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Women's golf team takes first in Japan; Marshall wins title

By ANDY SISK

OLD GOLD AND BLACK REPORTER

The women's golf team took a week off from classes last week to win their first ever jade trophy when the team won the Topy Cup in Japan. Senior Kim Marshall lead the Deacons by claiming her first individual collegiate title.

The Deacons were one of two American teams invited to participate in the prestigious event. This was the first year the women's team has ever been invited to compete. Tournament sponsors footed the bill for the trip. "The students played really well," Head Coach Dianne Dailey said, as she showed off

the latest addition to the trophy case. "Everything worked out just like we wanted."

The road trip for the Demon Deacons began at 8 a.m. Saturday. The Deacons did not arrive at their hotel 180 miles northwest of Tokyo until midnight Sunday Tokyo time.

They had little time to recover as they had to be on the practice green at 7 a.m. the next day.

After adjusting to the time difference, the Deacons had to figure out the intricacies of the golf course.

"All of the courses in Japan are on the sides of the mountains," Dailey said, explaining that because of Japan's vast population, golf courses are built on mountains that cannot be

used for homes. As a result, Dailey said the course favored the straight hitter.

"Accuracy (was) the key," Dailey said. "There (was) not a lot of room for error or you're off the side of the mountain."

Dailey praised the putting greens, saying they were in beautiful shape primarily because they had not seen much play due to the great expense of playing golf in Asia.

The Deacons started well the first day as they finished tied for the first round lead with the University of Florida. Pacing the Deacons was junior Laura Philo who fired a one-under par 72.

Sophomore Alexandra Armas, competing for the first time since she underwent wrist

surgery, struggled to an 84. Marshall, senior Victoria Boysen and junior Sonia Bauer made up for that score with rounds of 74, 78 and 79, respectively.

Armas shook off the dreadful start to lead the team after the second round with a much-improved 79.

The entire team's consistent shot-making allowed them to enter the final day with a three shot lead over Florida.

Friday, buoyed by Marshall's 71 (the low round of the tournament), the Deacons clinched a five-shot victory over Kinki University. Marshall, from Bermuda, won the individual title on the first hole of sudden death over Florida's Jean Marie Busuttil.

Bauer and Philo tied for fifth in the event.

Dailey said that the trip was a wonderful cultural experience. She said that the Japanese people were very friendly, although she was amused at the speed of play of the Japanese women players, explaining that they literally run from the fairways to the greens because they are told by their male counterparts not to hold up play.

After catching up on their school assignments, the team travels next weekend to the Lady Tarheel Classic in Chapel Hill. Last year's All-American Stephanie Neill, '95, who will be competing on a sponsor's exemption in an LPGA event in Cary, will be among the Deacons' gallery.



Thomas Young

Me first

Sophomore Kate Crowley races for the ball against her Georgia Southern opponent Sept. 12. See page B3 for this week's women's soccer results.

Stevenson wins WFU meet

By ADAM ROTHSCHILD

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Senior Nicole Stevenson broke a course record for the second meet in a row, as the 13th-ranked women's cross country team won the Wake Forest Classic Saturday.

The Demon Deacons scored 23 points, defeating UNC-Chapel Hill by 32, as well as Clemson, South Carolina, UNC-Charlotte and Campbell.

Stevenson's winning time of 17:16.8 broke senior teammate Cindy Moreshead's one year-old course record of 17:45. Moreshead also surpassed her former record, finishing second overall with a time of 17:41.3.

In addition to securing the top two places, the Deacons also placed four runners between the Tar Heels' first and second finishers. Junior Liz Cotter, sophomore Katie Brandy, junior Chrissy Person and freshman Liz Moore all finished ahead of North Carolina's Sara Majka, assuring the Deacons of the win.

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Head Coach Francie Goodridge was especially quick to praise the improvement of Cotter. "This was Liz Cotter's best race ever. She'll be a real factor for us (this year)." Cotter finished fifth overall with a time of 18:12.

In winning the Wake Forest Classic, the Demon Deacons did enjoy a distinct home-course advantage. "I think our course is a difficult course for other teams to run if they're not familiar with it," Goodridge said. She also said that her team had trained on the twisty, hilly trails in order to become ac-

customed to the terrain.

