

Shelby sweeps KMHS

Kings Mountain dropped a pair of SMAC games Monday night at Shelby, losing the girls game 53-41 and the boys game 67-52.

The Shelby teams led all the way.

In the girls game the Lions built a big lead early before the KM ladies rallied to cut the margin to 26-20 at intermission. But Shelby began rolling again in the second half and put the game away.

Kori West led Shelby with 15 points and Kelsey Farmer led KM with 10.

In the boys game, the Lions roared to a 25-16 halftime lead and led 33-23 at the half and 47-37 going into the final eight minutes.

Patrick Little was the big difference for the Lions, scoring 35 points. Nelson McClain led the Mountaineers with 15.

Kings Mountain ends its regular season Friday at East Burke.

KM JVs beat Central, Chase

Kings Mountain High's JV boys ran their record to 13-1 in the SMAC and 16-3 overall last week with victories over R-S Central and Chase.

The Mountaineers defeated R-S Central 43-34 Tuesday in Rutherfordton. Jadian Adams led the scoring with 12 points. Dylan Thrift added eight, Mike Toms seven and Nolan Raby six.

In their final home game Friday afternoon at Parker Gym, the Mountaineers defeated Chase 56-27. Raby led the way with 16 points and Jerdon Pressley added 12. Thrift scored eight. Harry Bracken led the Trojans with 10.

KM/CHASE: Boys overtake Chase at the buzzer

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out to a 12-6 first quarter lead and led 34-12 at the half and 59-14 going into the fourth quarter.

Senior Dai Dai Roberts had her best game of the year with 18 points and sat out the entire fourth quarter. Tiffani Thompson scored 12.

BOYS GAME

KM (63) - Hill 5, Petty 4, Skidmore 8, Helton 3, McClain 11, Funderburke 7, Cash 2, Sneed 10, Roberts 2, Coulter 5, Mosley 2, Crocker 3.

Chase (62) - McSwain 14, Squires 26, Anderson 18, Walker 4.

GIRLS GAME

KM (63) - Adams 4, Ellis 4, Hutchens 6, Pressley 8, Farmer 5, Rhodes 2, Roberts 18, Edwards 4, Thompson 12.

Chase (18) - Wiley 5, Gordon 5, Brooks 4, Dowden 2, Freeman 2.



EAST SCHOOL OPTIMIST FOOTBALL TEAM 1961 - Pictured are members of the 1961 Football team at East School. All have been identified except No. 30, No. 8, and No. 12. Front row, from left, Jimmy Grayson, Phillip Gladden, Joe Cornwell, No. 30, Ricky Hamrick, Dennis Goforth, Tommy Goforth, Jerry Lindsay, Glenn Perkins and No. 8. Back row, from left, Rocky Brown, No. 12, Tommy Grayson, Ben Grimes, Steve Goforth, Mike Hughes, Keith Kiser and Eddie Hamrick. Charlie Smith was the coach, not pictured, but a daughter of Charlie Smith, sitting in front of the team, was the team mascot. (submitted by Rocky Brown)

KMHS wrestlers lose in first playoff round

Kings Mountain fell to North Buncombe 59-24 in the opening round of the state 3A dual team tournament Tuesday night at St. Stephens High in Hickory.

Five of the matches were decided by pins in less than a minute, with North Buncombe winning four of them. Kings Mountain's only winners were Quentin Nguyen, Cameron Morgan and Rodell Bishop, all by pins, and Coleman Higgins by forfeit.

106 - Corbin Sluder (NB) p. Kayla Capps :36; 113 - Quentin Nguyen (KM) p. Jaxon Banks 1:02; 120 - Coleman Higgins (KM) WBF; 126 - Aydan

Arroyo (NB) p. Reese Rheinhardt :49; 132 - Logan Anderson (NB) p. Cody Cordle :35; 138 - Dmitriy Simmonovich (NB) d. Quay Smith 11-0; 145 - Nicholas Lisenbee (NB) p. Austin Mosley; 152 - Taylor Rosynski (NB) p. Dylan Sims 1:03; 160 - Cameron Morgan (KM) p. Frankie Frasure :50; 170 - Dylan Courtney (NB) tech fall Chanden Morgan; 182 - Peter Simonovich (NB) p. Darian McClain :54; 195 - Mikhail Simonovich (NB) WBF; 220 - Jacob Villamegne (NB) p. Chance Frederick 1:08; 285 - Rodell Bishop (KM) p. Johnathan Vasquez.

KMMS girls defeat ER, to host RS Thurs.

Kings Mountain Middle's girls basketball team defeated East Rutherford Thursday to run their Tri-County Conference record to 6-2 heading into a home game Thursday against R-S Central.

East was leading 17-14 late in the second quarter when KM went on a 10-0 run to close out the half at 24-17.

After some halftime adjustments, the Lady Patriots outscored East 12-6 in the third quarter to build a 36-23 lead. They contin-

ued their hot scoring in the fourth quarter with a 13-4 run.

Hannah Clark led the KM ladies with 23 points. Aleenih Carter-Kee added eight, Sarah Drennan, Maggie Lloyd, Denysia Blakeney and Emily Graham four each, and Mariah Josey 2.

