



**NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship Game
#3 North Carolina (16-5) vs. #1 Northwestern (23-0)
Johnny Unitas® Stadium • May 24, 2009**

Tournament Notes

- Northwestern won its fifth-straight national title with a 21-7 win over North Carolina on Sunday afternoon ... the 14-goal differential was the largest in NCAA Championship title game history ... the previous mark was 10 goals, when Maryland defeated Princeton, 16-6, in the 1999 national title game.
- Sunday's attendance was 6,515 – the second-largest crowd in NCAA Division I women's lacrosse history and the largest crowd in a NCAA Championship Final game ... it was only behind Friday's record crowd of 7,549 fans for the two NCAA Championship Semifinal games ... this weekend's total attendance was 14,064 – the largest in NCAA Championship Round weekend history.

Largest Attendances in NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse History

1.	7,549	NCAA Semifinals	May 22, 2009	Towson, Md.
2.	6,515	NCAA Championship Final	May 24, 2009	Towson, Md.
3.	6,428	NCAA Semifinals	May 25, 2007	Philadelphia, Pa.
4.	6,300	NCAA Semifinals	May 23, 2008	Towson, Md.
5.	6,125	NCAA Championship Final	May 25, 2008	Towson, Md.
6.	6,075	NCAA Championship Final	May 27, 2007	Philadelphia, Pa.

- The 28 combined goals by the two teams tied for the most in a NCAA Championship Final game ... Northwestern (15) and Virginia (13) also combined for 28 goals during the 2007 national title contest.
- The 18 combined goals by the two teams in the first half marked a NCAA Championship Round record ... the previous record of 17 combined goals had happened on three previous occasions (two in championship games), with the last coming in the first half of the 2007 title game between Northwestern and Virginia (Northwestern led, 11-6).
- This year's NCAA All-Tournament Team is comprised of the following individuals:
Northwestern – Katrina Dowd (Most Outstanding Player), Hannah Nielsen, Danielle Spencer, Hilary Bowen, Meredith Frank
North Carolina – Jenn Russell, Laura Zimmerman, Amber Falcone
Maryland – Karri Ellen Johnson, Brittany Poist
Penn – Ali DeLuca, Katie Mazer
- Northwestern now leads the all-time series, 6-1 ... the Wildcats have won three-straight against the Tar Heels ... Northwestern defeated North Carolina, 12-7, earlier this year on March 2 in Chapel Hill.

North Carolina Notes

- North Carolina is now 12-11 all-time in NCAA Tournament games ... head coach **Jenny Levy** has coached the Tar Heels in all of those games ... the Tar Heels made their first appearance in the NCAA Championship game in program history.
- The 21 games played in 2009 are tied for the most in program history ... North Carolina also played 21 games in 2007 and posted a 16-5 record that season.
- The 21 goals allowed by North Carolina are the most in school history ... the Tar Heels yielded 19 goals against Maryland during the 1999 ACC Tournament.
- The 14-goal margin of defeat matched the largest in program history ... the Tar Heels were topped, 16-2, against Princeton in the 2002 national semifinal.
- Five of North Carolina's seven goals on Sunday came in free-position opportunities ... the Tar Heels were 5-for-6 on Sunday.
- **Jenn Russell** tallied a pair of goals for the Tar Heels ... it was her second multi-goal performance over her last-three games.
- **Kristen Carr** netted her first goal of the year during the second half of Sunday's game.

Northwestern Notes

- Northwestern established a NCAA Championship game record with 21 goals scored ... its performance smashed the previous record of 16 goals held by Maryland in both the 1999 (vs. Virginia) and 2000 (vs. Princeton) championship games.
- The 21 goals scored by Northwestern are the most by any team in NCAA Championship Round history ... the previous record was 19 goals by Maryland against Loyola (Md.) in the 1994 national semifinal ... Northwestern scored 20-plus goals in a game 11 times this year.
- Northwestern's 15 first-half goals established a NCAA Division I Championship Round record for any half ... the previous record for a championship round game was 13 by Maryland in the second half of the 2000 championship game against

Princeton ... the previous record for a first half was 11 goals by Northwestern in the 2007 championship game against Virginia and Maryland's 11 goals against Virginia in the 1999 championship game.

