

SPORTS BRIEFS

Golf tournament set at Woodbridge

Tee to Green Golf Association and the Cleveland County Community Development Corporation will hold their 15th annual fund raiser golf tournament September 25-26 at Woodbridge Golf Links. Registration deadline is September 17. The fee is \$125 per person or \$500 per team. For more information call Wayne Walton at 434-2261 ext.361 or Karla Haynes at 480-7701.

Cross Country practice to begin

Kings Mountain High will begin cross country practice Monday, August 2 at 5:30 p.m. For more information call Coach John Foster at 739-0747 692-0634.

THE SCHEDULE

- AUGUST**
31 - KM, R-S Central, Hickory at Crest.
- SEPTEMBER**
7 - KM, Burns at St. Stephens.
14 - Burns, Hickory at KM.
21 - KM, R-S, Foard at St. Stephens.
28 - Foard, Hickory, St. Stephens at KM.
- OCTOBER**
2 - Great American CC Festival, Cary, NC.
5 - St. Stephens, Crest, KM at Hickory.
12 - Pre-Conference meet at Burns.
19 - Conference meet at Burns.
30 - Regionals at Jackson Park, Hendersonville.
- NOVEMBER**
6 - 3A State meet at Tanglewood, Winston Salem.

27 - Foot Locker South Regional, McAlpine Park, Charlotte.

KMMS to begin football practice

Kings Mountain Middle School will begin football tryouts Monday, August 2 from 3-5:30 p.m. All players are to meet in the KMMS gym. All players must have a sports physical on file in order to practice. Those who do not have a current physical must see a doctor to complete and sign the sports physical form. Forms are available in the school office.

All players are required to attend every practice. Any player with an unexcused absence will be dismissed from the team. Parents must contact head coach Monty Deaton at 734-5670 prior to practice for a player to be excused.

Practice will be held rain or shine. Players are required to wear gym shorts, white T-shirt and conditioning and/or running shoes.

The first game is scheduled for August 25.

KM Optimist sets football sign-ups

Kings Mountain Optimist Club will be holding registration for football and cheerleading July 31 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at City Stadium. Parents are urged to join the Optimist Booster Club when they register their children.

Registration is open for boys and girls between the ages of 7-13. All persons registering must take a certified birth certificate, copy of last year's report card (showing all four quarters) and a physical completed by August 1, 2004.

Registration is \$50 per child, with a discount for siblings.

Pop Warner football age and weight guidelines are: Mitey Mites - Ages 7, 8, 9 and weight 45-85 pounds. Junior Pee Wees - Ages 8, 9, and 10 and weight 55-95 pounds.

Pee Wees - Ages 9, 10 and 11 and weight 70-110 pounds.

Junior Midgets - Ages 10, 11 and 12 and weight 80-125 pounds, and age 13 (weight 80-105 pounds.)

Fall soccer registration set

Registration for fall soccer is under way in the Greater Cleveland County Soccer Association.

The league is open to boys and girls ages 4-16. Registration fee is \$40 for the first child and \$35 for each additional child. Registration deadline is July 31.

Registration forms are available at Cleveland County Memorial Library and S&M Sports or at www.gccsasoccer.net. For more information call 406-3849.

BCMS football camp Saturday

Bessemer City Middle School will hold a fundamentals football camp on Saturday, July 31 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon.

BCMS students in the seventh and eighth grades are eligible to participate. Cost is \$20 and lunch will be served at the end of the camp. Additionally, a pass, punt and kick contest will be held with first, second and third place awards given.

To pre-register, call Lindell Creed at (704) 435-1466. On-site registration will be held the day of the camp at 8:45 a.m.

Students planning to play fall sports at Bessemer City Middle School are reminded that they must have a health physical before the first day of practice to participate.

SPORTS DEADLINE

Deadline for sports news is 5 p.m. Tuesday. Tuesday night games and activities will be accepted until 9:30 a.m. Wednesday. Call 739-7496, fax 739-0611 or email kmhnews@aol.com.



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The Wildcats of Kings Mountain recently finished third in the Field of Dreams baseball tournament in Cooperstown, NY. Front row, left to right, Trey Drewery, Alex Waters, Dylan White, Ethan Hines, Rai Robinson and Kris Thompson. Second row, Alex Lackey, Bransen Christopher, Garrett Duke, Evan Jackson, Julian Bridges. Back, coaches Trey Robinson, Tim Waters and Ray Robinson.

