

Two heads are better than one

by Michael Davis
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Three quick questions.
1. What major college basketball coach wears shocking-blue-electric-neon sport jackets and flings wild striped towels?
2. Who is the basketball coach at Georgia Tech?
3. Who are two basketball coaches with a grim future?

The answers, trivia buffs are: 1. Joe Williams; 2. Dwayne Morrison; and 3. both of the above.

Coach Joe Williams of the Furman Paladins and coach Dwayne Morrison of the Georgia Tech Yellowjackets are in for a weekend they will long remember, as they will both meet the number two and number four ranked teams in the nation in the North-South Doubleheader at Charlotte tonight and Saturday night.

The Tar Heels of North Carolina, sporting a 15-2 record, will meet Furman (13-5) in the feature game of Friday night's pairings at 9 p.m. at the Charlotte Coliseum.

Second-ranked North Carolina State (16-1) will meet Georgia Tech (4-13) in the 7 p.m. opening round game.

Ready for another question? ... Who cares?

Well, Dean Smith and the Tar Heels for starters. The Light Blue Machine is at a critical point in its development—a stunning non-conference loss could be damaging in terms of mental preparedness, national ranking, and attitude.

Furman has enough potential height and scoring power to be a threat to the Heels' sparkling record. Southern Conference strength. Furman, is in the midst of a hot and cold year, but has all the potential to win their conference and the automatic bid to the NCAA Eastern Regionals.

The Paladins have an impressive lineup in terms of board strength. 7-0 Fessor "Moose" Leonard, 6-9 Clyde Mayes and 6-6 Bud Bierly comprise the Furman attack up front.

Furman has ripped off a number of Southern Conference wins, falling only to the hot Wildcats of Davidson University, 91-76, after defeating them, 69-62, earlier in the season.

Coach Williams looks toward the opportunity to play Carolina and State as "a great challenge, but at the same time it is a tremendous opportunity."

Williams says that Furman "will play our normal game."

If Georgia Tech plays its normal game Saturday night, you better bring your No-Doz.

The Engineers are having a long season under first year coach Dwayne Morrison. They've tasted victory only four times and to this date do not have a starter averaging in double figures. Two zeros don't count. Gone are the glory days of Rich Yunkus and company. Rambling, maybe. Wrecked, for sure.

The Tar Heels will however face a legitimate challenge in tonight's game with Furman.

Carolina has had its difficulties in terms of consistent rebounding—the Heels have yet to put it all together this season clearing the boards, boxing out and getting good position underneath.

The Paladins, on the other hand, appear to be a strong board team—in fact they have outrebounded their opponents by more than 150 grabs this season.

The key to tonight's game however, will not be so much who gets the rebound, but rather who puts the ball in the hole most efficiently—in short, points per possession.

So far this season Carolina has lived true to its tradition of smart and determined offensive play and stingy, sharp defense.

The Light Blue Machine will need to be in smooth operating order tonight if Carolina wishes to front-end the Paladins.

Any questions?

SPORTS

Trackmen schedule quadrangular meet

North Carolina's depleted indoor track team faces a major test tomorrow when the Tar Heels host Duke, N.C. State and Virginia Tech in a big meet at the Tin Can.

Invitational races in other cities and a rash of injuries have left Carolina without some of its top performers for Saturday's meet.

Tony Waldrop will be competing against Marty Liquori and Dave Wottle in the Los Angeles Times Invitational mile tonight.

David Hamilton will run the 5,000 meters at the Pittsburgh Invitational Saturday.

Sam Beasley is injured and will not compete in either the broad jump or triple jump. Pole vaulters Danny Deacon and Robert Williams are sidelined with a chipped vertebra and a broken collarbone. Deacon is out indefinitely. Williams will be lost for the rest of the indoor, but may be able to compete in the spring.

"Some of our younger people are going to have to come through for us," says UNC coach Joe Hilton. "This should be a very close meet. State is coming off a good performance in the VMI Relays and Duke has its usual strong team. VPI will be tough to beat in the hurdles and jumps."

Hilton is hoping for strong performances from freshman Dave Robinson in the pole vault and freshman hurdler Mike Voight. Voight is nursing a strained groin muscle, but should be ready Saturday.

In the races, Hilton will be looking to his middle-distance men and 440 men for points. Key performers will be Winfred Falls, Howard Fitts, Mike Stratford, Kevin McLee, Kent Taylor and Tommy Ward.

Action gets underway with the pole vault at 12:30 p.m. The first race, the high hurdles, is set for 2:30 p.m.

Carolina fencers win a big one

by Steve Levin
Sports Writer

The Carolina men's fencing team, although "fencing crummy" in the words of head coach Ron Miller, ravaged the Wolfpack of N.C. State in a dual meet Wednesday night in Carmichael. The Heels jumped to an early 6-0 lead during the first round, increased it to 12-2 in the second, and

finally won 18-9.