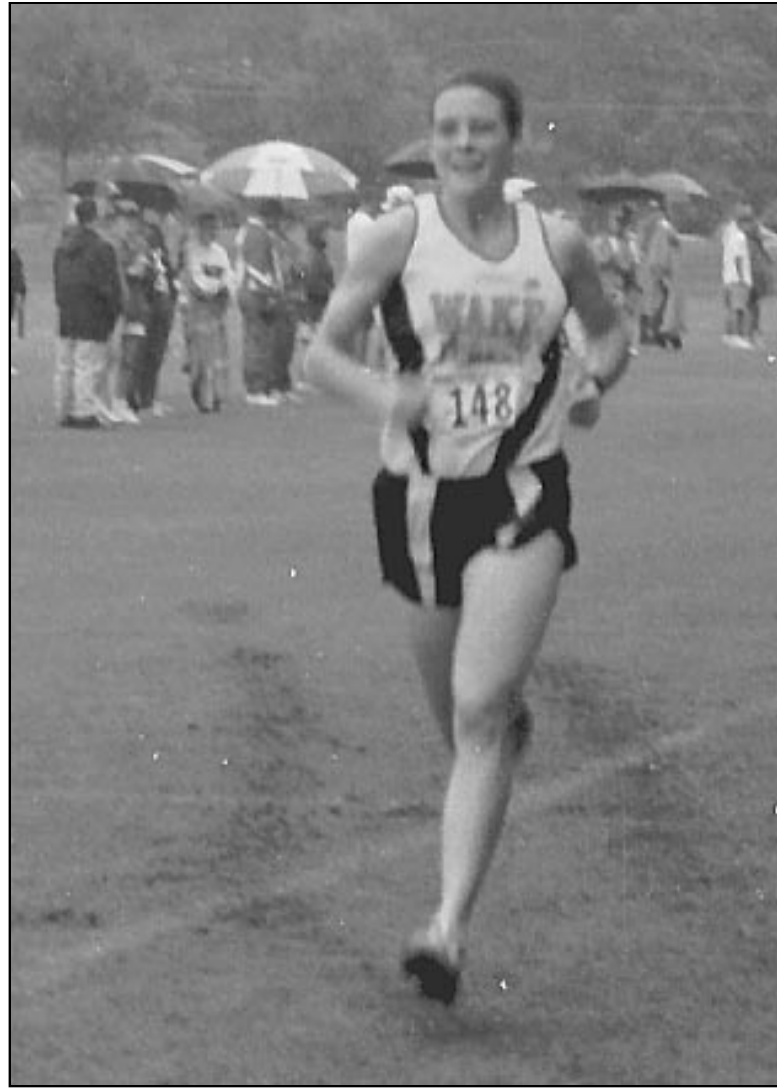
The wins over Clemson and North Carolina bode well for the Deacons' quest for an ACC title. However, according to Goodridge, the team has yet to see its most formidable ACC competition, such as N.C. State, Virginia and Georgia Tech. "The way it's shaping up, (this year's ACC field) may be deeper than in the last couple of years. It's going to be a real scramble for the top four."

The Demon Deacons' next meet will be Sept. 30 at Virginia Tech. Among the competition in

Blacksburg will be Texas A&M.

"It'll give us a chance to compete with a team from another region, to see where we stand nationally," Goodridge said. "This team is competitive not only at the regional level, but at the national level."

The Wake Forest Classic is a meet that also attracts competition from area high schools. Races were run in three high school divisions. Angie Morey of Chapel Hill High School won the championship girls race with a time of 19:50, and Watauga High School won the girls team crown with 46 points.



Wendy Coulson

Senior Nicole Stevenson races to a first place finish in the Wake Forest Classic Saturday. Her finishing time was a course record. Senior Cindy Moreshead finished right behind Stevenson in second place. Her team also took first place in the event, which started at the Water Tower Field and continued through Reynolda Gardens.

Men's soccer upsets No. 9 USC, drops ACC opener to Virginia

By ROBERT NEELY

OLD GOLD AND BLACK REPORTER

The men's soccer team faced a pair of daunting road tests and came out with mixed results.

The Deacons (4-3, 0-1) upset No. 9 South Carolina last night but lost to No. 1 Virginia 4-1 Sunday.

Freshman Trent Lind broke a scoreless tie with 28:44 remaining in the USC game to put the Deacons up 1-0. But South Carolina struck back just 24 seconds later to tie it at 1-1.

Despite being down a player for 15:55, due to a red card given to sophomore Ihor Dotsenko, the Deacons scored the game-winner with 3:30 left to play, when freshman Serge Daniv put the ball in the net.

Against the Cavaliers, the Deacons fell behind early, trailing 2-0 at halftime.

"The first half we just flat-out did not come to play," Deacon Head Coach Jay Vidovich said. "We're looking for

the ability to convince ourselves we can play.

"The coaching staff is very convinced. (The players) just have to find out how to win."

The Deacons trailed 4-0 when Daniv, the team's leading goal-scorer, broke inside the 18-foot line and put the ball in the back of the net.

"Serge is an unbelievable addition," Vidovich said. "He's a soccer junkie. His enthusiasm and love for the game is contagious."

"He seizes the moments. That shows signs of being a big-time soccer player. We're hoping his abilities and gamesmanship rub off on some of our players."

Daniv's goal against Virginia was his third of the season.

