



**Hoyas hung out to dry**

**B.C. 57, Georgetown 56**

Virginia 73	N.C. State 56	Michigan 98	Wisconsin 73
Florida State 74	Wake Forest 72	Kansas 78	Iowa St. 71
Minnesota 81	Purdue 60	Indiana 105	Penn St. 57
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## UNC's early lead, front line too big for Terps

Williams' treys halt 2nd-half rally

By David J. Kupstas  
Senior Writer

The Maryland Terrapins, trailing by 22 at halftime Saturday to sixth-ranked North Carolina, could have used at least two sources of inspiration in their bid for a second-half comeback.

It was former Maryland quarterback Frank Reich who led the Buffalo Bills to their miraculous comeback victory against the Houston Oilers last week. More appropriately, the Terp hoopsters could also draw from their most recent meeting with the Tar Heels, in which UNC rallied from a 22-point deficit, only to lose by two in the final seconds.

The Terrapins seemed to have one or both of these episodes on their minds early in the second half Saturday. Increased defensive pressure by Maryland led to a series of UNC turnovers, and the Terrapins had cut the lead to 14 barely two minutes into the second half.

But there would be no miracle this afternoon for the young Maryland squad. Soon North Carolina went on a 19-2 run, allowing the restless Smith Center crowd of 21,407 to breathe easier. The Tar Heels cruised the rest of the way in a 101-73 victory.

The win kept UNC perfect in ACC play at 2-0 and gave it a 12-1 mark overall heading into Wednesday's home meeting with Georgia Tech. Maryland dropped to 8-3, 0-2 in the conference.

"We had a letdown in the second half, but maybe it was more Maryland's recovery," said UNC head coach Dean Smith. "(Maryland coach Gary Williams) had the team thinking comeback like we did up at Maryland last year."

The first half of Saturday's game was similar to UNC's other three Smith

UNC	101
MARYLAND	73

Center snoozers from this season, with the Tar Heels racing out to a comfortable early lead against an outmanned opponent. UNC went into the locker room with its biggest lead so far this season, 53-31.

UNC came out a bit complacent in the second half and had trouble beating Maryland's full-court press. Terp guard Kevin McLinton, the key aggressor on defense, went on a spree of nine points in 82 seconds, bringing Maryland back to within 56-42 with 17:57 remaining.

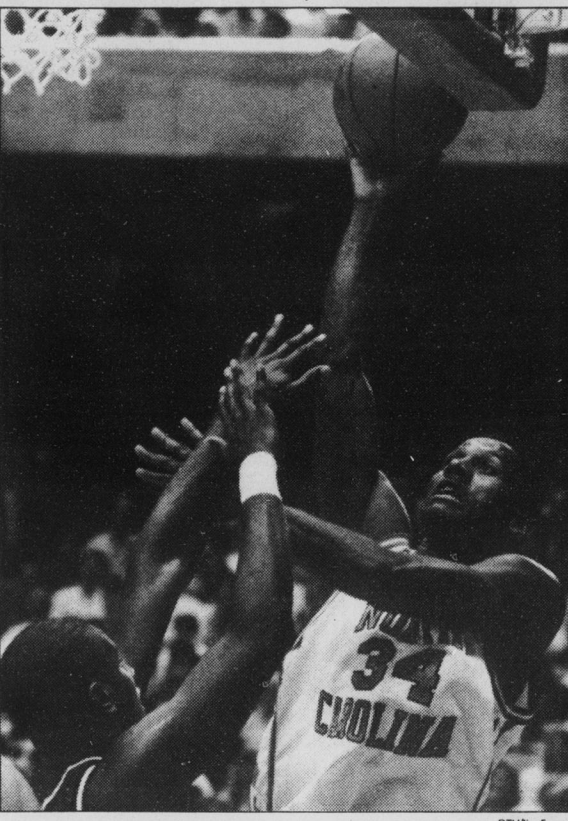
The teams traded baskets three times until a TV timeout came with 15:23 left. After the break, UNC went on the 19-2 explosion that erased any shadow of hope for a Maryland miracle.

Williams said that a 22-point deficit was simply too deep a hole for his young squad to escape. "When 'Carolina blows a 20-point lead at halftime?" he said. "I don't know if they ever have. You put yourself in that situation, you're not going to win unless something freaky happens."

