

CAROLINA

2017 UNC WOMEN'S SOCCER GAME NOTES

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2017 SCHEDULE & RESULTS (16-2-2, ACC 8-0-2)

Date	Opponent	Game Time (ET)/Score
Aug. 18	vs. Duke (ACC Network Extra)	W 2-1 (OT) at Cary N.C.
Aug. 25	at UCF (UCFKnightsTV.com)	L 1-2 (2OT)
Aug. 27	at South Florida (Facebook Live)	W 4-2
Duke Nike Classic (Durham, N.C.)		
Sept. 1	vs. Auburn (ACC Network Extra)	W 5-0
Sept. 3	vs. UNCW (ACC Network Extra)	W 2-0
Sept. 7	at Penn State (Big 10 Network)	L 0-1
Sept. 17	at Florida State (ACC Network Extra)	W 1-0
Sept. 21	Clemson (ACC Network Extra, WCHL)	W 1-0 at Cary, N.C.
Sept. 24	at Virginia (ESPN, WCHL)	W 2-1
Sept. 30	vs. Syracuse (ACC Network Extra)	W 7-0 at Cary, N.C.
Oct. 5	at Miami (ACC Network Extra)	W 3-0
Oct. 8	at Wake Forest (ACC Network Extra, WCHL)	W 2-0
Oct. 14	at Boston College	W 4-1
Oct. 19	at Virginia Tech (ACC Network Extra)	W 4-0
Oct. 22	vs. Louisville (ACC Network Extra, WCHL) at Cary, N.C.	T 0-0 (2OT)
Oct. 26	vs. Notre Dame (ACC Network Extra, WCHL) at Cary, N.C.	T 1-1 (2 OT)
ACC Women's Soccer Championship		
Oct. 29	Florida State (ACC Network Extra)	W 2-1
Nov. 3	NC State (Regional Sports Network)	W 1-0
Nov. 5	ACC Final (ESPN)	W 1-0 at Charleston, S.C.
NCAA Women's Soccer Championship		
Nov. 11	NCAA 1st Round vs. High Point (at Cary, N.C.) (ACC Network Extra)	W 3-0
Nov. 17	NCAA 2nd Round vs. Colorado (at Cary, N.C.) (ACC Network Extra)	5 p.m.
ALL ROUNDS BELOW ARE TBA		
Nov. 19	NCAA 3rd Round	1 p.m. (at Cary, N.C.) (ACC Network Extra)
Nov. 25	NCAA Quarterfinals	3:30 p.m. (at Cary, N.C.) (ACC Network Extra)
Dec. 1	NCAA Semifinals	5 or 7:30 p.m. (at Orlando, Fla.) (ESPN)
Dec. 3	NCAA Championship	1 p.m. (at Orlando, Fla.) (ESPN)

TAR HEELS SET TO MEET COLORADO IN NCAA TOURNAMENT SECOND ROUND : The University of North Carolina women's soccer team will play the University of Colorado Buffaloes Friday in the second round of the 2017 NCAA Championship. The game starts at 5 p.m. and will be played at WakeMed Soccer Park's Koka Booth Stadium.

The Tar Heels are hosting a pair of NCAA Tournament second round games on Friday in Cary. Princeton and NC State play at 2:30 p.m. in a rematch of a regular season game won by the Tigers 2-0 in Raleigh. Princeton advanced to the second round with a 4-0 win over Monmouth while NC State beat Arkansas 4-1, North Carolina beat High Point 3-0 and Colorado defeated Denver 2-1 in NCAA first round games.

The Tar Heels and the Buffaloes are meeting in the NCAA Tournament second round for the second time in four years. UNC defeated Colorado 1-0 in overtime in an NCAA second round game at Fetzer

This Week's Tar Heel

Women's Soccer Game

Date: Friday, November 17, 2017

Matchup: Colorado (12-5-4, Pac 12 Conference 5-4-1) vs. North Carolina (16-2-2, ACC 8-0-2)

Event: 2017 NCAA Tournament Second Round

Time: 5 p.m. EST

Rankings: North Carolina is currently ranked second by the United Soccer Coaches, second by Soccer America, second by Top Drawer Soccer and is second in the NCAA RPI. Colorado is No. 43 in the NCAA RPI.

Site: WakeMed Soccer Park (Koka Booth Stadium), Cary, N.C.

Telecast: The game will be webcast nationally on ACC Network Extra with live streaming on WatchESPN and the ESPN app. Brian Waer is the play by play announcer for Friday's game.

Ticket Prices: \$10-Adult; \$5-Child/Senior Citizen; Group Tickets, TBA. The first 300 students to enter the gates will be admitted free of charge. Tickets Friday are good for admission to both games. Tickets can be purchased in advance at GoHeels.com Ticket Center and can also be purchased at gate on Friday. Gates open at 1:30 p.m.

Things Fans & Media Need To Know About UNC Women's Soccer

Live Stats

Link: You can find links to live stats on GoHeels.com schedule page for every game in 2017. GoHeels.com uses Stat Broadcast as its online live stats tool for its home games.

Webcast & Radio Links

Link: Links for all games to be televised or webcast this year on various platforms can be found on the schedule page on GoHeels.com. All links for WCHL Radio (97.9 FM, Chapelboro.com) can also be found on GoHeels.com. Games to be televised and broadcast going forward will be displayed on schedule page on GoHeels.com.

UNC Women's Soccer Social Media

Tools

Website

<http://goheels.com/>

Twitter

@ncwomenssoccer (Athletic Communications)

@uncwomenssoccer (UNC Women's Soccer)

Instagram

@uncwomenssoccer

UNC Digital Media Guide

A full color digital media guide can be found on GoHeels.com. Check the link in the Women's Soccer Links sidebar on the main women's soccer page. The media guide went live on August 28, 2017.

Field in 2014.

UNC comes into the match with a record of 16-2-2 overall, including a 12-0-2 record over the past 14 games it has played. The Tar Heels finished the regular season with an 8-0-2 mark in the ACC. The Buffaloes are 12-5-4 overall and they went 5-4-1 in Pac 12 Conference regular season matches.

North Carolina is currently ranked second by Top Drawer Soccer, second by United Soccer Coaches and second by Soccer America.

The Tar Heels were No. 2 in the final regular season RPI while Colorado was 43rd in the final NCAA RPI.

ADMISSION AND

PARKING:

Tickets for Friday's game are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and \$5 senior citizens. Group tickets are also available and the first 300 UNC students will be admitted free of charge by showing their UNC One Cards at the gate. All tickets are currently on sale at the Ticket Center on GoHeels.com. Tickets will also be on sale on Friday at the WakeMed Soccer Park gates. Gates open for the doubleheader at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are good for admission to both games on Friday.

Parking is free at WakeMed Soccer Park and is available on a first come, first serve basis.

MEDIA COVERAGE FRIDAY:

Friday's game between North Carolina and Colorado will be webcast nationally on ACC Network Extra with live streaming on WatchESPN and the ESPN app. Brian Waer is the play by play announcer for Friday's match. Live stats will also be available on GoHeels.com.

UNC ALL-TIME IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT:

North Carolina is in the NCAA Tournament for the 36th straight year. The Tar Heels are the only team in the country to have earned an NCAA Tournament in each of the 36 years the NCAA has sponsored a championship in women's soccer.

North Carolina is 126-12-3 all-time in NCAA Tournament games in its 36 appearances in the championship. In the previous 35 years, UNC has won 21 NCAA championships, lost in the championship game three times and lost in the semifinals three times.

UNC has lost outright just 12 times in NCAA Tournament games, including once in the quarterfinals, four times in the third round and once in the second round. Twice, UNC failed to advance on penalty kicks - against Florida State in the 2005 quarterfinals and against UCF in the 2011 third round.

A year ago, UNC was a No. 2 seed and advanced to the NCAA College Cup for the first time since 2012. The Tar Heels defeated Liberty 3-0 in the first round last year, downed Kansas 2-0 in the second round, defeated Clemson 1-0 in the third round, whitewashed South Carolina 1-0 in the quarterfinals and lost to West Virginia 1-0 in the NCAA semifinals

TAR HEELS OPEN NCAA PLAY PITCHING

CLEAN SHEET AGAINST PANTHERS:

The second-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team got goals from two midfielders and a defender and outshot High Point 23-0 to win





Head Coach Anson Dorrance (39th year, 825-69-38 Overall, 22 National Championships)

Head Coach Anson Dorrance is now in his 39th season as the Tar Heels' head mentor. His teams have an all-time record of 825-69-38 (.906). Under Anson Dorrance, UNC has won 22 national championships, including 21 NCAA crowns and one AIAW title, won or shared 21 regular-season ACC titles and captured 21 ACC Tournament championships in his 39 years as head coach. During his tenure, Dorrance's teams are 199-26-11 in ACC regular-season games, 64-5-5 in ACC Tournament matches and 126-12-3 in NCAA Tournament games. UNC is 354-27-14 in home games in its history and 471-42-24 in games played on the road and at neutral sites.

Under Dorrance, UNC has won 90.6 percent of its games overall, 86.7 percent of its ACC regular-season games, 89.9 percent of its ACC Tournament games, 90.4 percent of its NCAA Tournament games, 91.4 percent of its home games and 89.9 percent of its road and neutral site games. In the program's 39-year history, totaling 932 games, Carolina has shut out opponents 579 times and has been held scoreless in just 54 games. UNC has shutout its opponents in 62.1 of its all-time games.

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a first-round game in the NCAA Tournament 3-0 against the Panthers in 42 degree temperatures at WakeMed Soccer Park's Koka Booth Stadium on Saturday, November 11.

The Tar Heels improved to 16-2-2 on the season while High Point, champion of the Big South Conference, saw its season end at 13-8-1. The Tar Heels will play either Colorado in the NCAA Tournament second round on Friday, November 17 at 5 p.m. at WakeMed Soccer Park's KokaBooth Stadium.

UNC got goals from Abby Elinsky, Julia Ashley and Morgan Goff, in each case their second goals of the season. Elinsky scored the game-winner in the sixth minute of play and then assisted on Carolina's second and third goals.

UNC outshot the Panthers 23-0 and it had a 17-0 edge in corner kicks. Carolina placed 10 of its 23 shots on goal. High Point starting goalkeeper Alex Hank played 80:31 and made six saves while allowing the three Tar Heel tallies. Talia Klimes played 9:29 in goal for the Panthers and made one save. UNC goalkeeper Samantha Leshnak recorded her 12th shutout of the campaign in 20 games. She has played every minute in goal this year for Carolina and has not allowed more than a single goal in 18 of 20 games.

UNC will play host to NCAA second round games on Friday, November 17 at WakeMed Soccer Park's Koka Booth Stadium. Fourth-seeded Princeton will face NC State at 2:30 p.m. next Friday and top-seeded Carolina will meet either Colorado at 5 p.m. The winners of the two second-round games on

Friday will meet Sunday, November 19 at WakeMed Soccer Park at 1 p.m. in the NCAA Tournament third round.

Carolina struck early for Saturday's game-winning goal. Megan Buckingham chased down a Tar Heel corner kick that had been cleared out of danger initially by the High Point defense. Buckingham sent a perfect pass from the left side to Abby Elinsky just outside the top of the box. Elinsky crushed an 18-yard strike into the upper right 90 of the frame to put the Tar Heels ahead 1-0 at 5:33 of the match.

Carolina doubled its lead in the 39th minute of the match. Kate Morris sent a low pass across the frame of the goal from 12 yards out on the right side of the box that eluded High Point goalkeeper Alex Hank. The ball squirted across the box to Abby Elinsky who touched it to the foot of Julia Ashley who buried a shot from four yards. A High Point defender sent the ball back out but not until it had crossed the line. Morris was credited with an assist on the play, her first career point.

UNC finished the scoring at 68:29 when Morgan Goff scored her second goal of the season off assists by Abby Elinsky and Madison Schultz. The scoring sequence began with a cross from the deep left corner by Schultz to the middle of the box. Elinsky headed the ball back across the frame to Goff who redirected it into the left side for her second goal of 2017.

UNC played 21 players in the match with only Samantha Leshnak, Julia Ashley and Megan Buckingham playing the full 90 minutes.

TAR HEELS DOWN DUKE TO WIN ACC

CHAMPIONSHIP: The University of North Carolina women's soccer team (ranked #4, seeded #2) defeated top-seeded and second-ranked Duke Sunday afternoon, November 5 to win the Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Soccer Championship at MUSC Health Stadium in Charleston, S.C. Zoe Redei's goal on a rebound in the first minute of the second half was the difference as the Tar Heels prevailed by a score of 1-0 over their arch rivals. That was the same score by which the Tar Heels had beaten NC State Friday night in the semifinals on Alessia Russo's second-half unassisted goal.

With the victory, the Tar Heels earned their first ACC championship since 2009 and their 21st ACC Tournament title overall since the first event in 1988. The Tar Heels also won the ACC title in 1987 when it was contested in a round robin format. The tournament title also earned Carolina the automatic bid to the NCAA championship from the ACC.

"They should be very proud to win a championship in ACC women's soccer," UNC veteran coach Anson Dorrance said of his squad. "This is clearly the top conference in the country from top to bottom. We are very proud just to be a member of this conference, and the girls have every reason to celebrate this championship."

Carolina outshot the Blue Devils 11-10 in the game and had a 3-0 edge in corner kicks. UNC had five shots on goal in the game and Duke just two. E.J. Proctor made four saves for the Blue Devils and allowed the only goal of the game while Samantha Leshnak had two saves. Leshnak recorded her 11th solo shutout of the season in 19 games with nine of those shutouts coming against ACC teams.

Alessio Russo was named the tournament MVP after scoring the game-winning goal against NC State in the semifinals and assisting on the game-winning goal in the championship match.

The complete All-Tournament Team is as follows:

Veronica Latsko, Virginia
Tziarra King, NC State
EJ Proctor, Duke
Ella Stevens, Duke
Schuyler DeBree, Duke

UNC in the National Polls in 2017

Date	USC	SA	TDS
Preseason	6	10	9
August 21	4	9	8
August 28	9	12	13
September 3	6	10	12
September 10	10	12	10
September 17	8	9	5
September 24	5	4	5
October 2	5	3	5
October 9	5	3	5
October 16	5	3	5
October 23	4	3	4
October 30	4	3	4
November 6	2	2	2
November 13	2	2	2

USC=United Soccer Coaches; SA=Soccer America; TDS=Top Drawer Soccer

Kayla McCoy, Duke

Julia Ashley, North Carolina

Joanna Boyles, North Carolina

Dorian Bailey, North Carolina

Abby Elinsky, North Carolina

Alessia Russo, North Carolina – MVP

The only goal of the game came in the first minute of the second half. Alessia Russo had a shot in box on the left side that was deflected by a Duke defender. The ball fell directly into the path of Zoe Redei who took a couple of dribbles and then blasted a shot from 10 yards out into the top shelf of the goal for the eventual winning score. It was Redei's second goal of the season, both in the last seven days and both on rebounds.

"Zoe roofed it," Dorrance said. "Lest people forget, Zoe was my top player last August and September before she got hurt. She is a quality player who has been working her way back from a foot injury she had her freshman year. She's quality, and she demonstrated it with that finish."

Carolina had two tremendous chances to score in the opening 16 minutes of the game but were denied on both occasions by reaction saves by Proctor. Julia Ashley's header off a free kick by Joanna Boyles at 3:24 was deflected off the right post for a corner kick. Redei had a close-in header in the box saved by Proctor late in the 16th minute. Duke placed only two shots on goal, both saved by Leshnak. The Tar Heel junior keeper saved a shot from distance by Ella Stevens in the 72nd minute while Leshnak denied Karlie Paschall from close range in the 86th minute, the best Blue Devil chance of the game.

With the win the Tar Heels have clinched the automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament and likely one of the four No. 1 seeds in the tournament bracket. The selection show will air at 4:30 p.m. on NCAA.com on Monday.

North Carolina heads into the NCAA Tournament with a record of 15-2-2. Duke is 19-2-0 on the season. The only losses for the Blue Devils this year came against North Carolina. The Tar Heels beat Duke 2-1 on August 18 in the season opener between the two teams. The loss snapped a school-record 19-game winning streak for the nationally second-ranked Blue Devils (19-2).

"We knew of Duke's quality going in," Dorrance said. "To go through this conference not only unbeaten, but untied, is an amazing achievement. We knew we had to make a good run here to secure a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament."

CAROLINA OUTLASTS NC STATE IN ACC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINALS:

Alessia Russo's world class goal from distance was the difference in the game as the #4 North Carolina women's soccer team defeated #24 NC State 1-0 Friday night, November 3 at MUSC Health Stadium in the 2017

GENERAL INFORMATION	
WOMEN'S SOCCER HISTORY	
First Year	1979
All-Time Record	825-69-38 (.906)
All-Time NCAA Appearances	36
(1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017)	
NCAA Tournament Record	126-12-3 (.904)
NCAA Tournament Championships	21 (1982, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2012)
ACC Regular Season Record	199-26-11 (.867)
ACC Tournament Record	64-5-5 (.899)
ACC Tournament Championships	21 (1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2017)
ACC Regular Season Championships	21 (1987, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2014)
All-Time 1st-Team All-America Selections(NCSAA & SoccerAmerica)	74
First-Team All-ACC Selections	112
National Players of the Year	19
World Cup Roster Selections	47
Olympic Team Selections	33
Players With USWNT Caps	57
USWNT Coaches With World Cup/Olympic Titles	4
Players With World Cup/Olympic Titles	23
Facility	WakeMed Soccer Park/Koka Booth Stadium
Playing Surface/Capacity	Natural Grass/500
TEAM FACTS	
2016 Letterwinners Returning/Lost	20/10
2016 Starters Returning/Lost	6/5
2016 Overall Record	17-4-4
2016 ACC Record	6-2-2, Tied 4th Place
Soccer Office Phone Number	919-962-5220
WakeMed Soccer Park Press Box	None
Web Site	GoHeels.com
UNIVERSITY FACTS	
Location	Chapel Hill, N.C. (pop. 59,246)
Founded	1789
Enrollment	29,084
Nickname	Tar Heels
Colors	Carolina Blue (PMS 542C) and White
Mascot	Rameses The Ram
Director of Athletics	Bubba Cunningham
Faculty Representative	Lisa Broome
Conference	ACC (1953)

Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament semifinals.

With the victory, the Tar Heels improved to 14-2-2 on the season and will now meet ACC regular season champion Duke Sunday at 1 p.m. in the championship match which will be televised on ESPNU. NC State is now 14-5-1 with the loss to the Tar Heels. Duke defeated Virginia 1-0 in the first semifinal game Friday.

NC State and North Carolina did not meet in this year's regular season and the match was the first between the two teams in the ACC Tournament since 2006. UNC was the No. 2 seed in this year's tournament and NC State was seeded third. Carolina is ranked fourth in the latest United Soccer Coaches' poll while NC State is ranked 24th. The most recent meeting between the two teams had

Carolina Facing Two Goal or More Deficits in its History

Date	Opponent	Largest Deficits	Final
11/3/79	McLean Grasshoppers	3-7	L 3-7
11/4/79	McLean Grasshoppers	0-4	L 0-4
10/24/80	Virginia Select	0-4	L 0-4
10/25/80	Virginia Select	1-4	L 1-4
10/29/80	Virginia Select	0-4	L 0-4
11/15/80	Harvard	2-4 & 3-5	L 3-5
9/3/83	Connecticut	0-3	L 1-3
10/12/85	Massachusetts	0-2	L 0-2
11/24/85	George Mason	0-2	L 0-2
9/24/93	Santa Clara	0-2	W 3-2
10/19/94	Duke	1-3	L 2-3
9/12/99	Penn State	1-3	L 2-3
10/18/99	Duke	0-2	W 3-2
12/2/02	Santa Clara	0-2	L 1-2
11/05/03	NC State	0-2	W 6-2
9/1/06	Connecticut	0-2	W 3-2
11/18/07	Notre Dame	0-2	L 2-3
11/20/10	Notre Dame	1-4	L 1-4
9/13/12	Maryland	0-2	L 1-2
10/21/12	Wake Forest	0-2	L 1-2
10/20/13	Virginia	0-2	L 0-2
9/20/14	Notre Dame	0-2	W 3-2
11/7/14	Virginia	0-2	L 0-2
9/11/16	USC	0-3	L 0-3

seen NC State defeat North Carolina 1-0 at Fetzer Field on September 17, 2016.

UNC outshot the Wolfpack 9-2 in the match on Friday, 4-1 in the first half and 5-2 in the second half. Both teams took four corner kicks.

The only goal of the game came at the 55:33 mark as Alessia Russo tallied her ninth goal of the season, scorching the upper right corner of the net from 24 yards out. It was the ninth time Russo has scored this season and the seventh goal she has scored from outside the penalty area. It was also her sixth game-winning goal this campaign.

Russo's shot was one of only two put on frame by the Tar Heels in the match as Sydney Wootten was forced into only one save for NC State. Carolina had almost taken the lead in the ninth minute but Bridgette Andrzejewski was denied by the cross bar in the best chance for either team in the first half.

The Wolfpack took three shots in the match and Tar Heel goalkeeper Samantha Leshnak made two saves. The shutout was the 10th solo clean sheet of the year for the Tar Heel keeper, all but two

Carolina In The NCAA Tournament

First Appearance: 1982 (won NCAA championship over UCF 2-0 in Orlando, Fla.)

Most Recent Appearance: 2017 (defeated High Point 3-0 in first round)

Overall Record: 126-12-3 (.904)

NCAA Tournament Titles: 21 (1982, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2012)

Losses In The Tournament: North Carolina has lost only 12 games in NCAA history; the Tar Heels have tied three tournament games, going 1-2 in penalty kick advancement (2005 (loss), 2011 (loss), 2012 (win)).

No. 1 seeds: Carolina is a No. 1 seed in the 2017 NCAA Tournament. Carolina has been a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament every year except for 1982 (3), 1983 (2), 1984 (2), 1985 (2), 1994 (2), 1999 (2), 2000 (5), 2002 (2), 2011 (3), 2012 (2), 2014 (2), 2015 (3), 2016 (2). Altogether UNC has been a number one seed in 23 of its 36 appearances. UNC has qualified for the NCAA Tournament field in every season since the initial tournament in 1982. Carolina has reached at least the Round of 32 of every NCAA Tournament ever played. The Tar Heels have won at least two games in every NCAA Tournament ever played except for the 2015 Tournament when the Tar Heels fell to Texas A&M 1-0 in the second round.

CAROLINA QUICK FACTS

2017 Record: 16-2-2, ACC 8-0-2

Current Streak: Won four games

Head Coach: Anson Dorrance (UNC '74)

Record at UNC: 825-69-38 (39th year in 2017)

Career Record: 825-69-38 (39th year in 2017)

Assistant Coach: Bill Palladino (UNC '73)

Assistant Coach: Chris Ducar (Missouri '90)

Assistant Coach: Damon Nahas (NC State '96)

Director of Soccer Operations: Tom Sander (UNC '93)

2016 STATISTICAL LEADERS

Goals: Alessia Russo 9

Assists: Dorian Bailey 8

Points: Dorian Bailey 20, Alessia Russo 20

GWG: Alessia Russo 6

Saves: Samantha Leshnak 43

Goals Against Average: Samantha Leshnak, 0.48

Save Percentage: Samantha Leshnak, .811

against ACC opponents.

UNC and Duke will play in the ACC final Sunday at 1 p.m. in a nationally televised ESPNU game. The two teams played earlier this year in a designated non-conference match between the squads on August 18 in Cary, N.C. Carolina fell behind early 1-0 in that match but rallied to win 2-1. Joanna Boyles scored on a direct kick in the first half for the equalizer and the Tar Heels won in the first overtime on a Jessie Scarpa header, assisted by Joanna Boyles and Dorian Bailey.

UNC will be playing for its 21st ACC Tournament championship on Sunday and its first since 2009.

