

▶ SPORTS THIS WEEK

Thursday, October 2
 4 p.m. - Middle School softball, Lincolnton at Kings Mountain
 4:30 p.m. - High School volleyball, Burns at Kings Mountain (JV/varsity)
 7 p.m. - JV football, Crest at Kings Mountain

Friday, October 3
 7:30 - High School football, Kings Mountain at Crest

Saturday, October 4
 10 a.m. - High school volleyball, Providence and Pickens, SC at Kings Mountain

Monday, October 6
 TBA - Cross Country, Tri-County Middle School Conference meet at West Lincolnton
 4:30 p.m. - High school volleyball, South Point at Kings Mountain (JV/varsity)
 5 p.m. - High school soccer, Fred T. Foard at Kings Mountain

Tuesday, October 7
 4 p.m. - Middle school softball, Pumpkin Center at Kings Mountain
 4:30 p.m. - High school volleyball, Kings Mountain at R-S Central (JV/varsity)
 5 p.m. - High school cross country, Pre-Conference Southwestern Foothills meet at St. Stephens

Wednesday, October 8
 5 p.m. - Middle school football, Kings Mountain at Burns

▶ MOUNTIE GRIDGRAPH

	BURNS	KM
First downs	18	14
Yds. rushing	211	211
Passes	11-22-2	1-4-1
Yds. passing	132	9
Fumbles lost	1	1
Yds. penalized	55	60

Score by quarters: T

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	T
Burns	3	14	0	6	-23
KM	0	0	7	7	-14

B - FG Zach Wilkinson 31'
 B - Brandon Jackson 7 run (Wilkinson kick)
 B - Orlando Goolsby 11 pass from Travis Withrow (Wilkinson kick)
 KM - Sidney Goode 3 run (Will Franks kick)
 KM - Aaron Bolton 13 run (Franks kick)
 B - Goolsby 3 pass from Withrow (Kick blocked)

RUSHING

KM - J.J. McClain 17-89, Sidney Goode 17-64, Montrell Banks 10-45, Aaron Bolton 1-13, Burns - Brandon Jackson 19-136, Travis Withrow 16-66, Harvey Kee 1-9.

PASSING

KM - Banks 1-4-1-9, Burns - Withrow 11-22-2-132.

RECEIVING

KM - Derek Hilley 1-9, Burns - Orlando Goolsby 4-56, Josh Briscoe 4-43, Dustin Brewton 2-24, Jason Lawson 1-9.

▶ PREP STANDINGS

Southwestern Foothills 3A

Teams	Conf. W-L	All W-L
St. Stephens	2-0	3-4
Burns	1-0	5-1
Crest	1-0	2-3
Hickory	1-1	4-2
Kings Mtn.	1-1	1-5
Fred T. Foard	0-2	1-5
R-S Central	0-2	0-6

Last Week's Results

Burns 23, Kings Mountain 14
 Crest 17, Marlboro County 13
 St. Stephens 43, Foard 12
 Hickory 58, R-S Central 10

This Week's Games

Kings Mountain at Crest
 Burns at R-S Central
 Foard at South Caldwell
 St. Stephens at Hickory

Big South 3A

Ashbrook	2-0	6-0
South Point	2-0	5-1
Forestview	2-0	5-1
East Gaston	1-1	5-1
Hunter Huss	1-1	4-2
East Lincolnton	0-2	2-4
North Gaston	0-2	1-4
Berry	0-2	0-5

Last Week's Games

East Gaston 34, Cherryville 0
 South Point 42, Hunter Huss 6
 Forestview 35, East Lincolnton 19
 Ashbrook 48, North Gaston 7

This Week's Games

Ashbrook at South Point
 Huss at East Gaston
 Forestview at North Gaston
 Berry Academy at East Lincolnton

Southern Foothills 1A

Hendersonville	2-0	6-0
Bessemer City	2-0	3-3
Polk County	1-0	6-0
Maiden	1-0	5-1
Cherryville	0-1	1-5
Highland	0-2	0-6
North Lincolnton	0-3	0-7

Last Week's Games

Bessemer City 65, North Lincolnton 10
 Hendersonville 27, McDowell 7
 Polk County 53, Highland 0

This Week's Games

Highland at Bessemer City
 Polk County at Cherryville
 Maiden at Hendersonville

BURNS 23, KINGS MOUNTAIN 14



It took almost the entire Burns defense to bring down Kings Mountain fullback J.J. McClain (top photo) in Friday's game at Gamble Stadium. Below, Mountaineer defense puts pressure on Burns quarterback Travis Withrow.

Late drive seals win for Bulldogs

By GARY STEWART
 Editor of The Herald

A big defensive stand by Burns and ensuing 71-yard touchdown drive which resulted in a 17-0 halftime lead was too much for Kings Mountain to overcome Friday night at John Gamble Stadium and the Bulldogs escaped with a 23-14 win over the Mountaineers.

It was the first conference win and fifth in six games overall for the Bulldogs, pre-season choice to win the Southwestern Foothills 3A Conference. Kings Mountain dropped to 1-1 in the conference and 1-5 overall heading into another big game against a county rival Friday night at Crest.

The highly-favored Bulldogs had trouble fighting off Kings Mountain's inside running attack, but used a strong passing game led by sophomore quarterback Travis Withrow and a solid inside running game of their own featuring Brandon Jackson to stay out front the entire game.

Kings Mountain failed to take advantage of a pair of first half Burns turnovers but finally got their offense rolling in the second half, trimming the Bulldog lead to 17-14 before

See Burns, 3B



Mounties at Crest Friday



Kings Mountain quarterback Montrell Banks keeps ball in Friday's game with Burns.

By GARY STEWART
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Things won't get any easier for Kings Mountain's Mountaineers when they travel to Crest this week to take on one of the traditional North Carolina football powers.

True, the Chargers' 2-3 record isn't as impressive as those of years past. In fact, it's their worst start in over a decade.

But, that record is deceiving.

Those three losses have been to three of the top-ranked football teams in North Carolina, 4A power West Charlotte, 3A juggernaut South Point, and the Chargers' arch rival, Shelby.

During those three losses the Chargers were dealing with a lot of adversity which now seems to be in the distant past.

The last two weeks the Chargers have been back to their old ways, soundly trouncing a good Hickory team 28-7 and edging perennial South Carolina 4A power Marlboro County 17-14.

Kings Mountain has improved also, but the Mountaineers have yet to put together four strong quarters against strong competition.

Mountaineer Coach Dave Farquharson is confident that when that finally happens his team will be able to play with anybody.

He says Crest will be very simi-

lar to Burns, who beat the Mounties 23-14 last week.

"They're going to be big and fast and it's going to be a pretty similar offense - the shotgun and one back," Farquharson said. "They've got a bunch of athletes to move the football with."

Heading the Crest attack is running back Martray Littlejohn, a 170-pound junior who has taken over the top running back position after Coach Roy Kirby dismissed All-American candidate Travis Padgett from the team.

Another key on offense is junior quarterback Maurice Gullatte, who is becoming comfortable in the position after being thrust into a starting role when Kirby dismissed Brandon Mauney the first week of practice.

"They're going to test us again in the secondary," Farquharson said. "Our focus again is going to be on trying to stop the run."

Defensively, the Chargers aren't as experienced or as big as they've been in the past. Former Kings Mountain player Chris Williamson is their top linebacker, and ex-Mountaineer Jermaine Strong plays wide receiver and defensive back.

Kings Mountain will try to establish a run in hopes of controlling the tempo of the game, but Farquharson hopes to be able to throw the ball when necessary.

"Offensively, we're not going to

See Crest, 3A