

Bowl action

Micron PC Bowl coverage, see page 6.



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RPD arrests basketball player

Damon Thornton, a forward on the NCSU basketball team, was arrested early Friday for trespassing, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

CRIVY WILFONG News Editor

N.C. State basketball player Damon Thornton was arrested early Friday morning and charged with three misdemeanors following an altercation at a local nightclub.

refused entry to Club Zone after failing to show proper identification, according to Sgt. Hardy of the Raleigh Police Department.



Damon Thornton

After being kept out of the club, Thornton "became belligerent" and was told to leave by club staff, according to police reports. He left, only to return

moments later, yelling profanity at the club staff and acting in a disruptive manner.

A club manager then enlisted the aid of three off-duty police officers who were working as club security, police reports said. The officers asked Thornton to leave, but he continually refused.

"He continued to use profanity with the officers and club staff," Hardy said. "When the officers attempted to arrest him, he pushed the officers' arms away."

Hardy went on to say that Capstone, a pepper spray, was used on Thornton "to gain control." The incident took place on New

Year's Eve at the opening of Club Zone, located on West Hodges Street at the former site of the Marz entertainment complex. According to the citation, Thornton was arrested at 12:44 a.m. He was brought to the Raleigh police station around 3:15 a.m. but was released without bond into the custody of an unnamed individual.

"He was here a total time of 15 to 30 minutes," said Capt. Butler of RPD.

In light of Friday's incident, Thornton, a red-shirt sophomore forward, did not play in Saturday's game against Georgia Tech. Dressed in a shirt and tie, he was escorted in

by security guards moments before the game began to sit on the bench with his teammates. Following the game, Thornton was quickly ushered out of Reynolds Coliseum. His teammates were instructed not to answer questions during the post-game interviews regarding the incident, according to point guard Justin Gainey.

Coach Herb Sendek was informed of Thornton's arrest by a phone call early Friday morning. Although the decision was made to keep Thornton from playing in Saturday's game, Sendek is not certain what Thornton's status will be for the rest of the season. He said he will continue to "evaluate the matter" before

deciding whether Thornton will play in upcoming games.

"We are not going to make any decisions probably until early next week," Sendek said on Saturday. "I think Damon would be the first to tell anybody that he made a mistake; he exercised poor judgment. He made a bad decision. All we can do is hope to learn from the situation."

Although several other NCSU basketball players were in attendance at the Club Zone Friday night, they were not involved in the disturbance. Alcohol was not cited on police reports as a contributing factor.

Staff writer K. Gaffney contributed to this story.

Pack fans make trip to Miami

Several thousand Wolfpack football fans trekked down to Miami to watch N.C. State in the Micron PC Bowl.

TIM HUNTER Staff Writer

For fans like Wiley Jones, traveling to watch the N.C. State football team play away from home is nothing new.

Jones, a 1995 graduate in civil engineering, went to four bowl games during his time as a student and also made trips to the Syracuse and Baylor games within the last year. Wiley Jones and six other Wolfpack fans didn't think twice about renting a van and driving all the way to Miami to watch N.C. State in the Dec. 29 Micron PC Bowl.

"I knew I would go because I enjoy watching the Wolfpack," Wiley Jones explained. "I have been to most of the games, and the trip wasn't as bad as I had heard."

Rumors of a 16-hour drive on the infamous I-95 plus the threat of playing the University of Miami in what amounted to a home stadium kept many Pack fans at home — but not the more dedicated ones. For most, the rumors proved to be wrong, and the trip was actually closer to 12 or 13 hours.

"There were a lot of horror stories," Wiley Jones said of the drive. "But it wasn't that bad after all. We had plenty of people to switch off driving."

Despite the Pack's poor performance in a 46-23 rout by the Miami Hurricanes, fans such as Grant Jones, a sophomore in English at NCSU, would do it all over again.

"I had decided that if the game was anywhere on the East Coast, I would be going," Grant Jones said. "I would do it again in a second."

Besides the game, there were plenty of things to keep most Wolfpack fans entertained. Southern Florida offered travelers miles of beaches coupled with enough restaurants, bars, clubs and sights to keep even the most hard-to-please satisfied. And the 85-degree temperatures didn't hurt.

"South Beach looked like a scene from Baywatch," Wiley Jones said. "There were plenty of things to do. You couldn't ask for better weather or a better environment to go to."

Austin Adams, a senior in business management, agreed. "The weather was great, in the mid-80s every day, and us getting to go to a bowl game, finally, made the trip worthwhile," he said.