UNC IN ACC TOURNAMENT: After winning the 2017 ACC Tournament, North Carolina is 64-5-5 all-time in the ACC Tournament dating to the first tournament in 1988.

North Carolina has an all-time winning percentage of 89.9 percent in ACC Tournament games.

The championship was the 21st in ACC Tournament play for Carolina in the 30-year history of the tournament. Florida State has won five ACC titles, Virginia has won two and Wake Forest and NC State have won one each.

SERIES RECORDS: North Carolina and Colorado will be meeting for the fifth time in the history of the series between the two schools on Friday.

This will mark the second time the two teams have played in the NCAA Tournament. UNC also played the Buffaloes in the 2014 NCAA Tournament second round at Fetzer Field in Chapel Hill. The Tar Heels prevailed in that game 1-0 in overtime as Maya Worth scored on her own rebound to give the Tar Heels the victory in the 95th minute of play.

SEVEN TAR HEELS EARN ALL-ACC ACCOLADES WHILE ALESSIA RUSSO IS NAMED ACC CO-FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR:

The University of North Carolina women's soccer program had seven players named Thursday, November 2 to the 2017 All-Atlantic Coast Conference Teams.

Freshman forward Alessia Russo was the sole Tar Heel named to the first-team squad.

Louisville's Emina Ekic and North Carolina's Alessia Russo were voted the ACC Co-Freshmen of the Year.

Redshirt senior midfielder Joanna Boyles, junior defender Julia Ashley and junior midfielder Dorian Bailey were named second-team All-ACC.

The Tar Heels had three players named to the third-team All-ACC squad - freshman midfielder Emily Fox, redshirt freshman defender Taylor Otto and sophomore midfielder Bridgette Andrzejewski.

ACC regular season champion Duke led all schools with eight players voted All-ACC first-, second- or third-team. Russo, voted to the first team, led seven North Carolina selections.

Two Tar Heels - Emily Fox and Alessia Russo - was tapped for the ACC All-Freshman Team.

DORRANCE NAMED TO UNITED SOCCER COACHES HALL OF FAME: Anson Dorrance and Bruce Arena, two of the country's most successful soccer coaches, are the newest members of the United Soccer Coaches Hall of Fame, the association announced on November 1. Both individuals will be inducted as the Class of 2018 on Friday, January 19 during the annual Awards Banquet at the United Soccer Coaches Convention inside the Pennsylvania Convention Center in downtown Philadelphia.

Dorrance, currently in his 41st season of coaching at the University of North Carolina, has led the Tar Heels women's soccer program to 22 national championships, becoming the first coach in NCAA history to win 20 titles in a single sport. In addition to 172 wins as the UNC men's soccer coach for 12 seasons from 1977-1988, Dorrance has amassed 825 wins – the most by any coach in college soccer history – in 39 seasons since founding the women's soccer program at his alma mater in 1979. U.S. Soccer hired Dorrance to simultaneously lead the United States Women's National Team from 1986-1994 and under Dorrance's direction, the U.S. won the first FIFA Women's World Cup in 1991.

Altogether, Dorrance has coached Tar Heel teams to 997 wins beginning in September 1977 when he started coaching the men's squad. From 1986-88, he simultaneously coached the women's team at Carolina, the men's team at Carolina and the U.S. Women's National Team for three years.

A member of United Soccer Coaches since 1975, Dorrance is a five-time national Coach of the Year honoree and has received numerous other accolades from the association: 1992 Honorary All-American, 2001 Mike Berticelli Excellence in Coaching Education Award, 2006 Women's Soccer Award of Excellence, 2006 Bill Jeffrey College Long-Term Service Award and the 2010 Honor Award. In addition, Dorrance was inducted into the National Soccer Hall of Fame in 2008 and received

the prestigious Werner Fricker Builder Award from U.S. Soccer last year.

TAR HEELS DOWN FLORIDA STATE IN ACC QUARTERFINALS: The fourth-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team defeated 23rd-ranked Florida State 2-1 Sunday afternoon, October 29 in the quarterfinals of the 2017 Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Soccer Championship at WakeMed Soccer Park's Koka Booth Stadium before a crowd of 289 fans.

With the win, the Tar Heels advance to the semifinals of the ACC Championship where they will play NC State next Friday at 8 p.m. at MUSC Health Stadium in Charleston, S.C. The Tar Heels are in the tournament semifinals for the fifth straight year. The No. 2 seed Tar Heels are seeking their first conference tournament championship since 2009. The Seminoles saw their four-year run as the conference tournament champion ended by UNC on Sunday.

UNC improved to 13-2-2 on the season while Florida State fell to 11-6-1. Carolina is now 16-0-3 in the last 19 games it has played against Atlantic Coast Conference opponents dating to a 1-0 loss at Notre Dame on October 14, 2016.

The Tar Heels dominated the match against the Seminoles in terms of possession and shots taken. UNC ended with an 18-3 edge in shots, including a 9-2 edge in shots on goal and an 11-0 advantage in the first half.

Florida State started the match with four corner kicks in a span of 1:12 in the fourth, fifth and sixth minutes of the game but it was unable to generate a shot off of any of them.

UNC scored the opening goal of the match in the 15th minute of play. Julia Ashley served a ball from the right side that found Bridgette Andrzejewski at the far post. Andrzejewski's header was knocked away by Florida State goalkeeper Cassie Miller but she was not able to hold on and UNC sophomore forward Zoe Redei ran on to the loose ball and buried it into the back of the net for her first goal of the year at 14:36 of the match.

UNC got a boost off the bench by Kate Morris late in the half as she recorded three shots in a span of 4:01. Her best chance to score came at 40:45 but her effort was saved off the goal line by a Florida State defender. Julia Ashley followed up with another shot nine seconds later and again an FSU defender had to make a back save to prevent the Tar Heels from doubling their lead.

Samantha Leshnak was forced to make her first and only save of the game when Clara Robins took a shot from long distance off a free kick early in the second half. The Tar Heels then doubled their lead on a penalty kick goal by Taylor Otto at 52:48 of the match. Bridgette Andrzejewski deftly dribbled into the box on a counter attack before being tripped up by a Seminole defender. Otto stepped to the spot and sent the penalty kick into the lower right corner of the goal. It was the redshirt freshman's fourth

THE LAST TIME THE TAR HEELS...

Scored 0 goals	10/22/2017	vs. Louisville (0-0, 2OT)
Scored 1 goal	11/5/2017	vs. Duke (1-0)
Scored 2 goals	10/29/2017	vs. Florida State (2-1)
Scored 3 goals	11/11/2017	vs. High Point (3-0)
Scored 4 goals	10/19/2017	at Virginia Tech (4-0)
Scored 5 goals	9/1/2017	vs. Auburn (5-0)
Scored 6 goals	9/30/2012	Miami (6-1)
Scored 7 goals	9/30/2017	Syracuse (7-0)
Scored 8 goals	11/14/2003	High Point (8-0)
Scored 9 goals	11/16/2012	Illinois (9-2)
Allowed 0 goals	11/11/2017	vs. High Point (3-0)
Allowed 1 goal	10/29/2017	vs. Florida State (2-1)
Allowed 2 goals	8/25/2017	at UCF (1-2, 2OT)
Allowed 3 goals	9/11/2016	at USC (0-3)
Allowed 4 goals	9/11/2011	vs. Texas A&M (3-4, OT)
Allowed 5 goals	11/16/1980	vs. Harvard (3-5)
Was ranked in the USC Top 25	11/6/2017	2nd
Was ranked in the Soccer America Top 25	11/6/2017	2nd
Defeated a USC Top 25 team	11/5/2017	vs. #2 Duke (1-0)
Defeated a Soccer America Top 25 team	11/5/2017	vs. #2 Duke (1-0)
Defeated a USC #1-ranked team	11/30/2012	vs. #1 Stanford (1-0, 2OT)
Defeated a Soccer America #1-ranked team	11/30/2012	vs. #1 Stanford (1-0, 2OT)
Attempted fewer than 10 shots	11/3/2017	9 vs. NC State (1-0)
Attempted 10-19 shots	11/5/2017	11 vs. Duke (1-0)
Attempted 20-29 shots	11/11/2017	23 vs. High Point (3-0)
Attempted 30-39 shots	10/8/2015	30 at Louisville (1-2)
Attempted 40+ shots	9/20/2009	40 vs. Auburn (0-0)
Allowed 0 shots	11/11/2017	0 vs. High Point (3-0)
Allowed 1-4 shots	11/3/2017	3 vs. NC State (1-0)
Allowed 5-10 shots	11/5/2017	10 vs. Duke (1-0)
Allowed 11-19 shots	10/22/2017	12 by Louisville (0-0)
Allowed 20+ shots	9/11/2011	20 vs. Texas A&M (3-4, OT)
Allowed 30+ shots	9/2/2016	30 at Duke (0-0, 2 OT)
Won in overtime	8/18/2017	vs. Duke (2-1)
Lost in overtime	8/25/2017	at UCF (1-2, 2OT)
Tied in overtime	10/26/2017	vs. Notre Dame (1-1, 2OT)
Had 10-14 corner kicks	10/22/2017	11 vs. Louisville (0-0)
Had 15+ corner kicks	11/11/2017	17 vs. High Point (3-0)
Allowed 5+ corner kicks	10/29/2017	5 by Florida State (2-1)
Won an NCAA Tournament Game	11/11/2017	vs. High Point (3-0)
Lost an NCAA Tournament Game	12/2/2016	vs. West Virginia (0-1)
Tied an NCAA Tournament Game	11/18/2012	Baylor (1-1, 2OT)
Won a penalty kick shootout	11/18/2012	Baylor (1-1, 2OT, UNC advanced 4-2)
Lost a penalty kick shootout	11/6/2016	Florida State (0-0, 2 OT, FSU 4-3 PK)

NORTH CAROLINA IN 2017

Home:	5-0-2
Away:	7-2
Neutral:	4-0
vs. USC Ranked Opponents:	8-1-1
vs. Unranked Opponents:	8-1-1
vs. ACC Teams:	12-0-2
vs. Non-Conference Teams:	4-2
When Scoring First:	14-1
When Opponent Scores First:	2-1-1
When Neither Team Scores:	0-0-1
When leading at halftime:	9-0
When trailing at halftime:	0-1
When tied at halftime:	7-1-2
When outshooting opponent:	14-1-2
When outshot by opponent:	2-1
When taking the same number of shots:	0-0
When taking more corner kicks:	11-1-2
When allowing more corner kicks:	2-0
When taking the same # of corner kicks:	3-1
Tied Games:	0-0-2
In overtime:	1-1-2
One-goal games:	7-2
Two-goal games:	3-0
Three-goal games:	3-0
Four-goal games:	1-0
Five-plus goal games:	2-0
Weekend (Saturday or Sunday):	10-0-1
Weekday:	6-2-1

NORTH CAROLINA PLAYER NOTES

Bridgette Andrzejewsk, Sophomore, Forward, Lutherville, Md.:

Named to the preseason Hermann Trophy Watch List • also tapped for preseason All-ACC Team • earned honors on third-team All-ACC squad at end of regular season • has played in all 20 games this season, starting 18 times and playing 1,386 minutes, including a season-high 110 minutes versus both Louisville and Notre Dame • played at forward in first 13 games of season before moving into starting role at right midfield after Emily Fox tore her ACL at Boston College • moved back to starting forward role against Florida State in ACC Tournament quarterfinals • has six goals and seven assists for 19 points • ranks second on the team in assists with seven and is third on the squad in points with 19 • is tied for second on the squad in goals with six • assisted on first goal in ACC Tournament quarterfinals against Florida State and set up winning goal versus Seminoles when she was taken down in the penalty area leading to a Taylor Otto penalty kick goal • tallied the latest game-tying goal in UNC women's soccer history, scoring with 15 seconds left in regulation on a header off a Jessie Scarpa corner kick in UNC's 1-1 tie with Notre Dame on October 26 • scored a pair of goals in 4-1 win at Boston College, including her first game-winning goal of the season when she tallied in the ninth minute of game • assisted on game-winning goals by Alessia Russo versus South Florida, Syracuse and Wake Forest • assisted on both goals in 2-1 win at UVA • assisted on an insurance tally versus Auburn • scored goals against UNCW, Miami and Virginia Tech which provided separation for the Tar Heels • was a dynamic freshman from Maryland who started at forward last year • NSCAA coaches third-team All-America selection at the forward position • ACC Freshman of the Year • named first-team All-ACC • captured honors on Freshman All-ACC Team • first-team NSCAA All-Southeast Region honoree • started 21 games last season, played in all 25 contests and totaled 1,612 minutes • led team in goals scored with nine and in points with 20 • scored the first two goals of her career in overtime win at FAU • tallied seven of her nine goals in ACC regular-season games • scored two goals in 3-0 win over #19 Virginia Tech • assisted on Annie Kingman's goal in 1-1 tie at #13 Clemson • also scored twice, including the game-winning goal in 3-1 win over Miami • tallied the game-winning goal in the Tar Heels' 3-0 win at Pitt • had a brace, including the game-winning tally, in 3-1 victory at Syracuse • assisted on Annie Kingman's game-winning goal in 2-1 win over Notre Dame in ACC Tournament semifinals • earned spot on All-Tournament Team at ACC Tournament.

Miah Araba, Freshman, Midfielder, Chapel Hill, N.C.: Has played in four games this season, totaling 33 minutes • scored a spectacular goal in the 89th minute of win over Auburn to record her first career tally.

Julia Ashley, Junior, Defender, Verona, N.J.: One of the nation's most consistent defensive performers • named second-team All-ACC • also earned honors on All-Tournament Team as Carolina claimed ACC title • has started all 20 games at right back, a spot where she has started since the first game of her freshman year in 2015 • team captain • leads UNC in minutes played with 1,819 • tapped as ACC Defensive Player of the Week after Tar Heels posted back-to-back shutouts against Auburn and UNCW at Duke Nike Classic • earned her second ACC Defensive Player of the Week accolade on October 10 after leading Tar Heels to wins over Miami and Wake Forest • has played every minute this year except last 10 minutes when she was subbed out in rout against Auburn and final 29 minutes versus Syracuse when Tar Heels were already ahead 5-0 • scored her first career goal in 4-0 win over Virginia Tech, heading home a direct kick by Joanna Boyles for the game-winner in the 15th minute • notched second goal of her career in 3-0 NCAA first round win over High Point • had an assist on Sydney Spruill's game-winning goal versus UNCW • also assisted on a goal by Joanna Boyles against Syracuse • assisted on a goal by Madison Schultz against Miami and had a helper on Alessia Russo's game-winning goal versus Wake Forest • assisted on Bridgette Andrzejewski's game-winning goal versus Boston College in ninth minute of game • that was her fifth assist of the season • she is tied for third on the team in assists • started at right

back for the second straight year as a sophomore in 2016 • third-team NSCAA All-Southeast Region honoree • played in 24 games last season, starting 22 times • totaled 2,191 minutes on the pitch and took 12 shots • ranked third on the team in minutes played behind only Lindsey Harris and Hanna Gardner • earned her first point of the year with an assist on a Megan Buckingham goal versus Pitt • also assisted on UNC's game-winning goal in ACC Tournament semifinals versus Notre Dame • tapped for All-Tournament Team at ACC Tournament • named to Top Drawer Soccer Team of the Week on November 1, 2016 after Tar Heels recorded shutout wins over #8 Florida State & #7 Virginia • named to 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll.

Dorian Bailey, Junior, Midfielder/Forward, Mission, Kan.: Has been a key player for the Tar Heels in 2017 • played most of the season coming off the bench as a forward but started at midfield in past three games • named second-team All-ACC in 2017 • also earned All-ACC Tournament Team accolades • played in 19 games, missing match at Penn State due to injury • started matches against Duke & UCF in regular season and semifinals and finals in ACC Tournament and in first round of NCAA Tournament • has played 1,231 minutes • tied for second on the team in goals scored with six • leads the squad in assists with eight • tied for team lead in points with 20 • named ACC Offensive Player of the Week and to Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week on September 25 • scored the game-winning goal for Carolina in three straight ACC games • assisted on game-winning goal by Jessica Scarpa in overtime win over Duke • had a goal and an assist in 5-0 win over Auburn • notched the game-winner at Florida State on a header in the 58th minute of play • also scored the game-winning goal in UNC's 1-0 win over Clemson on September 21, heading home a rebound in the 77th minute • in 2-1 win at Virginia on September 24, she assisted on the tying goal by Alessia Russo in the 24th minute and then scored the game-winning goal in the 28th minute • had a goal and two assists in 7-0 over Syracuse, assisting on a goal in each half and scoring one of her own in 34th minute • second on the team in corner kicks with 36 • tremendous player on both the wings and as a reserve for Annie Kingman at attacking center midfielder last season • started seven of 25 games in 2016, playing 987 minutes • after starting seven of the first eight games of season, she came off bench at attacking center midfield position beginning with second game of ACC regular season • team's fifth-leading scorer with 10 points • tied for fourth on the team in goals scored with four • assisted on an insurance goal in 3-0 win over Virginia Tech • scored her first goal of the season in 3-1 win over Miami • followed that up by scoring the game-winning goal on a direct kick in the 69th minute to lift Carolina to a 2-1 win over Wake Forest to reward UNC head coach Anson Dorrance with his 800th career win • assisted on Morgan Goff's goal in ACC Tournament win over Virginia • scored twice in NCAA Tournament with goals versus Liberty and Clemson • her goal versus the Tigers in the 71st minute lifted UNC past Clemson 1-0 in NCAA third round • named to 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll.

Maggie Bill, Redshirt Senior, Defender, Huntington, N.Y.: Will be a 2017 medical redshirt • returned as a starter in the Tar Heel defensive line at center back position in 3-4-3 formation in 2016 campaign • had redshirted in 2015 after starting for the Tar Heels on defense as a sophomore in 2014 at left back • was one of Carolina's most valuable players last year as UNC's central defender • helped lead Tar Heels to appearance in NCAA College Cup • missed the Wake Forest game while playing with the U.S. Women's National Lacrosse Team in an exhibition match • also missed the match at Syracuse due to injury • started all 23 games in which she played, totaling 2,139 minutes, the fourth highest total on the squad despite missing two full games • played every minute of every game she played in during 2016 except final 20 minutes of game versus Charlotte and final 3 minutes of contest against USC.

Brooke Bingham, Freshman, Forward/Defender, Laurel Springs, N.C.: Enrolled at Carolina in January 2017 • has played in nine games this season, totaling 105 minutes • played a season-high 39 minutes versus Syracuse • versatile enough to play forward, midfield and defense.

goal of the season and she is now three-for-three on penalty kick chances.

At 55:47, Florida State made a trio of substitutions, putting leading scorer Deyna Castellanos and second-leading scorer Bella Dorosy into the match. Just 32 seconds later, those two players combined on a goal as Castellanos sent a long pass through the defending line to Dorosy who finished one-on-one

with Leshnak for her seventh goal of the season. Adrienne Richardson was also credited with an assist on the Seminole goal.

The game became a battle of possession in the midfield the remainder of the way. UNC had five more shots in the half with three of them being blocked by the FSU defense. After Florida State scored in the 57th minute, the Seminoles would take only one more shot, a harmless header off a corner

kick in the 89th minute by Anna Patten.

2017 TAR HEEL SENIOR NIGHT: The match between North Carolina and Notre Dame on Thursday, October 26 marked the final regular season home game for six Tar Heel seniors. This group included fifth-year senior defender Maya Worth, fifth-year senior midfielder Joanna Boyles, senior midfielder Megan Buckingham, senior

defender Cannon Clough, senior midfielder Frances Reuland and senior midfielder/defender Abby Elinsky.

TAR HEELS IN RPI: North Carolina is currently No. 2 in the NCAA RPI (ratings percentage index) through games of November 5, 2017. The RPI was the primary source used by the NCAA to determine which teams receive post-season bids and also go a long way in determining the Top 4 seeds in each quadrant of the 64-team NCAA Tournament bracket. North Carolina is 16-2-2 this season with a 7-2 road record, 4-0 neutral site mark and 5-0-2 mark at home.

Following is a list of the RPIs for the 20 games the Tar Heels have played so far in 2017.

Carolina has played arguably the nation's most difficult schedule when opponent's RPIs are listed. They include: #4 Duke (twice), #5 UCF, #10 Penn State, #14 Notre Dame, #15 South Florida, #16 Florida State (twice), #23 Virginia, #27 Auburn, #30 NC State, #38 Clemson, #42 Wake Forest, #54 Boston College, #57 Virginia Tech, #79 Louisville, #96 Syracuse, #99 High Point, #157 UNCW and #191 Miami.

TAR HEEL PRODUCE CLEAN SHEET AT VIRGINIA TECH: Bridgette Andrzejewski had a brace and Alessia Russo and Jessie Scarpa also scored goals as the University of North Carolina women's soccer team, ranked #5 nationally, defeated Boston College 4-1 Saturday night, October 14 before 951 fans at the Newton Lacrosse and Soccer Complex.

The win was the seventh in a row for North Carolina, which improved to 11-2 overall on the season and 7-0 in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Boston College, which lost at home for only the second time this season, is now 9-6-1 overall and 3-3-1 in the ACC. The Tar Heels took over first place in the ACC with 21 points prior to Duke's match Sunday against Miami at 1 p.m. The Blue Devils currently have 18 points in the standings.

The Tar Heels jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead over the Eagles with goals by Alessia Russo in the fourth minute and Bridgette Andrzejewski in the ninth minute.

The first Tar Heel goal of the game came at 3:12 of the match. Andrzejewski sent a ball into the box from the right side of the pitch that was headed out by BC defender Allyson Swaby. Joanna Boyles toe poked the ball just outside the top of the box into the path of Russo, who powered a shot from 30 yards out into the upper left corner over the hands of Boston College goalkeeper Alexis Bryant. It was Russo's eighth goal of the season. She has now scored goals in five straight games for the Tar Heels, totaling six goals in that stretch.

UNC doubled its lead in the ninth minute as Andrzejewski scored the first of her two goals in the match. Boyles launched a corner kick from the right side that found Julia Ashley at the left post. Ashley headed the ball back across the frame to Abby Elinsky who nodded the ball on to Andrzejewski who was unmarked at the right post just two yards out. Andrzejewski headed the ball into the back of the net for what would prove to be the game-winning goal and her third score of the campaign.

With a 2-0 lead, Carolina substituted at the 15-minute mark of the first half with Jessie Scarpa coming in at forward and Lotte Wubben-Moy checking in on the back line. Scarpa had been out of the lineup since hurting a knee 10 minutes into a match at South Florida on August 27. Wubben-Moy had not seen action since being hurt in the first half of a 2-0 win over UNCW on September 3.

