



SPORTS BRIEFS

Women's Soccer to Play Notre Dame Sunday on TV

The No. 1 ranked UNC women's soccer team will play Notre Dame Sunday in the Challenge Classic in Houston. It will be the first time a regular season women's soccer game will be televised live, nationally.

The game is the long awaited rematch of last season's title game, which the Tar Heels won 5-0.

Before the rematch, North Carolina plays No. 12 William & Mary Friday, but that game should be only a formality before the Tar Heels test their undefeated record against the Irish, the squad given the best chance at knocking UNC from its perch atop women's soccer.

Notre Dame will play Duke in its first match.

Last season Notre Dame tied UNC during the regular season, ending the Tar Heels 92-game winning streak, and this season the Irish began the season ranked No. 2.

But Notre Dame tied once this season, last week to Connecticut and currently is ranked No. 6 in the country.

The Tar Heels are 12-0, and are led by a front line of Debbie Keller, Robin Confer and Cindy Parlow, who have combined for 83 points this season.

Meanwhile, goalkeeper Tracy Noonan has held the opposition at bay, posting seven shutouts with a goals-against average of .22.

The Notre Dame game will be played at 4 p.m., will be televised by Prime Network, and can be seen on HTS in the Chapel Hill area.

Men's Soccer Plays Host To Radford at Fetzer Field

The UNC Men's soccer team will play Radford University Sunday at 2 p.m. at Fetzer Field.

The Tar Heels are 7-5 after bumbling through a four-game losing streak. They broke the streak with a 3-0 victory over Davidson Wednesday.

The Tar Heels are led by striker Temoc Suarez, who has seven goals and five assists in 11 games. He is joined by Carey Talley, who has 11 points, as the only Tar Heels in double figures in scoring.

For the third game in a row, UNC will be without its starting goalkeeper Dimitry Drouin, who is out with a pulled quadricep muscle.

Senior Patrick Smith will make his third start. He has yielded three goals in his two starts.

FROM STAFF REPORTS

DTH Football Top 25

Table with 4 columns: Team, Record, Pts, Pvs. Lists top 25 football teams including Florida State (6), Nebraska (1), Florida (2), Ohio State, Southern Cal, Tennessee, Kansas State, Auburn, Kansas, Alabama, Michigan, Northwestern, Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, Oregon, Stanford, Iowa, Virginia, Penn State, Notre Dame, UNC, Texas A&M, Wisconsin, and Washington.

Others Receiving Votes: Boston College 21, Texas Tech 20, ECU 18, Appalachian St. 17, Syracuse 17, LSU 15, Prairie View 15, Arkansas 14, BYU 14, Mississippi 10, Virginia Tech 9, Baylor 8, Chattanooga 8, Miami (Ohio) 8, Miss. St. 4, Colorado St. 2, Georgia 2, Georgia Tech 2, Toledo 2, David Caldwell 1, Dr. Schaefer 1, Mack's chair 1, Pete Schourek 1, Bob's shower 1, Seattle Mariners 1, The Kids 1, The Brown Clark Collection 1.

Yellow Jackets to Test Tar Heels' No. 2 Defense

BY ROBBI PICKERAL
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When the Tar Heels enter Bobby Dodd Stadium in Atlanta at noon Saturday, it will mark the sixth in a series of quizzes grading the hopes of the unranked North Carolina football team.

After failing its first two tests of the season against Syracuse and Maryland, UNC bounced back in the last three weeks with an all-nighter against Louisville, an easy A in the Ohio gimme game and a more-than-passing score against No. 9 Virginia last weekend.

Call the Yellow Jacket contest a mid-term.

The Wahoo win was big—it has media types actually whispering the B-word again—but a victory against Tech will tell if UNC is back to its preseason standards.

"Last week shows that we were able to gain something that we lost earlier in the year," UNC coach Mack Brown said. "After our early losses, many people thought we would lose that game. It was an opportunity to regain recognition and get a bowl game back in our sights. We also want to get back into the polls. That's something we lost in the first two weeks."

The Yellow Jackets are on a mini-streak of their own, having won their last two contests—against Maryland and Duke.

Against Duke last week, Donnie Davis became the first quarterback in Tech history to rush and pass for 100 or more yards in the same game. Tailback C.J. Williams, who also played basketball for the Yellow Jackets last season, complements the Tech signal caller. He's leading the ACC in rushing, averaging 142.4 yards per game.

"CJ's a gifted athlete that can do a lot of things for us," said first-year Yellow Jacket coach George O'Leary. "He has great vision as a tailback... he does a great job of utilizing his blockers. He's still young at the position... but I think he's improving each week. He can glide or slide as a running back."

Tech's new I-formation, via first-year



DTH/JOHN WHITE

The Tar Heel defense hopes to show Georgia Tech why it's ranked No. 2 in the country, just like Andre Purvis (70) did against Ohio's Kareem Wilson.

Yellow Jacket/former UNC offensive line coach Pat Watson, probably helps. And an average offensive line weight of 285 can't hurt, either.

"That's one thing—if they give (Williams) a crease, they're handing the ball to him deep," Watson said. "It's very similar to what we've been doing here for years. It is the I-formation.

"One of the great indicators of how they are doing is that they are taking advantage of every opportunity they've had—19 times in the red zone, they've scored 17 times.... That's just a phenomenal stat."