UNC pushed the lead back to 20 with a pair of free throws by Derrick Phelps and fast-break dunks from Pat Sullivan and George Lynch. Sensing the game was getting out of hand, Williams took a timeout at the 13:38 mark.

After the timeout, UNC went to its ace in the hole, sophomore guard Donald Williams. The Donald electrified the crowd with three 3-pointers and a fast-break layup in less than two minutes. He buried two 3-pointers in a row from practically the same spot to put UNC ahead 81-50 with 10:43 left.

"When Donald starts hitting those threes and the crowd starts going wild, it's just like a Duke-Carolina game," Phelps said.



UNC's George Lynch lofts a shot past Terp Evers Burns Saturday at the Smith Center.

Williams, who hit 5 of 8 3-pointers Saturday, came off the bench and led the Tar Heels with 20 points in just 21 minutes. He leads the team in scoring with 16.8 points a game and is hitting 55 percent of his treys. "Coach Smith said if I'm open, don't hesitate, just go ahead and knock

### Tar Heels stifle Maryland with swats, turnovers

By Jeff McKinley  
Staff Writer

The UNC defense must have learned the true value of gift-giving this past holiday season, keeping in mind the old saying that it's better to give than to receive.

Especially when you're dealing with blocked shots.

The Tar Heel big men handed Maryland 12 rejections Saturday in a 101-73 UNC victory at the Smith Center. Junior center/forward Kevin Salvadori stuffed the Terrapins six times, and junior center Eric Montross pounded away five shots.

Maryland also caught the gift-giving spirit. The Terrapins rewarded the Tar Heels' hard work on defense by giving UNC 23 turnovers, often the result of point guard Derrick Phelps' pressure.

When the Tar Heels' generosity ended and Maryland had no more turnovers left to give, North Carolina got a bit greedy and decided to do some taking — as in 12 steals.

Once again, Dean Smith's fundamental team defense stifled the opposition and allowed the Tar Heels to coast to an easy victory. When the team scores 100 points, though, sometimes the defense gets overlooked.

"I thought the key was our defense, led by Derrick Phelps," Smith said. "He had a lot of help. I thought Lynch was very good defensively. This was Kevin's (Salvadori) best game."

The Tar Heels harrassed Maryland from the start, particularly the Terrapins' turnovers.

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### Tech tops No. 1 Duke, ends streak

### Jackets survive late comeback

GEORGIA TECH	80
DUKE	79

The Associated Press

Malcolm Mackey scored three clutch free throws in the final 12 seconds and No. 10 Georgia Tech survived a second-half scare to edge top-ranked Duke 80-79 Sunday to end the Blue Devils 23-game winning streak.

Tech (9-1 overall, 2-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) blew a 15-point first half lead when Duke (10-1, 1-1) took its first and only lead of the game at 60-59 with 9:20 to go on a basket by Grant Hill, who had a career-high 29 points.

Duke, the two-time defending national champion, hadn't lost since a 72-68 defeat by Wake Forest last Feb. 23. The 23-game winning streak equaled a school record set last season.

Tech, behind freshman Drew Barry and Martice Moore, regained the lead 62-60 on a 3-point goal by Moore and took the lead for good at 68-66 on Mackey's basket with 4:58 left.

Tech led 77-74 when Mackey, who led the Yellow Jackets with 19 points, connected on a pair of free throws with 12 seconds left.

Bobby Hurley hit a jumper to get Duke within 79-76 with six seconds left before Mackey converted one of two free throws with five seconds left for an 80-76 lead.

Marty Clark hit a 3-point basket at the buzzer for the Blue Devils.

Duke was within 76-74 on a basket by Clark with 1:18 to go, but a free throw by James Forrest with 42 seconds left made it 77-74.

Tech took a 12-0 lead after only 3:35 as Duke missed its first five shots and had five turnovers before Hurley hit a 3-point shot 20 seconds later in front of a noisy, sellout crowd of 10,125 at Alexander Memorial Coliseum.

The Yellow Jackets opened the lead to 19-5 after only 5:28 on a 3-point basket by Travis Best, his eighth point of the game.

Grant Hill then scored eight straight points on a pair of baskets and four free throws to get Duke within 19-13 less than two minutes later.

Tech built its largest lead of the first half at 34-19 after a 3-point basket by Drew Barry with 6:08 left before intermission.

Duke got to within 44-37 at the half by capitalizing on free throws.