Scarpa made the most of her return to the pitch as she scored a goal from distance at the 41:46 mark of the game. Off a Tar Heel corner kick, the BC defense made the initial clearance before Scarpa pounced on the ball 22 yards out on the left

2017 CAROLINA HONOR ROLL

Team Captains

Megan Buckingham, Senior, Midfielder
Joanna Boyles, Senior, Midfielder
Julia Ashley, Junior, Defender
Annie Kingman, Senior, Midfielder

All-Atlantic Coast Conference

First Team - Alessia Russo

Second Team - Dorian Bailey, Joanna Boyles, Julia Ashley

Third Round - Emily Fox, Taylor Otto, Bridgette Andrzejewski

ACC All-Freshman Team

Emily Fox, Alessia Russo

ACC Freshman of the Year

Alessia Russo

ACC Tournament Most Valuable Player

Alessia Russo

All-ACC Tournament Team

Julia Ashley, Joanna Boyles, Dorian Bailey, Abby Elinsky, Alessia Russo

United Soccer Coaches National Player of the Week

Alessia Russo, Freshman, Forward, October 10, 2017

ACC Offensive Player of the Week

Joanna Boyles, Senior, Midfielder, August 21, 2017
Dorian Bailey, Junior, Midfielder, September 25, 2017

Alessia Russo, Freshman, Forward, October 10, 2017

ACC Defensive Player of the Week

Julia Ashley, Junior, Defender, September 4, 2017
Taylor Otto, Freshman, Defender, September 25, 2017

Julia Ashley, Freshman, Defender, October 10, 2017

Top Drawer National Team of the Week

Joanna Boyles, Senior, Midfielder, September 18, 2017

Dorian Bailey, Junior, Midfielder, September 25, 2017

Alessia Russo, Freshman, Forward, October 10, 2017

Top Drawer Soccer Preseason Best XI First Team

Jessie Scarpa, Junior, Forward

Top Drawer Soccer Preseason Freshman Best XI

Lotte Wubben-Moy, Freshman, Defender

Hermann Trophy Watch List

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Sophomore, Forward

Preseason All-ACC Team

Jessie Scarpa, Junior, Forward

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Sophomore, Forward

CoSIDA Academic All-America Hall of Fame

Heather O'Reilly, Class of 2007

2016 CAROLINA HONOR ROLL

Co-Captains

Hanna Gardner, Darcy McFarlane

NCSAA Third-Team All-America

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Freshman, Forward

Top Drawer Soccer Second-Team Freshman All-America

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Freshman, Forward

ACC Freshman of the Year

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Freshman, Forward

First-Team All-ACC

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Freshman, Forward

Second-Team All-ACC

Megan Buckingham, Junior, Midfielder

ACC All-Freshman Team

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Freshman, Forward

All-NCAA Tournament

Hanna Gardner, Senior, Defender

All-ACC Tournament

Lindsey Harris, Redshirt Senior Goalkeeper

Annie Kingman, Junior Midfielder

Maya Worth, Redshirt Junior Forward

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Freshman Forward

Julia Ashley, Sophomore, Defender

NSCAA All-Southeast Region First-Team

Bridgette Andrzejewski, Freshman, Forward

NSCAA All-Southeast Region Second-Team

Megan Buckingham, Junior, Midfielder

NSCAA All-Southeast Region Third-Team

Julia Ashley, Sophomore, Defender

NCAA Elite 90 Award

Frances Reuland, Junior, Midfielder

All-ACC Academic Team

Hanna Gardner, Senior, Defender

Cameron Castleberry, Senior, Midfielder

Annie Kingman, Junior, Midfielder

Megan Buckingham, Junior, Midfielder

ACC Academic Honor Roll

Julia Ashley, Sophomore, Defender

Dorian Bailey, Sophomore, Midfielder

Joanna Boyles, Senior, Midfielder

Megan Buckingham, Junior, Midfielder

Cannon Clough, Junior, Defender

Nicole Crutchfield, Sophomore, Midfielder

Sarah Ashley Firstenberg, Senior, Forward

Hanna Gardner, Senior, Defender

Lindsey Harris, Senior, Goalkeeper

Annie Kingman, Junior, Midfielder

Darcy McFarlane, Senior, Midfielder

Kate Morris, Sophomore, Midfielder

Zoe Redei, Freshman, Forward

Frances Reuland, Junior, Midfielder

Abby Staker, Freshman, Midfielder

Maya Worth, Junior, Forward

Order of Golden Fleece

Annie Kingman, Junior, Midfielder

ACC Offensive Player of the Week

Madison Schultz, Forward, November 1, 2016

ACC Defensive Player of the Week

Lindsey Harris, Goalkeeper, September 6, 2016

Lindsey Harris, Goalkeeper, September 27, 2016

Lindsey Harris, Goalkeeper, November 1, 2016

Top Drawer Soccer National Player of the Week

Lindsey Harris, Goalkeeper, November 29, 2016

Top Drawer Soccer Team of the Week

Julia Ashley, Defender, November 1, 2016

Hanna Gardner, Defender, November 22, 2016

Lindsey Harris, Goalkeeper, November 29, 2016

Madison Schultz, Forward, November 29, 2016

Julia Ashley, Defender, November 29, 2016

Top Drawer Soccer Top 100 Midseason Freshman

Zoe Redei, Forward, 25th

Bridgette Andrzejewski, 46th

Top Drawer Soccer Top 10 Midseason Upperclassmen

Lindsey Harris, 78th

2016 Olympians

Crystal Dunn (USA)

Whitney Engen (USA)

Tobin Heath (USA)

Meghan Klingenberg (USA)

Allie Long (USA)

Ashlyn Harris, Alternate (USA)

Heather O'Reilly, Alternate (USA)

Katie Bowen (New Zealand)

2016 U.S. U20 National Team

Taylor Otto, Freshman Defender

Jessie Scarpa, Junior Forward

side. Scarpa's arcing shot evaded Bryant, clipped the underside of the cross bar and bounded into the back netting. The goal was Scarpa's second of the season.

UNC added to its lead at the 77:15 mark as Andrzejewski scored her second goal of the game and her fourth of the season. Dorian Bailey sent a cross from near the end line close to the left corner marker. The ball slid across the end line, traveling through several bodies in the process before it found Andrzejewski on the right post for a finish into an empty net.

Boston College got on the board at 83:07 as

Carly Leipzig scored her fourth goal of the season. UNC goalkeeper Samantha Leshnak came off her line to snuff out a scoring opportunity for the Eagles, punching the ball out with both hands right at the top of the box. The ball went directly to Leipzig, however, who scored from 25 yards out into the empty net.

The goal was the first allowed by the Tar Heels in the second half this season and only the second goal by Carolina in an ACC game. UNC had not surrendered a goal in the past 432 minutes and three seconds since the Tar Heels had surrendered in the 12th minute of a 2-1 victory over Virginia on

2016 NORTH CAROLINA PLAYER NOTES

Joanna Boyles, Redshirt Senior, Midfielder, Raleigh, N.C.: Carolina's starter this year at attacking center midfielder • chosen for 2017 second-team All-ACC squad • also tapped for All-Tournament Team at ACC Championship • team captain • named ACC Offensive Player of the Week on August 21, 2017 and to the Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week on September 18, 2017 • has started all 20 games for the Tar Heels and played 1,267 minutes • tied for second on the team in goals scored with six and is tied for third on team in assists with five • ranks fourth on the team in points with 17 • leads squad in corner kicks with 69 • she recorded a hat trick against Syracuse, the first of her career and only the second by a Tar Heel since 2013 • scored on a penalty kick in the 22nd minute and then tallied on world-class headers in the 24th and 56th minutes versus the Orange • in the season opener against Duke, she led a 2-1 come-from-behind overtime win against the Blue Devils • scored a game-tying goal in the 32nd minute on a direct free kick and then assisted on Jessie Scarpa's game-winning goal in the 94th minute • scored a pair of goals in UNC's 5-0 rout of Auburn • played a season high 86 minutes versus Louisville • assisted on Dorian Bailey's game-winning goal in 1-0 win at Florida State and on Julia Ashley's game-winning tally in 4-0 victory at Virginia Tech • took a red-shirt season in 2015 as she recovered from an ACL tear suffered during practice on November 8, 2015 • has played at both attacking center midfield and holding center midfield position during her career • in fall 2016, she tore ACL in her other knee in practice and immediately began rehab in order to be ready by August 2017 season opener • named to 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll • won the prestigious UNC Athletic Director's Scholar-Athlete award for the women's soccer team in 2016-17 • 2015 second-team All-ACC selection • third-team NSCAA All-Southeast Region selection as a junior • earned honors on 2015-16 All-ACC Academic Team for women's soccer • selected for College Sports Information Directors of America Academic All-District 3 Team as a junior • 2015-16 ACC Academic Honor Roll selection • in 2015, she was in her second season as a starter at center midfield • missed final 2 games of 2015 season • named to All-Tournament Team at ACC Tournament • named to Top Drawer Soccer preseason third-team Best XI in the midfield • played in 19 games during the season, starting 17 times and playing 1,203 minutes • named to Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week on October 26, 2015 and was also tapped as a CS360 Primetime Performer of the Week • played all 270 minutes in wins over Notre Dame, Clemson and Miami • she scored the game-winning goal on a header in the 74th minute in victory over Notre Dame • assisted on game-winning goal by Jessie Scarpa versus Clemson • was magnificent in win over BC on October 2 • assisted on Alexa Newfield's game-winning goal and then scored an insurance goal on a one-touch, 30-yard shot five minutes into the second half • named to All-Tournament Team at Duke Nike Classic • scored first goal of year in 49th minute to clinch a 2-0 win at Texas • opened the scoring in the win at Virginia Tech with a world class 25-yard strike in the 21st minute • recorded two assists versus Fresno State.

Megan Buckingham, Senior Midfielder, Novi, Mich.: Team captain • UNC's starter at left midfield in first 16 games of season and starter at left back in the three games in the ACC Tournament and first round of NCAA Tournament • started all 20 games this year and played 1,577 minutes, the fourth highest total on the team • played a season-high 110 minutes versus Louisville • had assist on Alessia Russo's game-winning goal versus Auburn • also assisted on a goal against UNCW • assisted on Abby Elinsky's game-winning goal versus High Point in game's sixth minute • had a magnificent junior season, regularly playing full time in virtually every game in 2016 • second-team All-ACC selection • Carolina's starter at left midfield • second-team NSCAA All-Southeast Region selection • returned to starting lineup on full-time basis in 2016 • started two matches in the Duke Nike Classic at an outside back position • earned starting nods in all 25 games and played 2,123 minutes • ranked fifth on the team in minutes played behind Lindsey Harris, Hanna Gardner, Julia Ashley and Maggie Bill • the team's third-leading scorer with 14 points • tied for fourth on team in goals scored with four • had six assists, the second highest total on the squad • took 41 shots last year • scored the game-winning goal in the 69th minute of play in 2-1 victory at UCLA • scored the game-tying goal in the 82nd minute of Carolina's 1-1 tie at #7 Virginia on October 2 • recorded two assists in 3-1 win over Miami on game-tying goal by Bridgette Andrzejewski and insurance tally by Dorian Bailey • scored goals in back-to-back ACC games at Pitt and Syracuse • recorded the assist on game-winning goal by Madison Schultz versus Florida State • also recorded assist on Madison Schultz's game-

winning goal versus Liberty • assisted on both goals in 2-0 NCAA victory over Kansas • named to 2016 All-ACC Academic in women's soccer • tapped for 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll.

Cannon Clough, Senior, Defender, Charlotte, N.C.: Reserve defender and midfielder who has played 145 minutes in 11 games this season, including a season-high 29 minutes against Syracuse • in 2016, she was a junior transfer from Charlotte who played in a reserve role in the defense for Carolina • earned her first career start as a Tar Heel in 3-1 win at Syracuse on October 23 • played all 90 minutes in win over Orange • saw 427 minutes of action in 16 games • played 77 minutes in 0-0 tie at #7 Duke • also played 60 minutes off the bench in 2-1 win over Wake Forest • named to 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll • in spring 2017 exhibition season she scored a goal in UNC's 3-1 win over Virginia.

Nicole Crutchfield, Redshirt Sophomore, Midfielder, Durham, N.C.: Has seen action this year in four games this year, totaling 32 minutes • recorded the first point of her career when she assisted on a goal by Madison Schultz in the 83rd minute against Syracuse.

Abby Elinsky, Senior, Midfielder, Rocky River, Ohio: Has been a critical player for UNC in 2017 • has started most of the games, sharing time at both midfield and on defense • played in all 20 games, starting 17 contests • named to All-Tournament Team at ACC Championship • has played a total of 1,377 minutes, the fifth highest total on the team among field players • factored in all three goals in NCAA Tournament win over High Point • scored the game-winner in sixth minute versus Panthers and later assisted on goals by Julia Ashley and Morgan Goff • coach Anson Dorrance says she was UNC's best defensive player in 1-0 win at Florida State • played 65 minutes against the Seminoles and assisted on Dorian Bailey's game-winning goal • also assisted on Bridgette Andrzejewski's game-winning goal against Boston College • scored her first goal of year to give Tar Heels separation in win at Virginia Tech • extremely versatile performer • moved into starting position at forward, starting there in last 10 games of 2016 season as UNC advanced to College Cup • before that she had been coming off the bench at holding center midfield position for the Tar Heels for most of the season • started four of first 10 games of campaign • missed four games in middle of season, being with her family after death of her brother • one of UNC's most consistent and durable performers on the roster • played in 21 games, starting 14 times • recorded 1,035 minutes of playing time • scored the first goal of her Tar Heel career in NCAA first round win versus Liberty.

Emily Fox, Freshman, Midfielder, Ashburn, Va.: Freshman midfielder who enrolled in January 2017 after graduating from high school a semester early • played on the U.S. U20 National Team at the 2016 FIFA World Cup in Papua, New Guinea • started first 13 games for the Tar Heels this year at the right midfield spot • named third-team All-ACC • also earned honors on ACC All-Freshman Team • had played 920 minutes, the fifth highest total on the team through 13 games • tore an ACL 12 minutes into victory at BC and is lost for the remainder of the season • recorded first assist of her career on Sydney Spruill's game-winning goal versus UNCW • earned three assists in Carolina's 7-0 win over Syracuse • in the process she became the first Tar Heel to have three assists in a game since both Courtney Jones and Kelly McFarlane had three assists in a 6-1 win over Missouri on August 29, 2010 • played a season-high 90 minutes in four straight games against Penn State, Florida State, Clemson and Virginia • was limited to just 12 minutes in match at Boston College, leaving due to injury.

Morgan Goff, Sophomore, Midfielder, Dunn, N.C.: Key performer in the Tar Heels' midfield and defensive units • can start at either holding center midfield or left back • has played in all 20 games this year and started on seven occasions • played a season-high 93 minutes in win over Duke in season opener • has played 1,191 minutes overall • assisted on a first-half goal by Taylor Otto in 4-2 win at USF • played all 90 minutes at holding center midfield in win at UVA • scored her first goal of the season when she headed home a corner kick by Dorian Bailey in the 70th minute against Syracuse • added second goal of season with second-half tally against High Point • talented freshman last year who played in several different positions in 2016 • over second half of season, she developed into reliable backup to starter Darcy McFarlane at holding center midfielder position • she saw action in all 25 games • started match at #7 Duke as holding center midfielder • totaled 797 minutes played and took seven shots • scored the first goal of her career on a header off a corner kick in UNC's 3-0 ACC Tournament win over Virginia.

A LOOK AT THE 2017 ROSTER HEADING INTO COLORADO GAME			
No.	Name	Yr.	Notes
Strikers			
1	Madison Schultz	So.	Notched first goals of 2017 season in back-to-back wins over SU and Miami
2	Sydney Spruill	Fr.	Scored first goal of her career in 2-0 win over UNCW; notched first assist vs. VT
3	Ru Mucherera	Jr.	Tore her ACL in practice on August 22 and will miss remainder of campaign
12	Jessie Scarpa	RS Jr.	Tore her ACL in ACC Tournament game versus Florida State - out for season
15	Zoe Redei	So.	Scored goals in ACC Tournament games against Florida State and Duke
17	Alea Hyatt	Fr.	Scored first career goal in win over Virginia Tech - also plays in midfield
19	Alessia Russo	Fr.	ACC Freshman of the Year and Most Valuable Player of the ACC Tournament
24	Kasey Parker	So.	A medical redshirt in 2017 - had 4 assists as freshman in 2016
29	Dorian Bailey	Jr.	Leads Carolina in assists with eight and is tied for the team lead in points with 20
Midfielders			
4	Bridgette Andrzejewski	So.	Scored latest game-tying goal in UNC history with 15 seconds left vs. ND
7	Annie Kingman	Sr.	A red-shirt in 2017 season; plans to attend Kenan-Flagler MAC program
8	Abby Elinsky	Sr.	Factored in all three goals in NCAA win over High Point, scoring game winner
9	Frances Reuland	Sr.	Winner of NCAA's Prestigious Elite 90 Award last year at College Cup
10	Joanna Boyles	RS Sr.	Second-team All-ACC selection; also was named to All-ACC Tournament Team
11	Emily Fox	Fr.	Third-team All-ACC selection; also named to ACC All-Freshman Team
14	Morgan Goff	Sr.	Recorded second goal of season in NCAA Tournament win over High Point
20	Kate Morris	RS So.	Has played in 17 games this year; earned first career assist against High Point
21	Miah Araba	Fr.	Played 6 minutes versus Auburn, scoring first career goal in 89th minute
22	Abby Staker	RS Fr.	Earned the first point of her career, assisting on Madison Schultz goal vs. SU
32	Nicole Crutchfield	RS So.	Earned the first point of her career, assisting on Madison Schultz goal vs. SU
47	Alex Kimball	Sr.	A medical redshirt in 2017 - one of Carolina's best headers
99	Laura Sparling	Fr.	Saw the first action of her career, playing 15 minutes off the bench vs. Syracuse
Defenders			
5	Maya Worth	RS Sr.	Started 12 games at left back;out remainder of year after surgery on Achilles heel
6	Raylor Otto	RS Fr.	Starter in back line; has played 1,744 minutes, 2nd most of field players
16	Julia Ashley	Jr.	Second-team All-ACC selection; also was named to All-ACC Tournament Team
18	Megan Buckingham	Sr.	Started all 20 games, 16 in midfield, 4 in defense, playing 1,577 minutes
23	Lotte Wubben-Moy	Fr.	Returned to starting lineup versus Notre Dame; has started 9 games, 885 min.
28	Maggie Bill	RS Sr.	Will be a medical redshirt after suffering knee injury in 2017 lacrosse season
30	Brooke Bingham	Fr.	Has seen action in nine games this season - can play all over field
49	Cannon Clough	Sr.	Has played in 11 matches this year, totaling 145 minutes
Goalkeepers			
0	Sam DeSantis	So.	Walk-on goalkeeper will be prime backup to starter Samantha Leshnak
13	Samantha Leshnak	Jr.	Has posted 12 solo shutouts this year, including nine against ACC opponents

September 27.

The Tar Heels outshot the Eagles 14-11, including a 7-3 edge in shots on frame. Both teams took five corner kicks in the game. Alexis Bryant finished with three saves for Boston College while Samantha Leshnak had two saves for North Carolina.

While Scarpa and Wubben-Moy returned to the Tar Heel lineup for the first time in several weeks, the Tar Heels were playing with the services of redshirt senior defender Maya Worth, the starting left back. Worth tore an Achilles' Heel last Tuesday in practice and had surgery on Wednesday. She is out for the remainder of the year.

Sophomore Morgan Goff started in Worth's place at left back and played 75 minutes on Saturday night.

UNC improved to 17-1 all-time against Boston College, including a 9-0 mark in games played in Newton. The Tar Heels have two games on the docket in the coming week, both to be webcast nationally on ACC Network Extra. The Tar Heels play at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Va. on Thursday at 7 p.m. before hosting Louisville on Sunday, October 22 at 10 a.m. at WakeMed Soccer Park's Koka Booth Stadium.

RUSSO SCORES TWICE TO POWER TAR HEELS PAST DEMON DEACONS: Alessia Russo scored a pair of goals and Samantha Leshnak recorded her fifth solo shutout in six ACC games as the University of North Carolina women's soccer team defeated the Wake Forest Demon Deacons 2-0 Sunday afternoon, October 8 before 873 fans at Dennie W. Spry Soccer Stadium.

Russo scored her sixth and seventh goals of the season and now has five game-winning goals for Coach Anson Dorrance's fifth-ranked Tar Heels. North Carolina improved to 10-2 on the season and 6-0 in the ACC. Duke and North Carolina remain tied atop the ACC standings as each are 6-0 with four conference games remaining.

Wake Forest, ranked 15th, fell to 9-3-2 overall and 3-2-1 in the ACC. The Tar Heels have now won

their past five meetings with the Demon Deacons.

Russo scored the game-winning goal at 22:23 of the match as she scored from four yards out on a one-timer off a cross by Bridgette Andrzejewski. Julia Ashley had quickly fed a ball from about 25 yards out that Andrzejewski found in stride. She took a couple of dribbles and fed a ball across the box that Lindsay Preston appeared ready to pick off. At the last second, Russo intervened with her left leg and redirected the ball into the lower right of the goal.

Both defenses dominated the game with UNC taking just seven shots and Wake Forest four. Wake Forest had three corner kicks in comparison to two for Carolina.

The Tar Heels found separation in the 70th minute of play after Russo claimed the ball off a turnover in midfield. With forwards Syndey Spruill and Alea Hyatt trying to stay outside on the right side of the pitch, Russo read her situation perfectly and dribbled through the Wake Forest defense right down the middle of the pitch. She evaded her last defender just inside the penalty area and slotted a ball into the lower left corner from 15 yards to make the final margin 2-0.

Russo scored three of UNC's five goals in the weekend wins over Miami and Wake Forest. Russo now has five game-winning goals in her freshman campaign.

The Wake Forest game was the second of four straight road games for UNC. The Tar Heels will return to the pitch next Saturday, October 14 at Boston College at 7 p.m. and then play at Virginia Tech on Thursday, October 19 at 7 p.m.

Leshnak now has seven solo shutouts this year and she has recorded shutouts in five of UNC's six ACC wins.

RUSSO NAMED NATIONAL PLAYER OF THE WEEK BY UNITED SOCCER COACHES: Seven student-athletes from all three NCAA divisions and the junior college level have received Player of the Week honors from United Soccer Coaches, the

association announced Tuesday, October 10

At the NCAA Division I level, University of North Carolina freshman forward Alessia Russo (Kent, England) earned this week's honor after scoring three goals in road wins at Miami and No. 15-ranked Wake Forest.

The English youth international broke a 0-0 tie with Miami less than three minutes into the second half of the Tar Heels' win at Miami on October 5 as she beat several players on the dribble for the game-winning goal in an eventual 3-0 win. She came back three days later to score both Tar Heel goals in a 2-0 win at #15 Wake Forest. Russo one-time home a cross from Bridgette Andrzejewski in the 23rd minute for the game-winning goal in the win over the Demon Deacons. Russo added the insurance goal in the 70th minute, again dribbling through several defenders before finishing just inside the box for her seventh goal of the year. Russo has now scored seven goals as a freshman, including five game-winning goals including in successive games against Syracuse, Miami and Wake Forest.

Each Tuesday during the college regular season, United Soccer Coaches selects a men's and women's Player of the Week for NCAA Division I, NCAA Division II, NCAA Division III and junior college competition based on nominations from schools and conferences across the country.

RUSSO & ASHLEY EARN ACC PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS OCTOBER 10:

North Carolina freshman forward Alessia Russo has been named this week's ACC Offensive Player of the Week, while Tar Heel

junior defender Julia Ashley and Duke senior defender Schuyler DeBree shared this week's Defensive Player of the Week honor. The league announced the weekly honors on October 10.

Russo scored three of Carolina's five goals in road wins over Miami and Wake Forest week. The English youth international player broke a 0-0 tie with Miami less than three minutes into the second half of the Tar Heels' win on October 5 as she beat several players on the dribble for the game-winning goal in an eventual 3-0 victory. She came back three days later to score both Tar Heel goals in a 2-0 win at No. 15 Wake Forest. Russo one-timed home a cross from Bridgette Andrzejewski in the 23rd minute for the game-winning goal against the Demon Deacons, and added the insurance goal in the 70th minute, again dribbling through several defenders before finishing from just inside the box for her seventh goal of the year.

Russo was also named to this week's Top Drawer Soccer Women's National Team of the Week.

