



## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Women's Tennis Traps Spiders to End Streak

In its first outdoor dual match of the season, the North Carolina women's tennis team defeated Richmond 6-3 at Cone-Kenfield Tennis Center, ending a four-match losing streak.

Leading the way for the Tar Heels (2-4) was freshman Marlene Mejia, who won her No. 1 singles match (6-0, 6-0) against Elizabeth Cascarilla and her No. 1 doubles match with Erin Niebling.

Two other Tar Heel freshmen also posted singles wins. Kendrick Bunn beat Elyse Salahi at No. 3 (6-3, 6-1), and Kate Pinchbeck downed Casey Cohen (6-0, 6-3) at No. 6. The pair also won a doubles match for UNC.

UNC's Courtney Zalinski captured a singles match for the Tar Heels as well.

### Men's Golf in 2nd Place In Puerto Rico Classic

The UNC men's golf team stands in seventh place with a 579 total after the second round of the Puerto Rico Golf Classic, the first tournament of the Tar Heels' spring season. Georgia Tech leads the 15-team field with a 10-under 566.

UNC senior Paul Daniel is tied for 11th place at 1-under 143. Rob Simmons is one shot back at 144 in a tie for 18th.

### Blake to Skip Season With Torn Rotator Cuff

UNC sophomore Ryan Blake, a designated hitter and backup catcher on the baseball team, will miss the remainder of the season due to a partial tear of his right rotator cuff.

Blake will undergo surgery within the next two weeks and will require six months of rehabilitation.

Blake had played in 10 games this year for the Tar Heels. He was hitting .323 with 13 RBI.

Blake will apply for a medical red-shirt season and should be ready to rejoin the Tar Heels next fall.

— From Staff Reports

## Tar Heels Smother Schweitzer

The UNC women's basketball team limited Duke forward Georgia Schweitzer to eight points in its victory Sunday.

By IAN GORDON  
Staff Writer

With 2:41 left in its game against North Carolina, the Duke women's basketball team came out of a timeout hoping for a good look at the basket.

Trailing 56-50, it seemed like the perfect time for the ACC's best 3-point shooting team to try to get the ball to one of its perimeter players.

For much of the Blue Devils' season, the outside shooter had been forward Georgia Schweitzer.

"Usually when we penetrate, people help, and we kick it to her for an open look," Duke coach Gail Goostenkors said.

But Schweitzer, who has been slowed by a fracture in her right leg since a Feb. 14 game against Wake Forest, was unable to free herself from UNC's defense. Instead, Duke's Krista Gingrich took a 3-pointer that rimmed out, and the Tar Heels gained possession of the

rebound.

Throughout UNC's 73-64 victory, the 6-foot Schweitzer was stifled by her injured leg and an active Tar Heel defense. The junior guard took just six shots en route to eight points, half of her season average.

So how much was Schweitzer's injury, which Goostenkors called a "divot fracture" of the right tibia, a factor in her performance against UNC?

"It's hard to know," Goostenkors said. "She's a tough kid, and I know when Georgia Schweitzer asks to come out, she's in severe pain — and she's had to ask to come out every game since Wake Forest."

Schweitzer's injury comes at a particularly bad time for the No. 9 Blue Devils, who had already lost senior swing player Peppi Browne for the season. Browne, who was averaging 13.7 points, tore the anterior cruciate liga-



Duke junior Georgia Schweitzer was hampered by a sore right leg she injured Feb. 14.

ment in her right knee in Duke's 101-53 drubbing of UNC on Jan. 27.

UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said she was unaware of Schweitzer's injury. Hatchell also said Schweitzer was a key to Duke's past success.

"I feel like a lot of times in the crunch, she's the one who's going to lead them," Hatchell said.

With Schweitzer struggling, though, Duke was forced to look elsewhere for its offensive production.

Gingrich, who came into the game averaging 7.7 points, finished with a game-high 23. However, she shot 6-for-17 from the field.

Her line was similar to that of her entire team. Duke shot 39 percent for the game and was 6-for-18 on 3-pointers.

"We know that Duke is a very, very good shooting basketball team if they get open shots," said UNC's Nikki Teasley, who along with LaQuanda Barksdale and Juana Brown guarded Schweitzer.

"We just tried not to give them any open looks, especially Schweitzer. When she gets going, she can take over a basketball game all by herself."

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## UNC Opens Regular Season Against Dukes

By MATT TERRY  
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The North Carolina women's lacrosse team proved its fitness Saturday night at Fetzer Field.

In fact, it ran its opponent all the way back home to Virginia, handing William & Mary a 20-5 beating in the process.

UNC received goals from 12 different players in its final exhibition contest. Six players scored at least two goals, and two Tar Heels — Gray MacNair and Lindsay Stone — recorded hat tricks.

