

# SPORTS MONDAY

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The Daily Tar Heel

## Wrestling Successful in Tournament



JohnMark Bentley (left) won the 149-pound weight class in the VerticalNet Open. He was one of six Tar Heels to win their individual weight class. See Page 7.

## Quick Hits:

- Women's basketball hosts ETSU at 7 p.m.
- Volleyball to play SE Missouri State in NCAA tournament.
- Peppers named to All-America second team.

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# ALIVE AND KICKING



UNC is the only school in the nation still playing in both tournaments.

## No. 1 Men Move on To Final 8

BY BRET STRELOW  
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Before the NCAA tournament, Dean Smith sent North Carolina men's soccer coach Elmar Bolowich a note with a simple message.

Survive and advance. The Tar Heels survived a lackluster first half and scored three second-half goals to advance to the quarterfinals of the Men's College Cup with a 3-1 victory against Rhode Island on Sunday at Fetzer Field.

"They picked up on that," Bolowich said of his players' response to the note. "After last week, that's what the players were saying - survive and advance - because it was a very difficult game."

Last week, the top-ranked Tar Heels came back from a 2-0 second-half deficit to William & Mary and won in overtime to move on to the second round. Such a comeback wouldn't be necessary against the Rams.

UNC (21-2) netted two goals in the first 10:49 after halftime. Bolowich said the Tar Heel forwards were hesitant in the first half, and he instructed them to start attacking more from the flanks.

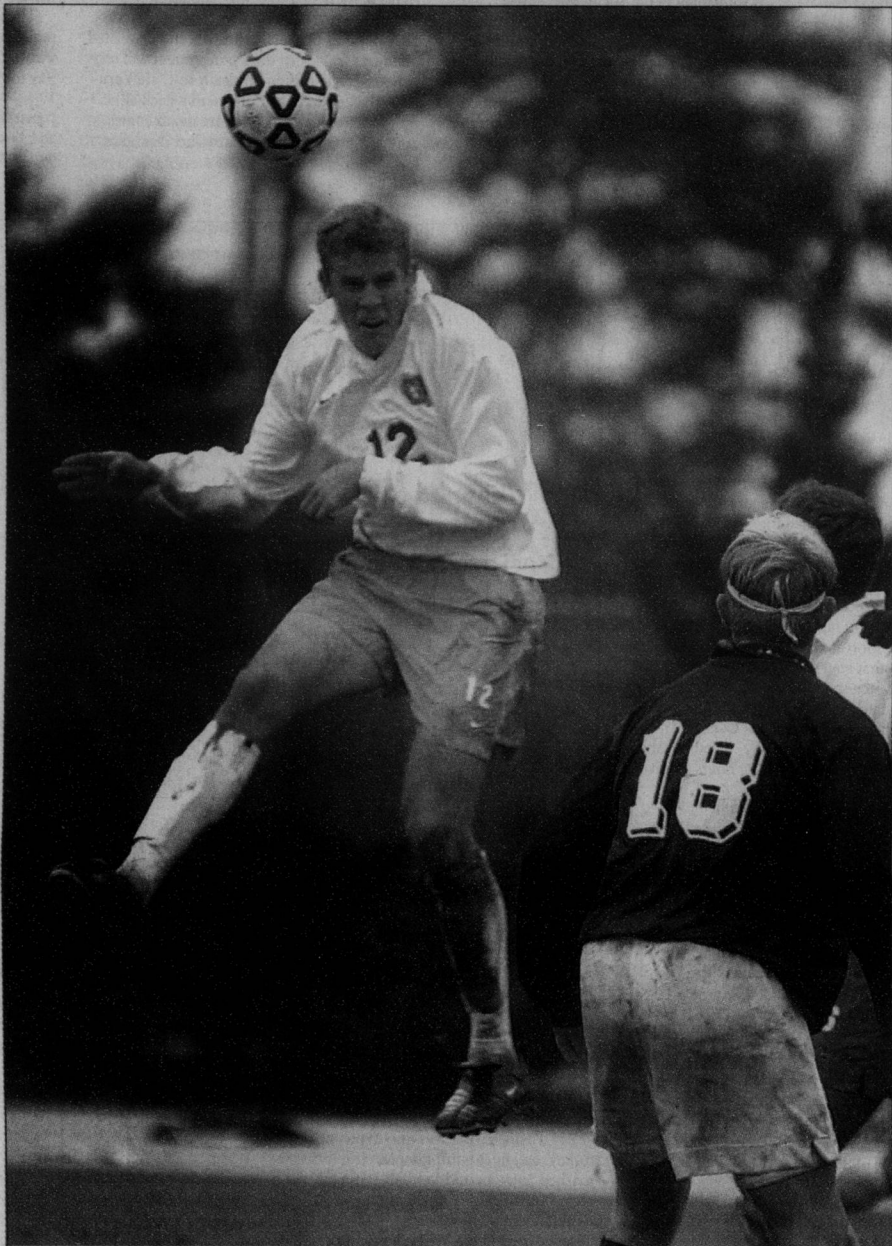
That strategy paid off when North Carolina junior Chris Carrieri scored from the right flank at 53:30 to give the Tar Heels a 1-0 lead. Carrieri's shot deflected off the shin of Rhode Island defender Neil Lewis and flew into the left side of the net.

