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### **NCAA FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONS MARYLAND**

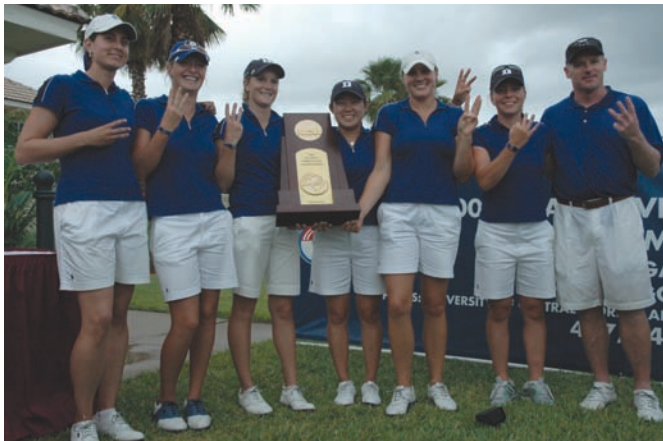
For the fifth time in its history, and for the second consecutive year, the University of Maryland field hockey team brought home the national championship in 2006. With a 1-0 victory over Wake Forest in the tournament final, the Terrapins won the conference's 12th NCAA Championship in the last 26 years. Ranked second behind Wake Forest entering the tournament, Maryland swept through its competition, allowing only one goal en route to the title. The victory marked Missy Meharg's fourth championship win as Maryland's head coach. On the year, Maryland went 14-2 against ranked opponents, including 10 wins over teams ranked in the NCAA's top 10 overall. Senior Paula Infante won the Honda Award, given annually to the nation's top player, for the second year in a row, and Coach Meharg was named National Coach of the Year by the NFCA for the sixth time in her career.



### **NCAA WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONS NORTH CAROLINA**

Top-seeded North Carolina claimed its 18th NCAA women's soccer championship with a 2-1 victory over second-seeded Notre Dame at SAS Soccer Complex in Cary, N.C., before a crowd of 8,349. Senior Heather O'Reilly went out in grand style with a goal and an assist, while freshman forward Casey Nogueira celebrated her first career start with the same numbers. The Tar Heels concluded a magical season with 27 successive wins after a season-opening 1-0 double overtime loss at Texas A&M, tying the school record for victories in a season. The national crown, which UNC has won 18 times in the past 25 years, was the first since 2003. O'Reilly was the offensive sparkplug for the Tar Heels and Nogueira provided the rest of the offense UNC needed to prevail in a hard fought championship game. O'Reilly was named the Most Outstanding Offensive Player of the Tournament and Nogueira also made the All-Tournament Team. Other Tar Heels on the All-Tournament Team included junior defender Robyn Gayle, the tournament's Defensive MVP, as well as freshman defender Kristi Eveland, sophomore midfielder Yael Averbuch and freshman midfielder Tobin Heath.

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### **NCAA WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONS DUKE**

Duke captured its third consecutive NCAA Women's Golf Championship in 2007 which was played at the LPGA International Legends Course in Daytona Beach, Fla. Duke won its fifth NCAA title with a 15-stroke victory over Purdue. NGCA Division I, NCGA East Regional and Golfweek Coach of the Year accolades went to Duke's Dan Brooks. Duke's Amanda Blumenherst captured the PING NGCA Division I Player of the Year, Golfweek Player of the Year, Honda Award winner (top female collegiate golfer), and Golfstat Cup Award honoree. Blumenherst was also awarded the Nancy Lopez Award, selected as the world's most outstanding female amateur. Honored on the NGCA All-America first team was Duke's Amanda Blumenherst and Florida State's Caroline Westrup. Duke's Anna Grzebien, Jennie Lee and Virginia's Leah Wigger placed on the NGCA second team while honorable mention honors went to Wake Forest's Amanda Goins. Seven players were awarded Golfweek team honors. Duke's Amanda Blumenherst was named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America first team while Florida State's Caroline Westrup was named to the second team.