The Blue Devils made 18 of 23 with Grant Hill converting 10 of 10. Hurley made only 3 of 7.

Duke shot 36.4 percent in the opening half, making 8 of 22 shots. Tech shot 58.8 percent (20-34) and made its only free throw attempt.

Tech had five players in double figures.

Travis Best added 15, Forrest 14, Bryan Hill and Barry each had 11. Hurley added 18 points for the Blue Devils. Clark had 14 and Thomas Hill 10.



Tar Heel guard Tonya Sampson and FSU's Danielle Ryan tumble for a loose ball in Sunday's game at Carmichael Auditorium.

## FSU tops women in rare televised game

North Carolina falls to 0-2 in ACC

By Bryan Strickland  
Senior Writer

National television exposure is a rare and cherished commodity in women's college basketball.

But it's cherished only if your team performs well under the searing heat of the television lights.

Sunday afternoon, 15th-ranked North Carolina appeared to melt under the lights, falling 85-66 to ACC foe Florida State before 854 fans at Carmichael Auditorium.

Not only did the Tar Heels (9-2, 0-2 in the ACC) suffer their first loss of the season at home, but they also lost in the homes of countless TV viewers on the Home Team Sports Network.

"I don't think people realized just how many homes this was going into," said UNC junior center Sylvia Crawley. "I think some people might have played a lot harder if they had thought about

FLORIDA STATE	85
UNC	66

that."

Crawley was one bright spot in the Tar Heels' second consecutive loss, scoring 16 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. But aside from Crawley's showing and Tonya Sampson's 28-point performance, UNC head coach Sylvia Hatchell could find few positives in her team's play.

"I'm disappointed that we looked so bad when we've worked so hard to get the exposure that we got today," Hatchell said. "We didn't play well overall. I wasn't pleased with any phase of our game."

Meanwhile, for the Seminoles (7-3, 2-2 in the ACC), the national exposure

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## Cowboys, Dolphins cruise to conference finals

Aikman, Dallas to visit 49ers next

The Associated Press

Troy Aikman was pressure-proof in his first playoff start. It was Randall Cunningham who played like he had rookie nerves.

Aikman dispelled any notions he would feel the playoff heat by directing four long touchdown drives as the Dallas Cowboys rolled into the NFC championship game with a 34-10 victory Sunday against the Philadelphia Eagles.

The Cowboys (14-3) will play the San Francisco 49ers next Sunday in the NFC title game at Candlestick Park.

It will be the first NFC title appearance for Dallas since the Cowboys lost 20-7 to the Eagles in 1981. It was the second NFL postseason coaching victory for Jimmy Johnson, whose team beat Chicago in last year's first-round before losing 38-6 to Detroit in the divisional playoff.

Aikman and Emmitt Smith, who ran 23 yards for a touchdown and rushed for 114 yards, provided a one-two punch that devastated the Eagles in the Cowboys first home playoff game since 1983.

Aikman, who threw two touchdown passes to his tight ends, got off to a 3-for-10 start, then found 6-foot-4 Alvin Harper being guarded by 5-7 Mark McMillian on a 41-yard pass to set up the Cowboys second TD. The Philadelphia secondary never recovered.

Dallas scored 10 points in the last 47 seconds of the first half, then went 70

DALLAS	34
PHILADELPHIA	10

yards on the opening drive of the second half to put the game away on Smith's touchdown scamper.

The Cowboys, with the No. 1 defense in the NFL, sacked Cunningham five times and held his famed scrambles to a minimum.

Cunningham couldn't get on track until the final two minutes of the game, when he drove the Eagles 70 yards against a prevent defense and found Calvin Williams with an 18-yard scoring pass with 50 seconds to play.

Aikman drove the Cowboys 67 yards for a first-quarter TD after Roger Ruzek's 32-yard field goal put Philadelphia ahead 3-0.

The payoff came on second down from the Eagles 1 when tight end Derek Tennell slipped unnoticed into the end zone for the scoring pass from Aikman.

The Cowboys led 17-3 over the 6-point underdog Eagles after they struck for 10 points in less than a minute as the first half was winding down.

Aikman took the Cowboys 67 yards for a touchdown late in the second quarter. He hit Harper with a 41-yard pass, scrambled for 8 yards, then flipped a 6-yard scoring pass to tight end Jay Novacek, who slipped away from linebacker William Thomas.

