

Sports

Things won't get easier for Tar Heels at Virginia

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UNC football coach Mack Brown will be the first to admit that he's had enough of losing the close games, as the Tar Heels have done these past two weeks against Navy and Wake Forest.

probably won't be another nail-biting close one.
And the bad news? Well, simply that Brown probably won't be getting any younger either. The Cavaliers are 4-2 on the year (2-1 in the ACC), having lost only to top-ranked Notre Dame and powerhouse Clemson, and boast one of the conference's best quarterbacks (uh-oh, the "q" word) in Shawn Moore.

game against Wake Forest with an injured knee. Burnette underwent arthroscopic surgery Sunday and is expected to miss about two weeks.
"There's not any damage that will keep him from playing the rest of the year," Brown said. "He will definitely not play this week. His status for next week will depend on how he responds to treatment. But he is not out for the year."

On offense, Virginia is well-stocked with equally potent running and passing attacks, as shown in Moore's stats alone. The 6-foot-2, 213-pound junior missed last week's 34-20 loss at Clemson due to a sore shoulder but will play Saturday, bringing with him a 60 percent completion rate. In addition to throwing for 914 yards and eight touchdowns, Moore has rushed for 179 yards and four more TDs.

and Nikki Fischer (71 yards) will be Virginia's primary weapon, although Kirby won't play due to an injury.
"Their tailbacks are a key," Brown said, "because they're going to run the football and make you stop the run before they pass."
And when they do pass, the Cavaliers will count on 6-5 wide receiver Herman Moore and 6-5 tight end Bruce McGonnigal. Herman Moore had a 75-yard touchdown reception against Clemson and has 17 catches for 425 yards and five touchdowns on the year. McGonnigal has hauled down 24 passes for 374 yards and three TDs.

meaning to the term Carolina blue, Virginia likes to run the option, too—and Shawn Moore runs it well.
"They make you defend so many things with their offense," Brown said. "You've really got to change up with them and try to keep the ball in the ballpark, because they can line up and physically run it and beat you, they can use the play action pass and beat you or Shawn Moore can drop back and run to beat you if somebody's not open.
"They've got all the arsenal that they need to give you miseries."
Defensively, the Cavaliers have returnees at just about every position, which does not bode well for UNC.

Once again, Series should be all A's

By MARK ANDERSON
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The Oakland Athletics are once again in the driver's seat. The 1989 World Series looks remarkably like 1988 as the heavily-favored A's take on an over-achieving fellow West Coast club. But remember, the A's took the pole in 1988, only to suffer a fiery crash at the hands of Orel Hershiser and the Dodgers.

(.233) only played in 84 games for the A's because of an injury. Believe it or not, the Giants' Jose Uribe (.221) is a worse hitter than Weiss. Even.
Second Base: La Russa calls Mike Gallego the A's most valuable player. The sparkplug hit .252 and held together the A's infield during Lansford's and Weiss's injuries. The Giants' Robby Thompson (.241) had an outstanding first half of 1989 but slumped badly down the stretch. He made only eight errors, though, and has some pop (13 HR, 50 RBI). Slight Edge: San Francisco.

By BROCK PAGE
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The Fighting Christians of Elon were put in the den of the UNC women's soccer team, and though the Tar Heels did not release the lions until the second half, North Carolina still went on to devour its prey, 3-0, Thursday afternoon at Finley Field.
Elon came into the game with a 2-7 record, so the match figured to be not much of a contest. The game was anticipated to be so lopsided that the two head coaches agreed that North Carolina could use more than the normal amount of players allowed. In all, 21 players saw action for UNC.

sophomore Louellen Poore and freshman Rita Tower while sophomores Julie Carter and Sarah Ludington got the nod at the midfield positions. Rounding out the lineup were freshmen Kristin Acquavella and Mary Bennett Eubanks and sophomore Lisa Owen in the back-field.
All three goalkeepers — Walker, junior Merrilee Proost and sophomore Courtney Lehman — got some time in the net. Junior forward Pam Kalinoski, who normally starts, missed the game due to an injury. Kalinoski received a bruise over her right eye Wednesday against Santa Barbara.
Although it took longer than usual, the Tar Heels got on the board 25:52 in the game when freshman midfielder Sarina Wiegman scored unassisted. Wiegman beat the lunging Elon goalkeeper to a loose ball in front of the goal and then sent a soft shot into the left side of the net.