On defense, Tech leads the country in rushing 'D', allowing only 60.2 yards per game. Defensive end Jermaine Miles, noseguard Al Jackson and end Ralph Hughes have been a staple on a defense that's recorded 15 sacks and 54 QB pressures in five games.

"Defensively they're playing really aggressively and with a lot of confidence," Brown said. "They have not had injuries, and last year they had some injuries and weren't playing with confidence. Right now they're a very sound, simple football team." And the latest test for the Tar Heels.

Hockey Faces Rematch of Ranked Foes

BY JONATHAN KOLLAR
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Two crucial rematches against the best in the ACC and the nation—that's the scenario for the top-ranked UNC field hockey team this weekend at Navy Field.

The Tar Heels (12-0, 4-0 in the ACC) will battle No. 5 Virginia (10-4, 2-2) Friday at 4 p.m., and No. 2 Maryland (11-2, 3-1) Saturday at 1 p.m.

UNC has defeated both teams on the road this season in hard-fought matches.

North Carolina coach Karen Shelton said the competition should be intense with such top-notch opponents coming to Chapel Hill.

"Both teams are ranked very highly, so we're expecting another tough weekend," she said.

Shelton said that while she expects to see the Tar Heels play well against the

Terps and Cavaliers, she is not caught up in UNC's 12-game winning streak.

"If we play well, win or lose, we'll feel okay," she said. "We're more focused on improving."

Shelton said the Tar Heels have been preparing for this weekend's games by studying tapes from previous encounters with UVA. and Maryland. The team has been analyzing various situations that could occur Friday and Saturday.

Freshman Stacey Schweighart scored one of her two goals this season in the Tar Heels' 1-0 victory over Virginia Sept. 23,



KATE BARBER is the top Tar Heel scorer.

and freshman Nancy Pelligreen, who has 10 goals this season, put in the game-winning in a 2-1 double-overtime thriller against the Terps Oct. 1.

Against UVA., UNC must contain freshman Meredith Thorpe, who has 20 goals this season and is ranked second in the ACC in points scored and goals scored. Her goal count ties her for fourth best among all-time UVA. single-season totals.

However, the Tar Heels will counter with goalkeeper Jana Withrow's strong play (eight shutouts and only six goals allowed) and an equally tough defense.

Shelton said she expects a festive atmosphere for the weekend games. She compared the weekend to the ACC tournament or the NCAA Final Four, since UNC must play high-level competition on consecutive days.

She said, "It'll be exciting to see what happens once the whistle blows."

Cone-Kenfield to Host Carolina Tennis Tournney

BY LEE TAFT
STAFF WRITER

Chapel Hill will be booming with the sounds of thunderous serves and blazing backhands this weekend.

Starting today, the UNC men's tennis team will play host to the Carolina Classic at the Cone-Kenfield Tennis Center. The tournament will feature such top-ranked teams as Duke, Michigan, Notre Dame, Virginia Commonwealth and South Carolina.

"This tournament is a national tournament," said UNC coach Sam Paul. "It is smaller than the last tournament we played in, but it has more nationally-ranked teams."

According to Paul, the tournament's setup will allow the players to get more matches in for the weekend.

"Since we will have smaller draws, every player is going to play every day," he said. "With the way the tournament is set up, every position will play out, win or lose."

Along with the top-ranked teams, Paul said he's expecting strong performances from some of the nation's best players.

"We are going to see some great tennis this weekend," he said. "There are going to be several All-Americans out there playing."

"Mike Sprouse and Ryan Simmee from Notre Dame, Peter Ayers from Duke,

Michigan's Peter Puztai and South Carolina's Maxi Jimenez have all qualified for the NCAA tournament in the past."

UNC at Georgia Tech
Noon, Bobby Dodd Stadium
Atlanta, Ga.

Playing surface: Natural grass.
TV/Radio: The game will be televised regionally by Jefferson Pilot (WRAL, Channel 5). The Tar Heel Sports Network will provide radio coverage. The flagship stations are WCHL (1360 AM) and WTRG (100.7 FM).
1995 Records: UNC 3-2 (1-1 in the ACC); GT 3-2 (2-1).
Personnel Update: UNC—OG Jermess Gethers (leg), SS Wendel Camp (knee) are out. AB Tucker Perry (thumb) is questionable. GT—no injuries reported.
Analysis/Prediction: Leon Johnson vs. the Yellow Jacket defense—that should tell the story. Georgia Tech boasts the No. 1 rushing defense in the country, but LJ has scored six TDs in UNC's last two games. UNC has proven that it actually can score in the red zone, and it will need to continue that streak in Atlanta. This game could prove as important as last weekend's win against No. 9 Virginia. A victory in Atlanta would mean the Tar Heels have turned the corner, and are ready to return to preseason expectations.

TAR HEEL SPORTS SHORTS

TODAY AT CAROLINA!

Field Hockey vs. Virginia
4:00pm at Navy Field

Men's Tennis-Carolina Tennis Classic
All Day at Cone-Kenfield Tennis Center

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Our Live Sports TV Schedule for Sept. 14 & 15

Schedule of live sports TV events for Saturday and Sunday, Oct 14-15. Includes games like UNC v. Georgia Tech, Florida v. Auburn, etc.

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