

## UNC women capture pair in tournament

**STAFF REPORT**  
The North Carolina women's soccer team crushed St. Mary's 4-0 on Sunday to sweep the St. Mary's Fall Soccer Classic in Moraga, Calif.

Earlier in the weekend, the Tar Heels topped No. 3 Santa Clara 1-0.

Top-ranked UNC (6-0) jumped on the Gaels (5-3) early. Forward Laurie Schwoy headed in a Tiffany Roberts pass during the seventh minute to put the Tar Heels on the scoreboard.

Later in the half, Roberts headed the ball from five yards out past goalkeeper Amber King for UNC's second score. Goals by Cindy Parlow and Rakel Karvelsson rounded out the match. Schwoy tallied two assists to accompany her game-winning goal.

On Friday night, the Tar Heels held off Santa Clara (5-1) on a last minute goal by senior forward Debbie Keller. Keller took a pass from midfielder Beth Sheppard and shot the ball past goalie Christina Sanchez for the game-winner with 0:46 remaining.

The Broncos outshot UNC 10-7, but Santa Clara couldn't penetrate the Tar Heel defense to muster any shots from close range.

# Men's soccer nets first wins, sweeps Classic

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It wasn't textbook soccer, but it worked.

The North Carolina men's soccer team (2-2, 0-1 in ACC) overcame sluggish defensive play to beat Furman 2-1 on Sunday in the second game of the adidas/Eurosport Carolina Classic.

On Friday night, the Tar Heels defeated No. 17 Portland 1-0.

UNC started its attack early, pushing the ball deep into the Furman (4-2) penalty box in the early minutes. But the Paladins quickly adapted to the Tar Heels' attack and shut down UNC's threat.

"They are a team that disrupts and destroys the other team's rhythm," UNC coach Elmar Bolowich said. "They don't create a lot on their own. They feed off the mistakes that the other team does."

UNC finally broke through the confusion as Carey Talley had the ball in the Furman penalty box when he was fouled at the 19:54 mark. A yellow card was issued to Paladin defender Graham Seagraves.

Talley's ensuing penalty kick beat goalkeeper Ronnie Pascale and found the lower left corner, putting UNC on top 1-0.

The Tar Heels seemed to be in control after the goal, as Furman defender Peter Slobodyan was issued a red card at 24:33 for fouling UNC's Jorge Redmond on a breakaway, giving North Carolina a one-man advantage.

However, the Paladin offense became more potent after losing a player. Furman used the extra space to confuse the Tar Heel defenders. With just 1:39 left in the first half, Furman's Ryan Higginbotham beat two UNC defenders and connected with Brian Nickerson to tie the score at 1.

"Sometimes it is harder to play against nine guys than 10," Bolowich said. "There are some mismatches on the field, and some players are left in space. Our guys didn't exactly read well enough how to use the space they had."

In the second half, the UNC defense continued its sluggish play and gave Furman opportunities to take the lead, including making defensive mistakes that nearly resulted in own-goals.

"(The defenders) just tried to clear it, and they miscleared it," said UNC goalkeeper Dimitry Drouin. "It's not one of those things you can practice. They just happened to hit it on the wrong step."

North Carolina finally regained its composure, and with it came the attacking mentality. Daniel Kulenic took a pass down the right wing and sent a cross to the middle of the field into the box. Talley headed the pass past Pascale for his second goal of the game.

But the Tar Heels still had trouble with the Paladins. Furman refused to give up and kept pounding away at Drouin and

## Tar Heels fail to convert on plethora of shots

BY JEFF STENCEL  
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Like the monster in Mary Shelley's Frankenstein, the North Carolina men's soccer team's offense came to life this weekend in the adidas/Eurosport Carolina Classic.

After outshooting their opponents 30-24 before this weekend, the Tar Heels had only two goals and two wins to show for it. But UNC picked up the intensity with Victor Suarez scoring the game-winning goal against No. 17 Portland and Carey Talley netting two goals in a 2-1 victory over Furman on Sunday.

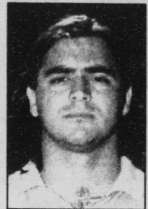
"You have to finish on your opportunities," tournament MVP Suarez said. "We had a couple of clear chances to put it away and we didn't, which made us work harder to finish it up."

