

# SPORTS

## Streater traces steps of brothers

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Eric Streater seems like the typical freshman athlete. He's excited about the football team's chances and he is working hard to earn an important role on the squad.

He still manages to squeeze in his favorite pastimes (art and fishing) between practices, and he's coping with his academic load very well.

Streater, the son of a maintenance worker from Sylva-Webster, N.C., attended a typically small 2A high school, where he received widespread recognition in other sports besides football.

Streater has had his share of ups and downs, of joy and tragedy. So why is Eric Streater not just any freshman athlete?

He is part of a legacy — chapter three in the story of a trio of outstanding athletes linked by a sibling bond.

First there was the eldest brother, James, 23, who finished a four-year career at Tennessee in 1980 before moving on to professional football as a quarterback in the Canadian Football League.

One year behind James was Steve, an All-Conference punter and safety, whose years at Carolina also prepared him for greater things. If not for a tragic accident in 1981, Steve would also be a pro.

Now it's Eric's turn. At 5-foot-11-inches tall, 143 pounds, Streater is not exactly one of the Tar Heels' biggest men. In fact, he's the smallest.

But then, neither of his brothers was big.

"When Jimmy was first starting at Tennessee," Streater said, "he told me that you didn't really have to be big to play ball. What you don't have in weight, you have to use to outsmart the other players."

A wide receiver for the Tar Heels, Streater hopes to fill out some more through the weight training program he is on.

"You have to work at it," Streater said.

Eric never had trouble dealing with having to play in the shadow of his brothers. In fact, his brothers' fame has helped him progress.

"I always looked up to them because of what they were and what they did," Streater said.



Eric Streater (l) takes time to talk to his brother Steve ... like his brother, he will play football for the Tar Heels

"We always played as best we could; we never played against each other. Being in their shadow actually helped me because I could ask them for advice. They told me to never quit."

Even now Streater feels no pressure to match or better his brothers. "I play up to my own potential and try not to keep up with what they did," he said.

Eric was a versatile athlete while attending Sylva-Webster High School. His first love was, and still is, baseball.

"I played both pitcher and shortstop, but preferred shortstop because that's where the action was."

On the gridiron, Streater played positions on the offense, defense and special teams. He was voted North Carolina

Back-of-the-Year in 1980, and a Centenary All-American in 1981.

Clemson, Wake Forest, Virginia Tech and others wanted his services, but Streater had his mind set on Carolina.

Life hasn't always been kind to Streater, however. When Steve's accident last year ended the dreams of a pro career, the tragedy hit Eric hard.

"We've always been a close family. I didn't know how to cope with it at first, knowing Steve would never walk again," he said. "Lots of things went through my mind. Since Steve could not fulfill his goals, I decided to work harder to make my goals higher."

Eric is now more determined than ever to fulfill the dream that Steve never realized.

## UNC volleyball slams N.C. State 3-1

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For the first time in four years the UNC volleyball team defeated N.C. State in Raleigh in a regular season game, and Carolina did it with a 3-1 victory.

The first game demonstrated the strong rivalry between the two schools as the score remained close throughout. UNC finally came out on top 15-12. Donna Meier contributed five kills to the team's total of 17, with Laura Held and Kim Rose slamming four a piece.

Yet State got revenge in the second game by cruising to a 7-0 lead, and an eventual 15-3 blowout.

"We lost our concentration," UNC Coach Beth Miller said. "It was a combination of mental errors and physical errors."

The next two games showed a complete reversal as Sandy Schmidt had four spikes and Rose, Schmidt and Linda Kantz acted one serve each for a 15-4 win in the third contest. Meier and Held chipped in nine slams in the fourth game for a 15-7 defeat and the match.

"The last two games we played better and played better together," said Miller. "We had the mental edge in both games, and used more of a variety of shots."

Senior Katie Howard, who was injured with a sprained ankle in Friday's match against Clemson, saw limited action Tuesday, but should be at full strength this weekend for the Lamar Tournament in Beaumont, Texas, Miller said.

The 12-team tournament is divided into two six-team pools. Carolina is pitted against 18th-ranked New Mexico in the first round Friday morning, and plays a total of five games Friday and early Saturday morning. The top four teams in each pool will then go into single elimination play ranked according to how well they have played in their pool.

Although UNC has never competed against any of the tournament's teams, Miller expects Louisiana State, New Mexico State, and Lamar to be strong opponents.

"In Texas," she said, "a lot of the high school teams are as good as many college teams."

## Non-revenue action

### Lacrosse faces nation's top club team in Md., golf teams play in tournaments this weekend

From Staff Reports

North Carolina's two-time defending NCAA champion lacrosse team will travel to Baltimore this Sunday to meet the 1982 national club team titlist Maryland Lacrosse Club in the 1982 Fall Lacrosse Superteams Game sponsored by the Lacrosse Foundation. Game time is 4 p.m.

