

Whip Shelby, North Gaston

KMHS Still Alive



Ricky Proctor
...Beats Shelby Wednesday

Kings Mountain's Mountaineers kept their playoff hopes alive last week by claiming back-to-back victories over Shelby and North Gaston in Southwestern 3-A Conference baseball action.

The Mounties whipped Shelby 4-2 Wednesday night at Lancaster Field and defeated North Gaston 6-2 Thursday in the completion of a game suspended because of rain Tuesday.

Coach Barry Gibson's nine has a 7-4 conference record and trails South Point and East Gaston in the race for the two Eastern Division playoff berths. South Point leads the loop with an 8-2 record and East Gaston has a 7-3 mark.

The Mounties, who were scheduled to host Randolph Henry High of Virginia in a non-conference game last night, are idle tonight. They close out regular season play with games against South Point on the road Friday and East Gaston here Tuesday.

The top two teams from the Eastern Division will play the top two from the West in best-of-three sets to determine the SWC champion and the league's representative in the state 3-A playoffs. Kings Mountain won the SWC last year and finished second in the state tourney.

Ricky Proctor went the distance in Wednesday's win over Shelby to notch his third win in four decisions. He scattered five hits and struck out six Golden Lions.

Kings Mountain grabbed the lead early on a first inning homer by Terry Bullock, and stayed out front the rest of the way. The Mounties added another first inning run on a walk to Alan Van Dyke and double by Robert Anderson.

Singles by Todd Blalock and Leard Keeter, and a Shelby er-



LEARD KEETER

ror, led to another run in the fourth, and Tony Boyce slammed a solo homer in the fifth to give the Mounties a 4-0 lead. Shelby scored both of its runs in the sixth on a two-run single by Chuck Spangler.

Bullock went 2-for-2 to lead an eight-hit KM plate attack against Jay Bridges. Jeff Allen had two hits for the Lions.

Anderson's two-run single in the first inning last Tuesday night had given the Mounties a 2-0 lead against North Gaston before the rains came as KM came to bat in the bottom of the third.

The game was resumed at that point Thursday, and the Mounties picked up right where they left off when Keeter walked and scored on a double by Terry Chapman.

Righthander Todd Blalock was working on the mound for the Mounties but the Wildcats got to him for two unearned runs in the top of the fourth and sophomore Roy Mathis came on and held the Wildcats hitless after that to pick up his first win of the year.

North Gaston got two in the fourth on two hits, a hit batsman, sacrifice and error.

The Mounties broke the game open with three runs in the fifth. Blalock and Brent Bell singled and Keeter walked to load the bases. Blalock scored on a throwing error on a force play at the plate and Boyce laced a double to drive in the other two.

THE LINESCORE
By innings: R H E
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KM 200 110 x 4 8 1

Bridges and Tucker; Proctor and Keeter. WP - Proctor. LP - Bridges.

THE LINESCORE
By innings: R H E
NG 000 200 0 2 3 1
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Price, Saylor (1), Robinson (5) and Carpenter; Blalock, Mathis (4) and Keeter. WP - Mathis. LP - Price.

Patriot Netters Win

Kings Mountain Junior High's tennis team edged East McDowell 6-5 Wednesday in a Western Association match at the KM courts.

Robyn Warlick and Shane Adams of the Patriots defeated Beth Young and Jeff Austin of East in a mixed doubles tie-breaker after the two teams divided the first 10 matches.

The two teams split six singles matches and four doubles matches to force the tie-breaker. Singles winners for KM included Warlick, who defeated Melinda Murphy 6-1, 6-0; Susie Moore, who defeated Beth Young 6-2, 7-5; and Caroline Harper, who defeated Leslie Mace 6-0, 6-0.

Shane Adams of the Patriots

fell to Jeff Austin, 6-0, 6-1; Jeff Barnette lost to Richard Seigel, 7-5, 4-6, 6-4; and Rocky Lutz lost to Eric Skidmore 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles winners for the Pats were Laura Wright and Mary Starnes, who defeated Cross and Morris in a pro set, 8-1; and Becky Bolt and Wendy Smith, who defeated Goforth and McCall 8-2.

Losing in doubles competition were Todd Hughes and Davey Lovelace, who fell to Setzer and Bailey, 8-1; and Rainey Haigler and Amy Austin, who lost to Clore and Jones, 8-1.

The victory left the Patriots 4-2 in the conference, both losses coming to Shelby, which is 6-0.

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