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## Wild horses drive UNC away, 13-6

### Rawls rolls past Tar Heel defense

By DAVE GLENN

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Forget Affirmed and Alydar. The latest thoroughbred to burn through the Kentucky Bluegrass is a wild cat named Alfred, as in Rawls.

Rawls, the strongest and slipperiest in a Kentucky stable of tailbacks, punctured an otherwise-impenetrable Tar Heel defense for 130 yards on 28 carries to lead the Wildcats to a 13-6 triumph over UNC Saturday before 50,174 rain-soaked fans at Commonwealth Stadium.

The 5-foot-11, 200-pound senior scored Kentucky's only touchdown, accounted for 147 of the home team's 307 yards in total offense and single-handedly kept alive enough drives to help the Wildcats (2-0) to an ever-important 13-minute advantage in time of possession.

UNC head coach Mack Brown, who listed stopping the run as a top pregame priority, said Rawls' excellence came as no surprise to the underdog Tar Heels, who dropped to 1-1 on the season.

"We knew we had to tackle their running backs," Brown said. "Rawls is an excellent football player. He's one of the better tailbacks in the country."

"I thought our defensive football team flew around and got after him, but when you play Rawls, you're going to miss some tackles because he makes you miss them."

All in all, though, the UNC defense — a world apart from last year's Swiss Eleven — hit more often than it missed. Matched against the Wildcats' gargantuan front line, Tar Heel defenders swarmed to the ball early and often, led by the sophomore trio of super stallions Eric Gash and Dwight Hollier at line-backer and bullish Roy Barker at nose

tackle. It was the spirited play of this much-maligned defensive unit that eventually gave the young visitors a chance to grab victory from the throes of defeat as the game entered the home stretch.

With Kentucky leading 13-3 early in the fourth quarter, Wildcat kicker Ken Willis — who connected on field goals of 33 and a career-high 50 yards earlier in the game — pushed a 22-yard attempt wide right, and North Carolina's hopes were still alive.

But the Tar Heel passing attack, limited to 23 yards entering the final frame, proved anemic once again. It was three plays and out, as UNC quarterback Jonathan Hall — whose ineffectiveness was caused in part by the strong Kentucky pass rush — once again failed to hook up with his cast of freshman receivers. On the day, UNC wideouts combined for only one reception for four yards.

Five minutes later, Hall bounced back to direct an 11-play, 56-yard scoring drive. Hall's death-defying keepers and scrambles, coupled with an 18-yard completion to fullback Michael Benefield, brought UNC to the Kentucky 24 yard line. Clint Gwaltney's 41-yard field goal brought the Tar Heels within seven at 13-6 with 2:34 to play.

But Gwaltney's ensuing onside kick wobbled into the waiting hands of Kentucky tight end Mike Meece, and the game was all but over.

The Wildcats rode Rawls to another first down before the Tar Heel defense stiffened yet again to set up a fourth-and-two play at the UNC 31 yard line with 53 ticks of the clock remaining.

Kentucky quarterback Freddie Maggard sprinted right with Rawls an ever-present decoy on his right side,

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UNC quarterback Jonathan Hall receives a warm Kentucky welcome from the Wildcats' Jeff Brady

### Passing attack falters

By ANDREW PODOLSKY

LEXINGTON, Ky. — A young, fired-up UNC defense came into its own in Saturday's 13-6 loss at Kentucky. They played with confidence, talent and, according to senior quarterback Jonathan Hall, "They played well enough to let us win the game."

It's interesting that Hall is the one to bestow such praise. Interesting because the UNC defense did play well enough to let a mediocre offense step in and win. Unfortunately, mediocre does not describe the Tar Heel offense, especially the UNC passing attack, led not coincidentally by Mr. Hall.

It's not so much that the Tar Heels couldn't run the ball — they could, managing 176 yards on the ground on 39 carries. Michael Benefield, Aaron Staples and Randy Jordan all deserve praise for running well against a tough Kentucky defense.

UNC just couldn't pass. A typical possession consisted of Staples darting for five, Benefield fighting for perhaps a yard, then Hall taking to the air. Then, one of three things happened: 1) Hall scrambled around for a few yards, 2) Hall winged the ball 10 yards over a receiver's head for an interception or an incompleteness, or 3) one of the young Tar Heel receivers dropped a pass.

When your quarterback leads the team in rushing with 52 yards, completes six passes on 22 attempts, tosses two interceptions and misses targets by sometimes as much as 10 yards, something is amiss. It is tempting to listen to Mack Brown's excuses for the passing woes: The Kentucky defense was good, the field and the ball were wet and the Tar Heel receivers made a lot of freshman mistakes.

Yes, all that was true. There were many factors beyond Hall's control that contributed to his poor performance. But let's not mince words: Jonathan Hall had a bad game.

Among Hall's troubles; he blatantly telegraphed his passes and he gunned passes that should have either been lofted or finessed into coverage. A few fourth quarter passes are typical examples.

With 12:43 left in the game, UNC faced a third-and-seven from its 23 yard line. Hall dropped back and saw Julius Reese streaking to the middle 18 yards downfield. Hall rifled the ball to Reese — unfortunately, while Reese was 18 yards away, Hall threw the ball 30 yards . . . to a Kentucky defender.

Two minutes later, at the UNC 20, Bucky Brooks was open in the right flat. Hall could have pulled up and led Brooks with a touch pass, but instead he attempted a running pass. Result: Brooks could only wave his outstretched arms at the pass which sailed into the Kentucky bench.

These are just two of many such woeful passes by Hall. "I didn't play my best game today," explained a relaxed and cool Hall after the game. Bad passes you can blame on physical factors. Hall's final mistake was mental. With Kentucky up 13-3 with six minutes left in the third quarter, Hall faced a third-and-nine from his own 45 yard line.

