

DEACON NOTES

■ Childress plays first pro games

Randolph Childress, '95, saw his first action as a Portland Trail Blazer during the past week, as he played 24 minutes in Friday night's game in Vancouver, British Columbia and 25 minutes the following Monday in Utah against the Jazz.

In Friday night's preseason opener, Childress went 0-for-nine from the floor and 0-for-five from behind the three-point stripe. Coming off the bench, Childress did manage to notch two points (on two-for-two shooting at the free-throw line) and four assists in the 104-86 win over the Grizzlies.

Monday night found the Blazers in Ogden, Utah, where they lost to the Jazz 114-110. Childress found his shooting touch in his encore performance, sinking three of seven treys and a pair of free throws for 11 points in 25 minutes on the floor.

In both games, Childress was pilfered for three turnovers and notched 5 personal fouls.

■ Rasby signs deal with Panthers

Tight end Walter Rasby, '94, found a job with the Carolina Panthers yesterday when the team signed him and placed Lawyer Tillman on injured reserve.

Rasby had signed with the Pittsburgh Steelers last season, but was waived in training camp this year.

Football licking wounds after 72-13 loss to FSU

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Membership in any club typically involves paying dues.

To play football in the ACC, you have to undergo 60 minutes of the closest thing the sport has to purgatory once every two seasons in Doak-Campbell Stadium against Bobby Bowden's Florida State Seminoles.

For the Demon Deacons, last Saturday was time to pay their dues, as the squad traveled to a waterlogged sunshine state to play a top-ranked Florida State team that had already notched at least 70 points in two games so far this season.

Things went pretty much as expected for the visiting team, as the Seminoles, who piled up 10 touchdowns against the Demon Deacons in a frantic attempt to convince journalists across the country that they are better than Nebraska and Ohio State, improved to 6-0 with a 72-13 win.

"There were times that we played well, but I was basically disappointed in our overall performance," Head Coach Jim Caldwell said. "We just did not execute very well, particularly on offense."

"Florida State obviously has a tremen-

dous football team, one with outstanding players and one that is well-coached," Caldwell said.

If success against Florida State is measured by how long the opposing team delays the eventuality of its foe's offensive explosion, then the Deacons were able to leave Florida with some minor feelings of vindication. The home team misfired on its first two possessions and was unable to solve the Deacons' defense until late in the first quarter.

The Deacons' first possession was a rocky one, as upon starting the game on their own 13-yard line, the visitors lost a yard on three plays before being forced to punt.

Upon returning the Deacon kick to their 48-yard line, the Seminoles promptly drove to within eight yards of the Deacon end zone before Scott Bentley's attempt at a 26-yard field goal was no good.

The Deacons second possession went something like their first, as the visiting team was subsequently able only to lose four yards on three plays before again having to punt.

However, again the Seminoles could not capitalize on their opponent's inability to generate offense, as, after leading his team to the Deacon nine yard line,

Florida State quarterback Danny Kanell had a pass intercepted by senior Deacon linebacker Tucker Grace.

Things peaked there for the Deacons, as Florida State erupted to score touchdowns on their next six possessions. Though the Deacons managed to punctuate the Seminole onslaught with a 46-yard touchdown run by junior John Lewis with 12:17 remaining in the second quarter and again with a 35-yard pass from senior quarterback Rusty LaRue to Lewis, the team went to the locker room down 41-13 to the Seminoles.

However, the home team did not rest there, as they returned to the field and proceeded to pitch a 21-0 third quarter shutout to run their lead to 62-13 with a quarter left to play.

The Seminoles added three first-place votes on a Bentley field goal with 9:34 to go in the game and tacked on a late touchdown to complete their scoring.

The game's final statistics provide a graphic indication of just how strong the Seminoles are this season. In 60 minutes of play, Florida State piled up 748 yards of total offense, including 401 yards on the ground, and held the Deacons to a minuscule 154 total yards.

Caldwell said that his team's trip to

Tallahassee hopefully constituted something of a learning experience.

"Playing against an opponent like that and in an atmosphere like Doak-Campbell Stadium will hopefully be a positive experience for our younger players who can now see where we have to be in order to contend for a championship in our conference," Caldwell said.

The Deacons will remain on the road this weekend, as they travel to Chapel Hill to meet a stumbling North Carolina team. The Heels are currently 1-2 in the ACC, having defeated Virginia two weeks ago before losing to Georgia Tech 27-25 last week in Atlanta.

