

Outlook Different This Time Around

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Exactly one month ago at the Smith Center, the future was somewhat different. Then-No. 11 North Carolina pulled off an improbable comeback victory against then-No. 9 Wake Forest. The Tar Heels trailed 41-23 with 18 minutes remaining, before going on a 42-18 run to end the game and wrap up a 65-59 win. UNC proceeded to jump back into the top 10 with its 15-4

record and then followed the Wake stunner with a 19-point comeback victory over Duke.

Postseason hopes were grand in Chapel Hill. The Tar Heels had exceeded all expectations for 1995-96, and they were in good shape for a comfortable seed in the NCAA Tournament.

But now the Tar Heels are losing hold of a top-three seed in the conference tourney.

As exhilarating as that victory over Wake was, that is how disappointing the last month has been for the Tar Heels. They have gone only 4-4 since defeating Wake, and one of those wins came against VMI.

But even with its struggles of late, the Tar Heels have a shot at second in the ACC regular season. Tonight at 9, UNC (19-8, 9-5 in the ACC) travels to Lawrence Joel Memorial Coliseum to face the Demon Deacons (18-5, 10-4), where a win would give the Tar Heels the inside track for second place behind Georgia Tech. And it would give North Carolina 20 wins for the 26th consecutive season.

Both teams are coming off dreadful losses. UNC shot 50 percent from the field but allowed Florida State 57 percent, including 65 percent from beyond the arc, in an 84-80 loss Saturday. Florida State's James Collins ripped the Tar Heel defense for 27 points on 10-of-13 shooting, including 5 of 7 from behind the arc.

On the other hand, Wake Forest couldn't find the basket. The Deacons took 69 shots to Virginia's 38 Saturday, but the Cavs connected on 61 percent, and Wake managed only 29 percent and got waxed 67-49. UVA's Chris Alexander played all 40 minutes in the contest and held Tim Duncan to 15 points on 6-of-20 shooting.

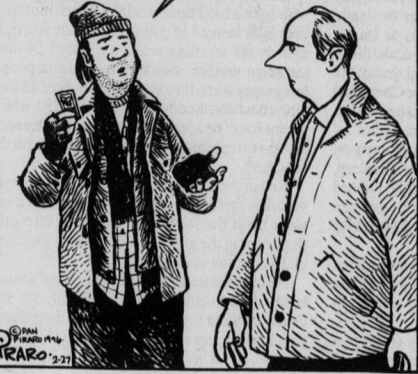
While the Deacons have lost two of their last three games, they still boast an undefeated home record, 13-0. And Wake is tops in the ACC, holding opponents to 40 percent from the field. At Joel Coliseum, they have given up 59 points per game.

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- 18 Small change
- 19 Sty sound
- 20 Legal authorization
- 23 Half-pints
- 24 Rocket type
- 25 Put on ice
- 28 Hooters
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- 36 Personally unattainable
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- 41 Incensed
- 42 False god
- 43 Charon's river
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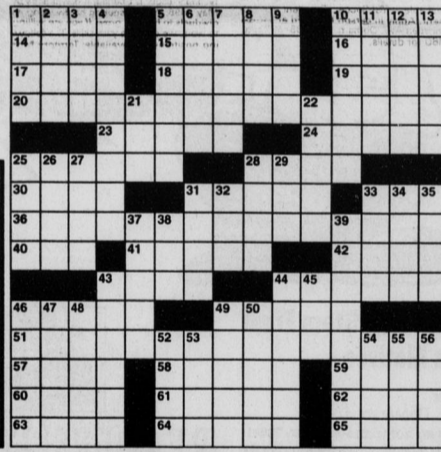
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- 33 Sharp blow
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- 35 Woody's son
- 37 Part of TNT

- 38 Uninteresting
- 39 Impediment
- 43 Crouton kin
- 44 Livestock
- 45 Residue
- 46 Dumas musketeer
- 47 Racing boat

- 48 Beat
- 49 Shout of approval
- 50 German city
- 52 Julia — Howe

- 53 Always
- 54 Natterjack
- 55 Cherry
- 56 Filmdom's Sommer



THE LOWDOWN ON TONIGHT'S GAME

SERGE ZWIKKER, 7-2
Hit six of his seven shots in the loss to FSU on Saturday.

ADEMOLA OKULAJA, 6-8
Is tied for sixth in the ACC in steals with 20.

JEFF McINNIS, 6-4
Had his second straight double-double vs. FSU.

DANTE CALABRIA, 6-5
Had four turnovers in the first half against FSU.

ANTAWN JAMISON, 6-8
Had 13 points and 15 boards in the first meeting.

RUSTY LARUE, 6-2
Is 3rd in ACC career 3-point shooting at 43.6 percent.

RICKY PERAL, 6-10
Is shooting 52 percent from behind the arc.

SEAN ALLEN, 6-9
Has started all but three games this season.

TIM DUNCAN, 6-10
Scored 22 points on 10-of-13 shooting vs. UNC on Jan. 27.

TONY RUTLAND, 6-2
Missed all six 3-point tries against Virginia on Saturday.