Dolphins end Chargers' hot streak

The Associated Press

The Miami Dolphins played like they did early in the season. So did the San Diego Chargers.

Dominant defense by the Dolphins and three touchdown passes by Dan Marino in a six-minute span of the second quarter sparked a 31-0 victory over San Diego on a rain-soaked Sunday in the AFC playoffs. The postseason victory was the most lopsided in Dolphins history.

Miami will face AFC East rival Buffalo for the conference championship next Sunday at Joe Robbie Stadium, with the winner advancing to the Super Bowl.

Momentum the Chargers generated following a remarkable October turnaround wasn't enough to take them to the AFC title game. San Diego lost its first four games, then won 12 of 13, including eight in a row — the longest winning streak for the franchise since 1961.

Miami won its first six games this season but had struggled offensively in recent weeks. Marino snapped the slump with two touchdown throws to Keith Jackson and one to Tony Paige, all following interceptions.

The Dolphins' defense, an unheralded hero in their season, confused San Diego quarterback Stan Humphries with an eight-man front. Rookie cornerback Troy Vincent made two acrobatic inter-

MIAMI	31
SAN DIEGO	0

ceptions and linebacker Bryan Cox also had a pickoff to give Miami possession at the Chargers 48, 37 and 42.

Marino converted each chance into a touchdown. The scores came in the final 6:30 of the first half to put Miami ahead 21-0 — a huge lead in such rainy weather.

First Marino hit Paige out of the backfield for a 1-yard score. Then he lobbed a 9-yard touchdown toss to Jackson, who slipped behind safety Floyd Fields.

Then came the play that broke the Chargers — a 30-yard touchdown bomb to Jackson, who lined up as a wide receiver, raced down the middle of the field and was left wide open by a confused secondary.

San Diego was stunned, Miami ecstatic. The Dolphins offense had scored just six touchdowns in their past six games. Now, in a rainstorm, they had struck like lightning.

The Chargers failed to mount a comeback bid in the second half. Much was written last week about San Diego's memorable 41-38 overtime victory at Miami in the playoffs 11 years ago, but it might have taken the Chargers until Super Sunday to score 41 points on these Dolphins.

## No-shows thin Tar Heel fencing tournament field

Staff report

North Carolina's fencing team was supposed to host the Carolina Open this weekend, with teams from Wofford College, Duke, N.C. State and others participating.

Instead, what amounted to a big intrasquad competition took place, as only UNC and Wofford showed.

UNC head coach Ron Miller was disappointed in the no-shows but encouraged about his team, which won all three men's weapon divisions as well as the women's competition.

"Well, Duke is not back in school yet, so we aren't surprised that they didn't come," he said. "The loss of the program at N.C. State (which folded) is a disappointment and a loss."

"Then some teams from Georgia and Tennessee that were supposed to show didn't, and so we basically had intrasquad games."

"It's never fun when you fence against yourselves."

UNC had competition from Wofford only in the men's epee and foil divisions. North Carolina's "A" team, "Three Tired Guys," with Reggie O'Rourke, David Rosenberg and Niels Larsen, won the epee Sunday as each Tar Heel posted 8-1 records. UNC's "B" team took second, Wofford third and North Carolina "C" fourth.

UNC's "A" team also won

Saturday's saber competition, led by All-American Mark Lattimore, who won all nine of his matches. Nate Pennell and Shimon Sarraf, an All-American two years ago, rounded out "Men Who'll Respect You in the Morning." North Carolina's "C" and "B" teams were second and third.

"Mark's been very consistent," Miller said. "He did a very good job all weekend."

In Saturday's men's foil, the Tar Heels' "A" team won again. "Mickey Mouse Club" took first as Craig Harkins, Keith Lander and Kevin Bruen cruised past UNC "B", a team of North Carolina graduate students and Wofford.

"All our men's teams have been consistent this season," Miller said. "Our foil, which I felt was the best team in the country last year, peaked too early and didn't make the NCAAs. We're more consistent this year."

In the women's competition Sunday, which was an all-UNC affair, the graduate team, "Old Farts," took first place. Assistant coach Karen Herkstroeter was joined on the team by Lisa Campi, Julie Woodcock and Alex Cvijanovich.

"Actually, this weekend should help us a lot in the women's division, since we didn't really have what you'd call a starting lineup yet," Miller said.