

Mountaineers end season Friday at East Burke

Two teams trying to end their season on a winning note clash Friday when Kings Mountain's Mountaineers travel to Connelly Springs to face East Burke.

The Mountaineers and Cavaliers are tied for last place in the SMAC 2 with 0-7 records. The Cavaliers are 1-9 overall, and the Mountaineers 2-8.

When the two teams tee it up at 7:30 Friday the Mountaineers will have had two weeks to prepare for the game. East Burke is coming off a loss to Chase.

Mountaineer coach Greg Lloyd attended that game last week on the Trojans' field and was im-

pressed with the East Burke eleven. Chase had beaten the Mountaineers a week earlier, 40-28, with two fourth quarter touchdowns. They also pulled away from the Cavaliers late for a 28-7 win.

"They looked good," Lloyd said of the Cavaliers. "They have a balanced offense and throw the ball quite a bit. They run a lot of spread and I-back."

The Cavaliers are led by 6-4 senior quarterback Eli Reese and have a good crop of experienced skill players.

"They're balanced," Lloyd said. "They're a good running

team and good passing team. They have good size."

The Cavaliers have played some good teams tough games, including R-S Central, Chase and Shelby.

"They were in the game with Chase until late," Lloyd said. "This is going to be a tough task."

But, Lloyd feels like the Mountaineers have had some good practices this week and will be ready. They will be without freshman receiver, Jake Merchant, who sprained his ankle in the loss to Chase, but everyone else who played against the Trojans should be at top form.

"We're hoping we can end the season with a victory for our seniors and give everybody something good to feel about going into next year," Lloyd said.

"We will miss Jake, but Xavier Johnson should be a little more explosive and that will be a good thing. He won't be hobbled as bad as he was in the Chase game."

Johnson, last year's leading receiver with 55 receptions for 850 yards, sat out the first nine games after injuring his foot in the Cleveland County Jamboree.

"The key for us will be to pick up where we left off against Chase and have a good mix of running

and passing," Lloyd said. "We will have to play with intensity and not have turnovers and don't drop passes. We have to play hard for four quarters."

Kings Mountain junior quarterback Brandon Bell should reach a milestone Friday as he is approaching 2,000 yards of total offense. Despite missing two games due to injury, Bell has rushed for 637 yards on 114 carries and has hit 115 of 221 passes for 1,326 yards.

Junior Tico Crocker leads the Mountaineers in receiving with 46 catches for 587 yards.

KMMS wrestlers, spikers winners

Kings Mountain Middle School's wrestling and volleyball teams won scrimmages Saturday at Shelby.

The Patriot wrestlers won 68-30. "We wrestled well and learned a lot from the scrimmage," said new coach Jason Bridges.

Winning for KMMS by pin were Mason Nguyen, Reese Reinhardt, Landry Crawford, JT Cash, Estevan Vargas, Tiger Tuttanon, Sedrick Morgan, Collin Franks, RJ Bishop and Tyler Hunley.

Also winning matches were Quenten Nguyen and Jerdon Pressley by major decision.

Kings Mountain's volleyball team won 25-5, 25-15 over Shelby and 25-22, 25-16 over Crest.

New coach Kristen Batchler said several girls played well, including Leasia Rhodes, Kaniya McClain, Cassidy Melton, Lindsey Deaver and Katelin Phaengkhamhak.

YMCA RESULTS

Adult Softball	Chargers 18
Waco Bees 32	Wildcats 12
Wait On It 17	
	9-11 Group:
Waco Bees 19	Bulldogs 18
Anew Beginning 16	Panthers 6
	Raiders 20
Wait On It 7	Steelers 0
Anew Beginning 30	
	Raiders 26
Wait On It 5	Panthers 19
Waco Bees 20	
	Steelers 0
7-8 Coach Pitch	Bulldogs 33
Braves 3	
Cherryville 10	
	Soccer
Red Sox 1	U-9:
Cherryville 7	Pink Panthers 2
	Dolphins 0
	Gutter Guys 3
9-10 Kid Pitch	Pink Panthers 0
Braves 5	
Marlins 4	
	Gutter Guys 4
11-12 Kid Pitch	Breakers 0
Ruby Braves 8	
KM Braves 2	
	Dolphins 3
Marlins 3	United 0
Ruby Braves 3	
	U-13
Flag Football	Mountaineers 6
6-8 Group:	Mexico 5
Panthers 30	
Chargers 26	Patriots 6
	Dolphins 1 (Sloan)
Wildcats 20	
Cowboys 20	

Powder Puff



KMHS 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade girls competed in the annual Powder Puff football game Saturday afternoon at John Gamble Stadium. The junior class won the championship game.



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