Regional tests UNC runners

By TOM BERRY DTH Staff Writer

With a spot in the national championships a distinct possibility, the men's cross country team travels to Furman University in Greenville, S.C. tomorrow morning for the District III regional meet.

"The team looks fabulous," Coach Don Lockerbie said. "We are really in some kind of shape, nobody's injured or sick."

"We're breathing fire," he added. "Everyone wants to do well."

Only four of the 60 schools eligible in district III (Southeastern U.S.) can qualify for the nationals, set for Nov. 23 in Wichita, Kan. Lockerbie said no North Carolina team had been to the nationals at least in recent memory.

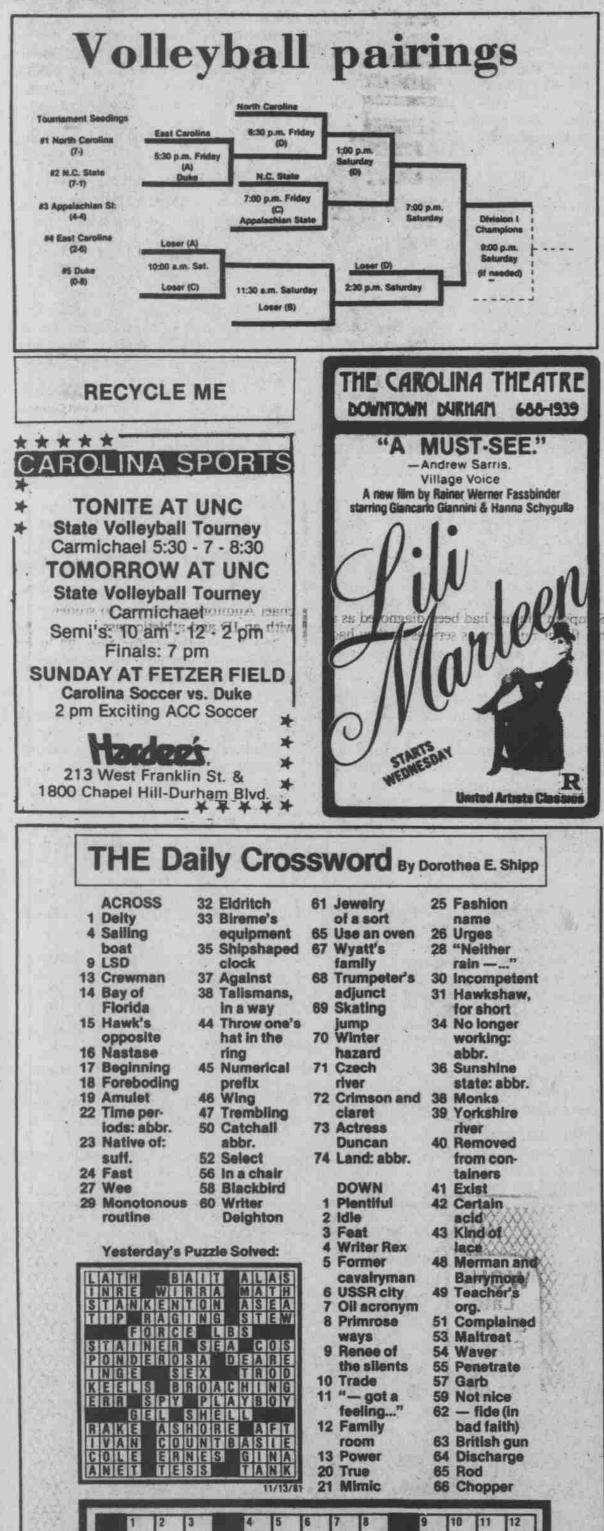
The Tar Heels are ranked 12th in the latest issue of Harrier Magazine, the official cross country publication.

The Harrier also lists seven other district III schools in the nation's top 24: Clemson fourth, East Tennessee State fifth, Florida State 16th, Tennessee 18th, Florida 19th, Auburn 20th and Mississippi State 24th.

"Clemson and East Tennessee, with almost all foreign runners, are the only teams to defeat us this year," Lockerbie said. "And we've beaten three of the other schools (Tenn., Auburn and Florida)."

