

# Sports

## Anderson, Kennedy lead women over Towson St.

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The North Carolina women's basketball team used a one-two combination of Sheri Anderson and Kellie Kennedy to knock out the Towson State Tigers by a score of 95-62 Monday night in Carmichael Auditorium.

Anderson tossed in 13 first-half points and finished with 19 on the evening. Kennedy came off the bench to provide a spark for the team, contributing 16 points, including 14 in the second half.

The game was never in doubt, as UNC took the opening tip and leaped to a quick 20-12 lead over the hapless Tigers. Towson State called timeout to try to stem the tide, but it was too late.

Despite playing with injured ligaments in her left ankle, Anderson took the game into her own hands in the early going. With a deft combination of short jumpers and slashing drives to the basket, she kept the Tiger defense off balance. Anderson's superb play created opportunities for her teammates, especially freshman Heather Thompson. The 6-foot forward added eight first-half points of her own.

The Tar Heels led 45-31 at the half, thanks to a swarming, man-to-man defense and poor shooting by Towson State. The Tigers didn't help their own cause by shooting 45 percent from the

field and 50 percent from the free-throw line in the first half.

Things went from bad to worse for Towson State in the second half. The good news was that the Tigers held Anderson to six points. The bad news for the Tigers was that Kennedy took advantage and poured in 14 points. Kennedy used a combination of good shooting and good timing to get her buckets.

With about 10 minutes to go in the game, the Tar Heels were pressing each time they scored. Sophomore forward LeAnn Kennedy knocked the ball loose on the defensive end and dove to save it from going over the endline. Her desperation save landed in the hands of Kellie Kennedy, who nailed a short jumper to extend the UNC lead to 68-48. The Tar Heels never looked back, and the lead never dropped below 19 points in the final 10 minutes of the contest.

Sophomore Emily Johnson played a strong game at point guard, scoring 10 points and dishing out five assists. Sophomore center Kareema Williams found the range and hit for 18 points. She also pulled down eight rebounds, five of them on the offensive end.

Thompson and junior center Kim Oden provided the key bench points that the Tar Heels were lacking last season. Thompson finished with 14

points and Oden added eight points and 10 rebounds.

"Kim has really made a commitment to become the best basketball player she can be," said UNC head coach Sylvia Hatchell. "I'm pleased with Kim. She's a great shooter. I just wish we could get her to be more aggressive."

The only bright spot for Towson State was sophomore center Kelly Gossar. She notched 16 points in just 23 minutes of playing time. Unfortunately for Gossar, her teammates were too busy watching her effort instead of contributing to it. Only Tara Rottet and Amy Green joined Gossar in scoring in double figures.

"We wanted to use our speed and our bench," said Hatchell. "I liked that part of our game, but we made so many mental errors. If we hadn't made so many mental errors, we would have easily scored over 100 points. We need to take better care of the basketball."

Said Anderson, "We didn't take this game lightly. We came out and played hard. We made a few mistakes, but we tried to make up for that. There are a lot of things we need to work on, but I have a good feeling about this year."

North Carolina travels to Princeton, N.J. to play in the Princeton Tournament Friday and Saturday. The Tar Heels face Wisconsin at 6 p.m. Friday in the opening round.



DTH/Catherine Pinkert

Forward LeAnn Kennedy and the women's basketball team crushed Towson State Monday, 95-62

## Notes on a holiday full of hoop action

In an informal poll of a UNC student, it has been decided that November 15 is the favorite non-holiday day of the year (since your birthday is really a holiday and you just don't get the day off). Why? Well, I like it...I mean...he said he likes it because it marks the beginning of the collegiate basketball season, and because they're not quite playing Christmas music yet.

From Nov. 15 to the first of December, college basketball junkies get high on hoops with all of the early season tournaments like the Maui Classic, the Dodge NIT, the Great Alaska Shootout, the Charlotte Tournament of Champions and the like. Dick Vitale is heard from around the clock on ESPN for the first time since the first and second rounds of NCAA basketball telecast, and fans remember why they hate Dick Paparo.

This past fortnight of basketball deserves some closer examination, so let's delve. Is that a word?

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the ability to slap the ball away cleanly.

Lack of Defense awards go to LSU's Shaquille O'Neal and the several UNC players guarding James Madison's Steve Hood Friday. Hood lit up the Tar Heels for 32 points on 14 of 20 shooting, and to make matters worse, when it was obvious that JMU needed a bucket, no one was denying Hood.

O'Neal got schooled by Vitale's Windex Player of the Week Mark Randall. O'Neal showed hustle but severe inexperience on low-post defense as the much smaller Randall scored 26 points (mostly in the paint) to help Kansas beat LSU.

If forward Nathan Buntin plays like he did in the final against UNC, Missouri will be very, very good this year. Buntin is the key because, with Anthony Peeler and some other guns outside, the Tigers spread the court out. However, Buntin needs to be effective inside to keep the low post defenders from doubling Doug Smith.

If Rick Fox is going to play the off-guard position, he must drastically improve his ball handling and stop gambling so much on defense. Fox has great athletic ability, but sometimes he's moving before he catches the ball or anticipating a pass that's not really there. He's an offensive asset and liability with the number of turnovers he makes. On the defensive end, Fox always goes for the steal and occasionally (maybe two or three times) gets one, but he is more often left far out of position, forcing another player to cover him.

