

# How Tall Is Rusty?

## Opposing Coaches Swear He's 7-Footer

By JACK WILLIAMS  
Rusty Clark of the North Carolina Tar Heels grows taller all the time—but only in prestige, not height.

Despite what coaches of opposing teams have been saying, Clark hasn't grown even a fraction of an inch in the past year. He stands exactly six feet, 10 and three-eighths inches tall—in his stocking feet.

The subject came up for discussion again last weekend at the North-South Doubleheaders in Charlotte. Both Coaches Bobby Roberts of Clemson and Frank McGuire of South Carolina said they had their doubts about the height listed for Clark in the tournament program.

"That fellow has got to be seven feet tall," said Roberts. "You sportswriters ought to demand a measurement. Our Richie Mahaffey was jumping as high as he could and Clark

tipped the ball over him without even leaving the floor."

McGuire said practically the same thing the next night. "He's a seven-footer," said the South Carolina coach. "He changes the complexion of a basketball game. He makes you try things you normally wouldn't try."

Carolina coaches agree heartily that Clark stands tall in the Atlantic Coast Conference—especially when it comes to prestige.

"I think the comments of those coaches are a great tribute to Rusty," said Dean Smith. "It shows how much respect they have for him. The thing about it is that Rusty would be a fine player if he were five or six inches shorter. He's an outstanding basketball player—not just a tall boy out there."

The confusion about Clark's

height apparently stems from his high school days. When he was starring for Fayetteville High, many newsmen referred to him as a seven footer. He actually was only 6-10 at the time.

Since enrolling at Carolina, Rusty has grown about one-third of an inch. An official measurement this week showed his height to be 6-10 2-3.

Clark, of course, was a leading figure in the Charlotte games which saw the Tar Heels flatten Clemson, 96-84, and defeat South Carolina, 84-50, in a great second half comeback.

"Rusty deserves a lot of credit for our fine record," says Smith. "I think he should be on the all-Conference first team. In my opinion, the all-Conference players should come from the top teams. And we wouldn't be a top team without Rusty Clark."



Towering Above The Crowd  
Is North Carolina's 'Seven Footer' Clark

# Barnes Calling On Frosh To Help Heal Wrestlers

By DALE GIBSON  
of The Daily Tar Heel Staff

The NC varsity wrestling squad, plagued with inexperience which has resulted in a 3-6-1 record will take on a "new look" as the team heads into the final weeks of the season, according to Coach Sam Barnes.

Barnes announced yesterday that he is elevating the top wrestlers in each weight group from the freshman squad to the varsity unit. The frosh finished the season with an 8-1 record after a 21-16 win over Elon Saturday, their last meet of the season.

Carolina will journey to West Virginia Friday for a meet with the Mountaineers and will move to College Park, Md., Saturday to tangle with Maryland.

"These two matches will be the toughest of the season for us," Barnes said. "The freshmen we're bringing up should help. But I don't know whether they will be enough to



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pull these two meets out of the fire."

The frosh grapplers should add quite a bit of talent to the varsity lineup. Barnes plans to bring up three high school state champions in Curtis Weaver at 145 pounds, Jim Stephenson at 152 pounds and Michael Tate, who will wrestle at either 191 pounds or heavyweight.

The other two are former prep school champions. Barry Pierce will wrestle at 123 pounds and Jim Glass at 160.

"We are going to test these frosh this weekend," Barnes said. "We've had them wrestling dual meets this season in preparation for the ACC tournament. If it works, I'll look like a genius. If not, I'll look like an idiot."

The Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament will be held March 2 and 3 in College Park, Md.

The Carolina grapplers have lacked a heavyweight all season. This is where Tate will help the squad. "Tate is not very big, but he's the biggest we've got," according to Barnes.

During the season, the Charlotte native was pitted against Duke's varsity captain and wrestled him to a draw.

This season was one of the worst in some time for the Tar Heels. The team won two of the first three meets before losing their last five in a row.

"It was quite a job to resist the temptation all year to bring these frosh up," Barnes confided. "We were plagued

with greenness all season.

"For one reason or another, we lost a lot of lettermen and had to start the season with only two. A mistake here and there from these inexperienced boys really hurt."

The season didn't turn out as well as Barnes had hoped but the failure can't all be contributed to greenness.

"In retrospect, we've lost four meets we could have won with a little poise," Barnes admitted. "I think the boys realize this too."

"We weren't a solid team, but we could have had a winning season if the boys had had confidence."

The weekend games with West Virginia and Maryland are on the UNC coach's mind now. West Virginia is always tough and with a new coach this season should be even harder to beat. Maryland has lost only two meets -- to Navy and Lehigh.

# Mural Cage Eliminations Begin Today

All league basketball play will be completed in intramurals this week to determine which teams will make the playoffs.

Elimination games are slated today and Thursday from 4 through 9 and on Wednesday and Friday at 4 and 5. There are 25 residence hall leagues, 12 fraternity white loops and 5 fraternity blue leagues whose champions will meet within their own division in single elimination play.

Handball activity will continue today and Thursday, while table tennis will begin the second night of its season at 6 p.m. in Carmichael.

All-Campus soccer begins tomorrow with games at 5 and 5, continuing Thursday until 7 p.m.

# Terps 'Dangerous' Maryland Five Next Tar Heel Foe

North Carolina's Tar Heels go after their 15th consecutive Atlantic Coast Conference victory Wednesday night when they face the improving Maryland Terps at Carmichael Auditorium.

