

Robert Baker scored three goals to lead Kings Mountain to a 6-1 win over Burns Monday in Lawndale.

# Baker scores a hat trick, Spikers kickers win fifth straight Sweep

Kings Mountain High's soccer team posted its fifth straight victory Monday night at Burns, 6-1.

"I am very proud of the players for turning around their season as we started out 1-6," said Coach Dan Potter. "We are on a five game winning streak and the players are beginning to believe we can win."

Robert Baker, who had a hat trick, started the scoring five minutes into the first half and the half ended 1-0.

Burns came out after halftime with a new found attitude and knotted the score in the 51st

The tie was short lived as the Mountaineers would go up on Baker's second goal at the 58th minute. Just nine minutes later Baker would complete a hat trick as he followed a long free kick

from Arrick Rithiphong that the keeper mishandled and put back the rebound.

Jordan Sweezy would put the Mountaineers up by three as he blasted a 20-yard shot from the left side after a nice pass from Max

With just six minutes remaining, Sam Liss took a nice pass from Justin Queen and placed a left footed scoop shot over the keeper's head into the back side of the goal for a 5-1 advantage.

Liss was able to find the net one last time with just over a minute left when he blasted a shot from just inside the 18-yard box.

Kings Mountain hosts Shelby Wednesday with the JV game beginning at 6 p.m. and the varsity at

Kings Mountain swept Burns in a SMAC volleyball match Monday at Burns.

The JVs won 25-20, 19-25, 25-15 before the varsity won 25-11, 25-15, 25-13.

Kayla Bolt led the Mountaineer attack with 17 kills and six digs. Angel Peterson had 11 kills.

Sara Pasour had 28 assists, five aces and six digs. Gracie Hunter had 15

#### KM participates In Freedom run

Kings Mountain High was one of 40 teams from Western North Carolina to compete in the Freedom Invitational Saturday in Morganton.

Kaitlyn Moss led the KM women with a 39th overall time of 22:16. The women's team finished 15th.

The Mountaineer men were led by Collin Fosterwith a 79th overall finish of 19:44. The men's team finished 20th.

Providence won the girls meet and South Mecklenburg won the boys.

Other KM finishers included Cassie Morton 54th, Mackenzie Smith 63rd, Meredith Wyte 117th, Mariah Roberts 123rd, 117th, Emily Crouse 128th, Montanna Smith 159th, Jordan Moore 124th, Erica Carpenter 132nd, Jacob Edmonson 142nd, Matthew Burris 156th and Caroline Foster 229th.

## Carson has 40, **Patriots second**

Kings Mountain Middle School's golf team played well and had balanced scoring, but came up short for its first loss in two years in a Tri-County East Division match last Tuesday at Lincoln Country Club.

East Lincoln won the nine-hole battle with a score of 168. KM shot 170 and North Lincoln 177.

Trenton Carson led the Patriots with a 40, which was third best overall. Vince Mann and Brady Waters both shot 42, and Beau Kue had a 46.

Kings Mountain was scheduled to host Rutherford County and North Lincoln yesterday at KMCC. The Patriots play Lincolnton and West Lincoln next week at Lincolnton.

### **Maggie Lloyd wins** cross country meet

Maggie Lloyd and her KMMS teammates won their second straight Tri-County Conference meet Monday.

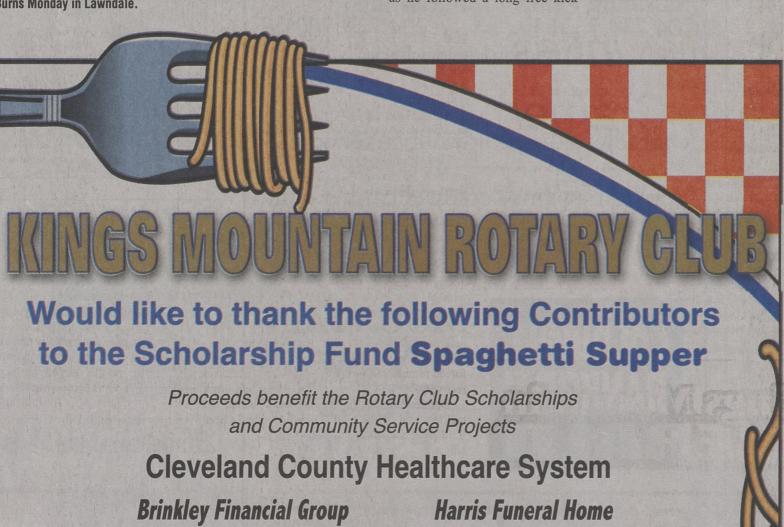
The KM girls placed four runners in the top ten to win with 36 points. Lincolntonwas second at 39 followed by East Lincoln 59, North Lincoln 134 and Burns 137.

Lloyd, Carly Johnson (5th), Summer Campbell (6th), Georgia Moss (9th) and Brooke Clark (15th) were the top five runners for the Lady Patriots.

North Lincoln won the boys race with 17 points, followed by Burns 46, East Lincoln 81, KM 165, and Lincolnton 173.

KM's top runner was Reese Ayscue in 15th place. Other Patriots were Caleb Barnes (18th), Tre Jeffries (43rd), Chaz Sanders (44th) and Simon West (45th).





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