

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER



KM running back making first varsity start ties touchdown record in win over Cavaliers

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Kings Mountain's Mountaineers entered Gamble Stadium for Friday's game through a new smoking Mountaineer blow-up mascot which was a hit with players and fans.

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Kings Mountain junior running back Dashon Guest made his first varsity start one to remember Friday night when he scored all five Mountaineer-touchdowns in their 36-19 opening season win over East Rutherford.

Guest electrified a large home crowd at John Gamble Stadium, scoring five touchdowns which tied the all-time record set by Kenny Bell in 1978 at Burns and tied three times by Anthony Hillman during the Mountaineers' Western Championship season of 1998.

Dashing Dashon scored on runs of 6, 40, 8, 41 and 9 yards and finished with 210 yards-rushing on 25 car-

ries. He also caught four passes for 74 yards. "Guest is a good back," said Mountaineer coach Greg Lloyd. "He's a strong runner and protected the ball. He ran hard. The line gave him some nice holes and he hit them. Our receivers also did a good job blocking downfield."

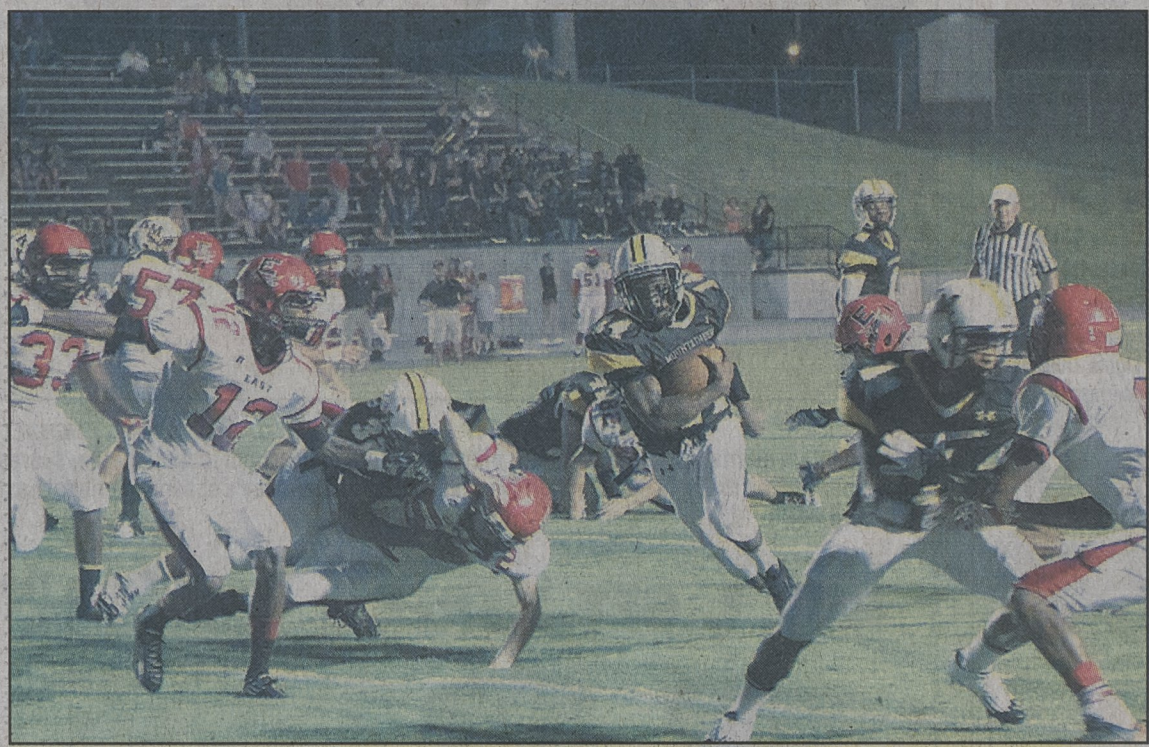
For the most part, the Mountaineers did well on both sides of the ball. The offense accumulated 317 yards rushing on 37 attempts and senior quarterback Jonathan Clark completed 13 of 19 passes for 218 yards and no interceptions.

The Mountaineers scored on all four of their first half possessions, getting a 22-yard field goal from

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Trevin Torres (1) returns a kick for Kings Mountain in Friday's win over East Rutherford at Gamble Stadium.



Dashing Dashon Guest gets good blocks from Jacob Miller (32) and Trevin Torres (1) to score in the first half of Friday's 36-19 win over East Rutherford at Gamble Stadium. AT RIGHT, Kings Mountain quarterback Jonathan Clark looks to the sidelines for the play call in Friday's game with East Rutherford.



MOUNTAINEER POSTGAME

PLAYERS OF THE GAME

Offense - Dashon Guest, RB, 210 yards rushing, tied school record with 5 touchdowns. Four receptions for 72 yards; Jonathan Clark, QB, 218 yards passing and 64 rushing; OL Cody Griffith and Chaz Gamble and receivers Donterius Simmons, Trevin Torres, Phillip Quinn and Xavier Johnson, good blocking.

Defense - Alex Reynolds, 6 solo tackles, 3 TFL, 1 pass break-up. Dion Murray, DL, 7 solo tackles; Jose Sappia, DB, 9 solo tackles, one pass break-up.

BY THE NUMBERS

ER 0 7 12 0 19
KM 3 20 13 0 36

First quarter:

KM - 8:42 - Jeremiah Early 22FG. 41-yd. drive. Johnson 33-yard reception, Guest 5-34 rushing.

Second quarter:

KM - 11:53 - Guest 6-run (kick blocked). 80-yd. drive, 9 plays. Guest 6-30 rushing, Xavier Johnson, receptions of 33 and 22 yards.

ER - 6:01 - Stamey 13 pass from Watkins (Kick good). 65 yds., 13-play drive.

KM - 4:27 - Guest 40-run (Early kick). 73-yd., four play drive. Quinn 21 yard reception, Clark 10 yard run.

KM - 0:46.1 - Guest 8-run (Early kick). 87-yd., 7 play drive. Catches of 5 yds. by Johnson, 15 by Trevin Torres, 46 by Guest and 18-yard keeper by Clark).

Third quarter:

ER - 11:44 - T.J. Watkins, 61-run (first play after second half kickoff return).

KM - 6:48 - Guest 41 run (kick failed). 57-yard drive, 3 plays. Torres 14-yard reception.

ER - 4:57 - McIntyre, 12 run (2-pt. pass broken up by Jose Sappia).

KM - 2:47 - Guest 9 run. (Early kick). 56-yd., four plays. Guest 3-30 rushing and 19 yards on screen pass).

THE YARDSTICK

	ER	KM
First downs	7	20
Yds. Rushing	171	317
Yds Passing	65	218
Passes	9-20-0	13-19-0
Fumbles lost	0	1
Yds. Penalized	44	25
Punts	4-35.2	2-31.0

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