head coach Anson Dorrance was content with his team's performance for the first 45 minutes.
"I was happy with our play in the first half," Dorrance said. "The reserves knocked the ball around a bit, and they had nice rhythm, but they probably could have scored a little more."
Unfortunately for Elon, the Tar Heels came out with their regular starting lineup for the beginning of the second half. The starters did not waste much time as Shannon Higgins scored for the Tar Heels at the 55:38 mark.
After forward Louellen Poore was tripped by an Elon defender, the Tar Heels were awarded a penalty kick. Higgins showed her appreciation for the gift as she sent a shot into the left side of the goal.
The final score came 71:53 into the game when freshman forward Kristine Lilly scored off an assist from freshman forward Mia Hamm. After driving to the right side of the goal, Hamm booted a hard shot at a sharp angle that

crossed right in front of the goal. Lilly tipped the ball into the goal as the goalkeeper was on the ground after trying to smother Hamm's shot.
Dorrance noticed a large improvement from the game on Wednesday against Santa Barbara, where UNC held on to a 1-0 victory after being held scoreless in the second half.
"I thought we had nice rhythm in the second half. We did not have that against Santa Barbara," Dorrance said.
The Tar Heels wound up with 51 shots on goal, 35 of those coming in the second half, while the Fighting Christians were able to get off only five shots. The Elon goalkeepers were kept busy, as they were forced to make 19 saves in the second half.
North Carolina does not play again until Tuesday, when Methodist College comes to Chapel Hill for the Tar Heels' last home game of the regular season.

Field hockey gears for big weekend

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In what could be considered a preview Final Four weekend, the second-ranked North Carolina field hockey team takes on No. 5 Northwestern and No. 1 Old Dominion today and tomorrow.

also be a family affair of sorts. Senior Kathy Staley's younger sister plays for Northwestern and sophomore Jennifer Clark's sister is an assistant coach.
Senior Leslie Lyness, UNC's assist leader and captain, aptly summed up her team's feelings.
"it's a very big weekend," she said. "But I think we're ready for it."

his squad can string together consecutive wins for the first time since last month.
Bolowich said, however, that the team must improve in certain aspects against Maryland. "We have to move the ball quicker," he said. "We have to be better organized defensively — especially when it comes to a breakdown on our attack and a loss of possession."

coming off a 4-1 win over 18th-ranked George Washington on Wednesday. Terrapin leading scorer, senior forward Dom Seltham, picked up his seventh and eighth goals of the season in the game, while junior midfielder John Garvey added his third goal of the year.
"Maryland is very dangerous," Bolowich said. "They play with some intensity, and they are also in the same situation that we are. It will be a race for position inside the ACC. The one who loses the game definitely drops to the end of the grouping, and the one that wins is still in the race."

The 11-1 Tar Heels hook up with Northwestern today at 3 p.m. on the AstroTurf Field. On Saturday, UNC plays host to top-ranked Old Dominion in a one-versus-two showdown.
"We can gear this weekend like a Final Four weekend," UNC coach Karen Shelton said. "We're looking at Northwestern as a semifinalist and Old Dominion as a finalist."
UNC's only loss this year came on the road at the hands of the 12-0 Lady Monarchs. But that game was played in Norfolk — on ODU's home turf — and began an eight-game road trip for the Tar Heels that ended Tuesday with a 2-0 win over Duke.
"We're definitely glad to be home," Shelton said.

Men's soccer to host Maryland
The North Carolina men's soccer team hopes that the recent pattern in its season does not continue through Sunday's 2 p.m. game against Maryland at Finley Field. Over the last five games, the 12th-ranked Tar Heels have alternated between big wins and crushing defeats.
The Tar Heels are coming off a 5-0 shelling of Elon on Wednesday. Judging by the recent past, it would be time for a Tar Heel loss, but UNC coach Elmar Bolowich feels confident that

North Carolina's defense could be described as a "feast or famine" unit. UNC has allowed only one goal in its last five wins, but in the last two UNC losses, Virginia and Duke rocked the Tar Heels for a total of seven tallies.
Those two losses dropped UNC, at 8-4-2 overall, into fourth place in the ACC with a 1-2-1 league mark. Maryland holds an identical conference record and a 6-5-1 overall record.
Maryland, under the direction of sixth-year coach Alden Shattuck, is

Tennis looking to go 3-0
The North Carolina women's tennis team rides into Saturday's 10 a.m. match against 22nd-ranked William and Mary at the UNC Tennis Center ready to take another step up the ladder. Each suc-

The intimidating A's are the first team to repeat as a pennant winner since the Dodgers and Yankees both did in 1977-78. Like Craig, manager Tony La Russa also kept his team in contention despite a rash of key injuries. After steamrolling Toronto in the playoffs, the A's enter the Series with the home field advantage and with something to prove.
The World Series begins at 8:35 p.m. tomorrow night in Oakland, and for those of you who don't care that all the action is going to be on the West Coast, here are the matchups.

Catcher: The Giants' Terry Kennedy provides a left-handed bat, albeit weak (.239), against the A's right-handed pitching, but is no Tony Pena behind the plate. The A's Terry Steinbach (.273) is a solid player, but left-handed Ron Hassey (.228), who catches Bob Welch, will probably see a lot of action against the Giants' right-handed staff. Edge: Oakland.

