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SPORTS

UNC Softball Sweeps Radford, Stays Unbeaten

The North Carolina softball team took both games of a doubleheader from Radford at Finley Field on Sunday to

Freshman Michael Parrott yielded one run on one hit and struck out six to pick up a 9-1 victory in game one. Kelly Ramsey led the offense with two hits, a walk and three runs batted in. Beth Olsen also added a pair of hits. She had a double, a triple and two RBI.

Olsen smacked two more hits in the nightcap as UNC won 6-3. Carrie Bates had an RBI double, and Natalie Anter drove in a run with a single.

Radara McHugh got the win for the Tar Heels, fanning six Highlanders while allowing two earned runs on four hits.

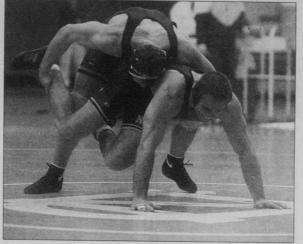
Mickelson Brushes Off Late Surge by Woods

The only thing more amazing than The Streak was the way it ended another spectacular comeback, another stunning collapse. Only this time, both

belonged to Tiger Woods.
Phil Mickelson, who closed with a 70 and finished at 18-under 270, won for the 14th time in his career.

Woods erased a seven-shot deficit in a matter of seven holes. He clawed his way into a tie with a birdie on the par-5 13th, only to follow with bogeys on two of the

UNC Grapplers Fall Short Against Bobcats



North Carolina senior grappler Jamie Groudle (top) rides his opponent to the mat in Saturday's victory against Navy in Carmichael Auditorium.

By MATT TERRY

Leading Ohio by one point heading into the final match of the day, North Carolina needed at least a draw from

senior captain Jam·i e Groudle in the 165pound weight

Groudle was 36 sec-

By Adam D. Hill

weather conditions.

from earning a tie against John Wervey when Wervey stunned him with a twopoint takedown in overtime.

The sudden-death victory propelled

the Bobcats to an 18-16 win against the Tar Heels on Sunday.

"(Groudle's match) could have gone either way," UNC coach Bill Lam said. "It's a hard loss, and I don't like losing, but I was proud of him."

The grapplers traded one-point

The North Carolina men's lacrosse

team learned a valuable lesson in its opening exhibition match Saturday

afternoon: how to handle adverse

The Tar Heels slushed through four

quarters of action against Villanova, playing through pouring rain that drenched the artificial turf at Henry Stadium and a howling wind that caused

some players to don overcoats.

UNC overcame the conditions, how

escapes during regulation, and Groudle held a 52second riding-time advantage – eight seconds from gaining a bonus point and securing a Tar

The loss, which six of 10 bouts were settled by three points or less, snapped UNC's five-match "Coach told us

it was going to be a real big match," freshman Skyler Holman (125 pounds) said. "It's a real tough way to lose, but we fought real hard tonight."

Tar Heel freshman Skyler Holman

Holman, ranked seventh nationally, rollman, rained seventh nauonary, scored a 13-1 major decision against Paul Hodermarksy. The Tar Heels also received a fall from 197-pounder Clint Osborn and decisions from Corey Bell

Men's Lacrosse Beats Weather, Wildcats

(174) and Brad Byers (133).
"Last time I beat him, I won 3-0."
Holman said. "He was real defensive the whole time and hardly wrestled at all.

This time, I tried to open it up."

UNC (6-5) led 16-6 with four matches remaining. But, as has been the custom for most of the season, the Tar Heels were plagued by their middle weights.

Rusty Lee, 0-11 on the season, lost 7-1 to Shane Hartzler at 141 pounds. Following Lee, Josh Cowley (149) and Dennis Landin (157) lost their matches

Dennis Landin (157) lost their matches 6-3 and 3-1, respectively.

The loss to Ohio (13-4-1) overshadowed a hard-fought victory against Navyon Saturday. Holman led the way with a fall, and Byers and Groudle scored major decisions en route to a 23-18 victory against the Middle lights and Saturday.

"I thought that we were going to have a tough time with them," Lam said. "Our kids really rose to the occasion."

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forcing in the winning run.

"This is going to be a good one to take for the team," Earey said of the pitch. "I mean, I get hit a lot; I'm not afraid to take pitches in the arm."

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The game-winning RBI capped a big day for Earey. In game one, he went 3-for-4 and set a career high with seven runs batted in. He blasted a grand slam in the fourth and added a solo shot to begin the right. begin the eighth.

Two others also set career highs in the 21-10 rout: Tyrell Godwin scored four runs, and Prosser collected three hits.

- From Staff and Wire Reports It wasn't the hitting but the pitching that constituted the biggest difference in the two games. PSU walked 14 UNC batters and hit four others in the opener.

In game two, the teams combined for 29 strikeouts. Nittany Lions starter Peter Yodis held the Tar Heels at bay until he was lifted because of his pitch count. The righty allowed two hits and fanned 11 in 6 1/3 innings of work.

Chris Elmore, who started game two for UNC, also had success on the mound. The lefty threw seven strong innings, striking out eight while yielding

innings, striking out eight while yielding two hits. He used two of those Ks to loaded jam in the third.

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ever, and beat the Wildcats 12-10.

"I think our play was a little rusty because of the weather," junior Jeff Sonke said. "Both teams had to play in it, though, so we really weren't too worried about it. We played all right as a whole."

Obviously, Sonke and teammates Matt Crofton and Andy Jonas weren't too affected by the harsh conditions. Jonas posted four goals, Crofton scored three times, and Sonke contributed a pair of goals. The trio paced the Tar Heel offensive attack, pressuring 'Nova

Although the Tar Heels outscored the

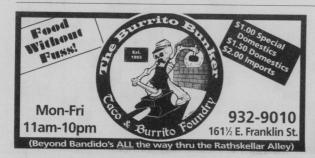
'Cats, Villanova won the battle of the face-offs, powered by senior Christopher Larson. Larson won 14-of-25 face-offs and scored three goals.

The Tar Heels must now prepare for the regular season and their first oppo-

nent, Fairfield "I just think we need to work on a lit-

tle more stuff," Sonke said. "I've got, completely positive feelings toward this season. We've got a week of practice, and we'll see what we come out with."

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