



KM's Alex Reynolds steals third in victory over East Rutherford.

Reynolds' walk-off HR beats East Rutherford

A walk-off two-run home run by Alex Reynolds in the bottom of the seventh inning lifted Kings Mountain's Mountaineers over East Rutherford 4-2 in a non-conference baseball game Wednesday night at Lancaster Field.

The visiting Cavaliers forced the issue in the top of the inning when a sacrifice fly by Logan Hawkins tied the game at 2-all.

Reynolds also got the win on the mound, coming over from first base to relieve starter Alex Grooms after Grooms walked the first two batters. After fanning Brandon Williams, Reynolds walked John Padgett to load the sacks for Hawkins. The Cavaliers re-loaded the bases on another walk before Reynolds fanned pinch-hitter Reece Hollow to get out of the jam.

Wil Sellers' single set the stage for Reynolds' homer over the left field fence.

The teams battled on even terms throughout most of the contest with good pitching and defense.

The Cavaliers grabbed a 1-0 lead in the

top of the first on Tripp Hamrick's single and an error. Kings Mountain tied the score in the third when Reynolds doubled off the top of the centerfield fence, stole third and scored on an error.

Sophomore designated hitter Brandon Bell, who was called up from the JV team prior to the game, slammed a solo home run over the center field fence to put the Mountaineers on top 2-1 in the fifth.

Grooms did an excellent job on the mound. He gave up only four hits and struck out four over six innings, and at one time retired 11 batters in a row. Hits by Trent Self and Strickland broke the string with one out in the sixth. After a strikeout, the Mountaineers got out of the inning when Strickland broke for third base and was tagged out in a rundown.

Cameron Bullock led a 9-hit KM plate attack with three singles. Reynolds had two hits and Colby Crisp, Bell, Grooms and Sellers added one each.

Lady Mountaineers win county track crown

Kings Mountain High's women's track team successfully defended its Cleveland County championship by winning the annual County Meet Tuesday at Crest High School.

The Lady Mountaineers tallied 107 points to easily out-distance Shelby with 61.5, Crest 45.5 and Burns 38.

Kings Mountain's men finished second. Shelby won with 114.5. KM had 64, Crest 46.5 and Burns 27.

The Lady Mountaineers dominated with eight first place finishes, including three re-

lays and two individual first places by Sarah Scism.

Scism won the long jump (14'3.25") and the triple jump (10'2.5").

Emily Harris won the discus (85'4"), Chelsea George won the 100 meter hurdles (18.48) and Mackenzie Smith won the 3200 meters (14:26).

Tyquasia Mackey, Adrienne Green, Tynasha Merriman and Betzaira Saenz won the 4x100 relay in 53.80; Saenz, Green, Harris

and Sarah Bradshaw won the 4x400 in 4:37.2; and Radhika Patel, Annamarie Fulbright, McKay Williamson and Mariah Roberts won the 4x800 in 12:08.

Cassie Morton took three second places - the 800 meters, 1600 meters and 3200 meters. Others running second were Adrienne Green in the 400 meters, Gwendolyn Hopper in the triple jump, Brittany Poeng in the long jump, and Sharda Whitesides in the shot put.

Kings Mountain's men had three individ-

uals and one relay team in first place Cody Griffith won the discus with a throw of 108'2". Justice Taylor won the triple jump (41.07.5) and Logan McGill won the 800 meters (2:14).

Baron Crawford, Jason Dawkins, Keeneh Dimetros and Jair McCluney won the 4x400 relay in 3:42.67.

Finishing second for the Mountaineers were Griffith in the shot put, Dawkins in the 300 hurdles and McGill in the 1600 meters.

KM netters tie for second in BSC

Kings Mountain High's men's tennis team won two impressive victories over the past week to finish the regular season in the Big South 3A in a tie for second place.

The Mountaineers defeated South Point and Crest, both by 6-3 scores, to end in a tie with Crest and Forestview. Ashbrook finished in first place.

