

# McDowell sisters face each other

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Both Florida State and North Carolina have a McDowell sister on their roster.

But it was older sister Mary, a junior for the Tar Heels, that was the difference between victory and defeat in Friday's 1-0 win against Florida State.

In the 67th minute, she scored the lone goal of the night on an open net after the ball rebounded off teammate Lindsay Tarpley.

The goal was McDowell's third of the season, and her first since a 9-0 win against Guilford on Sept. 17. The junior also has 14 assists this year.

"It was exhilarating because I haven't scored in a while," McDowell said. "I wasn't all jumping and excited because it kind of caught me off guard. I was shocked. Tarpley did all the work and the ball popped out and all I

had to do was finish it."

McDowell's sister, Rachel McDowell, is a freshman for the Seminoles, and the game was her first meeting against the Tar Heels — and her sister.

"It was definitely something different," Rachel said. "We've never played against each other, we've played with each other. It just brings a lot more emotions into the game. It was fun and it was an experience. But off the field, we're still sisters and we love each other."

ACC soccer is nothing new in the McDowell family. Sister Rebekah played for the Tar Heels from 1996-99 and sister Elizabeth played for Wake Forest from 1999-2002. Older brother Jake was also an assistant coach for UNC in 2002.

Being in a family with such a soccer pedigree, Mary has followed in her family tradition of soccer success. Tar Heel coach Anson

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MARY MCDOWELL, NORTH CAROLINA FORWARD

Dorrance said he was proud of her performance in the tight game.

"What I'm pleased with is Mary had a very good game against Virginia, and she won an opportunity to play more," he said. "There's nothing profound about the decisions you make in athletics. Your last game sets the table for the next one."

"And she continues to demonstrate that we need to continue to go to her because she was the margin of victory."

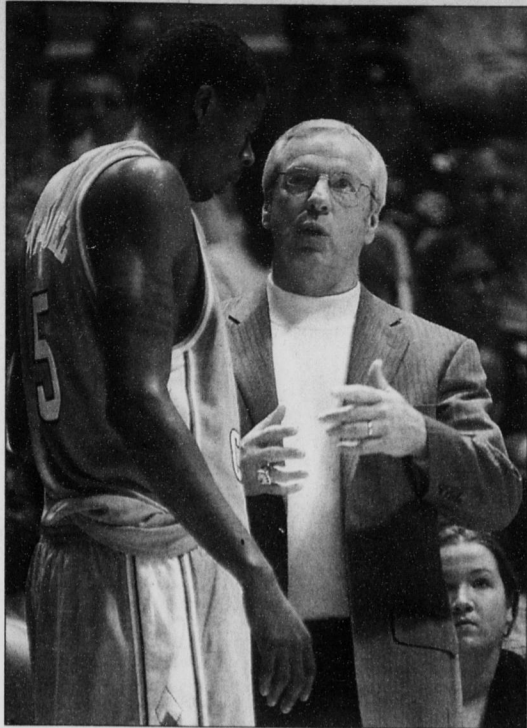
Mary and Rachel aren't originally from ACC country, as they both graduated from Wheat Ridge High School in Lakewood, Colo.

Both sisters played for the Colorado Olympic Development Program teams and led their club teams to multiple state championships.

"I don't look at it as a terribly hard game," Mary said. "I look at it as, 'Wow, I get to see my sister and play a little soccer on the side.' It's just always great to have a sister in the ACC to compete against and just like any other game you go after it."

"But afterwards you have some good family quality time, too."

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North Carolina coach Roy Williams (right) discusses strategy with junior guard Jackie Manuel during Sunday's intrasquad Blue-White game.

## BASKETBALL

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the Blue-White game."

Joked Melvin Scott: "I think he's acting out there. He's taking drama classes."

May was joined on the sidelines by guard Rashad McCants, who has missed four straight practices with a strained quad. Center Damion Grant, still recovering from off-season knee surgery, also did not dress.

Of the players who did, Williams said he was impressed most by Manuel, who finished with 13 points and six boards, as well as two steals.

"I think he did some nice things, slashed to the basket, tried to run,"

Williams said.

