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UNC's Roy Barker (92) was part of a Tar Heel defense that gave Maryland quarterback Scott Zolak fits Saturday

## UNC makes twerps of Terps, wins 34-10

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A quarterback would lead them. He would bring a team out of the doldrums of past disappointments and into the bowl picture with a dominant effort in Saturday's ACC rendezvous in Kenan Stadium.

He would shred the secondary, running up the score against an opponent known for its weakness against the pass. Such were the expectations before Saturday.

Such were the results, but most had pegged the wrong signal-caller to be the star.

Move over, Scott Zolak. Whatever Zolak and the vaunted Maryland passing attack could do Saturday, Todd Burnett and his North Carolina counterparts proved they could do better, and the surging Tar Heels thumped Maryland 34-10 in the most surprising game of a most surprising season.

UNC's performance, in fact, was good enough to earn the Tar Heels a tie with Texas A&M for the No. 24 ranking in the UPI weekly poll released Sunday, marking the first time they have even come close to national prominence in head coach Mack Brown's three-year tenure.

"This was a great win," Brown said, choking back tears moments after the final gun had sounded. "I'm so proud of our team."

Brown's hair was wet, his shirt stained a greenish-yellow from the Gatorade bath he took at the hands of seniors Dennis Tripp and Alex Simakas. He seemed a little incredulous, still trying

to digest the most complete effort his team had put forth in three years.

"These guys amaze me every week," Brown said. "This team has defied everything that should happen in college football. They should not be doing some of the things they've done."

Burnett, his quarterback, had rebounded from an 8-for-20 showing the week before against Georgia Tech to a dominant 23-of-35 against the Terps for 312 yards — the fourth-highest total in school history.

Natrone Means, his freshman tailback, had ground out the second 100-yard rushing day of his young career, barreling for 111 yards on 25 carries.

Clint Gwaltney, his placekicker, had spanked four field goals through the uprights, tying a school record.

His team, down 10-9 at the half, had emerged from the locker room chanting "1-1-91" and proceeded to bowl over the Terps with 22 points in the third quarter while holding Maryland to 47 total yards in the second half.

"This is the first time since we've been here that the entire team put something together on one Saturday against a very, very good Maryland football team," Brown said.

This was a Tar Heel team, Brown did not need reminding, that posted a 2-20 record over the past two years, that humiliated itself against the Terps in College Park last year, losing 38-0 and committing nine turnovers. This same team is now 5-2-1, 2-1-1 in the ACC. Not only have the Tar Heels avoided a fourth straight losing season, but bowl

hopes are no longer a silly motivational tool. Any team that can rack up 520 yards of offense against a conference foe, while giving up just 221 yards to a team which boasts the ACC's passing yardage leader, can certainly see itself in the national picture.

"We were so far down," Brown said. "To go from 2-20 to what these guys have done just does not happen. Nobody ever thought this could possibly happen."

The numbers certainly defy what should have happened. Maryland (5-4, 3-3) and Zolak, the ACC's most prolific passer with 1,997 yards heading into Saturday, figured to feast on UNC's young secondary, statistically the worst in the conference. Burnett, whose 48-yard performance against Tech prompted Brown to announce he would turn to backup Chuckie Burnette if the Tar Heels didn't move the ball early, figured to struggle.

Instead, the established Zolak was thoroughly frustrated by both the UNC defense and his stone-handed receivers — completing just 15 of 38 passes for 205 yards and three interceptions — while the unproven Burnett showed up his counterpart. Burnett's yardage total marked the second highest in the ACC this season, behind, of course, Zolak's 313 vs. West Virginia on Sept. 8.

"I think he (Burnett) was so frustrated last week after playing well against Wake Forest that he just told himself, 'Today, I'm going to come in here and I'm going to play well,'" Brown said.

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## 'Lady Luck' lifts women's soccer to ACC tourney title

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — UNC women's soccer coach Anson Dorrance has always credited much of his team's success to its 12th player on the field: tradition.

