





PIGSKIN PICKERS

The sports reporters of Republic Newspapers, Inc. make their picks for this week's football games.

	 Gary Stewart	 Todd Hagans	 Ronald Kiser	 Dwight Frady
	LAST WEEK 12-3	LAST WEEK 11-4	LAST WEEK 13-2	LAST WEEK 11-4
	OVERALL 12-3	OVERALL 11-4	OVERALL 13-2	OVERALL 11-4
East Gaston at Bessemer City	East Gaston	East Gaston	East Gaston	East Gaston
West Lincoln at Cherryville	West Lincoln	Cherryville	Cherryville	Cherryville
North Lincoln at East Lincoln	East Lincoln	East Lincoln	East Lincoln	East Lincoln
East Rutherford at Ashbrook	Ashbrook	Ashbrook	Ashbrook	Ashbrook
R-S Central at Chase	Chase	Chase	Chase	Chase
Burns at North Gaston	Burns	Burns	North Gaston	Burns
Shelby at Crest	Crest	Crest	Crest	Crest
Kings Mountain at Forestview	Kings Mtn.	Forestview	Forestview	Forestview
South Point at Lincolnton	South Point	South Point	Lincolnton	South Point
Highland at Westminster Catawba	W. Catawba	W. Catawba	Highland Tech	Highland Tech
Hunter Huss at York	York	York	York	Hunter Huss
Rosman at Hendersonville	Hendersonville	Hendersonville	Hendersonville	Hendersonville
Polk County at Landrum	Landrum	Polk County	Polk County	Polk County
Western Carolina at Duke	Duke	W. Carolina	Duke	Duke
Oklahoma at Alabama	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma



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The Shoco girls under-10 team won the overall Underwood Cup for the Greater Cleveland County Soccer Association. Girls were scored on won-loss record, sportsmanship and individual skills. They competed against over 70 teams ranging in age from U16 to U8 for boys, girls and co-ed teams. Megan Eaker won the skills competition for the team. Team members are back row, Sarah Blackburn, Angela Walters, Amber Hyder, Megan Eaker, Cheyenne Hale, Kalie Deaton and Coach Toby Deaton. Front, Emily Gates, Cassi Buonquito, Emily Peeler, Ciera Buchanan, Emily Fleming and Emily Yarbro.

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Childers hurls two no-hitters

Morgan Childers pitched two no-hitters for the Kings Mountain Lightning in the Back to School Softball Tournament last weekend in Marion.

Childers' first gem came in the opening round when Kings Mountain blanked the Black Mountain Blue Blaze 10-0. She walked only one batter and struck out nine.

In a quarter-finals game Sunday, Childers came with in one out of throwing a perfect game but issued a walk. She struck out 12 as KM won 4-0 over the Mixed Forces of Asheville.

Natalyn Blanton collected three hits and Jessica Yarbro added two in the win over the Blue Blaze. Kristyn Funderburke had two hits and Amber Milwood, Kala Buchanan, Brittney Thornburg and Yarbro added one each against the Mixed Forces.

Kings Mountain finished in second place with a 5-2 record. KM is a 14-under team but played in the 16-under division.

Both of KM's losses were to the champion East Tennessee Mustangs. The first loss came in the second round 8-0. Thornburg led the KM hitting with 2-for-2.

The second loss came in the championship game, 2-1. Funderburke, Childers,

Thornburg, Buchanan, Blanton and Courtney Tate had one hit each.

Kings Mountain's other wins were over Charlotte Purple Craze 6-0, the Blue Blaze 4-1, and the Spartanburg Carolina Thunder 4-2.

Childers struck out 10 in the win over the Purple Craze. Buchanan, Thornburg and Yarbro had two hits each and Funderburke, Childers, Blanton, Milwood and Tate added one each.

Funderburke pitched a three-hitter and struck out five in the win over the Blue Blaze. Blanton had two hits and Yarbro, Funderburke, Thornburg, Tate and Laura Weigel added one each.

Funderburke pitched 6 1/3 innings and Childers pitched the final two innings as KM edged Spartanburg. Funderburke led the hitting with two hits and Buchanan, Milwood and Lauren Gaffney added one each.

For the tournament, Thornburg led the hitting with a .474 average, followed by Funderburke .364, Blanton .350, yarbro .318 and Buchanan .316.

Kings Mountain's overall record is 24-14.

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