### **NCAA WOMEN'S TENNIS CHAMPIONS GEORGIA TECH**

Kristi Miller, Amanda McDowell and Christy Striplin each won their respective singles matches and NCAA Tournament Most Valuable Player Alison Silverio provided the clinching victory at No. 2 singles, as Georgia Tech notched a 4-2 victory over UCLA in the NCAA championship title match at Henry Field Stadium in Athens, Ga. The championship is the first NCAA title in any sport for Georgia Tech and the first in ACC tennis history. UCLA dominated in doubles action, winning 8-3 at both the No. 1 and No. 2 flights, but the Yellow Jackets battled their way back. McDowell gave Tech its first singles win with a 6-1, 6-0 blitzing of Ashley Joelson at No. 4 singles, while wins from Striplin and Miller put the Yellow Jackets on top 3-2. With all eyes focused at No. 2 singles, Silverio had won the first set 7-5 but dropped the second by the same count. She returned in the third set with a convincing 6-1 win over UCLA's 40th-ranked Tracy Lin and secured the overall 4-2 victory for Tech.



**NCAA OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONS  
FLORIDA STATE**

Florida State captured its second straight NCAA Men's Outdoor Track and Field Championship, outdistancing runner-up LSU by six points over the four-day event held at the Alex G. Spanos Sports Complex in Sacramento, Calif. The Seminoles scored 54 points while the Tigers were second with 48 points. Florida State's Walter Dix won the 100, the 200 and the 4x100 relay to earn three titles on his way to being named the National Track Athlete of the Year and becoming the first male athlete to win all three races since San Jose State's John Carlos in 1969. Dix's time of 9.93 in the 100 was just a hundredth of a second of Ato Boldon's NCAA championship-best time of 9.92. . In addition to Dix, Ricardo Chambers captured the 400 meter dash title and the 4x100 meter relay team of Dix, Greg Bolden, Charles Clark and Michael Ray Garvin also claimed national title honors. Florida State has now collected four NCAA titles in track and field with the women claiming the outdoor title in 1984 and the indoor title in 1985.



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### **SARA ANUNDSSEN AND JENNA LONG, NORTH CAROLINA**

Sara Anundsen and Jenna Long became the first tandem in ACC tennis history to capture the national title in doubles competition for both the league and North Carolina. After dropping the first set 1-6, the Tar Heel tandem stormed back to upend the No. 1 overall seed of Megan Moulton-Levy and Katarina Zoricic from William & Mary with a pair of 6-2 victories for the national doubles championship title. Long earned All-America distinction in both singles and doubles by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, while Anundsen collected All-America honors in doubles. The duo was also the ITA National Doubles Team of the Year.

### **RICARDO CHAMBERS, FLORIDA STATE**

Florida State's Chambers, a junior from Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., claimed two titles for the mighty Seminoles in 2007, finishing first in the 400 meter run at both the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Track Championships. Chambers, Florida State's all-time record holder in both events, narrowly edged the competition at the indoor meet, becoming the first ACC athlete to win the title since 1999. At the outdoor championships, Chambers held off some stiff competition to give the conference its fourth 400 meter outdoor championship and its first since 1996.

### **AUDRA COHEN, MIAMI**

Top-ranked and No. 1 seed Audra Cohen defeated No. 4 seeded Lindsey Nelson of the University of Southern Carolina, 7-5, 6-2, to become the first in the school's program history and third in ACC women's tennis history to win the NCAA Women's Tennis Singles Championship. Cohen is the first ACC women's tennis player to do so since Wake Forest's Bea Bielik clinched the NCAA singles championship in 2002. The junior from Plantation, Fla., garnered the prestigious Honda Award and was tabbed ITA National Player of the Year and Top Collegiate Female Tennis Player.

### **SOMDEV DEVVARMAN, VIRGINIA**

Somdev Devvarman of Virginia became the first men's tennis player in Atlantic Coast Conference history to win the NCAA Singles Championship. After finishing runner-up in the 2006 NCAA Singles Championship, the junior from Chennai, India, posted a 6-0 mark and defeated three Top 10 ranked opponents, including top-seed John Isner from Georgia, for the championship singles title in 2007. Devvarman was also named National Player of the Year by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, becoming the first ACC player to garner the national accolade.

### **WALTER DIX, FLORIDA STATE**

Florida State sprinter Walter Dix, the conference's Male Athlete of the Year in 2007, again took home the Indoor Track National Championship in the 200 meter dash, defending his title from the previous year. Dix, now a two-time

indoor track national champion, blew away the competition, outdistancing the second-place finisher by more than three tenths of a second. Dix also claimed two titles in the 2007 Outdoor Track and Field Championships, held in Sacramento, Calif. Returning to defend both the 100 meter and 200 meter dash championships, Dix maintained his stranglehold on the two events. In the 200 meter, Dix matched his time of 20.32 from the Indoor Championships and beat his closest competition by nearly half a second. In the 100 meter, Dix's time of 9.93 seconds was just one one-hundredth of a second off of the all-time meet record and three one-hundredths of a second off of the all-time record for college athletes. His two victories earned 20 total points for the eventual national champion Florida State Seminoles.

