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Women's soccer team prepares for nationals

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focused its sights on the 1981 AIAW National Soccer Championship Tournament all year, but has only been able to speculate and hope.

With its victory over Virginia last weekend in the Region II championships, the Heels received an automatic bid to the nationals. Now they can actually prepare for their year long dream.

"Our goal since the beginning of the of the top teams in the country."

This year's national women's soccer championship will be held in Chapel Hill Nov. 19 through 22. The final games will be played in Kenan Stadium.

nationals last year, playing in 30 degree temperatures and two inches of snow in Colorado. This season Carolina, which receives a first round bye, is ranked number one in the country with a 20-0 record and even a blizzard wouldn't seem to stop the team's momentum.

chances."

Fayetteville GOALS Tournament in Fort

injuries, Coach Dorrance decided to withdraw his team and prepare exclusively this week and next for the nationals.

UNC climbed into the number one spot in the nation early in October with a 2-0 victory over the former top team, the University of Connecticut. Although many of its opponents have not been as strong as the University of Connecticut, Coach Dorrance attributes most of the success to the combination of a high scoring offense and a powerful defense. So far in 1981, the Heels have allowed opponents only eight goals as opposed to the 160 goals they have scored.

The statistics are even more impressive when you realize that there has been a varsity women's soccer program at UNC for only two years. In addition, this season's squad is composed of eleven freshmen, including the team's leading scorer Stephanie Zeh.

"It was hard for us to blend them (the freshmen) at first," Coach Dorrance said of his young team. "With freshmen taking places of the upperclassmen, there were some transitional problems. We've cleared that hurdle now."

And once over that hurdle the Heels have pulled together a first class team, leading the pack down the straightway toward a national title.

"All the teams in the nationals are very strong and experienced," Dorrance said. "The New England schools will be tough, like the University of Connecticut, Harvard, Cortland State and the University of Massachusetts. Several undefeated teams will be there also."



The UNC women's soccer team has

season has been to win the national championship," said UNC soccer coach Anson Dorrance. "It will be a showdown

The Heels finished fourth in the

"We want it badly (the national championship)," junior Synthia Scott said. "We are going in as the No. 1 team, the team to beat. We're optimistic at our

Carolina was scheduled to play in the

Football polls Crum philosophical

about Clemson loss

other ones.

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he said.

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beat Michigan in the Gator Bowl but he

da to the Gator Bowl," he said. "I know

a lot of the guys have already been

though. I think we'll pick the best one we

Fuller said he's heard talk on the team

that some of the players would like to

play Oklahoma in a bowl. The Tar Heels

lost to the Sooners last season 41-7 to

He said he would be willing to play in a

Senior guard Dave Drechsler said if the

Tar Heels go 9-2 and make a trip to a

lesser bowl it would still be a successful

year. "That wouldn't be hard to accept,"

Both Drechsler and Fuller said they

aren't giving up the hopes of being co-

champions of the Atlantic Coast Confe-

Maryland travels down to Death Valley

where it has not lost to the Tigers since

Jerry Claiborne has been Terrapin coach.

If the Terps can beat Clemson and the

Tar Heels beat Virginia and Duke, UNC

lesser bowl to play the Sooners again.

dash hopes of a major bowl.

"I wouldn't mind going down to Flori-

went down to watch it.

By CLIFTON BARNES DTH Sports Editor

UNC coach Dick Crum is philosophical about his team's 10-8 loss to Clemson.

"That one's history. The sun's gonna come up tomorrow morning," Crum said at his weekly press conference Tuesday. "The greatest game in ACC history wasn't the greatest game," he said. "Neither team lived up to the game's billing."

Crum did say he felt his Tar Heels had a chance to win until the lateral pass was recovered by Clemson late in the game.

"I knew it was a lateral pass as soon as he (Scott Stankavage) threw the ball," Crum said. "I was hoping the officials, might miss it."

Although Crum is ready to talk about winning the next two games against Virginia and Duke and going 9-2, he is not ready to talk about bowls. "I just hope we're in one." he said.

Defensive tackle William Fuller, who had perhaps his best game against Clemson, said the loss was harder to shake off than the South Carolina loss.

"We were worried about going undefeated. We wanted the conference ring," Fuller said. "But," he said, also becoming philosophical, "a lot of teams would like to be in our situation.

"I don't think the fans think the season's been a total loss. They're disappointed, sure, and they feel for us. But we've just got to pick up our heads and not mope around and think about the past. We want to finish up 9-2 and go to a bowl."

for the record

Due to a mistake on an early UNC basketball schedule, The Daily Tar Heel incorrectly reported that the Southern Cal game in Greensboro would be Dec. 17. The date has been changed to Nov. 30 due to exams at USC. The Kansas game is

would have a share of the title.





UNC coach Dick Crum

Notes: The TV timeouts and the numerous halts in play for injuries made the UNC-Clemson game a slow process. "It was hard to take. It was such a long game," Drechsler said.

"All the timeouts distract you a little bit," Fuller said. "It might have been a factor - 1 don't know. But it made the game a whole lot longer."

Safety Bill Jackson has a good chance of playing against Virginia, Crum said. He has been out with an injury since the South Carolina game. Tailback Kelvin Bryant will play no more this week than he did against Clemson, Crum said. Bryant ran 13 times for 31 yards.

ACC standings

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Team (1st-place votes)

2. Clemson (7)

3. Southern Cal

8. So. Methodist

9. Arizona St.

10. Texas

4. Georgia

5. Penn St.

6. Alabama

7. Nebraska

1. Pittsburgh (53)

1. Pittsburgh (38)	8-0-0
2. Clemson (1)	9-0-0
3. Southern Cal (3)	8-1-0
4. Georgia	8-1-0
5. Penn St.	7-1-0
6. Alabama	7-1-1
7. Nebraska	7-2-0
8. Michigan	7-2-0
9. Texas	6-1-1
10. So. Miss.	7-0-1
11. Oklahoma	5-2-1
12. North Carolina	7-2-0
13. Arkansas	7-2-0
14. UCLA	6-2-1
15. Washington St.	7-1-1
16. Hawaii	7-0-0
17. Brigham Young	8-2-0
18. Iowa	6-3-0
19. Florida St.	6-3-0
20. Minnesota	6-3-0

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