

Motivated Ramsey Wins MVP

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Alyssa Ramsey sat at the press conference table, arms crossed and head facing down, as coach and teammates praised the forward for her play in the ACC conference tournament.

A quick smile escaped her lips, breaking Ramsey's business-like expression. She couldn't help but enjoy her new status as ACC Tournament Most Valuable Player.

It was evident the disappointment of last Wednesday had vanished.

Last week, conference coaches voted UNC's biggest scoring threat to the All-ACC second-team.

Meanwhile, three other Tar Heels were elected to the conference's first team.

"I guess not making the conference team was kind of motivation," said Ramsey, who is the first sophomore to

be named MVP since 1990. "The game MVP was a huge honor. I didn't expect it at all. I just went out there and played."

Ramsey scored the championship game's second goal when she penetrated Florida State's back line, and she assisted on two others to aid North Carolina's run for the conference title.

She also scored two goals in Friday's semifinal match against Wake Forest, one of them on a penalty kick.

"Tactically, she's playing very well," said UNC coach Anson Dorrance. "She's always been an excellent finisher. She doesn't shoot the ball enough, but if you look at her finishing percentage, even going back to her freshman year, it's remarkable."

Ramsey displayed a special knack for timing her breakaway runs into the offensive zone.

Where some players might jump the gun and get whistled for an off-sides,

Ramsey attacks with a precise timing that's evident in her team-leading 13 goals and 12 assists.

"She has the capacity of walking that line and when the ball is struck, got in," Dorrance said. "The goal she scored today, and also the penalty kick she drew yesterday, were all off her negotiating this line. It's a very hard thing to do."

But Ramsey makes it look easy. Dorrance compared Ramsey's ability to take over a game to that of former Tar Heel Meredith Florance.

And as the UNC offense emulates Florance, the rest of the ACC is looking up to Ramsey.

"I look at her and I'm like, 'OK, I need to do this,'" said FSU forward Cindy Schofield. "I see stuff that she does that I could implement in my game."

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When UNC did have the ball, Wake pressured Durant frequently with blitzes. Durant, whose 361 passing yards, four touchdown passes, 24 completions and 75-yard TD pass to Sam Aiken all set UNC single-game freshman records, was held to 97 yards in the second half.

"I haven't seen them blitz like that," Bunting said. "They bring everybody. And that's risk-taking. You've got to hurt them when they take those risks, and for whatever reason, we didn't."

But UNC knew what to expect from Wake's offense, with motions and trick plays galore. The Tar Heels stuffed the nation's 11th-best rush offense in the first half, holding the Deacons to 69 yards, but unfocused play ruined them in the second.

Eight plays after a UNC fumble, Wake wideout John Stone came from the right side on an end-around and went 11 yards for Wake's first touchdown with 9:19 left in the third quarter.

The Deacons then went back to the end-around on their next drive, as wide-out Fabian Davis dove in for a 5-yard TD that sliced the Tar Heels' lead to 24-14 with 4:01 remaining in the third.

Durant guided UNC on a 12-play, 80-yard drive, capping it with a 12-yard strike to Zach Hilton, but Wake quarterback James MacPherson answered with an 80-yard touchdown drive of his own.

A 42-yard Wake field goal - after the Tar Heels declined a holding penalty - on its next drive cut the lead to a touchdown with 5:56 to go in the game.

UNC then went three-and-out, when deep snapper Greg Warren sent the ball over the head of punter John Lafferty and through the back of the end zone.

Safety UNC 31, Wake 26 - 4:59 left in the game.

Wake took over on its own 41 after the ensuing free kick and ran through UNC's defense for its first lead of the game. Wake was helped by a 10-yard penalty, which was tacked on to a 15-yard run by MacPherson. He then kept the ball for a 1-yard TD with 1:17 to go in the game.

The Deacs failed on the two-point conversion but had their first lead of the game 32-31.

Still, the Tar Heels looked like they could overcome and pull out a win.

Durant hit Kory Bailey three straight times to move UNC to the Wake 47.

But Wake's Quintin Williams came in on a blitz, jarring the ball out of Durant's hand, which was cocked to throw. Caron Bracy recovered the ball at the UNC 38.

"I felt like my arm was going forward," said Durant, who was looking for Bailey on the right side. "I felt like he hit me as I was letting go of the ball."

"But the ref saw otherwise. You can't argue with that."

Nor could anyone argue with Bunting's postgame message to his team.

"Don't just think it's going to come easily to you," Bunting said. "It doesn't happen that way. You've got to play the whole game. And hopefully somebody will learn something from that."

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Testo Reminds USC of Skills

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It didn't take long for North Carolina forward David Testo to remind South Carolina what it has been missing this season.

Testo, a junior transfer from USC, had the game against his former school circled on his calendar all season.

"I couldn't wait for this game, but I could have done without it too," Testo said. "It was just an awkward situation."

Testo had a chance to show his old team what it is like to compete against him instead of with him, and he took advantage of the opportunity early.

In the fourth minute of UNC's game with the Gamecocks, Testo took a ball from Chris Leitch and rifled a low shot into the net from the top of the 18-yard box. The goal proved to be the game winner in the 1-0 UNC victory Friday.

"It was early in the game, and my adrenaline was pumping," Testo said. "I saw an opening, so I just put my head down and hit it."

The Gamecocks' loss has been the Tar Heels' gain. The goal gave Testo nine on the season, tying him with Ryan Knepper for the team lead.

His scoring ability has helped answer some of the glaring questions that were raised about the Tar Heels' offense at the beginning of the season.