Carrieri's goal, his 25th of the season, ended a three-game scoreless streak. Before that stretch, Carrieri's longest drought had been one game.

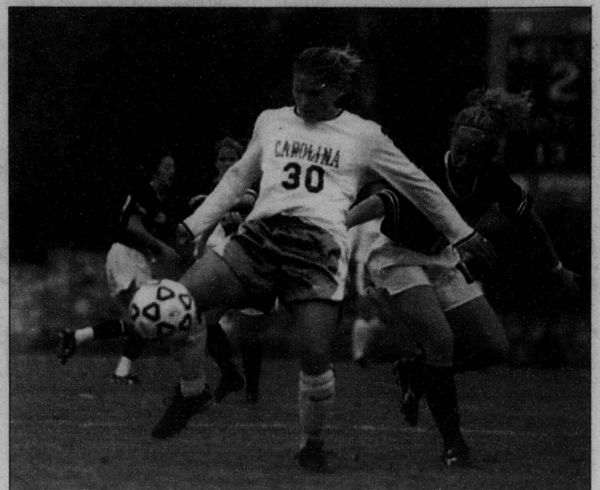
"I consider myself to be in a slump if I'm not scoring," Carrieri said. "That's my job. If we're winning, I'm OK. I'm doing my part, whether it's assisting or being double-teamed and somebody

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UNC reserve forward Ryan Kneipper (12) entered the game with 25:03 left in the second half and scored a goal 2:01 later to put the finishing touches on the Tar Heels' 3-1 win against Rhode Island in the NCAA tournament.



Junior Danielle Borgman shields UConn's Kristin Gardiner from the ball. Borgman assisted Meredith Florance on UNC's second goal of the day.

## Dominant or Not, Women Advance

BY T. NOLAN HAYES  
Sports Editor

Maybe it was domination. Maybe it wasn't.

The point is arguable. But what is certain is the fact that the North Carolina women's soccer team is headed back to the NCAA final four for the 19th time in as many tries.

The Tar Heels got two goals from senior forward Meredith Florance as they defeated Connecticut 3-0 at Fetzer Field on Friday in the quarterfinals of the Women's College Cup.

"It was not too much dominance on one team today like they usually are,"

said Connecticut coach Len Tsantiris, who watched his team go out in the round of eight for the fifth time in six years. "I don't think it's fair to say that they dominated, with the score 3-0."

If the game wasn't a case of domination, it was close. The Tar Heels outshot the Huskies (17-7-2) by a margin of 17-5 and posted eight corner kicks to Connecticut's zero. They were also never in any significant danger of surrendering a goal.

"I don't want to contradict Lenny," North Carolina coach Anson Dorrance said. "But I will take whatever happened today as a substitution for domination anytime."

UNC (19-3) will play top-ranked Notre Dame (23-0-1), a 2-1 winner against Santa Clara, on Friday in the NCAA semifinals in San Jose, Calif. Portland, which knocked out Penn State, and UCLA, which eliminated Clemson, will face off in the other matchup.

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## Freshman Leads ODU in Win Against UNC

Center Corrina Turner scored 21 points and pulled down 15 rebounds in ODU's 91-77 victory against the Tar Heels.

BY MIKE OGLE  
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Three years ago, Corrina Turner spent her falls and winters playing the clarinet in the marching band at Monsignor Edward Pace in Miami.

Since then, the 6-foot-6 Old Dominion freshman has spent them lighting up opposing basketball teams.

Saturday was no exception. Turner came off the bench for 21 points and 15 rebounds to send the Lady Monarchs past North Carolina 91-77 for their first win of the season.

"Certainly, Corrina Turner had her coming-out party today," ODU coach Wendy Larry said.

Turner just entered her third season of basketball. She scored eight points in the Monarchs' first two contests but quickly caused some jaws to drop Saturday at the Smith Center. The game was moved because of a wrestling tournament in Carmichael Auditorium.

Turner entered the game with her team trailing by 10 points early in the first half.

