

Tar Heels best Irish for another top-15 victory

No. 5 women's tennis continue rolling

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Gutsy come-from-behind singles wins by senior Jelena Dusiric and sophomore Gina Suarez-Malaguti helped propel North Carolina women's tennis to a 5-2 victory against No. 12 Notre Dame Saturday.

For the second straight week, No. 5 North Carolina triumphed against a top-15 ranked opponent at home in the Cone-Kenfield Tennis Center, after beating

WOMEN'S TENNIS
Notre Dame 2
UNC 5
No. 15 Georgia 4-3.

UNC's tandem of Suarez-Malaguti and sophomore Zoe De Bruycker defeated Notre Dame's Kristen Rafael and Julie Sabacinski 8-1.

Then, Shinann Featherston and Lauren McHale — ranked eighth nationally — defeated Notre Dame's Kristy Frilling and Shannon Mathews 8-3 to clinch the point for UNC.

The Fighting Irish came roaring back in the singles matches with two quick victories in straight sets to take the 2-1 lead.

Kristy Frilling was the last Notre

Dame competitor to win her match before the Tar Heels hunkered down to win the remaining four matches, all of which were decided in the final set.

"We competed really well," UNC coach Brian Kalbas said. "The fact that four matches went three sets and we won them all shows a lot of mental toughness and physical conditioning for our team."

Durisic was the first Tar Heel to win her singles match in a tightly contested battle and teammate Suarez-Malaguti followed suit.

Durisic was familiar with her opponent after beating Chrissie McGaffigan last season as well as earlier in the day in doubles, so she knew to stay calm after losing her first set 2-6.

"I played her last year and it was another three-setter," Durisic said. "I knew that all I had to do was fight back and, you know, things would come my way."

The senior rallied to win the next two sets, bringing UNC level with Notre Dame at two points.

Suarez-Malaguti completed a three-set comeback win of her own, defeating Rafael and reclaiming

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the lead for the Tar Heels.

With UNC back in control, all eyes turned to the final two matches. UNC's McHale won her first set against Jennifer Kellner, but the Notre Dame freshman battled back to win the second set in a 7-6 (3) tiebreaker.

"At different points in there, it looked like we were really struggling, and it was going to be difficult for us to find that fourth point," Kalbas said.

But then McHale came through in the clutch in the third and final set of her match, sealing the win for the Tar Heels.

"It's my first time winning the clinch, so it was really exciting," McHale said.

The win, which was UNC's second against teams in the nation's top 15, gives Kalbas confidence in his team moving forward in the early season.

"We don't shy away from playing the best teams," he said. "We want to play the best competition to give ourselves the best chance to improve."

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Lacrosse feeling out teams

Scrimmages give UNC first look

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Both the North Carolina men's and women's lacrosse teams are coming off successful 2010 campaigns, and both squads will begin the season ranked No. 3 in the country in the preseason polls.

But before they can begin their ACC and national championship pursuits, the Tar Heels had to first knock out the preseason competition in exhibition games.

The men played first, scrimmaging both Denver and Georgetown Saturday in Chapel Hill, but scores and stats weren't officially recorded.

Both scrimmages were close, but coach Joe Breschi was much more focused on getting his young squad valuable playing time than he was on the final scores.

"The biggest thing for us is getting these freshmen experience," Breschi said. "You can't teach experience and for those guys to get out there and play in a game-like feel, I think that's big."

Freshmen will be key for the Tar Heels this season, as they add the No. 1-ranked recruiting class to a strong group of upperclassmen. UNC advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals but lost to eventual champions Duke 17-9.

Breschi expects that as many as 11 freshmen could see regular playing time on a team gunning for its first national title since 1991.

"It's kind of like the basketball team," Breschi said. "You figure out what you're good at and what you need to maneuver and massage a little bit and gain experience as you go along."

One thing the team had trouble



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Freshman midfielder T.J. Kemp is one of 11 freshmen UNC coach Joe Breschi said could see regular playing time this season with the team.

with was face-offs, but with two freshmen taking a lot of draws, Breschi expects that to improve as the season continues.

"We got a long way to go from a standpoint of gaming experience," Breschi said. "It's going to be a game-by-game, week-to-week situation with a lot of young guys playing."

The freshmen will face their first official competition when UNC hosts Robert Morris next Saturday.

Just like the men, the women prepared for the start of the 2011 season by participating in the South of the Border tournament on Sunday, which is jointly hosted by Duke and UNC.

At the tournament, the Tar Heels faced Villanova, Duke, Vanderbilt and Davidson in four shortened scrimmages.

Official scores were not kept,

and coach Jenny Levy also focused on getting her less experienced players season-ready.