Ashley again led the Tar Heel defense as it posted its fourth and fifth shutouts in ACC games with wins over Miami (3-0) and Wake Forest (2-0). The Tar Heel defense allowed only 10 shots in the two games combined – six by Miami and four by Wake Forest. Ashley also assisted on goals in both games as she had the helper on Madison Schultz's insurance goal in the win over the Hurricanes that

Most Saves In A Season In UNC History	
1. Lindsey Harris (2016)	96
2. Molly Current (1980)	89
3. Aly Winget (2003)	71
4. Lori Walker (1989)	63
5. Aly Winget (2002)	56
6. Kathleen O'Dell (1985)	53
7. Beth Huber (1983)	52
8. Anna Rodenbough(2006)	48
9. Aly Winget (2004)	47
10. Ashlyn Harris (2009)	45

NORTH CAROLINA PLAYER NOTES

Alea Hyatt, Freshman, Forward, Santa Barbara, Calif.: Started earning playing time for the Tar Heels in the two games at the Duke Nike Classic • has played 585 minutes in 17 games • earned first starting assignment of her career in win at FSU, starting at forward and playing 69 minutes • altogether has started seven games • played 44 minutes off the bench in win at UVA and 43 minutes off the bench against Syracuse • played 52 minutes off bench in win at BC • scored first goal of her career in 87th minute in 4-0 win at Virginia Tech.

Alex Kimball, Senior Midfielder, Chapel Hill, N.C.: Will be taking a medical redshirt year in 2017 • during the 2016 campaign, after recovering from off-season labrum surgery, she filled a key role as a top reserve in the midfield, playing on the right side • came off bench in all 25 games and totaled 621 minutes • scored insurance goal in 2-0 win over UCF in season opener • assisted on Zoe Redei's insurance goal in Carolina's 3-0 win over Charlotte • also assisted on Redei's game-winning goal in double overtime in victory over FAU • she was taken down in the box in first half versus UCLA, earning a penalty kick that Annie Kingman converted in an eventual 2-1 Tar Heel win.

Annie Kingman, Senior, Midfielder, Woodside, Calif.: Team captain • was limited in playing time this year by injury • started and played 45 minutes against Duke and then played 28 minutes versus UCF but has been out of lineup since then • planning to redshirt in 2017 and return to Tar Heels in 2018 as a graduate student while attending MAC program in Kenan-Flagler Business School • moved into role as starter at attacking center midfielder in 2016 • All-ACC Tournament selection • played 1,457 minutes in 25 games and started 19 times, including the last 18 matches of the campaign • led the Tar Heels in assists with eight and ranked second in points with 18 • tied for second on team in goals scored with five • excelled in post-season play • against Notre Dame in ACC semifinals, she assisted on Maya Worth's first half goal and then scored game winner in 86th minute • recorded assists versus Liberty and Kansas in NCAA Tournament, including on Madison Schultz's game-winner versus the Jayhawks • assisted Madison Schultz's game-winning goal in NCAA quarterfinal versus South Carolina • scored the game-winning goal in the 72nd minute in 2-0 victory versus Villanova • also had the game-winner in the 3-0 win over Virginia Tech, scoring in the 14th minute • scored opening goal of the game in 24th minute in 1-1 tie at #13 Clemson • converted a penalty kick goal in opening half of 2-1 win at #9 UCLA • assisted on game-winning goals by Hanna Gardner versus Charlotte and by Zoe Redei in double overtime versus FAU • also assisted on insurance goal by Alex Kimball versus UCF • had the assist on the game-tying goal by Megan Buckingham in 1-1 tie at #7 Virginia on October 2 • that goal came in the 82nd minute of play • named to 2016 All-ACC Academic Team in women's soccer • also tapped for 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll.

Samantha Leshnak, Junior, Goalkeeper, Liberty Township, Ohio:

The only scholarship goalkeeper on the roster • started all 20 games and played all 1857:44 minutes in goal • has a goals against average of 0.48 and a save percentage of .811 • ranks 12th nationally and second in ACC in goals against average • has allowed only four goals in ACC games (UVA, BC, ND, FSU in ACC Tournament) • her goalkeeper record is 16-2-2 and she has recorded 12 solo shutouts against Auburn, UNCW, Florida State, Clemson, Syracuse, Miami, Wake Forest, Virginia Tech, Louisville, NC State, Duke and High Point • made a career high six saves against Duke and had five saves versus Penn State and four stops against Florida State and Syracuse • played as the primary backup to Lindsey Harris at the goalkeeper position in 2016 • saw action in four games, playing 74:37 • earned her first career start against Villanova and made two saves in 2-0 win, playing the opening 45 minutes • played six minutes against USC, 14 minutes against Pittsburgh and nine minutes versus Liberty.

Kate Morris, Redshirt Sophomore, Midfielder, Plymouth, Mich.: Red-shirted last year coming off ACL surgery • a key substitute at midfield, defense or forward • has played in 17 games, totaling 276 minutes • recorded first career point when she assisted on a goal by Julia Ashley against High Point • played a season high 43 minutes in game against Syracuse • named to 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll • was also named to 2015-16 ACC Academic Honor Roll • outstanding young player who came off the bench to spell the regulars in the center midfield, primarily in a holding position as a freshman in 2015 • played in 14 games, totaling 317 minutes • with injuries in the midfield, she played a larger role in the post season • played 24 minutes in win over Liberty in NCAA first round • missed three games due to injury in September

2015, but returned to action against Syracuse • played a season-high 50 minutes in win against UTSA • recorded first career assist on a goal by Annie Kingman versus Fresno State.

Ru Mucherera, Junior, Forward, Oviedo, Fla.: Was one of the Tar Heels' most improved players in preseason practice and performed spectacularly in a reserve role in 19 minutes in the win over Duke • tore an ACL in practice three days later and is now red-shirting this year • both started and played a key reserve role last season • can play anywhere on the field - striker, midfield, defense • by end of the season she was coming off the bench as a reserve at striker • started four times and saw action in 25 games last year • played a total of 934 minutes • scored her first career goal in 36th minute of 2-1 win over Wake Forest, a tally which tied the game after the Tar Heels had fallen behind five minutes earlier • notched her second goal of the season with a monster 25-yard strike in 3-0 win over Pitt • recorded first career point by assisting on opening goal of game by Bridgette Andrewjewski in win over FAU • also assisted on Zoe Redei's insurance goal versus Villanova in 2-0 win.

Taylor Otto, Redshirt Freshman, Defender/Forward, Apex, N.C.: Was a redshirt in 2016 while playing for the U.S. U20 Team at the World Cup in Papua, New Guinea • starting at center back for the Tar Heels this year • named to third-team All-ACC squad • played in all 20 games, starting 17 times and ranking third on the team in minutes played with 1,744 and second amongst field players • had a hat trick in the 4-2 win at USF, the first by a Tar Heel since Crystal Dunn had one against Miami in 2013 • scored game-winning goal in 2-1 in over Florida State in ACC Tournament quarterfinals • has four goals on just six shots this year • converted all three of her penalty kick chances • assisted on goals in 5-0 win over Auburn and in 7-0 win over Syracuse • is fifth on team in goals scored with four and fifth on squad in points with 10 • named ACC Defensive Player of the Week on September 26 after Carolina posted wins over Clemson and Virginia • has played the full time in 14 of the 20 games she has seen action in this year, including 11 of past 15 games.

Kacey Parker, Sophomore, Forward, Columbia, S.C.: Medical redshirt in 2017 • key reserve at forward for the Tar Heels last season • saw action in 11 games, playing 248 minutes • shared the team lead in assists with four • all four assists came in ACC play • recorded assists in back-to-back games against Virginia Tech (3-0 win) and Clemson (1-1 tie) and then again in back-to-back matches against Miami (3-1 win) and Wake Forest (2-1 win) • suffered lower body injury in mid-season and was sidelined the remainder of the season, leading to red-shirt year in 2017 as well.

Zoe Redei, Sophomore, Forward, Highland Park, Ill.: Coming off an injury, she did not play in first seven games of season • has since moved back into starting lineup at forward, starting last nine games • came off bench for first time and saw 20 minutes of action in win over Clemson and then 25 minutes in win at Virginia • started for first time this season and played 31 minutes against Syracuse • also started matches vs. BC, Virginia Tech, Louisville, Notre Dame, Florida State, NC State, Duke and High Point • has played in 13 matches overall, starting nine times and playing 431 minutes • scored her first goal of the season to open scoring in 2-1 ACC Tournament quarterfinal win over Florida State • scored game-winning goal against Duke in the ACC championship game, roofing a shot for the winning tally just 47 seconds into the second half • talented freshman striker from Illinois in 2016 • started 12 games for the Tar Heels, including the opening nine games of the campaign • suffered lower body injury in win over Virginia Tech • played in 17 matches overall and totaled 868 minutes on the pitch • missed eight games during ACC regular-season & ACC Tournament play due to an ankle injury originally sustained against Hokies • started all 12 games she played in during the regular season and returned to action in NCAA Tournament when she has come off the bench • scored first goal of her career late in 3-0 win over Charlotte • tallied the game-winning goal in double overtime as the Tar Heels won 3-2 at Florida Atlantic • scored the insurance goal in the 87th minute in 2-0 victory over Villanova • recorded an assist on Annie Kingman's game-winning goal versus Virginia Tech • finished fourth on the team in points with seven • named to 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll.

Frances Reuland, Senior, Midfielder, Carrboro, N.C.: Outstanding student-athlete who carries a 4.0 grade point average • in her third year on the varsity team after playing on UNC soccer club team as a freshman • winner of NCAA Elite 90 Award at 2016 NCAA College Cup given to the student-athlete amongst the Final 4 teams with the highest grade point average • has played in four games this year, totaling 31 minutes.

UNC VS. COLORADO

(UNC leads 4-0)

Year	Site	Result	Score
1998	A	W	2-0
1999	H	W	6-0
2005	N	W	3-0
2014	H	W	1-0#

#NCAA Tournament Game

put UNC up 2-0 and then assisted on Russo's game-winning goal in the 2-0 victory over the Demon Deacons.

TAR HEEL WOMEN'S SOCCER EARNS TEAM ACADEMIC HONOR FROM UNITED SOCCER COACHES:

United Soccer Coaches (formerly the National Soccer Coaches Association of America -NSCAA) announced on October 6 the Team Academic Award Winners at the college levels to recognize exemplary performance in the classroom during the 2016-17 academic year.

Teams needed a 3.0 cumulative grade point average for the 2017-18 school year to qualify for the Team Academic Award. The North Carolina women's team was one of 531 collegiate women's team to make the honor list as the Tar Heels had a 3.02 team GPA for 2016-17.

A total of 813 collegiate teams (282 men, 531 women) earned the Team Academic Award, including 195 schools who had both their men's and women's programs among the recipients.

United Soccer Coaches annually celebrates the academic achievements of college soccer teams whose student-athletes collectively demonstrate a commitment to excellence in their studies over the course of a full school year.

TAR HEEL REMAIN UNBEATEN IN ACC WITH WIN AT MIAMI:

The fifth-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team scored three second-half goals to prevail against the Miami Hurricanes 3-0 on October 5 at Cobb Stadium.

Freshman Alessia Russo scored her team-leading fourth game-winning goal of the season and Madison Schultz and Bridgette Andrzejewski added insurance goals as Carolina won for the fifth straight game, improving to 9-2 overall and 5-0 in the ACC. Samantha Leshnak posted her fourth shutout in ACC play and her sixth of the campaign. Miami fell to 4-6 with the loss and the Hurricanes are now 0-4 in the ACC.

Despite outshooting Miami 10-4 in the first half and taking all six corner kicks, North Carolina went to halftime tied with the Hurricanes. Phallon Tullis-Joyce made five saves in the first half to keep the Tar Heels off the scoreboard.

UNC struck for the game-winning goal less than three minutes into the second half as freshman forward Alessia Russo scored at the 47:34 mark. After taking a pass in the midfield, Russo showed her skills as she dribbled through several defenders into the right side of the penalty area and finished to the far corner from 12 yards. The goal was her fifth of the season and her fourth game-winning tally.

Carolina added to its lead at the 74:29 mark when Madison Schultz scored for the second straight game. Julia Ashley sent a low ball with pace into the penalty area from around 30 yards out and Schultz redirected it into the lower right portion of the net to make it 2-0. It was Schultz's second goal of the season and Ashley's third assist.

North Carolina finished off the scoring at the 88:27 mark when sophomore forward Bridgette Andrzejewski intercepted a ball about 35 yards from goal, quickly beat the back line and dribbled to the top of the penalty area, putting her shot into the lower right corner past Tullis-Joyce. Andrzejewski's goal on the breakaway was her second of the season.

Carolina finished with a 25-6 edge in shots and a pronounced 11-1 edge in shots on goal. The Tar

Heels had a 9-1 edge in corner kicks. Tullis-Joyce finished with eight saves for the Hurricanes while Samantha Leshnak made one save in posting her sixth shutout.

The Tar Heels return to action on Sunday when they play the Wake Forest Demon Deacons at 5 p.m. at Dennie W. Spry Soccer Stadium in Winston-Salem, N.C. The game will be nationally webcast on ACC Network Extra and also broadcast in the Triangle area on WCHL Radio (97.9 FM, 1360 AM).

The Demon Deacons are 9-2-2 overall and 3-1-1 in the ACC after battling to a scoreless tie with Virginia Tech Thursday night in Winston-Salem.

With the victory, UNC leads the all-time series with Miami 13-2. The Tar Heels have won eight straight games in the series and have won four games in a row in Coral Gables since back-to-back losses there in 2007 and 2009.

Heading into the game at Wake Forest, Duke and North Carolina remain tied atop the ACC standings with 15 points each.

NORTH CAROLINA DOWNS SYRACUSE

BEHIND BOYLES' HAT TRICK: Led by Joanna Boyles' first career hat trick and Dorian Bailey's goal and two assists, the fifth-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team rolled past Syracuse 7-0 before 710 fans at WakeMed Soccer Park on Saturday afternoon, September 30.

UNC improved to 8-2 on the season and 4-0 in the ACC with the victory while Syracuse fell to 5-4-2 overall and 0-2-1 in league play.

Boyles had the second hat trick this season for a Tar Heel player and just the second by any Tar Heel since 2013. Bailey continued her scorching scoring streak over the past few games with a goal and two assists and Emily Fox recorded three assists in the match for Coach Anson Dorrance's team. Morgan Goff and Madison Schultz each scored their first goals of the season in the second half and Alessia Russo earned her third game-winning goal of the season when she tallied in the 16th minute. Both Abby Staker and Nicole Crutchfield recorded the first points of their UNC careers with assists on Schultz's goal in the 83rd minute.

The seven goals were the most the Tar Heels have scored in an ACC game since September 17, 1999 when UNC defeated Florida State 9-0 in a game played in Winston-Salem, N.C., after Hurricane Floyd had made Fetzter Field unplayable. The seven tallies were the most by the Tar Heels against any opponent since August 23, 2015 when UNC defeated Fresno State 7-0 at Fetzter Field.

North Carolina finished with a 26-8 edge in shots in the game, including an 18-4 margin in shots on frame. Carolina also led in corner kicks 8-2. Samantha Leshnak made four saves for Carolina to record her fifth solo shutout of the season. She twice had to stop breakaways to preserve her clean sheet. Leshnak has solo shutouts this year against Auburn, UNCW, Florida State, Clemson and Syracuse.

While Courtney Brosnan played 61:28 in goal for Syracuse and allowed five goals her play actually prevented the Tar Heels from making matters even worse for the Orange and she made 11 saves, many of the acrobatic variety.

Syracuse nearly gained an early advantage after a turnover in the midfield by the Tar Heels. Sydney Brackett dribbled in alone on Leshnak but the Tar Heel keeper came out to cut down the angle and make the stop in the 11th minute of play.

Given the early reprieve, the Tar Heels poured it on shortly afterwards, scoring three goals in less than eight minutes to go ahead 3-0 by the 24th minute of the game. At 15:27, UNC took the lead as Alessia Russo sent a cross far 25 yards out on the left side. Dorian Bailey made a run on the play and appeared positioned to head it home but she dummied it, distracting Brosnan just enough to let Russo's cross settle into the right side netting

Last Meeting vs. Colorado

November 13, 2009 in Chapel Hill, N.C.

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — The sixth-ranked North

Carolina women's soccer team had been knocking at the door all night but it took the first career goal from sophomore Maya Worth to earn the Tar Heels a spot in the NCAA Tournament third round as Carolina took down Colorado 1-0 in overtime Friday night at a frigid and packed Fetzter Field.

Worth converted on her own rebound at the 94:40 mark of the match as the Tar Heels earned a spot in the Final 16 of the tournament for the 33rd successive year. UNC will play South Carolina Sunday at 1 p.m. at Fetzter Field with the winner earning a spot in the NCAA quarterfinals next weekend.

Colorado (14-7-1) had kept the Tar Heels at bay all evening until the 95th minute. Worth finally converted on UNC's 22nd shot of the game as Carolina ended with a 22-2 advantage in that statistic. The Tar Heels had an overwhelming possession advantage in the match but found opportunities in the 18-yard box hard to come by.

That changed with a tactical maneuver in overtime as UNC head coach Anson Dorrance started the first 10-minute session with six reserves on the field along with starting forward Emily Bruder, UNC's starting defense of Satar Murray, Jessie Scarpa and Katie Bowen and goalkeeper Lindsey Harris who normally plays the second half for UNC. Carolina employed the strategy much of the game with 21 players seeing action and all of them playing double digit minutes.

Coming into the overtime, the Tar Heels were definitely the fresher team as compared to a Colorado team which played only 13 players considerable minutes.

After Colorado sailed the overtime kickoff over the end line, UNC maintained possession in the Buffs' half for the next five minutes. Eventually, Bruder sent a cross in the 94th minute from the left side that had to be tipped over the cross bar by Colorado goalkeeper Kate Scheele for UNC's fifth corner kick of the match. After Katie Bowen served the ball into the box, the Tar Heels regrouped and scored 27 seconds later. Carolina switched the field to the right side and sophomore Danae O'Halloran sent a perfect cross into the middle of the penalty area at the six-yard line. Worth was there to head the ball which was deflected by a Colorado player. But the ball went directly to Worth who powered a shot with her right foot into the back of the goal for the first tally of her career.

Worth's goal gave UNC its 120th overall NCAA Tournament victory and ensured the Tar Heels another Sweet 16 berth. It was Carolina's first overtime victory in the NCAA Tournament since it beat Stanford 1-0 in the 2012 NCAA semifinals in San Diego, Calif.

UNC improved to 14-3-2 on the season with the victory before a crowd of 4,211 who stayed until the very end even when temperatures dipped into the 20s. The Tar Heels have lost only one match since August and they improved this season to 10-2 in games decided by one goal. UNC is 4-1-2 in overtime games this season.

On the night, UNC outshot the Buffaloes 22-2 and had an edge in corner kicks 5-1. Kate Scheele went the distance in goal for Colorado, making six saves. Despite UNC's 22-2 shot advantage, Carolina was able to put only seven of its shots on frame. UNC used its goalkeeper platoon as usual and Bryane Heaberlin made one first half save while Lindsey Harris made one save in the second half and overtime.

The best of Scheele's six saves came at the 54:48 mark when Amber Munerlyn got free in the box but her shot was tipped over the bar by Scheele for a corner kick. The Tar Heels had another good look with 6:04 to play when Summer Green had a perfect service into the box that Paige Nielsen ran on to only to see her volley go just wide of the goal.

In the first game at Fetzter Field Friday, South Carolina advanced to the third round after prevailing in penalty kicks against Seattle. Neither team found the back of the net in regulation or overtime but the Gamecocks outscored the Redhawks 2-1 in the five rounds of penalty kicks to advance to Sunday's game against Carolina.

NORTH CAROLINA PLAYER NOTES

Alessia Russo, Freshman, Forward, Kent England: Outstanding youth international player who has made a huge impact for the Tar Heels so far this season • has played in 17 games, starting 16 • first-team All-ACC selection • named co-ACC Freshman of the Year • earned honors on ACC All-Freshman Team • tapped as Most Valuable Player of ACC Tournament and earned a spot on the All-Tournament Team • scored game-winning goal in ACC Tournament semifinals against NC State, scoring from distance in the 56th minute • assisted on Zoe Redei's game-winning goal in ACC championship against Duke • missed the FSU and Clemson games while in England in a youth national team training camp and missed Duke game because she was in Europe playing for England in tournament • returned to lineup in win at Virginia, scoring game-tying goal in 24th minute in eventual come-from-behind 2-1 win • has nine goals and two assists • leads team in goals scored with nine • tied for first on the squad in points with 20 • leads Tar Heels in game-winning goals with six • has played 1,081 minutes in 17 games • has started 16 times at forward • scored the game-winning goal versus South Florida on a 22-yard strike in the 74th minute • in the next game against Auburn, she scored again from distance for the game-winning tally in the 29th minute • had her third game-winning goal of season on a 25-yard strike in 16th minute of 7-0 victory over Syracuse • scored the game-winner against Miami in 48th minute • three days after the win over the Hurricanes she scored both Tar Heel goals in 2-0 win • after the Miami and Wake games, she was named ACC Offensive Player of the Week, the United Soccer Coaches National Player of the Week and was tapped for Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week on October 10 • she opened the scoring in eventual 4-1 win at BC by scoring on a 35-yard strike in the fourth minute.

Jessie Scarpa, Redshirt Junior, Forward, Lakeland, Fla.: Preseason All-ACC selection • named to Top Drawer Soccer Preseason Best XI First Team • will miss the rest of the season after tearing an ACL in Carolina's ACC Tournament quarterfinal versus Florida State • was injured just 10 minutes into the game at USF with a lower body injury • returned to the lineup in Carolina's game at Boston College after missing nine games • played 22 minutes against the Eagles and scored a spectacular goal just before halftime to put the Tar Heels up 3-0 • started three of the seven games she has played in this year, totaling 220 minutes • scored the game-winning goal in UNC's 2-1 overtime win against Duke, tallying on a header in the 94th minute • delivered a brilliant corner kick that resulted in Bridgette Andrzejewski's header goal with 15 second left in regulation in eventual 1-1 tie with Notre Dame • missed last year's campaign as she was redshirting while playing for U.S. U20 Team competing in World Cup • in 2015, she was a first-team All-ACC selection and Top Drawer Soccer third-team All-America choice • chosen first-team NSCAA All-Southeast Region • named to ACC Academic Honor Roll in 2015-16 school year • moved into the starting role at center forward after playing defense as a freshman • started all 21 games and played 1,300 minutes • Carolina's second-leading scorer with 24 points • led Tar Heels in assists with eight and was second on the team in goals scored with eight • had an excellent outing in NCAA first round versus Liberty • scored game-winning goal in 47th minute and then assisted on Megan Buckingham's insurance goal in the 62nd minute • named the ACC Offensive Player of the Week on September 14 after leading Carolina to wins over Nebraska and UCLA • had an insurance goal in the 63rd minute in UNC's 3-0 win over the Cornhuskers • two days later she had a second half brace, scoring unassisted goals at 53:26 and 84:52 in the 3-1 win over the Bruins • assisted on Katie Bowen's game-winning goal in 2-1 victory at #9 Virginia Tech • against Syracuse, she assisted on Dorian Bailey's game-winning goal in the 30th minute and scored the insurance goal in the 59th minute • scored the game-winning goal in a 1-0 win over #5 Clemson in the 77th minute • scored game-tying goal versus USC in 32nd minute in 2-1 win on September 6 • assisted on Alexa Newfield's goal 54 seconds into the Weber State match • also assisted on a Newfield goal in 29th minute of win over Fresno State • against UTSA, she scored her first career goal in the 72nd minute after assisting on two earlier tallies, including Summer Green's game-winner in the fifth minute.

