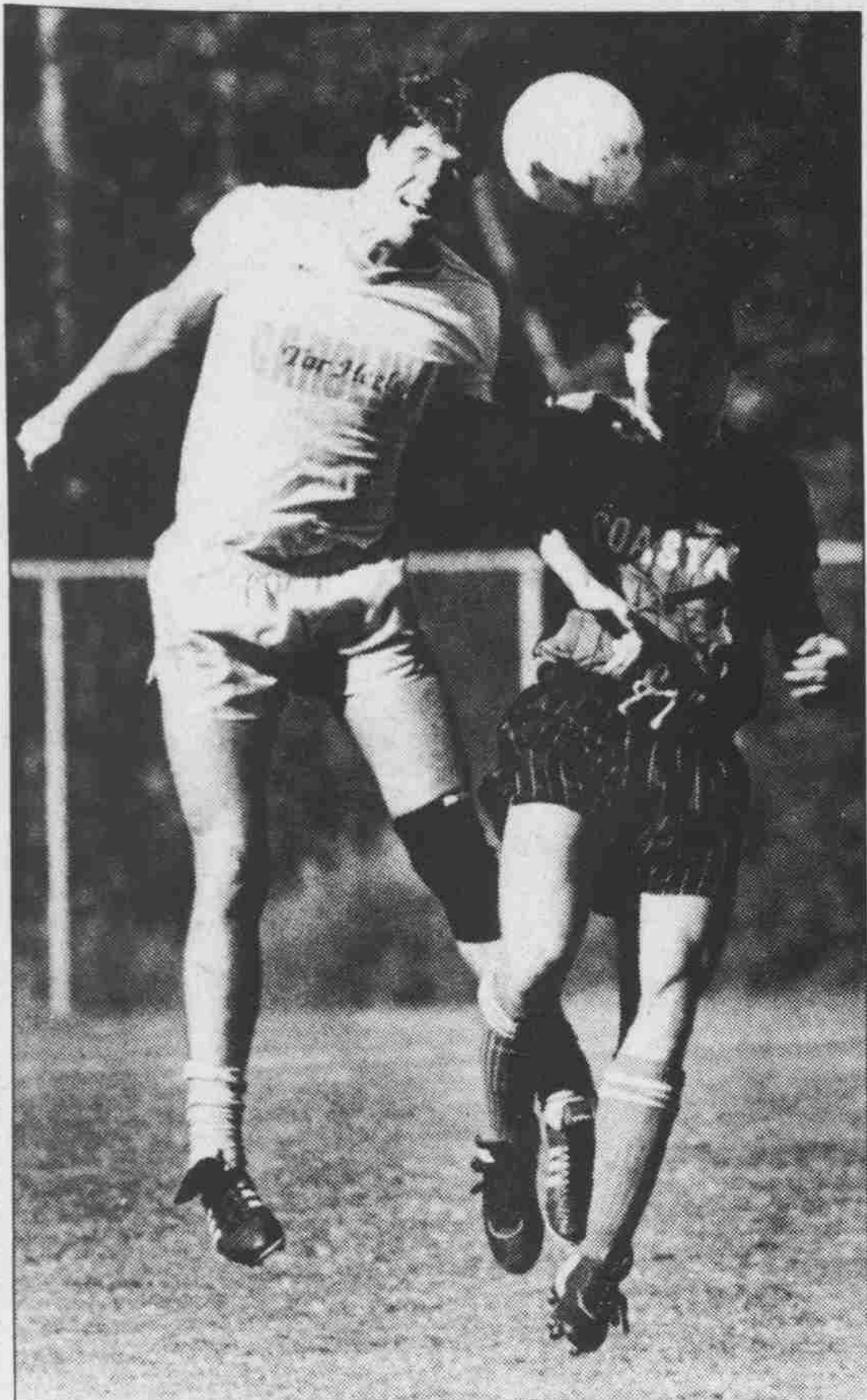


Sports

Men thwart foreign invaders in 1-0 soccer win



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Missimo and UNC were heads and shoulders above the Chants

A's win to lead 2-0, Giants beat Cubs

From Associated Press reports

OAKLAND, Calif. — Jose Canseco missed the start of the show, so Rickey Henderson stole it.

