

# Erica Hicks qualifies for 4th straight regional

Kings Mountain High senior golfer Erica Hicks qualified for her fourth straight Western Regional Tournament after finishing third in the Big South 3A Conference with a 45.5 average over six conference matches.

Hicks shot a 42 to tie for second in the final BSC match Monday at Green Meadows Golf Course in Mount Holly. By finishing in the top ten over the course of the season, Hicks earned a spot on the All-Big South Conference team.

Paige Donaldson of South Point won Monday's match with a 38. South Point's Katie Barnette led all BSC golfers for the season with an average of 41.7 and earned conference golfer of the year honors.

South Point won Monday's match with a team score of 127, followed by Forestview 152, North Gaston 159, Ashbrook 160, KM 160 and Crest 169.



Erica Hicks finished third overall in the Big South Conference golf matches this year to earn All-Conference honors and qualify for next week's Western Regional Tournament in Asheville.

For the year, South Point finished first with a 934, followed by Forestview 1,071, KM 1,126, North Gaston 1,168, Ashbrook 1,185 and Crest 1,233.

The Western Regional tournament will be played Monday at Asheville Municipal. The top finishers there will advance to the state tournament.

# Sports briefs...

## KMMS girls win final game 16-6

Kings Mountain Middle School's girls softball team defeated East Lincoln 16-6 Thursday to end their season with a 6-4 record.

Emily Hester and Mikeala Bell split pitching duties. Bell, Hester, Leah Herndon, Kayla Skidmore, Jamie Bagwell, Jordan Davis, Shaniya Porter, Cindy Williams and Madison Ingle all had a hit or scored a run.

## Cornhole tourney prior to KM games

Kings Mountain High School holds corn hole tour-

naments prior to each home JV and varsity football game.

The cost is \$5 per two-person teams. Sign-up as a team. There is a cash prize for the winning team.

The single-elimination tournament begins one hour before kickoff (6 p.m. on JV nights and 6:30 on varsity nights). The field is limited to the first 32 teams.

## KM kickers lose to Crest Monday

Kings Mountain fell to Crest 3-0 in a Big South soccer game Monday night at John Gamble Stadium.

Adam Bridges and Keegan Sylvester were outstanding on defense for the

Mountaineers.



Keegan Sylvester was outstanding on defense in Kings Mountain High's soccer game with Crest last week.

# Sports Schedule

Wednesday, Oct. 20  
 4:30 - Middle school football, Burns at KM.  
 6:30 - High school soccer, North Gaston at KM.

Thursday, Oct. 21  
 7 p.m. - JV football, North Gaston at KM.

Friday, Oct. 22  
 7:30 - High school football, KM at North Gaston.

Monday, Oct. 25  
 6 p.m. - High school soccer, KM at Crest.

Tuesday, Oct. 26  
 TBA - Middle school golf, Tri-County championship at Burns.  
 6 p.m. - High school soccer, KM at North Gaston.

Wednesday, Oct. 27  
 6 p.m. - High school soccer, Forestview at KM (final game).

## Big South 3A Standings

Teams	Conf. All	
	W-L	W-L
South Point	4-0	6-3
Kings Mountain	2-1	5-3
Crest	2-1	5-2
Ashbrook	2-2	2-7
Forestview	1-2	3-5
Hunter Huss	1-2	3-5
North Gaston	0-4	0-9

Last Week's Results  
KM 41, Ashbrook 34  
Crest 31, North Gaston 3  
South Point 42, Forsetview 15

Friday's Games  
KM at North Gaston  
Hunter Huss at Crest  
Ashbrook at Forestview



Isaiah Cole, #13 a freshman forward-mid, defends the ball against Crest at home Oct. 12 while Jacob Cole, #1 a junior defender, looks on.

# Hound

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Today, these canines are being used by hunters and loved by owners as far away as Japan.

In addition to their strength, speed, courage and determination, the Plott Hounds are beautiful. Often with a striped coat, known as a "brindle", the dogs can appear with the colors of brown, black, yellow, blueish gray, and buckskin.

"Black Monday," a black brindled Plott Hound was the first known to have won Best of the Breed at the Westminster Dog Show. He has since been beaten by his own puppy "Capone".

Some people think that one of the early European predecessors of the Plott Hound could be the Hanoverian Schweisshund, Libby said.

Asking the students if they had ever seen their birth certificates, she showed them a Plott Hound's - unrolling a nearly three-foot long poster of the pedigree (six generations).

After sharing information about the breed and how Plott Hounds became a state symbol, she asked the students if they were ready to meet "Lucky". The children cheered and yelled his name.

And out "Lucky" ran, baying for the crowd, with Rick in tow.

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