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Denny Hamlin wins at home track in Richmond. **See Story Below**

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TODAY

CROSS COUNTRY **CCC Meet** @ Salisbury 5 p.m.

GOLF Ledford @ N. Davidson 4 p.m.

TENNIS E. Davidson @ Thomasville 4:30 p.m.

TENNIS Wheatmore @ Ledford 4:15 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL C. Davidson @ Thomasville 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL Lexington @ E. Davidson 4:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL Ledford @ So. Guilford 6 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL **DCCC** @ Wake Tech 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

SOCCER E. Davidson @ Ledford 7 p.m.

TENNIS W. Davidson @ E. Davidson 4:30 p.m.

TENNIS Ledford @ N. Forsyth 4:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL Salisbury @ Thomasville 4:30 p.m.

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DCCC hoops release schedule

BY ZACH KEPLEY Sports Editor

Davidson County Community College released its 2010-11 basketball schedule last week, and it is just as grueling as the Storm faced last season.

DCCC will be challenged right from the onset, with 12 of their 30 regular season games coming in the month of November.

"November is slam-packed with games," said head coach Matt Ridge. "We have two games in there that will really test us. Vance-Granville (Nov. 6) is a good Division II (NJ-CAA) opponent and obviously Carolina (UNC JV @ Dean E. Smith Center) Nov. 28 will be tough."

The 2009-10 edition of the Storm found out just how tough the early slate can be. Davidson started the season rocky with a 2-3 mark, but through hard work and adjustments, DCCC would later win 21 consecutive games. Along the way they captured the Tarheel Conference crown, a district title, and

earned a berth into the national tournament.
"Hopefully, we can learn from these games early on like we did last year," said Ridge.

DCCC was able to run the table in conference play securing a perfect league mark last season, but du-plicating that performance should be a little more difficult. Caldwell Community College and Sandhills

Community College are two that stand out to Ridge, but any of the teams in the league are capable of winning on any given night.

"Every game will be tough because every body in our league is working harder and recruiting harder," Ridge said. "Our league seems to be improving every year, and since we have won the league three years in a row, we are going to get everyone's best shot. We cannot

take any nights off. Justin Glover and Kimani Hunt are the only two returning players, so the Storm will be extremely young to start the campaign. Both were starters

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SPRINT CUP SERIES

Hamlin shines at Richmond

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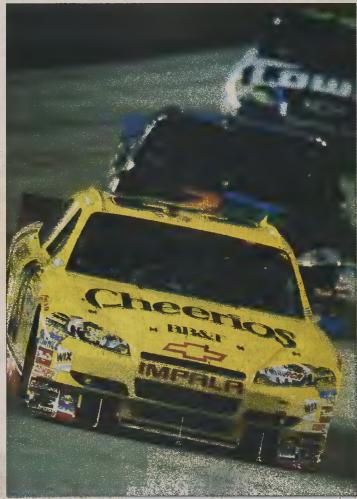
RICHMOND, Va. Denny Hamlin won again at what he calls his "home track" on the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series circuit Saturday night — the .75-mile Richmond International Raceway.

The Virginia from Chesterfield fought off numerous challenges from Jimmy Johnson, Clint Bowyer and Kyle Busch to win the last event before NASCAR's 10-race version of a playoff begins next Sunday at New Hampshire Motor

Speedway.
The victory was Hamlin's second at his homestate track and his series-leading sixth of the season, which gives him the top seed for the play-

Twelve drivers qualify for the playoffs and their points are recalculated beginning at New Hampshire. Each of the 12 drivers get 5,000 points plus 10 bonus points for each win this season. Hamlin's six wins put him atop the list with 5060 points. Jimmie Johnson, who finished third Saturday night, is seeded second with five wins, for 5050 points. Kyle Busch, runner-up Saturday night, will be seeded fourth. Regularpoints leader season

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Above, Clint Bowyer leads Denny Hamlin through the turn. Bowyer filled the final spot in the Chase field.

At left, Virginia native Hamlin celebrates his win in Victory Lane.

GETTY IMAGES

Big plays causing problems for Blue Devils

Failing to stop the opposition continues to cause major problems for Duke football.

With top-ranked Alabama coming to Wallace Wade Stadium this Saturday, the Blue Devils are looking for serious

On the way to a 54-48 win with 500 yards of offense, Wake Forest torched the Blue Devils for large chunks of yard-

The Demon Deacons had touchdown plays covering 81 and 28 yards plus two more covering 23 yards. Wake Forest averaged 4.3 yards per carry with quarterback Ted Stachitas gaining a team-best 77 yards on nine carries (8.6 average) despite not playing after halftime due to a

hand injury. Wake Forest threw for 271 yards on 13 completions, a healthy 12.8 yards per completed

Duke coach David Cutcliffe doesn't think his defense was whipped at the line of scrimmage. But instead he said the Devils just failed to make the plays.

"I thought we had pretty solid match-ups there," Cutcliffe said. 'We showed up and we'd have a head down the guy would run by us. It was kind of a unique thing.'

Duke had similar problems against Elon in a win, albeit on a smaller Elon averaged scale. nearly six yards a rush. Wake Forest compounded the problem, scoring 35 first-half points and tacking on three secondhalf touchdowns that

made the difference. "They ran a lot of dif-ferent looks, different sets and different personnel groupings," Duke linebacker A Kromah said. Abraham

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Wake nips Duke in offensive battle

BY STEVE WISEMAN

WINSTON-SALEM — On a day when the offenses threatened to overwhelmBB&TField's

score-board, the Duke Blue Devils fell single touch d o w short.



In a record-setting game, Wake Forest ran up 500 total yards of offense against an overmatched Blue Devils defense, extending its winning streak over Duke to 11 games with a wild 54-48 win in the ACC opener for both.

The teams set a stadi-

um record for the most combined points (102), and the output was the second highest in ACC history in a league game. Only Wake's 82-24 loss to Clemson in 1981 had more, but not by

Wake Forest (2-0, 1-0) tied a school record with 28 second-quarter points, which allowed it to overcome the fleet-ing 14-7 lead Duke (1-1, 0-1) had built after one quarter.

"It's always a shootout with Duke," said Wake Forest redshirt senior Marshall Williams, Riverside High School graduate. "I'm glad we came out with the win."

Williams played a big part with two touchdown catches and also completed an 81-yard strike on a trick play in the second quarter.

Duke's offense nearly matched the Demon Deacons, amassing 487 yards behind another stellar day from Sean Renfree. The redshirt sophomore quarterback completed 28 of 44 passes for 358 yards and four touchdowns.

He was let down, though, by a receiving corps that dropped eight passes. Two of the drops, one by all-ACC receiver Donovan senior Austin Kelly, fell into the hands of Wake Forest defenders for two of Renfree's three interceptions.

would have They been tough catches,' said Duke receiver Conner Vernon, who caught eight passes for 181 yards and two touchdowns. "But he hit them in the hands. We have good receivers. We've got to make the plays on

Said Kelly, whose mis-play gave Wake possession at the Duke 16 and led to an easy secondquarter touchdown: "It was a lack of focus. I've got to make that play right there.'

Still, it's hard to fault an offense that turned in such a terrific performance, even with the

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