

Sports

Lempers scores four as field hockey routs SLU

By NEIL AMATO

What is a Billiken?
The UNC field hockey team didn't care. The Tar Heels walloped the what-ever-they-ares from St. Louis University, 7-1, on the AstroTurf Field Friday to up their record to 4-0.

Freshman Imke Lempers, a native of the Netherlands, scored four goals, including a second-half hat trick, as North Carolina closed out its two-game home stand. Junior midfielder Laurel Hershey also tallied twice in the second half.

During the two wins, the Tar Heels outscored their opponents 18-1. For the season, North Carolina has scored 29 goals, 10 of them by Lempers, while only giving up two.

Seven minutes into the contest, play was halted due to lightning. After a 30-

minute delay, the teams went at it again. UNC coach Karen Shelton didn't think the stoppage influenced her squad.

"I don't think it really had an impact on the game," Shelton said. "It was so early, we seemed to not really lose anything."

Whether the delay affected UNC or not, it wasn't until the second half that the Tar Heels got on track. After first-half scores by Lempers and junior forward Peggy Anthon, UNC poured it on in the second period, putting five balls in the net.

Just 14 seconds into the second half, Hershey took a pass from forward Kathy Staley, who had stolen the ball from a Billiken stick. Hershey, a Hummelstown, Pa. native, poked the ball past SLU goalkeeper Wendy Sammons to give UNC a 3-0 lead.

Less than a minute later, Lempers

picked up the ball in the Billiken end and fed right wing Cathy Osmer, who dished to Anthon. The junior from St. Louis charged hard toward Sammons, who came out aggressively. Anthon pushed the ball out in front and then collided with Sammons, who knocked the ball away and, *a la* Lawrence Taylor, upended the Tar Heel forward and sent her tumbling to the turf.

Five minutes after Sammons' tackle, Lempers made it 4-0 on a penalty-corner goal. On a play designated "4A" by Shelton, Anthon hit in to midfielder Leslie Lyness. Lyness pushed the ball left to Hershey as Lempers circled around to the right. Lempers, the Tar Heels' main threat on penalty corners, took the pass from Hershey and rocketed a 15-yarder into the far corner past a befuddled Sammons.

Before coming over from Holland,

Lempers was unfamiliar with the particular corner set-up.

"I didn't know that play," Lempers said. "It is an American play, but I like it."

In fact, penalty-corner execution is something Shelton knows her team has to work on in order to be successful. "Our execution improved a little bit, but it's still not where it needs to be," Shelton said. "If we're going to be a national championship caliber team, then we need to have a higher percentage of execution on those corners."

With 18 minutes remaining, Lempers got her third goal on an assist from Staley. The two worked a picture-perfect give-and-go with Lempers nailing one past Sammons.

The Billikens got on the board from a penalty corner five minutes later. Katie Molony hit in to Jan Jokerst and Julie

Gering smashed the ball to the left of UNC keeper Evelien Spee.

Hershey scored unassisted to notch her fifth goal of the season when she dribbled towards an oncoming Sammons and squirted the ball to the goalie's right and into the net at the 22:19 mark of the second half.

Lempers closed out the scoring at 28:48 when she took a pass from Anthon on the left and sent a sizzler to the near post.

Lempers scored what was perhaps the prettiest goal of the night in the first half. After stealing the ball at midfield, Lempers weaved her way around several defenders before driving one to Sammons' right. Sammons lunged to knock it away, but Lempers gathered the loose ball and stuffed it in from the right side.

Although she had a big night personally, Lempers didn't want to take away any of the credit from her teammates.

"I didn't do it alone," Lempers said. "They made the assists and I made the goals. We did it all together."

The Tar Heels now will prepare to take on defending national champion Old Dominion. Last season, the Monarchs handed UNC its only two losses. UNC, according to Hershey, is looking to get back at them next weekend in Norfolk, Va.

"We're always looking forward to Old Dominion," Hershey said. "ODU-North Carolina games are always great because we're usually ranked one and two in the nation. I don't know how to describe it, I'm getting goose pimples right now just talking about it. It's just a great rivalry."

