



SPORTS BRIEFS

Carquest to Announce Miami Bowl Bid Today

UNC should find out today whether it will be invited to the Carquest Bowl, held Dec. 30 in Miami. Mitch Morall, the director of communications for the bowl, said the bowl's committee should make an an-

nouncement this morning.

Other teams being considered by the Carquest for the slot designated for the No. 4 ACC or No. 5 SEC team are Maryland (6-5) and Arkansas (8-3). The likely opponent would be Syracuse, the third Big East team. UNC played Syracuse earlier in the year, losing 20-9. The teams also meet again next season in the Carrier Dome.

"There's not much we can do but sit and

wait and hope shortly that we'll have an answer and that it will be a positive one," said UNC Director of Athletics John

3 Field Hockey Players Named All-Americans

The CFHCA named sophomore forward Kate Barber and sophomore midfielder Joy Driscoll to its All-America first-team Monday. Freshman Nancy Pelligreen made the second-team squad.

Sophomore goalie Jana Withrow also garnered postseason honors, earning a spot on the All-South Region second team.

Soccer Time Correction

The game time for the women's soccer NCAA championship match at Fetzer Field Sunday was incorrectly reported. Game time is 1:30 p.m.

Friday, UNC will play Notre Dame at 5 p.m. in the first semifinal; SMU plays Portland at 7:30 p.m. The DTH regrets the

McInnis Player of Week

North Carolina's Jeff McInnis and Duke's Chris Collins have been selected as co-players of the week in the ACC. Georgia Tech's Stephon Marbury named the rookie of the week.

McInnis was named to the Maui Invita tional all-tournament team after averaging 21 points and 6.3 assists in three games. UNC lost to Villanova in the title game.

Volleyball Nets NIVC Bid

The UNC volleyball team has earned a bid to compete in the National Invitational Volleyball Championship, held Friday through Sunday in Kansas City, Mo. North Carolina will compete in Pool B

of the 20-team round-robin tournament beginning Friday at 12:30 p.m. UNC faces Sacramento State in its or

Alabama Ruling Expected At Week's End From NCAA

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — An NCAA committee has decided Alabama's appeal of sanctions against the football program and will likely release its findings by the week's end, a spokesperson said Monday. Given that timetable, the 21st-ranked Crimson Tide (8-3) should know by the

day bowl bids go out whether the panel will lift a ban on postseason play — a key request by Alabama.

Alabama was placed on three years probation for rules violations involving former Crimson Tide stars Gene Jelks and Antonio Langham, the latter a defensive back now with the NFL's Cleveland Browns. FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

THE LOWDOWN ON TONIGHT'S GAME C JASON MCKINNEY, 6-10

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ERIC POOLE, 6-8
Is the Spiders' top returning scorer — nine ppg. CARLOS CUENTO, 6-0

G DARYL OLIVER, 6-2 Led all scorers with 27 points vs. the Camels.

Richmond (1-0)

No. 17 North Carolina (2-1)

G JEFF McINNIS, 6-4 Led all scorers with 22 points G DANTE CALABRIA, 6-5 Scored 48 points in the Maui Classic last weekend.

VINCE CARTER 6-5

F Led all rebounders with **ANTAWN JAMISON, 6-8** Recorded his best game in Maui against 'Nova. eight boards vs. 'Nova.

Serge ZWIKKER, 7-2 Scored 28 points and pulled down 14 boards in Maui.

Game and time: Richmond (1-0) vs. No. 20 North Carolina (2-1), 7 p.m., Dean E. Smith Center Series Record: UNC leads 11-2.

TV: Home Team Sports Radio: WCHL 1360 AM.

Keys for UNC: Poise. UNC showed in the Maui Classic that it is a better team than the rankings show; now it just must win. After a disappointing loss to 'Nova, the Tar Heels must not let down against wannabe giant-killer Richmond.