Needless to say, the UNC attack seems ready for the team's season opener at James Madison today at 4 p.m.

"Going into our season, (we wanted) to just put everything together," said midfielder Meghann Mohler, who scored twice Saturday.

"We wanted to work on getting through the field with as little turnovers as we possibly can, getting it down to

the offensive end and working around for the best shot that we can. Today, we did that awesome."

The Tar Heels led 7-0 after 10 minutes and 10-3 at the half.

In beating the Tribe, the Tar Heels — 7-5 losers to William & Mary last year — seemed to let the rest of the lacrosse world know that they intend to improve on 1999's 8-7 record.

"Our pressure on ball was great, and our hustle was great," UNC coach Jenny Slingluff Levy said. "We played with heart, and hopefully this will spark us for the rest of the season."

The players said it already has.

"We were talking about it on the sidelines as the clock was ticking down," Mohler said. "This has gotten our confidence up going into JMU."

But UNC still has some question marks to take care of before facing a talented James Madison team.

Slingluff Levy said she wished the

Tribe would have applied more offensive pressure so her young defense could have received a well-needed test before the season opener.

Also, in the absence of a No. 1 goaltender, she has decided that goalies Margaret Garofalo and Melissa Coyne will split time this season. Garofalo played the first half against the Tribe, while Coyne took over in the second.

Regardless of their concerns, the Tar Heels say they are excited to begin their 2000 campaign. And they're tired of practicing.

"We're ready to go," Slingluff Levy said. "We're starting on a really good foot, and we're happy about it."

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## Late 1st-Half Charge By Terps Dooms UNC

The North Carolina men's basketball team failed to score in the last 3:13 before halftime in Saturday's loss.

By HUGH PRESSLEY  
Senior Writer

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Here's a pop-quiz question.

What factor most significantly led to North Carolina's 81-73 loss to 19th-ranked Maryland on Saturday?

a) Terrapin tandem Juan Dixon and Terence Morris' combined 39 points (including six 3-pointers) and 13 rebounds,

b) UNC's desultory 3-for-18 (17 percent) showing from behind the 3-point stripe,

c) Tar Heel players' loss of traction due to large gobs of Maryland coach Gary Williams' sweat seeping onto the court, or

d) the Terps' 12-0 run to end the first half?

Joking aside (c), although North Carolina's nightmarish shooting (b) and Morris' and Dixon's offensive exploits (a) played a major role in the game's outcome, Maryland's 12 unanswered points during the last 2:54 of the first half (d) broke UNC's back.

Despite the Terrapins' 36-percent first-half shooting performance, the run gave Maryland a 10-point halftime lead against a flabbergasted and deflated group of Tar Heels.

"It was tough; I think that was the turning point in the game," Greenbelt, Md., native Joseph Forte (26 points) said. "If we could cut down on the turnovers and stop some people ... we could've won."

Surprisingly, the run started when UNC coach Bill Guthridge took out his Blue Team after just 48 seconds of work.

In that span, Tar Heel freshman Jonathan Holmes hit a jumper to put UNC up 27-25 with 3:13 to go in the half.

Maybe Guthridge should have left Holmes in.

After Morris tied the game with two free throws at 2:54, the starters saw their season flash before their eyes.

TURNOVERS: The Tar Heels have had the turnover flu all season, coughing the ball up 15 times a game. During the run, UNC tallied two of its 12 first-half giveaways, including an Ed Cota miscue that led to a jumper by Terp center Mike Mardesich. That put the Terps, who scored 20 points off 17 UNC faux pas, up 29-27 with 2:36 before the half.

"We definitely had them where we wanted them (before the run)," said UNC center Brendan Haywood, who grabbed a career-high 17 rebounds. "But then, once again, we made a couple of mistakes, and that led to easy points to their hoop."

BAD DEFENSE: Maryland looked like it had six guys on the court during its run, as it scored on the Tar Heels at will. UNC amassed three fouls in the last three minutes of the half, while the Terps snagged the last of their 14 first-half offensive boards. After a Morris 3 and a free throw, Mardesich's tip with 25 seconds to go put the Terrapins up eight.

"We knew we were going to have to key in on Morris and Dixon," UNC forward Jason Capel said. "But ... when guys like Mardesich start hitting shots, you're in trouble."

LETHARGIC OFFENSE: Although UNC has shot well all season, its inability to consistently put points on the scoreboard has been the bane of its existence. The Tar Heels missed all four of their shots to end the first half. That set up Terp point man Steve Blake, who took Cota to the rack before the halftime buzzer to cap Maryland's decisive 12-0 run.

"Sometimes we (missed) good shots, sometimes we turned the ball over," Capel said. "You can't do that. You've got to at least get shots every time down the floor."

"They made us pay for it; that's what good teams do."

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