Henderson sparked a two-run fourth inning rally with two stolen bases, and the Oakland Athletics beat the Blue Jays 6-3 for a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven American League playoffs.

"That's what I'm here for," Henderson said. "I want to make things happen." That's just what he did. Only two of 11 teams have rallied from a 2-0 deficit to win the AL playoffs — Milwaukee in 1982 and Kansas City over Toronto in 1985.

Once again, the A's put together a combination of power, pitching and speed to beat the Blue Jays. Starter Mike Moore allowed three hits in seven innings.

Henderson had two singles and two walks, and has been on base seven times in nine plate appearances. He has six steals in the series, breaking the playoff record of five previously held by Davey Lopes (1981) and Steve Sax (1988), both with Los Angeles.

"Everyone has to worry about Rickey," Toronto manager Cito Gaston said. "Let him steal second, throw to third and maybe we can get him there." Henderson stole both second and third in the fourth and seventh innings.

The A's are now 49-18 in day games this season, while the Blue Jays are 23-28.

Canseco, who is hitless in his last 22 post-season at-bats, was in the starting lineup but was scratched when he had a migraine headache before the game. He pinch hit in the A's three-run sixth inning and struck out. He walked in the eighth. "He didn't feel well before the game, he was vomiting," La Russa said.

The AL playoffs take a day off before moving to Toronto for Game 3 on Friday night.

Storm Davis (19-7) is scheduled to pitch for the A's against Jimmy Key (13-14).

Giants club Cubs, 11-3

CHICAGO — Will Clark spent all season in the shadow of Kevin Mitchell. In the spotlight at Wrigley Field on Wednesday night, he finally moved ahead of his teammate — barely.

Clark drove in a record six runs, going 4-for-4 with two homers, including a grand slam, and overshadowed Mitchell's three-run shot as San Francisco routed the Chicago Cubs 11-3 in the opening game of the National League playoffs.

Pitching may dominate the postseason, but not this time. Clark's slam off 19-game winner Greg Maddux landed on Sheffield Avenue beyond the right-field bleachers and made it 8-3 in the fourth inning. By then there had already been four home runs and 13 hits.

Clark set a playoff record for RBIs and tied the all-time postseason record set by Bobby Richardson for the New York Yankees in the 1960 World Series. Clark hit his only big-league grand slam this season, against Mike Maddux, Greg's brother.

Mitchell, who led the majors with 47 home runs and 125 RBIs this season, contributed his homer and a single to the Giants' 13 hits. Clark, who batted .333 and had 23 home runs and 111 RBIs, walked ahead of Mitchell's home run onto Waveland Avenue in left field.

Scott Garrelts, the league's earned run average champion, struggled early yet lasted seven innings for the victory. Mark Grace hit a two-run homer in the first inning for the Cubs and Ryne Sandberg, who had three hits, homered in the third.

Game 2 will be Thursday night with Chicago's Mike Bielecki (18-7) facing Rick Reuschel (17-8).

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Forget studying overseas. Anyone who wanted some international flavor in their lives could have gotten it by watching the men's soccer game at Finley Field Wednesday afternoon.

UNC managed a 1-0 victory against a Coastal Carolina team that had 13 foreigners on its roster. The list includes five players from Iceland and two from England. Of the starters, eight were from other countries. The other three were from Florida.

"They are as tough to beat as any ACC team, with all the talent they have from whatever country," said UNC coach Elmar Bolowich, whose team is now 7-3-1. "Basically we played an international team with a lot of experience, and you could see that."

The 10th-ranked Tar Heels were fortunate that they did not expect an easy win after a 3-0 loss Sunday at top-ranked Virginia. The Chanticleers entered Wednesday's game with an 8-1 record, their only loss coming against Clemson by a score of 2-1.

