

# Hope in the midst of darkness

At first it was just complete shock. The kind of disbelief that occurs when something so unexpected — so unimaginable — takes place that you feel as though you just got blind-sided.

Then a couple hours passed, Saturday night turned into Sunday morning, and it all started to become real.

North Carolina lost to Kansas. The dream ride had come to an abrupt end.

And with that realization, a feeling of emptiness crept in. No more of Danny Green's dancing before tip-off. No more of Tyler Hansbrough's awkward leaners that defy the laws of physics by going in nearly every time.

Most of all, no more chances to feel like a part of this group of Tar Heels.

Sports affects people in ways few things can. It binds communities together. It gives you a reason to be excited for a random Wednesday night. It provides for intense moments of joy, while at other times feelings on unfathomable sorrow.

For all of those reasons, I am thankful to be a sports writer and for the opportunity to cover



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this team. And you should be thankful for everything North Carolina accomplished this year, as well.

Sure, it's hard to reflect on the good when everything ended so badly. It's easy to blame things on outside circumstances. People will forgive you for ignoring the fact that the better team — the more prepared team — prevailed.

But just think for a second. You're upset — to the point that you'd consider calling this season a failure — because UNC didn't take home the title.

Only a select group of fans are privileged enough to utter such comments without sounding like spoiled 7-year-olds.

You're lucky to be a part of such a program — a whole lot luckier than fans of about 325 other Division I schools.

Once the bitterness fades away,

reflect on the season. The good and the bad.

2008 brought the transformation of Quentin Thomas from belittled bench warmer to grizzled floor general.

Watching Thomas take over the reins in February, stumbling at first, only then to come into his own as a player, was enough to make even the hardest of men crack a smile.

Remind yourself you're lucky for that.

As much as you want to now, don't delete 84-66 from your DVR. Hold on to the memories of that game.

Sure, it will bring back images of an abysmal first half not seen by anyone in Chapel Hill since 2001-02. But if you click that button, you'll miss out on rehashing the time Wayne Ellington showed his heart and nearly willed UNC to a comeback for the ages.

Remind yourself you're lucky for that, too.

Lastly, try to rekindle those moments you stood in the Dean Dome — or at home, in front of your TV — laughing as Green cut a rug to "Jump Around." Hell, you could even memorize those moves so you'll be more

prepared for first opening tip in November.

Because most of all, there is always a next year. And even though you didn't prepare yourself for it, you'll eventually find "next year" is a warm and friendly thought — just ask the Cubbies.

As cloudy as everything seems now, the hope of a new season — a clean slate — is something to hold onto. And there's plenty to hope for.

As a fan, you hope Ellington, Hansbrough and Ty Lawson will eschew the glitz and glamor of the NBA for another shot at true greatness.

You hope North Carolina can extend its season not by just one win next year, but by two.

You hope Bobby Frasor can return 100 percent from surgery to provide the Tar Heels the toughness that wasn't there against the Jayhawks.

And don't let Morgan Freeman fool you. Hope is not a dangerous thing.

Hope is a good thing, maybe the best of things, and no good thing ever dies.

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The North Carolina softball team (pictured at home April 2) swept the Boston College Eagles this past weekend. UNC improved to 36-7-1.

# Tar Heels rack up qualifying times

BY JONATHAN DOUGHERTY  
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Traveling far and wide, the North Carolina track and field teams continued their outdoor campaigns this weekend.

The Tar Heels competed in meets in Greensboro, Durham and Austin, Texas, and several members of the UNC squad came out the better of their travels.

Freshman Walter Henning notched the second-best hammer throw in school history, with a distance of 67.46 meters, Thursday at the Texas Relays in Austin. The feat, coming on Henning's last throw of the day, earned him second place in the competition and a regional qualification.

Also in Texas, senior Jocelyn White and freshman Brian Moore gained North Carolina a pair of regional qualifications in the discus and javelin throws, respectively.

While some Tar Heels were displaying their brawn in the Lone Star State, others spent the weekend closer to home.

North Carolina earned four regional qualifications Saturday in Greensboro at the Murray Neely Invitational. UNC's effort was spearheaded by frosh Latoya James, who finished first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 59.66 seconds.

Freshman Charles Cox, UNC's only male to qualify in Greensboro, won the 400-meter dash in a time of 46.53 seconds. Porscha Dobson earned her own regional qualification with a fourth-place finish in the 100-meter hurdles.

Yet another group of Tar Heels journeyed to Durham to take on Duke. Again, freshmen stepped up



The North Carolina track and field squad, pictured here in February, is into the thick of its outdoor season. This past weekend, UNC athletes competed in three different meets ranging from Durham to Austin, Texas.

for the Tar Heels as Amanda Nappi took second in the javelin throw and Dominique Jackson finished sixth in the 800-meter relay.

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# UNC sweeps past Eagles in Boston

BY JONATHAN CROOK  
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The North Carolina softball team traveled to Boston College this weekend and swept the Eagles in a three-game series, winning 4-0 and 6-2 Saturday and 10-1 in five innings Sunday.

The No. 16 Tar Heels (36-7-1, 10-1) used outstanding performances from the mound and solid offense to defeat the Eagles, who fell to 20-20 overall and 2-7 in ACC play.

Junior Lisa Norris threw her third no-hitter of the year in the first game of the double-header Saturday, while striking out 10 batters and allowing only four runners to take base. Boston College batters went three up, three down two out of the first three innings against Norris.

This performance was followed by the 11th win for sophomore Danielle Spaulding — who struck out eight batters in the second game — and a nine-strikeout outing from junior Amber Johnson on Sunday.

"All three of our pitchers did a great job," coach Donna J. Papa said. "They were very much in command on the mound."

Although the defense might have stolen the show, there was plenty of offense to go around for the Tar Heels. As a team, UNC hit .345 for the weekend, scoring 20 runs, 18 of which were earned.

That offensive production culminated in a 10-run explosion in the third game of the series. UNC racked up 12 hits, including home runs from Emily Troup and Jennifer Jacobs in the third inning.

"Whenever you can sweep an ACC opponent on the road, it says a lot about your team," Papa said.

After a nonconference double header at UNC-Charlotte on Wednesday, the Tar Heels will look to boost their ACC record in a three-game series at Virginia.

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