

Sports

Tar Heels set for showdown

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When the top two women's collegiate soccer teams in the country, North Carolina and California-Berkeley, face each other Saturday at 3:30 p.m. on Fetzer Field, the Tar Heels will not only enjoy the competition, they will also thrive on it.

Cal-Berkeley brings a well-seasoned squad into Chapel Hill once again, with many top U.S. National Team players, including forward Joy Beffel and midfielder Annie Rotobal.

And the top-ranked Tar Heels have just the team to dispose of Berkeley's top players. Returning two first-team All-Americans in the backfield, Lori Henry and Carla Werden, and the country's top goalkeeper in 1987, Anne Sherow, UNC coach Anson Dorrance's booters could stifle any opponent's attackers.

Dorrance has built himself a dynasty here in Chapel Hill. In the nine years of the women's soccer program, the Tar Heels have never lost at home, running up a 78-0-2 tab at Fetzer Field in that time. Currently, they are in the midst of a 53-game unbeaten streak, which is just four games shy of the NCAA record set by — guess who? — UNC from 1983-85. Dorrance's career record for the women's squad is a sparkling 164-7-4.

Saturday's game will mark the fourth time since UNC began its women's soccer program nine seasons ago that these two teams have met.

The Tar Heels have never lost to the Bears, and in their last meeting UNC pounded Berkeley, 4-0, in the frigid semifinal game of the 1987 NCAA Final Four in Amherst, Mass. No doubt the Bears will be looking for vengeance in this matchup.

The presence of the revenge factor raises the adrenaline of the competing players, but high intensity in this game will be an advantage for the Tar Heels, according to Dorrance.

"We enjoy games like these (against top competition), because they improve our play," Dorrance said, "and put us in a position to make ourselves better."

You might think that with the Tar Heels' unbelievable success at the sport they might be hard to motivate. But anyone who has seen the squad practice knows that that is just not the case.

One change that will affect the Tar Heels on Saturday will be the absence of senior first-team All-ACC forward Birthe Hegstad, who is touring with the Swedish National Team in England this weekend. Of course, another key Tar Heel still missing from the lineup is senior All-American midfielder Tracey Bates, who broke a foot in the offseason and will sit out the entire season.

Dorrance has been searching hard for a steady replacement in the midfield for Bates. "We have not been able to adjust yet without Tracey," he said. "But we have a fine crop of freshmen that are starting to fill in

well." Two freshmen that have already made an impact on the team are forward Chris Huston, a Spring, Texas, native and back Lisa Owen, who comes to Chapel Hill from Verga, N.J. These two have contributed so far this season, but they have yet to face top competition at the collegiate level. No doubt that they will Saturday.

One starter whose role will change is senior keeper Sherow. Last year, the Dayton, Ohio, native allowed only one goal in 1,712 minutes in the nets, a goals against average of .05, and she posted 22 shutouts in the process. She has not faced a fierce offensive test yet this year, having allowed only two goals, one last Saturday against George Mason in a 2-1 win and the other against Cincinnati in a 4-1 overtime win. However, Berkeley's offensive attack will not be passive, and with many top players up front, the Bears will keep UNC's defense on its toes.

If the Tar Heels can make an early offensive surge Saturday and then maintain their nationally known field poise, a victory for the Bears of Berkeley will be nearly impossible.

No matter what, though, one thing will occur Saturday. Not only will both teams battle hard, with the truly superior team exiting victorious, but all of the players will enjoy the game, because these teams truly yearn for good competition.



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Darren Royer's strong play in the nets has made him one of the nation's top goalkeepers

Royer hopes play in net will help soccer improve on '87

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He has been called one of the top goalkeepers in the nation. His team's 20-5 record last year was the best in the history of UNC men's soccer, and he has high hopes for another successful season in 1988. He is a strong candidate for the All-ACC team, and, with an extraordinary year, All-America honors in his final season in a Tar Heel uniform.

Meet Darren Royer, the last line of defense for the UNC soccer team. Royer, a 6-foot, 175-pounder from Seattle, Wash., began his assault on the Tar Heel record books in 1985 when he took over a starting role eight games into the season. Today, he stands seven shutouts and less than 200 minutes away from UNC career records in those categories. But Royer's importance to his team can't possibly be captured by statistics alone.

