



Senior center Tresa Brown scored a school-record 38 points in the Tar Heels' 76-69 win over Fairleigh Dickinson Monday.

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## Alley gets win No. 200; Tar Heels race to 10-2

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Although North Carolina's women's basketball team is very young, it has streaked to a 10-2 record, including an 80-79 upset of No. 9 Maryland in Carmichael Auditorium Saturday.

The only two Tar Heel losses thus far have come at the hands of teams ranked in the Top 20 — an 81-69 setback at the hands of Alabama in early December and a 75-59 loss to Tennessee Jan. 2. UNC coach Jennifer Alley said she has been pleased with the progress of her team to this point.

"I'm very proud of this team," Alley said. "I think we have a team that has grown over the course of the year, a team that has been tested and proven itself 12 times this season."

"They have proved they can play." The Tar Heels list six freshmen on their 11-player roster, and Alley said the development of those freshmen has been a key in the early season.

"Our freshmen have really grown and matured as players this season," Alley said. "With the exception of one or two games, we have used every player on the roster, and that should have an effect as a maturing factor."

But with all the youth on the 1984 squad, an old mainstay has emerged as the team leader in both scoring and rebounding.

Senior Tresa Brown is averaging 22.4 points per game while shooting 57.7 percent from the field and 86 percent from the free throw line this year. She is also pulling down 10.4 rebounds per contest.

Brown has led the Tar Heels in scoring in 11 of 12 games, including a 38-point effort against Fairleigh Dickinson in Chapel Hill Monday. That performance gave Brown a school record for points in a game and moved her into third place on UNC's all-time scoring list with 1554 points. Brown needs 51 points to pass Georgia Tech head coach Bernie McGlade, who played her collegiate ball at UNC, and move into second place.

But Alley said Brown was one of the few bright spots for North Carolina in the 76-69 win over the outmanned Fairleigh Dickinson. Alley said her team lacked intensity in the game.

"Everybody has to prepare to play with intensity for every opponent, and we didn't do that against Fairleigh Dickinson," Alley said. "We can't just be intense for conference opponents and have that kind of sloppy play against a non-conference opponent who sees us as a very big game on their schedule."

"We knew they would scramble and scrap and hustle. They never gave up. We got a 15-18 point lead, and they kept coming back."

"I felt our performance was sub-par. We lacked a lot of intensity defensively. We wanted to put up a lot of pressure on defense, and I don't think I ever saw anybody deny a wing pass."

"Tresa was mentally ready to play. We had a situation where we could get a mismatch, and our people did a good job of getting the ball to her. She had been frustrated with her offense since the Tennessee game, but that was just a tremendous offensive effort on her part."

Brown tallied her 38 points on 19 of 24 shots from the field, including eight-of-nine in the second half. She also added a team-high eight rebounds.

