

# Doctors decide on Bryant today

By CLIFTON BARNES  
Sports Editor

Doctors and Coach Dick Crum will decide today whether UNC tailback Kelvin Bryant, out with a knee injury since Oct. 3, will be able to play against Clemson Saturday.

Bryant worked out Wednesday with minimal contact and there was some swelling in the knee as doctors had anticipated, but he was running well at practice Thursday.

Dr. Joseph DeWalt, a team physician, said it was more and more possible that he would be able to play.

"In all honesty I didn't think he'd be back," DeWalt said Thursday. "He's come along faster than anticipated. He's very close to being ready to play."

DeWalt added that if he did not play against Clemson he would definitely be back for the Virginia game in Charlottesville. But since the Cavaliers are having such a poor season and the Virginia field is Astroturf, the coaches may take a second look at that time.

"Right now he lacks a little bit of flexibility in the knee," DeWalt said. "But his hamstring is 100 percent." DeWalt added that the big thigh muscle was 92 percent.

"We hope that he's as close to 100 percent as he'll ever get," DeWalt said.

With or without Kelvin Bryant the Tar Heels will have their hands full.

"Not knowing exactly who they will play at some important positions does not cause problems for us," said Clemson coach Danny Ford, whose Tigers blitzed Wake Forest last week 82-24.

"We are going to prepare for everyone who could play," he said. "We are planning on Rod Elkins, quarterback, and Kelvin Bryant, tailback, playing. We are even preparing for Lawrence Taylor in case they bring him back from the pros."

Crum said that Scott Stankavage would definitely start at quarterback, but Elkins has been working out with the first unit this week.

No. 2 ranked Clemson (No. 1 in *The Sporting News*) comes to Chapel Hill riding high and gunning for a national championship.

"We have got to win this game, or we will not win the conference championship," Ford said. "We don't concentrate on the polls and winning the national championship, because if we win the conference title everything will take care of itself."

It's a big game for UNC also, probably deciding the Atlantic Coast Conference champion.

"It's a bigger game than State, Duke or Maryland ... to me anyway," said split end Jon Richardson. "And I think that's the general feeling of the team."

Richardson has added impetus since he is from Spartanburg, S.C. and his brother Mark plays defensive end for the Tigers.

"Death Valley is the hardest place to play since I've been here," he said. "We don't have as much enthusiasm as they do at Clemson. But I think there's enough rivalry to make it hard for them to play here."

Ford agreed.

"It's not to our advantage to go to Chapel Hill as the favorite," Ford said, obviously not knowing that the latest lines were even.

"But if we continued to execute well offensively and keep the turnover margin in our favor, we can have a good chance of winning," he said.

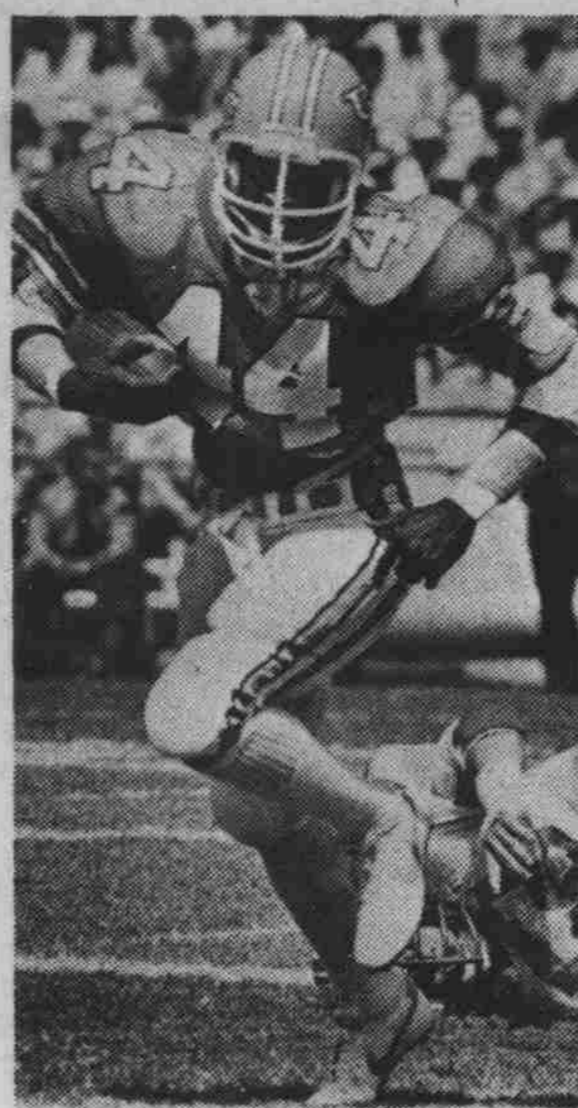
You don't hear Ford worrying too much about his defense. The Tiger defense is third in the country in scoring after holding opponents to 7.8 points a game. Also, Clemson is rated ninth in rushing, limiting the other teams to just 92.9 yards a game and 17th in total defense.

But Crum thinks the turnaround in Clemson has been the resurgence of the offense and Homer Jordan.