Madison Schultz, Sophomore, Forward, Edmonds, Wash.: One of the top reserves at striker for the Tar Heels • played in 20 games this season, totaling 550 minutes • earned first point of season when she assisted on Dorian Bailey's game-winning goal against Clemson in 77th minute •

scored her first goal of the campaign in the 83rd minute of 7-0 win versus Syracuse • also notched a goal with gave the Tar Heels separation in 3-0 win at Miami on October 5 • assisted on insurance goal by Morgan Goff in NCAA win over High Point • during the 2016 season all five goals she scored as a freshman were game-winning goals, including three in NCAA Tournament games, one in ACC Tournament quarterfinals and one in regular-season finale against Florida State, giving the Tar Heels their first win over the Seminoles in five years • named the ACC Offensive Player of the Week on November 1, 2016 • scored the first goal of her career on a rebound in UNC's 1-0 win over #8 Florida State on October 27 • scored the game-winning goal in the 39th minute of a 3-0 win over #7 Virginia in the ACC Tournament quarterfinals on October 30, lifting Tar Heels past Cavaliers for first time in six seasons • went on to score three more game-winning goals in the NCAA Tournament against Liberty, Kansas and South Carolina • her game-winning goal in the 22nd minute lifted the Tar Heels past the Gamecocks in the NCAA quarterfinals • led the Tar Heels in game-winning goals with five • fourth leading scorer with 11 points • tied for second on the squad in goals with five • played in all 25 games, seeing 792 minutes of action • started at forward on six occasions • assisted on the game-winning goal by Annie Kingman versus Villanova for her first career point.

Laura Sparling, Freshman, Midfielder, Chapel Hill, N.C.: Saw first action of her career, playing 15 minutes off bench in win over Syracuse • has played in two games overall.

Sydney Spruill, Freshman, Forward, Greenville, N.C.: Has earned seven starts this season while playing in all 20 games, totaling 695 minutes • scored the game-winning goal in UNC's 2-0 win over UNCW, tallying in the 10th minute • earned the first assist of her career in 4-0 win at Virginia Tech, getting the helper on a goal by Alea Hyatt in the 87th minute.

Abby Staker, Redshirt Freshman, Midfielder/Defender, Cary, N.C.: Versatile performer who has come off the bench to play 61 minutes in eight games, including a season-high 21 minutes against Syracuse • recorded the first point of her career against Orange, assisting on a Madison Schultz goal in 83rd minute.

Maya Worth, Redshirt Senior, Defender, Cary, N.C.: Fifth-year senior who was Carolina's starter at left back spot before suffering an Achilles' heel tear on October 10 that will keep her out the remainder of the season • played in 12 games this season, starting 11 times at left back • played 832 minutes • played season high 90 minutes against Penn State • in 2016 season, she started season at the left back position for the Tar Heels but she moved into starting lineup at start of ACC season at striker and made Carolina a much better team in the process • 2016 All-ACC Tournament selection • overall, she started 17 games last season, primarily at forward • played in 22 matches altogether, playing 1,083 minutes • UNC's sixth leading scorer with eight points • tied for third on team with four assists • started five straight matches at forward for the Tar Heels during the middle of the ACC season (UNC went 3-0-2 in that crucial stretch) • moved back into starting lineup in game at Syracuse and performed magnificently • had two assists in the game against the Orange on tallies by Megan Buckingham and Bridgette Andrzejewski • scored first goal of season in opening half of UNC's win over Notre Dame in ACC Tournament semifinals • tallied insurance goal in NCAA second round victory over Kansas • assisted on Sarah Ashley Firstenberg's game-winning goal in season-opening 2-0 victory over UCF • named to 2016-17 ACC Academic Honor Roll.

Lotte Wubben-Moy, Freshman, Defender, London, England: Talented youth international with extensive experience for England • recruited to play center back in Carolina's 3-4-3 system • after arriving in U.S. after season opener versus Duke, she started four straight games and played 292 minutes • was injured in opening half against UNCW and missed games the next seven games due to injury • had not played since September 3 but came off the bench to play 29 minutes in win at Boston College • cleared a ball off the line to save a goal in closing minute of first half in eventual 4-1 win over the Eagles • saw 81 minutes off the bench in tie with Louisville and played 93 while appearing in a starting role in 1-1 tie with Notre Dame • played all 90 minutes in ACC Tournament wins over Florida State, NC State and Duke • overall has played in 12 games, starting nine times and playing 885 minutes • named by Top Drawer Soccer to its preseason Best XI Team for the freshman class of 2017.

for her fourth goal of the season and third game-winner. Bridgette Andrzejewski assisted on the goal.

In the 22nd minute, Joanna Boyles was taken

down in the box and she stepped to the 12-yard spot and powered her penalty kick into the back of the goal to put the Tar Heels up 2-0 at 21:07 with her fourth goal of the season. At 23:17, Boyles

earned her brace with a spectacular goal from the left side of the box, redirecting Dorian Bailey's perfect cross from the far right side back across the frame and past Brosnan. Emily Fox also assisted

on the goal.

North Carolina made it 4-0 at 34:30 as Bailey scored a goal for the fourth straight game, running through the box to finish a chance that had been sent on by Emily Fox. Taylor Otto also assisted on the goal after sending a long cross into the box that initially found Fox.

The Tar Heels continued to find the back of the net in the second half. In the 56th minute, Boyles concluded her hat trick as she scored on a header redirected to the opposite side of the net which just eluded the hands of Brosnan and then caromed off the right post and in. Julia Ashley and Emily Fox assisted on the goal. Fox's assist on that goal gave her three for the game. The last time a Tar Heel player had three assists in a game was August 29, 2010 when both Kelly McFarlane and Courtney Jones recorded three assists in a victory over Missouri.

For Boyles, she became just the second Tar Heel since Crystal Dunn had a hat trick against Miami in 2013 to record a three-goal game. Taylor Otto also had one earlier this year against South Florida.

UNC would score twice more against Syracuse reserve goalkeeper Lysianne Proulx. At 69:10, Morgan Goff scored her first goal of the season on a header off a corner kick by Dorian Bailey. Then at 82:54, Madison Schultz tallied her first goal of the campaign, sending a hard shot from the left side of the box into the opposite side of the net. Both Abby Staker (throw in) and Nicole Crutchfield (send on to Schultz) celebrated assists and their first career points on the goal.

Leshnak would need to make one more stop to preserve her shutout as she made a kick save on a breakaway effort by the Orange's Alex Lamontagne at the 87:11 mark.

The Tar Heels will be on the road for their next four matches beginning with a trip to Coral Gables, Fla., to meet the Miami Hurricanes Thursday at 7 p.m. The game will be webcast nationally on ACC Network Extra with live streaming on WatchESPN.

TAR HEELS TOUGH OUT KEY ACC WIN AT UVA ON NATIONAL TV:

Junior midfielder Dorian Bailey came off the bench for the third game in a row to score the game-winning goal as eighth-ranked North Carolina defeated 11th-ranked Virginia 2-1 in women's soccer action on September 24 at Klockner Stadium. A crowd of 1,540 fans was on hand as well as a national television audience on ESPNU.

Carolina improved to 7-2 overall on the season and is now 3-0 in the ACC with all three wins by single goals over the past eight days. Virginia is now 6-3-2 on the campaign and 1-1-1 in the ACC. Carolina has played its last four games against teams ranked in the Top 20 of the United Soccer Coaches poll.

After Virginia scored early in the contest, the Tar Heels answered with a pair of goals just four minutes apart midway through the first half and those tallies held up for the 2-1 win. Carolina improved to 37-4-4 all-time against the Cavaliers and has now won two in a row in the series and gone 2-0-1 in the last three games between the two teams. Sunday marked the first win for UNC at Klockner Stadium since October 8, 2010 when the Tar Heels won 1-0 in overtime on a goal by Crystal Dunn off an assist by Kelly McFarlane.

Virginia outshot the Tar Heels 10-7 in the game Sunday, including 8-2 in the second half but the Tar Heel defense held up and Samantha Leshnak was active in the box, playing aggressively and denying the Wahos several scoring chances on dangerous plays that did not result in shots statistically. Both teams recorded four shots on goal in the match and UNC held a 3-2 edge in corner kicks. Laurel Ivory had two saves for the Cavaliers and Samantha Leshnak had three saves for Coach Anson Dorrance's side.

The Tar Heels almost struck in the second minute of the game for an early lead. Bridgette Andrzejewski got free in the box and had a shot from 10 yards out that Virginia goalkeeper Laurel Ivory knocked over the end line for a corner kick at the 1:19 mark. Virginia kindly accepted the reprieve and scored a go-ahead goal at 11:04 of the match. Hana Kerner made a run down the right side of the pitch and served a ball into the box to Montana Sutton on the left side of the penalty area. Sutton redirected the ball to Taylor Ziemer who quickly returned the ball to Sutton whose one-timer from 16 yards went off the underside of the cross bar and into the upper left corner of the frame. The goal was Sutton's second of the year.

Tar Heel freshman forward Alessia Russo almost got the equalizer for the Tar Heels in the 17th minute as she got free for a moment in the box before Ivory gobbled up the ball on Russo's short from close range. Russo would not be denied, however, as she struck for the game-tying goal at 23:12 as Carolina scored on a counter attack after a long punt by Samantha Leshnak. Dorian Bailey, who had come on for Sydney Spruill just four minutes earlier, fed a ball from about 20 yards out on the right side to Andrzejewski at the top of the box in the center of the pitch. The sophomore forward pushed it wide to her left and Russo ran on to the ball and her shot from 14 yards wound up being deflected by a Virginia defender and going into the left side of the goal for the tying tally. It was Russo's third goal of the season.

Just over four minutes later, Bailey struck for her fifth goal of the season and her third game-winning goal in eight days as she had also scored the lone goals in UNC's 1-0 win over Florida State on September 17 and against Clemson on September 21. The goal came on a give-and-go by Bailey and Andrzejewski with Bailey finishing from eight yards out into the top right corner of the goal. Official time of the goal was 27:28. Julia Ashley's through ball had initially sprung Bailey free as the Tar Heels attacked through the midfield.

There was only one more shot in the first half over the next 17 ½ minutes as Carolina ended the half up 2-1 and with a 5-2 edge in shots.

The second half was certainly a contrast as Carolina's final two shots of the match were taken by Bailey at the 48:19 mark and Julia Ashley at 49:19 of the game. The Cavaliers would go on to take the final eight shots of the match but the UNC defense held strong and the Tar Heels never allowed the equalizer. The most dangerous situations over the next 40 minutes came on shots that were blocked or balls that were pinging around the box.

Leshnak saved a shot by Taylor Ziemer at 49:57 and the Tar Heel defense then blocked three shots in a four-minute span before the half was 15 minutes old while under heavy pressure by the Virginia defense. Leshnak would go on to make two more saves, stopping efforts by Veronica Latsko at the 64:14 and 73:37 marks of the game. The latter shot by Latsko was the last shot by either team in the game as teams battled in the midfield for possession over the final 17:23 of the game. Carolina was particularly effective over the game's final five minutes in controlling the ball on it's offensive end of the field.

Carolina has now started 3-0 in the ACC for the third time in the last four seasons. Next up for Carolina is a match against Syracuse next Saturday at Koka Booth Stadium at WakeMed Soccer Park at 12 noon. The match will be webcast nationally on ACC Network Extra. Admission to the match is free.

CAROLINA SWEEPS ACC PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS: Following wins over Clemson and Virginia, North Carolina junior midfielder Dorian Bailey has been named the ACC Offensive Player

of the Week while teammate freshman red-shirt defender Taylor Otto is this week's Defensive Player of the Week. The selections were announced by the ACC on Tuesday, September 26.

Bailey scored a pair of goals and added an assist in North Carolina's victories over Clemson and Virginia last week. Bailey's game-winner against the Tigers came at 76:23 of the match and marked the second straight UNC win over Clemson in which Bailey scored the decisive goal. Three days later at UVA, the Mission, Kan., native assisted on the game-tying goal and scored the game-winning goal in UNC's 2-1 come-from-behind victory over the Cavaliers. Bailey assisted on Alessia Russo's game-tying goal at 23:12 of the match, and then at 27:28, she worked a give-and-go with Bridgette Andrzejewski to give the Tar Heels the game-winning tally.

Otto led a defensive corps which conceded only one goal against a pair of nationally-ranked opponents as the Tar Heels defeated Clemson 1-0 on Thursday and Virginia 2-1 on Sunday. Otto helped hold the Tigers to eight shots and only two on goal in North Carolina's shutout. Against the Cavaliers, the Carolina defense gave up just four shots on goal and 10 overall. The Tar Heels have allowed only one goal in three ACC games this season.

Bailey was also named to the Top Drawer Soccer National Team of the Week this season after Carolina's wins over Clemson and Virginia.

UNC will be back in action again on Saturday when the Tar Heels play host to Syracuse at 12 noon at WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C.

The Tar Heels moved up the Soccer America rankings this week to No. 4 and lead a contingent of five ACC teams ranked in the Top 25. The other four teams in this week's poll are No. 5 Duke, No. 8 Florida State, No. 12 Virginia and No. 17 Notre Dame.

TAR HEELS PITCH SHUTOUT IN WIN OVER

TIGERS: Dorian Bailey scored the game-winning goal for the second straight game in a row as eighth-ranked North Carolina defeated 19th-ranked Clemson in women's soccer action 1-0 September 21 at Koka Booth Stadium at WakeMed Soccer Park Thursday night.

A crowd of 1,331 fans was on hand to watch another 1-0 between the two rivals. The teams also played a 1-0 game last year in the NCAA third round in another game in which the Tar Heels prevailed on a goal by Bailey.

The only goal of Thursday night's game came at 76:23 of the match and was set up by a throw in deep in the Clemson defensive end. Eventually, Madison Schultz got free at the top of the penalty area and sent a shot off the cross bar. Bailey was right there to head the game-winner over the head of Clemson goalkeeper Sandy MacIver and into the back of the net.

It was Bailey's fourth goal of the season, a statistic in which she leads the team. It was also her second consecutive game-winning goal as she had the deciding tally in UNC's 1-0 win at Florida State last Sunday.

UNC finished with a 16-8 edge in shots in the game but both teams struggled to place shots on frame. Samantha Leshnak made two saves on Clemson's eight shots and Sandy MacIver had three saves while allowing the one Tar Heel goal. UNC ended with a 4-2 edge in shots on goal and a 7-2 edge in corner kicks.

With the win, Carolina improves to 6-2 on the season and 2-0 in the ACC. Clemson fell to 6-3 with its third successive loss and the Tigers are now 0-2 in the ACC.

Neither team found the back of the net in the first half with UNC outshooting the Tigers 7-3. Finding shots on the net was difficult for both teams as Sandy MacIver made saves on both Tar Heel

shots on frame in the first period while Samantha Leshnak made one save for Carolina. UNC took all five corner kicks in the first half.

Carolina will next be in action on Sunday when the Tar Heels travel to Charlottesville, Va., to meet up with the 11th-ranked Virginia Cavaliers at Klockner Stadium. Game time is 3 p.m. and the game will be nationally televised on ESPNU.

TAR HEELS PULL OFF BIG CONFERENCE

WIN AT FSU: The 10th-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team returned to the pitch after a 10-day break, earning a 1-0 victory against 16th-ranked Florida State before a crowd of 1,371 fans at the Seminole Soccer Complex on Sunday afternoon, September 17. Junior midfielder Dorian Bailey's goal in the 58th minute was the difference in the match in the ACC opener for both teams.

Both teams are now 5-2 overall and Carolina is 1-0 in the ACC and Florida State is 0-1. The victory by Carolina improves its all-time record against the Seminoles to 26-8-4 but it was its first in the series in Tallahassee since a 2-0 win here in 2011.

The only goal of the contest came at 57:11 and it came off a corner kick. A shot by Dorian Bailey was blocked by the Seminoles over the end line for the corner. UNC senior Joanna Boyles sent a perfect corner to the 12-yard line where senior midfielder Abby Elinsky was unmarked. Elinsky headed the ball down into the turf and Bailey was Johnny-on-the-spot at the five-yard line, redirecting Elinsky's redirection like a perfect basketball bounce pass with her head over Florida State goalkeeper Cassie Miller and into the upper right corner of the goal. Bailey was stationed near the left post but flicked the ball across the goal and over the fingertips of Miller with aplomb.

Carolina had not played since losing at fifth-ranked Penn State 1-0 on September 7 and its fresh legs seemed to make a difference in the game. The Tar Heels are currently fighting an injury bug that has temporarily sidelined a group of starters, but Tar Heel head coach Anson Dorrance made liberal use of his bench, playing 17 players and showing confidence in his reserves. Florida State, conversely does not have as deep a bench as normal this season, and it made only two substitutions in the game. The Seminoles pushed hard for the tying goal for about 20 minutes before UNC was able take over possession over the last 10 minutes of the match, not allowing a shot by FSU in the final 12 ½ minutes of action.

North Carolina finished with a 12-8 edge in shots in the match and a 5-1 edge in corner kicks. UNC generated seven shots on goal – two each by Bailey and Bridgette Andrzejewski and one each by Boyles, Alea Hyatt and Madison Schultz. Cassie Miller finished with six saves for the Seminoles. Florida State finished with four shots on goal, all resulting in saves by Tar Heel goalkeeper Samantha Leshnak. The junior netminder for the Heels made five saves and recorded her third solo shutout of the campaign. Dallas Dorosy had two shots on goal for FSU while Megan Connelly and Deyna Castellanos had one each.

Leshnak saved a point-blank shot by Castellanos from about eight yards out with 32 seconds left in the first half, knocking the ball down with two hands before the Tar Heels could clear the ball over the end line for a corner kick. That was the best opportunity for either team in the opening 45 minutes. In the 64th minute, FSU had a good chance off a free kick but Megan Connolly's dangerous header was gobbled up by Leshnak. The last shot of the game by FSU came with 12:29 left and it was arguably its most dangerous chance of the game but UNC's defense closed down on Castellanos and her shot from inside the penalty area went just high of the cross bar. Maya Worth closed down defensively on the play, forcing Castellanos to adjust and it made have been

just enough to throw the dangerous International player's shot off frame.

ENDING FSU HOME UNBEATEN STREAK:

North Carolina's 1-0 win on September 17 ended a 36-match unbeaten streak for the Seminoles at the Seminole Soccer Complex. During that streak, FSU had outscored its opponents 108-7 in Tallahassee. It's last home loss came on September 5, 2014 when Florida beat the Seminoles 2-1 in Tallahassee. Florida State was also 70-1-3 in its last 74 home matches dating back to 2011.

TAR HEELS-SEMINOLES SERIES NOTES:

UNC is now 26-8-4 all-time against the Seminoles after Carolina's 1-0 win on September 17. Florida State's eight wins are the most all-time against Carolina, one more than Notre Dame possesses. UNC has lost only 69 matches dating back to its inaugural season in 1979.

After a 2-0 win in the regular season by Carolina in 2011, Florida State had gone 6-0-1 against UNC between an ACC Tournament win in 2011 through the 2015 campaign. Over the last two campaigns, UNC is now 2-0-1 against the Seminoles, winning 1-0 in Chapel Hill in the regular season meeting in 2016 and tying in the 2016 ACC Tournament championship game 0-0 prior to Sunday's victory by the Heels in Tallahassee.

ONE-GOAL GAMES BETWEEN THE HEELS & THE NOLES:

Beginning with the 2010 campaign, the two teams have played 12 times with FSU going 6-4-2 in those contests. Nine of the 10 wins recorded by the teams in that time have been decided by a single goal. The exception was a 2-0 win by UNC at Tallahassee in 2011. There was a 1-1 tie in Chapel Hill in 2014 and a 0-0 tie in the ACC Tournament in 2016 in Charleston, S.C.

TAR HEELS BLANK UNCW: The ninth-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team emerged from the Duke Nike Classic with a second successive shutout victory, beating the UNCW Seahawks 2-0 at Koskinen Stadium Sunday morning, September 3.

Carolina scored both of its goals on nifty passing combinations with double assists credited on both tallies. Sydney Spruill scored her first career goal at 9:11 off assists by Emily Fox and Julia Ashley while Bridgette Andrzejewski notched her first goal of the season at 48:14 with assists by Alessia Russo and Megan Buckingham.

In beating Auburn 5-0 Friday and UNC 2-0 Sunday, Carolina combined to outshoot its opponents 46-4 on the weekend while taking all six corner kicks in the two games.

Samantha Leshnak went the full 90 minutes in both games, garnering the first two solo shutouts of her Tar Heel career. UNC outshot the Seahawks 23-2 Sunday and had a 6-0 edge in corner kicks.

Carolina is now 4-1 on the season while UNCW fell to 2-4.

The Tar Heels outshot the Seahawks 14-0 in the first half and took all three corner kicks in the opening 45 minutes. Three minutes into the match, Bridgette Andrzejewski had a shot for Carolina right on the doorstep but Seahawks' goalkeeper Sydney Schneider was able to parry it away at the last second.

Carolina went up 1-0 six minutes later as freshman Sydney Spruill scored her first career goal with 35:52 left in the first half. Julia Ashley carried the ball up the right side of the field and fed Tar Heel freshman midfielder Emily Fox who crossed to an unmarked Spruill who was unmarked inside the six-yard box for the easy put away.

Andrzejewski kept putting on the pressure throughout the half and Schneider had to make two more impressive saves on shots by the UNC

sophomore forward with 31:26 left in the half and again with 9:55 to play. UNC's other shot on goal in the first half came with 27:24 to play when Alessia Russo's shot from the top of the box was saved by Schneider.

Carolina went on to outshoot the Seahawks 9-2 after intermission. The Tar Heels got the insurance goal they needed at 48:14 of the match in the fourth minute of the second half. Bridgette Andrzejewski scored her first goal of the season heading home a ball from inside the six-yard box on the right side. Alessia Russo had the primary assist on the goal, lofting a pass from the left corner perfectly to the head of Andrzejewski. Megan Buckingham also assisted on the goal.

The next best opportunity to score in the second half came with 21:13 to play when freshman Alea Hyatt's shot from in close was saved off the line of UNCW's Schneider.

Schneider finished with seven saves for UNCW while Leshnak made one save for Carolina.

Carolina will be back in action on Thursday when it travels to University Park, Pa. to take on #4-ranked Penn State at Jeffrey Field. The Nittany Lions are a veteran team coming off a 2015 season two years ago in which it won its first national championship. The game will be telecast nationally on the Big 10 Network.

TAR HEELS PUT UP HIGHEST SCORING OUTPUT IN OVER TWO YEARS IN WIN OVER

AUBURN: Joanna Boyles scored a pair of goals and three other Tar Heels added single tallies as the North Carolina women's soccer team powered its way to a 5-0 victory over Auburn at Koskinen Stadium on Friday night, September 1.

The game was the lidlifter of a two-game Friday night doubleheader as part of the Duke Nike Classic. The Tigers and Tar Heels were scheduled for a 5 p.m. kickoff Friday but the game was delayed by two-and-one-half hours by lightning and heavy thunderstorms, finally starting at 7:30 p.m.

Carolina improved to 3-1 on the season while Auburn fell to 2-2-1. The five goals were the most scored by UNC in a game since August 23, 2015 when the Heels beat Fresno State 7-0 at Fetzer Field.

UNC finished with a 23-2 shot margin in the game as it outshot Auburn 12-2 in the first half and 11-0 in the second half. UNC had five corner kicks in the game to one for Auburn. UNC goalkeeper Samantha Leshnak played the whole way and recorded her first career solo shutout, making one save. Sarah Le Beau made nine saves and allowed five goals while guarding the net for the Tigers of the Southeastern Conference.

UNC dominated the first half but was unable to dent the scoreboard until the 29th minute and then it went ahead 1-0 on a spectacular goal by freshman forward Alessia Russo. Megan Buckingham had the assist on the tally. Russo's goal, her second consecutive game-winning tally, came at 28:49 of the match. Russo powered a shot from 25 yards out that was struck on a rope into the upper right 90 of the goal, freezing Le Beau in the process.

Carolina maintained the 1-0 lead until it took complete control with four goals in the final 26 minutes of the match. Russo was taken down in the penalty area right at the 64-minute mark and junior Dorian Bailey struck her penalty kick into the left side for her second goal of the year.

Late in the 74th minute, Taylor Otto of the Tar Heels was taken down in front of the Tar Heel penalty area around 22 yards from goal. Joanna Boyles took the ensuing free kick and sent a ball past the Auburn wall and into the lower left corner of the frame for her second goal of the season.