"He was a fantastic addition," said North Carolina coach Elmar Bolowich. "Having had the departure of three forwards from last year's team, he is ... filling the void there as an experienced player."

South Carolina coach Mark Berson said his team is looking forward to meeting Testo again.

"Obviously the guys know David, so I think everybody wanted to play well," Berson said.

Testo, who is from Arden, transferred to UNC in the spring of 2001. He started every game for USC in 2000 and was third on the team in points with 12.

He said he needed a change and was familiar with many of the Tar Heels from playing with them on club teams.

While he said UNC had been his first choice all along, the decision to transfer wasn't an easy one.

Testo is still friends with most of his former teammates and talked with several of them on the phone Tuesday. He said the conversations were more tense than usual.

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down 3s, it does deflate you mentally."

While UNC was busy shooting nearly 58 percent, Evansville was just trying to get into its offense and retain possession. Purple Ace point guard Latasha Austin turned the ball over nine times in the first 20 minutes against UNC's full-court trap.

"We were aware of what (Austin) could do," Teasley said. "Coach said everything goes through their point guard, so it's real important that we get pressure on her."

But after a quick second-half spurt, the Tar Heels hit a wall. When Teasley fired a quick outlet pass to Brown, who found a streaking Nikita Bell for a transition layup, UNC held a 28-point advantage with just under 13 minutes remaining.

Eight minutes and a whole slew of North Carolina mistakes later, Hatchell angrily called a time out when Evansville's Julie Shirley buried a right-corner 3 to cut the lead to 77-59.

"We were not matching up," Hatchell said. "I don't think we had a leader out there at the time that was making sure the freshmen were matched up in transition and were talking."

Regardless, the UNC lead was too great. The Tar Heels stayed under control the rest of the way and secured a date with Connecticut in a semifinal Thursday.

"I like this team. No, I love this team," Hatchell said. "They play like I like to play. We're going to be fun to watch."

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That matched the feeling of the game. Testo wasn't bashful about attacking his old teammates' goal, and they weren't dancing around him on the field.

Testo found himself on the receiving end of a couple of hard tackles, including one by Dave Moore that left him stunned

on the field for a moment. "I'd be disappointed if they didn't go after me," Testo said. "It means they care. I'm sure they were pretty upset that I left."

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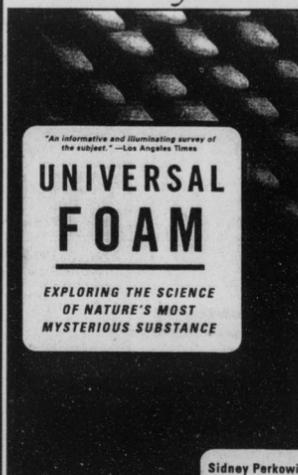
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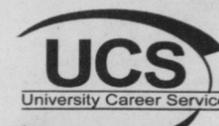
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WALK-IN HOURS: Have your resume critiqued or ask a quick question of a UCS counselor. Mon. - Fri., 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

WORKSHOPS:

Career Blitz Workshop:
Attend three UCS workshops in one block of time or attend just the session you need.

Tue., Nov. 13	3 - 5:30 pm	224 Union
UCS 101 (Sr/Grad student Orientation)	3:00 pm	
Interviewing Skills	4:00 pm	
Resume Writing	5:00 pm	

Taking Time Off: Options for Seniors after Graduation
Are you not looking for a "real job" yet, or planning to take time off before grad school? Come learn about possibilities: teaching English abroad, residential treatment camps, jobs at a ski resort or dude ranch, study abroad, short-term options (e.g. Peace Corps, Teach for America) and more.

Mon., Nov. 12	4:00	208 Union
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New York Recruiting Alliance:
Information session for seniors interested in interviewing in New York City in February 2002 in fields such as publishing, advertising, legal research, non-profits, etc. (Trip to New York is at your expense.)

Wed., Nov. 14	4:00	208 Union
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Introduction to Internships:
Find out what an internship is all about, how to obtain one, and how it will help you get a head start on your career.

Thu., Nov. 15	3:30	208 Union
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Keeping Your Career Options Open:
Learn how to develop a career plan to expand your career possibilities and increase your competitiveness for internships and jobs. Students should attend this workshop before their senior year.

Mon., Nov. 19	4:00	208 Union
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SPECIAL PROGRAMMING:

NETWORKING NIGHTS:
These programs offer you an opportunity to meet with working professionals in an informal environment, to make contacts, and learn more about what it takes to work in these fields. Refreshments will be served. Business casual attire is recommended. If interested in attending, RSVP to ucs@unc.edu, indicating the program you wish to attend. All programs will be held in the Commons Room (lower level) of the Johnston Center for Undergraduate Excellence/Graham Memorial.

Thu., Nov. 15	5:00 - 6:30	Health Careers
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Resume Submissions (collecting resumes but not interviewing on campus):
TM Capital Corporation, Financial Analyst, Submission Deadline Nov. 14

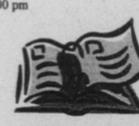
Employer Presentations:

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Topic: Public School Teachers
Nov. 14 308 Hanes Hall, 5:00 - 6:00 pm

HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Topic: Graduate School Admission Information
Nov. 15 224 Student Union Bldg., 3:00 - 5:00 pm

WILLIAM M. MERCER, INC.
Topic: Actuarial Analyst
Nov. 15 307 Hanes Hall, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

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Topic: Management Trainee
Nov. 15 Carolina Inn, 8:00 - 9:00 pm



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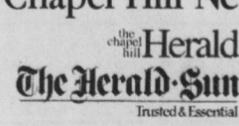
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