

THE LOWDOWN ON TONIGHT'S GAME

N.C. State
(14-9, 7-5 ACC)
vs.
North Carolina
(14-12, 4-8 ACC)

PROBABLE STARTERS

N.C. State
C: Josh Powell, 6-9
F: Marcus Melvin, 6-8
F: Julius Hodge, 6-6
G: Scooter Sherrill, 6-3
G: Clifford Crawford, 6-3

UNC
F: Jawad Williams, 6-8 1/2
F: David Noel, 6-6
F: Rashad McCants, 6-4
G: Jackie Manuel, 6-5
G: Raymond Felton, 6-0 1/2

Game: N.C. State vs. North Carolina
Time: Today, 9 p.m.
Location: Smith Center
Radio: 100.7 FM, WCHL-1360 AM
Television: RJ

Keys for UNC: Now, with their backs firmly up against the postseason NIT wall, the Tar Heels need to make some sort of stand tonight. A Monday column in The (Raleigh) News & Observer called this a must-win game for Doherty, and it's hard to argue with that. If there ever were a time when UNC's third-year coach needed to dig in and help his team to a win, it's now. Getting back to the basics — a Felton- and McCants-led offense and harassing defense — is not only needed, but necessary.

Keys for State: The Wolfpack's "positionless" offense has struggled lately, particularly in a turnover-ridden loss to Duke on Saturday. State has lost four of six games and is limping into the postseason, but a strong showing in Chapel Hill before a hostile crowd (supposing the "Red Sea" from last year's game at the Smith Center doesn't show up again) could go a long way on Selection Sunday.

UNC Bench: Can anyone box out? Can anyone hustle? At the end of Saturday's game, no one could. Don't expect Doherty to have a lot of patience tonight.

State Bench: Levi Watkins is a big boy, and he could be productive if the Pack can get into its offense.

Prediction: UNC 78, N.C. State 74

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UNC Empties Bench, Blasts Coastal

By RANDY WELLINGTON
Staff Writer

It was a mismatch even though La'Tangela Atkinson, Nikita Bell and Coretta Brown didn't start.

The No. 8 North Carolina women's basketball team creamed Coastal Carolina 80-48 Monday night with three players making their first career starts.

UNC Coach Sylvia Hatchell inserted Carrie Davis, Jenni Laaksonen and Jessica Sell into the line-up against a Chanticleer team starting four players between 5-foot-4 and 5-8. Atkinson, Bell and Brown were benched not because they broke a team rule or because the Tar Heels (24-3) were taking Coastal (10-14) lightly.

Women's Basketball
Coastal 48
UNC 80

"We do a grading system," Hatchell said. "Like, you're allowed one 'bad defense' per every three minutes. All of those other guards, they graded out so poorly against Duke that none of them could start."

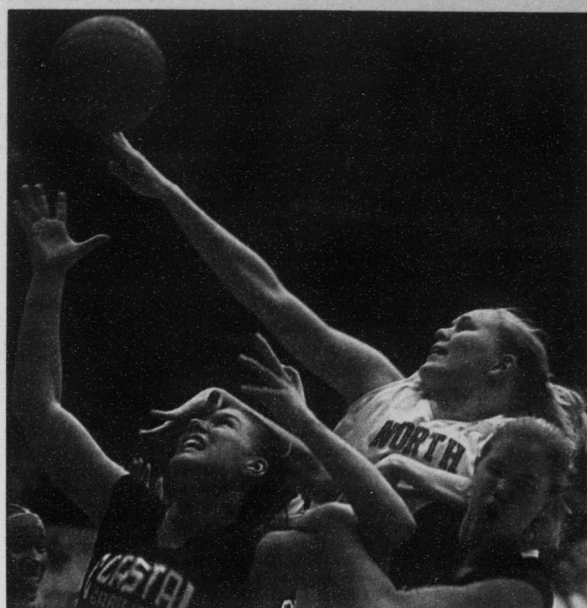
Call it statistical discipline. For Brown, it was the first start she's missed in 87 games.

The new lineup, which included regular starters Candace Sutton and Jennifer Thomas, played sloppily. The Tar Heels turned the ball over four times and committed five fouls in the first four minutes. UNC was down 8-7 with 16 minutes left in the first half when Hatchell subbed in Atkinson, Bell, Brown, Leah Metcalf and Kenya McBee.

Immediately, the subs took control of the game, going on a 21-2 run to take the lead 28-10 with 8:44 left. The Tar Heels led 42-21 at halftime and were never seriously threatened in the second half.

Atkinson and Sutton scored 13 points each to lead the team. Sell added 12 points on 4-of-7 shooting from 3-point range.