Coach Dean Smith's Tar Heels haven't lost a conference game since bowing to South Carolina at Columbia late last season. UNC's record in the Conference this season is a perfect 10-0.

The game with Maryland will be a rematch. Carolina edged the Terps, 73-67, at College Park, fighting off a rallying Maryland team near the end. Coach Frank Fellows' Terps come into this match fresh from an impressive win over Wake Forest Saturday.

The Terps have a conference record of three wins and eight defeats and an overall mark of 6-13.

"We consider Maryland a very dangerous opponent," says Smith. "And all you have to do is look at the result of our game at College Park to find out why. If Maryland is shooting well, it is a team capable of beating anyone."

Will Hetzel, a flashy

sophomore, scored 28 points—his seasonal high—in the first game with Carolina. He currently leads the Terps in scoring with an even 15.0 average. Pete Johnson is averaging 13.2 and Billy Jones 11.2.

All-America Larry Miller continues to lead Carolina with an average of 23.2 despite the fact that he scored only 10 points against South Carolina Saturday night. It was the low scoring total of his three-year varsity career.

Miller took only nine shots from the floor and hit four of them. "Larry showed what a great team player he is," Smith said. "He was covered well and simply refused to force shots he didn't have. He did so many other things though and proved again what a great All-America he is."

Charlie Scott ranks second in the Tar Heel scoring with an 18.9 average while Rusty Clark is their at 15.0.

The game with Maryland gets underway at 8 p.m. A preliminary sends Coach Bill Guthridge's Carolina freshmen against the Intramural All-Stars, starting at 6 p.m.



# Lefty Cheered Hard Against UNC

By LARRY KEITH  
of The Daily Tar Heel Staff

The second best thing about the North-South Doubleheader—second to the Tar Heels' two victories over Clemson and South Carolina—was the opportunity to eavesdrop.

Here are a few of the things the open ears took in:

Davidson Coach Lefty Driesell, who sat behind the South Carolina bench on Saturday night: "Hooray! everytime the Gamecocks made Carolina look bad."

Referee Otis Almond, just a

country boy from Virginia, on the South Carolina players: "You can tell they are from New York," he said. "They talk funny."

The South Carolina head cheerleader, yelling to the 11,666 assembled at the Coliseum: "Now when I say 'Carolina' I mean 'SOUTH Carolina.' Does everyone understand?"

Bill Currie's photographer-stylist, Rowdy Richard Ratican: "That Duke game in Durham really has me worried. I wonder what would happen if we lost? Would it help us or hurt us?"

A post tournament party guest to Driesell: "Good luck against Wofford, Lefty."

Driesell to the guest: "Why, thank you very much."

That isn't what Lefty really said.

UNC sportscaster Bill Currie: "Me bothered by South Carolina's nine point lead? Are you kidding? After seeing us come from 17 back with 13 to go against Utah how could that bother me?"

N. C. State SID Frank Weedon after the Wolfpack's two victories: "We're in good shape now. I figure we can beat Duke in Raleigh but South Carolina will be a lot of trouble when we have to go down there."

Clemson Coach Bobby Roberts, feeling very dejected following his team's 69-67 loss to the Wolfpack: "Good gosh, that's a shame. That was our best game of the year. I don't know..."

# 'Great Comeback' By Swordsmen Electrifies N.C. State 16-11

The UNC fencers made a strong comeback to capture a 16-11 upset victory over North Carolina State Saturday. The swordsmen were down 9-3 but scored nine straight wins to take their fourth match of the season against no losses.

The meet in Raleigh began badly for the Tar Heel fencers. The sabre team lost six of nine bouts and it looked as if the Wolfpack were en route to a runaway win.

But then a freak occurrence turned the tide for Carolina.

Midway through the foils bouts with State on top 9-3, the electrical scoring device for foils went on the blink and the foils matches were postponed until after the epee bouts. Meanwhile the scoring device was repaired.

The epee trio promptly went out and swept all nine of its bouts. Suddenly UNC led 12-9.

The foilsmen then came back into action and won the first two bouts to assure a Carolina win and polished off two more match points for good measure. Freshman Chuck Schumacher scored the clinching point.

Coach Ron Miller was pleased after the win. "I have never been as proud of any team as I am of this one," he said. "This was a great comeback. The boys played their hearts out for a truly great victory."

The undefeated epee team consisted of Jeff McKay, Ben Brinson and John DeVane, all 3-0. Tom Ruff (2-1), Chuck Schumacher (1-2), George Shleck (1-1) and Bo McBee (0-

1) fought for the foilsmen. Carolina's sabremen were Dick Betts (1-2), Pete Batke (1-2), Pete Kent (1-1) and Carl Thompson (0-1).

The junior varsity fencers suffered their first loss of the season earlier Saturday in a 1512 squeaker to State's jayvees.

Scott Backus (12), Joe Tyson (12) and Jim McCauley 15-12 squeaker to State's team. The foilsmen were edged 5-4 as Dan Kolstrud (2-1), Cam Davis (2-1) and Denver Haynes (0-3) represented the Tar Babies.

The epee squad won by a point as John Pavloff (2-1), Bill Mathis (2-1) and Chad Hilton (1-2) outstabbed State.



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Appearing with Bobbie Gentry will be Glen Campbell, well-known for his guitar and banjo expertise and identified with such hits as "By the Time I get to Phoenix" and "Gentle on my Mind."  
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Persons interested in the position should pick up an application and sign up for an interview. Interviews will be held Thursday, February 22, from 2:30 until 4:00 p.m. and Monday, February 26, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the Gail Room.

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