



## Comebacks lift Foard over KM in SWFH game

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Kings Mountain's basketball teams gave favored Fred T. Foard's Tigers all the competition they could stand in the Southwestern Foothills 3A Conference opener Friday night in Newton.

The Kings Mountain girls led for 2 1/2 quarters before falling to the more experienced Lady Tigers 70-55, and the scrappy Mountaineers held the upper hand on the State's fifth-ranked 3A club in the nightcap before the fourth quarter to win their eighth straight game, 74-66.

The games ended the 2001 portion of the Mountaineers' season. The boys go into the break with a 5-7 record and the girls are 6-6.

Fred T. Foard outscored Danny McDowell's charges 30-20 over the final eight minutes after KM led 32-28 at halftime and 46-44 going into the fourth quarter.

John Paul Simmons scored 32 points, including 31 over the final three periods, to lead the Tigers. The 6-4 senior also dominated the boards.

Simmons connected on 14 straight shots from the foul line. Andre Graham scored eight of his 11 points in the final 1 1/2 minutes of the game as the Tigers held off the Mountaineers. He hit five of six shots from the foul line during that stretch.

Walter Fuldner added 18 points for the Tigers, including four 3-point field goals.

Derrick Smith and Josh Gash scored 20 points each for the Mountaineers but that wasn't enough to offset the Foard balance.

Kings Mountain's girls built a 29-25 halftime lead but freshman Alley Mauer hit six 3-point goals in the second half to lead the Lady Tigers from behind. One of her 3-pointers gave Foard a 45-42 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Mauer finished with 22 points and Audra Harrison scored 23 for the Lady Tigers. Shonda Cole scored 21 and Danielle Gill 19 for Kings Mountain.

The Mountaineers return to action on Friday, January 4 with a home doubleheader against Burns.

### GIRLS GAME

KM (55) - Cole 21, Gill 19, Leigh 7, Miller 4, Dee 2, McClain 2.

Foard (70) - Harrison 23, Mauer 22, Ferguson 11, Beard 8, Buchanan 6.

### BOYS GAME

KM (66) - Gash 20, Smith 20, Roberts 9, Houze 7, Burris 4, Young 4, Blair 2.

Foard (74) - Simmons 32, Fuldner 18, Graham 11, Gibbs 5, Johnson 4, Proctor 2, Safrit 2.

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Kings Mountain's Danielle Gill, 20 left photo, and Brandon Roberts, 12, right photo score from close range in last week's game with East Gaston.

## Mounties drop two at East Gaston

Kings Mountain High's basketball teams ended their non-conference schedule Tuesday night at East Gaston, dropping a doubleheader.

Both KM teams held the upper hand at halftime, but the East Gaston teams got their offenses rolling in the second half. The Lady Warriors posted a 54-39 victory and the Warriors won their eighth straight game 55-42.

The Mountaineers couldn't find a way to

stop East Gaston's senior guard Brooke Wilkinson, who scored 15 points to break the 1,000-point mark. She finished the game with 1,012 points after hitting her 1,000th point with a 3-point field goal with 6:16 left in the half.

Rene Leonard scored 12 points and Jennifer Wheeler added 10 points for the Lady Warriors, who improved to 5-3. Shonda Cole led Kings Mountain with 16 points and Danielle Gill added 11.

The Lady Mountaineers led 20-19 at halftime, but were outscored 19-7 in the third period as the Lady Warriors gained revenge for an overtime loss a week earlier in Kings Mountain.

Led by Wilkinson's eight points, the Lady Warriors went on a 13-0 third quarter scoring run that put the game away.

East Gaston's defense did an outstanding

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KM Coach Kevin Moss tries to get his team fired up during time out.

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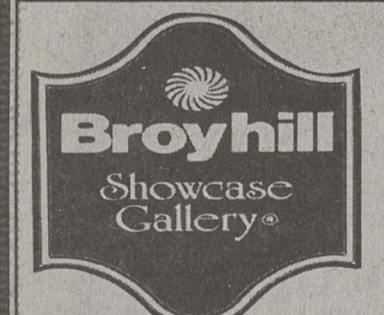
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