This is Carolina's second straight appearance in the Superteams game. The Tar Heels lost to the U.S. World Games team in last year's contest. This year's game will conclude Carolina's fall practice season.

Despite possessing a 26-game regular-season winning streak, Coach Willie Scroggs' Tar Heels have never won a fall exhibition in his past four seasons with the Tar Heels.

As its fall season comes to a close, the lacrosse team recently announced team awards for the 1982 season.

Winner of the Turnbull Trophy as the squad's Most Valuable Player was senior defenseman John Haus, an All-ACC and first team All-America selection last year. Haus was one of five first team All-Americans on last year's team. Attackman Mac Ford won the Class of 1979 Outstanding Freshman Award. He had 16 goals and seven assists in a reserve role last

year.

The Ground Ball Award was won for the second straight year by senior goalkeeper Tom Sears who totaled 74, winning a close race over Pete Voekel and Steve Stenersen. The Needham Unsung Hero Award was shared by 1982 graduates Dan Aburn (attackman) and John Basil (midfield).

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Three North Carolina athletic teams leave campus this weekend for fall exhibition tournaments. Coach Devon Brouse's men's golf team will be in Augusta, Ga., Friday through Sunday for the Augusta College Invitational at Forest Hills Country Club. Coach Kitty Harrison's women's tennis team begins a brief fall exhibition slate in the South Carolina Invitational at Columbia, also Friday through Sunday.

Coach Allen Morris' men's tennis squad continues its fall slate with the Southern Intercollegiate Championships at the University of Georgia in Athens Thursday through Sunday.

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Following a disappointing fourth-place finish in last week's Blue Ridge Mountain

Invitational in Boone, N.C., the women's golf team will begin play Sunday in the three-day, 54-hole Taylor Made's Memphis Intercollegiate hosted by Memphis State University. Carolina finished fourth a year ago in the same tournament.

Coach Dot Gummells has juggled her lineup since the ASU tournament and is looking for at least a Top Five finish in Memphis. Senior Cathy Reynolds, sophomore Page Marsh and freshman Kelly Beck are holdovers from the ASU lineup. Freshman Cathy Johnston and sophomore Kathy Evans will be playing in their first tournaments of the year.

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The field hockey team takes on two more nationally ranked opponents this week. On Saturday, the Tar Heels travel to Penn State; the 1981 AIAW national champions and this fall's third ranked team with a 5-1 record. Carolina faces 1981 AIAW runner-up and the nation's fifth-ranked team, Temple, on Sunday.

But the 4-2 Tar Heels, who battled 13th-ranked Virginia Wednesday night, should be used to competition by now. They have already played five teams ranked in the top 20 this year.

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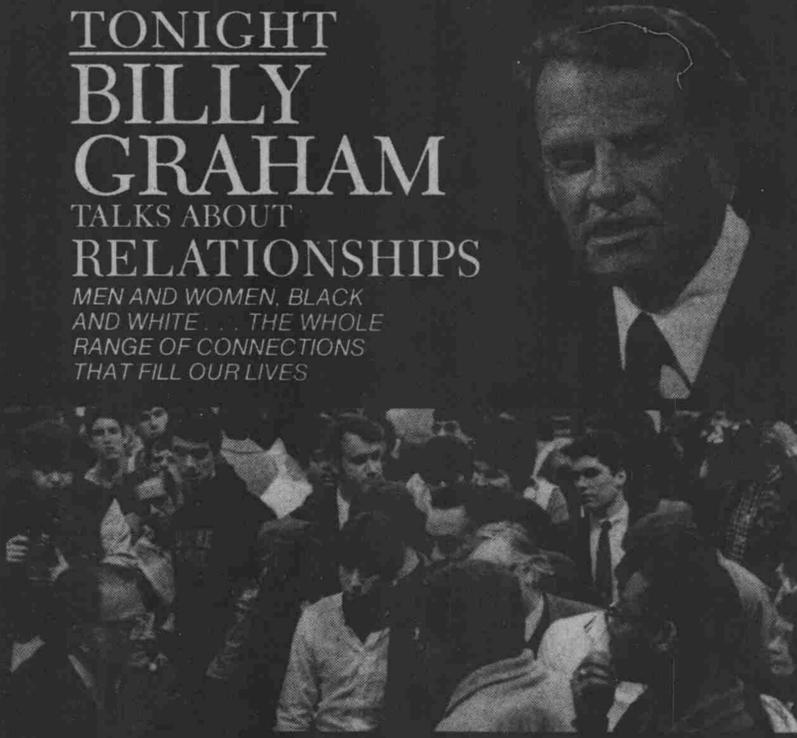


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