"After losing 8-1 last Thursday against Forestview was a big disappointment," said KM Coach Rick Henderson. "Even though we are young, we are determined. I was just elated after winning five singles matches out of six against a strong team such as South Point. Winning five of six singles matches against Crest was a major confidence boost for our tennis program."

Crest won the tie-breaker to go to the state tournament as the BSC's second place

team. The BSC tournament will be held April 24 at Biggerstaff Park in Dallas. Isaiah Cole and Dillon Ervin will be playing doubles along with Dalton Cash and Robert Baker. Gibson Connor and Alex Lovelace will be playing singles.

KM-SOUTH POINT

Singles
Isaiah Cole (KM) d. Sadler Gensch 7-6 (7-0), 1-6, 6-2; W. Mendoza (SP) d. Dylan Ervin 6-4, 6-2 Gibson Connor (KM) d. Ethan Beal 6-2, 7-5; Alex Lovelace (KM) d. Carlos Morales 6-4, 7-6 (7-4); Devin Ayscue (KM) d. Clay Gwaltney 6-2, 6-0; Bailey Goodson (KM) d. Brent Williamson 6-3, 6-3.

Doubles
Goodman/Wasserman © d. Cole/Ervin 6-3, 6-3; Powell/Emory © d. Ayscue/Alex Martin 6-2, 6-3; Cash/Robert

Baker (KM) d. Borneman/Robertson 1-6, 7-6 (7-2), 6-1.

KM-CREST

Singles
Isaiah Cole (KM) d. Dylan Goodman 6-4, 6-2; Jack Wasserman © d. Dylan Ervin 6-1, 6-2; Gibson Connor (KM) d. Luke Powell 7-6 (7-4), 6-1; Alex Lovelace (KM) d. Zeke Emory 6-3, 5-7, 6-2; Devin Ayscue (KM) d. Jonathan Borneman 6-3, -3; Dalton Cash (KM) d. Eli Bowling 7-5, 6-2.

Doubles
Goodman/Wasserman © d. Cole/Ervin 8-0; Powell/Emory © d. Ayscue/Martin 8-2; Cash/Robert Baker (KM) d. Borneman/Robertson 7-6 (7-5).

Kings Mountain High edged North Gaston 5-4 in a Big South tennis match last

week. **Singles**

- 1) Johnathan Jenks (NG) def. Isaiah Cole (KM) 6-0, 6-0
- 2) Jordan Thompson (NG) def. Dylan Ervin (KM) 7-5, 6-4
- 3) Jon Cabe (NG) def. (NG) def. Gibson Connor (KM) 6-3, 7-5
- 4) Devin Ayscue (KM) def. Eli Fincher (NG) 6-3, 6-3
- 5) Alex Martin (KM) def. Nathan Mocanu (NG) 6-3, 6-4
- 6) Jordan Bullins (KM) def. Trey Byrd (NG) 6-2, 6-0

Doubles

- 1) Cole/Ervin (KM) def. Jenks/Fincher (NG) 6-3, 3-6, 6-2
- 2) Thompson/Cabe (NG) def. Connor/Alex Lovelace (KM) 6-3, 7-6
- 3) Robert Baker/Dalton Cash (KM) def. Mocanu/Byrd (NG) 6-2, 6-1

YMCA SPORTS

Soccer

Saturday, April 20

U-6
Tornadoes 5 Comets 2
Tornadoes - Chance Habel - 2 Elliot Habel - 2 Devan Dorsey 1;

Comets - Chase Smith -1 Brooke Hamrick - 1 Green Fire 4 Thunder 3 Green Fire - Sergio Suarez - 3 Mason Weaver - 1; Thunder - Aiden Robinson - 3

U-9
Gutter Guys Construction 7 Red Dragons 1
Gutter Guys: Cale Raby - 6, Max Thompson - 1 Red Dragons - Calen Buchanan - 1 Strikers 3 Grasshoppers 0 Strikers - Marcos Richardson - 2 Connor Goodson - 1 Force 0 Hornets 0

U-13
KM United 2 Mexico 1
KM United - Isaiah Mayhall - 1 Tristan Stenger - 1 Mexico - Alex Diaz - 1 Giants 1 Crush 1
Giants - Brandon Quevedo Johns
Crush - Sam Gebhar

Baseball

Results of the opening season baseball tournament at the Kings Mountain YMCA.