- The Wildcats scored on all-15 of their shots on goal during the opening half and each of their first-20 shots on goal ... the Wildcats were first turned away on a shot on the net with 8:20 left in the game.
- Northwestern is now 22-6 all-time in NCAA Tournament games ... its .786 all-time winning percentage now ranks first all-time in NCAA history ... the Wildcats are now a perfect 5-0 all-time in NCAA title games.
- Northwestern has won its fifth-straight NCAA Championship in women's lacrosse ... the five-consecutive NCAA team titles are tied for the sixth-longest streak in NCAA Division I women's sports history (Utah gymnastics: 1982-86; Texas swimming & diving: 1984-88; Stanford swimming & diving: 1992-96; LSU indoor track & field: 1993-97) ... it is the second-longest streak in NCAA women's lacrosse history, behind only Maryland's seven-straight titles from 1995-01.
- Northwestern tied a NCAA Division I women's lacrosse record with 23 wins this season ... the 2001 Maryland squad also posted 23 wins en route to its seventh-straight national title.
- The 2009 Wildcats became the ninth team in NCAA Division I women's lacrosse history to finish the year with a perfect record ... they are the first team since their first title-winning year in 2005, when they went 21-0.
- The Wildcats have won 29-straight games, dating back to the 2008 regular season ... the streak is the fifth-longest in NCAA Division I history, as Maryland holds the record with 50-consecutive wins from 1995-97 ... in each of those 29 games, Northwestern has scored at least 10 goals.
- Over the last-three years, Northwestern has posted a 65-2 record ... its only losses came against Penn in 2008 (11-7) and a 2007 season-opening loss to North Carolina (9-8 in overtime).
- Northwestern has won 20-consecutive NCAA Tournament games, which ranks as the second-longest stretch in NCAA Division I women's lacrosse history ... Maryland won 21-straight NCAA Tournament contests between 1995-02.
- Northwestern head coach **Kelly Amonte Hiller** won her fifth NCAA Championship as a coach and her seventh title overall ... she won a pair of national titles as a player with Maryland in 1995 and '96 ... her five NCAA titles as a coach are the second most in NCAA Division I women's lacrosse history, as Cindy Timchal won eight national titles while at the helm at Maryland.
- Northwestern head coach **Kelly Amonte Hiller** is now 21-1 all-time in NCAA Tournament games ... her .955 winning percentage ranks as the highest among coaches in NCAA history with a minimum of 10 tournament games coached ... her 21 victories are tied for the third-most in NCAA history with Julie Myers from Virginia (21-13).
- Northwestern set the NCAA Division I single-season team points record on Sunday ... the Wildcats finished the year with 570 points, surpassing the previous record of 541 points by Syracuse in 2008.
- The Wildcats set a NCAA Division I Tournament record with 73 goals during this year's tournament ... the previous record was 64 goals by Princeton during the 2002 NCAA Tournament.
- Northwestern broke the NCAA Division I Tournament record with an average of 18.3 goals per game in this year's tournament ... the previous standard was 16.7 goals per game by Maryland in three games during the 1999 NCAA Tournament.
- The Wildcats finished the year with 163 assists as a team ... that mark ranks third in NCAA Division I history ... Northwestern dished out 168 assists in 2007 and 165 assists in 2006.
- **Hilary Bowen, Katrina Dowd, Danielle Spencer** and **Brooke Matthews** all recorded hat tricks on Sunday ... it was the fifth time this year that Northwestern had four players record a hat trick in the same game ... for Bowen, it was her 10th hat trick of the year ... for Dowd, it was her 13th-consecutive game with a hat trick and 15th of the season ... for Matthews, it was her second hat trick of the season and third of her career.
- **Hilary Bowen:** Bowen's five goals on Sunday tied for the third-most in NCAA Championship Final game history ... it was the first five-goal showing in the title game since she posted five goals in the 2007 game against Virginia ... she broke the NCAA Division I Tournament record for most career goals in tournament play with 40 (previous record: 39, Kristen Kjellman, Northwestern, 2004-07) ... she moved into a tie for 18th place on the NCAA Division I all-time career goals list with 219 goals (tied with Maryland's Kelly Coppedge from 2001-04) ... she finished her career with 55 career points in NCAA Tournament action - the third-highest total in Division I history ... she pushed her point-scoring streak to 59 games with her goal in the first half.
- **Hannah Nielsen:** Nielsen set a NCAA Division I Championship Round record with six assists on Sunday ... her six assists tied for the third-highest mark in a NCAA Division I Tournament game ... she set the NCAA Division I Tournament record for most assists in a tournament (16) and in a tournament career (35) ... both marks pushed her past previous record-holder Jen Adams from Maryland (15 assists in 2001, 32 assists during her career from 1998-01) ... she completed her career with 56 points in NCAA Tournament play - the second-highest total in Division I history ... 20 of those points came in this year's NCAA Tournament - tied for the ninth-highest mark in Division I tournament history ... she finished her season with 142 points on the year to tie for the second-highest mark in NCAA Division I history (tied with Syracuse's Katie Rowan in 2008) ... she completed her career with 398 points to move past Syracuse's Katie Rowan for third place on the all-time NCAA Division I list, behind only Maryland's Jen Adams (445 points from 1998-01) and Delaware's Karen Emas (420 points from 1981-84) ... extended her point-scoring streak to 67 games with her assist in the first half.
- **Katrina Dowd:** Dowd finished this year's NCAA Tournament with 24 points, only two shy of the Division I record held by Jen Adams (26 points) for Maryland in 2001 ... she finished the year with 75 goals scored - the third-highest total in school

history ... 22 of those goals came in this year's NCAA Tournament – a record that she had entering Sunday's action ... she has netted 34 career goals in NCAA Tournament play, which represents the sixth-highest total in Division I tournament history.

- **Danielle Spencer:** Spencer finished her junior campaign with 65 goals scored to move into sole possession of seventh place on the program's all-time single-season list.