

DIVISION I FIELD HOCKEY ALL TIME CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET NORTH REGIONAL – SECOND ROUND

UNC 2007

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PSU 1979

24-0 • NCAA Champions

GAA: .60 GpG: 4.25 MoV: 3.65

18-3 • AIAW Runners-Up

GAA: .86 GPG: 3.29 MOV: 2.43

The 2007 Tar Heels opened with a five-game winning streak, posting an aggregate 19-7 scoreline. In that final game, UNC started a shutout streak that lasted over the next ten games and stretched to 724:51, marking only the second time a team had held opponents scoreless for over 700 consecutive minutes. William & Mary scored to break the streak, but UNC won that game and added four more shutouts, including the opening game of the ACC tournament. An overtime win over Wake moved the Heels into NCAAs as the top seed with an undefeated record. UNC then posted three shutouts in the national tournament win finish off a season in which their 24-0 record tied the school record for wins in a season, which also ranks sixth all-time in NCAA history. The Heels also set then-school records for goals scored (102) and shutouts (16). UNC was led by three USA Olympians in Rachel Dawson, Jesse Gey, and Katelyn Falgowski as well as Laree Beans. Dawson earned the Honda Award this season, one in which the Tar Heels defeated 13 tournament-bound teams in the regular season and led the nation in scoring and margin of victory.

The 1979 Lady Lions opened the season with three straight wins before a loss to Lock Haven broke the streak. Penn State responded with a seven-game streak that was in turn broken by the reigning national champion West Chester. Led by All-Americans Candi Finn, Jeannie Fissingner, Char Morett and Jan Snyder, Penn State shut out three consecutive opponents to win the Mid-Atlantic regional tournament and enter the national championship as the favorite. They shut out the first two opponents and then advanced to the national finals with an overtime win over Massachusetts.