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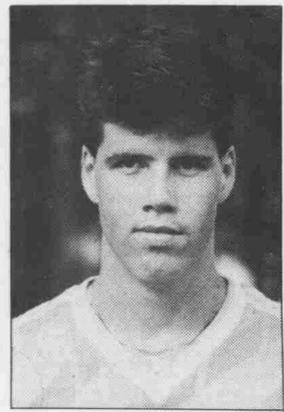
Missimo sets record in men's soccer loss

From staff reports

COLUMBIA, S.C. — History repeated itself Sunday afternoon before 3,800 soccer fans at The Graveyard in South Carolina. The USC men's soccer team defeated North Carolina, 3-2, reminding the Tar Heels of last year's NCAA South Regional Final, when the Gamecocks ended UNC's season with a 3-1 triumph.

But some new history was made Sunday as well. At the game's 26:01 mark, UNC striker Derek Missimo scored the 33rd goal of his career, which lifted him out of a three-way tie to stand alone as North Carolina's all-time leading scorer.

Missimo, a 6-5, 215-pound junior from Bedford, Texas, scored 13 and 12 goals, respectively, in his freshman and sophomore seasons and already has eight in just six games so far this year. His goal Sunday pushed him past Tony Johnson (1979-82) and Mark Devey (1982-86) on the all-time list.



Derek Missimo

12th-ranked Kentucky on Saturday. UNC, now 5-1, downed Louisville in straight games, 15-9, 15-12, 17-15. The Tar Heels managed to get a game off of undefeated Kentucky before falling, 15-4, 6-15, 15-6, 15-6, and then rebounded for a four-game victory over ECU, 15-13, 15-12, 12-15, 15-5.

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but kept it himself this time, diving out of bounds at the UNC 28 for a first down and, in essence, a Wildcat victory.

Sixty minutes earlier, the Wildcats sprung from the gate on the wet Commonwealth turf and galloped 72 yards in 11 plays for the game's lone touchdown.

Rawls left, Rawls right and Rawls up the middle — with a 17-yard Maggard to Meece hookup mixed in for good measure — brought the Wildcats to the UNC seven yard line.

Maggard pitched wide left to Rawls, who had only UNC's Reggie Clark and Torin Dorn to beat to the corner of the Tar Heel end zone. It wasn't much of a race, however, with Rawls winning by several lengths. Willis' extra point put the Wildcats up 7-0.

After the Tar Heel defense and the superb punting of UNC's Scott McAlister — including a bounce-aided 66-yarder — kept the Wildcats at bay, UNC mounted a threat early in the second quarter.

With 10 minutes remaining in the first half, a 17-yard burst by Benefield and an 18-yard jaunt by Jordan put the Tar Heels deep in Kentucky territory. But, on a third-and-seven play at the Wildcat 13, Joey Jauch couldn't hold onto Hall's timing pass in the end zone. UNC settled for a 29-yard Gwaltney field goal.

The Wildcats responded immediately with a 10-play, 48-yard drive capped by a 33-yard Willis field goal that gave Kentucky a 10-3 lead.

The Tar Heels threatened again on their final possession of the first half, using two Hall runs and two quick passes to move down to the Kentucky 33 yard line. Brown sent in Gwaltney for a 49-yard field goal attempt on a third-and-one play with 11 seconds remaining. His attempt was blocked by Kentucky linebacker Jeff Brady, who charged through the UNC line to get a piece of Gwaltney's low liner.



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Despite the loss, Roy Barker and the UNC defense had a pretty firm grasp of things Saturday

Soccer

ing up for a deficit in speed with field savvy, and providing one of the key aspects in UNC's win.

"I was especially happy with Emily today," coach Anson Dorrance said. "She came in this year after having worked herself to death this summer — that shows me that she is intrinsically motivated, and today showed us that it was well worth taking a chance on her. She was outstanding."

Best Dirty Look — Julie Guarnotta, forward, and not a force to be reckoned with. UNC-State matches are always physical, and this was no exception. After State's Jode Osborn committed one of the more blatant of the game's 25 fouls, Guarnotta hopped up to her feet and threw Osborn a look that Attila the Hun would have backed off from.

Best Feet — Kris Lilly, forward. Trying to get a ball out from under Lilly's churning feet is like trying to stop a ceiling fan with your tongue. Lilly, though only a freshman, has provided UNC with a tremendous lift and stands second on the team with seven goals already. Though she didn't score in Sunday's match, her contributions were outstanding.

The scoring was opened, though, at the 40:10 mark. Freshman Rita Tower drove down the left side past two State defenders and chipped the ball across the goal to Louellen Poore, who knocked it in over a diving Lindsay Brecher.

At the 49:05 mark, Shannon Higgins



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