

MOUNTIE POSTGAME

PLAYERS OF THE GAME

Burns - WR/S Josh Briscoe, 2-71 receiving, including 60-yard touchdown reception; pass interception and 50 yard return for touchdown. Kings Mountain - Derrick Smith, QB/WR, 3-55 receiving, including 39-yard pass reception for touchdown; Cortney Smith, RB, 55-yard touchdown run; Johnny Gillard, DL, numerous tackles and two QB sacks.

PLAYS OF THE GAME

With 4:20 left in the first quarter and the game tied 0-0, Burns QB Troy Goss hit Josh Briscoe with a short slant, he curled around the outside of his defender and raced down the home sidelines 60 yards for a touchdown which got the Bulldogs rolling to their sixth win in a row.

With Burns leading 28-7 with 6:42 left in the game, KM's Chris Jolly and Derrick Smith switched positions, with Jolly lining up at QB and Smith at WR. Jolly threw a high pass down the right sidelines, Smith out-leaped his defender for the catch, and raced 39 yards for a touchdown to momentarily get the Mounties back in the game.

THE YARDSTICK

	K	В
First downs	11	18
Yds. rushing	140	203
Yds. passing	83	104
Passes	6-15-3	5-14-1
Fumbles lost	1	0
Yds. penalize	d 40	100

RUSHING

KM - Cortney Smith 6-65, Aquino Simmons 15-58, Derrick Smith 8-18, Jamarl Barrino 2-(-1). Burns -Nelson Woods 18-88, Troy Goss 22-67, Brandon Jackson 6-48.

PASSING

KM - Chris Jolly 3-8-2-55, Derrick Smith 3-7-1-28. Burns - Goss 5-14-1-104.

RECEIVING

KM - D. Smith 3-55, Jolly 1-15, Justin Branham 1-10, Simmons 1-3.

Burns - Briscoe 2-71, Jason Lawson 1-13, Orlando Goolsby 1-11, Dustin Thrift 1-9.

BY THE NUMBERS

KM 0 7 0 7 -14 Burns 14 7 7 14 -42

FIRST QUARTER

4:20 - Burns - Briscoe, 60pass from Goss (Ben Downs kick). Second play following a 50-yard punt by Jolly.

0:18 - Burns - Woods, 4run (Downs kick). 32-yard drive in 7 plays following a KM fumble.

SECOND QUARTER

10:54 - KM - Cortney Smith, 55-yard run (Pablo Peralta kick). 66-yard drive in 4 plays.

5:32 - Burns - Woods 1-run (Downs kick). 83-yard drive in 11 plays, aided by a personal foul penalty on KM for late it on the QB.

THIRD QUARTER

0:00 - Burns - Goss, 7-run. (Downs kick). 60-yard drive, 8 plays keyed by running of Goss and freshman fullback Brandon Jackson.

FOURTH QUARTER

6:42 - D. Smith, 39-pass from Jolly (Peralta kick). One-play drive followed a shanked Burns punt that went for only two yards.

0:47 - Burns - Jackson, 2run (Downs kick). Set up by interception and return of 44 yards by Woods.

0:21 - Burns - Briscoe, 50yard interception return (Downs kick).

THIS WEEK

Crest at Kings Mountain, Friday 7:30 John Gamble Stadium.

LAST YEAR

Crest won 17-0 at Crest.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Crest - Senior QB Travis Lee, 6-0, 180, is one of the most talented athletes in the State. He is being highly recruited by Division I colleges as a wide receiver. RB Travis Padgett gained over 1,300 yards rushing last year as a freshman and is one of the quickest backs in the State. WR Jermaine Strong, 5-10, 170-pound junior was a defensive back for Kings Mountain last year and returned a pass interception 103 yards against the Chargers. He caught four touchdown passes in last week's Crest win over North Forsyth. Junior LB Chris Williamson, 6-1, 230, was a back-up linebacker for KMHS last year but is a starter and one of the leading tacklers for a Crest defense which is one of the best in North Carolina.



