

Buddemeyer laps ACC and world rivals

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When North Carolina swimming standout Melanie Buddemeyer was seen hobbling down the pool deck at Bowman Gray on crutches during last Thursday's practice, a few hearts skipped a beat. The All-American sophomore broke a bone in her foot exactly two weeks before the start of the ACC championships, and it was feared that she might not be able to swim.

Fortunately for the No. 10 women's team, the thought of not swimming never entered Buddemeyer's mind. Displaying the toughness that has brought her world-class status, Buddemeyer was working out in the pool hours after she broke the bone in her foot.

"It mainly bothers me when I'm kicking or pushing off the walls," Buddemeyer said of her injury. But the pain she is experiencing may be outweighed by the good that has come from the injury. The idea of not being able to swim has made Buddemeyer appreciate swimming more.

"Getting hurt has made me step back and really think about how much I like swimming and what it means to me," she said.

Only a winner can turn a potentially negative situation into a positive one. Melanie Buddemeyer has certainly gotten a firm hold on mental toughness and the consistency that goes with it to become the champion that she is today.

As a freshman, Buddemeyer had an outstanding season. At the ACC championships, she won both the 100- and 200-yard butterfly events, establishing new conference records in each. In addition, she was a member of the winning 400 medley and freestyle relay

teams at the conference meet. Buddemeyer then went on to the NCAA championships where she placed third in the 100 and 200 butterfly, breaking her own ACC marks in the process. For outstanding accomplishments such as these, Melanie was named the team's most valuable performer last year.

After her first year at UNC, Buddemeyer went home to Penn Hills, Pa., to train over the summer. Her hard work paid off, as she earned a silver medal in the 100-meter butterfly at the United States National Swimming Championships.

By placing in the top two at Nationals, Melanie gained a spot on the U.S. team competing at the World University Games in Japan. She took a silver medal there and topped off the summer with a fourth-place world ranking in the 100-meter butterfly.

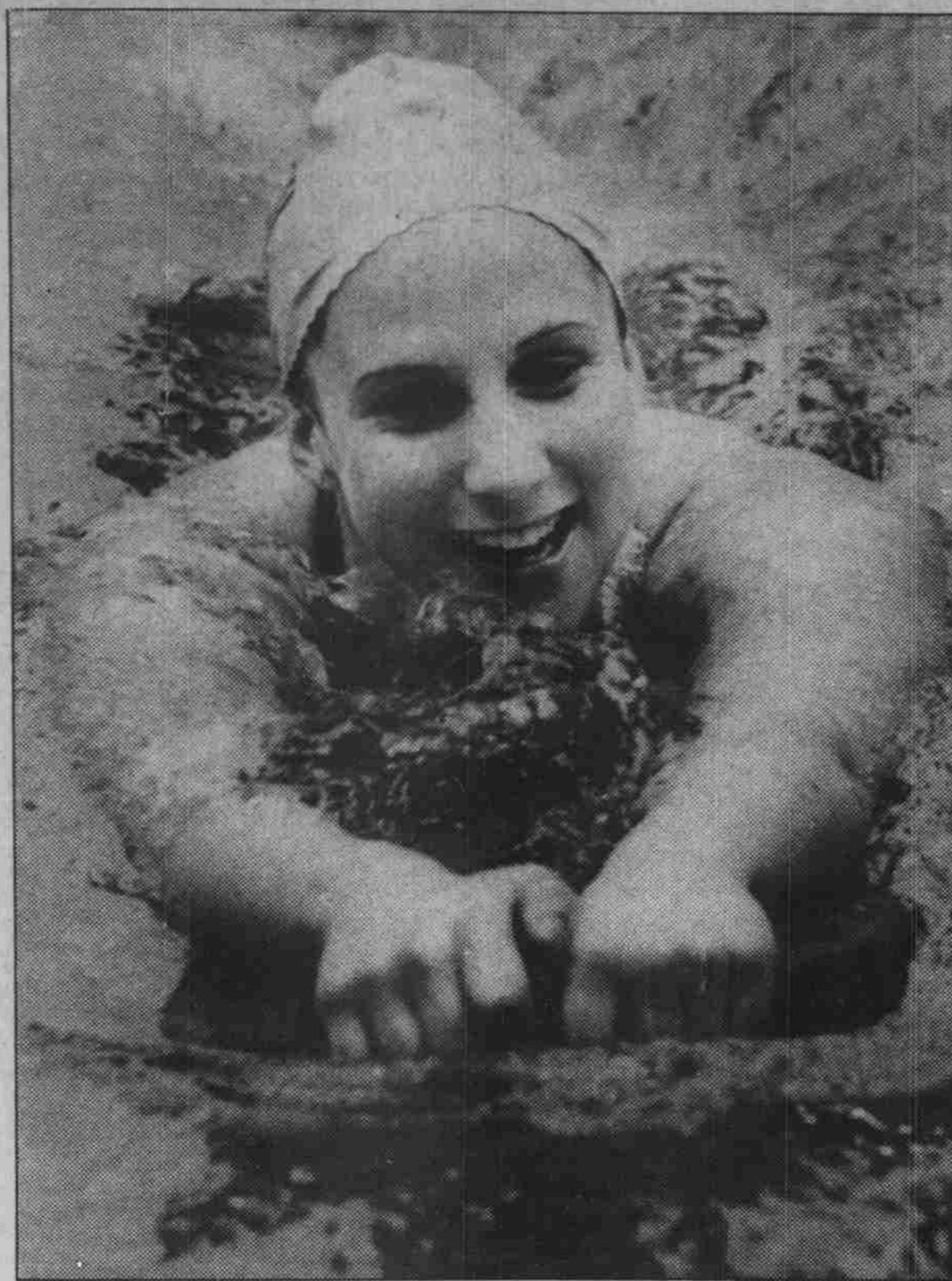
This season has been just as good, if not better, than last year's for the sophomore standout. Buddemeyer has already posted faster times than she did at the same point in the season last year. For all of her athletic accomplishments in 1985, Buddemeyer recently won the Willis R. Casey award for the most outstanding swimmer in North Carolina.

