

## NOTES | SEMIFINAL #2



### NO. 2 DUKE 66, NO. 6 NORTH CAROLINA 61

Defending champion Duke will seek its ninth overall ACC Women's Basketball Tournament championship and its fourth in five seasons when it faces top-seeded and second-ranked Notre Dame in Sunday's 7 p.m. title game. All eight of the Blue Devils' current ACC titles have come since 2000.

The Blue Devils have won six straight ACC semifinal games under head coach Joanne P. McCallie.

McCallie improved to 15-3 in ACC Tournament games with Saturday night's win. McCallie's .833 ACC Tournament winning percentage is the league's best all-time. McCallie owns a combined 39-12 record in all conference postseason tournaments in which she has coached (North Atlantic Conference, America East Conference, Big Ten and ACC) for a winning percentage of .765.

Duke improved to 36-7 in games played at the Greensboro Coliseum with Saturday night's semifinal win over North Carolina.

Duke holds a 7-6 edge on North Carolina in ACC Tournament play after winning the last three games against the rival Tar Heels in the event. UNC, which defeated the Blue Devils twice during the 2013-14 regular season, holds a 49-40 lead in the overall series.

The Blue Devils improved to 7-1 all-time vs. the No. 6 seed in ACC Tournament games.

ACC Defensive Player of the Year Elizabeth Williams blocked three shots for the Blue Devils, giving her 95 for the season. Duke's opponents this season have 82 blocks combined. Williams has averaged 3.8 blocks in six career ACC Tournament games.

With three made 3-point shots on Friday night, Duke's Tricia Liston has 83 treys for the season and broke her own school record of 80, which she set a year ago.

With a team-high 17 points on Saturday night, Liston moved into eighth place on the Blue Devils' all-time scoring list with 1,629 points.

North Carolina's Diamond DeShields led all scorers with 25 points in Saturday's semifinals. DeShields, the ACC Freshman of the Year, had 10 field goals, including five baskets from beyond the arc. A freshman from Norcross, Ga., DeShields averaged 21.3 points and five rebounds in three ACC Tournament games. DeShields' 25 field goal attempts on Saturday night were the most this season by a Tar Heel.

UNC freshman forward Stephanie Mavunga had one block in Saturday's semifinal loss to Duke in the ACC Tournament. With the block, Mavunga moved to within one of Dawn Royster's freshman blocks record of 84 that was set in 1983-84.

Tonight's loss was the first time this season that North Carolina lost when allowing less than 70 points. During the regular season, the Tar Heels were 8-0 in that scenario.

The Tar Heels' Allisha Gray, an All-ACC Freshman Team selection, completed the ACC Tournament with a scoring average of 13 points, as well as 7.3 rebounds per game. Against Duke, Gray contributed 14 points and seven rebounds.

North Carolina's 22 field goals tied for its third fewest in a game this season.