

Juniors beaten by Cherryville

Kings Mountain's American Legion Juniors lost their fourth straight game Tuesday as Cherryville Post 100 captured a 4-1 victory at Lancaster Field.

Cherryville scored single runs in the first two innings and put the game on ice with two runs in the fifth.

David Jenkins went the distance for Post 155, but the KM nine managed only three hits. Benji Ingle singled and scored on an error in the second inning, and the only other KM hits were an infield single by Kenny Bridges in the fifth and a single to center by Robert Wingo in the seventh.

Cheron Farley walked and later scored on an error to give Cherryville a 1-0 lead in the first, and Houser singled and later scored on a single by Dalton to make it 2-0 in the top of the second.

Jenkins finished with a six-hitter but walked three batters and hit two. Cherryville also took advantage of two KM errors.

Score by innings:	R-H-E
Ch 110 020 000	4-6-5
KM 010 000 000	1-3-2

Queens and Beam; David Jenkins and Kevin Melton. W - Queens. L - Jenkins.



MICHAEL BELL



KEVIN MELTON



SHAREE HOPPER



KENNY BRIDGES

Four Mountaineers make All-Conference team

Kings Mountain High placed four players on the 1994 All-Southwestern 3-A Conference baseball team which was announced today.

Representing the third place Mountaineers were catcher Kevin Melton, infielder Michael Bell, pitcher Sharee Hopper and outfielder Kenny Bridges.

Pitcher-shortstop Bryan Cobb of league champion East Rutherford was voted Player of the Year.

All four of the KM honorees had banner seasons as new coach Nelson Connor rebuilt the team after last year's state championship run. Only two of the four players - Melton and Hopper - were members of last year's team and they played back-up roles.

Hopper, who pitched last season's state championship win, was one of the league's most consistent pitchers. He had a 4-3 record, but all three of his losses were against

the league's top two teams - East Rutherford and South Point. In 48 innings of work, he struck out 39 batters and compiled a 2.62 earned run average.

Melton had a slow start at the plate but came on strong to finish with a .273 batting average, and he was a consistent performer behind the plate. He scored 14 runs and shared the team RBI lead with Robert Wingo with 13.

Bridges, who came on strong

late in the season, was the #2 hitter for the Mountaineers with a .328 average. He collected 20 hits in 61 times at bat, scored 10 runs and drove in eight.

Bell anchored the KM defense at third base and carried the team offensively during the early stages of the season. He hit in the high .300s much of the year but tailed off at the end to finish with a .259 average. He led the team in doubles and also scored 13 runs.

Wallace wins fourth at Pocono

LAKE POND, PA. - Rusty Wallace dropped to the lower side of Dale Earnhardt for a pass in turn one of the final lap to win Sunday's UAW-GM Teamwork 500 at Pocono International Raceway.

The controversial one-lap shootout was set up when Mark Martin blew a tire on lap 194, leading debris on the track. Wallace, who had led 140 laps to dominate the race, pitted along with other leaders on lap 195 for fuel and new tires.

Wallace now has four wins for the 1994 season.

Earnhardt, second as they pitted, made a two-tire change to beat Wallace, who changed all four, out of the pits and assume the lead under caution with four laps remaining.



Jeff Gordon, running third, exited the pits but slid off the track, weaving back and forth to heat up his tires. While momentarily stuck in the infield, several cars passed him. Gordon returned to the third spot and laps counted down under caution as NASCAR officials tried to get him to move behind the cars that passed him while he was stuck in the mud.

Wallace's crew chief, Buddy Parrott, was furious with NASCAR

officials and Gordon's crew chief, Ray Everham, as Gordon held his position. Gordon claimed he knew nothing of NASCAR's request.

With only one lap remaining, and Gordon still in third, starter Doyle Ford displayed both the green and white flags. Earnhardt, the best on restarts, saw the lead go to Wallace as his car was slow coming up to speed. Ken Schrader finished third, followed by Morgan Shepherd, Martin, Gordon, Irvan, Brett Bodine, Rick Mast and Bill Elliott.

NASCAR black-flagged Gordon at the finish and "assigned" him sixth place instead of third. They contended that's where he probably would have finished. They also placed him in front of Irvan and Bodine, assuming he would pass

their ailing machines on the restart. Frustrated crew chiefs have been calling NASCAR since Monday for rulings on their situations. They are confused about NASCAR's indecision on realignment for the restart and then their assignment of positions following the race.

Irvan leads Earnhardt in the Winston Cup series by 139 points.

For the second consecutive week, the Wallace and Irvan cars were the class of the field, with Irvan slowing at the end on seven cylinders.

Wallace should have the incentive to win this Sunday's race at Michigan International Speedway. His car owner, Roger Penske, owns the track and his sponsor, Miller Genuine Draft, is also sponsoring the race.

