



Six Tar Heels Drafted In '81 NFL Big Show

By Elson Armstrong, Jr.
UNC Coach Dick Crum is a master at winning and the Big Blue faithful have fallen in love with the quiet man.

Besides the big two, Carolina has won in most of their other sports over the past year which include lacrosse (No. 2 in the nation at this writing), baseball (4 straight 30-plus win seasons, an NCAA third place finish in 1978), soccer (No. 2 in the ACC, top ten in the South), women's soccer (AIAW final four), golf (ACC champions, national top 20), women's tennis (ACC, AIAW Regional Champions), women's basketball (Women's NIT runner-up, 1980), volleyball (ACC champions), and women's swimming (ACC champions). UNC was even a big winner in a non-ACC sport, Rugby, where they won the North Carolina state title.

Yes, those who sing "I'm A Tar Heel Born" have every reason to be proud, but other Triangle universities can also hold

their heads high. North Carolina Central was a terror in small college track and football during much of the 1950's, 60's, and early 70's. The Eagles also produced one of the best black tennis programs, but unfortunately, NCCU went into a sports tailspin in the mid-70's. I can happily report that the Eagles are showing every sign of returning to their winning ways.

This season NCCU won the CIAA title in football and received a bowl invitation for the first time since 1972. The Eagles pulled in some fine recruits who just may improve on this year's record.

In basketball, the Eagles fielded their finest team in thirteen years and advanced to the NAIA regionals. Things are finally looking up on the Eagles' cage front.

The tennis program has improved and just may return to its once lofty perch.

Duke which, like Central, took a nose dive in sports in the mid-1970's is

alive and well and ready to return to the elite.

In football, Wallace Wade Stadium has been renovated and this fall Duke will open the nation's finest press box. All this plus blue chip recruits gives one the feeling that the Dukies are making an all out effort to return to their years of glory.

In basketball, the Devils returned with a vengeance in 1978 when they finished No. 2 in the nation and the program remains in good hands.

Duke is also becoming a power in baseball and soccer, so those Duke jokes so prominent around the Triangle a few years ago, just may become a thing of the past.

N.C. State has also been howling. Over the past decade the Wolfpack has played in six bowls, won an NCAA basketball title, finished second in the NIT, become an ACC track power, is moving up in soccer and tennis, and produced some great individual athletes such as Julie Shea.



Baseball Great Lou Brock presents Chicago White Sox outfielder Ron Leflore with the Lou Brock Award during the opening day ceremonies at Comiskey Park. The award is presented annually to the National League base stealing champion. Leflore stole 97 bases while playing for the Montreal Expos.

Poor, Poor Philadelphia The NBA Roundup

By Larry Barber

How can a team that won 62 or 82 basketball games over a long, demanding professional regular season schedule... sweep two contests in a mini-series over Indiana... knock off a tough Milwaukee squad four games to three... bounce on Boston three games to one in the Eastern Conference... have players with names like Erving, Dawkins, Jones (Bobby)... and not advance into the National Basketball Playoff championship round?

Well, that is just what the Philadelphia 76er team did.

How they lost that final series is attributed to any professional sports event where greatness is apparent — victory goes either way.

Why they lost it was embedded in a green sea of Celtic tradition, a 1980-81 team that ironically won 62 ball games, miraculously gaining a first round bye because of a better Atlantic Division record than

Philly, performs with persistent poise, and possesses a resilience that defies mortal mentality.

And taking a cry from one Dick Motta, "It ain't over until the fat lady sings"; Boston, a club having some 13 championship banners under guard, believes that it ain't over until the big bird sings. Larry Bird, that is, their fine second-year forward who controls an outcome of a game with uncanny regularity. In the final three-game sweep over the sixers, Bird was the margin of victory; but he got late support from veteran utility man M.L. Carr, coming off the bench.

So, with Philly gone, all Boston had to do was go out and mop Western Conference champ Houston right off the floor.

Wrong. The Celtics fell behind by as many as 14 points in the initial half of the NBA championship round opener held in the Boston Garden Tuesday night, and it took an inside-a-half-minute re-

bound and basket by Bird to lift the Celtics to a hard earned 98-95 win.

The second contest was played again in Boston Thursday.

Where Boston had swept by Chicago in four outings to get to Philly, Houston (Midwest Division) had a tougher journey. The Rockets, who ended the season 40-42, had to dethrone defending world champion Los Angeles (2-1), get by explosive San Antonio (4-3), and surprising Kansas City (4-1).

In the other Western Playoff openers, KC defeated Portland (2-1) in round one before shocking Phoenix, the Pacific Division champ 4-3. San Antonio had won the Midwest by 12 games over Houston.

In the Eastern Conference, Milwaukee has received a bye with its 60-22 Central Division winning record. The Chicago Bulls, who finished 15 games behind Milwaukee, beat the New York Knicks two games to none.

UNC: Sports Dynamo N.C. Central, Duke And State Also On The Move

By Elson Armstrong, Jr.

When you think of successful collegiate sports programs, the names Notre Dame, Southern California, and UCLA naturally come to mind, but have you ever thought of one of the most dynamic sports programs located right here in our backyard?

Yes, over the past ten years, the University of North Carolina has joined the nation's sports giants and what's even more incredible is that the Tar Heels are not the only winning show in town.

With all the success that has swirled through the Chapel Hill campus in recent years, their neighborhood rivals, Duke, N.C. State and N.C. Central, haven't exactly been sleeping.

The following is a summary of the successes that the major Triangle universities are enjoying in the sports world and plans for the future.

The University of North Carolina has been an established basketball power for years (two national championships, six regional titles, one NIT title, three NCAA Runner-Up titles, one NCAA Third Place, and one international championship). The school has won

more cage games than any other college in America except Kentucky and they are the only squad that plays Kentucky in somewhat of a regular series and holds an advantage over the Wildcats.

Tar Heel mentor Dean Smith, along with Bobby Knight of Indiana, are universally recognized as the two best coaches on the college scene. Just look at the NBA and you'll notice that there has been a steady stream of UNC players making the big time.

Coming off an NCAA runner-up year (when they were picked to finish third in the ACC), Carolina pulled in a bumper crop of recruits who should keep things jumping on the Hill in the future.

In football, the Tar Heels are making quite a name for themselves. Over the past two seasons, UNC has been one of only two schools to rank in the top fifteen both in football and basketball (Brigham Young is the other). Since 1970, UNC has played in eight bowl games and last year they finished 11-1, beat Texas in the Bluebonnet Bowl and finished ranked in the top ten ahead of such powers as Southern Cal, Ohio State and Notre Dame.

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State Appears Strong

One reason the Triangle universities have become so dynamic in sports is that the success of one school breeds success at the others. Sports are big in this region and no one wants to be known as a patsy.

Another reason is that the schools here are able to draw from both local and national talent. Although it doesn't receive the publicity that programs in California and Texas do, the North Carolina high school pro-

grams are second to none and unlike California, which is cutting back high school sports, the sports here are receiving stronger support.

A third reason is academics. All Triangle schools are also highly ranked in academia. Unlike the PAC-Ten which has recruited athletes who had no business being in college, the ACC and the CIAA emphasize education.

A final reason, but definitely not the least, is

the environment. All four campuses are set in beautiful, unique locations. The climate here has been rated very favorable and in Durham, Raleigh and Chapel Hill, a person can get both the big city and small town feeling — all within a few miles of each other.

Yes, the Triangle is unique in many ways — the least of which are the dynamic sports programs located within thirty miles of each other!

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