

# Sports

## Thoden's arm, Nichols' bat lead baseball to 4-2 win

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DURHAM — There's something to be said for seeing a project through to the end.

It's no wonder John Thoden was tired after the UNC baseball game against Duke Tuesday. He pitched the entire game on only two days rest, leading the Tar Heels to a 4-2 win over the Blue Devils.

As if that's not enough, Thoden gave up just four hits, and, along with a solid defense, held Duke scoreless until the bottom of the ninth inning.

It was Thoden's fifth complete game this season. He leads the ACC in innings pitched with 71. In those

71 innings, he has allowed only 67 total baserunners.

"I was a little tired, but we were able to get away with the win, and that's what's really important," Thoden said. Thoden gave credit to UNC's defensive players, who executed double plays in the third, seventh and eighth innings, for containing the Duke batters. "(The) defense was just outstanding."

The first five innings were largely defensive. UNC's first run came in the third when Ryan Howison was hit by a Mike Kotarski pitch, and then batted in by Tom Nevin, who executed a perfect squeeze bunt to put the Tar Heels ahead 1-0.

Scoring came to a standstill until the top of the sixth, when UNC's bats heated up. With one out, Dave Arendas led off with a single. After a long fly-out for the second out, the stage was set for a two-out rally that resulted in three more runs for the Tar Heels.

UNC designated hitter Bobby Honeycutt sparked the rally when he reached first base on an error. Todd Nichols then came to the plate and connected for the biggest hit of the game, a line drive double to deep left field that sent Arendas and Honeycutt home, and increased UNC's lead to three.

After Nichols then reached third

on another Blue Devil error, he scored run No. 4 when Duke reliever Vin LaPietra walked Brad Woodall with the bases loaded.

The Blue Devils didn't threaten the 4-0 UNC lead until the bottom of the ninth, when Thoden walked lead-off batter David Williams. The next Blue Devil batter knocked a single through the infield to position Blue Devils on first and second.

Thoden retired the next two batters, but a UNC error added some drama to the afternoon. Duke designated hitter Tim Rumer's grounder eluded second baseman Arendas, allowing Williams and McCracken to run home.

Villani caught a high line drive in right field to end the game. The 4-2 final score marked the second time UNC has beaten Duke in Durham. UNC's ACC record improved to 8-2. The Tar Heels also outhit Duke 11-4.

UNC Coach Mike Roberts said that Tuesday was the first time outside of tournament play he had ever played a pitcher on only two days rest. Thoden's pitch count was very low, he said, but if he had thrown more pitches he would have been taken out earlier in the game because he pitched seven innings Saturday.

"I was worried about his arm, but I thought he looked like the same

pitcher as if he'd had four or five days rest," Roberts said.

Roberts said he was upset with himself when Duke narrowed the margin in the ninth. "I did a very poor job of coaching in the ninth, offensively," he said. "We should have put more runs on the board."

He said the team's overall hitting is improving, but could still be better in the clutch. "We hit the ball hard, but we need to hit the ball more consistently hard, with runners in scoring position," he added.

The Tar Heels' next chance to hit the ball harder and farther comes today against UNC-Wilmington in Boshamer Stadium at 6 p.m.

## Lax posts close 9-5 win

From staff reports

GREENVALE, N.Y. — The sixth-ranked UNC lacrosse team snapped a two-game losing streak on Tuesday afternoon, defeating C.W. Post, 9-5, in a tough road game.

Dennis Goldstein led the Tar Heels with two goals and three assists, while Chris Galgano added two goals and Michael Thomas contributed two assists. C.W. Post's Alex Berman and Pete French each scored two goals in a losing cause.

After losing games to top-ranked Johns Hopkins and ACC foe Maryland last week, the win pushes UNC's record to 7-3 on the season. C.W. Post fell to 1-5, but all five losses have been close losses to nationally-ranked teams.

The lead flipped back and forth early. Post jumped out to an early 2-1 lead in the first quarter, but UNC nailed two straight goals to push ahead 3-2.

After C.W. Post tied the score at 3-3, Golstein rifled a goal in with 7:46 left in the first half give North

Carolina a 4-3 edge at halftime.

The Tar Heels took control in the second half, scoring three unanswered goals in the third quarter — two in the last 1:18 of the quarter.

