Tar Heels can't overcome 13-0 deficit victory against Jainor Palma. Palma hung with Adams for much of the early part of the bout, but Adams

BY MICHAEL MARTINEZ

RALEIGH — It wasn't long fore the North Carolina wrestling team was in the red Wednesday night.

By spotting N.C. State a 13-0 lead after four WRESTLING matches, the Tar Heels dug 12 N.C. State 19 their own grave early and fell 19-12 in front of a vocal crowd at

Reynolds Coliseum. It was the Tar Heels' second loss to the Wolfpack this season and their third consecutive loss in the

With only a few non-conference dual meets left before the ACC Tournament, Coach C.D. Mock said he is gravely concerned about the state of his team.

We have just not been able to put ourselves in a position all year long where we have 10 guys step-ping up," Mock said. "N.C. State is a good team, and having five or six guys getting the job done doesn't cut it."

The Wolfpack went to work quickly Wednesday, taking four consecutive matches at 149, 157, 165 and 174 pounds. UNC didn't quit easily, however,

and stayed in the match despite the sudden 13-0 disadvantage.

Mark Canty put the Tar Heels on the scoreboard with an over-time victory against Daniel Humphries at 184 pounds. Canty scored a takedown in the sudden death period to win, 3-1.

The Wolfpack returned the favor by notching an overtime victory of their own at 197 pounds. Zach Garren downed Venroy July 3-1 to put the Wolfpack back up by 13 points, but the Tar Heels refused

to go away.
UNC crept back in the match by taking the next three bouts.

Heavyweight Ryan Adams swayed the momentum with a 7-4

recorded three takedowns in the final period to secure the victory and cut the Wolfpack lead to 16-6.

UNC's Drew Forshey added more fuel to the fire by scoring a se 3-2 victory against Jeremy Hartrum. Forshey avenged a previous overtime loss to Hartrum in

The Tar Heels (4-10, 1-4 in the ACC) pulled even closer to the Wolfpack (8-4, 3-0) when Bobby Shaw picked up a victory at 133 pounds. Shaw slid past Garrett Cummings, 8-4, and cut N.C. State's lead to 16-12 heading into the final match of the night at 141

Wolfpack junior Alex Hernandez ended any hopes of a Tar Heel comeback by winning a 12-7 decision against Mike Booth. Booth tied the bout 4-4 early in the third period by scoring a point for an escape, but Hernandez recorded four takedowns to secure the overall victory for the Wolfpack.



Drew Forshey defeated N.C. State's Jeremy Hartrum, 3-2, at 125 pounds

Canty said he was proud of the way the team fought back late in match, but was disappointed with the final result.

"Bobby and Drew did a great job tonight at the end of it all," Canty 'We've been working all year long for improvement and that's what they showed. But in the end e couldn't get a victory. We need

to find a way to get it done."

Mock was also impressed with Shaw and Forshey, but was less than pleased with the overall effort.

"I'm not the kind of coach that can take a licking and focus on the bright spots," Mock said. "We've got a lot of work to do.

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promise for future

BY DANIEL MALLOY

RALEIGH — As a disappointing season winds down for the North Carolina wrestling team, the focus turns to next year and the young members of the squad. The future looks bright.

In Wednesday night's 19-12 loss

to N.C. State, two freshmen scored big wins for the Tar Heels. Drew Forshey had a dramatic victory against the Wolfpack's

Jeremy Hartrum at 125 pounds. The match was tied at one in the third period until Forshey scored

the first takedown of the bout and held on for a 3-2 victory. Forshey exacted some revenge with his win, since he had lost

twice to Hartrum earlier in the The last time the two met was in Chapel Hill on Jan. 14., when

Forshey suffered an agonizing overtime defeat. UNC coach C.D. Mock was impressed with the freshman's

"I felt that (Forshey) was capa-ble of beating that kid," he said. "To

coach a kid to beat a kid that he hasn't beat before, that's what it's Forshey also noted his improve-

"I made big gains tonight personally," he said. "That was a big match. Now I can get a better seed in the ACCs."

Bobby Shaw, a redshirt freshman, dominated his match against the Wolfpack's Garrett Cummings in the match at 133 pounds.

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Shaw's two takedowns in the second period proved to be the difference in his 8-4 win.

However, Shaw was not able to venge his earlier loss, since N.C. State moved Cummings up from 125 pounds, rather than have a rematch between Shaw and Dan Pacitti, who beat him 5-2 last time.

"I got a win, but I'm still trying to turn it up a notch," Shaw said. Mock praised both wrestlers for

their improvement, saying that work ethic is the key. "The guys who are improving are the guys putting in the time,"

he said. Mock also noted the team's bright future as he turned his gaze

toward next year.
"We're fired up for next year," he

"I assure you that we will be sig-nificantly better as a team next

But Shaw is not ready to give up on this season.

"I can't say we're not frustrated," he said. "I was hoping we could start a streak tonight, but a month is enough time to start a streak.

"If everyone puts their mind to it, we can win the ACCs."

Forshey agreed that there is hope for the final month of the sea-

"The team wrestled tough tonight, but we are still struggling,"

"We just need to fix some divots. and we'll be there.'

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UNC athletes earn scholarships

Three North Carolina studentathletes were among 26 ACC scholar-athletes to be named recipients of the 2004 Weaver-James-Corrigan Postgraduate Scholarships, while one Tar Heel earned a Weaver-James-Corrigan honorary award.

Swimmers Rebecca Acker and Jessi Perruquet and runner Alice Schmidt received Weaver-James-Corrigan Scholarships, while football player Jeb Terry received a Weaver-James-Corrigan honorary award, as announced by Commissioner John Swofford on Wednesday.

The scholarships are given to selected student-athletes who intend to pursue a graduate-level degree following graduation. Each recipient will receive \$5,000 to use towards his or her graduate educa-

Student-athletes receiving the award have performed with dis-tinction both in the classroom and in their respective sports, while demonstrating exemplary conduct

in the community.

In addition to those receiving scholarship funds, three studentincluding Terry received Weaver-James-Corrigan honorary awards. These students were recognized for their out-standing performance both in athletic competition and in the classroom throughout their collegiate careers and intend to compete in their respective sports at the Olympic or professional level.

Tar Heels join U.S. team

U.S. Women's National Team head coach April Heinrichs selected a roster of 20 players, including seven current or former members of the North Carolina women's soccer program, to attempt to earn a berth in the 2004 Athens

The first CONCACAF Women's Olympic Qualifying Tournament will take place in Costa Rica from Feb. 25-March 5, 2004.

Tar Heel forwards Heather O'Reilly and Lindsay Tarpley, two

of just three players on the team a with college eligibility remaining, earned roster spots with the U.S.

Goalkeeper Siri Mullinix, defender Catherine Reddick, midfielder Kristine Lilly, and forwards Mia Hamm and Cindy Parlow round out the North Carolina representatives on the squad.

Men's golf places 16th

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. The North Carolina's men's golf team opened its spring season with

16th-place finish at the Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Championship on Tuesday.

The Tar Heels fired a 296 in the

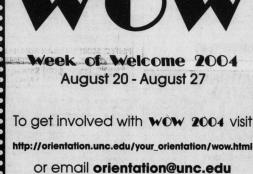
final round for a 915 total. South Carolina captured the team championship with an 860 total after firing a five-under-par 283 in the final round.

Jason Hartwick of Texas captured the individual title after hitting a five-under 67 in the final round for a five-under 211. Four players, including North Carolina's Dustin Bray, tied for fifth place at even-par 216.



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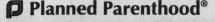
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