

First Baptist Captures Church League Tourney

First Baptist Church defeated regular season champion First Wesleyan 39-34 Thursday night at the Community Center to win the annual Church League Basketball Tournament.

Robbie Wilson scored 12 points to lead the winners in the championship game. Bart George scored 12 for the runner-up.

Boyce Memorial A.R.P. took

third place.

First Baptist had to win six games last week and had to defeat First Wesleyan twice to claim the title. First Wesleyan went into the final night of action unbeaten.

In the first title game, First Baptist scored a 53-48 win as Doug Stover scored 12 points. Bart George led First Wesleyan with 18.

It took First Baptist four overtimes to whip Boyce Memorial in semi-finals action, 46-45. Robbie Wilson led the winners with 15 points and Roy Whitaker led Boyce Memorial with 25.

First Baptist also had to go overtime to eliminate Macedonia 41-39 in the quarter-finals. Stover led the way with 12 points and Mike Smith led Macedonia with 18.

In other tournament action last week, First Baptist defeated East Gold Wesleyan 63-57 in overtime and edged Bethlehem 58-54. First Wesleyan advanced to the championship round with a 42-27 win over Boyce Memorial and Macedonia stayed alive to the quarter-finals round with a 36-32 win over Central Methodist.

Robbie Wilson scored 16 Terry Cain's 12 points led

points to lead First Baptist to its overtime win over East Gold. Buchanan scored 22 for East Gold.

Butch Pearson scored 17 to lead First Baptist over Bethlehem. Neil Effird and Chris Johnson scored 17 points each for Bethlehem.

David Bolin scored 13 points to lead First Wesleyan over Boyce Memorial. Roy Whitaker had 10 for Boyce.

Macedonia over Central Methodist. David Brinkley led Central with 11.

Stover and Wilson were the leading scorers in the tournament with 93 and 84 points, respectively. Roy Whitaker of Boyce Memorial scored 79 points and had a 19.7 scoring average, Butch Pearson of First Baptist scored 76 points and Bart George of First Wesleyan scored 63.

Mounties Lose Twice

Kings Mountain High's baseballers had trouble getting their offense going in a pair of non-conference games last week with 4-A teams from Gastonia.

The Mounties dropped a 3-0 decision to Hunter Huss Friday at Sims Legion Park in Gastonia, and then fell to Ashbrook 1-0 in nine innings Saturday afternoon at Lancaster Field.

The Mounties managed only four hits in the loss to the Huskies and only six in the defeat to Ashbrook.

Robert Anderson started Friday's game at Huss and was the losing pitcher. He worked the first two and two-thirds innings before giving way to Tommy Batchler, who finished the game.

Curtis Hopper, the Huskies' hard-throwing righthander, went the distance on the mound, and also led the Huss hitting with a

two-run homer in the sixth inning.

Huss grabbed a 1-0 lead off Anderson in the third and Hopper put down a potential game-tying rally by the Mounties in the fifth. With runners on first and second and no outs, Hopper picked KM's Mark Champion off second base, fanned Brent Bell and then got Jeff Moss on a grounder to third to end the threat. Then, his homer in the sixth iced the decision.

Anderson, Moss, Terry Bullock and Eric Spicer had one hit each for the Mounties.

The Ashbrook game Saturday was almost a carbon copy of Friday's loss at Huss, as the Green Wave used a pickoff to get out of a KM rally in the fifth inning which could have ended the game in regulation.

With one out, the Mounties loaded the bases, but Champion

was picked off third base. After a walk re-loaded the sacks, Bell fanned to end the inning.

The Mounties finished with six hits. Champion led the way with 2-for-4.

Leard Keeter worked the first four innings on the mound, David Looney worked two and two-thirds and Tony Childers pitched one and one-third. Childers took the loss.

FRIDAY GAME

By innings: R H E
KM 000 000 0 0 4 1
HH 001 002 x 3 4 0
Anderson, Batchler (3) and Keeter.

Hopper and Queen.

