

Carolina vs. Wake: hardly a classic matchup, but each needs a victory to change fortunes

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On paper, this one could bore you to death before they even flip the coin at mid-field.

It matches the conference's last-place team in total offense (Carolina) and the conference's last-place team in total defense (Wake Forest). UNC is sixth in rushing offense, Wake Forest is last. Neither team has won since its opener in September. Both have rookie quarterbacks starting.

It has all the makings of a truly uninspiring football game—on paper, that is. But the fact is, Saturday's game in Winston-Salem is an important one for both schools' football programs. It's big for the Demon Deacons because they consider Carolina their main rival and it's big for the Tar Heels because they're just dying to shift gears and wheel out of their miserable, early-season pattern.

Game time is 1:30 p.m. at Groves Stadium. It is not a sellout yet.

For the defending ACC champs this game was to be somewhat of a breather in the midst of a challenging schedule. But first-year coach Dick Crum has seen his team lose three straight after a shaky opening win over ECU. Plagued by a maladjusted offense and a defense which has yielded the big play, Crum, and the players as well, are searching for an answer.

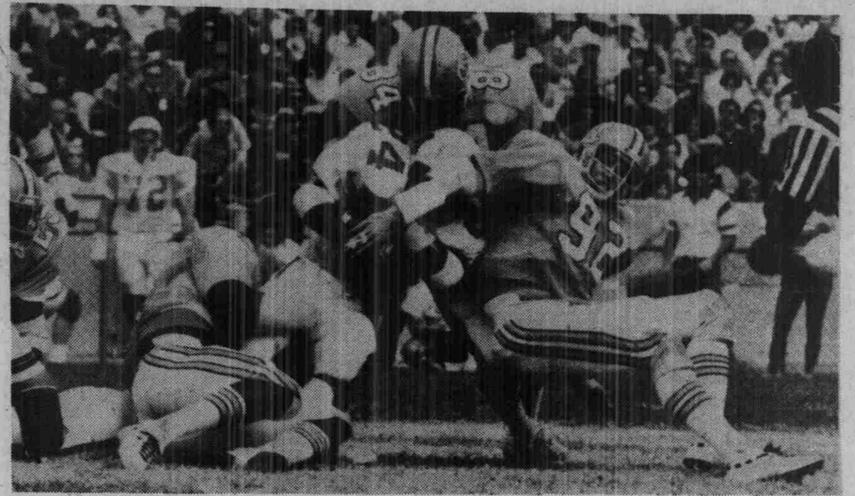
"I don't think it's the Xs or Os or anything like that," Crum said. "It's how you're thinking. I think some intensity was lost with last year's seniors. It's a relationship problem. It's just something that needs time to work out."

Meanwhile, rumors of player dissatisfaction with Crum's new system, even some talk of players quitting the team or transferring to another school, are spreading.

But the business at hand is Wake Forest. "I think this year can still be a good experience for our football team. I would be very disappointed if any of our players have given up," Crum said.

Although 1-4, the Deacs have played some tough football this year, losing 13-11 to LSU and 14-7 to Purdue. They've got a new coach too, former Wake Forest player John Mackovic.

"We're 1-4 and not where we'd like to be and they're 1-3 and I'm sure Coach Crum is not exactly where he'd like to be with his club right now. I guess you'd say both teams are due for a big game."



UNC defenders (L-R) Bunn Rhames, Dave Simmons, T.K. McDaniels gang up...they'll try to stop Wake Forest's passing attack on Saturday

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Chuck Sharpe, Carolina's freshman quarterback who displaced Matt Kupec and Clyde Christensen and went all the way against Miami of Ohio last week, will start again. Wake most likely will counter with a rookie of its own, David Webber. Webber completed half of his passes in his first start at Purdue last week.

And if Carolina fans think Amos Lawrence has had a rough start, the same goes for the Deacons' best runner, James McDougald. McDougald is averaging only 59 yards a game with a 3.8 average but he's still worthy of UNC's attention.

"He's way above the average as a runner and has just tremendous strength. We'll be very conscious of him," Crum said.