"I think our players were prepared for the match," Bolowich said. "They knew about them, they knew about their strengths, they knew about their

weaknesses. I was a little worried that if we let down a little bit, they would knock us off on our home turf."

"I think the key was that we were mentally prepared not to play Coastal Carolina, but to play a team that was 8-1 and that could beat any ACC team if it had a bad day," added Bolowich.

Sophomore sweeper Richard Wachsman's first career goal with 29:04 gone in the second half accounted for the game's only tally. The goal was set up when Marc Buffin was tripped up after dribbling past three Chant defenders right behind the penalty box.

Chad Ashton took a tap from Nick Efthimou on the free kick and drilled a shot right at goalkeeper Reggie Pierre-Jerome. The ball bounced off Pierre-Jerome, and Wachsman placed the ball in the upper right corner of the goal from four yards out.

Wachsman's goal ended a scoring drought brought on partially by the physical play of both sides. Coastal Carolina is one of the few teams that was able to play aggressively with the Tar Heels. The Chants were whistled for 28 fouls, while UNC was called for 15.

"We can usually beat up on a lot of the teams," Wachsman said. "This is

the first team that we've been evenly matched with there and it seemed like the game just went back and forth for a while."

Coastal Carolina's strategy on offense involved pushing the ball up the field and taking the game to the UNC half of the field. The Chants had success with this plan as the Tar Heels had trouble keeping the ball on Coastal Carolina's side of the field.

In an adjustment to the situation, Bolowich made a surprise move in the second half by removing forwards David Merola and Derek Missimo, the nation's fourth-leading scorer. They were replaced by Wendell Muldrow and Tommy Boykin — both of whom boast better overall speed.

"We created a lot more chances in the second half, just because our strikers were faster," said Bolowich. "(Coastal Carolina) had a lot of space between the goalkeeper and the sweeper. With two fast guys up front, we were able to utilize their weaknesses and make them our strengths."

Coastal Carolina's success so far this season has been due in a large part to its high-powered offense, which had scored 42 goals in just nine games — a 4.7 goal average per game. Forward

Hilmar Arnason, among the nation's leading scorers with 12 goals and six assists, was held to just two shots. An amazing feat for the Tar Heel defense.

Sweeper Allen Higgins sat out the second half along with Missimo and Merola. Higgins had been having ankle problems before the game, and Bolowich became concerned when Higgins started playing tentatively in certain situations because of the ankle.

"We couldn't afford to have a sweeper in the back that was intimidated and cannot go 100 percent," Bolowich said. "That's why I switched to Richard Wachsman, who had a great showing."

Bolowich also gave credit to freshman goalkeeper Watson Jennison. Jennison made four saves on the way to his third shutout of the year.

Sophomore forward Adam Tinkham had been bothered by a sore ankle and may have reinjured it when he was undercut by Russell Herrity on a slide tackle midway through the second half. Tinkham left the game and did not return.

The Tar Heels return to ACC action against Duke this Sunday at 2 p.m. at Finley Field.

A taste of the Northern life: a Southerner's guide to field hockey

By ERIC WAGNON

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Chapel Hill may be dubbed the "Southern part of heaven," but UNC more than holds its own in "northern" sports. In the spring, the Tar Heel lacrosse team shows those northern boys that there isn't a total vacuum in that sport south of the Mason-Dixon line (though admittedly, UNC borrows a lot of those Yankees for four years). While in the fall, UNC consistently fields one of the top field hockey teams in the nation — they're currently ranked No. 2.

At this point, you're probably tired of seeing North Carolina on the losing end of the scoreboard at Kenan Stadium on Saturday afternoons. You want to see UNC win at something.

The solution: A. Go see a women's soccer game (top-ranked UNC never loses at home, and I mean never). Or if option A is just too certain, take option B. — go to a field hockey game.

