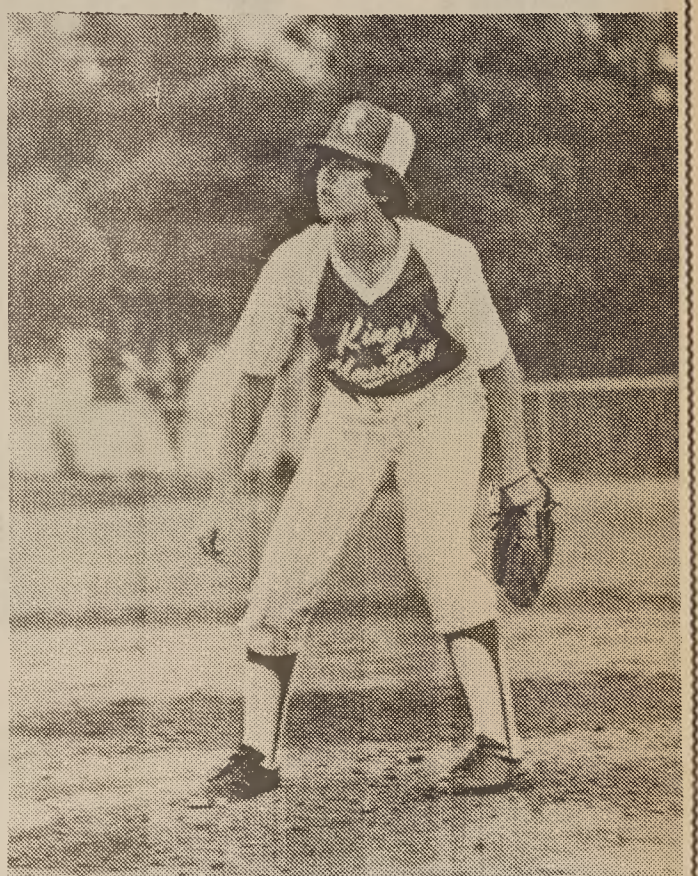
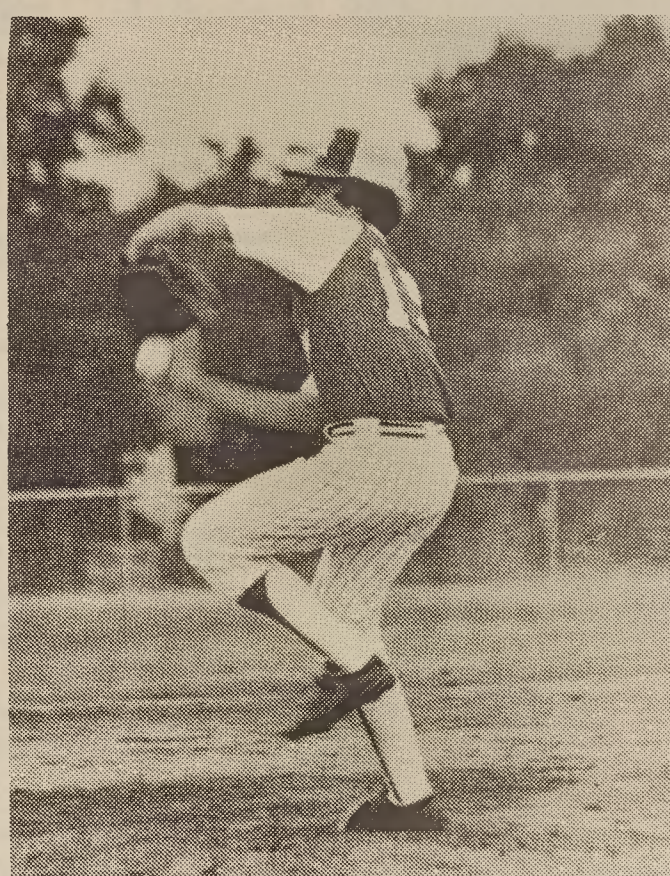
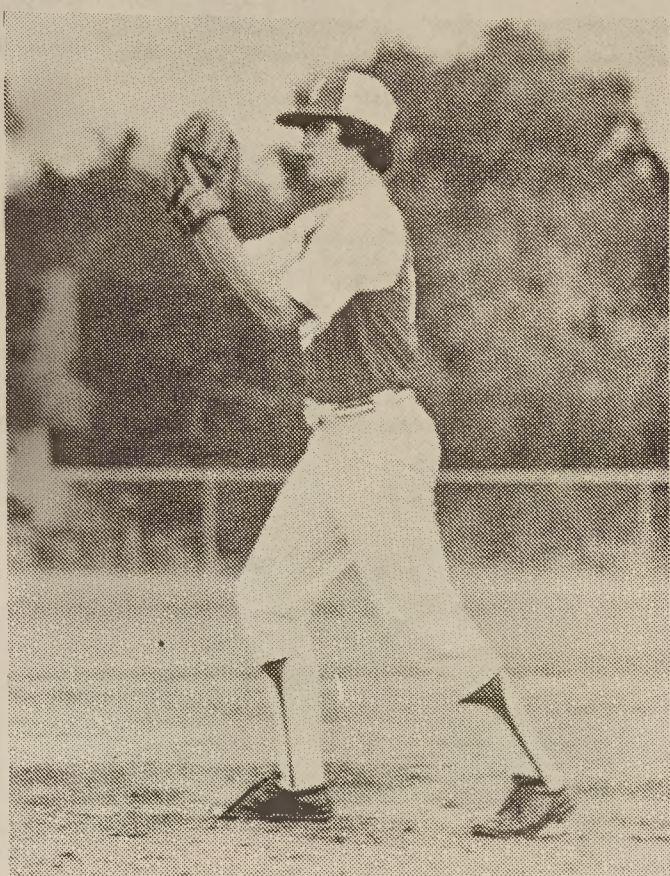


