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North Carolina catcher Ryan Blake tries to block Towson's Mark Chiccini from scoring after first baseman Chris Iannetta's errant throw got past him in the fifth inning. Chiccini scored, but Towson came up short, 9-4.

Baseball escapes with sloppy win

BY KELLIE DIXON
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North Carolina did just enough to get past Towson on Tuesday. Despite scoring two runs in the first inning, the Tar Heels sunk into a lethargic mind-set that nearly cost them the game.

But the Tar Heels survived the Tiger come-back, 9-4, winning the first of two matchups scheduled for this week at Boshamer Stadium.

"The worst thing that probably could have happened, happened," said UNC coach Mike Fox. "We got an early lead, and then just the natural tendency is to relax a little bit."

By the start of the fifth inning, the Tar Heels (17-7) had settled in, seemingly cozy with a lead bolstered by a fourth-inning surge highlighted by a solo homer from Chris Iannetta and doubles from Chad Prosser, Jeremy Cleveland and Blair Waggett.

But Towson (9-7) refused to go quietly. Two Tar Heel errors on

sloppy throws triggered a four-run Tiger rally.

With runners on first and third, and two Tiger runs already glowing on the scoreboard atop an accumulated five for UNC, Scott Manshack put all he had into his next pitch.

"I did it for four innings, so I didn't lose any confidence," Manshack said. "I just kept telling myself, 'Focus on this guy. You can do it.'"

Tiger Brian McKenna leaned back slightly, tightened his grip and drove the ball into left field, spurring a sequence that eliminated the lead runner. Third baseman Sammy Hewitt relayed the ball to Towson's Jeremy Stifler between second and third.

"I think what happened in that inning was everybody got a little sloppy," Prosser said. "We kind of got laid-back."

As the game continued, UNC committed two more errors to match its season high of four, which was accumulated in the Tar Heels' 14-5 win against Monmouth

on March 15.

"I didn't think we were very aggressive," Fox said. "You make mistakes when you're not aggressive. ... There are all kinds of reasons for why you aren't ready to play midweek games. I don't buy any of them."

North Carolina redeemed itself, however, in the sixth inning with runs from second baseman Greg Mangum, Prosser, Cleveland and Iannetta.

North Carolina intends to tweak several aspects of its game, particularly its defensive prowess, as it goes into its second matchup against Towson today at 3 p.m.

"We still need to pitch and play defense," Fox said. "We're getting lulled into the fact that we're a great offensive team."

"We're not that kind of team. I think everyone thinks, after (two wins against) Wake (Forest), that we're that kind of team — we're not."

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Rivals Scott, Sweetney meet again

BY AARON FITT
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North Carolina guard Melvin Scott will be the first one to tell you that Michael Sweetney deserves the publicity.

"I'm going to tell the guys that he's the real deal," Scott said of Georgetown's 6-foot-8 All-America candidate. "He's big, you know, like Sean May. Got great hands, can pass, can hit the short jump shot. He's a great athlete."

That's pretty much what a lot of people are saying about Sweetney these days. But once upon a time, it was Scott who was stealing the headlines from Sweetney.

Both were highly touted high school players in Maryland, but Scott — not Sweetney — was the state's Player of the Year in 2000.

Now Sweetney is in the spotlight. But the Hoyas better not neglect

Scott tonight when they take on UNC in the NIT quarterfinals.

"A lot of teams don't really look at Melvin as a threat, but he can go off and hit 20 points one night, 30 points the next night," said UNC's David Noel. "Melvin has given us a big boost. I think he's given us the biggest boost."

It would be hard to argue with that, lately. Scott had a career-high 20 points on 8-of-12 shooting (4 of 7 behind the 3-point arc) in UNC's win against Wyoming on Monday.

Midway through the second half, the Cowboys made a run by switching to a zone defense and forcing UNC's shooters to hit. Most of them went cold, but Scott didn't.

"I was just thinking, 'They better not give me any more looks,' because I was ready to light the place up," Scott said.

The sophomore has lit up many

a venue of late, averaging 14.3 points per game during his last four games and shooting 57.1 percent from long distance in his last six.

"Melvin is shooting the ball extremely well," said Coach Matt Doherty. "Since he's been starting and playing more, our shooting percentages have gone up."

Scott originally was inserted into the starting lineup out of necessity when Jackie Manuel hurt his foot March 14. But Scott has taken much better care of the ball than Manuel — Scott has committed just one turnover in his last 134 minutes — and his defense has improved to the point that UNC can't justify playing Manuel over Scott solely on the basis of superior defense.

"A lot of people don't think I play good defense, but that's one of the keys to my game," Scott said.

Scott has become a key to UNC's game, and tonight he'll get a chance to outshine Sweetney again.

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THE LOWDOWN ON TODAY'S GAME

Georgetown (17-14)
vs.
North Carolina (19-15)

Game: Georgetown at North Carolina
Time: Today, 7 p.m.
Location: Smith Center
Radio: 100.7 FM, WCHL-1360 AM
Television: ESPN2



Keys for UNC: Keep the momentum going. The surprising NIT turnout has inspired the Tar Heels, and a vamped crowd can only do good things for UNC against Georgetown. And if the perimeter shots don't fall, like in the Tar Heels' drought against Georgetown on Monday, then UNC needs to drive to the basket and get Sweetney in foul trouble. With him on the bench, the Tar Heels' road to the NIT semifinals becomes a lot smoother. **Key for Georgetown:** The Hoyas might have scraped by Providence shooting 39 percent from the field and with Sweetney nursing four fouls on the bench for 7:27 in the second half, but that won't work against UNC. Sweetney needs to show off his skills in the paint but avoid becoming an easy target for the referees.

UNC Bench: Jackie Manuel's defensive skills will come in handy against the Hoyas, and UNC will need his height (yeah, he's only 6-foot-5, but that's decent when compared with the rest of the Tar Heels) to handle Georgetown's trio of big men. **Georgetown Bench:** The Hoyas reserves managed only two points collectively against Providence, so Georgetown won't be counting on much production from players off the pine.

Prediction: **UNC 78, Georgetown 60**

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PROBABLE STARTERS

Georgetown
F: Michael Sweetney, 6-8
F: Victor Samnick, 6-8
F: Brandon Bowman, 6-8
G: Gerald Riley, 6-6
G: Tony Bethel, 6-2

UNC

F: Jawad Williams, 6-8 1/2
F: David Noel, 6-6
G: Rashad McCants, 6-4
G: Melvin Scott, 6-1 1/2
G: Raymond Felton, 6-0 1/2

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