

Sports Briefs

Red Cross women's golf tourney set Monday in Shelby

A 9 a.m. shotgun start will kick-off the Cellular One/Red Cross Ladies Pro-Am Golf Classic Monday at Cleveland Country Club in Shelby.

Ninety-six area golfers will make up the amateur teams, according to co-chairmen Millie Keeter-Spangler of Shelby and Lynne W. Mauney of Kings Mountain.

Already signed up for the LPGA are Karen Bennett of Macon, Ga., Linda Campbell of Dallas, Sue Carpenter of Simpsonville, SC, Lee Hammett of Augusta, Ga., Diane McHeffey of Hendersonville, Gwen Miller of Conway, SC, Stephanie Neill of Charlotte and Keeter-Spangler of Shelby.

Women amateurs from Charlotte, Gastonia, Lincolnton, Iron Station, Maiden, Durham, Mount Holly, Kings Mountain, Denver, Belmont, Hickory and Shelby will comprise the teams.

Entry fee is \$50 per person which includes golf fees, lunch, snacks, and drinks.

Women golfers from the

Foothills area are invited to participate by calling the Cleveland County Red Cross Chapter, 704-487-8594 or fax 704-487-8595.

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JVs beat R-S for first win

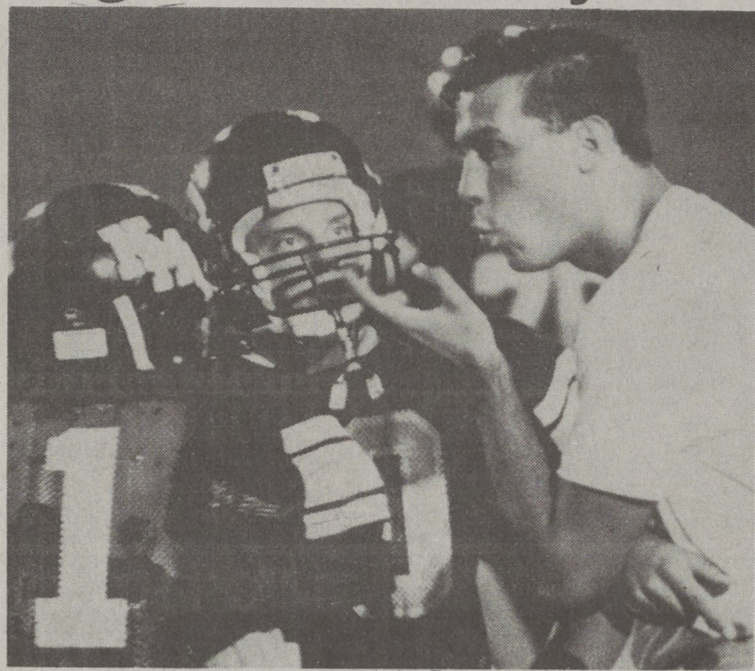
Kings Mountain High's JV football team broke into the victory column Thursday with a 21-7 win at R-S Central.

Joseph Bell scored on a 50-yard touchdown run, and then picked up a fumble and returned it 55 yards for a score. T.J. McClain scored on an 18-yard run.

Mark Roper had a big hit to cause the fumble that Bell returned for a TD.

Coach Ron Massey said the KM defense played one of its better games and the offense continued to show improvement.

Kings Mountain, 1-4, is idle this week and returns to action next Thursday night at Burns.



Assistant Coach Ryan Hollifield talks to David Turner (21) and Mark Roper (10) during timeout of recent junior varsity football game at Gamble Stadium. The KM JVs won their first game Thursday against R-S Central, 21-7.

Middle School girls split softball games

Kings Mountain Middle School split a pair of Bi-County Conference games last week.

The Lady Patriots lost to West Lincoln 17-16 Tuesday. Ashley Starrett went 5-for-5 with two doubles and six runs batted in; Anna Ramey was 2-for-3 with a double and RBI; Tabatha Goode was 2-for-3 with two RBI; Ashley Wilson was 2-for-3; and Stacy Dellinger had a run-scoring triple.

The Lady Patriots defeated Lincolnton 13-10 Thursday. Csharian Coleman was 3-for-4 with a triple and RBI; Kristy Worcester was 3-for-5 with two RBI; Ashley Wilson and Tabatha Goode were each 2-for-3 with an RBI; and Haley Montgomery was 2-for-3.