The match was won in the sabre competition, as the Heels held a 5-1 mark after the first two rounds. Although sabre dropped its final three bouts, State was already wrecked as far as the match was concerned and the three wins didn't help them a bit.

Travis Hanes and Thurbert Baker led sabre with identical 2-0 marks. They

completely overwhelmed their opponents as Hanes won 5-2, 5-3 and Baker 5-2, 5-2. John Thacker went 1-1 as he lost his second match 4-5. A.J. Keane fell twice 1-5, 4-5 while Theo Walker lost 2-5.

"Overall sabre looked good," said coach Miller. "I think Thacker had a lapse in his second bout and that caused his loss. It really wasn't anything serious; he was just flat." The foil team gave one of their better

performances of the season as they waltzed to an 8-1 overall record. Number one fencer Jim Krause returned to action and won 5-1, 5-2, 5-3 for a 3-0 mark. Jim Scott and Charlie Brown both went 2-0, Scott winning 5-4, 5-2 and Brown 5-3, 5-3. In Brown's first bout, he was down 0-3, but he rallied to make the next five touches. His other match, according to Miller, was the best fenced one of the meet because he kept an "even tempo and distance throughout it."

In the other foil matches, Soni Grandy won 5-1 and Charles Cheung won 3-5.

The epee team had a tough meet, finishing 5-4 overall. Alan Knight and Gary Whaley went undefeated with 2-0 and 1-0 marks respectively. Knight's second bout clinched a Tar Heel victory as he rallied from a 0-2 deficit to win and give Carolina a 14-3 margin in the meet.

Kevin Gallagher and Bill Shipman were both 1-1 while Jim Carter and John Ballew went 0-1.

"The epee team was far from spectacular," said Miller. "Gallagher had a good second bout, but a poor first one, and Shipman had trouble in both of his."

"I think everyone on the team was looking forward to February 15 when we meet Detroit (ranked third nationally)."

Swimming action this weekend

The 7-1 women's swim team concludes its 1973-74 regular season here today in a 7 p.m. race with Virginia power, William and Mary.

UNC coach Maxine Francis said that William and Mary has always been a strong team, noting that the club is one of the two schools which have beaten UNC in the last three years.

Carolina strength is expected in the races swum by standouts sophomore Nancy Noneman and freshman Judi Scoles, and in the 200 yard medley relay, composed of Noneman, Scoles, Pam Wallace, and Gayle Bietel.

"Judi Scoles has really done well in practice this week," Francis said. "Against William and Mary she'll probably swim the distance events."

This meet marks William and Mary's first competition of the season, and ranks as the last for the Tar Heels.

"I think our swimmers will be in better

shape," Francis said, "but we're anticipating some strong freshman talent and good breaststrokes when we meet them."

Coach Francis named second and third place finishes as the determining factor for the meet. Performances in the diving competition will also be crucial, she added.

"I think we've got as good a chance to win," Francis continued. "We certainly hope to finish off the season with a win."

UNC swimmers, Noneman and Scoles will participate in post-action. Both have qualified for the nationals held in March.

The UNC swim team will have their last home meet of the season Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Bowman Gray Pool. The Tar Heels' foe will be South Carolina.

"If we've been shooting for a single meet all year, this is it," head coach Pat Earey said.

Last year, Carolina was beaten by the Gamecocks in Columbia, S.C. South Carolina had several swimmers who shaved for the meet, and a hostile Gamecock crowd,

including the USC football team, taunted the Tar Heel swimmers throughout the meet.

"This meet is like a championship meet to South Carolina," Jerry Chapman, assistant swim coach, said. "We put our emphasis on the ACCs and the Easterns, but we're really the only meet of the season to them (USC)."

South Carolina doesn't just rely on psychological tactics, however. The Gamecocks have several swimmers who will give Carolina a fight in most of the events.

"If we're going to beat South Carolina," Earey said, "we're going to have to have 100 per-cent of our swimmers giving 100 per-cent of their effort."

Tom Schmidt is the leading Gamecock swimmer. He will face the Tar Heels' Jake Southard in both the 1000 and 500 freestyle events. Chip Newman and Brad Hitchings will take on Carolina's freestyle sprinters Glenn Garella and Mike Fitzgerald, while backstroke Dave Marlin will be tested by USC's Casey Claffin.

Cagers triumph

A 26-point performance by 5'5" freshman Dawn Allred and a final period of UNC defensive pressure pushed the Heels past a spirited Peace College Thursday night in Raleigh, 61-50.

Carolina moved ahead early in the fourth period 47-45 and forced Peace turnovers to forge ahead although junior Marsha Mann fouled out with 5 minutes remaining after an 18-point performance.

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