice Young, Brent Turner and Sajad Roberts.

"We're young and inexperienced in a lot of positions," said Coach Bumgardner. "We've got several kids coming back but they're going into new positions. We look good up front and overall we're probably quicker than we were last year."

Kings Mountain had a strong running game last year but Bumgardner hopes to develop a better passing attack this season.

"Early in the season, though, we'll probably go mostly with the run," he said. "The key to having a good running game is the ability to get outside and then have a tough kid who can get the yardage inside."

Bumgardner will be assisted this year by Ricky Fortner, Ronny Funderburke and Dave Faugherson.

Winston Cup racing continues this Sunday at Darlington. Grand National cars run on Saturday.

The Southern 500 is the final crown jewel race of the Winston Million bonus. Derricke Cope (Daytona), Dale Earnhardt (Talledega), and Rusty Wallace (Charlotte) each have wins at other jewel races. A driver must win three to get the Million dollar bonus. If either of these drivers win Sunday he will receive \$100,000. All three drivers run good at Darlington.

CAROLINA SPEEDWAY

Doug Sanders beat Ken Rominger to the finish line in Saturday night's late model race at Carolina Speedway in Gastonia. Sanders' car was protested but proved to be legal.

John Pursley, Gene Sanders and Lynn Mercer completed the top five.

The Super Six race was won by John Pursley, who beat out brothers Doug and Gene Sanders, Roger Stone and Dan Yarborough.

The Mini Stock battle went to Rooster Ghatt over Ronnie Bolin, Ben Sullivan, Bob Leslie and James Galloway.

The Street Stock A-Main went to Mickey Barber, who out ran Joe Robinson, Todd Bolin, Ricky Taylor and Dan Killian.

Tom Barber was the B-Main winner, followed by Terry Russell, Burton Cantrell, Winn Nichols and Cecil Harris.

In the track points race, Buster May is the late model leader. The points lead changed in the Super Stock division with Ronnie Bolin taking a one point lead over Joe Robinson.

CHEROKEE SPEEDWAY

Mike Gault of Gaffney dominated the final portion of the Kelly 1 Stop Special for Thunder and

Lightning racers Saturday night at Cherokee Speedway, then held off Danny Willis in a final lap shootout to claim the largest payoff in the history of the division. Gault collected \$1,500 for his win, \$175 in lap leader money and \$100 for posting the fastest qualifying time.

Gault now has three wins and a second place finish in his last four outings.

In the 30 lap late model main, Simpsonville's David Moyer led the entire distance. Rick Gosnell won the limited modified, Billy Blanton won the Baby Bomber, Eddie Pack won the Bomber, and Marty Reid won the Stock Four race.

Saturday night's program will include the second annual Pepsi Sizzler, a 50-lap, \$3,000 to win event for late models. Additional prize money will be on the line for the five other divisions.

Gates open at 5 p.m. and racing begins at 7:30.

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