Game: No. 19 North Carolina (19-8, 9-5 in the ACC) at No. 13 Wake Forest (18-5, 10-4).
Time: 9 p.m.
Location: Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.
Radio: WCHL 1360 AM, WTRG 100.7 FM.
Television: WRZA, WCTI
Series Record: UNC leads 137-53.
Keys for UNC: UNC can't shoot much better than its 50 percent vs. FSU, but it needs to tighten the 57 percent it allowed. Taking care of the ball against Wake's defense is imperative. The Deacs hold opponents to 39 percent shooting.
Keys for Wake Forest: Better outside shooting is a good place to start. Wake made only 3 of 23 treys in losing to UVA. on Saturday. Wake needs to keep UNC off the boards, since UNC killed the Deac's 20-9 on the glass in the second half of its 18-point comeback victory in January.
Tar Heel Bench: Vince Carter scored 14 points in the first meeting with Wake, and Shammond Williams has increased his scoring average to eight points per game.
Deacon Bench: Sophomore Jerry Braswell has started 28 games in his career and averages seven points per game. Steven Goolsby chipped in seven points and four boards against UVA.
Prediction: Wake Forest 65, UNC 60.
COMPILED BY TODD GRAFF

Reid Second in Voting for All-ACC First Team

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
RALEIGH — North Carolina forward Tracy Reid, along with Wendy Palmer and Tori Suber of Virginia, lead the voting for the All-ACC women's basketball team announced by The Associated Press on Monday.

The team marked the first time the Atlantic Coast Sports Writers Association cast ballots for the top women's basketball players in the conference. Previously, voting had been done by the ACC coaches.

Palmer, a 6-foot-2 senior, captured 124 out of a possible 134 points to lead the voting for the first team. She finished with 127 points. Reid, a 5-11 sophomore, was second with 110 first-team votes and 116 points. Suber was third with 88 first-team selections and 106 points.

Completing the first team were Wake Forest's Tracy Connor and Clemson's Stephanie Ridgeway.

Reid has picked up some of the slack left by the graduation of Charlotte Smith and the absence of Marion Jones. She leads the ACC in scoring and has led the Tar Heels in scoring and rebounding in 15 of the 22 games she has played this season. In her last eight games, Reid has averaged 23.4 points, 8.5 rebounds, and shot 56.9 percent from the field.

Palmer is the only player in the ACC to average double figures in points and rebounds against league opponents. She is the first woman in Cavalier history to score at least 1,000 points and grab 1,000 rebounds.

AP Women's Top 25

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Louisiana Tech (30)	23-1	985	2
2. Georgia (8)	23-3	961	1
3. Connecticut (1)	26-3	919	3
4. Stanford (1)	22-2	878	4
5. Tennessee	23-4	847	5
6. Iowa	24-2	795	7
7. Old Dominion	22-2	736	8
8. Virginia	22-5	690	9
9. Texas Tech	22-3	678	6
10. Vanderbilt	20-6	614	10
11. Penn State	22-6	610	11
12. Duke	23-6	574	12
13. Alabama	20-6	478	14
14. Oregon State	19-5	457	15
15. Wisconsin	20-6	454	13
16. Auburn	19-7	345	17
17. Purdue	18-9	307	21
18. Florida	18-7	290	19
19. N.C. State	18-8	282	18
20. Colorado	22-8	173	20
21. Kansas	18-8	164	24
22. Clemson	19-7	163	16
23. Mississippi	17-3	150	22
24. Notre Dame	19-4	150	23
25. Texas	17-7	85	—

Others receiving votes: DePaul 51, Colorado St. 48, SW Missouri State 34, Oklahoma St. 27, Stephen F. Austin 24, Montana 18, George Washington 14, Kent 11, Utah 9, Nebraska 8, Rhode Island 7, Arkansas 6, Northwest 6, Southern Miss. 5, Villanova 4, Tulane 3, Arizona 2, Michigan State 2, Middle Tenn. 2, Ohio State 2, UC Santa Barbara 2, Grambling State 1.

AP Men's Top 25

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Kentucky (64)	24-1	1,648	2
2. Massachusetts (2)	26-1	1,663	1
3. Kansas	23-2	1,496	5
4. Connecticut	25-2	1,453	3
5. Purdue	23-4	1,327	7
6. Villanova	23-4	1,272	4
7. Cincinnati	21-3	1,265	6
8. Georgetown	23-5	1,185	11
9. Texas Tech	24-1	1,174	9
10. Utah	22-5	949	8
11. Arizona	21-6	944	13
12. Penn State	19-4	881	14
13. Wake Forest	18-5	869	19
14. Memphis	20-6	719	17
15. Syracuse	20-7	682	15
16. Virginia Tech	20-4	644	12
17. UCLA	19-7	530	16
18. Georgia Tech	18-10	450	23
19. North Carolina	19-8	381	17
20. Iowa	19-7	357	18
21. Louisville	19-8	349	21
22. Wisconsin-Green Bay	24-2	293	25
23. Iowa State	17-3	245	22
24. George Washington	18-5	232	—
25. Stanford	17-7	111	24

Others receiving votes: Mississippi State 95, Boston College 86, New Mexico 32, College of Charleston 28, Eastern Michigan 24, Fresno State 24, Duke 21, Marquette 21, Texas 16, Tulane 16, Bradley 11, Arkansas 8, Tulsa 7, Georgia 6, Davidson 5, Arkansas-Little Rock 4, Winola 4, Drexel 3, Temple 3, California 2, Coppin State 1, Michigan 1, Montana 1.

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