KM Wildcats third in Dream Tourney

The Wildcats of Kings Mountain finished third among 64 teams in the recent Cooperstown Field of Dreams Tournament in Cooperstown, NY.

Ray Robinson served as head coach for the second year after assisting Tim Leach for three years. This was Robinson's final year as coach as his son Rai would age out at the end of the season.

Robinson's oldest son, Trey, and Tim Waters served as assistant coaches.

After just two full practices together, the Wildcats entered the Cooperstown field and won 10 straight games before losing in the semifinals.

Dylan White led the team in hitting with a .758 average and seven home runs. Kris Thompson hit .636 with four home runs, Rai Robinson .516 with two home runs, Ethan Hines .500 with two home runs, Bransen Christopher .400 with three home runs, Evan Jackson .385 with two home runs, Alex Lackey .355, Trey Drewery .321 with a home run, Julian Bridges .316, Garrett Duke .304 with five home runs, and Alex Waters .261.

Waters collected three wins and one save on the mound. Christopher, Thompson and Jackson each hurled two wins, and Robinson had one win and two saves.

Game summaries:

Wildcats 4, Rawlings Nationals (Ohio) 2. Dylan White went 2-for-3. Kris Thompson was 1-for-2 with a home run. Rai Robinson, Evan Jackson, Julian Bridges, Alex Lackey and Ethan Hines had one hit each. Alex Waters was the winning pitcher.

Wildcats 20, Cape St. Claire Cougars (Maryland) 1. White was 3-for-3 with two home runs. Hines was 2-for-3 with a home run. Robinson, Jackson, Thompson, and Christopher had two hits each. Christopher was the winning pitcher.

Wildcats 10, Lakeland Renegades (Florida) 6. Christopher was 3-for-3 with a home run. Hines was 3-for-4. Thompson was 2-for-3. Lackey, Drewery, White, Robinson and Jackson had one hit apiece. Jackson was the winning pitcher and Robinson earned the save.

Wildcats 3, Georgia Prowlers 2. White was 3-for-3 with two home runs. Thompson had two hits and Drewery, Bridges, Robinson and Waters had one hit each. Thompson was winning pitcher and Waters earned a save.

Wildcats 11, Ashburn Alley Cats (Virginia) 2. Duke was 3-for-3 with a home run. Thompson had a home run and White, Hines and Christopher had two hits each. Drewery and Waters had one hit each. Christopher was the winning pitcher.

Wildcats 13, South County Blue Jays (California) 1. Duke had two home runs, Jackson, Drewery and Thompson had two hits each, and each hit a home run. Hines and Robinson also had two hits each. Jackson was the winning pitcher.

Wildcats 12, Tennessee Blast 0. Thompson was 4-for-4 with a home run. White was 3-for-4 with two home runs. Duke, Jackson and Robinson had two hits each, and Hines, Christopher and Waters added a hit each. Waters hurled the win.

Wildcats 11, Colorado Patriots 0. Robinson was 3-for-3 with a home run. Christopher was 2-for-2 with a home run. Duke hit a grand slam home run. White had three hits, Thompson two, and Bridges and Waters one each. Robinson got the win.

Wildcats 7, Minnesota Magic 5. White had three hits, including a home run. Hines hit a grand slam home run to give Kings Mountain the lead. Duke added another home run. Robinson and Bridges each had a hit. Waters got the win and Robinson the save.

Wildcats 8, NFWB Cobras (Michigan) 7. White was 4-for-4. Drewery, Robinson and Thompson had two hits each. Duke and Jackson had one hit each. Duke had a walk off single in the bottom of the sixth. Thompson got the win.

Lakeland Renegades (Florida) 12, Wildcats 8. Christopher had two hits, including a home run. Jackson and Robinson each hit a home run. Thompson and Waters had two hits each and Hines, Lackey, Duke and white added one each.

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Bill allows city to use untagged vehicles

City of Kings Mountain employees can now legally ride untagged, city-owned all terrain vehicles. The bill was ratified earlier this month.

Representative Tim Moore worked with a representative from Mint Hill on the legislation.

The bill comes after resident Jane Martin complained that Special Events Coordinator Ellis Noell was breaking the law when he rode a "gator" on city streets during an event.

The bill allows city employees and law enforcement officers to use all-terrain vehicles, owned or leased by the governmental agency, on public highways where the speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less.