

SPORTS

Field hockey year ends in 3-2 loss

By MIKE BERARDINO
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The North Carolina women's field hockey team had its hopes for a first-ever trip to the Final Four dashed Sunday afternoon on AstroTurf Field by an old nemesis, three-time national champion Old Dominion. Stelly Seltman scored the game-winner midway through the second half, lifting the fifth-ranked Monarchs to a 3-2 victory in the second round of the NCAA South Regional and ending the fourth-ranked Tar Heels' most successful season.

"ODU played a great game," UNC coach Karen Shelton said. "So did we, but they came out on top."

Seltman's goal, the only one of the second stanza, came with 17:52 left to play under quite unusual circumstances. With the game tied at two, the junior forward took control 30 yards from the net and sent a shot toward UNC goalkeeper Jan Miles. The ball rolled untouched into the goal as Miles stood and watched, apparently thinking it was heading over the end line.

Shelton later defended her stellar netminder. "The rest of the players on the field can make mistakes and nobody notices," Shelton pointed out. "But when a goalkeeper makes a mistake, it's a biggie."

Following the goal, the Tar Heels pressed hard for a possible game-tying score but were unsuccessful in their efforts. In an attempt to generate more of an attack, Shelton even replaced Miles with defender Kristy Kimball at the 12:18 mark. The move was to no avail as ODU just was not to be denied.

The partisan crowd of approximately 400 was treated to a fast-paced, emotion-packed contest which saw

North Carolina twice battle back from one-goal deficits but never take the lead. Old Dominion struck first with Jackie Grady's goal 8:20 into the game. The junior forward gathered a rebound five yards from the net and guided a shot past Miles for the icebreaker.

That advantage was short-lived. UNC's Claire Dougherty came right back with an unassisted score at the 11:47 mark to make it 1-1. The junior from Wilmington, De., flipped a left-handed shot past a fallen Lynn Currie, ODU's keeper.

The Monarchs went in front again 8:35 later on Dawn Hill's shot from 15 yards out just past the 15 minute mark. Hill, a senior who scored twice on Saturday in the Monarchs' 3-1 first-round win over Virginia, received assists from Grady and Cheryl Van Kuren on the goal.

North Carolina was able to forge a 2-2 tie just 5:37 before halftime as Judith Jonckheer rifled a shot by recently-inserted ODU goalkeeper Shelly Behrens. Seniors Beth Logan and Louise Hines provided assists on the sophomore Jonckheer's 15th goal of the year. It was the 13th assist for Logan, who set a new season record for UNC in that category in 1985.

What made the defeat all the more frustrating for North Carolina, which ends its season 13-4, was that the Tar Heels won the battle of the stat books. Old Dominion, now 19-6, trailed UNC in shots on goal (12-10) and penalty corners (8-5). Unfortunately for Shelton's team, this wasn't Strat-O-Matic hockey and the Tar Heels' statistical edge paled in comparison to one set of numerals: Three to two.

Shelton later reflected on the most successful year in UNC field hockey history. "We had our chances and I'm real disappointed," she said. "But it's not the end of the world."

Shelton had nothing but praise for the history-making 1985 squad. "This is the best team I've ever worked with. I still believe we're the best team in the country."

Nicholas leads UNC to x-country nationals

By BOB YOUNG
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The Patient: Doc, this is Yoo-ensee Kroscontry here. I think something's wrong with me. I mean, I feel like I've got potential — but I just can't seem to put everything together. Disoriented, y'know? I feel like I'm slipping into a mediocrity complex. What can I do?

The Doctor: Take two new coaches and call me from Milwaukee.

The Result: The UNC men's cross country team will have to add one more city to its Recovery Tour '85.

Under UNC's first-year coaches Dennis Craddock and Chris Fox, the Tar Heels tied for third place Saturday at the Division III Championships at Greenville, S.C., and thus qualified, along with Holly Murray from the women's team, for the NCAA Championships at Milwaukee on Nov. 25.

George Nicholas again led the men's squad, capturing UNC's first individual divisional title since the NCAA adopted the divisional format. His time of 29:39 for the 10,000-meter course beat East Tennessee's Brian Dunne by nine seconds — not bad

considering the two were dead even with a quarter-mile to go.

