The Daily Tar Heel

## SOCCER

The Hurricanes' defense brought a physical style of play to Chapel Hill, racking up 14 fouls. "Their team had a lot of pressure on us," midfielder Yael Averbuch said. "All our hardest games this season have been against very physical teams" physical teams."

Alonzo played admirably in the loss. She made 14 saves and was under constant pressure from the UNC offense, which registered a

"I was impressed watching her in a warm-up, and I turned to Bill Palladino, my assistant, and I said, 'What's the scouting report for this goalkeeper?'' coach Anson Dorrance said.

"He said it's very good; she's ath-letic and gets to a lot of balls. And, sure enough, she proved that." But it was Alonzo's one mistake

late in the game that led to the Tar Heels' lone goal. She shanked a goal kick just past the box that UNC's Jessica McDonald intercepted in

the game's 84th minute. McDonald then was able to find Casey Nogueira, who lined one into the bottom left corner that the diving

Hurricane keeper couldn't reach. Though the team didn't get many chances to score, Miami had its closest chance denied by an unlikely source.

When the game was still score-less, the Hurricanes had beaten keeper Ashlyn Harris on a header off of a corner kick, and the ball seemed destined to reach the back

of the UNC net. But midfielder Meghan Klingenberg denied the potential goal just before it rolled in and foiled Miami's best opportunity. "In a game like this, those little

things make a huge difference," Averbuch said. "It was good that Kling was there and we cleared it out, but it could have easily gone the other way."

But the story of the day was how UNC reacted to Miami's physicality. The rough play was reminiscent of earlier matches against Notre Dame and Florida State, who had given the Tar Heels their toughest challenges of the season and a loss and a draw, respectively. Ali Hawkins said she thinks

UNC is learning to counter this

type of play. "You just have to go back with the same attitude they're coming with at you," she said.

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## HOCKEY

to a slump that began with the sea-son-ending ACL injury of leading scorer Danielle Forword. "It took us a few weeks to han-dle losing Dani," Shelton said. "But we've accepted the fact. She's had her surgery; she's not coming back this season. We're surger the back this season. We're over the shock.

They certainly seemed it Sunday. The shutout win featured no slumping offense, a problem prevalent in the Tar Heels' losses this season. In its four defeats, UNC com-

bined to score just three goals on 47 shots. On Sunday, six Tar Heels accounted for nine goals on 32 attempts

"A lot of people contributed and

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teams," UNC Director of Athletics Dick Baddour said in a statement issued Oct. 21. But Baddour is not about to go resting on his laurels.

"As successful as we have been, we're working toward even higher numbers in the future."

While the success of any studentathlete ultimately comes down to the individual, UNC - like many other schools and universities has a host of departments to thank for its success, namely Academic Support Services. Hosted in the Pope Academic

Support Center next to the Kenan Field House, Support Services pro-vide student-athletes with access to individual and group tutoring, study lounges and academic advis-

Each team has different requirements for its members, but most range from six to 10 hours of mandatory study time, Mercer said.

That time can be split up between quiet study, group study and individual or group tutoring,

among several other options. Those programs — in addition to urging from coaches — make sure the student-athletes remember where their priorities should stand.

Senior Britt van Beek, an exercise and sports science major and forward/midfielder on the UNC field hockey team, is glad to have a guide looking just over her shoul-der.

"With field hockey being such a big part of your life in college, it's act the Sports Editor easy to forget about academics, but at sports@unc.edu. here they don't much let you forget

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scored goals," senior Kate Scholl said. "It was a total team effort, and it's a good thing to take into

e postseason. Shelton attributed much of the resurgence to her senior class, who made its final appearance at Henry Stadium.

"It was awesome because every body wanted to play out of their socks for the seniors," said junior Illse Davids, who had two goals herself.

And the seniors themselves were hardly left out of the show. Scholl and senior Britt van Beek combined for three goals and one assist. With two goals, Scholl doubled

her season total. All four have come since Forword's injury. "It felt good; it's a confidence-booster," Scholl said. "It was mainly

about it," she said. "(UNC field hockey coach Karen) Shelton always tells you, 'You're a student first, then an athlete."

And Shelton has a good reason to say that. In her words, "Success breeds success."

"I've also found in the past that my most successful teams also performed well in the classroom," Shelton said.

"It's a reflection of their discipline with their studies and their athletics."

That discipline is made evident with just one late-night trip to the support center.

The center is open until at least 10 p.m. on school nights, and it's a good thing. With schedules that already are

jam-packed with class, practice and weight training, sometimes late evenings are the only times student-athletes can find for study-

ing. "We will have, on average, anywhere from 45 to 100 or so students in here at night," Mercer said. "I mean, space is an issue."

But crowded or not, apparently the center is doing its job. When told of the rates' release,

Shelton, whose team scored a 91 percent graduation success rate, quick to credit the University and her student-athletes for their succes

"The kids that we recruit come here to get an education. And they come here to play athletics at the highest level. So they get the best of both here," Shelton said. "And I'm not surprised at our

level of success, and I would only expect it to continue.'

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Republican vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin spoke in Raleigh. See pg. 3 for story.

#### **Choosing not to vote**

Despite efforts to get out the vote, some students don't plan to cast a ballot. See pg. 3 for story.

#### Example of democracy

Parliamentarians from around the world will observe Election Day in the U.S. Go online for story.

#### A helping hand

Seniors have finished work on a Habitat for Humanity house. See pg. 3 for story.

#### A wake-up call

Men's soccer dominated most of game against Wake Forest, but ultimately lost. See pg. 12 for story.

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about me being in the right place. It took the whole team to get it there, and I was just the last piece of the puzzle."

Van Beek, the team's secondleading scorer behind Forword, continued her role as a dual-threat midfielder and forward with a goal and an assist.

"Britt's really stepped up her game in Dani Forword's absence,' Shelton said. "She's leading every-day on the practice field, leading by example.'

key role in the team's press and defense, both points of focus for the team following last weekend's 7-0 loss to Maryland, the second-worst in UNC history. "We went over video, which

definitely helped us see we weren't playing how we usually play," van Beek said.

We kind of left the loss behind us. We are moving forward and looking forward."

Now North Carolina will look

to carry the team's momentum into the ACC Tournament, which begins Thursday. The Tar Heels have earned

first-round bye and will play

Friday. "We're in a good position now," van Beek said. "I feel confident, especially after making the adjust-ments we've made. Hopefully all the work will pay off."

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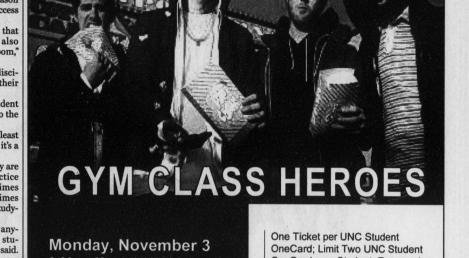
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