Patriot kickers win two games

Kings Mountain Middle School's soccer team won two of three games during the past week.

After losing to Shelby 4-0 last Monday, the Patriots bounced back Thursday with a 6-1 win over East Rutherford. Jason Bridges scored two goals and Kenny Houston, Evan Osteen, Zach George, and Brad Bridges added one each.

Winning goal keeper was Chris Neal and also playing well were Kale Steele, Basit Gangoo, Jason Walters, William Bullock, T.J. Loftin, Drew Neisler, Mark Baity, David Moschler and Ben McDaniel.

Kings Mountain defeated Lincolnton 7-1 Monday at home. Evan Osteen and Zach George scored two goals each and Kenny Houston, Ben McDaniel and Jason Bridges had one each.

Winning goal keeper was Chris Neal and other outstanding players were Brad Bridges, Basit Gangoo, Kale Steele, William Bullock, Jason Walters, Mark Baity, T.J. Loftin, Drew Neisler and David Moschler.

The Patriots travel to Crest Thursday and end their season next week with home games against

Shelby on Monday and R-S Central on Thursday.

Pop Warner teams win

Kings Mountain Optimist Club's Pop Warner football teams host Union Road of Gastonia in a big Mountaineer Day tripleheader Saturday at City Stadium.

Action gets underway at 9:30 a.m. The Cleveland County Boys Club will also play a junior midget game.

Kings Mountain won two of three games against Lincolnton last Saturday. The mighty mites lost 19-7. Brad Moffitt played a good defensive game for the Mountaineers.

The junior pee wees ran their conference record to 3-0 with a 34-0 win. Courtney Smith, Adrian Parker, and Brandon Roberts scored touchdowns for KM and Matt Bridges added two extra points. Kings Mountain has outscored its first three opponents 94-6.

Defensive standouts were Matt Bridges, Tanner Putnam and Lowrance.

The pee wees edged Lincolnton 7-6 as Daniel Mason picked off a pass and returned it 60 yards for a touchdown. Ronald Goode turned in a good effort on offense and other defensive standouts were Daniel Mason and Evan Ellis. The pee wees have a 2-1 record.

Don Smith wins football contest

Don Smith of Kings Mountain picked 18 of 19 winners to take the \$100 prize in last week's First Carolina Federal Savings Bank football contest.

Smith and Charles Webb of Kings Mountain both predicted 18 winners, but Smith's prediction of

38 points on the tie-breaker game (Clemson-N.C. State) beat Webb's 32 points.

Both missed Navy's win over Duke and the LSU-South Carolina tie.

The fifth of 10 weekly contests is inside today's paper. Pick the most winners and return your entry by 5 p.m. Friday and you will be the next winner. Mail your entry to Football Contest, P.O. Box 769, Kings Mountain, NC 28086 or bring it by our office at the corner of King Street and Canterbury Road in Kings Mountain. Mailed entries must be postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday.

Training team to hold tryout

The Upstate Girls Soccer Association Blazers team (under 15 years old) in Greenville, SC is conducting tryouts for a goalie and one field player. Players must have experience.

The Blazers are a training team playing in the Girls State League and in the southeast.

A player's birthday must be between August 1, 1980 and July 31, 1981.

For more information, call Betty at (803) 288-4902.

GWU volleyball team drops match

BOILING SPRINGS - Catawba downed Gardner Webb 5-15, 15-4, 15-8, 15-12 in South Atlantic Conference volleyball action Tuesday night.

Catawba improved to 20-6 overall and 5-2 in the conference while G-W fell to 6-9 overall and 3-5 in SAC play.

Junior Gina McGee registered 13 kills and 21 digs to lead the GWU women. Freshman setter Kellie Williams had 36 assists for the Lady Bulldogs.

R-S CENTRAL

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Jones going down the R-S sidelines. Chris Wallace booted the first of three perfect extra points to give the Mountaineers a 7-0 lead with 9:16 showing on the first quarter clock.

After another R-S punt, it took the Mountaineers only three running plays to drive 73 yards for a 14-0 lead. Senior fullback Shane Logan, who was held to 79 yards in 13 carries but still went over the 600-yard mark for the first half of the season, reeled off a 28-yard run to the R-S 35. Marcus Smith picked up 11 and then went 24 more for the score.