To qualify the performance a bit: Dunne finished ninth in last year's TAC Championships (beating Alberto Salazar), and was fifth in the NCAA 10,000-meter track finals in the spring.

Following Nicholas for the Tar Heels were Mike Currinder (19), Jim Farmer (28), Mike McGowan (35) and Bill Will (68). North Carolina's total of 129 points was bettered by N.C. State's 63 and Tennessee's 109 and equaled by Auburn.

For the women, senior Holly Murray rebounded from a disappointing performance at the ACCs to finish sixth at Greenville and qualify for her third straight trip to the NCAAs, where she finished 10th in 1984.

The other UNC scorers were Chryssa Nicholas (20), Karol Chambers (23), Vicki Verinder (39) and Jeanne Matta (58). As a team, the Tar Heels' 137 points was only good enough for fourth place, as N.C. State put all five scorers — including three sophomores and a freshman — in the top ten to win the meet with 26 points. Kentucky (95) and Clemson (97) followed in second and third.

While the Wolfpack women will make the trip to the NCAAs for the umpteenth year, the Tar Heel men will be going for the first time this decade — and are hoping for a better showing than the one this weekend.

"We ran like crap," Nicholas said. "But at least we qualified."
Ran like crap?

"It really was a bad day for us," said coach Fox. "But I guess it says something good about our team that we can qualify for nationals with what was probably our worst race of the year."

But the Tar Heels have one more chance at Milwaukee.

"We're going there with a relaxed frame of mind," Fox said. "Hopefully, we can pick off a few teams and surprise some people. I think we're one of the top 15 teams in the country and we could finish anywhere from 14th to 20th."

"It'll be a learning experience for most of our guys, so you can't expect a lot. We just have to do the best we can and use it as a positive race to start building for next year."

Tar Heels defeat Greeks in international disaster

By LEE ROBERTS
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The Greek National Team and North Carolina allegedly engaged in a game of basketball Saturday night in Carmichael Auditorium, with the home team prevailing in this epic saga, 98-64. Actually, the game wasn't all that bad. But when one considers that one of the highlights was a missed dunk by UNC guard Raznino Smith, it can't be considered a classic.

"It was a sloppy game," North Carolina coach Dean Smith said later to a gaggle of reporters. "It tells me we have a lot of work to do at taking better care of the basketball."

That's an understatement. The Tar Heels committed a whopping 26 turnovers, while the Greeks chipped in with 27. Throw in the 46 personal fouls called on the night (33 against the Greeks), and this highlight film gets burned.

Despite some of the comical statistics, some good came out of this international exhibition. For one, Jeff Lebo, Kenny Smith and Steve Hale all had good games defensively, and Brad Daugherty, despite missing some gimme baskets, wound up with 22 points, seven rebounds and 10-for-10 from the foul line. No one for the Tar Heels played extremely poorly, which will have to be the case if UNC wants to win its regular-season opener next Sunday against UCLA.

The Greeks didn't play quite so well. The lone bright spot for this Mediterranean nightmare was the 26-point

performance of guard Nick Galis, a former Seton Hall player. Galis was popping shots from the outside all night and had four steals. "He's got very good quickness," coach Smith said of Galis. "Steve (Hale) and Kenny (Smith) did a good job on him but the others didn't."

No problem. The Tar Heels outsize and out-talented the Greeks anyway, and this affair was over soon after it started. The teams traded hoops through the first four minutes until Daugherty broke an 8-8 tie with a layup inside. North Carolina would lead for the rest of the night, going on a 30-10 run after that basket.