"Essence Houser, Lloyd and Graham did a great job on defense getting to many loose balls and stealing many passes," Coach Monty Deaton noted.

Spring sports practice to begin

High schools can begin spring sports practice February 16. Check with your coaches to see when each team will begin.

Kings Mountain High's track team will hold try-outs February 17-19 at John Gamble Stadium.

Regular season games can begin on March 2. Scrimmages can be held the last week of February.

The scrimmage schedule for KMHS teams include:

Baseball - Feb. 21 at Independence vs. Independence (10 a.m.) and Mount Pleasant (12:30 p.m.), and West Henderson at KMHS on Feb. 26 at 4:30.

Softball - Feb. 21 at Morganton Freedom and a multi-team scrimmage at the KM YMCA on Feb. 28.

Women's soccer - Feb. 24 at Forestview (JVs 5 p.m. and varsity at 6:30), and Feb. 28 at East Gaston (5 and 6:30).

Elite Intra League summaries, week of January 26, 2015

7-9 years old
Elite Fire 25, Elite Clippers 24
Fire - Jamari Houston 17, Jason McClain 8, Clippers - Khalia King 16, Hunter Cruise 4, Robert Kendrick 2, Co'rey Simpson 2.
Elite Lakers 16, Elite DemBoyz 7
Lakers - Landon Cloninger 8, Bryson Brown 5, Davaughn Norris 3. DemBoyz - Curtis Simpson 4, Tristian Pressley 2, R. Ab-

rnamthy 1.
9-11 years old
Elite Blue Devils 37, Elite Nation 21
Blue Devils - Ally Hollifield 13, Kate Hollifield 12, Drew Hollifield 8, Khalia King 2, Bennett Davis 2. Nation - Ezekiel Cannedy 13, Isaiah Esridge, Kylan Hagans 2, Peyton Ladd 2, Parker Ladd 2.
Elite Dynasty 60, Elite Spidas 18
Dynasty - Isaiah Tate 20, Malaki Hamrick 17, J.J.

Moore 15, Jackson Toney 4, Kody Starnes 4. Spidas - T.J. Griffin 8, Carson Cooke 4, Johntae 2, Braden Garris 2, Carson Kelly 2.
11-13 years old
Elite Kingz 44, Elite Ballers 35
Kingz - Javon Hogue 15, Gabriel Stephens 13, Titus Phillis 8, Marcus Odums 6, T. Leslie 2. Ballers - Isaiah Tate 16, Jaylen Williams 12, Dagan Whitaker 5, Ryan Smith 2.

SMAC 2A/3A STANDINGS (Through Mon., Feb. 9)

BOYS		KM	5-10	8-14
Conf.	All	Burns	2-12	3-18
Crest	13-1	Chase	0-14	0-21
E. Burke	10-4	Friday's games (Final regular season)		
KM	10-5	Kings Mountain at East Burke		
E. Ruth.	9-5	Crest at Shelby		
Shelby	8-6	Chase at East Rutherford		
Burns	6-8	R-S Central at Burns		
RS Cent.	6-8	Note - Seedings for playoffs will be held February 21. The first round of the playoffs is Feb. 24, second round Feb. 26, third round Feb. 28, Western Regional tournament March 3-7, and State Championship March 14.		
Draughn	2-13			
Chase	0-14			

GIRLS	
Conf.	All
Crest	14-0
RS Cent.	12-2
E. Burke	9-5
Shelby	9-5
Draughn	8-7
E. Ruth.	5-9

KM Family YMCA Winter Youth Basketball Game Scores, January 23rd & 24th

5-6 Division

Legomania:	28
Tarheels:	10

Heat:	33
Thunder:	13

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Legomania: Dakota Smith 10pts, Ja'Nyrie Husky 8pts, Leah Crowell 4pts, Christian Hill 2pts, Tristian McCorkle 2pts, Zach Cameron 2pts

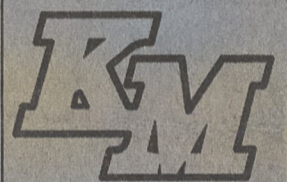
Tarheels: Havyn Boyce 4pts, Cameron Payne 2pts, Zola Green 2pts, Javarein Judson 2pts

7-8 Boys Division

Hornets:	24
Bulls:	18

Hornets: Tucker Rob-inette 10pts, Luke Scott 6pts, Vance Johnson 4pts, Matthew Rhom 2pts, Zach Scott 2pts

Bulls: Trevor Moore 6pts, Devin Dorsey 6pts, Jayden Adams 4pts, Matt Morrow 2pts



Sports This Week

Thursday, Feb. 12

4 p.m. - Middle school basketball, R-S Central at Kings Mountain.

Friday, Feb. 13

4 p.m. - High school basketball, Kings Mountain at East Burke (JV girls, followed by JV boys, varsity girls and varsity boys). Final regular season game.

Tuesday, Feb. 17

4 p.m. - Middle school basketball, East Lincoln at Kings Mountain (last regular season game).

Thursday, Feb. 19

4 p.m. - Tri-County Middle School post-season tournament begins. #4 at #1 and #3 at #2. (championship games Feb. 24 at higher seeded teams).

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