Boyles scored again less than six minutes later when she finished off a nifty passing combination in the box in tight quarters. Boyles' shot from 12

yards out on the left side found the right side of the net after she took a redirect from Dorian Bailey who shielded a defender with her back to the goal. Taylor Otto also assisted on the goal.

Carolina finished the scoring at 88:42 as Miah Araba, a Chapel Hill native, scored her initial career goal while playing the first six minutes of her Tar Heel career. Araba sent a high, arcing shot from 22 yards out into the upper left 90 of the frame over the head of Le Beau. Bridgette Andrzejewski assisted on the goal.

Carolina will return to action on Sunday when it plays UNCW in the Duke Nike Classic at Koskinen Stadium in Durham, N.C. The game will be webcast nationally on ACC Network Extra.

ASHLEY EARNS HONORS AS ACC DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK:

North Carolina junior defender Julia Ashley of Verona, N.J. is this week's ACC Defensive Player of the Week while Louisville freshman midfielder Emina Ekic has been named this week's Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Soccer Offensive Player of the Week. The conference chose its weekly selections on Tuesday, September 4 and they were based on games played August 28-September 3.

Ashley was the outstanding defensive player on the field in the Duke Nike Classic as she led North Carolina to a 5-0 win over Auburn and a 2-0 victory over UNCW. Ashley played 80 minutes in UNC's win over Auburn and then went the full 90 in the shutout win over the Seahawks. North Carolina's defense limited both Auburn and UNCW to just two shots as the Tar Heels finished with a 46-4 shot margin on the weekend. The Tar Heels also held the Seahawks without a corner kick and allowed only one by the Tigers for the game. In North Carolina's win over UNCW, Ashley assisted on Sydney Spruill's game-winning goal in the 10th minute of play.

The latest Soccer America Top 25 has seven ACC teams ranked, with six in the top 12. Virginia leads the way at No. 6 followed by No. 7 Wake Forest, No. 8 Florida State, No. 10 North Carolina, No. 11 Duke, No. 12 Clemson and No. 21 Notre Dame.

TAR HEELS BREAK OUT OF SCORING SLUMP IN WIN AT SOUTH FLORIDA:

Freshman Taylor Otto recorded the Tar Heels' first hat trick in four years and freshman Alessia Russo scored the game-winner in the 74th minute as the fourth-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team knocked South Florida from the ranks of the unbeaten by a 4-2 score Sunday afternoon, August 27 at Corbett Stadium.

In the process, the Tar Heels bounced back from a 2-1 overtime loss at UCF Friday night and improved to 2-1 on the season. South Florida lost for the first time after starting the season 3-0. It was the first meeting ever between the two teams and it was played on a cloudy day with temperatures in the 80s. The official attendance was 912.

Otto scored three goals for the Tar Heels, including two on penalty kicks. She scored both of Carolina's goals in the first half and then added an insurance goal in the 85th minute. It was the first hat trick by a Tar Heel player since Crystal Dunn scored three goals against Miami on September 22, 2013 in a 4-0 win in Coral Gables, Fla. It was also only the second hat trick notched by a Tar Heel since Courtney Jones scored three goals against Duke on October 28, 2010 in a 5-3 Carolina victory over the Blue Devils in Durham, N.C.

On Sunday, the teams traded goals in the first half to go to intermission at 2-2. Megan Buckingham was taken down from behind in the penalty area in the 17th minute and Otto stepped to the 12-yard spot and finished into the lower right corner for her first career goal at 16:25. Less than four minutes later, Carolina was called for a foul in USF's penalty area and Andrea Hauksdottir scored into the right side of the goal for her third goal of the season.

UNC retook the lead at 37:34 on a nice passing combination between Morgan Goff and Taylor Otto as the Tar Heels took advantage of an interception 30 yards from the South Florida goal. Goff took the ball into the penalty area and found Otto on the right side and she finished from 12 yards out past USF goalkeeper Kat Elliott. Again, the lead did not hold for long as Evelyne Viens scored her fourth goal of the season at 39:19 to tie the game 2-2. Viens dribbled down the middle of the field and with no defender picking her up, Tar Heel goalkeeper Samantha Leshnak came out to try to cut down the angle but Viens chipped her to score from the top of the box.

Regrouping at half, the Tar Heels came out and dominated the second half, outshooting the Bulls 16-2 after intermission and scoring twice to come away with the victory. The game-winning goal came off the foot of freshman Alessia Russo, who joined the team last week from England. She took a pass from Dorian Bailey, dribbled a few yards and then finished from 22 yards out into the lower right corner of the goal. The goal came at 73:58 of the match.

At 84:27, USF defender Kelli Burney took down UNC's Bridgette Andrzejewski in the box, earning a straight red card in the process for denying a clear scoring chance by the UNC sophomore forward. Otto again converted successfully on the penalty kick, going low and to the right side for her third goal of the game.

UNC ended up with a 25-6 edge in shots while the Tar Heels took all 10 corner kicks in the game. Kat Elliott played all 90 minutes in goal for USF and made seven saves while allowing four goals. Samantha Leshnak played all 90 minutes for the Tar Heels and made two saves while allowing two goals.

CONGRATS TO TIFF: North Carolina lost for only the 68th time in its 39-year women's soccer history on Friday, August 25 when UCF came from behind to defeat the Tar Heels 2-1 in double overtime at Orlando, Fla.

In the process, Tiffany Roberts Sahaydak became the first Tar Heel alumna in history to beat Anson Dorrance in a head-to-head coaching matchup. Roberts was an All-America midfielder at Carolina, playing for the Tar Heels from 1995-98 and winning NCAA titles in 1996 and 1997.

TAR HEELS OPEN WITH VICTORY OVER

DUKE: Jessie Scarpa scored off an assist by Joanna Boyles in the fourth minute of overtime on August 18 to lift the sixth-ranked University of North Carolina women's soccer team to a 2-1 victory over 12th-ranked Duke before an overflow crowd of 2,012 fans at WakeMed Soccer Park.

UNC is playing its 2017 home games in Cary while a new Fetzer Field is being built on campus. With seating for only around 500 spectators, fans filled every available nook and cranny of the Koka Booth Stadium to watch another in the long series of titanic battles between the two old rivals. UNC earned its first win over the Blue Devils since 2014 and now leads the all-time series 38-3-2.

The matchup did not disappoint in the season opener for both teams. Scarpa and Boyles returned to the pitch Friday for the first time since 2015 after redshirting in the 2016 campaign and they provided the key plays in the Tar Heels' come-from-behind win. Scarpa missed last year while playing with the U.S. U20 National Team at the World Cup in Papua New Guinea while Boyles redshirted after suffering an ACL tear in practice late in the 2015 season.

Their return was obviously serendipitous for Coach Anson Dorrance's side. Duke drew first blood in the match after the Tar Heels turned the ball over in the midfield. Imani Dorsey fed a ball from the left side of the field to Ella Stevens who lofted a perfectly placed ball over the Tar Heel defensive line while driving down the middle of the field. Taylor

Racioppi was on the receiving end of the service and she got enough of her right foot on it to send it over the arms of UNC goalkeeper Samantha Leshnak, who was making her second career start. The goal came at 24:46 of the match.

UNC had two golden opportunities to tie the score over the next few minutes. Joanna Boyles had her shot go high at 27:46 off a direct kick and then Bridgette Andrzejewski stole a clearance pass and missed just high of the cross bar at 28:23.

Just over three minutes later, however, the Tar Heels got the tying tally after UNC freshman midfielder Emily Fox drove to the goal and drew a foul just outside the penalty area. Boyles stepped up and this time her kick was true as she sent it past the Duke defensive wall and Duke goalkeeper E.J. Proctor. It hit the underside of the cross bar and nestled into the back netting for a tie game. It was Boyles' first goal since she scored against Notre Dame on October 22, 2015.

The two teams went to halftime tied at 1-1 and with Duke having outshot Carolina 5-4 in the first half. While Carolina possessed the ball for long periods in the second half, it was Duke who seemed to create the most dangerous opportunities to get a game-winner. The two teams also combined for 11 corner kicks in the second half. Duke took 10 of the 15 shots in the second half.

The drama in the game amped up to another level in the closing two minutes of regulation as Samantha Leshnak kept the Tar Heels in the match by making two incredible saves in one-on-one chances against veteran Duke forwards who found themselves open in the penalty area. She knocked down a shot by Racioppi with 1:07 left in regulation and then made another world class save to deny a shot by Kayla McCoy with 18 seconds to play. Malinda Allen sent a follow up shot wide left and the Heels survived to play overtime.

After those late Duke chances, UNC came out with four defenders in the overtime, one of them being Scarpa, who joined Julia Ashley, Taylor Otto and Maya Worth in the back. Just under three minutes into overtime, the Tar Heels earned a corner kick from the right side. Boyles' initial service was volleyed out by the Duke defense but Dorian Bailey tracked the ball down on the right side of the box and sent the ball to Boyles' foot again. The pass could not have been truer as Scarpa skyed over two Duke defenders to head the orb down and inside the left post from 12 yards out, setting off a mass celebration on the field and in the crowd. It was the first goal for Scarpa since she scored against Liberty on November 13, 2015.

Duke finished with a 15-10 edge in shots while both teams took six corner kicks. E.J. Proctor played all 93:12 in goal for Duke and made two saves while allowing two goals. Samantha Leshnak proved to be another hero on the night for the light blue XI as in her 93:12 between the pipes she made six saves while allowing just goal.

BOYLES NAMED ACC OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF WEEK AFTER SEASON OPENER:

North Carolina senior midfielder Joanna Boyles earned the first Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Soccer Offensive Player of the Week honor of the season August 21.

Boyles tallied a goal and an assist as No. 6 (coaches poll) /10 (Soccer America poll) North Carolina rallied for 2-1 overtime win against #12 (coaches poll)/13 (Soccer America poll) Duke on August 18 in the season opener for both teams at WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C.

After Duke had taken a 1-0 lead in the game's 25th minute, Boyles scored the game-tying goal 6:54 later. She scored on a direct kick from 20 yards out that hit the underside of the cross bar and bounced in. The game went to overtime and Boyles stepped up again with the assist on the game-winner by Jessie Scarpa at 93:12. UNC earned a corner kick in

the 93rd minute and Boyles' corner was volleyed out by a Duke defender. UNC's Dorian Bailey tracked down the ball and sent it back to Boyles, whose service into the box was perfect, finding Scarpa around eight yards out, and she headed the ball down and just inside the left post for the game-winning tally.

A NEW HOME FOR 2017: North Carolina women's soccer's long-time home, Fetzer Field, was torn down in May 2017 and a new Fetzer Field is currently being built on the same spot on the UNC campus with the opening scheduled for August 2018.

In the interim, UNC's five regular-season home games for the 2017 campaign were played at Koka Booth Stadium at WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C.

Seating capacity at Koka Booth Stadium is 500 plus standing room. No admission charge was in place for any of UNC's five regular-season home games in 2017.

The Tar Heels' five home games started with a 2-1 overtime win over Duke on August 18. The Heels beat Clemson 1-0 on September 21 and then blanked Syracuse 7-0 on September 30. The Tar Heels played to a 0-0 tie with Louisville on October 22 and finished the regular-season against Notre Dame on October 26 with a 1-1 tie.

UNC went on to defeat Florida State 2-1 in the ACC Tournament quarterfinals at WakeMed and downed High Point 3-0 in NCAA first round at WakeMed. UNC plays Colorado at WakeMed on November 17 in NCAA Tournament second round.

The previous Fetzer Field was built in 1935 as a Works Project Administration program in the administration of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. It became the home of UNC women's soccer when the team became a varsity program in 1979.

CONSISTENCY, STATISTICAL ANOMALY OR JUST VERY GOOD?: North Carolina enters Friday's match against Colorado with an all-time winning percentage of .906 dating back to the program's first year in 1979.

The fact is that UNC's program under the direction of head coach Anson Dorrance has been remarkably consistent in his 39 years as head coach regardless of where or when the Tar Heels took the pitch.

Under Dorrance, UNC has won 90.6 percent of its games overall, 86.7 percent of its ACC regular-season games, 89.9 percent of its ACC Tournament games, 90.4 percent of its NCAA Tournament games, 91.4 percent of its home games and 89.9 percent of its road and neutral site games.

16 TAR HEELS NAMED TO 2016-17 ACC

ACADEMIC HONOR ROLL: A record 385 North Carolina student-athletes were named to the 2016-17 Atlantic Coast Conference Academic Honor Roll, announced on July 13, 2017 by the league. It's the second year in a row and the fourth time in the past five years that UNC has established a new high and the fifth year in a row that more than 300 Tar Heel student-athletes have been honored.

Coach Anson Dorrance's North Carolina women's soccer team produced 16 of the 385 Tar Heels on the Honor Roll. Fifty-three percent of the team's 30 members were tapped for the Honor Roll. Carolina had placed 17 members of the team on the 2015-16 Honor Roll. Seniors Joanna Boyles and Darcy McFarlane were named to the ACC Academic Honor Roll for the fourth successive year.

The 2016-17 school year honorees included sophomore Julia Ashley, sophomore Dorian Bailey, senior Joanna Boyles, junior Megan Buckingham, junior Cannon Clough, sophomore Nicole Crutchfield, senior Sarah Ashley Firstenberg, senior Hanna Gardner, senior Lindsey Harris, junior Annie Kingman, senior Darcy McFarlane, sophomore

Kate Morris, freshman Zoe Redei, junior Frances Reuland, freshman Abby Staker and junior Maya Worth.

The ACC Honor Roll is comprised of student-athletes who participated in a varsity-level sport and registered a grade point average of 3.0 or better for the full academic year. The conference recognized a record 4,472 student-athletes for their hard work in the classroom.

UNC's record total marked an improvement of 29 over last year, when the Tar Heels had an all-time high of 356 students honored. Carolina had 339 recognized in 2014-15, following a then-record 347 in 2013-14. UNC's total in 2012-13, 329, was also a record at the time.

The number of UNC students honored for 2016-17 is roughly half of Carolina's total number of student-athletes and is an improvement of about 100 student-athletes over the past decade.

FOUR TAR HEELS NAMED TO 2016 ALL-ACC

ACADEMIC TEAM: Four members of Coach Anson Dorrance's 2016 NCAA semifinalist women's soccer team were named to the sport's All-ACC Academic Team as announced on February 7, 2017 by Commissioner John Swofford.

All 15 schools were represented on last year's All-ACC Academic Team. The Tar Heels who earned honors on last year's team were senior midfielder Cameron Castleberry, redshirt senior defender Hanna Gardner, junior midfielder Megan Buckingham and junior midfielder Annie Kingman.

Minimum academic requirements for selection to the All-ACC Academic Team are a 3.0 grade point average for the previous semester and a 3.0 cumulative average during a player's academic career. Athletic achievements during the most recent season are also considered in selecting the All-ACC Academic Team.

2016 All-ACC Academic Women's Soccer Team - North Carolina Honorees

Megan Buckingham, Jr., North Carolina, Media & Journalism

Cameron Castleberry, Sr., North Carolina, Psychology

Hanna Gardner, R-Sr., North Carolina, Biology & Environmental Studies

Annie Kingman, Jr., North Carolina, Economics

TAR HEELS ELECT TEAM CAPTAINS: The North Carolina women's soccer team has elected four players as team captains for the 2017 campaign. The captains are senior midfielder Annie Kingman of Woodside, Calif., senior midfielder Joanna Boyles of Raleigh, N.C., junior defender Julia Ashley of Verona, N.J. and senior midfielder Megan Buckingham of Novi, Mich.

TV SCHEDULE FOR UNC WOMEN'S SOCCER

IN 2017 ANNOUNCED: The initial list of 2017 University of North Carolina women's soccer games to be televised and webcast in affiliation with the Atlantic Coast Conference was announced on August 14.

Additions to the TV list could come from other networks at a future date and game times on the designated dates are currently tentative.

Here's a rundown of UNC women's soccer television/webcasting dates so far. ACC Tournament games are pending if the Tar Heels earn a tourney invite and advance round by round.

ESPN

Sunday, September 24, 2017, North Carolina at Virginia, 3 p.m., Charlottesville, Va. (Tar Heels won 2-1)

Sunday, November 5, 2017, ACC Championship final game, 1 p.m., Charleston, S.C. (Tar Heels won 1-0)

ACC Regional Sports Networks

Friday, November 3, 2017, North Carolina vs. NC State, 8 p.m., Charleston, S.C. (Tar Heels won 1-0)

Big Ten Network

Thursday, September 7, 2017, North Carolina at Penn State, 7 p.m., University Park, Pa. (Tar Heels lost 1-0)

ACC Network Extra Games (with live streaming on WatchESPN)

Friday, August 18, 2017, North Carolina vs. Duke, 6 p.m., Cary, N.C. (Tar Heels win in overtime 2-1)

Friday, September 1, 2017, North Carolina vs. Auburn, 5 p.m., Durham, N.C. (Tar Heels win 5-0)

Sunday, September 3, 2017, North Carolina vs. UNCW, 11 a.m., Durham, N.C. (Tar Heels win 2-0)

Sunday, September 17, 2017, North Carolina at Florida State, 1 p.m., Tallahassee, Fla. (Tar Heels win 1-0)

Thursday, September 21, 2017, North Carolina vs. Clemson, 6 p.m., Cary, N.C. (Tar Heels win 1-0)

Saturday, September 30, 2017, North Carolina vs. Syracuse, 12 p.m., Cary, N.C. (Tar Heels win 7-0)

Thursday, October 5, 2017, North Carolina at Miami, 7 p.m., Coral Gables, Fla. (Tar Heels win 3-0)

Sunday, October 8, 2017, North Carolina at Wake Forest, 5 p.m., Winston-Salem, N.C. (Tar Heels win 2-0)

Saturday, October 14, 2017, North Carolina at Boston College, 7 p.m., Newton, Mass. (Tar Heels win 4-1)

Thursday, October 19, 2017, North Carolina at Virginia Tech, 7 p.m., Blacksburg, Va. (Tar Heels win 4-0)

Sunday, October 22, 2017, North Carolina vs. Louisville, 1 p.m., Cary, N.C. (Tar Heels and Cardinals tie 0-0)

Thursday, October 26, 2017, North Carolina vs. Notre Dame, 6 p.m., Cary, N.C. (Tar Heels and Fighting Irish tied at 1-1)

Sunday, October 29, 2017, North Carolina vs. Florida State, 1 p.m., Cary, N.C. (Tar Heels won 2-1)

Saturday, November 11, 2017, North Carolina vs. High Point, 1 p.m., Cary, N.C. (Tar Heels won 3-0)

Friday, November 17, 2017, North Carolina vs. Colorado, 5 p.m., Cary, N.C.

Other Webcasts

Friday, August 25, 2017, North Carolina at UCF, 7 p.m., KnightsTV.com (Tar Heels lose 2-1 in double overtime)

Sunday, August 27, 2017, North Carolina at South Florida, 1 p.m., Facebook Live (Tar Heels win 4-2)

SCARPA, WUBBEN-MOY NAMED TO TOP DRAWER SOCCER PRESEASON XI TEAMS:

University of North Carolina junior forward Jessie Scarpa has been named to the TopDrawerSoccer.com Women's Division I preseason Best XI team announced by the magazine on August 14.

In addition, freshman defender Lotte Wubben-Moy, a native of England, who joined the Tar Heels on August 23 and is projected as UNC's starter at center back this year, was tapped for Top Drawer Soccer's Freshman Best XI.

The return of last fall's U.S. U20 Women's World Cup team is significant in this year's Preseason Best XI for women's Division I soccer. Scarpa was one of many preseason Best XI selections who played in last year's U20 FIFA World Cup in Papua, New Guinea and sat out the 2016 collegiate season in the process. Wubben-Moy was a member of the English Team that played at the 2016 U17 Women's World Cup. She is currently a member of the English side at the U19 level.

WCHL ANNOUNCES 2017 WOMEN'S SOCCER

BROADCAST SCHEDULE: WCHL Radio (97.9 FM, 1360 AM) announced its 2017 broadcast schedule for the University of North Carolina women's soccer season. This marks the seventh successive year that UNC's hometown radio station has aired games involving the storied program of head coach Anson Dorrance.

Paul Connell is back for his sixth year as the

play-by-play announcer for Tar Heel women's soccer on WCHL. John Stanley also returns as the chief analyst and a roster of former Tar Heel women's soccer players will also serve as guest commentators during the course of the season.

WCHL aired three regular season games.

Broadcast Schedule

Sunday, Sept. 24, 3 p.m., at Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

Sunday, Oct. 8, 5 p.m., at Wake Forest, Winston-Salem, N.C.

Thursday, Oct. 26, 6 p.m. vs. Notre Dame, Cary, N.C.

ANDRZEJEWSKI NAMED TO HERMANN

TROPHY WATCH LIST: United Soccer Coaches (formerly the NSCAA) and the Missouri Athletic Club announced August 8 the 61 NCAA Division I players named to the 2017 MAC Hermann Trophy Watch Lists for women and men for the 2017 season.

University of North Carolina sophomore forward Bridgette Andrzejewski is amongst the 30 female candidates on the 2017 Watch List. Andrzejewski was the ACC Freshman of the Year in 2016 while leading the Tar Heels to the College Cup. She was also an NSCAA coaches third-team All-America selection. The Lutherville, Md., native started 21 games last year and played in 25. She led UNC with nine goals and a total of 20 points.

The MAC Hermann Trophy is the most prestigious individual award in college soccer and is presented annually to the most outstanding male and female players of the year. This year's winners will be announced Friday, Jan. 5, 2018 at the Missouri Athletic Club in St. Louis.

The MAC Hermann Trophy Watch Lists are compiled by members of the United Soccer Coaches Men's and Women's NCAA Division I All-America Committees. Fifteen semifinalists will be named for both the men's and women's MAC Hermann Trophy near the end of the college season based on voting by NCAA Division I coaches and from those candidates, three finalists will ultimately be placed on the ballot for the coveted award.

For more information about the MAC Hermann Trophy, including a list of past winners, visit MACHermannTrophy.org.

TAR HEELS CHECK IN AT NO. 6 IN

PRESEASON COACHES POLL: Coach Anson Dorrance's 2017 University of North Carolina women's soccer team was ranked sixth in the preseason poll issued August 4 by the United Soccer Coaches Association. The USCA previously went under the name of the National Soccer Coaches Association of America before being changed this summer.

North Carolina, returning six starters off its 2016 team which reached the NCAA semifinals before falling to West Virginia 1-0, was 17-4-4 a year ago. The Tar Heels were one of six Atlantic Coast Conference teams in the preseason Top 25 poll and the highest-ranking league entity in the group.

West Virginia, 2016 NCAA finalist, is ranked No. 1, while Stanford is second, 2016 NCAA champion USC is third, South Carolina is fourth and Georgetown fifth. The Tar Heels, who defeated the Gamecocks in last year's NCAA quarterfinals, head the second five in the poll followed by No. 7 Florida, No. 8 BYU, No. 9 UCLA and No. 10 Auburn.

UNC's 2017 regular season schedule includes games against No. 10 Auburn, No. 11 Virginia, No. 12 Duke, No. 13 Clemson, No. 15 Florida State and No. 18 Notre Dame.

UNC PICKED 10TH IN PRESEASON SOCCER

AMERICA POLL: The 2017 University of North Carolina women's soccer team was ranked 10th the preseason Soccer America poll released August 16. Coach Anson Dorrance's team returns 20 letter winners and six starters from last year's squad

which reached the NCAA College Cup semifinals before falling to consensus #1-ranked West Virginia 1-0.

Stanford was No. 1 in the Soccer America Women's Preseason College 25 rankings ahead of West Virginia, the 2016 NCAA Division I runner-up, Penn State, UCLA and Florida State, which rounded out the top five. Defending national champion USC is No. 8.