Over the last three seasons, UNC holds a 4-3 lead over ODU. But the Lady Monarchs, 1988 national champions, have won three of the last four, including a 4-0 drubbing last year in Chapel Hill, UNC's last home defeat. If UNC has a nemesis, it is Old Dominion. Other than games against ODU, the Tar Heels are undefeated going all the way back to the 1987 NCAA finals, where they fell to Maryland.
In UNC's lone defeat, the Tar Heels were flat, and ODU took advantage, squeaking by with a 1-0 victory. Shelton knows her squad was a bit off its game then.
"I think our kids know that they didn't play as well as they're capable of playing," Shelton said. "We know if we play well, we're capable of beating them."

God I'm tired. We're all tired. We've been trudging to class (albeit not very often), studying and reading (I know not very often) and leading and speeding and meeting, etc.
And with what are we rewarded? Hate mail, a flurry of impossible midterms and a football team that scores less often than a non-fraternity member in Molly's. Woe, Woe is me. Sigh.
First order of business: DTH Guest Picker of the Week. Last week, we

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Indeed, Carl (Those Virginia folks are snobs) Bryan — he of "Kaopectate, Kaopectate, stop that run" fame — rinses off against a tough slew in Week Number Seven.
Yes, I know, our leaders are boring, and Dave (I once thought I was losing my mind, and I've been trying to find it ever since) Glenn holds the lead for what, the (yawn) 50th straight week? Heck, he loses less often than the women's soccer team and score even... But never mind about that. The Aging Veteran holds fast to the lead with a 47-13 ledger after posting at 8-2 last week. Amazing.
But Jamie (Gee Dave's cocky. Is there a class where I can learn this stuff?) Rosenberg also went 8-2 to stay within a game of The Eternal Student.
John (Yeah there's a class you little ingrate and I teach it) Bland bounded in at 7-3 to fall three games off while Jay (Wow man, I don't know, I guess UNC could beat Notre Dame) Reed is so far out of it that we're forwarding his mail.

Left Field: Probably the Series' best matchup, this pits the probable N.L. Most Valuable Player against the American League playoff MVP. The Giants' Kevin Mitchell exploded with a career power year in 1989 (.291 average, 47 homeruns, 125 runs batted in). The A's Rickey Henderson can't match Mitchell's power, but the best leadoff man ever has led the A.L. in stolen bases nine of the last 10 years.

Relief Pitching: A's right-handers Todd Burns (2.24), Curt Young (3.73) and Gene Nelson (3.26) and left-hander Rick Honeycutt (2.35) have done excellent set-up work for Dennis Eckersley (1.56). The Eck has forgotten about Kirk Gibson and saved 33 games despite starting the year on the disabled list.

A victory over ODU would be nice, but the game against Northwestern is more important, because a loss to the Wildcats could knock UNC out of the top four, where teams receive first-round byes in the NCAA tournament.
"We won't have any trouble looking past Northwestern," Shelton said. "We know we have to beat them."
The Wildcats bring in an 11-1-1 record, their only loss coming to No. 10 Maryland, a squad UNC beat, 3-0.
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But the elder statesman, Andrew (I'll hitchhike to Wilmington for Fall Break if I have to) Podolsky still lulls the leaders into a false sense of security with his deftly masked 7-3 performances.

Mitchell has slumped of late, while the midseason acquisition of Henderson sparked the A's down the stretch. Offensively, Rickey single-handedly destroyed the Blue Jays and he outclasses Mitchell on defense. Edge: Oakland.

Designated Hitter: All four Oakland games will feature the DH, and Dave Parker (22 HR, 97 RBI), the experienced team leader, is loving every minute of it. San Francisco will probably counter with either right-fielder (Sheridan or Maldonado), allowing the pair to be embarrassed at both positions. Big Edge: Oakland.

Right Field: Caution — don't look at this matchup too long or you'll laugh through the ceremonial first pitch. The Giants' Pat Sheridan (.205) and Candy Maldonado (.217) should be ashamed to claim they play the same position as the A's Jose Canseco. Maybe they should call the Jose Hotline for some tips on hitting. Canseco put up monstrous numbers (.269-17-57), considering he only played in 65 games. His blast into the fourth deck of the Skydome alone is enough to give him the advantage. Big Edge: Oakland.

Center Field: Yes, Atlanta, Brett Butler really can play baseball. The Giants' Butler (.283) is right behind Henderson as one of baseball's best table-setters. The A's Dave Henderson couldn't match 1988's career year and can't go get the ball like Butler. However, he does have a flair for the dramatic and this is his fourth consecutive year in post season play. Slight Edge: San Francisco.

Shortstop: These two are excellent fielders, but they better be because they sure don't hit. UNC's own Walt Weiss

Both managers have done magnificent jobs, but Tony La Russa has much more talent to fall back on. Yes, the Giants match up better with the A's than the Dodgers did, but as 1988's World Series came down to pitching, so will 1989's. Oakland's hungry staff is looking to avenge last year, while the Giants may just be happy to be here. Edge: Oakland in six games.

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