The University of Connecticut earns the Stupid Number of Home Courts award. The Huskies will have three official home courts for the 1989-1990 season: the Hartford Civic Center, the Connecticut Field House and a new domed arena affectionately nicknamed the "ConnDome."

## Tar Heels' comeback magic falters

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LAHAINA, Hawaii — Twice was nice, but thrice was just too much.

The No. 7-ranked North Carolina basketball team went to the proverbial Well of Great Comebacks once too often Sunday night.

UNC's latest final-minute flurry came up short against No. 12-ranked Missouri in the championship of the Maui Classic. The Tigers held on for an 80-73 victory before a crowd of 3,000 at the Lahaina Civic Center.

Center Doug Smith, named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, led Missouri with 20 points. He went strong to the hoop against the Tar Heels' starting front line of Pete Chilcutt, Scott Williams and Kevin Madden.

Smith, a 6-10, 220-pound junior, scorched the Tar Heels last year, too. He scored 26 points and grabbed 18 rebounds in the Tigers' split of two games against Dean Smith's squad.

Missouri senior forward Nathan Buntin also went into the paint for 16 points Sunday on six-of-10 shooting. The defending Big Eight champions upped their record to 3-0 for the year.

North Carolina dropped to 2-1. The Tar Heels play Alabama in Tuscaloosa Thursday night at 9:30.

Dean Smith was one of the many observers who left Hawaii with a new and improved opinion of Norm Stewart's Tiger team.

"They're extremely quick," the UNC coach said. "I thought Smith played well, as well as Buntin. He's improved a lot from last year."

"Their team chemistry also seems better this year. Maybe they had too

**Monday**  
Missouri 80, UNC 73

Missouri — Buntin 6-10 4-5 16, Peeler 6-12 2-2 14, Smith 9-20 2-3 20, Coward 2-7 0-0 4, McIntyre 4-5 0-2 12, Ford 1-3 2-2 5, Horton 0-0-0-0, Coleman 1-1 0-0-2, Burns 0-0-0-0, Sutton 0-0-0-0, Heller 0-0-0-0, Warren 3-5 1-2 7. Totals 32-63 11-16 80.

UNC — Madden 6-10 2-2 15, Fox 6-10 1-1 14, Rice 0-3 4-4, Chilcutt 4-8 2-2 10, Lynch 4-7 4-6 12, Davis 1-9 0-0 2, Rodi 0-1 1-3 1, Denny 1-20-02, Wenstrom 0-1 0-0-0. Totals 27-60 17-26 73.

Halftime Score: Missouri 44-37. Three-point goals — Missouri 5-7 (McIntyre 4-5, Ford 1-2), UNC 2-18 (Madden 1-3, Fox 1-3, Denny 0-1, Rodi 0-1, Rice 0-3, Chilcutt 0-1, Davis 0-6). Rebounds — Missouri 27 (Peeler 5), UNC 41 (Madden 10). Assists — Missouri 14 (Peeler 4), UNC 11 (Rice 3). Fouls — Missouri 18, UNC 20. Technical — Missouri bench.

many scorers last year, and now more people are contributing in supporting roles."

UNC, which came from behind to beat James Madison and Villanova to advance to the finals, found itself in a familiar position against Missouri — down by 12 with seven minutes to play. But on this night, every time the Tar Heels scored, the Tigers answered.

A Madden layup was more than matched by a 23-foot bomb from Tiger guard John McIntyre. A Williams slam was countered by a baseline drive by Buntin.

All the while, 5-11 freshman guard Travis Ford made a mockery of UNC's traditionally tough trapping defense.

McIntyre hit four of five three-pointers to finish with 12 points for the Tigers. Ford added five points and plenty of slick ball-handling to eat up the clock late in the second half.

Stewart said the contributions from

the Tiger reserves were more than even he expected.

"I thought all those guys came in and really gave us a shock," he said. "Our bench helped us tremendously. We had some guys in foul trouble, but now we know that we have the people to come off the bench and do the job."

"Dean says it every year, but I'll agree that we have much better chemistry this time around. Heck, a couple of years ago we couldn't even spell 'chemistry'."

The Tar Heels' chemistry, along with their hopes for another shocking comeback, was shaken because of foul trouble.

Rick Fox, who played only 24 minutes because of foul problems, drew his fifth with five minutes to play. George Lynch, who had 12 points, also fouled out for UNC.

Williams, who scored 13 points and grabbed nine rebounds in his first start of 1989, drew his fourth personal with nine minutes remaining and saw only 25 minutes of action.

In Fox's absence on the comeback trail, the rest of the Tar Heels combined to hit only one of 15 three-point attempts.

The Tar Heels started the game on a high note, bolting to a six-point lead after just three minutes of play. Chilcutt found nothing but net with a pair of 12-footers to put UNC up by an 11-5 margin.

But UNC soon contributed to its own undoing with some sloppy frontcourt play. Turnovers by Chilcutt, Rice and Williams turned into easy buckets for the Tigers, and Missouri went on an 11-0 run.

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