"We know what our starters can do," Levy said. "Today's more about the kids that were trying to get to the next level and what they can do. I was really happy with some of the efforts we saw out there."

Levy said she was excited for the real competition to start for her team that went to the NCAA Tournament semifinals. The women's team will host Florida next Saturday for the first game of the regular season.

"Preseason's no fun," Levy said. "You're working hard day-in and day-out, so we're looking forward to open up the season next weekend and play a good Florida team and see where we are."

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GYMNASTICS

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with a 9.775.

The winning routine was Diamond's first since coming back from an ankle injury she sustained two years ago.

"It was great to see Teri back on the bars. And I know the team is very excited for her," Galvin said.

After the second rotation, the Tar Heels led the Terrapins 97.3 to 96.75.

But it was déjà vu for the Tar Heels, as the team struggled on the balance beam, an event that proved challenging for UNC last season. In last February's meet, the Tar Heels earned 47.575 to the Terrapins' 48.125.

WRESTLING

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knee injury that affected his performance Saturday against Edinboro's No. 2-ranked Chris Honeycutt.

Mock said that Giorgio learned a valuable lesson about wrestling in the lopsided loss to Honeycutt — sometimes he just has to wrestle through the pain.

"That's the first thing I said when I walked in the locker room," coach Mock said. "I pointed at Giorgio and I said, 'What did you learn? Tell the team.'"

"I could wrestle hurt," Giorgio responded.

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BLOWOUT

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it kind of snowballs," Henson said. Kendall Marshall announced his emergence in the wake of Larry Drew II's departure, setting a freshman record with 16 assists in 36 minutes. He left to a huge ovation with just more than one minute left in the game.

The 16 assists mark the most in an ACC game by a UNC player, along with the fourth-highest total in program history.

Harrison Barnes continued his recent spell of good games by scoring 17 points and adding 10 rebounds for his second career double-double.

The game turned when Marshall hit a 3-point heave with the shot clock expiring and 10:27 remaining. The Seminoles had been on a 9-0 run until the shot, but the 3-pointer sparked a 9-1 UNC run of its own.

"When he hit that shot to put them up 10, that was kind of a dagger," Florida State coach Leonard Hamilton said.

Florida State never got closer than 10 after that, as the Tar Heels put the game safely out of reach.

The North Carolina defense held FSU to 15 assists against 14 turnovers, which pales in comparison to UNC's 23 assist, 11 turnover effort.

"That's a team that is playing with a tremendous amount of poise," Hamilton said. "We just got beat by a team that was more efficient in a lot of different areas."

Sunday's 89-point outing looks even more surprising when viewed through the 61 points Duke scored in a loss at Tallahassee.

In a season that started off as little more than a glorified Duke coronation, Wednesday's game in Durham will determine the top ACC team at the conference season's midpoint.

"That's going to be big," UNC guard Dexter Strickland said. "I'm not going to lie, they beat our butts last year, and that's going to motivate us."

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MARSHALL

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Strickland started strong and led all UNC scorers with 10 points at halftime. He finished with 15 points on 6-of-10 shooting.

"I played the one when I first came here, so just to go back and just re-do what I did last year wasn't that bad," he said. "I'm just trying to go out there and do whatever I can to help my team."

Strickland logged 35 minutes, which, like Marshall, is well above his season average. No Tar Heel

had played more than 33 minutes in a game this season. Williams said UNC's rotation, like its team, is still a work in progress.

The news surrounding UNC all weekend was clearly the loss of its most veteran Tar Heel. On Sunday, the storyline was just as clear.

"The story in this game was our inability to handle Marshall and his ability to create easy opportunities for his teammates," FSU coach Leonard Hamilton said.

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SWIMMING

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Enthusiasm poured out of UNC swimmers all night, as their lead against Duke continued to increase and seconds came tumbling off their teammates' best times.

Though the seniors were pleased with their own performances, watching their younger teammates succeed was just as rewarding. In the 500-yard freestyle, freshman Dan O'Connor cruised to a first-place finish, knocking three seconds off his career-best time and solidifying an NCAA consideration cut in the process.

The future of UNC swimming appeared to be in good hands, and the eruption of cheers from O'Connor's teammates was almost their way of acknowledging that the torch had been passed.

O'Connor beamed with delight. "His jaw dropped, and a lot of other people's jaws dropped," DeSelm said. "It's fun. That's what you live for as a coach and a swimmer, those sort of mind-boggling, jaw-dropping performances."

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Solution to Friday's puzzle

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Class of '12 contenders
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Food center stuck
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Jack hits road
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38 "... the loneliest number": '60s song lyric
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