

# JV Mountaineers bite Wildcats 46-12

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Sports Editor

Kings Mountain scored on all six of its first half possessions to defeat North Gaston 46-12 in a JV football game Thursday afternoon at John Gamble Stadium.

The game, originally scheduled to be played at North Gaston, was moved to KMHS as part of a JV-varsity doubleheader. With heavy rains forecast for Friday night - and the fact that two of the last three KMHS homecomings had been held in pouring rains - the schools agreed to move the varsity game up a day.

The JV Mountaineers posted their fifth straight win, and seventh in eight games overall. They host Crest in their final home game Thursday at 7 p.m. and travel to Forestview next Thursday for their final game.

Kings Mountain shared the wealth on offense as seven different players scored a touchdown apiece. About the only negative about the KM performance was the failure to convert extra points. The Mountaineers missed all of their kick attempts but scored two point conversions on a pass to Philip Quinn and a run by Alex Castellano.

Castellano again led the rushing attack with 85 yards on 14 carries, including a two-yard touchdown run. Quarterback Jonathan Clark picked up 34 yards on four carries and scored on a one-yard sneak, and also hit 7-of-8 passes for 132 yards and three touchdowns.

Cameron Pittman caught

two passes for 29 yards and a 17-yard touchdown; Jacob Lineberger caught two passes for 52 yards and a 41-yard touchdown; and Quinn caught a 15-yard touchdown pass.

Dontarius Simmons gained 18 yards on six carries. He scored on a three-yard run and also caught a 29-yard pass.

Kings Mountain's final touchdown came on a 75-yard kickoff return by Jerick Dabbs in the second half. Because of the lopsided score, the clock ran continuously in the second half.

The KM defense, led by Jose Sappia, Collins Pressley, Kavin Swann, Alex Toms, James Story, Garrett Fredrick and Cody Griffith, didn't allow a first down in the first half. They held the Wildcats to three and out on three possessions, and recovered fumbles on two, but a breakdown in the kicking game allowed North Gaston to return a kickoff to the 14-yard line, from which point Brandon Anderson scored with 6:08 left in the half to make the score 28-6.

Kings Mountain began substituting at the beginning of the second half and lost a fumble at their own 42 to set up North Gaston's final score on a one-yard run by Corey Staley with 44 seconds left in the third period. Dabbs returned the Wildcats' kickoff 75 yards to round out the scoring. North Gaston made it to the KM 11 late in the game but a sack by Matthew Shepherd and a pass break-up by Tyrece Crawford ended the threat.



GARY STEWART/HERALD  
KM quarterback Jonathan Clark keeps the ball in Thursday game with North Gaston at Gamble Stadium.



GARY STEWART/HERALD  
Cameron Pittman (11) tries to get around a North Gaston defender after catching a pass in Thursday JV game at Gamble Stadium.



GARY STEWART/HERALD  
Nicole Ford keeps the ball in play for Kings Mountain in Saturday playoff win over St. Stephens.

## Huffstetler shoots hole in one at KMCC

Bobby Huffstetler made his first hole-in-one at Kings Mountain Country Club on hole No. 5 on Friday, Oct. 23. Bobby used a gap wedge on the 129-yard hole.

## Sports schedule...

Wednesday, Oct. 28 6 p.m. - High school soccer, Kings Mountain at Forest view (Ends regular season).	Friday, Oct. 30 7:30 - High school football, Kings Mountain at Crest.
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