

# State Champions!

## Kings Mountain 9-10 year-olds win at Biscoe, next stop World Series

Kings Mountain's 9-10 year-old Dixie Youth Minor League all-stars are World Series-bound after defeating perennial State Champion Columbus County 6-4 and 3-0 in last weekend's State Championship finals at Biscoe.

Kings Mountain fought back through the loser's bracket after a narrow 3-2 loss to Hope Mills in the third round. KM avenged that defeat with a 9-1 win over Hope Mills in their Zone championship game.

The World Series will be played August 13-19 at Bedford, VA. Kings Mountain's first game will be at 8 p.m. Monday, August 13 against the Texas State Champions.

Kings Mountain posted a 7-1 record at Biscoe, defeating Clinton 13-1, Albemarle 9-4, Mar-Mac 8-1, West Stanley 7-1 in addition to the victories over Hope Mills and Columbus County.

Preston Lee led the hitting for the tournament with a .500 average (12-for-24). He had seven runs batted in and scored 10 runs.

Rai Robinson hit .333 (10-for-30), drove in five runs and scored nine. Kyle Bell and Cody Smith also hit .333.

Other averages were Tyler Ross .259, Stephen Butler .240, Jeffrey Howell .280, Jamie York .188, Justin Heinbach .286, Cody Austin .260, Hogan Sellers .125, Daniel Moss .222, and Anthony Dalton .111. Howell led in RBI with 12, Austin had eight and York six.

Kings Mountain fell behind

Columbus County 4-0 in the first game of the best-of-three championship series, but Preston Lee came on in the second inning to put out the fire.

Kings Mountain scored five runs in the fourth inning to put the victory on ice. Ross had a double, Robinson, Lee and Austin had consecutive singles, and Howell and Heinbach later had singles.

In the championship game, Rai Robinson went the distance. Kings Mountain scored all three of its runs in the fifth inning, with Butler, Moss and Lee getting back to back hits, and another run scoring on a bases-loaded walk.

### KM 13, CLINTON 1

In opening round action, KM scored three runs in the first inning and went on to rout Clinton 13-1. KM added two runs in the third, three in the fourth and five in the fifth.

Robinson and Howell pitched two innings each, and Lee pitched the fifth. Ross, Robinson, and Lee had two hits each and Howell, Heinbach, and Austin had one each.

### KM 9, ALBEMARLE 4

In the second round, Howell pitched three strong innings and Robinson and Butler pitched 1 1/2 each to beat Albemarle. KM broke the game open with a run in the fourth and four more in the fifth.

Robinson, Lee and Heinbach led the hitting with two hits each, and Butler, Howell, York, Austin, Dalton and Bell had one each.



Kings Mountain's 9-10 year-old Dixie Youth All-Stars won the State Championship Saturday at Biscoe. Front row, left to right, Tyler Ross, Daniel Moss, Justin Heinbach, Rai Robinson and Jeffrey Howell. Second row, Cody Austin, Hogan Sellers, Jamie York, Anthony Dalton, Preston Lee, Kyle Bell and Stephen Butler. Back row, coaches Rodney Sellers, Ray Robinson and Scott Howell. Not pictured, Cody Smith.

### HOPE MILLS 3, KM 2

Kings Mountain managed only four hits against Hope Mills. Two of them came in the sixth inning, when they scored both of their runs.

Lee had a pair of singles, and York and Bell both had bunt singles. KM left eight men on base.

### KM 8, MAR-MAC 1

Howell went the distance as

KM bounced back with a victory over Mar-Mac. After taking a 1-0 lead in the first, KM broke the game open with four runs in the third and three in the fifth.

Howell and Ross led the hitting with two hits each, and Butler, Robinson, Lee, Austin, and York had one hit each.

### KM 11, WEST STANLEY 7

Lee hurled 5 1/3 innings to

get the win, and Robinson came on to pitch the final two outs and earn a save in the fifth round win over West Stanley.

KM had 11 hits, with Robinson going 3-for-4. Lee and Howell had two hits each, and Ross, Butler, Austin, and Bell added one each.

### KM 9, HOPE MILLS 1

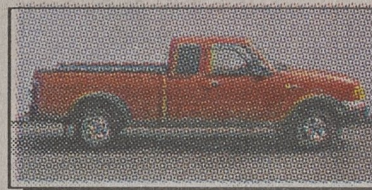
Howell, Butler and Robinson pitched two innings apiece as

the KM team defeated Hope Mills 9-1 for the Zone A Championship and the right to face Columbus County in the State Championship series.

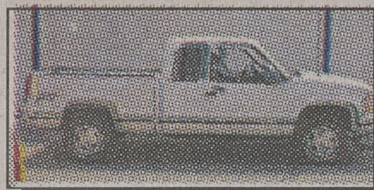
KM had base runners in every inning, and scored in five of the six innings.

Robinson and Lee led the hitting with two hits each, and Ross, Butler, Austin and Sellers had one hit each.