"Melanie is a very task-oriented swimmer," coach Frank Comfort said. "She trains hard and has a very good attitude toward her swimming."

Sarah Durstein, co-captain of the women's team, attributes Buddemeyer's success to her strong competitiveness. "Melanie gets psyched up for all the meets," Durstein said. "She's a real competitor."

Buddemeyer, who is majoring in biology and German, said her goals include bettering her times in the 100 and 200 butterfly as well as placing higher in her other events, the 100 freestyle and the 200 individual medley, at the ACC championships.

Buddemeyer will be joined by her teammates when UNC swims against N.C. State in the final challenge to North Carolina's undefeated record tonight at 7:00 at Bowman Gray Pool.



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Melanie Buddemeyer is the leader of an undefeated women's swim team

Women jump to No. 13

There's some stories that you can't wait to get to the end of when you're reading them — the kind that when you turn the page you ache for a happy ending because the characters have made you feel.

The UNC women's basketball team is such a story this season. Crippled by three injuries to starters, the team has nevertheless managed to come through with 10 wins in its last 11 games and

has now been rewarded with its highest national ranking ever — 13th in the poll just released.

The Tar Heels escaped with two harrowing victories in the past week — one of them over then-No. 3 Virginia, which dropped to fifth in the latest poll. Duke rounds out the ACC connection at 20th.

It remains to be seen if this season will provide a happy ending for the women, but it's good to see another positive chapter has been written.

SPORTS

Wrestlers reaching goals

By BOB YOUNG
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The eighth-ranked UNC wrestling team rolled to its eighth straight dual match win Sunday night with a 30-6 victory over Maryland at College Park.

A pretty simple statement, until you look at the significance of the match.