"It was a good feeling (to start)," Sell said. "It was something that I'd hoped to do, and it was real nice to get out there."



UNC forward Jenni Laaksonen (middle) goes to the hoop over two Coastal Carolina defenders in the Tar Heels' 80-48 win Monday.

UNC 80, Coastal Carolina 48

Coastal Carolina	21	27	48
UNC	42	38	80
Coastal Carolina: Troutman 9-7 4-8 10, Cr. Brown 2-8 2-2 8, Reddick 5-16 0-6 12, Barnes 2-8 0-0 5, Shaver 2-7 5-6 10, Co. Brown 0-8 0-0 0, Popovic 0-2 0-0 0, Minks 2-6 0-1 5. Totals: 19-69 11-21 48.			
UNC: Thomas 1-1 4-4 8, Davis 1-2 4-5 6, Sutton 5-7 3-4 13, Laaksonen 0-2 0-1 0, Sell 4-7 9-0 22, Brown 4-7 1-1 11, Atkinson 6-10 1-1 13, Metcalf 2-5 3-3 8, Bell 1-6 1-2 3, McBee 2-7 2-4 6, Chambers 1-6 0-0 2. Totals: 27-69 19-25 80.			
3-point goals — Coastal Carolina 5-27 (Reddick 2-10); UNC 7-19 (Sell 4-7). Rebounds — Coastal Carolina 23 (Reddick 5, Shaver 5); UNC 48 (Atkinson 8). Assists — Coastal Carolina 11 (Reddick 5); UNC 18 (Brown 3, Atkinson 3, Minks 3).			
Blocks — Coastal Carolina 19 (Troutman 5, Barnes 5); UNC 8 (Metcalf 3, McBee 3). Total fouls — Coastal Carolina 19; UNC 13.			
Attendance — 524			

Tar Heels in Desperate Need Of Home Win Against State

Staff Report

It fired up fans in Raleigh all the way till football season and added another layer to what had been a dormant rivalry.

When N.C. State came to Chapel Hill to play North Carolina at the Smith Center a year ago, the Wolfpack brought its fans with it.

Not just a small gathering of red-wearing, wolf-calling State fanatics — no, a hoard that dominated the cheering that night, which ended in a 77-59 State win.

In an ACC season during which the home team has won 44 of 56 games (an amazing 78.6 percent), home-court advantage has been more than enough for most teams to guarantee it a victory.

So who gets the home cookin' mojo if Wolfpack fans flood the Smith Center

again tonight at 9? Then again, will it matter? UNC (14-12, 4-8 in the ACC) is 3-2 in conference games at the Smith Center, which doesn't seem too bad until you compare it to how the rest of the conference does when it stays on campus.

With three of their last four games on South Campus, the Tar Heels are in dire need of a strong finish, even though the NCAA Tournament could be out of reach. A good home stretch would help UNC qualify for the NIT and have some positive conference moments to build on next season.

Topping N.C. State (14-9, 7-5) would be a great start for North Carolina. Beating the Wolfpack at home might even keep the fans in red at bay for another year or two.

— Compiled by Ian Gordon

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Sport Club Action:

- Saturday March 1: Men's Lacrosse 12pm Henry Stadium
- Men's Rugby vs. Penn St 2pm Hooker Fields
- Field Hockey Tournament 3-10pm Henry Stadium
- Sunday March 2: Field Hockey Tournament 8am-5pm Henry Stadium
- Baseball vs. Penn St. 11am Henry Anderson III Park
- Monday March 3: Roller Hockey 10pm Sportsplex

For more info. email amarfisi@email.unc.edu

Student Recreation Center

SRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE!

WHAT? The SRC Board represents the students, faculty & staff of UNC. It assists the SRC staff in making decisions regarding the policies, procedures and operations of the SRC (meets once a month).

HOW? Complete the SRC Board application & return to SRC Rm. 201 by 5pm, Friday, February 28th.

For more information call - Lauren Mangili @ 962-3301

Carolina Adventures

VEGETARIAN CHILI COOK-OFF

Wed., February 26, 7pm at the OEC

Description: **GOT A TASTE FOR CHILI?** Come down to the Outdoor Education Center for this fun and final workshop of this winter's series. After a lesson on how to effectively cook in the outdoors, we'll break up into small groups and see who can cook up the best chili. Vegetarian ingredients, as well as cooking equipment, will be provided. Just bring an appetite for fun and a taste for beans!

Workshops last approx. 1-2 hours. Registration is limited, pre-register at the CampusRec office in 203 Woolen Gym. For more info email - dyeagan@email.unc.edu

Friday, February 28th

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