Niell Redfern gave UNC a 5-3 lead early in the quarter, setting the stage for a last-minute shooting spree. With 1:18 left, Craig Hasslinger put UNC up 6-3. Then, a little more than a minute later, with only three seconds left in the third quarter, Chip Mayer fired in an extra-man goal off a Thomas assist to give UNC a seemingly insurmountable 7-3 advantage.

UNC coasted the rest of the way, easily holding off every Post rally for the win. The two teams traded two goals in the final period to account for the final 9-5 score.

C.W. Post goalie Lou Gannotte made 21 saves, while UNC's Pat Olmert deflected just eight shots. Olmert bounced back from a sub-par performance against Johns Hopkins with a superb showing in the crease.

UNC attacked the goal with 49

shots, while Post managed only 18 shots. The Tar Heels also scooped up 72 ground balls to Post's 41.

The next game is a big one for the Tar Heels, as they travel to Scott Stadium to face ACC rival Virginia at 2 p.m. on Friday.

### Men's tennis tops Deacons, 8-1

WINSTON-SALEM — The North Carolina men's tennis team lost just one match en route to a 8-1 stomping of Wake Forest in ACC tennis action Tuesday afternoon.

No. 1 singles player David Pollack was the only Tar Heel to fall, as Bryan Jones, Don Johnson, Andre Janasik, Thomas Tanner and Jimmy Weibacher all won in singles matches.

In doubles action, the Pollack/Johnson connection combined for a 6-2, 6-3 win, followed by a 6-2, 6-1 win by the team of Janasik/Wielbacher. Joe Frierson and Jones finished the Tar Heel romp with a 7-5, 2-6, 6-3 doubles win.

## Stephenson fights back from injury, returns to action today

By ERIC WAGNON  
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Senior tennis tri-captain Ann Stephenson can still detail the scenario surrounding her ankle injury. "I was ahead in the third set when tragedy occurred," Stephenson said, looking back to her match at Brigham Young on March 17.

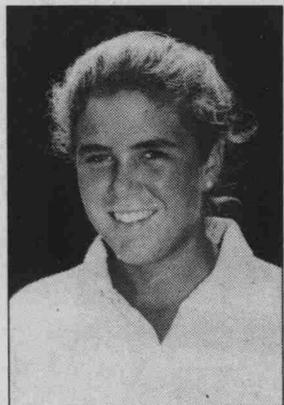
"It was my ad, and she hit me a wide forehand, and I hit a forehand, so the whole court was open," Stephenson described. "I was ready to move to the backhand, but I saw her hit me another forehand. So my body weight was going that way, but my foot just came back this way, and it just rolled over. It snapped three times. It was so distinct."

Stephenson, of Columbia, Mo., had never before suffered a serious injury in her career. The doctor told her that the severity of her sprain was a 2.9 on a scale of one to three. The initial prognosis was that she would be off the court for at least a month.

Stephenson said that she didn't need a doctor to tell that her injury was serious. "Not only was it painful," she said. "But a lot of things went through my mind, like whether I was going to get to play some more. We hadn't gotten into the ACC yet, and I felt like the team could do a lot."

Stephenson, a three-year letterman, entered her senior season ranked 38th in the national collegiate singles poll and eighth in the Southeast region. Stephenson was enthusiastic about her last year as a Tar Heel, because she felt that her junior year had been successful, based on her qualifying for the NCAAAs.

"It gave me a lot of confidence," Stephenson said. "It was a turn maybe in college tennis for me, because I was just kind of going through the motions. Then, my game turned around. I was much stronger,



Ann Stephenson

playing more aggressive."

Prior to her ankle injury, Stephenson was on track for a very successful season with an undefeated string on the team's trip to California over spring break. The Tar Heels' opponents on the trip, UC-Irvine, San Diego and San Diego State, were all highly competitive squads.

Although she played in the number three singles position, rather than her accustomed number one slot, Stephenson returned to action last Friday against Miami to defeat Kerri Reiter, 6-3, 6-2. After that victory, Stephenson felt fairly confident about a smooth return to the court. On Saturday, Stephenson played against Kentucky's Caroline Knudten. After losing 6-2, 6-2, Stephenson said that the strain of back-to-back matches was too much for her ankle.

