

Halfway point in ACC League dogfights getting hotter

by Al Thomas
Sports Writer

Football warfare in the Atlantic Coast Conference has now passed the halfway point, but judging from this week's contests the real battles are just beginning.

In one of the biggest, and more than likely fiercest, games so far this year, Cal Stoll brings his surging Wake Forest Deacons to meet the Tar Heels in Chapel Hill.

Other games involving ACC clubs include East Carolina at State, Virginia at Army, Clemson at Auburn, Maryland at Florida and Duke at Navy.

Wake Forest appears to be peaking just in time for Saturday's skirmish, coming off a resounding 51-21 romp over strong Tulsa last Saturday. The Deacon offense,

behind the veer-genius quarterback Larry Russell, has been more than impressive in rolling up almost 950 offensive yards during the last two Saturdays.

The Tar Heels, meanwhile, have been suffering through their seemingly habitual mid-season slump. Somehow, however, during the past several days a resurgence of enthusiasm has appeared and the probable result: 31-21 Carolina.

In a game just 24 miles from Kenan Stadium, the East Carolina Pirates will be trying to save their season with a win over State.

The Pirates have an outstanding runner in Carlester Crumpler, but nevertheless even he may not be enough.

State and ECU have each won one game, but sophomore quarterback Bruce Shaw and backs Willie Burden and Charlie Young should make that two for the Pack

with the scoreboard reading.

Duke has been the most impressive ACC club during the first half of the season, collecting wins over Stanford, South Carolina and Florida. The Blue Devils have lost only one game, to Clemson 3-0, and this time next week should still have lost only one game.

The Blue Devils travel to meet Navy, and the outcome should be in the range of 42-7 Duke. With speedster Ernie Jackson now playing offense as well as defense, Mike McGee's worry about offense should ease.

Clemson, Maryland and Virginia are all underdogs this weekend.

Hootie Ingram's Tigers travel to Auburn, and despite their recent show of strength don't stand much chance against the nationally-ranked Auburn Tigers.

When two Tigers clash the outcome is

usually close, but in this case the passing combination of Fat Sullivan to Terry Beasley should add up to a 38-14 Auburn win.

The Maryland-Florida encounter may be much closer than most prognosticators now think.

The Terrapins have "almost won" too many times this year to continue to be denied. Florida, however, finally won a game last Saturday by beating arch-rival Florida State and has momentum. The result: Florida 24, Maryland 21.

Virginia, hoping to conclude this football season as soon as possible, meets Army in what should help the Cadets recover from recent setbacks.

After whipping Georgia Tech and Missouri, Army lost to Penn St. and Air Force. This week they should resume winning, 27-14.

Resourceful grid club hosts East Carolina

by Mitch Simpson
Feature Writer

The UNC football club will do battle with East Carolina tonight in Boshamer Stadium in an attempt to defend its lusty and venerable tradition... all 12 months of it.

Unlike football clubs on other campuses, Carolina's club, formed last year as a result of what one member of the team termed a "fraud," has not enjoyed strong financial backing and so has had to rely on its own devices to keep the program alive.

Don Stewart, a fullback, organized the plan to advertise for persons interested in playing club football against already-established teams at places like East Carolina and State.

"That was really a fraud," Stewart grinned in reference to his early efforts at creating interest. "There weren't any such teams at State or East Carolina, but after we got enough to organize a club here, I went to Raleigh and Greenville and put the same kind of ad in the paper, saying that a club had already been formed at Carolina."

All three schools now have such clubs. Interest in the Carolina club seems to be developing quickly now, as evidenced by crowds of 500 and more who have turned out, even in the rain, to watch the locals go at it.

The history of the club's efforts is less than glamorous. Until they were given a dressing room in the basement of Woollen Gym this year, the players had to dress out for games as discreetly as possible in the bushes behind the UNC law school.

Even with some support this year from student government funds, the team members still take care of the basic necessities like buying equipment and

forming car pools when they have away games.

"We line off the field and print the programs ourselves," Stewart added.

The team's two coaches, Ed Fischer and David Jackson, receive almost nothing, monetarily speaking, for services.

"They just love the game," Stewart said.

The size of this year's squad gives evidence of increased interest from the student body, with approximately 40 members presently on the team.

This season found the team without the services of a faculty advisor, due to the accidental drowning last spring of Dr. Raymond Magus, Assistant Professor in the School of Medicine.

