

Blue Devils Unranked For 1st Time Since '86

DURHAM — The Duke Blue Devils can search and search, but they won't find themselves among the elite of college basketball for the first time since 1986. In fact, they didn't even bother to look Monday at the AP poll, said Mike Cragg, Duke's sports information director. "It wasn't surprising," Cragg said. "When you're 9-6 and have lost four in a row, there's not a whole lot of teams on the poll like that." With coach Mike Krzyzewski out indefinitely with back problems, Duke's run of 153 consecutive poll appearances, which began in December 1986, came to an end.

AP Men's Basketball Top 25 table with columns for Team, Record, Pts, Pvs. Top teams include Massachusetts (47), Connecticut (16), North Carolina (3), UCLA, Kentucky, Syracuse, Kansas, Maryland, Arkansas, Georgetown, Arizona, Michigan State, Arizona State, Iowa State, Wake Forest, Missouri, Oregon, Virginia, New Mexico State, Illinois, Stanford, Georgia Tech, Cincinnati, Florida, Penn.

Morgan, Johnson, Jones Set Marks Inside 'Track Shack'

BY ERIN PARRISH STAFF WRITER The Joe Hilton Indoor Track complex, affectionately known as the "tin can" or the "track shack," was a hub of activity over the weekend. The Tar Heels hosted the high school western regional Friday and Saturday and teams from St. Augustine's, North Carolina A&T, Methodist College, Duke and Livingstone on Sunday.

For most of the UNC athletes, Sunday's meet was their first glimpse of competition of the indoor season, and despite training hard during the first week back from winter break, North Carolina's runners, jumpers and throwers responded surprisingly well. "To hit the performances we did today this early in the season is really unusual," North Carolina head coach Dennis Craddock said. "We usually go into this meet real tired, and we didn't rest them as much as usual, so I'm really pleased with our performances."

Kendrick Morgan was without question the star of Sunday's meet. The junior broke his own UNC indoor track record in the men's triple jump with a mark of 53-5 1/2 inches. The jump qualified him automatically for the NCAA indoor championships, to be held in March at the Hoosier Dome in Indianapolis. "That's a real tribute to Kendrick," Craddock said. Freshman Tasha Colander continued to tear up the track, pulling off an impressive double by winning the 55-meter dash and the 55-meter hurdles. Colander led a Tar Heel sweep of the hurdles as senior Ayo Atterberry and Tyra Moore took second and third places. Moore was jumping all over the place Sunday. She sandwiched wins in the women's triple and long jumps between placing third in the hurdles and high jump. North Carolina's Kim Jones captured the attention of the sparse crowd with her 5-10 3/4 high jump mark. She leaped to a personal record and had several close attempts at 6 feet. Jones led a Tar Heel sweep of the high jump. Senior heptathlete Sandi Everett was second with a jump of 5-6. In the men's high jump, North Carolina's Eric Bishop won with a jump of 7-1. Teammate Jeff Klutz finished third with the same height, an NCAA provisional qualifying mark. Tar Heel freshman shot-putter Mandy Schnupp won her first collegiate meet with a throw of 44-5 1/4, and junior pole-vaulter Shannon Pope qualified provisionally with a leap of 17-5 1/4. Jerry Ingram won the men's shot with a heave of 53-7 3/4. Curtis Johnson Jr. turned in the third-fastest time in UNC history (6.22 seconds) while finishing second in the 55-meter dash. Teammate Tony McCall joined Johnson as an NCAA provisional qualifier with his time of 6.28 seconds. UNC's middle distance contingent was relatively quiet Sunday, as Craddock chose to hold out most of the runners from competing on the steeply banked wooden track of the tin can. "Our facility is good for the shorter events, but not for running in circles," Craddock said. UNC's Todd Morgan led four laps of the men's mile before fading to second behind eventual winner Doug Kling of Duke. Morgan finished with a time of 4:23. Teammate Jason Page battled for third for most of the race, but finished fourth behind Duke's Darin Mellinger with a time of 4:30. St. Augustine's Chris Scott kicked with one lap left in the 800-meter run to power to a 1:57 finish, ahead of UNC's Bill Lickert. Lickert's time was 1:59. In the women's 800m, UNC's Blake Phillips ran away from a pack of N.C. A&T runners to win the event in 2:26. UNC's middle distance and distance runners will see more action when they travel to Blacksburg, Va., for a meet at Virginia Tech on Saturday.



UNC's Tony McCall (left), Curtis Johnson Jr. and St. Aug's Randall Evans run in the 55-meter dash. Evans won the race.

Calvin and Hobbes



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