SATURDAY GAME
By innings: R H E
A 000 000 001 1 7 1
KM 000 000 000 0 6 2
Bates, Kendrick (5) and James.

Keeter, Looney (5), Childers (8) and Yarbrow, Keeter (5).

Baseball Opener Postponed

Kings Mountain High's opening Southwestern 3-A Conference baseball game, scheduled for Tuesday at R-S Central, was postponed because of cold and wet weather.

KMHS had received no word Wednesday morning on when the game will be made up.

The Mounties, 0-2-1 in non-conference play, will host Burns in a SWC game Friday at 4 p.m., and will travel to Chase next Tuesday for an afternoon game.

DIXIE YOUTH

Registration for Dixie Youth baseball will be held Friday from 7 until 9 p.m. at the Community Center. All boys and girls ages seven through 12 are eligible to register.

Tom Mayhue Wins Fishoff

Tom Mayhue of Shelby won the Cleveland County Bass Club's Top Ten Fishoff Saturday at Fishing Creek, S.C.

Mayhue had a total catch of eight pounds, two ounces, and also caught the biggest fish, which weighed four pounds and six ounces.

Second place honors went to Keith Moss of Kings Mountain with a total catch of seven pounds, 14 ounces. Third was Clayton Wright of Shelby with seven pounds, five ounces.

The club's first regular tournament of the 1982 season will be held March 27 at Murray, S.C.

Rotary Club Tourney Opens Golfing Season

The ninth annual Kings Mountain Rotary Club Scholarship Tournament will kickoff the 1982 golf tournament schedule at Kings Mountain Country Club March 27-28.

Twenty tournaments are scheduled during the season, including the Carolinas Golf Association Men's Match Play Championship in August.

That event, featuring some of the top golfers in the Carolinas, will begin the weekend of August 7-8. Semi-finals will be held on August 14 and the championship round on August 15.

Other top events include the 12th annual Member-Guest Tournament July 17-18, Men's Club Championship September 4-6, the Women's Club Championship September 11-12 and the Member-Member September 25-26.

The male golfer who has the best overall finish in eight designated tournaments will win the coveted Ray Barnes Trophy, given in honor of greenskeeper Ray Barnes. The winner of the Women's Club Championship will receive the Alice Anne Adams Memorial Trophy.

The Rotary Tournament will have a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday. The tournament will be a

36-hole, medal play event with U.S.G.A. winter rules in effect. Prizes will be awarded to the first three winners in each flight. Golfers will be flighted after Saturday's 18-hole round.

The tournament is open to all golfers. Entry fee is \$25 per person, which includes green fees for two days plus the tournament fee. Rental carts will be available for \$6 per round. KMCC will allow participants a free round of golf during the week of the tournament.

The field will be limited to 60 golfers, so all are urged to enter early. Entry deadline is Wednesday, March 24.

Checks or money orders should be made payable to the Kings Mountain Rotary Club and sent to Rotary Golf Tournament, in care of Jim Cloninger, P.O. Box 143, Kings Mountain, 28086. Entry forms are available from any Rotarian and from the KMCC pro shop.

The complete tournament schedule for 1982 includes:

MARCH

27-28 - Ninth annual Rotary Club Scholarship Tournament.

APRIL

24-25 - Mixed Team Championship.

MAY

9 - W.G.A. Scotch Foursome, 4:30 p.m.

15-16 - Sixth annual Western Carolina Team Invitational Tournament.

JUNE

6 - W.G.A. Captain's Choice, 4:30 p.m.

12-13 - Eighth annual Western Carolina Invitational Tournament.

JULY

3 - W.G.A. Family Day Scotch Foursome, for parent or adult and child, 9 a.m. until noon.

4 - W.G.A. Adult Scotch Foursome, 4:30 p.m.

17-18 - Twelfth annual Member-Guest.

31 - American Legion

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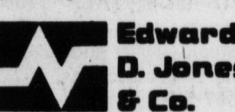
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