# David Ray Mows 'Em Down In BR Tourney



Photos By Gary Stewart

David Ray Robinson, righthanded pitcher for Kings Mountain's 13-15 year old Babe Ruth all-star team, is shown in various motions of his pitching delivery in Thursday night's

opening round district tournament game against the Dallas all-stars. Robinson, who pitched for the unbeaten Red Sox team in regular season play, pitched a six-hitter and struck out

17 batters as the locals won a 23-1 decision. KM came back and topped Gastonia 25-0 and Dallas 12-6 in later games to win the

district championship. They now go to the state tournament in Kinston, where they'll open play next Tuesday afternoon.

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## Fastpitch Event Set In Shelby

A 24-team fastpitch softball tournament is set for Friday through Sunday at three parks in Shelby.

Hosting the event is the Shelby Comets, a team comprised of some of the top fastpitch stars in North Carolina.

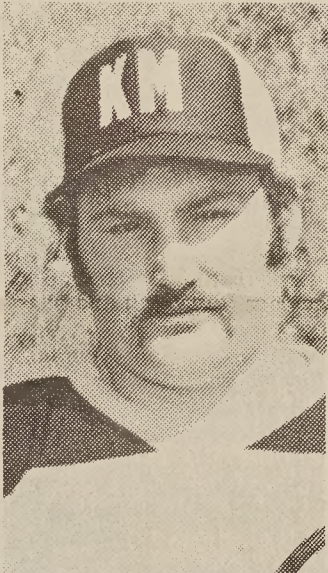
Coach Yates Mitchem said play will be held at Shelby City Park, Plaster Field and Optimist Field. A one dollar admission fee per day will permit fans to see any games at any field.

Two former Kings Mountain High school players, shortstop Tony Leigh and outfielder Gerald Herndon, form the 1-2 hitting punch for the Comets. Tommy Pruet held down the shortstop post before being injured two weeks ago.

The Comets are fresh from a fourth place finish in the Atlanta tournament last week but they'll be hard-pressed to better that standing this weekend. Included in the field are seven state champions and the favorite club is United Surgical Steel, which has won five

games this year from last year's national champion, Clearwater Bombers.

Mitchem is depending on strong hitting and the pitching of Jim Stanley and Luther Nicholson to carry the Comets' hopes.



TONY LEIGH

## Dave Adams Back Home To Teach Karate

Kings Mountain native Dave Adams has returned home to teach karate at Mike McDaniel's School of Karate on Battleground Ave.

Adams began his teaching career here in 1966 and since has tutored over 20,000 students. He's currently ranked as the number one knockout karate instructor in the state

and is the only instructor with two students ranked in the top ten in the south.

McDaniel is currently ranked number seven in the south and will meet top-ranked Bill Clark of Jacksonville, Fla., for the top-ranking on Oct. 1. Another of Adams' products, Gaither Brannon of Dallas, is ranked number five

and is scheduled to meet second-ranked Gary Felder of Atlanta on the same date.

Besides teaching, Adams is also involved in movie stunt work and recently completed a 500-page book on free fighting.

He's already appeared in five motion pictures and is currently working in "Red

Neck Miller" and "Lorie". Both will be finished by the end of this year.

Adams also recently finished producing and directing "The Black Belt", a 30-minute documentary comparing karate and kung fu which will be shown on local television.

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