As Mackovic promised, Wake Forest has passed the ball a lot so far, averaging 165 yards a game to lead the conference. Carolina is fifth in the ACC in pass defense and is last in interceptions with three. Offensively, the Tar Heels aren't making any

drastic changes. The veer is in, and Crum maintains his team will show a more coordinated effort with every game.

"What we're striving for is consistency," Crum said. "We're stressing fundamentals; we're not going to go out there Saturday and change everything, we're sticking with what we believe in."

The offensive line will be missing right tackle Steve Junkmann, who's out with a sprained ankle. Halfback Ken Mack is still not 100 percent and probably won't play. Crum has not decided whether Lawrence or Terence Burrell will start in the backfield with Doug Paschal.

On paper, it's tough to pick either team to win. But there's a lot at stake, including an important conference win.

"It's a critical game for both of us," Wake's McDougald said. "They need it, we need it. But you can't imagine what beating Carolina would do for our program."



Hoop horse play ceases as Heels open practice

For two months it's been horse play, free play and foul play during the late afternoon hours in Carmichael Auditorium, a time when Rich Yonakor can hang on the rim all night if he pleases and Al Wood can try dunking two basketballs at one time. Yonakor, in fact, probably would if it didn't hurt his hands so much and Wood, in fact, actually does score double at a single bound. Too bad Yonakor's antics would only get him a technical foul during a real game and too bad for Wood they only use one ball per game.

Lee Pace

Such spectacles prime the curiosity of the English professor who leaves the stacks of Wilson Library only for basketball season and the mad chemistry major who between November and March stops trying to blow up Venable. All sorts of folks stop by Carmichael in early autumn, looking for bits of information for when the coffee break discussion leads to basketball, as it often does.

The relaxed atmosphere of player and fan stops this weekend. Friday afternoon every player will be clocked in the mile run to see if each has kept himself in shape during the off-season. The big guys will have a time to beat, the little guys will have a time to beat and those in the middle will have a time to beat. "It's a gut check," says one fellow who plans to participate, Mike O'Koren. "If you don't meet your time, you do extra running after practice."

Sunday afternoon the players model their uniforms for the benefit of the cameras and spout wisdom for anyone who cares to listen, usually a crowd of nosy sportswriters. That's when Yonakor and Wood play circus for the last time.

Monday morning the funny business stops, the green curtains go up in the portals and Dean Smith takes his whistle out of storage. It's time, once again, for the run-and-jump and wind sprints, the fast break and wind sprints, water break and wind sprints. Smith thinks his players should be at full speed even during the 25th overtime, so they run a lot. One time in the early 1970s Dennis Wuycik, weary during a lengthy practice, stepped up to the foul line, deposited his lunch on the floor and then sank the free throw. "Nice shot, Dennis," Smith told him.

But things will be a little different this fall as the Tar Heels begin preparing for their Nov. 29 opener at Northwestern. Phil Ford won't be around. And that's a big difference. "It sure is," O'Koren says. "This year we won't have the so-called star around. We'll have five normal guys out there, no one above the others."

Most people probably would argue with that, but it wouldn't sound right for O'Koren to go around bragging about his own ability being greater than that of the other guys, even though it is. After averaging 17.3 points per game last season as a sophomore with the nation's second best field goal percentage (64.3), O'Koren is a consensus pre-season All-America pick.

He's only one of two Tar Heels you can bet will be among the starting five late next month. The other is John Virgil, a 6-5 junior swing man who can do marvelous things with a basketball within 15 feet-of-the goal.

The other positions are wide open and don't be surprised to see Smith shuttling players in and out, 11 and 12 at a time. If you don't know the players, buy a program. You'll need it.

"We've been picked pretty low in the conference," O'Koren says. "And we're not ranked that high nationally. I'm anxious to see if we can prove those predictions wrong."

O'Koren and the Tar Heels start working toward that end on Monday.

Scott scores as Tar Heel soccer mainstay

By BILL FIELDS
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Steve Scott probably has one of the world's most common names, but this fall the senior psychology major has been playing some uncommonly good soccer for the Tar Heel soccer team.

Scott (his name kind of rolls off one's tongue), has stepped into a leading role on the contending Carolina team which is currently undefeated in the ACC action and ranked sixth in the South by the Intercollegiate Soccer Association of America.