He also complimented the shot selection of guard Scott, who hit 3-of-6 3-pointers.

"I don't like 3-point shots unless it's great shooters, wide open," Roy Williams said.

Manuel, Scott and Jawad Williams combined to score 52 of the Blue team's 70 points.

Jawad Williams led all scorers with 26 points.

For White, Felton finished with 20 points and nine assists. Still he, like his coach, wasn't satisfied.

"I had three turnovers," Felton said. "I'm trying to limit the turnovers to none."

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## SOCCER

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scoreless streak.

Despite only scoring one goal in the game, the Tar Heels dominated the rest of the game, barely letting the No. 9 Seminoles (11-6-1, 4-2-1) maintain possession of the ball and outshooting FSU, 23-4.

The Tar Heels actually had a myriad of other scoring opportunities, mostly off corner kicks. With 32:10 left in the first half, Reddick was able to get a clear header off an Alyssa Ramsey corner, but McKenzie was able to block it. Reddick tried to follow but it too was defended by McKenzie.

But due to an advantage on the offensive side against FSU, the Tar Heels weren't as pleased with the final regular season shutout as usual.

Before the game, UNC led the conference in seven of eight statistical categories including shots per game (12.76), goals per game

*"I'm sure there's a ball mark on the girl that got hit on the wall. Maybe a lifetime Nike tattoo."*

ANSON DORRANCE,  
UNC WOMEN'S SOCCER COACH

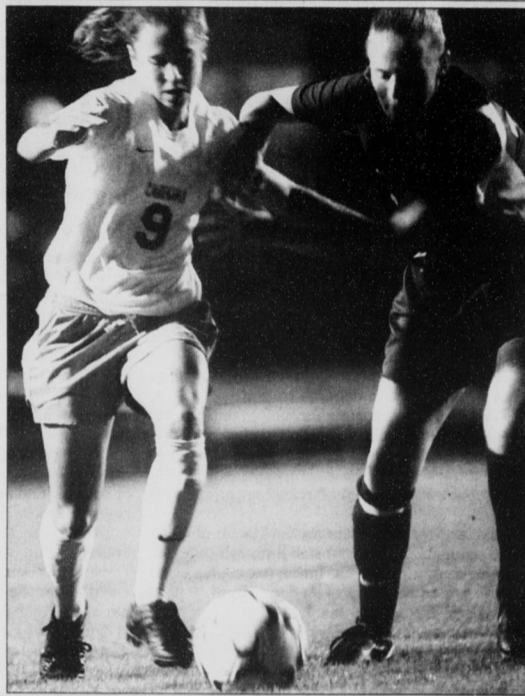
(3.82) and goals allowed per game (0.35).

"We came in as seniors, and we didn't want to lose," Reddick said. "We have to score and not let chances miss because we just expect totally different standards."

This could have been the last game the UNC seniors played at Fetzer Field if the Tar Heels don't get a home game in the NCAA Tournament. Next, the team will travel to the SAS Soccer Complex in Raleigh for the ACC Tournament.

"We didn't play a schedule that was designed to come out unscathed, but we did that," Dorrance said. "I feel pretty good coming into the tournament. ... I thought there were a lot of challenges out there today, but we still played well."

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Tar Heel sophomore midfielder Kacey White (left) battles for possession with a Seminole player in UNC's 1-0 victory in its regular-season finale.

## PROGRESS

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line could not apply any semblance of pressure on McBrien, giving him time to make reads and his receivers time to make plays.

"The line was doing great, so we had all day to get open," said wide receiver Steve Suter, who led the team with 72 receiving yards. "It's tough for any DB to cover somebody for that long."

Maryland coach Ralph Friedgen also gave credit to the offensive line for his team's domination against the Tar Heels.

"I think any time you throw the ball and run the ball as well as we did, someone's doing something right up front," he said.

The 59-point Terrapin effort against UNC called into question any leaps forward the Tar Heels have made this season.

After starting the season allow-

ing more than 200 yards on the ground to Florida State, Syracuse and Wisconsin, UNC seemed to have stopped the bleeding. In the last three games prior to Saturday, UNC's defense had given up its lowest rushing totals of the year, and last week against Clemson it gave the offense a chance to tie the game in the final seconds.