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Kings Mountain's defense gang tackles tough Burns running back Chris Geter in Thursday's JV game at Gamble Stadium. KM won 26–20. The Mountaineers play at Crest

JV Mountaineers hold on to defeat Burns 26-20

By GARY STEWART Editor of The Herald

Kings Mountain built a 26-6 first half lead and then had to hang on to defeat Burns 26-20 in junior varsity football action Thursday night at John Gamble Stadium.

The Mountaineers improved to 3-3 on the season. They travel to Crest tonight.

Kings Mountain's running attack, led by

bruising fullback J.J. McClain, hammered the Bulldogs during the first half but the offense bogged down in the second half after McClain and quarterback Ryan Burton went to the sidelines with minor injuries.

Trailing 26-6, Burns took advantage of a pass interference call against KM to drive in for a one-yard touchdown run by Chris Geter with 16 seconds left in the third quarter to cut the margin to 26-14. Leach got loose for a 55-yard pass reception and run for a touchdown to cut the difference to 26-20 with 8:51 left in the game.

Burns threatened again late in the game after recovering a KM fumble, but KM's Aaron Dellinger sealed the win with a pass interception and 30 yard return to the Burns nine yard line.

Burns had taken a 6-0 lead with 4:25 left

in the first quarter when Leach intercepted a Ryan Burton pass and returned it 40 yards for a touchdown.

The Mountaineers drove the ensuing kickoff 68 yards in just two plays, with McClain rambling 59 yards for the touchdown.

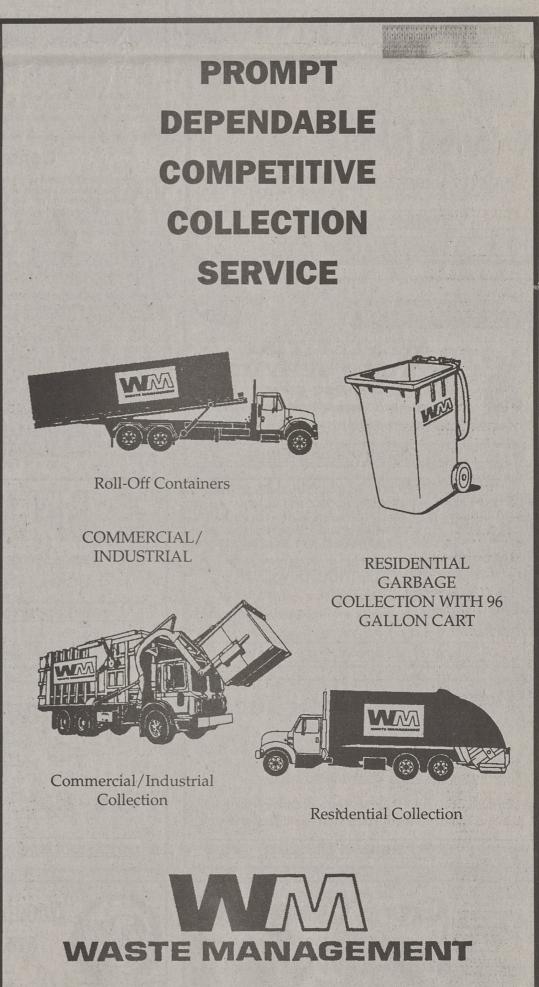
On their next possession, the Mountaineers drove 66 yards to go up 14-6. John Quinn had a 40-yard run during the march, and McClain scored from a vard out behind good blocking from Louis Young, Steven Bolt and Craig Huffstetler to give the Mounties a 20-6 lead.

Kings Mountain drove 66 yards late in the half to take a 26-6 halftime lead. Quinn covered most of the yards on bursts off the left side of the line. Facing first and goal just inside the 10, Quinn broke through the line for what looked to be a touchdown run, but he fumbled just prior to crossing the goal line and KM wide receiver Nate Marable fell on the ball in the end zone for the touchdown.

Kings Mountain got good defensive play from Marquis Norris, Dustin Hudson, Wesley Dixon, Ryan Skybo, Brad Moffitt, Chris Phillips, Zack Howel, Josh Odems and Chris Patrick

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