The Tar Heels play seven games in their 2017 regular season against teams in the Soccer America preseason Top 25.

CAROLINA PICKED SECOND IN 2017

PRESEASON ACC POLL: Coach Anson Dorrance's 2017 University of North Carolina women's soccer team has been picked to finish second in the Atlantic Coast Conference standings for the upcoming season. The Tar Heels finished behind only 2016 ACC Tournament champion Florida State among the 14 teams in the preseason poll.

Two Tar Heel forwards were picked to the preseason All-ACC Team in a vote by the league's 14 head coaches. Sophomore Bridgette Andrzejewski, the 2016 ACC Freshman of the Year, was named to the preseason team. She is joined on the preseason honor squad by Tar Heel redshirt junior Jessie Scarpa. A 2016 redshirt while she was playing on the U.S. U20 National Team at the FIFA World Cup, Scarpa was a first-team All-ACC choice as a sophomore in 2015.

The Seminoles received eight first-place votes and 186 points, followed by North Carolina (two first-place votes, 172 points), Duke (one first-place vote, 170 points), Virginia (two first-place votes, 160 points) and Notre Dame (one first place vote, 145 points). Clemson placed sixth in the voting followed by NC State, Virginia Tech and Wake Forest. Boston College placed 10th followed by Miami, Louisville, Syracuse and Pitt.

ACC women's soccer teams kicked off their 2017 season on Friday, Aug. 18. The top eight teams in the final league standings will advance to the ACC Championship, which will get underway with quarterfinal matches at campus sites on Sunday, Oct. 29. The semifinals and final are scheduled for Nov. 3 and Nov. 5 at MUSC Health Stadium in Charleston, South Carolina.

2017 Preseason All-ACC Women's Soccer Team

Cassie Miller, R-Sr., GK, Florida State
Sam Staab, Jr., D, Clemson
Rebecca Quinn, Sr., D, Duke
Natalia Kuikka, Jr., D, Florida State
Megan Connolly, Jr., M, Florida State
Sandra Yu, Sr., M, Notre Dame
Deyna Castellanos, So., F, Florida State
Jessie Scarpa, Jr., F, North Carolina
Bridgette Andrzejewski, So., F, North Carolina
Jennifer Westendorf, So., F, Notre Dame
Veronica Latsko, Sr., F, Virginia

Preseason ACC Coaches Poll

1. Florida State (186 points, 8 first-place votes)
2. North Carolina (172, 2 first-place votes)
3. Duke (170, 1 first-place vote)
4. Virginia (160, 2 first-place votes)
5. Notre Dame (145, 1 first-place votes)
6. Clemson (120)
7. NC State (104)
8. Virginia Tech (91)
9. Wake Forest (72)
10. Boston College (71)
11. Miami (65)
12. Louisville (63)
13. Syracuse (33)
14. Pitt (18)

TAR HEELS HOST FIVE GAMES AT WAKEMED

SOCCER PARK IN 2017: The University of North Carolina will play host to five games this fall at

WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C., while the new Fetzer Field is being built on the UNC campus.

The Tar Heels will host five ACC opponents at WakeMed which is located at 201 Soccer Park Drive in Cary. The Tar Heels are playing Duke in the season opener in a designated non-conference game and then playing four ACC games later in the year.

The schedule is as follows:

Friday, August 18 – Duke vs. North Carolina, WakeMed Soccer Park, 6 p.m.

Thursday, September 21 – Clemson vs. North Carolina, WakeMed Soccer Park, 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 30 – Syracuse vs. North Carolina, WakeMed Soccer Park, 12 p.m.

Sunday, October 22 – Louisville vs. North Carolina, WakeMed Soccer Park, 10 a.m.

Thursday, October 26 – Notre Dame vs. North Carolina, WakeMed Soccer Park, 6 p.m.

Following are some bullet points for fans as they plan their trips to Cary to watch the Tar Heels play this year.

- There will be no admission fee
- There will be no parking fee (primary parking in lot B and plenty of overflow)
- There is permanent seating for 500 fans
- There will be standing room only seating if the grandstand fills up
- No outside food or beverage can be brought in
- Concessions will be available (Backyard Bistro)
- Gates will open one hour prior to kickoff
- All five home games as tentatively scheduled to be streamed on ACC Network Extra and three games are tentatively scheduled for WCHL Radio

TAR HEELS ANNOUNCE NINE NEWCOMERS

FOR 2017 SQUAD: The University of North Carolina women's soccer program finalized its recruiting class for 2017 on June 21 as announced by head coach Anson Dorrance.

The recruiting class includes four freshmen who enrolled at Carolina in January 2017 as well as another four players who have been admitted to the University and enrolled in August of this year. Another player attended Carolina as a freshman last year and is joining UNC women's soccer for her sophomore season this fall.

Miah Araba is a local player for the Tar Heels who is a native of Chapel Hill and the valedictorian of the 2017 class at Carrboro High School. The 5-3 Araba played four years of high school soccer at Carrboro High where she was a member of 2A NCHSAA state championship teams three straight years from 2015-17. Each of those years she was named All-Conference, All-Region and All-State. In 47 career games, she recorded 147 points on 54 goals and 39 assists. She was consistent throughout her career, recording 46 points as a sophomore, 41 points as a junior and 50 points as a senior.

Brooke Bingham is another native of the Tar Heel State, hailing from Laurel Springs. She enrolled in January and stands 5-9. Bingham has been playing soccer on the club level since she was 12 years old but did not play high school soccer, practicing with a boys' team instead. She is a veteran of the U.S. Youth Soccer ODP program, being included on rosters and called into camps at the U18 and U19 levels since late 2014.

Sam DeSantis attended Carolina as a freshman in 2016-17 and is being added to the roster as a goalkeeper in the fall. She was a Dean's List student at Carolina as a freshman, earning a 3.94 grade point average while majoring in information science and mathematics. DeSantis stands 5-7 and played four years of soccer at Saint Stephens High School in her hometown of Hickory, N.C. She was an All-State and All-Conference honoree in high school while serving as the team captain.

Emily Fox enrolled at Carolina in the spring semester 2017 and is a long-tenured member of U.S. women's soccer youth national teams.

Fox stands 5-5 and is a native of Ashburn, Va. Fox attended Stone Bridge High School where she played one year of varsity soccer before concentrating on ODP and youth national team soccer. She earned membership on the U.S. U20 women's national team beginning in 2015 and still maintains membership on the team, currently as team captain. She was a member of the U.S. team which participated in the U20 World Cup in Papua, New Guinea in November 2016. Her UNC teammates Jessie Scarpa and Taylor Otto were also members of that squad. Fox was named to the Best XI Team at right defender at the 2015 CONCACAF Championships in San Pedro Sula, Honduras.

Alea Hyatt joined the Tar Heels in January 2017 from the West Coast where she attended Santa Barbara High School in California. An athletic training major, Hyatt stands 5-9 and has a brother, Colin, who plays soccer at Stanford. She played soccer in high school and was also a kicker on the football team. Hyatt played for both the Eagles Soccer Club and Surf Soccer Club, was part of the Olympic Development Program and a U18 U.S. Women's National Team member. She is a lifelong native of Santa Barbara, Calif.

Alessia Russo stands 5-9 and joins the Tar Heels from her hometown of Maidstone, Kent, England. She is an alumna of St. Simon Stock Catholic School where she excelled in soccer, cross country, track and field, cricket and netball. Russo currently plays for Brighton and Hove Albion WFC in the English Women's Super League and for the England U19 Team. She has played for England since the U15 level and has earned 50 caps and scored 23 goals overall. Russo played for the England U17 side in the FIFA World Cup in Amman, Jordan in October 2016.

Laura Sparling is another local player for the Tar Heels who will enroll in August. She stands 5-5 and is a native of Chapel Hill, N.C. Sparling attended Carrboro High School from 2014-17, where she played midfield and forward on the women's soccer squad, starting all four years. She led Carrboro High School to three straight NCHSAA 2A state title-winning teams from 2015-17. She notched the game-winning goal in the state championship game as a senior when she was tapped for the All-Conference, All-Region and All-State honor squads. Despite being injured her junior year, she finished her high school career with 19 goals and 27 assists.

Sydney Spruill enrolled at Carolina in January 2017 and is majoring in communications. Standing 5-5 tall, Spruill is a native of Greenville, N.C., where she attended Rose High School. An accomplished youth soccer and volleyball player, she spent eight years on CASL, PGSA, Orlando City and Concorde Fire club soccer squads. She played one year of high school soccer at Rose in the spring of 2016, scoring 23 goals and adding 20 assists while being named first-team All-State.

Lotte Wubben-Moy will enroll at Carolina in August 2017. Standing 5-10 tall, she is a 2017 alumna of Stoke Newington School and Sixthform in London, England, where she competed in soccer, netball and track and field. Wubben-Moy is an accomplished veteran of English youth national teams. She captained the English side in the 2016 U17 Women's U17 World Cup in Amman, Jordan. Wubben-Moy also has garnered two FA Youth Cup wins with Arsenal Ladies at the U17 level. Overall, she has made 12 appearances with the Arsenal Ladies within the space of three seasons with her debut coming at the age of 16. Wubben-Moy has 35 international appearances for England from the U15-U19 levels, recording three goals and five assists. She primarily plays a center back spot for her club and national teams.

DORRANCE EARNS 800TH WIN: On Sunday, October 9, 2016, the University of North Carolina women's soccer program achieved a pair of

monumental milestones in program history - the program's 800th victory in its 900th game.

The North Carolina women's soccer program began as a varsity team in the 1979 season. The Tar Heels played the program's 900th game on October 9 when Carolina rallied past Wake Forest 2-1 at Fetzer Field.

In the process, head coach Anson Dorrance earned his 800th career victory as the head coach of the Tar Heels as the symmetry lined up perfectly.

CONGRATULATIONS COACH DORRANCE:

North Carolina head coach Anson Dorrance is now in his 39th season as the Tar Heel head coach in 2017. He also served as the head coach of the UNC men's soccer program from 1977 through 1988. So this fall marks his 41st season as a UNC head coach, including 12 seasons in which he coached two sports at once.

Dorrance achieved his 800th career victory as the women's head coach on Sunday, October 9, 2016 when the Tar Heels beat Wake Forest 2-1 at Fetzer Field. In his 39 years, his teams have gone 825-69-38. His men's teams at Carolina achieved a record of 172-65-21 in his 12 seasons at the helm.

Altogether, Dorrance's teams have won 997 games in his remarkable coaching tenure in Chapel Hill.

FOLLOW CAROLINA WOMEN'S SOCCER

ON TWITTER: Fans are able to follow Carolina women's soccer through Twitter updates at both @ncwomenssoccer (athletic communications office account) and @uncwomenssoccer (players and staff account). Fans can check during the week, in-game and post-game for live news, videos and links to all your favorite Carolina soccer news. Carolina's Twitter sites have now combined to total an amazing 39,200 followers, the most in college women's soccer. @uncwomenssoccer has over 23,100 followers while @ncwomenssoccer has over 16,100 followers.

JUST FOUR TIMES SINCE 1986: Carolina's 3-0 setback at USC on September 11, 2016 marked only the fourth loss for the Tar Heels by a margin of more than one goal since the 1985 season.

Carolina has played 785 games since the end of the 1985 season, losing by more than one goal just four times.

That streak traces back to the opening game of the 1986 season against George Mason, a 3-3 tie.

After losing to George Mason 2-0 in the 1985 NCAA Tournament championship game, the Tar Heels went 25 years without losing a game by more than one goal.

Since 1986, UNC has only lost four games by more than one goal. Two of those four losses have come against Virginia. The Tar Heels fell to Notre Dame 4-1 on November 20, 2010, lost to Virginia 2-0 on October 20, 2013, was upended by Virginia 2-0 on November 7, 2014 and lost to USC 3-0 on September 11, 2016.

DID YOU KNOW...: North Carolina would have to lose its next 766 games in a row for head coach Anson Dorrance to have a .500 coaching winning percentage in his career at the helm of the Tar Heels.

UNC enters this Friday's game against Colorado with an all-time record of 825-69-38. Dorrance has coached the Tar Heels in all 932 of their games.

THE ALL-TIME RECORD: UNC heads into its match against Colorado with a record of 825-69-38 overall, a winning percentage of .906. The Tar Heels have an all-time winning percentage of .904 in NCAA Tournament games, almost the exact same winning percentage in the most important games it plays every year.

AVERAGE RECORD PER YEAR: UNC's average record per year in its 39 years of soccer is 21.15 wins per year, 1.77 losses per year and 1.0 ties per year.

SHUTOUTS ARE INFREQUENT: UNC's 0-0 tie against Louisville on October 22, 2017 was only the 54th time the Tar Heels have been shut out in their history. Altogether, UNC has played 932 matches since 1979.

The Tar Heels have been blanked on the scoreboard in only 5.8 percent of the games they have played in during their history. Carolina has suffered 40 shutout losses in its history. The Tar Heels have also played 14 scoreless ties in their history.

Only five times in UNC history have the Tar Heels been shutout in back-to-back games in the same season.

That happened against Portland and Florida in 2012, against Notre Dame and Florida State in 2013, against UCLA and Pepperdine in 2014, against Florida State and Duke in 2015 and against USC and NC State in 2016.

17 ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAS SINCE 2005:

On November 26, 2013, UNC junior defender Caitlin Ball of Chapel Hill, N.C. was chosen as a first-team Academic All-America by Capital One and the College Sports Information Directors of America.

UNC has had 17 selections for the Capital One Academic All-America first, second and third teams since 2005.

Carolina also had seven women's soccer players named Academic All-Americans from 1983-2001, giving the program 24 selections since the Academic All-America program began in 1983. Academic All-Americans were chosen for women's soccer in an at-large pool from 1983-2004. In 2005, a specific women's soccer academic All-America Team was selected by Capital One and CoSIDA.

Following is a summary of the 24 selections since 1983.

- 1983 - Lauren Gregg, third team.
- 1985 - Beth Huber, second team.
- 1993 - Shelley Finger, second team.
- 1994 - Shelley Finger, first team.
- 1998 - Cindy Parlow, first team.
- 2000 - Lindsay Stoecker, second team.
- 2001 - Kristin DePlatchett, first team.
- 2005 - Heather O'Reilly, second team; Lindsay Tarpley, third team.
- 2006 - Heather O'Reilly, first team (Academic All-America of the Year); Anna Rodenbough, second team; Yael Averbuch, third team.
- 2007 - Yael Averbuch, second team; Anna Rodenbough, second team.
- 2008 - Kristi Eveland, first team; Yael Averbuch, first team (Academic All-America of the Year); Anna Rodenbough, second team.
- 2009 - Kristi Eveland, first team; Whitney Engen, second team; Ashlyn Harris, second team.
- 2011 - Adelaide Gay, first team; Amber Brooks, second team.
- 2012 - Amber Brooks, first team.
- 2013 - Caitlin Ball, first team.

O'REILLY JUST SECOND TAR HEEL EVER INDUCTED IN CoSIDA ACADEMIC AMERICA HALL OF FAME:

Four distinguished professionals, all standout collegiate scholar-athletes, were inducted as the newest members of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-America® Hall of Fame. This year's class of inductees includes University of North Carolina women's soccer standout Heather O'Reilly (2003-06) who led Carolina to a pair of NCAA championships and was the CoSIDA Women's Soccer Academic All-America of the Year in her senior season in 2006.

Created in 1988, the CoSIDA Academic All-

America Hall of Fame recognizes former Academic All-Americas who received a college degree at least 10 years ago, have achieved lifetime success in their professional careers, and are committed to philanthropic causes.

This year's 2017 inductees into the Academic All-America Hall of Fame were:

- Heather O'Reilly, University of North Carolina women's soccer standout who helped UNC earn two NCAA titles and went on to international success with the U.S. National Team, winning three Olympic gold medals and a FIFA world championship;
- Dr. Stacey Johnson, a two-time national champion and four-time All-America fencer at San Jose State University and a 1980 U.S. Olympian;
- Rachel Price Bell, PhD, an All-America volleyball standout at the University of North Alabama who was twice selected as the top female student-athlete in the Gulf South Conference;
- Stephanie White, Purdue University women's basketball standout and the 1999 national Player of the Year when she led the Boilermakers to the 1999 NCAA championship who went on to star in the WNBA before turning to coaching professionally and at the collegiate level.

The four new inductees joined the prestigious 142-members Academic All-America® Hall of Fame this June. They were inducted into the Academic All-America® Hall of Fame at CoSIDA's annual convention in Orlando, Fla. on Sunday, June 11th during the organization's annual Hall of Fame Ceremony at the World Center Marriott. The CoSIDA convention was held in conjunction with the annual National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and Affiliates Convention for a fifth straight year.

O'Reilly became the second UNC student-athlete to be inducted into the Academic All-America Hall of Fame, joining Tar Heel swimmer Sue Walsh, Class of 1984, who was inducted in 2002.

"In our 2017 Academic All-America Hall of Fame class, we recognize four women who made major contributions to their respective collegiate sports and who continue to make significant impact in their professional careers," said Andy Seeley, UCF Assistant Athletic Director for Communications and current CoSIDA president. "As undergraduates, they excelled at the highest levels in their respective sports while also being committed to obtaining extraordinary academic success."

The June 11th Hall of Fame induction ceremony featured ESPN's Rece Davis as emcee and legendary broadcaster Dick Enberg, the ambassador of the Academic All-America® program, as special guest and presenter. At that time, the 2016 Dick Enberg Award recipient, former Ole Miss chancellor Dr. Robert Khayat, was also recognized.

"We are so pleased to announce this year's Academic All-America Hall of Fame class. For so many of us involved with CoSIDA, this annual induction celebration has truly become a special evening honoring amazing individuals with wonderful and heartfelt stories of great accomplishment as both students, athletes and citizens within their communities," noted Bernie Cafarelli, American Athletic Conference Associate Commissioner for Communications/External Affairs and chair of the CoSIDA Academic All-America Hall of Fame committee.

"Their stories have a lasting impact on those who attend the event each year. On behalf of the Academic All-America committee, we are proud to welcome another distinguished group into the Academic All-America Hall of Fame."

The biographical information on this year's Academic All-America® Hall of Fame induction class is listed below.

Heather O'Reilly – University of North Carolina, '07, Soccer

A 2015 World Cup champion as a midfielder for the U.S. National Women's Soccer Team. Three-time

USA Olympic gold medalist (2004, 2008, 2012). Three-time World Cup medalist. Two-time NCAA national champion while starring for the University of North Carolina soccer program.

That is the illustrious resume of O'Reilly, who began her international soccer career at the early age of 17 in 2002. That year, Heather earned her first cap with the United States Women's National Team (WSWNT). In 2004, during her sophomore year at North Carolina, her soccer dreams became a reality when she was named the youngest member of the 2004 Olympic Team.

O'Reilly was an education major at UNC, where she played forward for the Tar Heels from 2003 through 2006. She appeared in 97 matches, scoring 59 goals and assisting on 49 others. She helped lead the powerhouse UNC squad to national championships in 2003 and 2006. In her final three seasons, she was an All-America first-team selection, following her consensus national freshman of the year honor in 2003. A two-time Academic All-America in 2005 (second team) and 2006 (first team), O'Reilly was awarded a distinctive NCAA Today's Top VIII Award following her senior year. In 2006, O'Reilly's No. 20 jersey was retired by the UNC program.

O'Reilly is one of the world's most capped soccer stars with over 200 international appearances to her name. She is also the eighth most capped player in USWNT history.

In September of 2016, O'Reilly announced her retirement from the Women's National Team after 15 years, and retired on September 15 after a friendly match against Thailand, held in Columbus, Ohio.

She signed with the Arsenal Ladies Football Club in London on January 18th, 2017. O'Reilly previously played professionally for FC Kansas City and Boston Breakers of the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) and the Sky Blue FC of Women's Professional Soccer (WPS).

KINGMAN CHOSEN FOR ORDER OF GOLDEN FLEECE: Two Tar Heel student-athletes – Ezra Baeli-Wang and Annie Kingman – were among the 29 most recent inductees to UNC's Order of the Golden Fleece, the University's oldest honorary society. This class was tapped in a public ceremony on March 31, 2017 and honored again in a private ceremony on April 7.

Baeli-Wang was a senior from Hillsborough, N.J., and a member of the men's fencing team. He was a peace, war & defense and Asian studies double major with a minor in creative writing.

Kingman was a junior from Woodside, Calif., and a member of the women's soccer team. She is majoring in economics with minors in English and history.

Both are members of UNC's Student-Athlete Advisory Council – Baeli-Wang currently serves as co-president – and have excelled academically and athletically at UNC.

The following citations were read for Baeli-Wang and Kingman at the tapping ceremony in announcing and explaining their nomination for the prestigious society:

Ezra Baeli-Wang

For his leadership as a student-athlete and advocacy for fairness, inclusion and diversity in athletics. Ezra served as president of the Student Athlete Advisory Council, representative on the UNC Faculty Athletics Committee, and captain of the fencing team. Ezra organized an effort among student athletes from multiple North Carolina institutions to write and petition the North Carolina General Assembly to repeal House Bill 2.

Annie Kingman

For her leadership as a student-athlete and her work within the Honor Court. A midfielder on the women's soccer team, Annie demonstrates relentless hard work and pursuit of excellence on the field, in the classroom and in the community.

Annie was named to the All-ACC Academic team, All-ACC Tournament team and finished second on the team in points. Annie actively works to enforce and protect the University's Honor Code.

Members are selected based upon service to Carolina, as reflected in scholarship, motivation, creativity, loyalty, and leadership in academic and extracurricular pursuits. Founded in 1904 to unite student leaders at UNC, inductees are generally seniors but juniors, graduate students, faculty and alumni also eligible for membership.

TAR HEELS IN THE ACC: Parity arrived in the Atlantic Coast Conference many years ago and yet the Tar Heels have lost only 26 ACC regular-season games since league play began in 1987.

The Tar Heels are 199-26-11 all-time in ACC regular-season matches.

UNC has averaged just 0.81 ACC regular-season losses a year in the 31 years of league play.

In the middle of the 2015 season, the Tar Heels had a three-match ACC regular-season losing streak, the first time that has happened in history.

Prior to that streak, UNC had fallen in back-to-back ACC games just four times in history.

The four occasions were September 18, 2013 home versus Notre Dame (0-1) and September 21, 2013 at Florida State (0-1); October 23, 2011 at Virginia Tech (0-1) and October 27, 2011 at Maryland (1-2 in overtime); October 22, 2009 at Florida State (2-3 in two overtimes) and October 25, 2009 at Miami (0-1); October 17, 2000 at Florida State (2-3 in double overtime) and October 27, 2000 at Wake Forest (0-1).

Remarkably, in four of the past eight seasons, UNC had a losing record in ACC play at one point in the campaign. The Tar Heels started the 2010 season 0-1 in the ACC, the 2012 season 1-2-1 in the ACC, the 2013 season 1-2 in the ACC and the 2016 season 0-1 in the ACC. The only other time in history when UNC had a losing record in ACC regular-season play in its history was 2002 when the Tar Heels lost their season opener to NC State.

14 TAR HEELS ON OPENING DAY ROSTERS FOR 2017 NWSL SEASON:

All the 2017 clubs in the National Women's Soccer League have announced their 20-player rosters for the upcoming campaign which began on April 12, 2017.

The opening day rosters included 14 alumnae from Coach Anson Dorrance's University of North Carolina women's soccer program.

All the Tar Heels are returnees to the NWSL in 2017 with the exception of Summer Green, who sat out 2016 with a knee injury, and Cameron Castleberry, a senior on UNC's 2016 NCAA semifinalist team, who begins her rookie season in the league.

Following is a list of all 14 Tar Heels in the league in 2017 with their respective teams, positions and the final year in which they played at UNC.