Instead of the planned play, Hall audibled in a run off right guard which gained three paltry yards. It was a play which brought back memories of Dick Crum's famous third-and-30 draw plays. Kenan would have booted.

Mack Brown was quick to defend Hall, saying he never considered bringing in Chuckie Burnette. "We knew coming in that (our passing game) would be the big question mark. A lot of things that looked like Jonathan's fault today were not," he explained. True, but many more mistakes were Hall's fault. It's OK for Mack Brown to play freshmen and let them learn from their mistakes. But Jonathan Hall is not a freshman.

The young Tar Heel defense and offensive backs played hard, made some mistakes, played their hearts out and did a good job on Saturday. If the Tar Heel program is ever going to get off the ground, however, the answer may be replacing No. 5 with No. 11 in the backfield when the job isn't getting done during the game.

## Little mix-up decides golf tournament

By ERIC WAGNON

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The 14th-annual Lady Tar Heel Invitational golf tournament ended up being decided by a golf bag mix-up. Kentucky profited from the confusion, taking the team title, while the incident pushed Alabama from first to third place. Host North Carolina finished ninth in the three-day tournament at Finley Golf Course.

The controversial end to the tournament stemmed from an incident on the first hole. Alabama golfer Tracy Little hit her tee shot and returned her club to her bag. However, Little then picked up teammate Lynn Bradley's nearly identical bag, proceeded down the fairway and hit her second shot with Bradley's

three-iron, which was the same brand as hers.

After hitting the shot, Little realized the mix-up and returned to the tee to switch back to her bag. According to USGA rules, "The addition or replacement of a club or clubs may be made by borrowing from anyone; only the borrower may use such club or clubs for the remainder of the round." Therefore, in this case, Bradley could not legally use her own three-iron.

USGA official Joan Rauvne was present at the first tee at the time of the incident but did not realize that Little had actually hit her second shot with Bradley's club. Rauvne ruled at that time that no violation had occurred and a two-stroke penalty should not be

assessed.

When the results of the tournament were posted, Alabama, with a three-day total of 917, had a two-stroke victory margin over Kentucky and Duke, who were tied for second at 919. However, before the scores were declared official, Rauvne reviewed the golf bag incident.

"Now, once we completed the round, the Duke coach (Dan Brooks) has challenged that rule," Alabama coach Betty Buck said during the rules committee deliberations. "The rules official now says she did not know absolutely for sure that the girl (Little) had hit the second shot." While Kentucky coach Bettie Lou Evans agreed with Buck that Brooks had brought up the incident

again, Brooks denied that he was responsible for the resurfacing of the rules question.

"I didn't have all the facts when I made the first decision," Rauvne said. "I got the facts, because I think the girls started to talk about it. It was the girls' honor."

Nevertheless, upon review of the incident, Rauvne changed her ruling and assessed a two-stroke penalty to Little, creating a three-way tie for first between the Crimson Tide, Kentucky and Duke.

In the ensuing sudden-death playoff, Kentucky's five golfers finished the first hole with a cumulative score of two over par. Duke scored a total of three over par and Alabama finished at

four over.

Playing in her first collegiate tournament, Kentucky's number-five golfer, freshman Lisa Weissmueller, proved to be the hero, sinking a clutch six-foot putt to keep Duke from forcing a second playoff hole.

"I hate to come out with the lead that I am disappointed," UNC coach Dot Gunnells said. "But I wouldn't be human if I wasn't disappointed. I feel like we've got a lot of work to do, but the talent is there and they're willing to work."

Sophomore Debbie Doniger was one bright spot for the Tar Heels with scores of 78, 75 and 79. Fellow sophomore Tara Hipp shot rounds of 76, 80 and 81 and freshman Jessica Wood posted scores of 80, 87 and 79.

## Women's soccer gives State the boot

### Tar Heels leave no question about #1

By SCOTT GOLD

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According to the soccer world, Sunday's match between the top-ranked North Carolina women's soccer team and second-ranked N.C. State should have been a close one. Really.

Freshman sensation Mia Hamm, the third leading scorer on the team, suffered a bruised thigh in Thursday's 5-0 victory over Radford and was resigned to the sidelines on Sunday.

Senior stopper Ava Hyatt is out for the season with a knee injury after undergoing surgery last Tuesday. Tracy Bates sustained a serious leg injury early in the match, and may be out for as long as six weeks.

Hyatt and Bates represent the personality of the team; that never-say-never, and most likely won't-ever-have-to-say-never style of play that has typified this year's 7-0 start. State's hopes of upset were looking better and better.

Then the game started. The Tar Heels dominated the game, consistently force-feeding an exhausted and flabbergasted State defense with

powerful pressure, while stifling the Wolfpack's offense and holding it to eight shots on goal.

UNC's youthful defense appears to have finally come together, even without the tremendous presence of Hyatt. Coach Bill Palladino has brought a young but coachable defense from talented yet disarrayed to downright miserly.

"Missing Ava was a big thing," All-American Carla Werden said. "We had to play for each other, not for ourselves. There was a lot of support out there today."

Some of the unofficial records that were set on Sunday (exactly how unofficial will be decided later):

Best Game of "Squeeze the Charmaine" — Emily Rice, back. Rice was handling the immense job of not only filling Hyatt's shoes, but marking Charmaine Hooper, the Wolfpack's All-ACC forward who led the conference in goals and overall points last season, and the leading scorer so far this season with five goals. Rice stymied Hooper, mak-

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UNC's Shannon Higgins tangles with State's Linda Hamilton at Finley Field Sunday