

win double championships this season



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All-state players for the Kingpins are (l to r) Sarah Rusling, Keyshawn Simpson, and Matt Brown.

from the north region and two from the south, plus two wild card teams. Both Clinton teams reached the finals and played three games in the state championship matches, with the top two teams going to a "Baker's match." Only five are allowed to bowl in the championship match.

"For the girls, we had two seniors, one junior, one sophomore and a freshman bowling in the finals," said Melton. "The girls did very well, defeating Hancock High from the southern region 3-1 for the championship. But the five we had bowling in the boys' finals did not have any seniors - one junior, two soph-



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Coaches for the Kingpins are (l to r) assistant coaches Tim Brown, Sandra Cade and Kelvin Peters, and head coach Charlie Melton.

omores, and two eighth graders. I could not be prouder of the boys winning it for the first time ever, 3-2. They did not cave under the pressure." The boys' team defeated St. Martin from Ocean Springs, who was bowling five seniors. "There is a lot of pressure individually in bowling, and both of our teams played so well. Before the championship games, we talked to our team about what it took to win a championship in any

sport, and they just went out and did it." According to Melton, CHS had three all-state players bowling this season. The Lady Kingpins were lead by Sarah Rusling, who bowled a total of 576, just two points off the best girls' total. Leading the boys' team were Keyshawn Simpson, who was the #1 bowler in Boys Class III with a total of 678 points. The CHS boys' other
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