This weekend, while watching his squad defeat Duke and Virginia en route to its second consecutive ACC title, he credited something new: Lady Luck.

All teams have her to some extent, but for a team like North Carolina, she usually sits on the bench. In the Tar Heels' 2-0 squeaker against the Cavs Sunday, however, she was in full force.

Sophomore Mia Hamm's game-winning goal at the 61:32 mark didn't result from tradition or even from practice. Her corner kick — though aimed for any UNC head or foot willing to punch the ball into the Wahoos net — instead was blown across the mouth of

the goal and into the top right corner. "Luck," Hamm said. "There's not much else to say about it. All I'm trying to do is get it in the vicinity of the box, hoping that someone can put it in on the face. Sheer luck. It really wasn't an earned goal."

Hamm's tally — her nation-leading 22nd of the year — gave her 60 points for the season, good enough to earn her ACC player-of-the-year honors. Dorrance took home the coach-of-the-year plaque to boot.

North Carolina hammered Duke 5-0 in Saturday's semifinal. Two goals by Rita Tower and a goal and an assist from Carolyn Springer helped set up Sunday's showdown with the Cavs.

UNC sophomore Kristine Lilly was voted the tourney's most valuable player, though she failed to register a point in either game, only the fifth and sixth time this year she had been held

scoreless. But according to Dorrance, this time her strengths had nothing to do with numbers.

"She was like a fire chief," he said. "Wherever we had a problem, we would drop her. Wherever our problem was, we threw her right into the fray and she solved it. She might be the most versatile player I've ever coached."

And Dorrance needed Lilly's versatility. Virginia (18-2-0) is one of the greatest and most versatile teams he's ever coached against.

Not only were the Tar Heels (17-1-1) lucky to break the scoreless tie, they were lucky they even had one to break. Virginia came out of the gates firing with a shockingly tenacious offense, one that had the UNC defense scrambling and panicking after only two minutes of playing time.

Tar Heel goalie Meridee Proost was even forced to come through with a

rarity in North Carolina soccer — a crucial save — midway through the first stanza.

Virginia forward Cindi Kunihiro fired a shot toward the Tar Heel goal that ricocheted off UNC back Louellen Poore's leg. Proost dove to her right, barely nudging the ball around the post for a Virginia corner kick. It was, in fact, the first of seven saves the Cavaliers forced herto make during the game.

Virginia dominated for the full 45 minutes, in what Dorrance called the "best half anyone has played against us all year." The Cavaliers had outshot UNC 6-3 by the break, and Dorrance knew something had to change.

"We should have been down at the half," Dorrance said. "We were lucky to climb out of the first half without being scored on. We were lucky to dodge bullets in the first half, and Virginia was unlucky to dodge ours in the second. I

basically told them that the nature of the game wasn't like a soccer game. It was more like individual combat."

Fortunately for Dorrance, UNC was up for the challenge. The Tar Heels came out in the second half infinitely more organized, forcing persistent pressure on Virginia until the final bell.

"He (Dorrance) basically told us at halftime that we did well to survive the assault that UVA. put on us," senior sweeper Linda Hamilton said. "He said we needed to come out and play a little better and a little more organized and try to relax a little bit."

And play better they did. UNC fired 13 shots in the second half; the Cavaliers managed three, two of which came in the final minutes, forced in frustration from close to 40 yards out. Proost could take it easy again — making only two saves — while Virginia goalkeeper Andrea Rippe

had to make seven.

"Once they scored, it gave them some momentum," UVA coach Lauren Gregg said. "I thought they were playing pretty frantically in the first half. It's the most frantic I've ever seen a Carolina team play. I thought that was a sign of how well we were playing. I'm sure the second half we were doing our best to hang in there, but fatigue has to set in at some point. The second half we were much less threatening."

North Carolina's second goal resulted once again from a Hamm corner kick, this time at the 82:12 mark. By that time, though, the wind had died down a bit, so Hamm needed a little help — namely freshman Paige Coley, who headed the ball cleanly into the right side for her fourth tally of the season.