Lockerbie said that in preparation for the regionals, the runners had tapered off since Tuesday. "Tapering in cross country is not so much doing speed work as it is resting," he said.

"We've only been doing three to four miles a day and 110 yard sprints," he said. "We want everybody to feel hungry about running."





Todd McCallister, Steve Dorsey in ACC's at Duke team in NCAA regionals this weekend

Lockerbie said he planned to send a team of seven runners to the regionals: Todd McCallister, Glenn Sparrow, John Clark, Mark Whitney, Steve Dorsey, Mike Kominsky and Bret Ayers.

"Our strategy is to run with a pack of four (Sparrow, McCallister, Whitney, Clark) in the top 15," Lockerbie said. "We plan to stay back and pass people that fade."

"But the fifth man is the key if we are to have a chance of winning or going to the nationals," Lockerbie said. "And we still don't know who that is, either Dorsey, Kominsky or Ayers."

Lockerbie praised the cross country course in Greenville, S.C. and the meet organizers, calling it one of the best courses around and run professionally by the Furman University staff.

Volleyball

The UNC volleyball team will play the winner of an East Carolina-Duke match tonight in the opening rounds of the 1981 NCAIAW tournament at Carmichael Auditorium.

The Heels, as the tournament's number one seed, will play the winner of the match between the two bottom seeds at 8:30 p.m.

All matches in the double elimination event will be best of three games, except for the finals, which will be best of five. The finals will be held Saturday at 7 p.m. or 9 p.m. if necessary.



Sports Golf

Volleyball in NCAIAW
Women's golf in NCAIAW tournament in Sanford, Saturday
Cross country in NCAA district meet in Columbia, S.C., Saturday
Men's soccer vs. Duke, 2 p.m. Sunday, Fetzer Field

Golf tourney

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The UNC women's golf team closes out its fall season this weekend at the NCAIAW's in Sanford.

The team goes into the tournament with three first place finishes, and a second place showing at The Lady Tar Heel Invitational.

This weekend's tournament will have only teams from North Carolina, including Duke, N.C. State, Wake Forest and Appalachian State.

Friedberg wins; team faces Challenge

By STEPHANIE GRAHAM DTH Staff Writer

The UNC fencing team, led by junior John Friedberg, last week's sabre individual gold medalist in the Penn State Intercollegiate Open, leads this weekend in the Carolina Challenge.

Friedberg, an honorable mention All-American last year, defeated All-American Mark Wasserman of Clemson 5-4 in a fence-off for the title.

Both had entered the finals with identical tournament records of 4-1. Friedberg was quick to give his teammates much of the credit for his victory.

"Something that really helped me with the win was the fact that the rest of the team was very supportive of me during the match," he said. "I fence very actively, and I try to keep myself excited on the strip ... a big crowd really helps."

The victory was an important one for Friedberg because the Penn State tournament is the largest intercollegiate invitational in the country.

"There were approximately 50-70 entries per weapon from 25-30 schools," head coach Ron Miller said. "There were also top-rated schools like Penn, Columbia, Clemson, Cornell and Temple there."

Though Friedberg was the only Tar Heel gold medalist, several other Carolina fencers also performed well. Team captain John Hodde finished in the top 12 in the men's epee, and Glen Whitney and Dave Porter fenced well with the same weapon.

Miller also singled out Karen Marnell and Jenny Lane, women's foil, and Bob Largman and Scott Cohen for the men's foil. Sabre specialist Jim Birch was praised for his play.

Though many people believe that the only fencing season is the spring competition which begins in January, Miller said the fall play, which is more individually than team-oriented, was very important.

"The fall is probably the most important developmental part of the year," he said. "Seventy-five percent of the men's team and 80 percent of the women's team come from our gym classes. We try to pick great athletes and train them to be good fencers."

Miller called this year's preseason normal. The Tar Heels have won almost every gold medal for every weapon in local competition.

This weekend's Carolina Challenge, the largest tournament in the region, will feature fencers from all over the Southeast. Competition in all four weapons will be held on Saturday and Sunday in Fetzer Gymnasium beginning at 9 a.m. Finals will run from 3 to 5 p.m. each day.

After this week's tournament, the team travels to Temple University in Philadel-phia to finish the fall season.



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