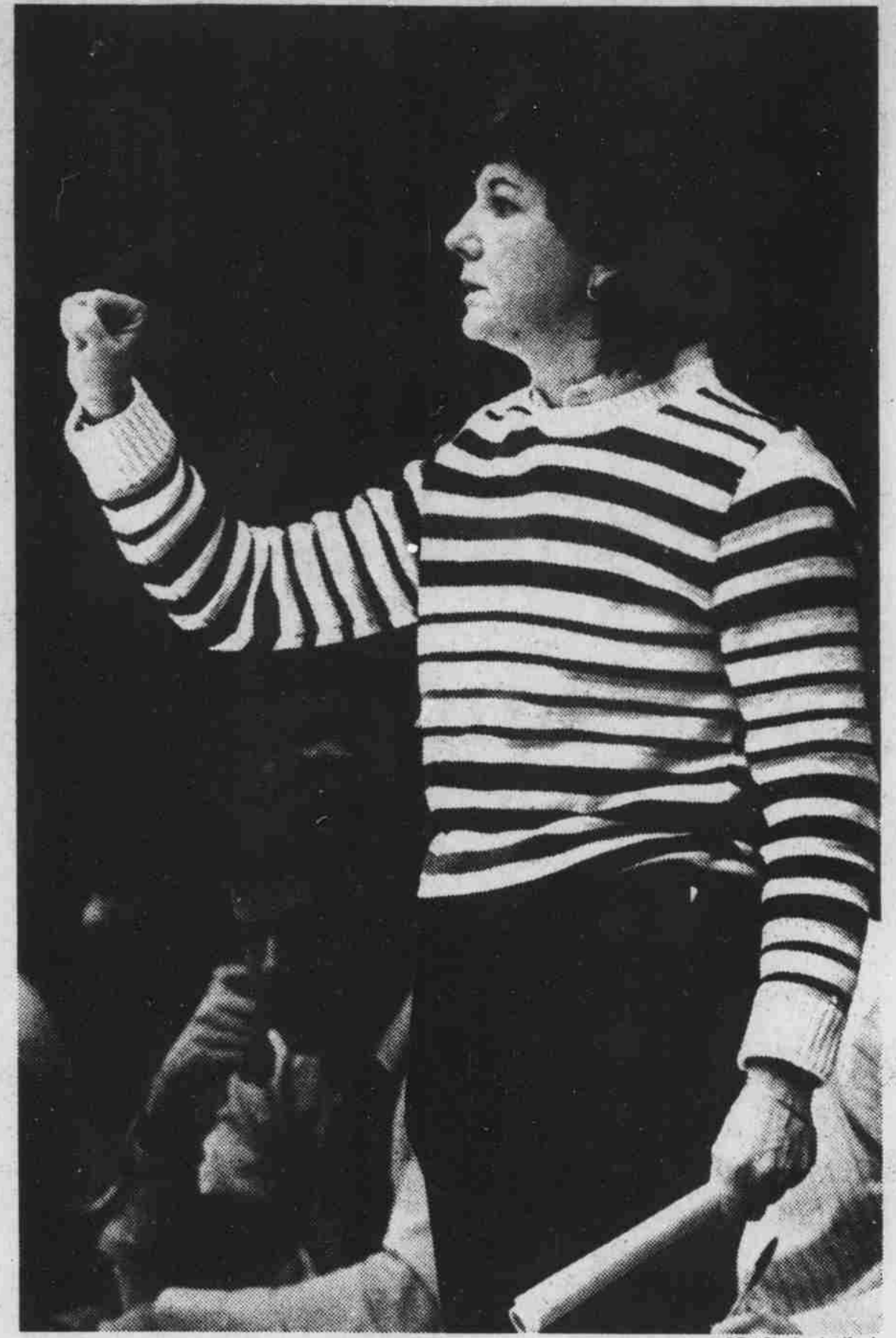
"I wasn't aware of how close I was to the records," Brown said. "But getting the records makes me feel good, and it gives me more desire to continue to work hard. My intensity level wasn't really that high, but I was mentally ready to play."

"I was able to play my game and to play the team game as well. That's my job."

The victory over Fairleigh Dickinson was Alley's 200th career win, but Alley said she wasn't even aware that she had the opportunity for No. 200 until assistant coach Mike Peckham told the team before the game.

"I'm the worst for point totals and won-lost marks, so I wasn't even aware of it," Alley said. "I'm pleased that it happened, but if we have many more like this one, I might not get 300 more," she added, referring to catching men's coach Dean Smith, who recorded his 500th career win earlier this year.

Brown's performance against Fairleigh Dickinson was an encore for her 27-point, 11-rebound showing against Maryland Saturday night in the Tar Heels' first Atlantic Coast Conference game of the season. That performance



North Carolina women's basketball coach Jennifer Alley recorded her 200th coaching victory against Fairleigh Dickinson.

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followed a disappointing 6-point showing against Tennessee.

Brown was the leader in the Dogwood Classic Dec. 30-31 in Fayetteville, as well. She scored 22 points in a 73-52 win over Virginia Tech in the opener and came back to score 23 and pull down 13 rebounds in a 77-49 win against East Carolina.

North Carolina also beat East Tennessee State 62-54 in Johnson City, Tenn., Dec. 10, with Brown scoring 20

points and pulling down 16 rebounds, both game highs.

It won't get any easier for the Tar Heels as they face home games with Virginia and Duke and a game at N.C. State in the next week.

"What we have coming up will definitely be tough," Brown said. "Duke will be tough because they always get up to play us, but nobody will lie down for North Carolina."

## Louisiana Tech is No. 1 in women's basketball poll

The Associated Press

Louisiana Tech received all 60 first-place votes to take over the top spot in the weekly collegiate women's basketball poll announced Tuesday. It was the 50th time that the nationwide panel of women's coaches had named the Techsters No. 1. Coach Sonja Hogg's team moved up from second after defeating then-No. 1 Southern California, UCLA and previously No. 4 Long Beach State last week. The victory over Southern Cal gained a measure of revenge for Tech, which was dethroned by the Women of Troy for the NCAA title last season.

USC, 10-3, tumbled from first to fifth after three road losses to previously No. 6 Texas Tech, and No. 7 Old Dominion. It is the lowest position for Southern Cal since finishing sixth in 1982.

Nine other top 20 teams also suffered defeats and a 10th — Georgia — barely escaped from Southeastern Conference rival Kentucky with a 69-68 victory. The Lady Dawgs, 12-1, moved up a spot to second, their highest ranking ever, with 1,129 points, behind Tech's total of 1,200.