Keys for Richmond: Force foul trouble. The Spiders are outmanned and outgunned vs. the Tar Heels - which says a lot, considering UNC starts two freshmen. Richmond's only real chance for a 'W' is to put UNC's scorers on the

Tar Heel Bench: Sophomore Shammond Williams averaged just over seven points and 22 minutes in the Maui Classic last weekend, and has shown poise as a sixth man. Freshman Ademo Okulaja contiunes to surprise with his tenacity.

Spider Bench: Junior forward Rick Edwards was the only Richmond player besides Oliver to score in double digits against Campbell. That's about it.

Analysis: Richmond doesn't have much of a chance.

Prediction: UNC 96, Richmond 62. COMPILED BY ROBBI PICKERAL

Youth Key in Tar Heels' Home Opener

Fans will see a lot of it tonight at 7 p.m. in the Smith Center, as UNC hosts Rich-

mond in its home opener.

The No. 17 Tar Heels, fresh off a lastsecond loss to Villanova in the Maui Invitational last week, boast a rookie triumvirate justly touted highly in the preseason.

Six-foot-6 forward Vince Carter and 6-8 forward Antawn Jamison — the first rookie duo to start a season opener under UNC coach Dean Smith — combined for 54 points and 36 rebounds in Maui. And Ademola Okulaja, the least heralded of the freshmen, has been the biggest surprise. The 6-8 forward from Berlin had 17 points and 19 heards coming off the beach in and 19 boards coming off the bench in three games in Maui.

But the other side of the ball tonight boasts just as much youth. Only it's not as

The Spiders lost the only double-digit scorer on its 8-20 squad last year, guard Kass Weaver (17.8 points per game). It

Thursday, Dec. 14 Las Vegas Bowl at Las Vegas Nevada (9-2) vs. Toledo (10-0-1), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 25 Blue-Gray Classic at Montgomery, Ala Blue vs. Gray, noon (ABC)

Kansas (9-2) vs. UCLA (7-4), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Wednesday, Dec. 27
Copper Bowl at Tucson, Ariz.
Air Force (8-4) vs. Texas Tech (8-3), 9 p.m.
(ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 28 Alamo Bowl at San Antonio Texas (9-1-1)-Texas A&M (8-2) loser vs. Michigan (9-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 29 Heritage Bowl at Atlanta Florida A&M (9-2) vs. Southern University (10-1),

Sun Bowl at El Paso, Texas Washington (7-3-1) vs. lowa (7-4), 2:30 p.m.

returns a pair of sophomore forwards — 6-8 Eric Poole (nine ppg, 6.9 rebounds per game) and 6-7 Jarod Stevenson (8.4 ppg, 4.8 rpg) — but boasts only one senior, center Jason McKinney, who scored only two points in 23 minutes in the Spiders ing win against Campbell

'Certainly, we expect a fired-up Richmond team, and North Carolina should be equally excited about its home opener," Smith said. "Richmond has a history of playing very well against ranked opponents with their style of play. Their four NCAA Tournament victories over Syracuse, Georgia Tech, Indiana and Arizona, all in the last 10 years, certainly proves

UNC's wins in Maui last week helped improve its Associated Press poll spot three places this week. The Tar Heels were ranked places this week. The Tar Heels wer No. 20 in the AP Preseason Poll.

Richmond coach Bill Dooley said, "I saw North Carolina a couple of times on TV from Hawaii, and they are better than people were predicting."

Independence Bowl at Shreveport, La. LSU (6-4-1) vs. Michigan State (6-4-1), 5:30 p.m.

Holiday Bowl at San Diego Colorado State (8-3) vs. Kansas State (9-2), 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 30 Liberty Bowl at Memphis, Tenn. East Carolina (8-3) vs. Stanford (7-3-1), noon

Carquest Bowl at Miami Syracuse (8-3) vs. North Carolina (6-5), Maryland

Peach Bowl at Atlanta Virginia (8-4) vs. Alabama (8-3), Arkansas (8-3) or Georgia (6-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Dec. 31 Sugar Bowl at New Orleans Alliance (selections 4 and 6), 7:30 p.m. (ABC)