The Deacons have two home games this week, playing Wofford Saturday and Appalachian State Tuesday.

Wofford is in its first season of Division I competition, but Vidovich said that they are a solid team that has had decent results this year. The Mountaineers come in Tuesday as the Deacons prepare for their second ACC match at Maryland.

Field hockey drops OT heartbreaker to UVa

By KAREN HILLENBRAND

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The field hockey team lost an overtime heartbreaker Saturday in an important ACC matchup against Virginia, 3-2. The conference opener was the first loss for the Deacons.

Cavalier Margaret Boutilier knocked in the overtime gamewinner 4:44 into the extra period. The goal resulted from a Deacon breakdown in the defensive end. Meredith Thorpe passed to Boutilier, who broke in alone on the Deacon goalkeeper, who had already committed, and put the ball into the empty cage. Overtime in field hockey is played with six players per side plus the goalkeeper.

"If you're going to lose a game, that's the way I want to lose it," Head Coach Jennifer Averill said. "It was competitive and we had our opportunities, but we just weren't able to capitalize on them."

The Deacons played a great first half and came out with a 1-0 halftime lead. Junior Susan Bowman scored 13 minutes into the contest off a corner. She deflected a pass from junior Nicole Serluco into the cage.

Freshmen forward Jessica Schultz and Kelly Simon both had scoring opportunities in the half.

However, the eighth-ranked Cavaliers came storming out in the second half and caught the Deacons back on their heels early. Just 31 seconds into the second half the Cavaliers stormed down the center of the field. UVa's Michelle Vizzuso came in on a breakaway, faked to the left of junior



Nicholas Zachos

Freshman Lisa Andries was close to scoring a goal Saturday against Virginia.

goalkeeper Wendy Mumford, and put the ball into the cage to tie it up.

Five minutes later Virginia broke the tie when Thorpe put in a cross pass from the right side off Mumford's pads.

"In the second half we killed ourselves," Averill said. "We made way too many mental errors, and that cost us the game."

"We dominated the first half, but in the second half they came out totally fired up and we were caught flat," she said. "You can't allow yourself to have that many mental lapses and expect to come out on top."

Averill took a time out just a few minutes after the goal to calm down her team, and the Deacons seemed to get back on track. Averill also changed

goalkeepers, putting in junior Chaney Peavler.

With 19:58 to go in regulation, Serluco scored off a corner blast to tie the game 2-2. Junior Mary Moore and Bowman assisted on the play.

Virginia put the pressure on in the last minute of regulation with two corner opportunities, but they were not able to convert.

In the overtime the Deacons had their scoring chances, but Averill said that the Deacons did not stick to their game plan, and the Cavaliers capitalized with the game winner.

The Cavaliers outshot the Deacons 19 to 11.

The next contest for the Deacons is a home match against Virginia Commonwealth at Campus Stadium at 4 p.m. Next they will face ACC rival Duke at home Sunday at 1 p.m.

Teamwork leads men's x-country to Classic win

By ADAM ROTHSCHILD

OLD GOLD AND BLACK REPORTER

The nationally-ranked men's cross country team relied on some old-fashioned teamwork to defend its home turf Saturday, scoring 20 points en route to victories over UNC-Chapel Hill, Clemson, UNC-Charlotte, Campbell and North Carolina A&T in the Wake Forest Classic.

Sophomore Eric Dunn crossed the finish line first overall in the race with a time of 24:55.4 for the 8K course. North Carolina's Dave Mabe, an All-ACC performer a year ago, finished second with a time of 25:04.9, but Deacon sophomores Jon Russell, Nolan Swanson and Pat Fitzgerald all finished in front of the Tar Heels' number two finisher, Brandon Coonse, to secure the win for the 24th-ranked Deacons.

"It was a very solid meet for us," Head Coach John Goodridge said. "For many athletes, it was the opening meet of the season (referring to several top Deacon harriers, who were strategically held out of their last meet at Blowing Rock)."

Although cross country may appear to be a highly individualized sport on the surface, the aspect of teamwork was prevalent in this race, according to Goodridge.

"If anything came out of this race, it was some excellent team running," he said. "Russell and Dunn worked together quite well throughout the race, as did Swanson and Fitzgerald."

The WFU Classic was also the first collegiate race for the Deacon newcomers. "We got a nice opening race from our freshmen," Goodridge said. He specifically mentioned Brett Strahan and Parker Fleming. Strahan finished sixth for the Deacons and 13th overall with a time of 25:45.9, while Fleming crossed the line at 27:07.3, as the ninth Deacon finisher and 37th overall.

Demon Deacon alumni were also invited to participate in Saturday's event. Kyle Armentrout, '95, crossed the line first overall, but the alumni results were not included in the official scoring. Craig Longhurst, '95, and Brant Armentrout, '95, were also impressive alumni entrants.