UNC runners finish second in state meet

By GLENN PETERSON Staff Writer

RALEIGH - The North Carolina Women's Intercollegiate Cross Country Championships turned into a two-team race Thursday as N.C. State defeated North Carolina 22-36.

Nine schools from across the state competed in the race, but the first 13 finishers were from either N.C. State or UNC. Betty Springs, a two-event NCAA national track and 1981 cross country champion from N.C. State, won the 5,000-meter race with a time of 16:54. Joan Nesbit, a senior from UNC, came in second with a time of 17:15.

N.C. State, however, took the next three places with Lynne Strauss, Connie Jo Robinson and Sande Cullinane finishing before three more North Carolina runners: Holly Murray, Madlyn Morreale and Karol Dorsett, respectively.

N.C. State had the next four places to wrap up the victory. Kathy Norcross finished out the scoring for the Tar Heels in 13th place.

UNC coach Don Lockerbie said he was pleased with his team's performance. "It was pretty hard for us to come in confident against N.C. State since we have never beaten them," Lockerbie said. "I'm happy with our performance. Our girls will continue to improve.

"I thought Joan ran a great race even though she fell down at the mile-and-ahalf mark. Karol Dorsett ran a great race also. She passed two State girls in the last 100 yards."

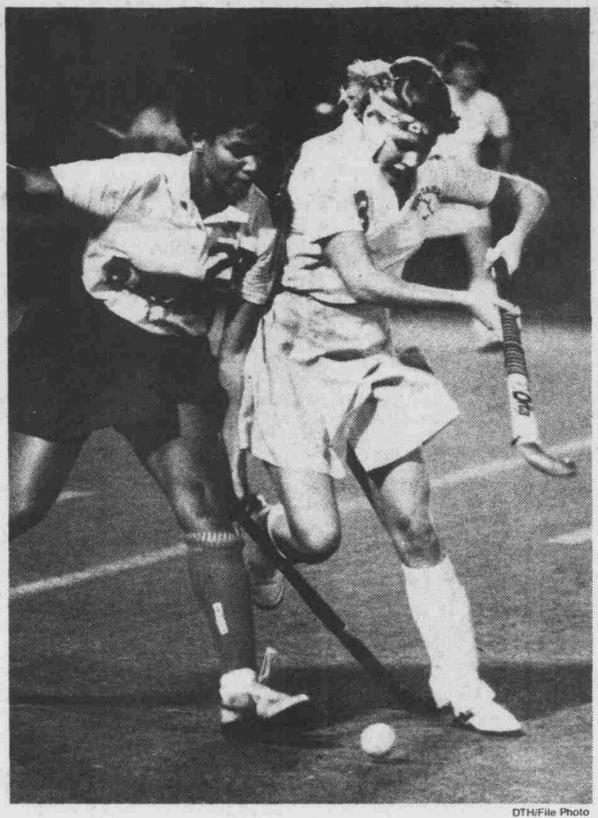
Nesbit seemed pleased with her race. "I didn't plan on doing this well so early in the season," Nesbit said. "I wanted to come in 30 seconds after Betty (N.C. State's Springs, who finished 20 seconds ahead of Nesbit). We were pretty tired in

this race. "We ran three heavy workouts in a row (earlier in the week) so we were just working through this race. We'll be peaking

for the ACC race and the sectional race." Murray said she did not think she was going to have a good race. "I felt bad during the race - a little sick," Murray said. "I'm glad this was just the state race and not the ACC race or the sectionals."

Lockerbie was also glad that this was

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North Carolina hosts the ACC field hockey championship this weekend. The Tar Heels play Saturday at 4 p.m. on the Astroturf field.

not the ACC race. "Holly and Madlyn will have to improve if we are going to be able to beat State in the ACC race two weeks from now," Lockerbie said. "We have two big weeks to prepare for that race. We're in the best position we've ever

N.C. State coach Rollie Geiger came away from the race with a good impression of North Carolina's team. "The score of the race was deceiving," Geiger said. "North Carolina has a fine squad."

The ACC championship race will be held on Oct. 29 in Charlottesville, Va.

UNC hosts ACC field hockey tourney

By JULIE PETERS Staff Writer

North Carolina will host the initial ACC field hockey championship this weekend. Tenth-ranked North Carolina will battle 18th-ranked Maryland, Virginia, Duke and Wake Forest for the ACC title beginning Saturday in a two-day tournament on the Astroturf.

The Tar Heels, 6-1-3, enter the tourney as the top seed and will receive a firstround bye. Among the ACC schools, UNC has already defeated Virginia (1-0) and Duke (2-0).

The Tar Heels' only loss this season came last week to defending national champion Old Dominion. All three ties came at the hands of nationally ranked opponents in double overtime.

The Tar Heel defense has been strong and consistent this season, being led by co-captain Alison Seger and Meg Wanser. UNC goalkeeper Jan Miles has only allowed five goals in 10 games, three of them coming in the Old Dominion game.

UNC coach Karen Shelton is also looking for high scoring games with forwards Louise Hines and Mary Sentementes leading the attack. Hines leads the team in scoring with 11 goals while Sentementes leads the team in assists with four, along with two goals.

Seger and forward Sandy Smith have both been bothered by leg injuries, but Shelton said she feels they will both be ready for tournament play this weekend.

Although this tournment falls in the middle of the season, Shelton said it may prove to be very important. "The winner of the ACC championship will most likely gain in national ranking and also increase their chances of receiving an NCAA tournament invitation," she said.

Shelton said she was pleased with the team's performance to date and confident about its chances this weekend.

Virginia is seeded second for the tournament with a 5-4 overall record and 1-1 mark in the ACC, losing to UNC and defeating Maryland. The Cavaliers were ranked 14th nationally, but with three losses last week, they have dropped out of the Top 20.

First-year coach Jane Miller said she expects fine play from forward Cheryl Gleason, who leads the team with nine goals, and goalkeeper Amy Brockman, who has recorded 68 saves, allowed only 13 goals and had four shutout games.

Ranked 18th nationally, Maryland is seeded third for the ACC tournament. With a 3-3 record, the Terrapins are hoping the tournament will provide a midseason lift for the team.

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Coach Sue Tyler said that with North Carolina ranked as high as it is, the tournament was extremely important for the Terrapins.

Tyler is looking for key performances from forwards Karen Trudel, Judith Turnbaugh and Jacqueline Williams, all who lead the team in scoring with three

Lynn Frame, last year's leading scorer, had surgery before the season started but will see some action this weekend. "I've heard it is hard to beat UNC at home," Tyler said. "But we'll try to do it."

No. 4-seeded Duke will play Wake Forest Saturday morning for the opportunity to meet UNC later in the day. The Blue Devils are 6-3 overall and 1-1 in ACC play. Duke lost to the Tar Heels but defeated Wake early in September.

Coach Jackie Silar said she considered this weekend to be the highlight of the Blue Devils' season.

"If we do well, we'll have a chance at a possible national ranking," she said. Silar added that the Blue Devils will be at a disadvantage on Astroturf because of inexperience on that surface.

Silar is looking for the quickness of forwards Karen Havens, Trissy Layle and Corinne Bilger to lead the attack. Havens is the leading scorer with six goals, while goalkeeper Marguerita Bower has three shutouts.

Wake Forest, 2-4-1 on the season and 2-22 in the past three years, enters the tournament seeded fifth. But coach Barbara Bradley said she had a considerably stronger team than in the past few seasons.

With five freshmen starting for the Demon Deacons, Bradley is hoping for a surprising tournament showing from her

Alison MacGregor leads the team in scoring with two goals this season.

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