



SPORTS BRIEFS

Welch silences UVa. team

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va. — Tiki Barber and his Virginia teammates have been silenced. After a 13-7 loss at Georgia Tech, coach George Welch decided his team has done too much talking and made it off-limits to the media.

Welch said Wednesday the ban is in effect through Oct. 19, when the No. 20 Cavaliers play North Carolina State. The policy will then be re-evaluated.

Virginia turned over the ball five times and staggered the entire game in its first loss of the season Saturday. The Yellow Jackets — then unranked — said afterwards that Barber's cocky pregame rhetoric helped inspire the upset.

The senior tailback said Virginia had better athletes, a better game plan, better coaches and would win easily.

Welch said Barber's boasting was not the only reason for the ban.

"Some of them haven't handled things well," Welch said of his players during the Atlantic Coast Conference coaches teleconference.

"It wasn't just what Tiki said about Georgia Tech. It's what's been said in the last couple of weeks. Plus, we're in exam periods and I've done that before."

Barber recalled how he accurately predicted an easy victory last year over Georgia Tech.

In that game, he ran for 119 yards and four touchdowns against a Yellow Jacket defense that was rated No. 1 against the run. Virginia won 41-14.

Whalers trade Shanahan

HARTFORD, Conn. — The Hartford Whalers traded former captain Brendan Shanahan and defenseman Brian Glynn to the Detroit Red Wings on Wednesday for center Keith Primeau, defenseman Paul Coffey and a first-round draft pick in 1997.

The trade, which had been rumored for almost a week before nearly unraveling, was finally forged about three hours before the Detroit Red Wings' home opener Wednesday night.

"Hockey-wise I think everybody knows he's hard-nosed," Detroit coach Scotty Bowman said.

"I don't know how many people there are like him in the league. He's a winger, a power winger that can score. Obviously, that's what we're expecting."

IOC denies Olympic deficit

LAUSANNE, Switzerland — U.S. and international Olympic officials expect the Atlanta Summer Games to break even or make a small profit, denying reports of a multimillion-dollar deficit.

The Olympics' top marketing official, meanwhile, said Wednesday the IOC would tighten its rules to prevent the commercial excesses and "junk merchandising" of Atlanta.

He also scolded Salt Lake City organizers for taking so long to complete a marketing deal for the 2002 Winter Games.

The International Olympic Committee and U.S. Olympic Committee dismissed French news reports quoting unidentified sources as saying the Atlanta Summer Games had incurred a loss of tens of millions of dollars.

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Bulletin to up-and-comers: beware of lurking letdown

Perhaps the biggest game of the year so far for the North Carolina football team came on Sept. 21 against Georgia Tech.

Yes, Tech. Certainly, it wasn't a textbook-perfect win for the Tar Heels. And the 16-0 victory over the Yellow Jackets wasn't as shocking as UNC's wins over Clemson and Syracuse.

So why would a humdrum win over a lesser foe count as the biggest win of a season that includes some other impressive 'W's?

One reason: Beating Tech showed that the Tar Heels are focused, and that example bodes well for UNC's game Saturday against Maryland.

While the Clemson and 'Cuse wins put North Carolina squarely in the spotlight, they didn't prove that the Tar Heels could sustain their success.

After all, plenty of teams can pull off an upset or two in a year.

But only the best teams can churn out wins week after week, regardless of the opponent.

Sometimes, even the traditional powers in college football win games by only a point or two when they should've won by 20 or 30, or they (gasp) lose those no-brainers.

And more often than not, those lack-

luster performances come about because the opponent isn't good. Before kickoff, the favored squads think there's no way they can lose.

But lo and behold, after three hours of bumbling around the gridiron, the championship dreams are over and all the big wins go for naught.

Such a scenario might have been possible for Tar Heel teams of the past. This season, however, UNC hasn't demonstrated a knack for blowing games it ought to win.

For instance, the Tech game was an opportunity for the Tar Heels to look ahead to the Seminoles and lose to Tech in the process.