Texas, 9-2, with wins over Southern Cal, Long Beach and Texas Tech, moved

from sixth to third with 1,049 points. Old Dominion's 101st appearance in the Top 10 was celebrated with a move from seventh to fourth after home wins over No. 10 Kansas State, 92-64, and USC, 102-90. The Monarchs, 10-2, received 943 points. USC earned 940 points, just ahead of Louisiana State's total of 928.

Tennessee, 9-4, picked up wins at North Carolina, over Pittsburgh, and at previously No. 19 Florida, to climb from 11th back into the upper half of the rankings at eighth with 717 points.

Mississippi, 10-2, was upset by SEC rival Auburn and dropped a spot to ninth, while Kansas State, 9-3, remained 10th.

In the second 10, Alabama, 13-2, leaped from 17th to 11th, ahead of idle Cheyney, 9-2, which moved from 15th to 12th. Maryland, 7-3, fell from ninth to 13th.

Missouri, 9-2, moved up two spots to 14th, and Auburn, 8-3, dropped a spot to 15th.

North Carolina State, 9-3, fell from 12th to 16th. Clemson, 9-3, moved up one spot to 17th.

Rutgers, 9-3, fell from 13th to 18th. St. John's, 11-1, moved up a spot to 19th, and Virginia, 11-1, moved back into the rankings at 20th after a week's absence.

## Battle heats up over 'Season Ticket'

The Associated Press

RALEIGH — The Atlantic Coast Conference is getting unfair criticism as fans and cable television debate whether some basketball games should be available only to viewers who pay extra, says an ACC official.

Marvin A. "Skeeter" Francis, assistant conference commissioner, said the conference "has really been made to look like the bad guy" in the Season Ticket dispute that last week ended up in New Hanover County District Court.

"I think many of our fans are spoiled because they think every game should be televised," said Francis. "If we get to the point where every game is televised, we'd be playing the games on a stage,

and we'd have piped-in crowd noises."

Under the Season Ticket package, fans who subscribe to the Entertainment and Sports Programming Network must pay an extra \$50 to \$65 to see 21 ACC games that are blacked out otherwise.

The 21 games are in addition to the 38 shown on commercial television, or about half that number shown on cable's ESPN.

Last week, District Judge Elton G. Tucker ordered Vision Cable of North Carolina Inc. to open its remaining Season Ticket offerings to all ESPN viewers, starting Wednesday with North Carolina State's game with Virginia. The decision came in a lawsuit filed by three Wilmington cable viewers.

Attorneys for ESPN, Vision Cable and its production company, Raycom Sports Inc. of Charlotte declined comment when asked if they would appeal the decision.

Other representatives, however, said the matter may not yet be over.

George Roundtree III, the lawyer representing the Wilmington cable system, said ESPN contends that the matter belongs in federal court because the Federal Communications Commission normally deals with blackouts and broadcast signals.

Meanwhile, other suits may be pending.

In Siler City, attorney Ray Swain said he dropped an action similar to the one in Wilmington against Freedom Cable-

vision of Sanford after striking a deal with the cable company allowing him to view the Season Ticket games.

Francis said he was surprised the issue has ended up in court.

"This was a supplemental thing put on as an experiment," he said. "We thought it was the answer to people's prayers. We thought we were doing something for them. The money involved is nothing."

Other Cable systems are watching — and waiting — to see if they will be hit by a lawsuit.

C. Anthony Castner, general manager of Cablevision of Durham Inc., said he had been waiting all day "for the shoe to drop" against his station.

## Fencers have productive weekend at State

By MIKE WATERS  
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North Carolina's fencers returned to action last weekend at the Wolfpack Open at N.C. State, with three Tar Heels qualifying for the National Junior Olympics.

Sophomore Karl Elmore finished second in the sabre division to earn a spot

on the regional squad. In the foil division, sophomores Scott Jashinski and Jim Kitchen placed second and third respectively to join Elmore on the region's team.

Seniors Lonnie McCullough, Amiel Rossabi and Chris Heinlein all placed high in each of their weapons. McCullough finished second in the sabre, and freshman Richard Hoile followed in fourth.

Co-captain Rossabi was third in the foil. Heinlein placed second in the epee, while sophomore Kevin Bunn took third.

The women fared even better in the foil. Karen Marnell won the division ahead of seniors Cindy Brown, who finished second, and Beth McMahon, who was fourth.

The Wolfpack Open was the final preparation for this weekend's invita-

tional tournament in Chicago, which will feature teams from UNC, Penn State, Rutgers, Notre Dame and other top schools.

Individual competition will be held Friday and Saturday, to be followed by an eight-team tournament on Sunday. Team members must do well on an individual basis in order to qualify their team for Sunday's tournament.

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