

Pats edge North 22-20 in first division game

Mike Thombs intercepted a pass to stop North Lincoln's final drive and preserve a 22-20, Kings Mountain victory in a Tri-County Middle School Conference football game last Wednesday at North Lincoln.

Kings Mountain, 1-0 in the Eastern Division and 1-1 overall, plays at East Lincoln this afternoon at 5 p.m.

North Lincoln grabbed an early 6-0 lead but Kings Mountain answered with a 60-yard touchdown pass from Hunter Blanton to Mike Toms. Sabiem Beam ran a two-point conversion to give the Patriots an 8-6 lead.

In the second period, Kings Mountain went up 14-6 on a 15-yard touchdown run by Michael Collins.

North Lincoln battled back to cut the margin to 14-

12, but in the third period Paul Culbreth got loose on a 48-yard touchdown run and Mike Toms caught a two-point conversion pass to put the Patriots up 22-12.

North Lincoln scored its final touchdown in the fourth quarter on a 20-yard pass.

Kings Mountain's next home game is Wed., Oct. 2 at 5 p.m. against West Lincoln.

Patriot softball beats Lincolnton

Kings Mountain defeated Lincolnton 18-1 in a Tri-County Middle School softball game Thursday.

Catie Payne and Kameron Marr pitched for the Lady Patriots.

Makena Deaton, Cassi Melton and Catie Payne had multiple hits. Sarah Drennan, Emily Graham and MC

May also had hits.

Patriot kickers Lose to Lincolnton

Lincolnton defeated Kings Mountain 6-2 in a middle school soccer game Thursday.

Lincolnton scored the first goal of the game but KMMS quickly answered with a goal by Brandon Quevido-Johns.

Lincolnton scored two more goals before KMMS got a goal from Chase Yow.

KM held Lincolnton to just one goal in the second half.

KMMS defensive standouts included Holden Bullock in goal, Travis Wright, Mason Nyguen, Michael Allen, Mitchell Hord, Parker Rollins and Kaleb Estridge.



Kings Mountain's Trayvon Wilson (99) brings down a Burns back in JV football game Thursday night at John Gamble Stadium.

Early KM miscues help Burns JVs win 28-22

Burns recovered a bad snap in the end zone on the first offensive play of the game to take a quick 6-0 lead and went on to hand Kings Mountain's JVs their first loss of the season, 28-22, Thursday night at John Gamble Stadium.

The Bulldogs kicked off to start the game but the KM return man bobbled it a couple of times and then had to fall on it at the 17-yard line. Kings Mountain's offense took the field and the center's snap to the quarterback in shotgun formation rolled all the way to the end zone where Burns' Aaron Ramseur fell on it for the TD.

More missed center-quarterback exchanges as well as fumbles, incompletions and interceptions hurt the Mountaineers' cause all night but the home team got its best all-around rushing game of the year from backs Corey Tate, Jair McCluney and Trayvon Wilson, who combined for 273 yards.

Burns went on top 14-0 with just six seconds left in the first quarter after the Bulldogs' AJ Camp intercepted a pass at the Burns 11. Two plays later Tyler Kendrick went around right end for a 87-yard touchdown for a 14-0 lead.

Kings Mountain finally dented the scoreboard with 6:14 left in the first half when McCluney scored on a six-yard run and quarterback Darren Burns ran for a two-point conversion to bring the score to 14-8.

The Mountaineers were backed up on their own 19 yard line when Burns' Teriq James intercepted a pass and started running down the KM sideline. On a jarring tackle, he fumbled the ball and Chris Robbins recovered it for the Mountaineers on



Kings Mountain quarterback Darren Burns fires a pass in JV game with Burns Thursday night at John Gamble Stadium. The Mountaineers lost for the first time after starting their season with three straight wins.

the 14 yard line. After Burns was sacked for a four-yard loss, he handed off to Tate for a run around the right side and Tate rambled 90 yards to tie the game at 14-14.

Burns recovered an on-side kick at the KM 48 and Green hit BJ Hopper on a slant for a 47-yard touchdown. Tyler Kendrick caught a two-point conversion pass to put the Bulldogs up 22-14 at halftime.

The KM defense held Burns to three and out to open the second half, but the Bulldogs' punt rolled dead at the KM one yard line. The Bulldogs regained possession when the Mountaineers fumbled at their own 43. Two plays later Green hit Malik Hamrick with a 41-yard touchdown pass for a 28-14 lead.

On the first play following the ensuing kickoff, KM's Burns hung up a long

pass which was tipped by a Bulldog defender right into the hands of KM wide receiver Chris Robbins who turned it into a 73-yard touchdown.

KM had other scoring opportunities in the fourth period but lost the ball in Burns territory on a pass interception and a fumble.

Tate finished with 138 yards on 10 carries to lead the KM rushing. McCluney added 86 yards on 15 totes and Wilson had 49 yards on eight carries.

Dylan Sims and Kavin Mosely intercepted passes for the Mountaineer defense. Bryan Sanders, Trayvon Wilson, Gage Kornegay, Cedrick Wilson and DJ Sumpter also played well defensively.

Kings Mountain, 3-1 overall, travels to Shelby Thursday at 7 p.m.



Kings Mountain's Mike Toms has his eye on ball in recent middle school football game. His late interception preserved a 22-20 win over North Lincoln last week.



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PREP FOOTBALL STANDINGS

SMAC 2A/3A	Conf.	All
Teams	2-0	5-0
Burns	1-0	3-1
Crest	2-0	3-2
Shelby	2-0	2-3
E. Rutherford	2-0	2-3
East Burke	0-1	0-4
Chase	0-2	2-2
K. Mountain	0-2	2-3
Draughn	1-1	1-4
RS Central	0-2	1-1

Last Week's Results
Burns 20, Kings Mtn. 15
Shelby 32, Chase 20
Draughn 28, RS Central 20
East Rutherford 35, E. Burke 28
Crest 44, TC Roberson 34

Friday's Games
Shelby at Kings Mountain
Burns at East Burke
RS Central at Crest
Draughn at Chase

S. PIEDMONT 1A	Conf.	All
T. Jefferson	0-0	3-1
B. City	0-0	2-3
CS Davidson	0-0	1-4
Cherryville	0-0	1-4
Highland	0-0	0-4
Pine Lake	0-0	0-4

Last Week's Results
BC 44, Highland 6
Cherryville 19, E. Gaston 14
T. Jefferson 28, Asheville School 7

Davidson Day, CSD 0
Ravenscroft 57, PL Prep 0
This Week's Games
Cherryville at Parkwood
Highland at Southside Christian
CSD at Walkertown
Rabun Gap, GA at T. Jefferson

BIG SOUTH 2A/3A	Conf.	All
N. Gaston	0-0	4-0
S. Point	0-0	5-0
LN Charter	0-0	5-0
Forestview	0-0	3-1
Ashbrook	0-0	2-2
Huss	0-0	1-4
E. Gaston	0-0	0-4

Last Week's Results
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S. Point 52, "AC Reynolds 35
LN Charter 43, Village Christian 0

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