Yet UNC kept its focus on the Jackets and pounded out a win — something it must do to move to the next level. Not taking care of business can exact a heavy toll — just ask Maryland. Last week, lowly N.C. State limped into Maryland's Byrd Stadium, and stunned the Terra-



JOSEPH ROLISON DOMINANT YOUNG PERSON

Tech trounces Tar Heels, ends volleyball win streak

STAFF REPORT The North Carolina volleyball team suffered a conference setback Wednesday night, dropping a four-game decision to Georgia Tech 9-15, 15-9, 15-10, 15-7 in front of 842 fans in Atlanta.



Sophomore MAYA STARKS had 14 kills Wednesday night.

The loss was the first in four matches for the Tar Heels (13-6, 3-2 in the ACC), as the Yellow Jackets (19-3, 3-2) ran their match win-streak against North Carolina to six games dating back to the 1993 season.

UNC was sparked by the outside hit-

ting efforts of Tori Seibert and Lori Carlson. Seibert had 13 kills and 17 digs, and her .440 hitting percentage led the team.

Carlson chipped in with a team-high 14 kills, as did Maya Starks. But Starks, the Tar Heels' go-to hitter all evening, struggled with her consistency, balancing her 14 kills against 11 errors.

Starks' 11 gaffes accounted for more than one-third of UNC's unusually high team total of 30.

Georgia Tech was paced by Danielle Olin, who had 10 kills and just one error, and Lynette Anderson, who led the Jackets with 15 kills and 17 digs. For the match, Georgia Tech registered an impressive .300 hitting percentage.

In their previous four matches, the Tar Heels defeated Virginia, UNC-Greensboro, Connecticut and Providence.

Men's soccer blanks Davidson

STAFF REPORT The North Carolina men's soccer team extended its unbeaten streak to six games Wednesday night, registering a 4-0 shutout victory in front of 664 fans at Davidson.



Senior TEMOC SUAREZ had one goal and two assists Wednesday.

Temoc Suarez led the Tar Heel (5-2-1, 1-1-1 in the ACC) charge, notching a goal and two assists against the Wildcats. The senior from Mt. Pleasant, S.C., dented Davidson twice at 59:47 on a 30-yarder to give the Tar Heels a 2-0

lead.

The game's first goal was scored on an own-goal by a Davidson player.

Sophomore Matsi Giorgadze knocked in his first score of the season when he took a Suarez assist at the 77:20 mark, making the score 3-0.

Freshman Mercer Reynolds also weighed in with a goal — the first of his collegiate career — to complete the Tar Heel scoring.

Dimitry Drouin posted the shutout for UNC, his third on the season.

The Tar Heels didn't receive any yellow or red cards in the match.

North Carolina outshot the Wildcats 13-7.

The team has not lost since Sept. 15 when it dropped a 3-2 overtime decision at Clemson.

Fan's catch helps Yanks slip by O's

A 12-year-old pulled Derek Jeter's fly ball out of Yankee Stadium to send the game into extra innings.

out fly ball to deep right. Tarasco, who had just entered the game because Bobby Bonilla bruised a shoulder, settled under it with his back against the 9-foot wall.

But Maier, stuck with his black Mizuno fielder's glove above Tarasco's — below the top of the fence — and pulled the ball away.

"I was just trying to catch the ball," Maier said. "I feel bad for the Baltimore fans. But as a Yankee fan, if I helped the team I feel pretty good. I think I had a right to catch it because I thought it was going to go out."

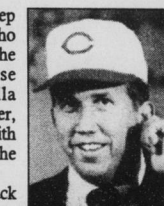
Right field umpire Rich Garcia ruled it a homerun, and Orioles manager Davey Johnson was ejected by Garcia during the ensuing argument.

"I thought it was out of the ballpark," Garcia said. "He reached out; he did not reach down. In my judgment, he did not interfere with the fielder attempting to catch the ball. It probably was a situation where the ball would have hit the wall."

Garcia, after watching the television replay, admitted his mistake.

"I probably would have called fan interference," he said. "I wouldn't have called the guy out."

Last week, a fan in the left-field corner reached out to catch a home run down the line by Juan Gonzalez of the Rang-



Orioles manager DAVEY JOHNSON was ejected from the game in the eighth.

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