"He came to our very first meeting," Stewart said, "and he really worked for us."

In a gesture of tribute to Magus, the football club will set a precedent by charging admission to a November 18 game in Chapel Hill against Duke. The proceeds will be used to create a scholarship fund for Magus' young sons, Dean and Jay, who last year served as team mascots and managers.

"His (Magus) whole family pitched and really gave of their time for the club," Stewart noted.

The Duke game will mark the end of the club's season, which includes a game with D.C. Teacher's College in Washington on November 6.

Lending some much needed assistance at the Duke benefit game will be the APO fraternity, whose members will help with refreshments and program distribution.

For the members of the football club, a little help from outside will be a welcome thing.

Soccer Saturday

Carolina booters host Clemson at 10 a.m. in important match

by David Zucchini
Sports Writer

You couldn't squeeze a soccer ball between the top six teams in the current ACC soccer standings. With the 1971 season half gone, five of the six participating conference schools have already tasted defeat at least once.

Coach Marvin Allen's Tar Heels, now 1-1 in ACC play, have a chance to further complicate the league standings Saturday at 10 a.m., when Carolina hosts the

Clemson Tigers on Fetzer Field.

UNC and Clemson are presently tied for third place in the ACC, but the winner of tomorrow's bout could jump into a tie for first place, while the loser will definitely sink to the bottom of the standings. Things are that tight.

Duke was on top of the standings this morning with a 1-0 conference slate, but the Blue Devils must play defending champion Virginia (1-2 in the ACC) this afternoon.

Maryland, which has failed only once

to capture the ACC title, is alone in second place with a 2-1 conference mark.

N.C. State is 1-2 in ACC play and nestled in last place along with Virginia, but the Wolfpack trounced the Tar Heels 2-0 two weeks ago.

For Carolina, now 5-1 in all games, tomorrow's showdown with Clemson represents the Tar Heels' second consecutive "must" game against ACC competition.

UNC was burdened with a 0-1

conference mark going into Monday's game with Virginia, but came through magnificently with a last minute goal to jump back into the ACC running.

A win tomorrow would put the Tar Heels in serious contention for the conference crown.

Right now the Tar Heels must get by a Clemson squad that is returning 10 letterman from last year's 8-3-2 team.

Forward Craig Daugherty, one of the finest freshmen players in Clemson history two years ago, is reportedly at full capacity this season.

Lebanese all-star Nabeel Kammon, considered the greatest addition to the Clemson soccer program since its birth four years ago, did not play last year but will bring his pistol-like scoring ability to Chapel Hill tomorrow.

The Tar Heels will also have to contend with forward Joe Alfandre, who made All-ACC last year as a sophomore.

Carolina, which has played brilliantly all year long on defense and faltered only once on offense, tied Clemson 3-3 last season in Chapel Hill.

Tomorrow's match-up will be just as close.

"Blue Power Day" coming

Carolina's Tar Heels are working diligently in preparation for Wake Forest and Homecoming Saturday afternoon.

So are the Tar Heel cheerleaders.

With no pep rally to kick off the festivities, head cheerleader Rabbit Giles of Raleigh is putting his fertile brain to work in trying to "psyche up" the capacity crowd for the invasion of the Deacons, who beat Carolina 14-13 in Winston-Salem last season and knocked the Tar Heels out of the conference title.

First of all, Rabbit announces that Saturday will be "Blue Power Day."

Every student is expected to wear something blue to the ball game, and to bring blue pennants, blue shakers, blue hats, blue balloons, and maybe even blue ice chests. "After all, it's the spirit of the game that counts," Giles says.

The Schlitz Distributing Co. of Durham is again awarding a keg of beer to

the best banner. All banners must be displayed at Kenan Stadium by 11 a.m. Saturday morning, and no banners are allowed to hang in front of the lower deck or above into the sight lines of the upper deck.

All violating banners will be moved, as they were in the Tulane game two weeks ago.

"At Wake Forest last year, they had banners all over the place. We've got to do the same thing this time around," Rabbit reasons.

Balloons will be released after the national anthem, compliments of the Student Stores.

Rabbit's big gimmick will come before that, however. He expects the student section to begin at precisely 1:20 p.m. with a continuous chant, "Here Come the Tar Heels."

Deac streak

Wake Forest has beaten Carolina in football five of the last six years. The only Bill Dooley victory over the Deacons was in 1969, when Don McCauley led the Heels to a 23-3 win.

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