

SPORTS

UNC football players running track

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An arrangement has been made between UNC football coach Dick Crum and track coach Don Lockerbie which they say should be mutually beneficial to track and football. The arrangement allows football players to participate in indoor track.

Lockerbie says the track team is much more competitive this year with the addition of football players.

"We now have about 10 football players out for track . . . and we're a lot better team," Lockerbie said. "Coach Crum and I have reached an agreement in which we believe the football team can help track and track can help the football team."

Crum also said that he thought the agreement would help both programs.

"I think it's going to help the track team," Crum said. "The people involved

with track are in skilled positions (on the football team), and they are mainly working with sprints. It will help them maintain speed during the off season. For the people in the field events it helps them to maintain quickness."

It might seem strange that such a mutually beneficial arrangement has been overlooked or ignored in the past. Crum said the failure to generate a previous arrangement is due to lack of communication.

"This is the first year anyone has expressed any interest in having (football players). Coach Marks coordinates the whole thing," Crum said.

Maye

throwing motion to a more overhand release since high school could have brought the problem to the surface.

"(The change in motion) wasn't something that I planned," Maye said. "It just happened, and it triggered everything that happened in my arm."

"I was as surprised as anybody," Maye said. "All the things (Jobe) described, and I never felt anything. When I threw, it hurt a lot, but in normal activities it didn't hurt at all."

Maye said Jobe has tentatively scheduled the surgery on his shoulder for April, but added that he is anxious to get through the operation and into the 10-12 month rehabilitation process. Maye would still be eligible for the 1986 and 1987 seasons.



Michael Marks, the University's athletic fitness director, recognized the track potential of several football players.

"Basically, we have nine football players who have the capability of performing well in track and field," said Marks, former track athlete. "The track team needs to utilize their talent."

He was quick to point out that the athletes were not pressured into competition.

"It's strictly a voluntary thing," Marks said. "They are still training several days a week (with the football team). We are doing a workout which will complement both football and track."

"It's helping me become more explosive," said Darryl Durham, a defensive back on the football squad. "The twisting and lateral movement you use in shot and discus are the same (move-

ment) you use on the football field. The more you use it, the better you perfect it."

Tailback Brad Sullivan joined the track team with the idea of increasing his speed, but now his success on the track has altered his thinking.

"When I first joined track I just wanted to get my 40 time down," Sullivan said. "Since I qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championship, I've shifted a lot of interest to track."

In making the agreement with Lockerbie, Crum insisted that his athletes maintain their academic work.

"The only thing I told the guys on the football team was as long as they remain sound academically, they can continue with the track," Crum said.

The success of the arrangement has been evident from the first two track meets, according to Lockerbie. "We're on a roll," he said.

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quarterback next season.

What does a college quarterback do with a year away from football?

"That's a good question," Maye said. "I'm not sure yet. Now I'll have more time to concentrate on my classes. I'll

SCOREBOARD

Calendar

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just pray that my arm gets back to normal as soon as possible.

"I'm not worried about anything but being able to throw the football. If things work out, they work out, and if they don't, well, I'll have to live with that, too."

Three-second violations, careless passes.

"We still drill all the time on passing," Buzz Peterson said in the locker room Monday after the Tar Heels had clipped the Dolphins, 74-68, but not before turning the ball over 17 times. "It just comes from the mind. I think it's a lack of concentration."

Earlier in the year, the Tar Heels were having the same problem. In games against Wichita State, Arizona State and Hawaii Pacific, UNC averaged 23 giveaways a game.

But starting with the Stetson game Jan. 3, the turnovers decreased. UNC averaged just 11 turnovers from the Stetson game to the Southern Methodist game ten days ago.

Since then, the Tar Heels have regressed. In the N.C. State game a week ago, UNC gave up the ball 10 times in the first half and three more times in its first five possessions of the second half. They tightened up and wallowed the Wolfpack in the last 16 minutes, but ended up with 15 turnovers and had to recover from a 15-point deficit.

After that, Duke's swarming defense took advantage of 17 Tar Heel giveaways with a 93-77 win.

But Monday's game featured 17 more turnovers against a Jacksonville team

'TO's keep hurting Heels

Wednesday

Lee Roberts

that employed a reasonably packed-in, sagging zone defense. Not the kind of pressure defense that forces turnovers.

"Careless" was the word going around the UNC locker room after the game.

"We need to take our time and make sure of the easy passes," Steve Hale said. "There's no need to make spectacular passes."

Peterson emphasized that the team was not tired.

"It's just the mid-season blues," Peterson said. "You think you've got the routine down, but you've still got to concentrate."

Kenny Smith seemed to have the "mid-season blues" as well. "Once you play so many games in a row, you start to remember some bad passes you've made lately and you think, 'I better not throw that pass,'" Smith said. "You see (Maryland players) Bias and Gatlin and (Duke's Johnny) Dawkins every time down the court."

Coach Dean Smith wasn't too concerned about all this turnover talk, though. Smith said many of the turnovers came from lob passes to the big men underneath, and that the number of baskets outweighed the few turnovers that occurred.

"If we're going to use big people in our lineup, we might lose the ball a few times," Smith said. "We'll work on (the turnovers), but we're still going to throw it away."

Granted, the Tar Heels aren't giving up enough turnovers to warrant calling out the National Guard: they are only giving the ball up about one more time per game this season than they did last year. But they are forcing two less turnovers a game this year than they did last year, and they have less natural talent to overcome the problem this season.

When North Carolina is executing with its passes, it is one of the better teams in the country. When it is not, it beats Jacksonville by six points.

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