"Jordan is a year older and a year wiser," Crum said. "He is the vital cog in the team's coming along."

Well coach how do you stop him?

"Got a shotgun?" he deadpanned.



Kelvin Bryant

# Soccer beat by Campbell

By LINDA ROBERTSON  
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A 3-0 loss to Campbell College Wednesday effectively ended the men's soccer team's hopes for a bid to the NCAA national tournament.

"I'd have to say the upset sealed our fate as far as a national bid is concerned," UNC coach Anson Dorrance said. "The ACC has such a big reputation that they might take the second-place team, but the chance is very slim."

The Tar Heels were victims of a quick attack in Buies Creek as Campbell came out strong and ran up a 2-0 lead.

"It was a very embarrassing loss. They got down our throats and up a couple goals before we even had a chance to turn around," Dorrance said. "On Campbell's field, with their emotional intensity, it's a real struggle to come back, and we didn't."

The team is now 14-5 for the season, and 2-2 in the ACC. While Dorrance has no illusions about a national bid, he said the team has a realistic chance of finishing second in the ACC. Clemson probably

has the title locked up, but there will be a real scramble for runner-up.

"Our challenge now is to have a good conference season," he said. "To finish second in the best soccer conference in the nation is quite an accomplishment."

The men play at Wake Forest Nov. 8 and meet Duke at home Nov. 15.

The women's team hosts the AIAW Region II tournament Friday and Saturday at Fetzer Field. UNC, seeded first, receives a first round bye and plays the winner of the Virginia-William & Mary match Saturday at 10 a.m. Dorrance and team members are predicting it will be UNC vs. Virginia in the finals.

"Although we beat them earlier this year, the first 20 minutes were very close," Dorrance said. "We're not going into the game with the attitude that it's just a rerun."

"It's a good game to prepare us for the nationals because Virginia has lots of talent and they have a lot on the line," senior Molly Current said. "They're enthusiastic about the match."

## Mascot wanted

The UNC baseball team is looking for someone to serve as this year's mascot. The mascot wears a ram costume to all home games and is responsible for leading cheers and working with children. Those interested should call coach Mike Roberts in the mornings at 962-2351.



All-America Sue Walsh leads the 1981-1982 women's swimming team, No. 3 in the nation last year. All-American Eric Ericson and backstroke Roger Vredveld (right) return to the men's team, which was ACC runner-up last season.



# Swimming teams open season tonight

By SHARON KESTER  
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The Fifth Annual Tar Heel 1,650 & 50 does more than herald the beginning of the UNC men's and women's swimming schedule. The event figuratively describes that schedule — it is both long and short.

Long refers to a schedule that begins as early as tonight and ends as late as April 10. Short refers to the one major test per month that the schedule provides, exactly the way head coach Frank Comfort said he wanted it.

But Comfort said the real test boiled down to whether the teams could translate their statistically improved strength into reality.

"Our men, because of the strength of returning people and a very good group of freshmen are, statistically speaking, stronger in every event, three deep, than we've ever been before," he said.

"Even though North Carolina State has won the conference for the last 11 years, I think, in all probability, we'll be picked to win it this year, which is fine," said Comfort, whose team finished second in the Atlantic Coast Conference last year and turned in the first top 20 performance since 1968. "That doesn't create any pressure."

Nor is Comfort pressured by the fact that the women's team, coming off a No. 3 national finish, will be expected to make it into the Top 10 for the seventh year in a row.

Twenty swimmers made up last year's team, which won the ACC title for the first time. Ten of them went on to com-

pete in the national championships. Of those 10, only two have not returned.

"We have seven new swimmers — one junior transfer and six freshmen — who we feel will make significant contributions at the conference and/or the national level," Comfort said.

Comfort is counting on one freshman, in particular, to make that contribution — Cay Andres, one of the best distance swimmers in the country, he said.

"Last year, we had real concerns in the distance freestyle areas with both teams," Comfort said. "I don't think that'll be a problem this year."

On the men's team, Comfort said he had two outstanding distance swimmers in Kevin Hiscock and Craig Bartlett.

Although Comfort was willing to introduce these freshmen and to commend team co-captains Jose deJesus and Dave Hansen and Barb Harris and Nance Thompson, he said he usually avoided naming names. "There are a lot of people that make up the team," he said. There are 21 women and 31 men, to be exact.



## Volleyball team

The UNC volleyball team beat Guilford 15-11, 15-4 and High Point 15-1, 15-8 Wednesday night at High Point.

"I don't feel we made many errors," head coach Beth Miller said. "Even though the other teams weren't that strong, we played well. It was a total team effort."

Hitter and middle blocker Sandy Schmidt said that although the Heels did not play their best volleyball, the match was good psychologically because everyone had a chance to play.

Jenny Watson had seven kills and two service aces against Guilford, while Donna Meier had six kills and a pair of service aces. Captain Laura Held and Katie Howard each had six kills, and Sandy Schmidt had three kills.

Against High Point, Meier had eight kills and two blocks and Held had six kills and two service aces.

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