

## **SPORTS**

## Fans keep action alive on the side

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Coming from up "Balmor" way and heading from the Hill down south, they travelled some three to four hours to Charlottesville, Va. They, 10,011 of them, came to see a rematch of North Carolina's 14-13 lacrosse championship of last year that was played in Princeton, N.J.

The crowd, which filled most of the lower seating in the stadium, saw North Carolina attackman Dave Wingate score the first four UNC goals and cap the scoring with the seventh Tar Heel point. The goals gave Wingate, the team's leading scorer for the season, 12 career goals against Johns Hopkins in three games and 11 goals for the 1982 NCAA Tournament.

They saw a number of infractions in the final two quarters, including 11 slashing and unnecessary roughness calls. North Carolina amassed 10 penalties for eight and one-half minutes. The Blue Jays capitalized on the extra-man situations, hitting the goal on two extra-man shots, but they lost several possessions when players threw the ball away.

The 10,000 plus crowd saw the lowest scoring game in the NCAA's 11-year lacrosse tournament history; but while the game may have lacked the flashy offensive struggle characteristic of last year's matchup, the activity on and around the playing field certainly held its own aura.

With 13 seconds remaining on the clock in the third quarter, chants of "Four Corners" arose from the Carolina side of the stadium as the UNC midfielders tossed the ball around the front of the Johns Hopkins defense.

"God, they're going to play lacrosse like they play basketball," one spectator, wiping his forehead in the 90-degree heat, said about UNC 's slow tempo.

Several people kept their eyes open for UVA's Ralph Sampson during the game. Whether the basketball standout was on the Johns Hopkins side of the field or in Philadelphia for an NBA playoff game, there were many other "celebrities" present that turned some heads: Chris Brust, Matt Dougherty, and members of the wrestling and football squads came to support the Tar Heels.

Several male varsity cheerleaders led the UNC fans in the "Gimme a C..." cheer, while members of the band sat across the field and played the fight song.

Grandstand coaches were quite numerous for both teams, even in the press box, shouting instructions and criticisms throughout the match.

"They must be from (N.C.) State," one "coach" said after an official disallowed a UNC goal when he ruled Mike Burnette had been in the crease.

Members of the press were quite vocal in their support for either Johns Hopkins or UNC in the fourth quarter, talking among one another and occasionally chiming in with the shouts of the crowd.

And no matter how sunburned they got, or how uncomfortable they were from sleeping in a box car at the depot the night before, or how frustrated they were trying to outguess their opponents, each person was there to benefit their team.

NOTE: ESPN, who covered the game on a tape-delayed basis, will play back the game at 4 p.m. June 10.