

IN KM RELAYS - Lindsay Suber competes for Kings Mountain's Mountaineers in Saturday's second annual Mountaineer Relays at Neisler Natatorium. Charlotte-Mecklenburg 4-A teams won all but one of

KM First In Thursday Meet

Kings Mountain's boys and girls won a four-team swim meet against Salisbury, South Point and Chase Thursday at Neisler Natatorium.

KM's boys won with 124 points, followed by Salisbury 110, South Point 44 and Chase 8. KM's girls won with 97 points, followed by Salisbury 89, South Point 68 and Chase 42.

"I was very pleased and surprised by the team effort," said Coach Gordon Edwards. "Fist, I had allowed our swimmers to choose different events from the ones they normally swim. I discovered talent that had been hidden before. Our goal for the team sis for our swimmers to be able to swim three to four strokes well, which gives the coach flexibility in placing swimmers in events and makes the team stronger. We are approaching that goal with most of our swimmers.

Middle School Boys Win Two

Kings Mountain Middle School's Lincolnton 52-50 on a last-second boys basketball team won two of its first three games.

Last week, the Patriots defeated East Lincoln 54-43 as Bryan Leftwich scored 22 points and el to West Lincoln next Tuesday Daryl Wilson 14.

KM fell to Crest 44-43. Leftwich scored 14 points and

Tuesday night, the Pats defeated around 5.

"Secondly, Salisbury had 40 swimmers and I thought they would beat us with sheer numbers. I was proud that our swimmers responded so well and beat them."

KM swimmers set 28 personal records and six school records. Edwards named Marie Mayse and Aaron Allen swimmers of the

THE RESULTS

First Places Girls - 200 medley relay (Sarah Dilling, Marie Mayse, Paula Eckard and Leigh Kendrick, 2:12.15, school record); Diving (Cristy Love, 61.60); 100 fly -Sarah Dilling, 1:11.06; 400 free relay (Eckard, Kendrick, Dilling, Mayse, 4:21.40).

First Places Boys - 200 medley relay (Benji Davis, Jonathan Jones, Aaron Allen, Todd Bell, 1:57.54, school record); 50 free (Aaron Allen, 24.96); Diving (Mark Blanton 120.05); 100 free (Todd

shot by Leftwich, who had 15

points. Steven Surratt added 11 and

and then return home on January

24 against Shelby in the first of six straight home games. Girls action

begins at 4 p.m. and the boys play

SPECIAL INCENT

Coach Ricky Fortner's Pats travage

1:24.66).

Fourth place boys - 200 medley relay (Suber, Ross, Bunch,

Sixth place girls - 500 free

Bell, 1:02.38); 500 free (Aaron Allen, 6:13.93); 100 breast (Benji Davis, 1:13.80); 400 free relay (Davis, Matt Bunch, Allen, Bell,

4:03.46). Second places girls - 50 free (Kendrick, 29.82, school record); 100 free (Mayse, 1:03.42); 500 free (Eckard, 5:59.82); 100 breast (Mayse, 1:22.87).

Second places boys - 200 free (Lindsay Suber, 2:29.06); 200 IM (Davis, 2:23.14, school record); 100 fly (Bunch, 1:11.31); 100 free (Jones, 1:03.67); 500 free (Bell, 7:18.54); 200 free (Jones, Suber, Ty Ross, Blanton, 2:02.14); 100 back (Jones, 1:21.54).

Third places girls - 200 free (Gail Hardin, 2:40.70); 200 IM (Eckard, 2:36.04); 100 free (Dilling, 1:05.36); 200 free relay (Hardin, Horton, Love, Summey, 2:17.45); 100 back (Hardin, 1:26.39).

Third places boys - 50 free (Bunch, 28.19); 100 breast (Ross,

Fourth place girls - 200 free (Jenny Summey, 2:46.53); 100 free (Leigh Kendrick, 1:06.07); 100 back (Summey, 1:29.17).

Blanton, 2:19.46); 200 free (Ross, 2:43.51); 100 back (Suber,

(Becky Anderson, 10:22.35); 100 breast (Genora Taylor, 1:45.21).

4-A Teams Dominate KM Swim Meet

As expected, three 4-A teams from Charlotte dominated the Second Annual Mountaineer Invitational swim meet Saturday at Neisler Natatorium.

Charlotte schools won 15 of the 16 races with Providence winning nine, South Mecklenburg five and North Mecklenburg one.

East Rutherford of the Southwestern 3-A Conference won the 200 freestyle relay. Kings Mountain won third in the boys 150 backstroke (Aaron Allen, Jonathan Jones and Benji Davis) and the girls 150 butterfly (Sarah Dilling, Paula Eckard and Leigh Kendrick).

