

KM swimmers state champions

As Yogi Berra might say, "it looked like Deja Vu all over again!"

Kings Mountain High's boys swim team took third place in the final event of the day - the 400-yard relay - to edge Wake Forest Rolesville 161 to 157.5 and win their second straight state championship Friday at Koury Natatorium in Chapel Hill.

The Mountaineers, who had finished second to Brevard in the Western Regionals the week before, came from a fourth seed to win the event in their first year under Coach Conrad Martin.

Wake Forest Rolesville finished second, just as it did last year when Kings Mountain won the final event of the day - the 400 relay - while Rolesville finished fourth.

This year, the Mountaineers were leading by a slim margin and needed a fourth place finish to nail down the crown in the event Rolesville finished first.

Salisbury finished third with 154 points.

Preliminary scores from the morning events placed the Mountaineers behind Wake Forest Rolesville, but the Mountaineers grabbed the lead with a good showing in the diving competition.

Nathan Mayse led the KM effort with a second place in the 100 yard breaststroke and a third place finish in the 50 yard freestyle.

In girls action, Kings Mountain placed 12th out of 63 teams. It was the second straight 12th place finish for the Lady Mountaineers. Angela Bunzel placed in the top three in two events and the girls posted their best times of the season in all of their events but were



Members of the Kings Mountain High boys swim team proudly display the championship trophy after successfully defending their state title in Friday's 1-A/2-A/3-A meet at Koury Natatorium in Chapel Hill.

overpowered by Hickory and Southwest Guilford.

Boys results:

200 medley relay - Rick Clary, Nathan Mayse, Dan Messenger and Israel Angeles, seventh, 1:48.90.

200 yard freestyle - Chuck Kaylor 24th, 2:09.92.

200 individual medley - Dan messenger sixth, 2:09.72; Rick Clary 10th, 2:12.92.

50 free - Nathan Mayse third, 22.11

1 meter diving - Bergen Hall fifth, Jay Speight seventh, Allen Ware 11th, Darrel Myers 12th.

100 freestyle - Israel Angeles, 54.70.

500 freestyle - Chuck Kaylor, 24th, 6:03.53.

Girls results:

200 medley relay - Michelle Fugita, Holly Parker, Angela Bunzel, Bethany Jimison, 13th,

100 backstroke - Dan Messenger seventh, 1:00.56; Rick Clary 13th, 1:01.71.

100 breaststroke - Nathan Mayse, second, 1:03.30.

400 freestyle relay - Dan Messenger, Israel Angeles, Rick Clary and Nathan Mayse, third,

3:30.49.

2:08.24

200 freestyle - Bethany Jimison, 19th, 2:03.79.

1 meter diving - Michelle Fugita, third,

100 butterfly - Angela Bunzel third, 1:02.02.

100 breaststroke - Angela Bunzel, third, 1:10.83; Holly Parker, 1:13.73.

400 freestyle relay - Holly Parker, Christie Hughes, Bethany Jimison, Angela Bunzel, 12th,

4:18.53.

Hall of Fame banquet April 18

Jeff Mullins, head basketball coach at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, will be guest speaker at the seventh annual Kings Mountain Sports Hall of Fame Banquet Monday, April 18 at 7 p.m. at the Kings Mountain Community Center.

Tickets will go on sale soon at various locations. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

Mullins is a former first team All-American and ACC Player of the Year while playing for the Duke Blue Devils. In his three-year varsity career at Duke, the 6-4 guard scored 1888 points and grabbed 767 rebounds in 86 games and helped lead the Blue Devils to

back to back Final Four appearances in 1963 and '64.

He was a first round draft choice by the St. Louis Hawks in the 1964 NBA draft. He played 12 NBA seasons, including 10 with the Golden State Warriors. A member of the Warriors' Hall of Fame, he concluded his career in style by helping Golden State to the 1975 world championship and a runner-up finish in '76. He completed his NBA career as a five-time all-NBA pro with 13,017 points and a 16.2 career scoring average.

Mullins and his family relocated in North Carolina and in 1977 he was named Associate Athletic Director at Duke. After a year in

that capacity, he operated Jeff Mullins Chevrolet in Apex and also served as a color analyst for ACC basketball for Jefferson-Pilot Sports and Raycom Television.

Mullins took over as men's basketball coach and director of athletics at UNC Charlotte in 1985, and in 1990 he was promoted to Associate Vice Chancellor for Public Service and Men's Basketball Coach.

He became the school's all-time victory leader in 1991. He coached the 49ers to the 1988 Sun Belt regular season and tournament titles and the 1991 Metro tournament crown. His 1991-92 team won three tournament championships,

spent nine weeks in the Top 25 and played Iowa State in the NCAA East Regional, finishing with his best mark ever at 23-9. Mullins was cited by his peers as the 1988 Sun Belt Coach of the Year and finished seventh in voting for National Coach of the Year. He was selected the 1987 Eastern Seaboard Coach of the Year by Basketball Times.

Six of his players have gone on to the professional ranks, five overseas and one to the NBA.

Moss selected to Cleveland County Hall

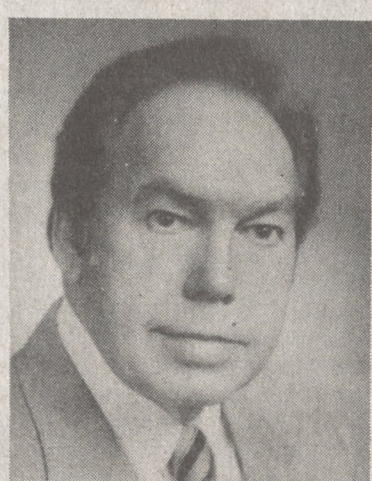
Former Kings Mountain mayor John H. Moss will be inducted into the Cleveland County FCA Sports Hall of Fame Monday, March 21 at 7 p.m. at the Shelby High cafeteria.

Tickets are \$10 and are available at Four Star Sports in Shelby.

Former NBA star David Thompson will be the guest speaker.

Moss, a member of the Kings Mountain Sports Hall of Fame, is a long-time promoter of baseball and is current president of the South Atlantic League. Moss organized the SAC and its forerunner, the Western Carolinas League and has a combined 35 years of service with the Class A leagues. He was elected to a lifetime contract in 1990.

Moss was general manager of minor league baseball clubs for the Detroit Tigers and was general



JOHN H. MOSS

manager of the Wausau Muskies professional football club for several years before returning to his hometown of Kings Mountain to organize the Kings Mountain Vets and the WCL.

He has served the Association of

Professional Baseball League in many capacities, including chairman, and has won numerous baseball awards from the local to professional levels.

He served as mayor of Kings Mountain for 22 years, during which time he served on numerous commissions in local, county and state government.

Moss is married to the former Elaine Beilke of Wausau, Wisconsin. They are members of St. Matthews Lutheran Church.

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