SPORTS



BRANDON MITCHELL

Mitchell has hat trick in loss to Burns

Kings Mountain High's soccer team lost to Burns 5-3 Monday.

Brandon Mitchell scored all three goals for KM. Mitchell got his first hat trick of his high school career. His first goal was from a throw in that went off a Burns player and into the goal. He later took on the Burns defense by himself to score two more goals.

KM lost 9-1 to R-S Central in last Southwestern Conference game. KM's lone goal was from Daniel Bearden from a penalty kick in the last minute of the game.

KM will play at Olympic in the first round of the state playoffs. This is the first time the KM men's soccer has made it to the playoffs two years in a row.

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Patriots beat West Lincoln

John Robbs scored two rushing * from injuries. touchdowns and returned a pass interception for a touchdown to lead Kings Mountain Middle School to a 42-14 win over West Lincoln in a Tri-County Conference East Division game last Wednesday.

Playing in the rain, the Patriots mis-kicked the opening kickoff and drove it into one of WL's up KM recovered launched an 8-play drive which resulted in a touchdown run by Samuel Jenkins for a 6-0 lead.

Two plays 'later Robbs returned an interception 35 yards to make it 12-0.

After West Lincoln cut it to 12-6, KM went up 20-6 on a touch-down run by Robbs and twopoint conversion by Jenkins.

KM drove the second half kickoff 65 yards to go up 26-6 on a quarterback sneak by Mitchell Cloninger.

After another mis-kick, KM recovered the ball again and Robbs scored a rushing TD and two-point conversion to make the score 34-6.

West Lincoln cut the difference to 34-12 before KM ended the scoring on a 60-yard run and two-point conversion by Alex Castellano.

Kings Mountain had two weeks to prepare for the game after a bye week. During that time, several players recovered

"We're definitely playing much better since getting everybody back on the team," said Coach Monty Deaton. "We came out and did what we had to do to win the game on a wet field."

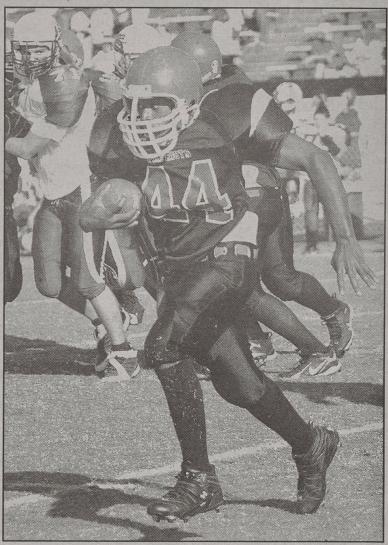
Kings Mountain was scheduled to play North Lincoln yesterday and will end its season next Wednesday at Burns.

"We'd like to play the spoilers role," says Deaton. "If we beat them we can put them out of a three-way tie for the division championship."

Burns, East Lincolnton and Lincolnton currently share the lead. The team that wins the tiebreaker procedure will advance to play the West Division winner (the Shelby-Crest winner) for the overall conference champi-

KMHS softball team **fund raiser Saturday**

The Kings Mountain High softball team will host a yard sale and bake sale Saturday from 7 a.m.-12 noon at Ric Francis All-State Insurance Agency on East King Street.



John Robbs loose on big run.