Other places for KM included:

Benji Davis, Jonathan Jones, Aaron Allen and Todd Bell, fourth in the 200 medley with a school record 1:55.74.

Paula Eckard, Leigh Kendrick and Marie Mayse, fourth in the 150 breaststroke.

Marie Mayse, Matt Bunch, Jenny Summey and Benji Davis in the 800 mixed freestyle.

Aaron Allen, Todd Bell, Matt Bunch in the 150 butterfly.

Sarah Dilling, Leigh Kendrick, Paula Eckard and Marie Mayse. fourth in the 400 freestyle with a school record 4:15.48.

Sarah Dilling, Marie Mayse, Paula Eckard and Leigh Kendrick, fifth in the 200 medley.

Jonathan Jones: Ty Ross and Lindsay Suber, fifth in the 150 breaststroke.

Sarah Dilling, Gail Hardin and Sharon Horton, fifth in the 150 backstroke.

Gail Hardin, Sharon Horton, Cristy Love and Jenny Summey,

fifth in the 200 freestyle. Benji Davis, Todd Bell, Matt

Bunch and Aaron Allen, fifth in the 400 freestyle.

Other relay teams that helped KM improve from a seventh place finish to fifth this year were Ty Ross, Sharon Horton, Genora Taylor and Chuck Kaylor in the 200 mixed free relay; Becky Anderson, Mark Greene, Genora Taylor and Lindsay Suber in the 500 step-up relay; Jonathan Jones,

Lindsay Suber, Matt Bunch and Todd Bell in the 200 freestyle; and Gail Hardin, Ty Ross, Jenny Summey and Mark Blanton in the 200 mixed medley.

The Mountaineers will be at home again on January 24 at 5:15 against Shelby and Chase. This week, the Mounties travel to Shelby to compete against all SWC

Junior Varsity Boys Lose SWC Game Tuesday 75-67

conference game Tuesday at North Gaston, 75-67.

KM, 2-1 in the conference and 6-5 overall, hosts Shelby Friday at and Derek Bess 1. 4:30 and R-S Central Tuesday at

The Mountaineers were playing Tuesday's game without their leading scorer, Justin Jones, who had a death in his family.

Robbie Hullender led the KM at-

Kings Mountain High's JV boys tack with 20 points, followed by basketball team dropped its first Mike Black 14, Sherman Witcher 9, Lewis Nantz 6, Maurice Young 6, Marcus Bell 4, Kyle Sellers 3, Stephen Fisher 2, Sharee Hopper 2,

Coach Ronny Funderburke's men defeated Burns 67-59 Friday afternoon. Jones led the KM attack with 15 points, followed by Hopper 13, Fisher 10, Witcher 9, Hullender 8, Young 4, Sellers 3, Bell 3 and Bess 2.

MOUNTIES

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"We tried to control the tempo by slowing it down, but we let them get into their running game early in the third quarter and that was the big difference," he said.

KM held the Lady Wildcats to seven points in the second quarter to force a 20-all tie at intermission. But the quick spurt at the start of the second half allowed the Lady 'Cats to grab a 37-31 lead and KM couldn't recover.

Damenda Dellinger scored 16 points to lead North Gaston. KM's Suzette Feemster was the game's top scorer with 23. KM fell to 1-2 in the conference and 6-7 overall while North improved to 2-0 and

BOYS GAME KM (74) - Currence 24, Williamson 17, Hopper 9, Byers 20, Wilson 4.

NG (59) - Brewer 2, Mintz 4, Stewart 14, Bratton 17, Davis 6, Lowery 2, Summey 2, Allison 12.

GIRLS GAME KM (42) - Wilson 2, Barnes 5, Feemster 16, Tate 6, Hutchinson 6. NG (51) - Best 4, Friday 12, Dellinger 16, Horne 2, Caskey 15.



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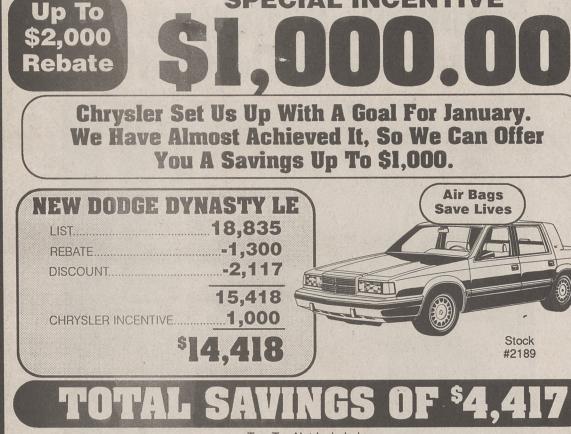
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