Although the Tar Heels were victorious in both games this weekend, they

still failed to take advantage of their huge shot margin, especially in Sunday's matchup vs. Furman. UNC outshot the Paladins 11-5 after Furman defender Peter Slobodyan was ejected early in the first half. But North Carolina couldn't pull away from Furman as each team netted a goal apiece to finish out the scoring.

"We got up early on Furman and had the game sealed with them having a man sent off," UNC coach Elmar Bolowich said. "But we made mistakes and let them back in the game with a goal before the half."

Junior Carey Talley said the Tar Heels'



VICTOR SUAREZ scored UNC's lone goal in the Tar Heels' win over Portland.

style of play could explain their failure to capitalize on opportunities.

"We've been working a lot with our system because things weren't really working with the 4-4-2 we were playing," he said. "Now we are concentrating on the organization of the defense and finishing on our opportunities."

UNC's lack of experience also could have contributed to its lack of execution.

"The Tar Heels under both two games under their belt, while both Portland and Furman had played four games apiece."

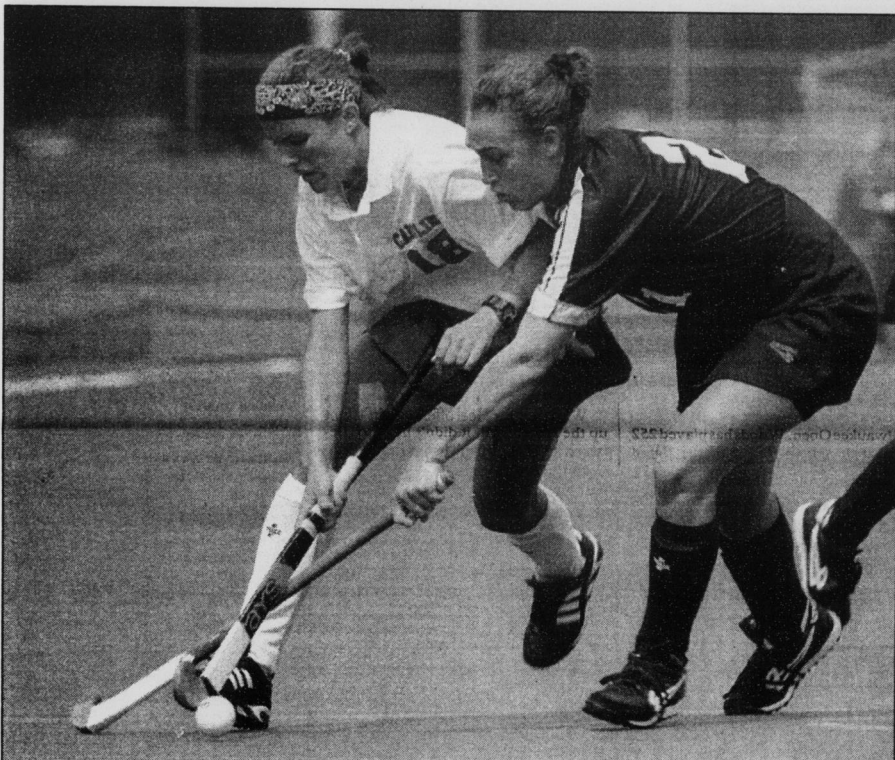
"Most teams have five or six games under their belt," Suarez said. "We play a team like this (Portland) and we knew we could do it. It was just a matter of getting out there and getting all the players working together and clicking. It's finally coming together."



UNC forward DEBBIE KELLER scored the game-winning goal against Santa Clara.



UNC goalie DIMITRY DROUIN had three saves against Furman.



UNC forward Nancy Pelligrone (18) dribbles past a Virginia defender during UNC's 4-0 win Saturday. The Tar Heels fell to Old Dominion 4-3 in overtime Sunday, marking UNC's first loss since the '94 NCAA title game.

## ODU uses penalty corner strategy to nab comeback win against UNC

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Fourth-ranked Old Dominion exposed Sunday at Navy Field what Tar Heel opponents have been trying to figure out all season long: how to score on the defending national champions.

And the answer came in the second half of the Monarchs' 4-3 double-overtime upset of No. 2 North Carolina — when a penalty corner opportunity arises, bring the house.

"It was a bit of a gamble," UNC coach Karen Shelton said. "They send a lot of people in there. It's hard for the defenders to block everything away."

Entering UNC's showdown with ODU, Tar Heel goalkeeper Jana Withrow had not allowed a goal in five games.