Boston Breakers: Brooke Elby (Defender, UNC '14)

Chicago Red Stars: Summer Green (Forward, UNC '15)

Houston Dash: Amber Brooks (Midfielder, UNC '12); Kealia Ohai (Forward, UNC '13)

FC Kansas City: Yael Averbuch (Defender, UNC '08); Katie Bowen (Defender, UNC '08); Alexa Newfield (Midfielder, UNC '15)

NC Courage: Jessica McDonald (Forward, UNC '09)

Orlando Pride: Ashlyn Harris (Goalkeeper, UNC '09)

Portland Thorns: Meghan Klingenberg (Defender, UNC '10); Allie Long (Midfielder, UNC '08); Tobin Heath (Forward, UNC '09); Meg Morris (Defender, UNC '13)

Washington Spirit: Cameron Castleberry (Midfielder, UNC '16)

A RARE HOME LOSS FOR CAROLINA:

Carolina's 1-0 loss against NC State at Fetzer Field on September 16, 2016 was just the 27th home loss in Carolina history and just the second home loss in the last three seasons combined. Carolina went 8-1 at home in 2015 and was 10-1 at home in 2016 after a 1-0 win over Clemson on November 20, 2016. Carolina is 5-0-2 at home so far in 2017. The loss to the Wolfpack was the first for Carolina in 22 home meetings against NC State. It was the first shutout loss for Carolina at home since it fell against Duke on October 16, 2015 - a 1-0 loss to the Blue Devils.

IN THE ACC REGULAR SEASON: In its last 42 ACC regular season games, UNC is 32-5-5, a winning percentage of 82.9 percent.

The Tar Heels had a 17-game ACC unbeaten streak ended at Louisville on October 8, 2015 that had stretched from late in the 2013 season.

The Tar Heels won their last three ACC games of the 2013 season, went 9-0-1 in 2014 and finished 7-3 in the conference in 2015. UNC was 6-2-2 in the league last year and finished 8-0-2 in 2017.

Prior to falling at Louisville in 2015, Carolina's last ACC regular season loss had come on October 20, 2013 when Virginia beat the Tar Heels 2-0 at Fetzer Field.

Carolina's three ACC regular season losses in 2015, however, were not a first. UNC fell three times in ACC play in 2000, 2009, 2011, 2012 and 2013. In three of those five seasons UNC ended up winning the NCAA championship (2000, 2009, 2012).

Nevertheless, 32 wins, just five losses and five ties in UNC's last 42 regular season ACC games is a remarkable accomplishment given the parity in the league at this point.

HEATH NAMED 2016 U.S. SOCCER PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

University of North Carolina women's soccer alumnae Tobin Heath and Crystal Dunn finished first and second in the 2016 U.S. Soccer Female Player of the Year voting, respectively, as announced December 13, 2016 by United States Soccer.

Heath, who has long been a fan favorite for her entertaining style of play and dynamic work with the ball, wins the award for the first time in her ninth year with the U.S. Women's National Team. She won after earning 40 percent of the vote while Crystal Dunn came in second with 34 percent.

"It's obviously an honor to win an award like this, especially when you look at the list of amazing players who have won it before," Heath said. "This year was a difficult one for our team, but overall we played some great soccer so it's humbling to be recognized individually. I'm just proud to be in the company of all the great players that were nominated and all of the players that played for the USA this year. I couldn't have accomplished anything without the support of my teammates and my coaches, and while it was a fun year for me personally, I'm excited not only about my own future, but also the future of this team as I know we have a lot more room to grow and many more goals to achieve."

This year saw the 28-year-old Basking Ridge, N.J. native elevate her game to an even higher level. Heath played in 22 games, scoring six goals while recording eight assists tying for second-most on the team with Dunn. Both numbers were career bests for Heath, who this year competed in her fifth world championship for the USA. She played 1,747 minutes in 2016, good for second-best on the team.

Heath was one of the USA's best players at the 2016 Olympic Games where she recorded two assists. In her fourth season playing for the National Women's Soccer League's Portland Thorns FC, Heath finished the year with 10 assists - a new league record - in only 14 appearances for the club - while helping PTFC to the regular season title. She

was named to the NWSL Best XI.

A new voting process was put into place in 2014. Votes are collected from respective National Team coaches, National Team players who have earned a cap in 2016, American soccer league (MLS, NASL and NWSL) head coaches, select media members, former players and administrators.

The U.S. Soccer Female Player of the Year has been awarded since 1985, when midfielder Sharon Remer earned the first Female Athlete of the Year honor. The Young Female Player of the Year honor was first awarded in 1998, with Tar Heel alumna Cindy Parlow earning the honor.

Another Tar Heel alumna, Lucy Bronze, who played for Carolina on its 2009 NCAA championship team, recently was honored by the English Football Association. An England national team defender, Bronze picked up the FA WSL 1 Players' Player of the Year recognition.

EIGHT FORMER TAR HEELS COMPETE

AT 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES: Eight former Tar Heel players were part of the Olympic Games Tournament in Brazil this past summer.

The full U.S. squad included five players from the University of North Carolina. Two former Tar Heels were also named as alternates for the team. The New Zealand team featured recent Carolina graduate Katie Bowen, who also was on the roster for the Football Ferns at the 2015 World Cup in Canada.

Full team members in 2016 were defenders Whitney Engen and Meghan Klingenberg, midfielders Allie Long and Tobin Heath and forward Crystal Dunn. Alternates, who traveled to Rio de Janeiro and practiced with the team were midfielder Heather O'Reilly and goalkeeper Ashlyn Harris.

O'Reilly was a member of U.S. Olympic Teams which won gold medals in 2004 in Athens, 2008 in Beijing and 2012 in London. Heath was a member of both the 2008 and 2012 Olympic Teams. Klingenberg was an alternate on the team in London. Engen, Long and Harris all traveled to Olympic Games for the first time in their Team USA careers.

Altogether, UNC has had 30 selections to the full rosters for U.S. Olympic Teams in the six Games, beginning in 1996. The U.S. won gold medals in 1996, 2004, 2008 and 2012 and the silver medal in 2000. Tar Heels have also competed on Olympic rosters over the years for Canada and New Zealand.

North Carolina led all universities in representation on this year's team with five full roster players and two alternates. Virginia had two on the full roster and one alternate. Penn State and Stanford had two players each on the team. UCLA had one full roster player and one alternate. Washington, Santa Clara, Portland, California and Rutgers had one player each. Lindsey Horan who went straight to the professional ranks in 2012 after her high school career, also competed for the U.S. side. She had signed a National Letter of Intent to play for the Tar Heels before turning pro straight out of high school.

RALLYING FROM A TWO-GOAL DEFICIT: North Carolina rallied from a 2-0 halftime deficit to defeat Notre Dame on September 20, 2014 in South Bend, Ind.

The Tar Heels came back from a two-goal deficit to win for the first time since September 1, 2006 when UNC trailed Connecticut 2-0 at halftime but rallied to win 3-2 in regulation at New Haven, Conn.

Carolina has played 924 matches in its history. There have been only 24 games in that time in which the Tar Heels have ever trailed by more than a single goal in a game. That's 2.6 percent of the matches Carolina has played in history.

The Notre Dame comeback marked the fifth time UNC has rallied from two goals down to win. The Tar Heels have accomplished the feat against Santa Clara in 1993, Duke in 1999, NC State in 2003,

Connecticut in 2006 and Notre Dame in 2014.

TAR HEELS IN ACC OPENERS: North Carolina lost to NC State 1-0 in its ACC opener for the 2016 season on September 16, 2016. It was only the fourth loss in an ACC opener for the Tar Heels in their history.

Carolina won its 2017 ACC opener 1-0 at Florida State. The Tar Heels are 25-4-1 overall in conference openers after win at Florida State on September 17.

Carolina's losses in ACC openers came at home against NC State 1-0 on September 16, 2016, at Maryland 2-1 on September 13, 2012, against Boston College in Chapel Hill 3-2 on September 23, 2010 and at NC State 2-1 on September 10, 2002. UNC also tied its ACC opener at NC State 1-1 on September 20, 1988.

TAR HEELS IN THE CAROLINA NIKE CLASSIC:

On the opening weekend of the 2016 season, Carolina swept a pair of games in the Carolina Nike Classic as the Tar Heels beat UCF 2-0 and Charlotte 3-0.

UNC has now hosted a version of the Carolina Nike Classic, under the current name or the names of other title sponsors, since the initial event in 1980 a total of 26 times.

Carolina has a 47-3-2 record in its early season tournaments at home. The only losses were to Penn State in 1999, Notre Dame in 2008 and Stanford in 2014 with ties against Stanford in 2010 and Florida in 2012.

Carolina played a single game to open the 2017 weekend against Duke in Cary, N.C. but it was not part of a formal Nike Classic.

CAROLINA IN SEASON OPENERS: Carolina has a record of 32-5-2 all-time in season openers after beating Duke 2-1 in overtime to open the 2017 campaign on August 21. The only losses were in 1983 vs. Connecticut (road), 2006 vs. Texas A&M (road), 2007 vs. South Carolina (home), 2012 vs. Portland (road) and 2014 vs. Stanford (home) and there were ties in 1985 vs. George Mason (home) and 2002 vs. Nebraska (road).

UNC IN HOME OPENERS: North Carolina has a record of 34-2-3 in home openers all-time after beating Duke 2-1 in overtime on August 18, 2017.

The only losses came to South Carolina 1-0 in 2007 and to Stanford 1-0 in overtime in 2014 and the ties were against George Mason in 1985, against Stanford in 2010 and against Florida in 2012.

2017 NORTH CAROLINA WOMEN'S SOCCER ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Year	Hometown	High School
0	Sam DeSantis	GK	5-7	So.	Hickory, N.C.	Saint Stephens
1	Madison Schultz	F	5-4	So.	Edmonds, Wash.	Edmonds-Woodway
2	Sydney Spruill	F	5-5	Fr.	Greenville, N.C.	Rose
3	Ru Mucherera	F	5-4	Jr.	Oviedo, Fla.	Hagerty
4	Bridgette Andrzejewski	F	5-8	So.	Lutherville, Md..	McDonogh
5	Maya Worth	D	5-4	RS Sr.	Cary, N.C.	Green Hope
6	Taylor Otto	F	5-10	RS Fr.	Apex, N.C.	Middle Creek
7	Annie Kingman	MF	5-8	Sr.	Woodside, Calif.	Saint Francis
8	Abby Elinsky	MF	5-8	Sr.	Rocky River, Ohio	Rocky River
9	Frances Reuland	MF	5-6	Sr.	Carrboro, N.C.	Chapel Hill
10	Joanna Boyles	MF	5-8	RS Sr.	Raleigh, N.C.	Sanderson
11	Emily Fox	MF	5-5	Fr.	Ashburn, Va.	Stone Bridge
12	Jessie Scarpa	F	5-7	RS Jr.	Lakeland, Fla.	George Jenkins
13	Samantha Leshnak	GK	5-11	Jr.	Liberty Township, Ohio	Mount Notre Dame
14	Morgan Goff	MF	5-8	So.	Dunn, N.C.	Triton
15	Zoe Redei	F	5-4	So.	Highland Park, Ill.	Highland Park
16	Julia Ashley	D	5-8	Jr.	Verona, N.J.	Verona
17	Alea Hyatt	MF	5-9	Fr.	Santa Barbara, Calif.	Santa Barbara
18	Megan Buckingham	MF	5-5	Sr.	Novi, Mich.	Northville
19	Alessia Russo	F	5-9	Fr.	Kent, England	St. Simon Stock Catholic
20	Kate Morris	MF	5-6	RS So.	Plymouth, Mich.	Ladywood Catholic
21	Miah Araba	MF	5-3	Fr.	Chapel Hill, N.C.	Carrboro
22	Abby Staker	MF	5-8	RS Fr.	Cary, N.C.	Cary Academy
23	Lotte Wubben-Moy	D	5-10	Fr.	London, England	Stoke Newington
24	Kasey Parker	F	5-8	So.	Columbia, S.C.	Dreher
28	Maggie Bill	D	5-7	RS Sr.	Huntington, N.Y.	St. Anthony's
29	Dorian Bailey	MF	5-6	Jr.	Mission, Kan.	St. Teresa's Academy
30	Brooke Bingham	F	5-9	Fr.	Laurel Springs, N.C.	Homeschooled
32	Nicole Crutchfield	MF	5-7	RS So.	Durham, N.C.	Northern Durham
47	Alex Kimball	MF	5-7	Sr.	Chapel Hill, N.C.	Chapel Hill
49	Cannon Clough	D	5-4	Sr.	Charlotte, N.C.	Charlotte Latin School
99	Laura Sparling	MF	5-5	Fr.	Chapel Hill, N.C.	Carrboro

2017 Medical Redshirts: Maggie Bill, Alex Kimball, Ru Mucherera, Kasey Parker

CAROLINA WOMEN'S SOCCER STAFF

Head Coach: Anson Dorrance

Assistant Coach: Bill Palladino

Assistant Coach: Chris Ducar

Assistant Coach: Damon Nahas

Director of Women's Soccer Operations: Tom Sander

Assistant Director of Women's Soccer Game Operations: Corey Emerick

Women's Soccer Marketing & Social Media Coordinator: Brittani Bartok

Undergraduate Assistant Coaches: Khara Vassell, Sydney Wooten

Administrative Assistant: Shelly Street

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Student Managers: Matt Jones, Kim McCormack, Shane Jones, Ashlyn Neuwirth, Melissa Coachrane, Ellie Lewis, Daniella Jonathan, Yaman Peksenar, Jaqueline Leibman, Melanie Vidovich, Jordan Teague, Logan Howerton

Team Physician: Tom Brickner

Team Orthopedic Surgeon: Alex Creighton

Communications Director: Dave Lohse

Academic Advisor: Emily Adney

Women's Soccer Primary Administrator: Larry Gallo

Strength & Conditioning Coach: Greg Gatz

Compliance Director: Tom Timmermans

Scholarships Director: Kevin Westerman

Nutritionist: Rachel Stratton

Marketing & Promotions: Alexis Barlow

Pronunciation Guide

Players Name	Pronunciation
Bridgette Andrzejewski	ANDREW-jess-skee
Miah Araba	MEE-uh UH-rob-UH
Cannon Clough	CLUFF
Sam DeSantis	DEE-sant-US
Abby Elinsky	EE-linn-skee
Ru Mucherera	ROO MOO-chew-RARE-uh
Zoe Redei	ZOH-ee RUH-day
Frances Reuland	ROY-lund
Alessia Russo	REW-so
Abby Staker	STAKE-err
Lotte Wubben-Moy	LOT-A WOO-benn-MOY
Staff Name	Pronunciation
Anson Dorrance	DOOR-unce
Bill Palladino	pal-uh-DEAN-oh
Chris Ducar	DUE-car
Damon Nahas	NAY-hoss
Khara Vassell	CARE-uh VASS-ull

North Carolina Women's Soccer
North Carolina Game Results (as of Nov 11, 2017)
All games

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	Conf	Att.	Goals scored
Aug 18	#12 DUKE	WOT	2-1	1-0-0	0-0-0	2012	Joanna Boyles (unassisted) Jessie Scarpa (Joanna Boyles; Dorian Bailey)
8/25/2017	at UCF	LO2	1-2	1-1-0	0-0-0	848	Dorian Bailey (Joanna Boyles)
Aug 27	at USF	W	4-2	2-1-0	0-0-0	912	Taylor Otto (penalty kick) Taylor Otto (Morgan Goff) Alessia Russo (Dorian Bailey; B. Andrzejewski) Taylor Otto (penalty kick)
9/1/2017	vs Auburn University	W	5-0	3-1-0	0-0-0	608	Russo, Alessia (Buckingham, Megan) Bailey, Dorian (penalty kick) Boyles, Joanna (unassisted) Boyles, Joanna (Bailey, Dorian; Otto, Taylor) Araba, Miah (Andrzejewski, B.)
9/3/2017	vs UNCW	W	2-0	4-1-0	0-0-0	1338	Sydney Spruill (Emily Fox; Julia Ashley) B. Andrzejewski (Alessia Russo; Megan Buckingham)
Sep 07	at #5 Penn State	L	0-1	4-2-0	0-0-0	2276	-
* Sep 17	at #16 Florida State	W	1-0	5-2-0	1-0-0	1371	Dorian Bailey (Abby Elinsky; Joanna Boyles)
* Sep 21	#19 CLEMSON	W	1-0	6-2-0	2-0-0	1331	Dorian Bailey (Madison Schultz)
* Sep 24	at #11 Virginia	W	2-1	7-2-0	3-0-0	1540	Alessia Russo (B. Andrzejewski; Dorian Bailey) Dorian Bailey (B. Andrzejewski)
* Sep 30	SYRACUSE	W	7-0	8-2-0	4-0-0	710	Alessia Russo (B. Andrzejewski) Joanna Boyles (penalty kick) Joanna Boyles (Dorian Bailey; Emily Fox) Dorian Bailey (Emily Fox; Taylor Otto) Joanna Boyles (Julia Ashley; Emily Fox) Morgan Goff (Dorian Bailey) Madison Schultz (Nicole Crutchfield; Abby Staker)
* Oct 05	at Miami	W	3-0	9-2-0	5-0-0	401	Alessia Russo (unassisted) Madison Schultz (Julia Ashley) B. Andrzejewski (unassisted)
* Oct 08	at #15 Wake Forest	W	2-0	10-2-0	6-0-0	873	Alessia Russo (B. Andrzejewski; Julia Ashley) Alessia Russo (unassisted)
* Oct 14	at Boston College	W	4-1	11-2-0	7-0-0	951	Alessia Russo (Joanna Boyles) B. Andrzejewski (Abby Elinsky; Julia Ashley) Jessie Scarpa (unassisted) B. Andrzejewski (Dorian Bailey)
* Oct 19	at Virginia Tech	W	4-0	12-2-0	8-0-0	637	Julia Ashley (Joanna Boyles) Abby Elinsky (Dorian Bailey) B. Andrzejewski (unassisted) Alea Hyatt (Sydney Spruill)
* Oct 22	LOUISVILLE	TO2	0-0	12-2-1	8-0-1	854	-
* Oct 26	#24 NOTRE DAME	TO2	1-1	12-2-2	8-0-2	784	B. Andrzejewski (Jessie Scarpa)
Oct 29	#23 FLORIDA STATE	W	2-1	13-2-2	8-0-2	289	Zoe Redei (B. Andrzejewski) Taylor Otto (penalty kick)
Nov 3	vs #24 NC State	W	1-0	14-2-2	8-0-2	1322	Alessia Russo (unassisted)
Nov 5	vs #2 Duke	W	1-0	15-2-2	8-0-2	1823	Zoe Redei (Alessia Russo)
Nov 11	HIGH POINT	W	3-0	16-2-2	8-0-2	998	Abby Elinsky (Megan Buckingham) Julia Ashley (Abby Elinsky; Kate Morris) Morgan Goff (Abby Elinsky; Madison Schultz)

<u>Team Record</u>	<u>W-L-T</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
Overall:	16-2-2	Total:	20	21878	1094
Conference:	8-0-2	Home:	7	6978	997
Home:	5-0-2	Away:	9	9809	1090
Away:	7-2	Neutral:	4	5091	1273
Neutral:	4-0				
Overtime:	1-1-2				

North Carolina Women's Soccer
North Carolina Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 11, 2017)
All games

Overall: 16-2-2 Conf: 8-0-2 Home: 5-0-2 Away: 7-2-0 Neut: 4-0-0

TEAM STATISTICS	NC	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	46-318	10-137
Goals scored per game	2.30	0.50
Shot pct.	.145	.073
Shots on goal-Attempts	147-318	54-137
SOG pct.	.462	.394
Shots/Game	15.9	6.8
Assists	48	11
GOAL BREAKDOWN		
Total Goals	46	10
Penalty	5	1
Unassisted	13	2
Overtime	1	1
Goals scored average	2.23	0.48
CORNER KICKS		
Goals off corners	4	0
PENALTY KICKS		
	5-5	1-1
OFFSIDES		
	66	25
PENALTIES		
Yellow cards	6	7
Red cards	0	1
ATTENDANCE		
Total	6978	9809
Dates/Avg Per Date	7/997	9/1090
Neutral Site #/Avg	4/1273	

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
North Carolina	20	25	1	0	46
Opponents	6	3	0	1	10

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
North Carolina	60	51	4	5	120
Opponents	18	28	0	0	46

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
North Carolina	148	158	8	4	318
Opponents	63	71	1	2	137

Fouls by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
North Carolina	75	67	7	3	152
Opponents	72	83	3	3	161

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
North Carolina	17	26	0	1	44
Opponents	52	43	4	2	101

Offsides by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
North Carolina	29	33	2	2	66
Opponents	11	14	0	0	25

North Carolina Women's Soccer
North Carolina Overall Individual Statistics (as of Nov 11, 2017)
All games

Overall: 16-2-2 Conf: 8-0-2 Home: 5-0-2 Away: 7-2-0 Neut: 4-0-0

##	Player	gp-gs	min	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	yc	rc	gwg	pk-att	fg	ot	hat	gtg	cnr
19	Alessia Russo	17-16	1081	9	2	20	57	.158	24	.421	0	0	6	0-0	6	0	0	1	0
29	Dorian Bailey	19-5	1231	6	8	20	29	.207	14	.483	0	0	3	1-1	2	0	0	0	40
4	B. Andrzejewski	20-18	1386	6	7	19	45	.133	25	.556	0	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
10	Joanna Boyles	20-20	1267	6	5	17	35	.171	14	.400	0	0	0	1-1	0	0	1	1	69
6	Taylor Otto	20-17	1744	4	2	10	6	.667	5	.833	1	0	1	3-3	1	0	1	0	0
16	Julia Ashley	20-20	1819	2	5	9	14	.143	7	.500	1	0	1	0-0	1	0	0	0	1
8	Abby Elinsky	20-17	1377	2	4	8	7	.286	4	.571	0	0	1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
1	Madison Schultz	20-0	550	2	2	6	16	.125	7	.438	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Jessie Scarpa	8-3	220	2	1	5	10	.200	4	.400	0	0	1	0-0	0	1	0	0	2
14	Morgan Goff	20-7	1191	2	1	5	6	.333	4	.667	2	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Zoe Redei	13-9	431	2	0	4	16	.125	8	.500	0	0	1	0-0	2	0	0	0	0
11	Emily Fox	13-13	920	0	4	4	16	.000	7	.438	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Sydney Spruill	20-7	695	1	1	3	19	.053	6	.316	1	0	1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0
18	Megan Buckingham	20-20	1577	0	3	3	19	.000	6	.316	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Hyatt, Alea	17-7	585	1	0	2	8	.125	6	.750	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Araba, Miah	4-0	33	1	0	2	1	1.000	1	1.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Kate Morris	17-0	276	0	1	1	9	.000	2	.222	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	6
32	Crutchfield, Nicole	4-0	32	0	1	1	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Staker, Abby	9-0	61	0	1	1	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
49	Cannon Clough	11-0	145	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Brooke Bingham	9-0	105	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Lotte Wubben-Moy	12-9	885	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Annie Kingman	2-1	73	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2
3	Ru Mucherera	1-0	19	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
99	Laura Sparling	2-0	17	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Reuland, Frances	4-0	31	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Maya Worth	12-11	832	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		20	-	46	48	140	318	.145	147	.462	6	0	16	5-5	14	1	2	3	-
Opponents		20	-	10	11	31	137	.073	54	.394	7	1	2	1-1	4	1	0	3	-

#	Goalie	gp-gs	Goal Average			Saves		Record				Shots faced
			min	ga	gaavg	saves	pct	w	l	t	shutout	
13	Samantha Leshnak	20-20	1857:44	10	0.48	43	.811	16	2	2	12.0	136
TM	TEAM	-	0:00	0	0.00	1	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	0
Total		20	1857:44	10	0.48	44	.815	16	2	2	12	136
Opponents		20	1857:44	46	2.23	101	.687	2	16	2	2	310

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