O.K. I admit it. I had never seen a field hockey game before I came to Chapel Hill. My home state of Florida isn't exactly a bastion of field hockey popularity. I may have missed the sport totally if I hadn't been assigned articles on it for the DTH. Anyway, college is that time to go out there and experience some new things.

A field hockey game may not be as exciting as the Duke game in the Dean Dome, but I found it to be a darn good spectator sport. (Once I figured out what was going on that is.)

Looking ahead in my handy-dandy non-revenue sports home schedule, I saw two asterisks by the Oct. 14 field hockey game versus Old Dominion. That means Carolina Fever, also known as "that group of blue-clad students who get a really good block of football tickets," is scheduled to attend the game.

Now, as a DTH sports writer, it's my job to keep UNC sports fans informed and I wouldn't want newcomers to the sport to be as clueless as I was when I saw my first game. So here's a little primer on field hockey — just a few little facts and explanations which you can use to impress your date at the game.

First, a few basics: each team has 11 players; the object is to shoot the ball into a goal four yards wide and seven feet high; field hockey is an Olympic

sport for both men and women (however, UNC has only a women's team).

Speaking of the Olympics, the United States won a bronze medal in the women's version in 1984 and UNC coach Karen Shelton was a starter on that team. The Netherlands is the real power in the sport though, winning a bronze in 1988 and the gold in 1984. That fact has not been overlooked by Shelton, as Dutch players often star for the Tar Heels. On this year's squad, junior goalkeeper Evelie Spee and freshman midfielder Imke Lempers hail from the Netherlands.

Spee leads the ACC with a goals-against average of 0.44 and set the UNC record for most saves in a season with 149 last year. Speaking of the ACC, only five of the eight conference schools — UNC, Duke, Virginia, Maryland and Wake Forest — compete in field hockey. That doesn't mean, however, that the conference is not competitive. In 1987, UNC defeated Maryland 5-0 for the ACC crown, but the Terrapins ended up winning a bigger crown — the national title via a 2-1 defeat of the Tar Heels, 2-1, in the championship game. Upcoming UNC opponent Old Dominion won the NCAA tournament in 1988.

Lempers has scored 14 goals in nine games this season. The UNC record for goals scored in a season by a freshman is 21. With eight regular season games left, Lempers should easily break the freshman record and threaten the overall UNC season record of 27 goals.

UNC plays its home games on the AstroTurf field, located across from the baseball stadium. One of the first things you may notice is that the field is wet for games. Considering all the recent rain in Chapel Hill, a wet field may not seem strange, but, interestingly enough, the field is equipped with an automatic sprinkler system and is purposely wet to allow the ball to roll faster.

That rolling ball, incidentally, is made of cork and twine, covered with white leather and about the size of a tennis ball. So don't expect to see a puck. Nor should you expect any checking as in ice hockey. However, the goalkeeper wears a face mask and padded gloves virtually identical to those used for ice hockey — a very good idea considering how hard the ball is. The other players' only protec-

tive gear consists of shinguards.

Another little tidbit of info you may find interesting is that a player is only allowed to use one side of her stick. Thus, a field hockey stick is flat on one side (to provide a hitting surface) and curved on the other side.

Perhaps the most confusing aspect of the sport to newcomers is the penalty corner, which accounts for a large chunk of the goals scored. A penalty corner is awarded if the defending team purposely knocks the ball over the goal line or commits a foul in front of the goal. On a penalty corner, one player on the offense stands on the goal line behind

the goal and hits the ball back into play — appropriately dubbed the "hit-in." A second player is poised in front of the goal to stop the ball — the "stick-stop" — then a third player winds up and fires a shot on goal.

I hope you are now all experts on field hockey. So, if you're willing to try something new, as Joe Bob Briggs says, "Check it out."

North Carolina is currently in the middle of a slate of eight road games. The squad will return to the AstroTurf field on Oct. 13 versus Northwestern, then the following day for the crucial match-up against Old Dominion.

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