But relying on a penalty corner strategy that involved sending six or more attackers toward the UNC goal, the

Monarchs scored three goals in the second half, two coming off rebounds stemming from Withrow saves. UNC defenders responsible for clearing the rebounds were often overwhelmed by the ODU onrushers.

"That's a good strategy to use against a keeper like myself that lies down on the corners," Withrow said. "... We haven't seen anybody that's crashed in as well as they did today."

ODU saw penalty corners as its primary means of scoring against the Tar Heels. Old Dominion was confident its offense could capitalize if only it received corner opportunities. Searching out contact within the penalty circle, the Monarchs' sole focus was to get fouled and set up a scoring bid.

After being denied on their first three corners, all coming in the first half, the Monarchs' game plan finally paid off. At the 27:57 mark, Withrow successfully

saved a harmless corner shot by Rosemarie van der Rijt. But forward Mimi Smith pounced on the loose ball, lifting it over an outstretched Withrow for ODU's first goal to make the it 2-1.

Nine minutes later, Heather Eastburn did the same, lifting a rebound off a blast by teammate Danielle Chellew's past Withrow for the second score.

While the first two came off rebounds, the third goal was simply a result of good execution. Van der Rijt again led with the initial shot, but this time the ball was redirected into the goal's upper right corner by Chellew, knotting the score at 3.

UNC did a better job Saturday of clearing the circle against Virginia, partially because Tar Heel defensive back Christy Utter was able to break up the Wahoos' corner execution by charging the shooter. Utter gained possession and started UNC's transition offense the other way.

## Orioles keep wild-card lead with Alomar RBI

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BALTIMORE — Roberto Alomar singled home the tiebreaking run in the seventh inning as the Baltimore Orioles maintained their lead in the wild-card race by beating the Toronto Blue Jays 5-4 Sunday.

Scott Erickson won his fifth straight decision as the Orioles stayed on course to make the playoffs for the first time since 1983. Baltimore started the day four games behind the New York Yankees in the AL East and a half-game ahead of Seattle in the wild-card stand-

ings. New York played Boston, and Seattle faced Oakland on Sunday afternoon.

Erickson (13-11) allowed four runs and eight hits in seven innings, improving to 5-0 since Aug. 25.

The right-hander walked two and struck out five.

Jesse Orosco struck out the side in the eighth and fanned the leadoff batter in the ninth.

Armando Benitez got two outs for his second save.

With the score 4-4, Pete Incaviglia hit

a pinch-single off Huck Fluer (2-2) with one out in the Baltimore seventh. Pinch-hitter Chris Hoiles drew a walk and Brady Anderson struck out before Alomar lined a single to right.

The throw from Shawn Green appeared on target and on time, but the ball dribbled away from catcher Charlie O'Brien as Incaviglia crossed the plate.

Carlos Delgado and Alex Gonzalez homered for the Blue Jays, who have lost five of six.

Toronto had eight hits — two homers, four doubles, a triple and a single.

## State picks Robinson for athletics post

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
RALEIGH — One day after being named North Carolina State's new athletic director, Les Robinson vowed Saturday to "roll up his sleeves" and work toward improving the Wolfpack's deteriorating facilities.

The former N.C. State basketball coach, who will turn 54 on Monday, met the media for the first time since being named Wolfpack AD by the school's board of trustees Friday.

Robinson said his top two priorities will be improvements to aging Carter-Finley Stadium and proceeding with plans for a new basketball arena, the cost of which has risen from \$66 million to \$99 million.

"If we want to be at the top (of the

ACC) we have to get there facility-wise," said Robinson, who has been interim athletic director for about three months following Todd Turner's departure to Vanderbilt.

"Basketball and football are our guiding light, those are our window sports, but we need a lot of work in terms of facilities," Robinson added. "I'm not going to pull any punches, we need improvements to Carter-Finley Stadium and we're on our



LES ROBINSON was chosen Friday as N.C. State's new athletic director.

way to playing a new arena. That will help us to do a lot of things we want to do."

Robinson, basketball coach at N.C. State for six seasons and a former AD at East Tennessee State, had said for weeks he wasn't sure if he wanted the job on a full-time basis.

However, Robinson said he consulted such close friends as athletic director Terry Holland at Virginia and Homer Rice at Georgia Tech, and was convinced that the job created a challenge, which he was seeking following his coaching career.

Robinson said, "N.C. State has a great tradition, a great heritage in athletics and I feel honored and privileged beyond words to have this opportunity."

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