Monday, Jan. 1 Outback Bowl at Tampa, Fla. Penn State (8-3) vs. Auburn (8-3), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

(6-5) or Arkansas (8-3), 7:30 p.m. (TBS)

AP Basketball Top 25

1. Kentucky (40)	1-0	1,599	
2. Kansas (23)	1-0	1,568	
3. Villanova (1)	3-0	1,486	2
4. Arizona (1)	4-0	1,274	19
5. Massachusetts	00	1,172	7
6. Georgetown	3-1	1,158	5
7. Memphis	1-0	1.078	10
8. Mississippi State	1-0	1,074	12
9. Connecticut	2-1	1,034	9
10. Wake Forest	1-0	966	11
11. lowa	2-1	883	10
12. Duke	2.0	878	10
13. Missouri	3-0 1-0	837	15
14. Utah	0-1	711	8
15. Virginia	1-0	649	17
16. Stanford	2-0	644	18
17. North Carolina		608	20
18. Louisville	2-1	579	13
19. Maryland	0.1	559	14
20. Georgia Tech	2-1 2-1 0-1 3-1 0-0	463	25
21. Cincinnati	0.0	416	21
22. Virginia Tech	0.0	341	22
23. UCLA	1-2	280	4
24. Michigan	2-2	178	16
25. Arkansas	1-1	130	10
		118 Californ	110
Other receiving votes: Santa Clara 118, California 110,			

Football Fest: NCAA Bowl Matchups

Citrus Bowl at Orlando, Fla.
Tennessee (10-1) vs. Ohio State (11-1), 1 p.m. (ABC) Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla. Miami (8-3) or Virginia Tech (9-2) vs. Clemson (8-3), 1 p.m. (NBC)

Cotton Bowl at Dallas Colorado (9-2) vs. Oregon (9-2), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif. Northwestern (10-1) vs. Southern California (8-2-1), 5 p.m. (ABC)

Orange Bowl at Miami Alliance (selections 3 and 5), 8 p.m. (CBS)

Tuesday, Jan 2
Fiesta Bowl at Tempe, Ariz.
Nebraska (11-0) vs. Alliance (selection 2), 8:30
p.m. (CBS)

NOTE: Bowl alliance teams are Notre Dame, Florida State (ACC champion), Texas-Texas A&M winner (SWC champion), Nebraska (Bjø Eight champion), Miami or Virginia Tech (Big East champion) and Floride or Arkansas (SEC

Fans Don't Appreciate Season as Coach Does

et's just say it didn't go as scripted.
North Carolina's season was full
of ups and downs, and surprises.
Coach Mack Brown didn't plan on 34

turnovers. He didn't plan on the offense averaging 24 points a game. He didn't plan on having all those kicks and punts blocked. But then again, there's no way he could have expected the defense to be ranked in

the top 5 nationally all season. He couldn't count on linebackers Kivuusama Mays and Brian Simmons emerging as playmakers and garnering postseason ac-colades. And he couldn't have anticipated tailback Leon Johnson carrying the of-fense on his shoulders down the stretch.

Well, all that happened in 1995, whether Brown and the Tar Heels believe it or not. It's just unfortunate that the only memories most fans will have of this season is the disappointing 6-5 record.

And who can really blame them? The

expectations for this team were high. After an 8-4 "down year," this team had a reasonable chance to go 10-1 or 9-2. Rated as having the second-best talent in the conference, it wasn't a far-fetched concept.

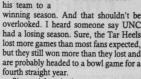
Every single game, save the Florida State contest, the Tar Heels were in it until the final whistle sounded. It was just that mistakes earlier in the game usually forced UNC to attempt to come back. Up until the N.C. State game last Friday, North Carolina had allowed only 27 points in the fourth quarter all year. Folks, that's a field goal per final stanza. That's clutch. Not bad for a team that's taken a lot of heat this fall

The turnover problem was clearly the factor that made this team 6-5 instead of 9-2 or better. But who can we blame for those turnovers? Mike Thomas, who threw a UNC record 19 interceptions, heard the boos, but still led the team from behind to

beat Duke and then win against State.