Less than eight minutes later, Turner won a battle on the offensive glass and

scored a put-back to give the Lady Monarchs (1-2) the lead for good.

Her performance was indicative of a game for UNC (2-2) in which it could not get anything accomplished on the inside.

Turner matched up against UNC's own 6-6 freshman center: Candace Sutton. But Sutton could not hold her ground against her stronger counterpart, shooting 4-for-11 from the field and grabbing six rebounds.

"Well, Candace was sick before the game," UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said. "In the locker room, I asked her two or three times if she was all right. She wasn't feeling well, and I think she missed a lot of shots that she'd been making."

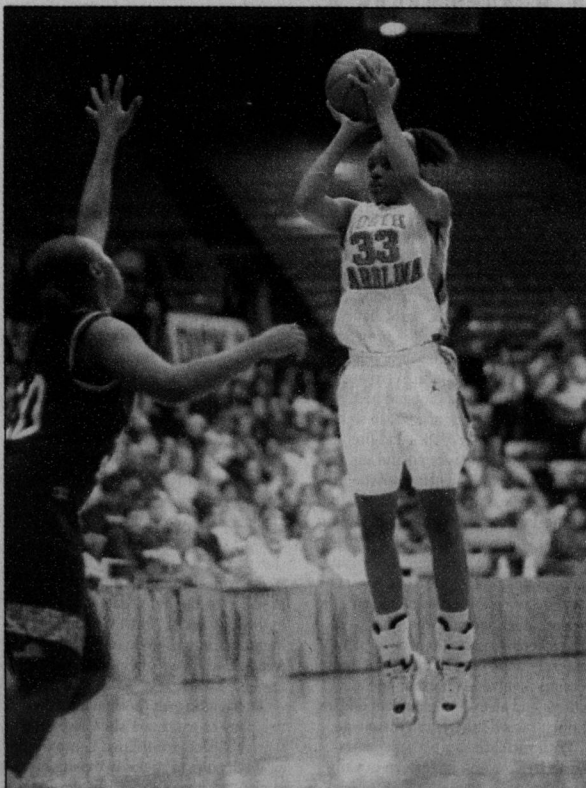
The Tar Heels as a whole struggled to get in position on the boards. ODU out-rebounded them 47-33 overall and 22-17 on the offensive glass. Forward LaQuanda Barksdale led the way with eight rebounds and 27 points.

"They were coming up over top of us and tapping them loose, grabbing them over top of our heads and everything else," Hatchell said. "We were there sometimes, but you've got to finish it off by putting a body on them."

The Tar Heels didn't have to put a body on the Lady Monarchs early in the first half at least.

The teams entered a 3-point shootout that quickly went UNC's way. Swingman Leah Sharp and Barksdale set their marks from long range and scored 19 of the Tar Heels' first 21

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Forward LaQuanda Barksdale (33), shown here against N.C. A&T earlier this season, led the Tar Heels with 27 points against Old Dominion.

## Virginia Tech Offers Beamer Big Raise in Wake of Rumors

Newspaper reports stated that North Carolina will offer Hokies coach Frank Beamer a \$1.2 million deal.

The Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. - Virginia Tech's regular-season finale Saturday night against Virginia was played against a backdrop of rumors that North Carolina is poised to offer Hokies coach Frank Beamer a contract worth more than \$1 million a year.

Virginia Tech officials said Friday that the school is offering Beamer a contract worth more than \$1 million in the next few days. Beamer, a 1969 Virginia Tech graduate, makes about \$800,000 annually under his 10-year contract, which he signed in 1996.

"We're not going to talk about that tonight," Beamer said of the rumors following the No. 6 Hokies' 42-21 victory against the Cavaliers. "We're going to talk

about Virginia Tech football and what a great job the team has done this season."

Meanwhile, players said the rumors of Beamer being heavily sought have not been a distraction, but have been a topic of discussion this week.

"We've joked about it, talking about how much money he's being offered and how much money Tech better shell out," tailback Lee Suggs said. "I don't want him to go, but if he does, I wish him luck. He played here when he was in college. It would be funny seeing him coach anywhere else."

Wide receiver Emmett Johnson said Beamer had not talked to the team about the rumors.

"I really don't know if he would leave or not. It's all just rumors and up in the air right now," Johnson said. "But deep down inside, I don't think he'll go."

Athletic director Jim Weaver said he felt North Carolina was more of issue in the rumors than Alabama. He said he didn't know what UNC planned to offer Beamer, but that Virginia Tech was doing what it could to keep Beamer.

"What we can do, we're doing. It's something we can afford to do," Weaver said Saturday. "We're not getting into a bidding war. We're doing what we can

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