A student of the game when he's in the net, Royer studies political science and philosophy in the classroom. His philosophy background becomes evident when he discusses his role on the field, and his political sense comes through when he discusses everything within the team concept.

Royer himself realizes his leadership role in 1988. "It does add a little to the pressures already involved in being a goaltender," Royer says. "But I'm used to being a leader on the field and I'm just trying to continue doing the same things that I've always done."

Royer's previous experience in goal includes playing on a Washington state select team and the U.S. Junior National Team that recorded the first international tournament victory ever for a U.S. junior team.

Those accomplishments helped

Royer realize that he would be able to fulfill his dream of playing Division I soccer in college. "I've been playing goalie since I was 11 years old, and I gradually realized that I would be able to play in college," Royer says. "In high school, I made up a soccer resume and sent it to UNC because I knew that ACC competition would really present me with a challenge."

Royer has met the challenge in the eyes of head coach Anson Dorrance. "Darren is one of the top keepers in the ACC," Dorrance says. "He reads the game very well and he has worked hard to become one of the top keepers in the ACC. He has become a major factor in our winning and losing."

"His challenge this year is to become even better than he was last year. With the loss of David Smyth on defense, Darren's leadership qualities have to come to fruition. He must take over more and lead our young defense. I think there is no doubt that he will contend for not only all-league but All-America as well."

As a player who has a unique vantage point from which to watch the game, Royer knows that helping his teammates is just as important as making the big save. "I am always watching the ball when I'm in goal," Royer says. "If the defenders let down, I have to communicate with them and tell them what is working and what is not."

Though he may go an entire half without having to make a save, Royer believes that his position in goal enables him to help his teammates all the way upfield. "At the end of the field, you can see everything," Royer says. "I may see things that some guys can't see behind them or across the field. That's one of the main jobs that a goaltender has —

to direct the team and to tell them what's happening."

The man with the 1.75 goals against average said he enjoys his spot on the field because of the responsibility that goes with it. "What I like most about the position is that you're a separate player from the rest of the team," Royer says. "You're still a part of the team, but you need unique skills to play goal. You're the only player who can use his hands."

Though he has already had a successful career by any individual standards, Royer constantly focuses on the team's goals for 1988. "We can't be satisfied with what we did last year," he says. "People said we were a surprise team in 1987. I don't like that label. If we can do well again this year, it could firmly establish us as a team to be reckoned with."

Royer looks at his final season with high hopes for a successful campaign, but he's not worried about personal honors or All-America talk.

"My highest priority is for the team to do well," Royer says. "It just follows naturally that if the team does well, my personal honors will come, too."

With all that Darren Royer has going for him, that seems like a pretty safe bet.

Campus Calendar

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Friday
3 p.m. STV will have auditions for STV's "General College" until 11 p.m. in 210 Union. All interested are

welcome.
Liberal Arts Education, a symposium focusing on the humanities and significant changes in higher education in the last 20 years, will have its keynote address by Dr. Richard Lanham of UCLA in Hamilton Hall. This three-day forum is open to students, faculty, parents, administrators, scholars and legislators.
Union Cabaret Committee announces performances by Eve Cornelius/Chip Crawford Group. Catch the group before they're too big for the Union Cabaret. Free. **Newman Catholic Center** will present

"Play by Play" live at the Center.

Sunday

5 p.m. **WXYC** will air 30/30, a weekly call-in sports talk show. This week UNC baseball coach Mike Roberts and two pre-teen ballplayers from Chapel Hill will talk about their trip to China this summer.

6 p.m. **WXYC** will have Wynonia Brewington Burke, the independent candidate for Vice President of the United States, on "Northern Hemispheres Live," a call-in talk show.

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Great Decisions '89 is accepting applications for its coordinating committee. Applications and more information available in 207 Caldwell.

UNC Elections Board has petitions available for all students interested in running for open Student Congress districts in the fall election. Petitions available in Suite C in 217 D Union.

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