He did throw a bevy of interceptions, and most were his fault. He misread defenses and pressed too hard to make the big play. But there were the ones he had no control over, most notably when Freddie stripped against Syracuse and when sealed its win by catching a ricocheted

But Thomas still perse-vered and led



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Six straight winning seasons is not a

Six straight winning seasons is not a given in these parts. It's only the first time since 1940 the program has done that. And after starting 0-2, that's quite a feat.

"This will probably sound really funny, and 1 probably shouldn't say it, but I'm going to: This has been a great finish," Brown said after the State game. "To do what this team has done to be able to come what this team has done to be able to come what this team has done, to be able to come back, and for Mike Thomas to come out of the turnovers and play like he has the last two weeks. I really think this is a special

team.
"This is a season I will remember forever, partly because of how it started, but more because of the way it ended."

Even though this year wasn't picture-perfect, hopefully in the long run the fans will appreciate it as much as Brown does.

Random Thoughts

Friday's game turned from being one of the most boring UNC-State contests into one of the most memorable and controversial. I just about fell asleep in the press box as Terry Harvey started his air assault. Apple pie and oatmeal cookies taste good. Yum. ... Look for my farewell column next Wednesday. It should be a real tear-

Former Blue Jays Executive Chosen as Next Orioles GM

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BALTIMORE - Pat Gillick returned to baseball Monday as general manager of the Baltimore Orioles, one of the few jobs that could prod him out of retirement

Gillick was general manager of the Toronto Blue Jays from their inaugural season in 1977 through 1994, producing World Series champions in 1992 and 1993. He was elevated to executive vice president in September 1994.

"When I backed off 14 months ago, I kind of figured I had enough," Gillick said. But I was kind of idle, not really doing too much, and my wife gave me a majorleague, 'Yes, you did retire too early.' She

Gillick, 58, signed a three-year deal Monday afternoon after several weeks of on-and-off negotiations with owner Peter

Angelos.

"I had some other opportunities to get back into baseball with Arizona and Tampa Bay, but I didn't want to wait for two years," he said. "I wanted to get back into a situation that was positive with an own-ership that wanted to win. I see those qualities here in Baltimore.

Gillick built the expansion Blue Jays

from scratch, and finally produced a champion after years of work. He expects much quicker results in his new job.
"What really convinced me to come

back is that this club is close to winning," he said. "With the proper additions, we can be right there challenging for the Eastern Division title."

Gillick, voted major league baseball's executive of the year in 1985 and 1993, will be reunited with manager Davey Johnson, hired Oct. 30. The two played together as minor leaguers in the Orioles' organization in 1963.

"With Pat Gillick joining Davey Johnson, we now have the most formi-dable baseball operations team in the game," Angelos said. "Pat will oversee all aspects of the baseball operations. ... His abilities and leadership should provide Orioles fans with the championship they so richly deserve.

Gillick may have the inside track to etting one of the most coveted free agents in baseball, Toronto second baseman

Roberto Alomar.

Gillick said: "That's a possibility. He's a special talent, and he'd look good in an Oriole uniform."

Babb was named the winner of the ACC's Jim Tatum Award, given to the top

This game goes to Russell.'

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ACC last week.

Offensive right tackle Russell Babb, who broke his leg in the first quarter of UNC's 28-20 victory over N.C. State on Friday, will be in a cast from hip to ankle for a minimum of six weeks.

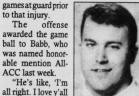
Babb was transported from Raleigh to UNC Hospitals where he underwent sur-

gery for the injury.
No word has been given on when Babb is expected to be fully recovered.

The senior from Wilson also suffered a season-ending injury in 1994 when he broke his fibula during UNC's game against Virginia in Charlottesville, Va. He started four

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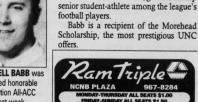
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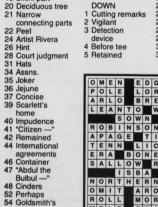
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