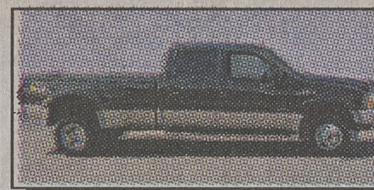
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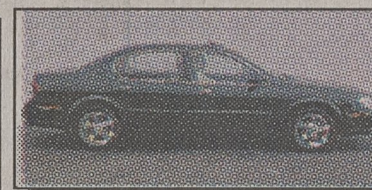
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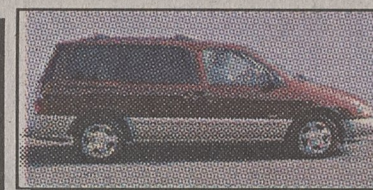
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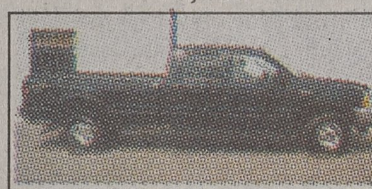
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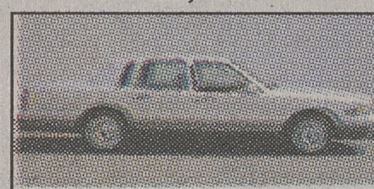
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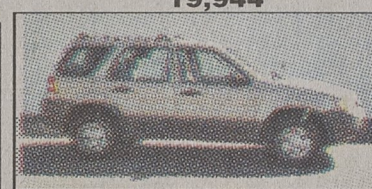
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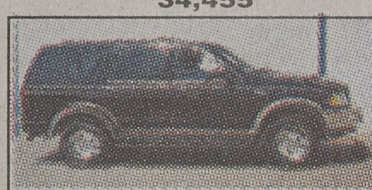
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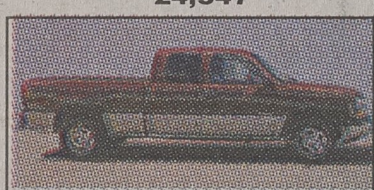
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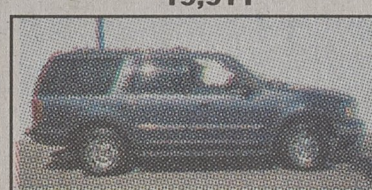
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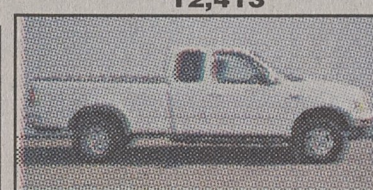
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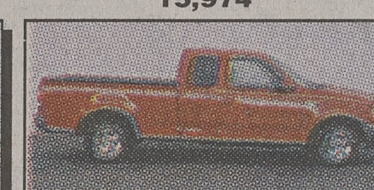
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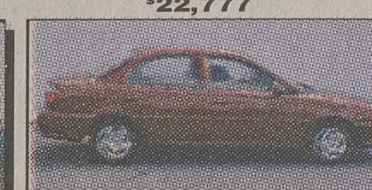
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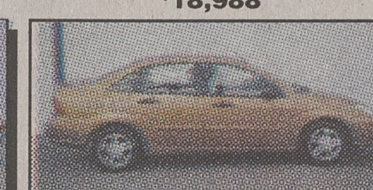
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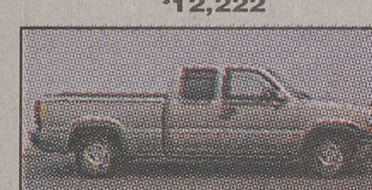
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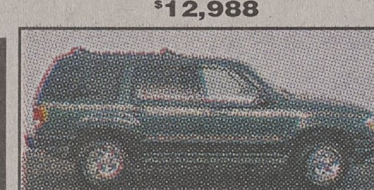
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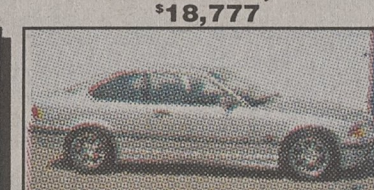
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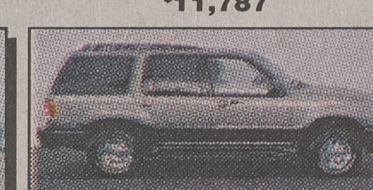
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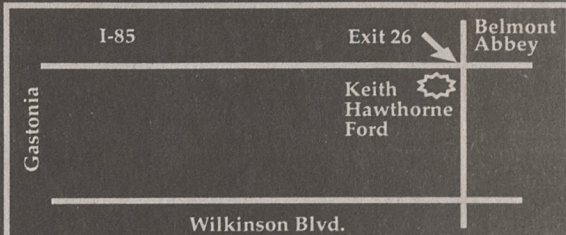
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