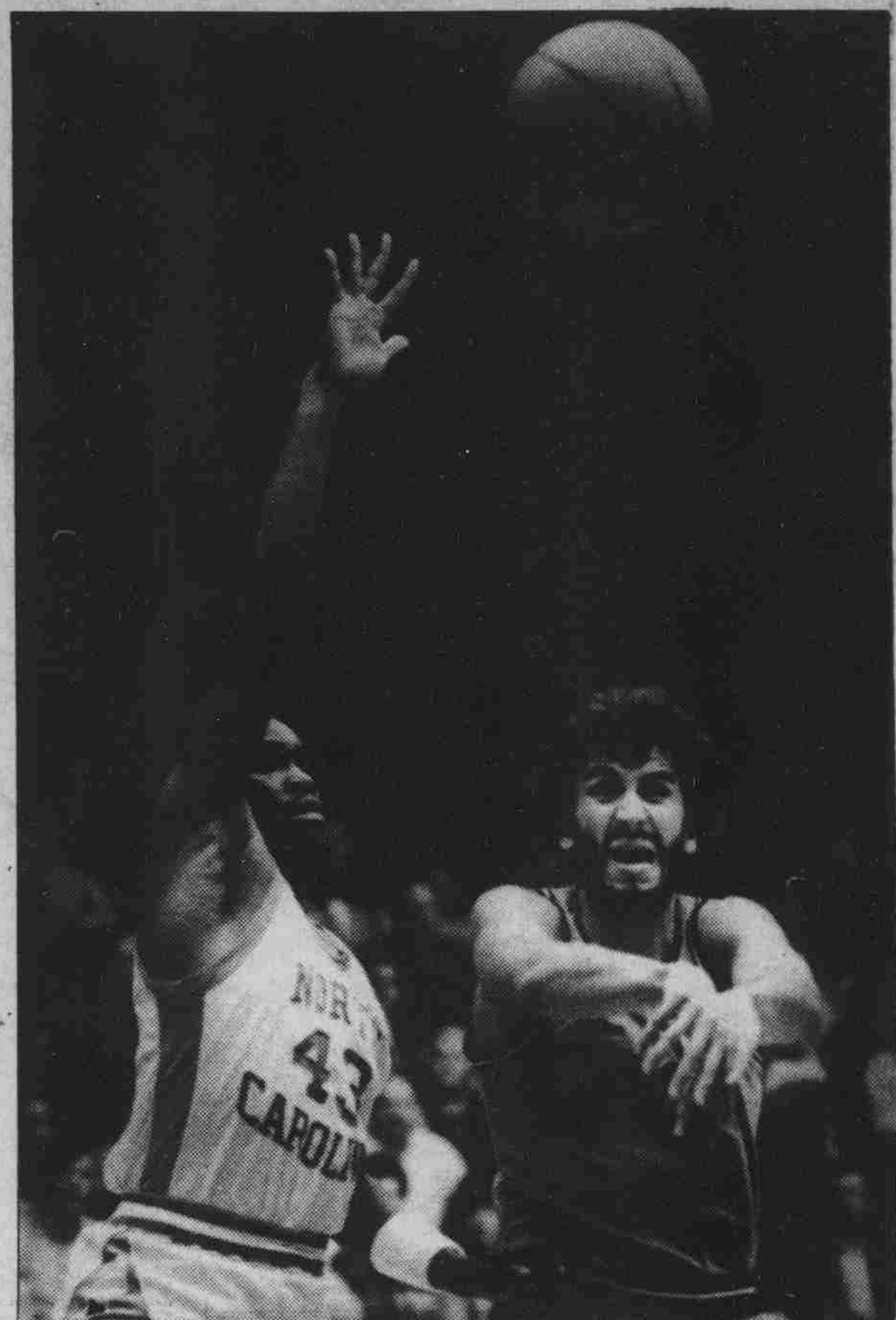
The Greeks were pretty miffed at the officiating, especially in the first half. By the time the score got to 38-18, the frustrations were manifesting themselves in physical gesturing. It was only a matter of time (about two minutes later) before a Greek (Galis) would explode. Galis blew off his steam, and when Hale hit both technical free throws it was a 43-22 game.

"The officiating was horrible," Galis said later. "We expected them to let us play some more."

Hale could understand the Greeks' frustrations. "The international rules are very different," Hale said. "When we were over there (in Greece, two years ago), we felt like we couldn't get a call."

Greek coach Kostas Politis said of the calls through an interpreter, "I felt like taking up a white towel and saying, 'we surrender.'"

The game was the third for the Greeks against ACC competition in four nights. They lost 103-78 to Duke Wednesday, 90-69 to N.C. State Friday, and to UNC Saturday. Smith said his Tar Heels had caught the Greeks on a tired night, and Galis agreed.



UNC's 98-64 win was chock-full of wild passes and physical battling

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