UNC has a good chance of meeting the Cavs again in the NCAA tourney, which begins Nov. 4.

## Hershey's late charge propels field hockey past Virginia, 2-1

By STEWART CHISAM

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Boom. The North Carolina field hockey team punched in a last-minute goal Sunday afternoon on Navy Field to lift the No. 2 Tar Heels past No. 19 Virginia and into the top slot in next week's ACC Tournament.

With 1:20 remaining and the score deadlocked 1-1, UNC's Kelly Staley and Laurel Hershey ricocheted the Tar Heels' 14th penalty corner of the day into the net to give North Carolina the pivotal 2-1 victory.

"The shot was on the keeper, and it just rebounded off (the Virginia goalkeeper's pads)," Hershey said. "It was there, and — boom — Kelly Staley and I rushed in on it. I assume we both hit it at the same time. It was sort of a mutual effort."

In the scorebook, credit the goal to Hershey and an assist to Staley.

"It was just a tip-in," senior forward Peggy Anthon said. "They gave (the goal) to Laurel since she's a senior."

Since Hershey, Peggy Anthon, Terri Buck and Beth Taterosian are seniors, they were honored before the game, their last regular-season home contest.

The victory was critical for the Tar Heels (16-3, 2-1 in the ACC). A North Carolina loss would have dropped UNC to the last seed in the four-team conference tournament.

Instead, the victory rocketed the defending national champions into the first seed and a matchup with Maryland in College Park this Saturday.

Earlier this year, the Terrapins upset UNC 3-2 in Chapel Hill.

"Obviously we want to have another shot at Maryland, and (the win) insures that," North Carolina head coach Karen Shelton said. "We knew that if we won the game, we would play Maryland first, and that's something we want to do badly."

They also badly want to win their eighth straight ACC championship and second straight national title — goals Anthon felt would require a step-up in intensity.

"We played well (today), but I think we can play a lot better. We need to play better in the ACC Tournament to come out with the championship," she said.

More than anything, "playing better" means capitalizing on offensive opportunities. North Carolina outshot the Cavaliers 30-9 Sunday but could rarely stick the ball in the goal.

Hershey, a two-time honorable mention All-America, finally rocketed North Carolina's first score from straight on near the 25-yard line with 8:19 remaining in the first half. The goal, assisted by Mary Hartzell, gave UNC the lead until the Cavs' Andy Begel powered the ball through a slew of defenders with 21:00 left in the second half.

In the first half, UNC dominated the Wahoos (13-5-2, 1-2), who had only five shots on goal and rarely ventured to its own side of the field. But the Cavaliers held tough on defense, holding UNC to one score on its nine first-half penalty corners and 18 shots.

At the beginning of the second half, Virginia began to control the ball for longer and longer stretches. After Begel's score, the Wahoos gained confidence and continued to attack.

"Come on, guys — be smart. Control the ball," Shelton screamed from the bench.

With 14 minutes remaining, the Tar Heels responded to their coach's pleas by producing another series of offensive flurries. But again they couldn't put it in.

Hershey weaved through a sea of Cavaliers but missed outside.

Anthon exploded coast-to-coast, but the Virginia defense held strong.

Hershey juked a Cavalier, stopped on a dime, and dished to Nancy Lang. Again, the shot went wide.

But with 1:20 left, the more-experienced Tar Heels' tenacity finally paid off.

Will this savvy be enough to lead North Carolina to repeat as ACC and national champions?

"(We have) one thing left," Anthon said. "Another national championship. It would be great to graduate with two national championships and the ACC also. We've never lost (the ACC), so hopefully it won't happen this year."

Friday, the Tar Heels pounded on non-conference foe Hofstra, 8-0. Anthon broke the ACC season assist record with her 25th of the year on UNC's second goal. She added another assist and pair of goals, while Lang scored twice and had four assists.



North Carolina senior Peggy Anthon (left) battles Virginia's Kim Ray for the ball in Sunday's 2-1 Tar Heel victory.