7-8 Years Old
Blue Jays 11, Braves 7
Corey Long 3-3, Hunter Ellis 3-3.
Pirates 11, Angels 5
Byrum Burgin 4-4, Cameron Rhom 2-3.
Pirates 14, Blue Jays 4
Marty Lovingood 4-4, Ryan Parker 2-2.
Braves 3, Angels 2
Millie Vess 3-3, Cameron Rhom 2-3.
Braves 12, Blue Jays 11

Ethan Guy 4-4, Turner Brown 3-3.

Championship:
Pirates 13, Braves 4
Christopher Meredith 4-4, Ethan Carroll 2-3.
9-10 Years Old
Yankees 7, Braves 6
Aiden Wilson 2-2, Carson Kinmon 2-2.
Angels 7, Dodgers 3
Camden Deaton 2-2, Bennett Davis 2-2.
Yankees 5, Angels 2
Isaiah Lowe 2-2, Caleb Broome 2-2.

Braves 15, Dodgers 0
Cameron Petti 3-3, Bennet Davis 1-1.
Angels 6, Braves 4
Koby Rikard 2-3, Austin Moore 2-2.
Angels 5, Yankees 3
Caleb Broome 3-3, Tyler Hughes 2-2.

(Championship)
Angels 7, Yankees 3
Steven Spaes 2-2, Isaiah Lowe 2-2.

11-12 Years Old
Yankees 5, Rangers 4
DJ Bagwell 3-3, David Bell 2-2.
Cardinals 2, Braves 1
Seth Kennedy 2-2, Jope Ruffalo 1-2
Cardinals 3, Yankees 1
Holden Turner 1-2, Brice Fisher 1-2

Braves 4, Rangers 2
Joe Ruffalo 2-2, Cooper Scarborough 1-2
Braves 6, Yankees 0
John Harmon Melton 3-3
HR, Zac Crawford 1-2
Braves 9, Cardinals 4
John Harmon Melton 2-2
HR, Hadonn Pruitt 2-2

(Championship)
Cardinals 10, Braves 1
Seth Kennedy 2-2, Joe Ruffalo 1-2.

SPORTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday, April 24
4 p.m. - High school track, Big South Conference meet at Forestview.
6 p.m. - High school soccer, North Gaston at Kings Mountain.

Thursday, April 25
6 p.m. - High school soccer, Kings Mountain at Chase.

Friday, April 26

4:30 - High school baseball, North Gaston at Kings Mountain (JV/V).
6 p.m. - High school softball, North Gaston at Kings Mountain.

Monday, April 29
2 p.m. - High school golf, all Big South teams at Forestview.
6 p.m. - High school soccer, Kings Mountain at Crest.

Tuesday, April 30
4:30 - High school baseball, Kings Mountain at Crest (JV/V).
6 p.m. - High school softball, Kings Mountain at Crest.

Wednesday, May 1
6 p.m. - High school soccer, Forestview at Kings Mountain (Senior Night)

KM third in county golf match

Kings Mountain finished third in the annual Cleveland County Golf Match Wednesday at Deerbrook.

Shelby won with a 305 score. Crest shot 330, KM 349 and Burns 385.

Matt Shepard led the Mountaineers with a 79. Miles Robinson shot 81, Devin Heath 91, Zachary Saldo 98 and Hunter Cooke 98.

Shelby's Alex Anderson was medalist with a 74.

Kings Mountain will compete in a Big South 3A match this afternoon at North Gaston.

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