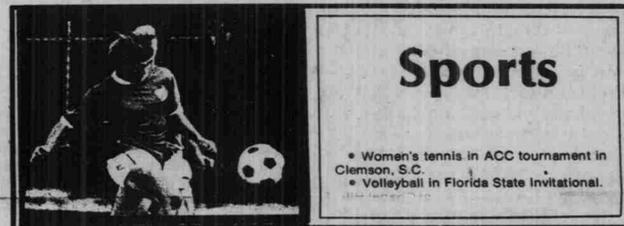
You might have heard his name before, especially if you keep up with Chapel Hill area soccer. If you haven't heard his name before, you've most likely talked to another person with the same name. That's enough about his common name. Now about his uncommonly good soccer.

Simply, Scott leads the Tar Heels in scoring through 10 games—half of their 20-game schedule. He has scored five goals, good for 10 points. Teammates John Fernandez and John Mansfield rank second with five points.

Scott has led a sometimes lackluster scoring attack on the forward line. Coach Anson Dorrance has said Scott is the only

JV hoop tryouts set

Tryouts for the men's junior varsity basketball team will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Woolen Gym.



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• Women's tennis in ACC tournament in Clemson, S.C.
• Volleyball in Florida State Invitational.

striker he can count on for consistent scoring. But Scott too has been shutout since the Virginia match on Sept. 30, where he scored the game winning goal. "We're due for some goals," Scott said.

Dorrance has experimented with different combinations of players on the front line. Sean Naber, last season's leading scorer as a freshman, has yet to tally a goal and is out of action with a shoulder separation. Dick Drayton, runner-up to Naber in scoring in '77, didn't play one minute this year due to a knee injury suffered in the summer.

John Fernandez, John Mansfield, Adam Abronski and Steve Turner have played well at times on the forward line. But it's Scott who has remained a starter throughout the experimenting and the injuries. And it's Scott who is being looked at as a leader of the UNC team—something which wasn't the case in his first three seasons.

As a freshman under then-coach Marvin Allen, the Chapel Hill resident started in most of the matches after injuries came to the regular forwards. He wasn't prepared, though, for the college

game, and he scored just one goal and had one assist.

"It was a big transition from high school," said Scott, who was on Chapel Hill High School's state championship team in 1974. At Chapel Hill High, Scott was a teammate of Roy Baroff, also a Tar Heel, who has played strong soccer in the midfield since he came to UNC.

Scott waited longer than Baroff to put it all together.

In his sophomore season, Scott developed calcium deposits in his leg and missed most of the year.

"I should have redshirted," he said. "I never really got 100 percent that season. That was a bad year."

Scott's junior season wasn't the best of years, either. Dorrance became the head coach and the Tar Heels had a 14-3-1 mark, but the year didn't go as well for Scott.

"I thought I should have started more," he said. "I talked with Anson about that. But last season really gave me an incentive for this fall." Scott scored once in '77, with six assists. He took 30 shots. Already this fall he has taken over 40

shots, proof that he is more a part of the UNC offensive scheme.

Scott said he began playing soccer in the fifth grade when he lived in England. He came back to the United States the next year, but did not start soccer again until he met a fellow named Kip Ward and a team called the Pastels.

That was in the eighth grade and Scott was at Phillips Junior High School. Ward, a local soccer enthusiast who organized the Rainbow Soccer program, was Scott's coach.

Scott said practice was held before school at around 7 a.m. "I looked up to Ward," Scott said. "We all thought he was something."

Ward undoubtedly thinks the same about Scott today. He can see those early morning Pastel practices paying off.

elsewhere...

The UNC women's tennis team begins play today in the ACC tournament held in Clemson, S.C. The Tar Heels are undefeated in dual match play so far this fall and shut out their most likely rival, Duke, on the varsity courts Tuesday.

The volleyball team travels to Tallahassee, Fla., for the Florida State Invitational this weekend.

Hockey wins, 1-0

The UNC field hockey team defeated UNC-G, 1-0 on James field Thursday to up its record to 8-3. Co-captain Laurie Ginter scored the lone goal of the match. Carolina plays Virginia Tech at 10:30 Saturday on James field.

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DAIRY PRODUCTS? THAT'S A NEW TWIST, ISN'T IT?

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