

# Mooring Could Miss Game Vs. Injury-Riddled Jackets

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North Carolina defensive end Issac Mooring will likely be sidelined against Georgia Tech on Saturday after breaking two bones in his right hand.

The sophomore sustained the injury in a fall in his apartment off campus Saturday morning. He had surgery Monday and did not practice Tuesday.

"It's always tough for a football team to lose a player due to injury," said UNC coach John Bunting at his weekly press conference Tuesday. "But it is tougher when the player gets injured off the field."

Bunting was optimistic that Mooring will be able to play through the injury in coming weeks, but said he did not expect Mooring to play against the Yellow Jackets.

Jocques Dumas will likely start in Mooring's place, Bunting said. Tommy Davis, Jermicus Banks and Larry Jessup should also see increased playing time.

### Bunting Empathizes With Hollings

Georgia Tech running back Tony

Hollings, who leads the nation in rushing and is second in scoring, suffered a painful knee injury in Tech's win against Brigham Young on Saturday that reminded Bunting of one of his old football injuries.

"The injury Hollings suffered was exactly what happened to me in 1978," Bunting said. "It was the exact same injury doing the exact same thing. He was attacking a linebacker; I was attacking a running back. Nobody hit me, nobody hit him. It's a freak thing that can happen in football. I was making a radical right hand turn, just like he was doing, and my knee blew out just like his."

An MRI on Monday revealed that Hollings had a torn anterior cruciate ligament and a torn lateral meniscus in his right knee. He will undergo surgery in two weeks and is out for the remainder of the season.

"I feel bad for him and at some point I will get in touch with him and let him know that he can make it back from



UNC junior defensive end Isaac Mooring has had eight tackles in his three starts this season.

this," Bunting said. "Back when I got the surgery it was a 50-50-type operation, but now you can recover quicker. He will be as good as new once he finishes rehab."

Hollings is the second standout Yellow Jacket to be sidelined this season. Defensive end Greg Gathers is out with a kidney disease.

Both injuries could have a significant impact on the short-term success of the team. The running back position is particularly uncertain, with backup Sidney Ford still out of action due to a concussion.

"We're going to have to wait and see how we handle the tailback situation," said Tech coach Chan Gailey on Sunday. "In the next two days, we are going to evaluate exactly where we are at the running back position, and what we need to do. I would not rule anything out."

Freshman Ajenavi Eziemefe will likely be the starter against the Tar Heels, but he will be hard-pressed to fill the production void left by Hollings' injury.

"The loss of a running back that was leading the nation in rushing was a very serious blow to them," Bunting said. "Those things happen in football, and you've got to go on."

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### THE Daily Crossword

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- 1 Horn sounds
- 6 Squeeze painfully
- 11 Scott's cap
- 14 Anchor position
- 15 Capture
- 16 Roswell, NM sighting
- 17 Place for a Mexico City stroll
- 19 Simpson trial judge
- 20 Different pref.
- 21 Merchant
- 23 Payphone aperture
- 24 WWII landing craft
- 26 River frolickers
- 27 Fine powder
- 29 Scornful look
- 30 Binge
- 33 Meg of the movies
- 35 Icing
- 38 Draft choice
- 39 Swindled
- 42 Period of many years
- 43 Valhalla assemblage
- 45 Solemn vow
- 46 Bean or Welles
- 48 and Gomorrah
- 50 Outer limit

**DOWN**

- 1 Musical family
- 2 Lucy's landlady
- 3 Muse of poetry
- 4 Lab tube
- 5 Side track
- 6 Coastal hrs.
- 7 Motionless
- 8 Scruff
- 9 Curtain material
- 10 Goddess of the moon
- 11 Place for a Paris stroll
- 12 Later on
- 13 Othello and others
- 18 Lounge around
- 22 News bit
- 25 Piercing cry
- 28 J. J. Pershing's troops
- 29 Tammany big-

**47 Cook's file**

**49 Night spots**

**51 Research results**

**52 City on the Meuse**

**53 Fine-grained corundum**

**54 Prior to**

**56 Asunder**

**57 Commingle**

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**60 Fully aware of**

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**65 Dawn Chong**

# Volleyball Knocks Off Charlotte

From Staff Reports

CHARLOTTE - No. 15 North Carolina faced an in-state test Tuesday but hung on to beat Charlotte 3-1. The Tar Heels improved to 12-1 on the season and 14-0 all-time against the 49ers, while Charlotte fell to 8-6.

Senior outside hitter Laura Greene led the Tar Heels with 17 kills, and senior outside hitter Malaika Underwood added 18 digs.

The Tar Heels took an early 7-3 lead in game one. Charlotte eventually tied the score at 12-12 and again at 19-19 before the Tar Heels grabbed two points on consecutive kills by outside hitter Molly Pyles and middle hitter Holly

Strauss, respectively, for a 21-19 lead. Charlotte got back within one point twice, but UNC held on, clinching the game on a kill by Greene. The Tar Heels cruised to a 30-19 win in game two.

Charlotte trailed 26-24 in game three, but mounted a 6-2 run down the stretch to take a game from the Tar Heels for the first time since 1993. North Carolina reasserted itself to win game four 30-25, clinching the match on another Greene kill.

### Men's Soccer Downs Campbell 7-1

BUIES CREEK - Marcus Storey scored three goals and North Carolina broke to an early lead en route to a 7-1 men's soccer victory against Campbell

on Tuesday night at the Eakes Athletic Complex. The three goals tied a career high for Storey, who also had a hat trick against Georgia State in 2001.

Storey scored twice during a four-goal onslaught by the 13th-ranked Tar Heels in the first 12 minutes of the match. He netted his third score in the 78th minute, shooting past back-up keeper William Holland after intercepting a clearance.

Ryan Kneipper added two goals and David Testo had a goal and assist for North Carolina, which improved to 6-2 on the year while winning its third straight match. Campbell dropped to 1-4 on the season with its fourth-consecutive setback.

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