### **BRIE FELNAGLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

North Carolina's Brie Felnagle, a sophomore from Tacoma, Wash., won her third career track and field national championship at the NCAA outdoor meet in Sacramento when she took first in the women's 1500 meter run. Her time of 4:09.93 was good enough to break the all-time conference record of 4:11.60, set by former Tar Heel standout Shalane Flanagan in 2003, and was only three seconds shy of the all-time NCAA meet record. Felnagle's victory in the 1500 was the conference's first ever in the event.



### FLORIDA STATE 4 X 100 RELAY TEAM

The Florida State 4 x 100 relay team, made up of Walter Dix, Greg Bolden, Charles Clark and Michael Ray Garvin, won the 2007 national title with a time of 38.60 seconds. With that time, the four Seminoles broke a five-year-old conference record by more than two-tenths of a second. The relay win marked the third championship in the event among ACC schools, and helped propel Florida State to its second straight Outdoor Track and Field National Championship.

### TERRY HORNER, FLORIDA STATE

Terry Horner capped off an impressive rookie campaign as the 2007 NCAA men's 1-meter diving champion and garnered All-America status. The Orlando, Fla., native posted a season-best 399.35 points in the men's 1-meter diving event to capture the national title and became the first Atlantic Coast Conference diver since FSU joined the league in July 1991 to win the event. Horner is also the seventh student-athlete from the ACC to claim a national title since 2000. He also received All-American recognition at the NCAA Championships, placing eighth in the 3-meter diving.

### SHANTIA MOSS, GEORGIA TECH

Shantia Moss, a junior from Tamarac, Fla., became the 2007 Indoor National Champion in the 60 meter hurdles when she ran a personal best and school record time of 7.98 seconds at the NCAA meet. Moss, who was the only runner at the

championships to break the eight second threshold, claimed her first title with the performance at the University of the Arkansas' Tyson track Center and also become the only ACC woman to ever win the national title in this event.

### NORTH CAROLINA DMR TEAM

For the second year in a row, the North Carolina women's distance medley relay team was the nation's best, winning the national title again at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships with a time of 10:59.46. With their time, the North Carolina team beat the second best team by more than six seconds and nearly broke the NCAA meet record, a mark that has stood since 2002. The victory in the DMR was the Tar Heels' third since 2003, and the third in ACC history.

### TRAVIS PADGETT, CLEMSON

At the 2007 NCAA Indoor Track Championships, Clemson's Travis Padgett claimed the conference's first-ever national title in the 60-meter dash. Padgett, a sophomore from Shelby, N.C., took first-place in the meet by narrowly edging out teammate Jacoby Ford and Florida State's Greg Bolden. His time, 6.56 seconds, was the fastest performance by any ACC runner in the event in 2006.

### SHANNON ROWBURY, DUKE

With a time of 4:42.17, Shannon Rowbury, a senior from San Francisco, Calif., won the 2007 mile run title at the NCAA Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships. Her victory was one of two individual championships won by ACC athletes at the event and one of three

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overall. It also was the conference's first national championship in an individual distance event since 2003.

### JUSTIN RYNCAVAGE, NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina's Justin Ryncavage, the 2006 NCAA Javelin Champion, again was victorious at the national meet in 2007. Ryncavage's first throw of 241-05 (73.58m) turned out to be the best throw of the entire event, more than five feet better than the best throw of any participant. Ryncavage's two national championships are the only two ever won by any ACC athlete in the Javelin throw.

### MICHELLE SIKES, WAKE FOREST

Wake Forest's Michelle Sikes, the conference's 2007 Women's Outdoor Track MVP, claimed the conference's second national title at the NCAA Outdoor Championships by taking first-place in the 5000 meter run. Her time of 15:16.76 crushed both the competition and previous conference and meet records. In winning the title, Sikes bested the NCAA meet record, set in 2004, by more than seven seconds and the previous ACC record, set in 2003, by nearly four seconds. With the victory, Sikes became the first Wake Forest female track athlete ever to win a national title and the first Demon Deacon to win a championship in the sport since 1996.