Three join Mountaineer coaching staff

Kings Mountain High School has awarded teaching/coaching contracts to two individuals and has a verbal agreement with a third coach, Principal Jackie Lavender reported today.

Hired at Monday night's School Board meeting were David Ballenger of Inman, SC, who will be an assistant football coach, and Keith Gammons, a recent college graduate who will be boys and girls swim coach.

Giving Mrs. Lavender a verbal commitment late Tuesday afternoon was Chris Johnson, a former Kings Mountain High athlete who will be coming home to coach football and possibly some other sports.

KM's Moss named to Hall of Fame

Kings Mountain's John H. Moss has been selected for induction into the newly-organized South Atlantic League Hall of Fame.

The inaugural induction ceremony will be held Monday, June 20, in Hickory in conjunction with the league's annual All-Star Game.

Others to be inducted include Hank Aaron, Sparky Anderson, Jimmy Bragan, Lou Brissie, Harley Bowers, Steve Carlton, Ty Cobb, Judge Julius Fine, Danny Hayling, harmon Killebrew, Don Mattingly, H.B. "Spec" Richardson, Frank Robinson, Nolan Ryan, Ryne Sandberg and Willie Stargell. Aaron, Carlton, Cobb, Killebrew, Robinson and Stargell are members of the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame.

Wildcats win two to run mark to 8-0

Kings Mountain's Babe Ruth baseball team ran its record to 8-0 with a pair of big wins last week.

The Wildcats defeated Belmont Optimist 19-1 behind the pitching of Ty Toney and David Clark. Scottie Martin led the offense with a home run and Jeremy Cooke added three hits.

The Wildcats blasted McAdenville 11-1 in a battle of undefeated teams. Both teams entered the game with 7-0 records. Cooke pitched a four-hitter with nine strikeouts. Toney's grand slam home run highlighted an eight-run first inning and David Clark added two hits. Cooke's three-run home run in the fourth put the game out of reach.

Ballenger will teach Social Studies. He has coaching experience at Boiling Springs and Hillcrest high schools in South Carolina, but most recently has been in private business.

He holds a BS degree from Presbyterian College in Clinton, SC, and a Master's from Western Carolina University.

Gammons, a native of Shelby, will teach English. He holds a BA in English from Appalachian State, a MTS from Duke University, and teacher certification from UNC-Greensboro.

Johnson was a baseball and football standout for the Mountaineers in the seventies, and played four years of football as a defensive back at Gardner-Webb. He was the starting centerfielder on KM's 1975 Southwestern 3-A Conference championship baseball team.

For the past several years, Johnson has been teaching and coaching football, basketball and track at Southwest Junior High in Gastonia. He will teach physical education, Lavender said.

Lavender said these three appointments will probably complete the high school's coaching appoint-

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Tally Ho Ladies Clothier

During the recent awards day held at Kings Mountain Middle School an error was made and Christina "Crissy" Marie Bolin, rising 8th grader, was not recognized nor received several awards which she had earned.

As friends of this so deserving young lady and since she was unable to go before her peers to accept such honors we should like to publicly announce our congratulations to Crissy Bolin for her outstanding achievements.

Crissy has maintained an "A" or above in all subjects for the past 7 years. She has a grade-point-average (G.P.A.) 4.0!

Crissy received an award in Biotechnology for having the 2nd highest grade. She received a certificate for participating in The National Honor Society, Daughters of the American Revolution (D.A.R.) essay contest, a certificate for participating in the student council. She received an award from each of the following courses for maintaining an "A" or above average for the year.

Math G.P.A. - 94.1
Science G.P.A. - 99.3
English G.P.A. - 99.9
Social Studies G.P.A. - 102.2
Reading/Academically Gifted G.P.A. - 96.0

She received a medal from the Honor Club for her academic average. Crissy received an award for her academic average in English. She also received an over-all trophy for her academic average in social studies. Crissy also received a good-behavior award from the "Beachcomber Team". She maintained level 7 (the highest level) for the entire year. Crissy also received an award in art for her art work in pointillism. At Kings Mountain Middle School Crissy also was on the softball and volleyball teams.

Christina Marie Bolin is the daughter of Danny and Melany Bolin and resides on Bethlehem Church Road in Kings Mountain. Crissy has 1 brother Adam Clark Bolin, a rising 5th grader at Bethware Elementary School, and a sister McKenzie-Brooke 8 months old. She is the grand-daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bill Clark and Mr. & Mrs. Ervin J.V. Bolin all of Kings Mountain. She is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Adlean Clark and the late William Clark of New House, NC. She is also the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Hester Bolin and the late M.M. Bolin, the late Charles and Sadie Burton and the late Mr. & Mrs. N.E. Chapman all of Kings Mountain.

Crissy, again congratulations! We're very proud of you and your hard work in being a role-model of a student academically as well as in you conduct! Our hats off to you for a job well done! You have earned these honors! Keep up the great work!

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