An illegal receiver penalty which nullified a pass to Smith and then two incomplete passes forced the Mountaineers to punt on their next possession, but linebacker Jahi Smart recovered a Hilltopper fumble at the 49-yard line to set up KM's final score. After a holding penalty, that drive appeared to be bogged down as well and the Mountaineers went into punt formation, but McClain took a short snap from center and hit C.C. Smith across the middle and the former running back turned the pass into a 49-yard scoring play with 6:35 left in the half.

For the most part, that was all of the KM offense for the night. McClain hit Tommy Morrow on an 11-yard pass for a first down on the next possession, but once again an illegal receiver penalty brought it back and the Mounties were forced to punt. KM didn't touch the ball again in the first half and was held to just two first downs in the second half - one on a 13-yard pass from McClain to R.J. Barnes and the other on a 20-yard burst by Logan.

The lead was plenty, though, because Kings Mountain's defense turned in its usual fine effort. Led by Smart, Derek Goode, Justin Champion, J.W. Garner, Eric Tate, and others, the Mountaineers time and again turned back the Hilltopper offense, usually limiting them to three plays and a punt.

R-S finally dented the scoreboard with 7:35 remaining when quarterback Ken Hines had to scramble out of the pocket and found sophomore wideout Todd Lattimore 10 yards behind the KM defense for a 37-yard touchdown pass. R-S covered 86 yards in 11 plays for their only sustained drive of the night.

The Mountaineers finished with only 126 yards rushing and 95 passing and had the ball for only 34 plays, representing their lowest offensive output since a 28-0 loss to defending state 4-A champion Crest in the second game of the season.

"Those penalties brought back over 100 yards of offense," said Coach Massey. "That gets you frustrated."

Massey attributed part of the offensive problems to the Mountaineers not playing well, but he also gave credit to the R-S defense.

"We anticipated a Shade 50 from them because that was primarily what they've been in all year," he said. "They gave us another look and just got better at what they were doing. Their two inside backers, who were their best football players, did a good job of shutting Shane down on the traps and bellies."

But Massey was pleased with the Mountaineers' defensive effort against what is a potentially explosive R-S offense, and the first-year coach said the special teams also played a big role in the victory.

"Our defense controlled them real well in the first half, and our special teams put us in good field position," he said. "We had good field position on our first two drives, and that was the key. A lot of that's attributed to the defense stopping them on their first drive. Getting out to a quick start was definitely a plus for us."

THE YARDSTICK

	RS	KM
First downs	9	8
Yds. rushing	100	131
Passes	5-11-0	3-9-0
Yds. passing	73	95
Punts	3-41	5-33
Penalties	3-25	9-58
Fumbles lost	1	1

By quarters:		T
RS	0 0 0	7 -7
KM	14 7 0	0 -21

KM - Corey Jones, 33-pass from Lance McClain (Chris Wallace kick).

KM - Marcus Smith 24-run (Wallace kick).

KM - C.C. Smith 49-pass from McClain (Wallace kick).

RS - Todd Lattimore 37 pass from Ken Hines (Charley Gibbons kick).

RUSHING

KM - Logan 13-79, M. Smith 6-37, Jones 3-10, R.J. Barnes 1-5, McClain 3-(-8). RS - Stewart Watkins 12-65, Warren Barnes 10-31, Lavar Twitty 6-31, Ken Hines 9-(-27).

PASSING

KM - McClain 3-9-0-95. RS - Hines 5-11-0-73.

RECEIVING

KM - Jones 1-33, C.C. Smith 1-49, R.J. Barnes 1-13. RS - Derrick Martin 3-35, Todd Lattimore 1-37, Lavar Twitty 1-1.

SOUTH POINT

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maintain. We were coming off a big win against Mooresville and had a letdown. I think the kids realize that. We're just going to go back and try to improve on some things and concern ourselves more with Kings Mountain and doing things right."

Massey said it will be important

for the Mountaineers to continue to receive the kind of good fan support they've had in their first five games.

"This is going to be a very big football game as far as our chances of getting into the playoffs," he said. "Hopefully we'll have a good following. The fans are doing a great job of helping us. We need their support this week because this is going to be a very tough away game."

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