- 1) It gave the Tar Heels a 16-win season, the most ever by a UNC team.
- 2) It gave the team five wins in the ACC, the most since 1981, when the team was 5-2.
- 3) It puts UNC wrestling at the .500 level (81-81-1) in ACC competition for the first time in the 30-plus year history of ACC wrestling.
- 4) The win puts the Tar Heels' winning percentage at .825 for the year, the best since the team was 12-0 in 1980.
- 5) It was UNC's 21st match of the season, the most ever for a Tar Heel team.
- 6) For ten out of the last 11 years, UNC has lost to only one ACC team — N.C. State.
- 7) With a win over N.C. State this

Friday, UNC can go undefeated in conference action for the first time since 1980.

All in all, a pretty significant win. But not as significant as the Valentine's Day Rumble with the Wolfpack, according to coach Bill Lam.

"The match with State is going to be very important in deciding the seedings for the ACC tournament," Lam said. "And who gets seeded in what position could be a crucial factor in the outcome of the tournament."

The tournament, which will be held in Raleigh at the end of February, has belonged to the Tar Heels the past two seasons, but even with the record this year's team has compiled, Lam isn't saving space in the trophy case just yet.

"This is definitely the best dual match team that I've ever coached here," he said. "But that doesn't mean that we're a good tournament team. N.C. State has a very tough team, and since the tournament will be pretty much a two-team battle, one or two matches to either team could decide the tournament."

scoreboard

Wrestling

(Sunday's results)
North Carolina 30, Maryland 6

118 — Palacio (UNC) technical fall over Orris (M), 2:50;
125 — Aumiller (UNC) def. Lawrence (M) 5-2; 134 — Catalio (UNC) def. Bottiger (M) 9-6; 142 — Barralain (UNC) def. Desiderio (M) 10-1; 150 — Cardl (UNC) def. Schwab (M) 6-1; 158 — Brown (M) def. Koll (UNC) 9-6; 167 — Wilson (UNC) def. Schovall (M) 7-4; 177 — Peppersack (M) def. Silvestro (UNC) 6-2; 190 — T. Davis (UNC) def. Holland (M) 19-7; Hart — S. Davis (UNC) def. Reese (M) 6-5.
Records — Maryland 7-6, North Carolina 16-3-1
*breaks school record for most victories in a season

Gymnastics

North Carolina 178.85, Cornell 172.25
(Individual winners at Sunday's meet, Ithaca, N.Y.)
All-around competition: Stacy Kaplan (UNC), 36.80
Floor exercises: Kaplan (UNC), 9.40
Vault: Kaplan (UNC), 9.40
Balance beam: Missy Shaffner (UNC), 9.05
Uneven parallel bars: Barbi Callaghan (UNC), 9.25
UNC is now 7-0, the best start ever in the 15 years of the program's existence.

Men's golf

Doral Park National Collegiate Invitational, Miami, Fla.

North Carolina finished third in a field of 18 schools, behind winner and host Miami (three-day total of 678) and Georgia Tech (698). The Tar Heels finished just two strokes behind the Yellow Jackets, recording a three-day total of 900 over the par-72 Doral Silver Park Course.

Greg Parker was, for the second week in a row, the UNC top individual finisher, recording a 75-73-75-223 to finish eighth. Bryan Sullivan (226) was tied for 16th, while Brendan Kennedy (227) tied for 18th and John Hughes (228) tied for 22nd.

Calendar

- Tuesday**
WOMEN'S SWIMMING vs. N.C. State, Bowman Gray Pool, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday**
MEN'S BASKETBALL at Clemson, Clemson, S.C., 7:30 p.m.
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Duke, Carmichael Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Friday**
MEN'S & WOMEN'S TRACK at Mitrose Games, New York, N.Y.
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—Ash Wednesday Liturgy, The Book of Common Prayer

Ash Wednesday, February 12, 1986
7:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
10:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
12:15 p.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
5:15 p.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
8:00 p.m. The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
10:00 p.m. The Way of the Cross; University Service

A priest will be available throughout Ash Wednesday for those who wish to talk privately or to use the Church's Rite for the Reconciliation of a Penitent. Between 8:30 a.m. and the 5:15 eucharist, a priest will be in either the church or the chapel.

Psalm 51 verses 15-17, a Psalm of David
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