Following her match on Monday against Wake Forest, when she blew past an overmatched Kara Caister,

6-0, 6-0, at number four singles, Stephenson commented on her progress, saying, "It's not so much that it hurts, but it just won't get up and go. It doesn't feel fired up and pumped."

Although she wore a brace during the match, Stephenson added that she may have reinjured the ankle during the third set. Her doctor's diagnosis on Monday was that she may have torn some of the scar tissue from the old injury. Stephenson, however, is planning to play today at 2:30 against N.C. State at the UNC Tennis Center.

Stephenson said she is looking forward to putting this setback behind her and fully resuming competitive play. She spent more than six weeks in Europe last summer and said she enjoyed the experience so much that it should figure into her post-college plans.

"Before I hang up my competitive spirit, I'm going to try to play tournament tennis — satellites in Europe," Stephenson said. "I've heard so many different stories from different players. Sometimes you last and other times it's just mentally exhausting."

As a journalism major at North Carolina, Stephenson has also entertained the option of possibly going into public relations, especially in a position that would be related to athletics.

Before she goes on to pro tennis in Europe or another career, however, she is concentrating on making the most of her last collegiate season.

Considering the adversity she has faced this season with her injury, Stephenson has fought back courageously and has started back on the competitive road of college tennis. But such a comeback should be expected from a young woman who has simply stated, "I like challenge."

## Low-profile fencers foil foes to gain national prominence

By JASON BATES  
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With little fanfare and even less fan support, coach Ron Miller has directed the UNC men's and women's varsity fencing teams to national prominence. Once again both teams completed their difficult seasons with winning records and high NCAA tournament finishes.

"A lot of people don't realize how well we are known nationally in the fencing world," said senior Alicia Foster.

The women's team was supposed to have a rebuilding year in 1989, according to coach Miller. But with seniors Foster, Cheryl Gates and Ashley Grabs and freshman Lisa Campi leading the way, the team compiled a dual meet record of 22-4, went undefeated in the ACC and finished 11th in the NCAAAs.

"We were very deep," coach Miller added. "Any of (our top four) fencers could have started for any other team in the country."

The Tar Heels received the only at-large bid to the NCAA tourna-

ment. Miller said the key to getting the bid was beating a lot of tough competition from outside the region.

"We're in the Mid-Atlantic South Region, which is the strongest region nationally," said coach Miller. "It has the most teams (31) and the most good teams."

The men's team, meanwhile, ended the season with an 18-7 dual meet record and won both the ACC regular season and conference tournament.

"We had an outstanding year, but it could've been more outstanding," commented Miller. "We had some bad luck early in the season and some inconsistency late in the season."

In fact the men's dual meet record could have just as easily been 23-2. Five of the Tar Heel losses were by 14-13 scores.

The sabre team, spurred by the one-two finishes of Paul LeBlanc and Chris Haga, led the men to the conference tournament championship. Coach Miller praised the sabre team as having the best season of the three weapons.

He called the foil the most

improved weapon, as freshman Bruce Walker and sophomore Steve Aldrich tied for third in the ACC tournament. The epee team turned in the most steady performance for the year with senior Ravi Sawhney leading the way.

Despite these honors, the men's season ended on a bittersweet note as only LeBlanc was invited to participate in the NCAA tournament.

Miller was upset that only one UNC fencer was invited to the NCAAAs. The coach thought more UNC fencers deserved a chance, and he filed a formal protest over the selection method. Miller said the criteria for selection would be enforced better next year.

"With one more fencer in the tournament we would've been in the top ten," stated Miller. "Both (Haga and Sawhney) should've been at the NCAAAs without question."

But that doesn't take away from the great season the Tar Heels had. "This was one of the most satisfying seasons I've had as a coach," he said. "It was fun."

## Bama's Humphrey to go pro

From Associated Press reports

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Bobby Humphrey, the all-time leading runner in Alabama football history, will give up his last year of eligibility to make himself available for the NFL supplemental draft, a published report said Tuesday.

Alabama's director of media relations, Steve Townsend, said Humphrey will appear at a news conference Wednesday, but that Humphrey, recovering from a foot injury suffered early last season, had not told him what he has decided.

However, The Birmingham News Tuesday quoted sources as saying Humphrey, who would be a fifth-year senior, decided against returning for the 1989 season after learning he could not get enough insurance

coverage to make it worthwhile should he suffer a career-ending injury.