Against Maryland, though, the performance of the run defense, allowing 252 yards rushing in addition to the Terps' passing total, was atrocious.

North Carolina coach John Bunting will have to find a way to make some defensive stops in the next three weeks if he hopes to build any momentum heading into his 2004 campaign.

"We're a work in progress," Bunting said. "We knew that coming into this season we needed to work, and it's going to take a while to get the job done."

Though the UNC football program is going through a rebuilding process, that doesn't mean that Saturday's game doesn't sting.

On the Maryland sideline, McBrien responded to his six-touchdown performance by, believe it or not, commending the opposition that he obliterated.

"North Carolina's got a great defense," he said. "Don't get that wrong."

If that's a great defense, it would be interesting to see what the Terrapins could do against a bad defense.

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## FOOTBALL

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had been able to score on their defense," Suter said. "Novak's third field goal of the game made the score 24-21 with less than five minutes remaining."

North Carolina coach John Bunting said his hope was to get to halftime without falling too far behind.

"There's a period of time, right there at the end of the first half, a four- or five-minute period of time

where we absolutely lose it," he said.

Terp cornerback Domonique Foxworth began the momentum shift with an interception. On the next play, tailback Josh Allen took a McBrien swing pass, evaded a Chris Hawkins open-field tackle and raced 43 yards for a touchdown.

Maryland forced UNC to punt on its next possession. McBrien went back to work quickly and hit receiver Jo Jo Walker across the middle for a 67-yard touchdown and a 38-21 lead.

And as quickly as the Terps scored, they got the ball right back. Pollock fumbled on the first play of UNC's next possession, and Allen took an option pitch in for a five-yard touchdown three plays later.

With that, the half mercifully ended, but the game was effectively over.

"That's too many points," Bunting said. "That's too many bad things to happen at one time. You need to stop that bleeding, and we weren't able to do it."

Suter, who caught four passes for 72 yards in the game, was instrumental in punishing UNC for its mistakes.

"You can't help but score points when everything's going your way," he said. "The defense, causing turnovers there, and we were capitalizing on those, too." Just three games remain for the Tar Heels, including the finale at Kenan Stadium at Duke — a game that has the makings of disaster if the team cannot rebound from Saturday's game.

The job of the coaching staff now is to find a way to recover from perhaps its most devastating loss of the season.

"Things went from bad to worse to even worse," Bunting said. "What's a worse word than worse? Disaster? It went from bad to worse to disaster."

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### Maryland 59, UNC 21

UNC	14	7	0	0	21
Md.	6	39	14	0	59

#### Scoring Summary

First Quarter

Maryland — Novak 24 yd. field goal, 9:59

UNC — Scott 3 yd. run (Ormer kick), 5:45

Maryland — Novak 20 yd. field goal, 4:10

UNC — Mason 96 yd. kickoff return (Ormer kick), 3:56

Second Quarter

Maryland — McBrien 6 yd. run (Suter pass from McBrien), 11:23

UNC — Scott 52 yd. pass from Durant (Ormer kick), 9:13

Maryland — Harrison 14 yd. pass from McBrien (Novak kick), 7:44

Maryland — Novak 46 yd. field goal, 4:54

Maryland — Allen 43 yd. pass from McBrien (Novak kick), 3:35

Maryland — Walker 67 yd. pass from McBrien (Novak kick), 0:57

Third Quarter

Maryland — Harrison 16 yd. pass from McBrien (Novak kick), 8:10

Maryland — McBrien 1 yd. run (Novak kick), 0:05

Attendance — 51,195

UNC

Md.

First Downs

Rushes-Yards

Passing Yards

Comp-Att-Int

Total Yards

Fumbles-Lost

Penalties-Yards

Time of Possession

Individual Leaders

Passing: UNC — Durant 18-28-1 209.

Maryland — McBrien 15-25-0 349.

Rushing: UNC — McGill 9-63.

Maryland — Perry 17-96.

Receiving: UNC — Pollock 8-78.

Maryland — Walker 3-99.

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