The Deacons have not experienced much recent success against their intrastate foe, as they have lost five in a row including last year's 50-0 clobbering at Groves Stadium.

"In North Carolina, we are facing what I feel is one of the most talented teams in our league," Caldwell said. "Both offensively and defensively, they have outstanding personnel."

The game on Tobacco Road will be the second of three straight the Deacons play away from Winston-Salem, as they travel to Durham the following week to face the Duke Blue Devils.

Women's soccer goes winless on the week with losses to Virginia, Davidson

By ANDREW TASKA
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The end of regular season play is drawing near for the women's soccer team, whose loss to Davidson Wednesday leaves it with only four games before the action-packed ACC Tournament Nov. 2-4.

The Deacons fell to their intrastate opponents 3-1 to close out a week during which they were unable to bolster their total in the win column. Although they poured 20 shots onto the Wildcats' goal, the Deacons were able to solve the Davidson goaltender only once, as freshman Norine Fernbach scored with 19:36 remaining in the first half to knot the game at 1-1.

The game remained tied until the 42:23 mark of the second half, when Wildcat Heather Wineberg scored to give her team a lead which, combined with the Deacons' inability to score another goal, was sufficient to give the home team a winning margin of victory.

Despite a nasty afternoon shower, the Deacons waded their way onto Polo Field Saturday to a slippery showdown with their ACC rivals from Virginia. The field was water-logged from the opening kickoff, and after 10 minutes of play,

the turf seemed more like a Slip-n-Slide than a soccer field. The soggy field conditions handicapped both teams, and standing water saw to it that several would-be goals fell inches short.

Nevertheless, both teams managed to wrestle their way through the mud deftly enough to put forth a number of quality goal-attempts. The game's only goal came at the 37 minute mark when Virginia forward Liz Kelley weaseled her way past Deacon defenses to chip a shot past sophomore keeper Sari Rose.

The Deacons had many chances to tie the game during the second half, but just could not seem to get the ball between the posts. In fact, the Deacons tapped the ball past Virginia goalie Brit Swenberg on two occasions, but both shots were stopped dead in their tracks by puddles lurking just before the goal line.

Sophomore Cheryl Zimmerman had a phenomenal shot midway through the second half, which nipped the crossbar just enough to ricochet into the clutches of a Cavalier defender.

In the closing seconds, the Demon Deacons had one final opportunity to tie it up when freshmen Lisa Olinyk found herself facing an open goal. Unfortunately, Olinyk's shot veered

wide to the right as time expired leaving the final score at 1-0 in UVa's favor.

Frustrations continued to build for the Deacons when doctors reported that sophomore goalkeeper Jacki Ball will be absent from the lineup for the remainder of the season. The starting goalie broke the tibia in her lower left leg when she collided with a UNC-Charlotte defender in a contest Oct. 11.

Ball had started 10 of 14 games for the Demon Deacons this year and gave up an average of only 1.35 goals per game. Ball's injury is a major setback for the Deacons, who will be forced to rely on the skills of backup netminder Rose.

Head Coach Chris Turner held tryouts last Thursday to determine which player could take Rose's place in the event of an emergency. Freshman Gin Watson fit the bill and she will continue to fill her position as reserve forward in addition to her newly acquired role.

Women's soccer will be back in action on Polo Field against Clemson Oct. 22.

Mickey Kraynyak, the assistant sports editor, contributed to this story.



Freshman Julie Scott attempts to control the ball in the recent loss to Virginia. Nicholas Zachos

Football Contest Week Seven

■ Winner receives a \$40 gift certificate to the Diamond Back Grill

■ Circle the winning team in each game (home team is in caps).

NORTH CAROLINA	vs.	Wake Forest
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N.C. State	vs.	DUKE
Texas A&M	vs.	BAYLOR
Wisconsin	vs.	NORTHWESTERN
Penn State	vs.	IOWA
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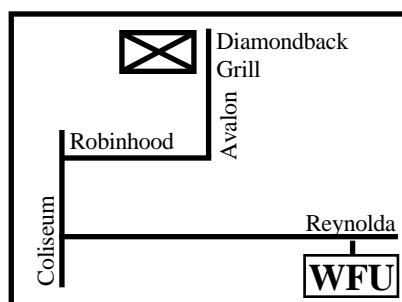
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