Although he was insured for \$1 million through Lloyd's of London, he wanted to purchase at least twice that amount.

"It would be unprecedented to increase his coverage in the \$2 million or more range at this stage," an unidentified Lloyd's of London representative told the newspaper. "It might have been possible to get perhaps another \$500,000, but that's about it."

Humphrey had gained 3,240 career yards for a 5.6-yard average before re-injuring his left foot last season.

The paper said Humphrey told Coach Bill Curry and some teammates that he will enter either the July

or September supplemental drafts.

Humphrey could not be reached for comment, and Curry said, "This is Bobby's decision, and I'll be glad to talk about it when Bobby is ready to announce it."

He would neither confirm nor deny Humphrey is leaving.

Gene Stutts, a Birmingham attorney and Humphrey's legal adviser, said he could not respond to any questions.

## Campus Calendar

The DTH Campus Calendar is a daily listing of University-related activities sponsored by academic departments, student services and student organizations officially recognized by the Division of Student Affairs. To appear in Campus Calendar, announcements must be submitted on the Campus Calendar form by NOON one business day before the announcement is to run. Saturday and Sunday events are printed in Friday's calendar and must be submitted on the Wednesday before the announcement is to run. Forms and a drop box are located outside the DTH office, 104 Union. Items of interest lists ongoing events from the same campus organizations and follows the same deadline schedule as Campus Calendar. Please use the same form.

- Wednesday**
- 3:15 p.m. **University Career Planning and Placement Services** will have a summer job hunting workshop in 108 Hanes.
  - 3:30 p.m. **CGLA** will have a discussion on substance abuse in the lesbian and gay community in 212 Union.
  - Graduate English Club** will present Michael Waters, prize-winning poet and writer-in-residence at Sweet Briar College, in a reading in 101 Bingham.
  - Graduate English Club** will present Robert Martin, professor emeritus of English from Princeton University, discussing "The Sensuous World of Gerard Manly Hopkins" in 224 Greenlaw.
  - UCPPS** will have an off-campus job search and interviewing workshop for seniors and graduate students in 209 Hanes.
  - American Society of Personnel Administrators and Industrial Relations Association** will present a Human Resources Career Panel in 205 Union with representatives from Glaxo, GTE and Exxon.
  - AIIESEC** will meet. All interested students are encouraged to attend.
  - 5:15 p.m. **TM Club** will have group meditation in the Union Film Auditorium.
  - 5:30 p.m. **Newman** will hold its weekly student night, featuring George Lensing on "God's Friendship."
  - 7 p.m. **UNC Scuba Club** will meet in Frank Porter Graham Lounge, Union. This month's dive will be discussed.
  - 7:30 p.m. **CGLA** will sponsor a discussion with lesbian and gay couples in 212 Union.
  - Women's Studies** will have a panel discussion by professionals on affirmative action in Toy Lounge, Dey Hall.
  - Student Congress Finance Committee** will meet in 220 Union.
  - Mariantha Ministries** will have Bible Happy Hour in 224 Union. Steve Hale will speak.
  - 8 p.m. **Union Cabaret** will present an Association of English Students reading.
  - 9 p.m. **CGLA** will have a discussion of racism in the lesbian and gay community in 212 Union.
  - 10 p.m. **Wesley Foundation** will have dinner and a program.
  - 11 p.m. **WXCY** FM 89.3 will play the new album from House of Freaks, Tortilla, in its entirety with no interruptions.

### Items of Interest

**UNC Clef Hangers** will be holding auditions for all parts next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 17-19. Applications and sign-up are at the Union Desk this week.

**Campus Y Big Buddy Program** has Group Leader Applications available at the Campus Y. Current Big Buddies are encouraged to apply. Applications for Big Buddies who wish to return to the program next year are also available. Both are due by April 18.

**University Career Planning and Placement Services** must have the Final Learning Contract for Summer 1989 Academic Credit Internships approved by Robin Joseph, 211 Hanes, by 4 p.m. on April 13.

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- Pharmacy School
- Dental School
- Medical Technology
- Cytotechnology
- Radiologic Sciences
- Speech & Hearing Sciences
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Rehabilitation Counseling