Over 5,000 loyal fans made the trip — by road for the most part, since plane tickets during the holiday season cost over \$400. While outnumbered by the home crowd of Miami, Wolfpack fans weren't hard to find. The only section of Pro Player Stadium that was standing was comprised of red and white fans hungry for a Wolfpack win.

The Micron PC Bowl was the Pack's first post-season appearance since a 1995 trip to the Peach Bowl in Atlanta. "I was expecting we would come out like we did against Florida State and Syracuse," Grant Jones said. "Especially since it was [All-American wide receiver] Torry Holt's last game."

"The N.C. State crowd was very sizable and was into it the whole time," Grant Jones added. "Our crowd did a good job of standing up and being vocal," Wiley Jones agreed. "Especially since we were outnumbered."

On the flip side of the coin, there were several accounts that the Hurricanes' fans were less than hospitable to the Wolfpack. "Miami fans were less than exemplary, to say the least," Grant Jones went on to say. "Some of them were throwing smoke bombs into the N.C. State crowd, and several fans tried to pick fights."

"The fans would come into the State section and just start yelling," Adams said. "They were throwing stuff at the band, and several of them had to be escorted out."

All in all, the trip made for a good time for many Wolfpack fans. Despite the antics of the partisan crowd and the Wolfpack loss, most fans agreed that it was worth the trouble.

"I loved it — there were so many things to do," Wiley Jones said. "I would definitely do it again."



State fans show their support for the football team at the Micron PC Bowl game in Miami.

Fox names interim provost

Charles Moreland will temporarily fill the position left vacant by former Provost Phillip Stiles.

LEA DELICIO Special to Technician

As former Provost Phillip Stiles abdicates his position, effective Dec. 31, Charles Moreland, N.C. State's current vice chancellor for research, outreach and extension, will assume the role as interim provost.

Stiles announced in July that he would step down in December. Chancellor Marye Anne Fox appointed a search committee to fill the position. She now says Moreland will serve until a national search committee completes its search and selects a replacement for Stiles.

Charles Moreland has been with the university for 35 years and is well known and well respected by our faculty. He is very well qualified to serve in this post, and I appreciate his willingness to assist me and the university in this important assignment," Fox said in an NCSU press release.

Moreland will continue his duties as vice chancellor for research, outreach and extension while he assumes the role of interim provost, according to the press release. He has served in this position since Sept. 1995.

Moreland came to NCSU in 1964 as an assistant professor of chemistry and director of the university's Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Facility. From 1981 to 1990 he served as assistant department head of chemistry for graduate studies.

He then served as industrial relations chairman for the College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences from 1990 to 1992, at which time he moved to associate vice chancellor for research, outreach and extension.

Stiles will now return to research and teaching in NCSU's department of physics, according to the press release.

As the search for a permanent replacement for Stiles continues, NCSU has released a description and expectations for the provost position. By definition on NCSU's Web page, the provost serves as "chief academic officer of the university," and reports directly to Chancellor Fox. The provost has direct responsibility for all schools and colleges at NCSU.

Qualifications include having earned a "terminal degree in a discipline appropriate for appointment as a full professor in one of the academic departments at N.C. State University," and having exhibited a "record of excellence in scholarship, teaching, grant support and professional service."

Among other requirements, the provost must be willing and able to work closely with the chancellor and other vice chancellors.

Huge snowstorm paralyzes Midwest

Everywhere from Chicago to St. Louis to St. Paul felt the effects of a massive winter storm this weekend.

STEPHANIE SIMON Los Angeles Times

ST. LOUIS — Two angry storm systems smacked into each other high above the Midwest Saturday, dumping more than a foot of snow, whipping up ferocious winds and frustrating holiday travelers who found their flights canceled and their cars glazed solid from windshield to tires with ice one-quarter inch thick.

Hundreds of flights out of St. Louis and Chicago were canceled as wind pushed fresh drifts of snow down the runways almost as fast as crews could clear them.

So many passengers were stranded at O'Hare International Airport that authorities called a nearby Hilton to requisition cots for the terminals. The hotel, however, had none to spare, having booked every available bed — including some in rooms that had been closed for renovation — by 8 a.m. "We're completely

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## Snow

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out," Manager Alex DeGado said. "We're swamped."

The storm, the first real whopper to hit the Midwest this winter, swept across Iowa, Minnesota, Indiana and Ohio as well as Missouri and Illinois. Some towns in northeast Missouri reported up to 18 inches of snow on the ground, and that wasn't the worst of it; road-clearing crews also had to contend with nose-numbing frost and visibility as low as one-quarter of a mile.

Wind chill temperatures sank to 19 degrees below zero in Minneapolis, 16 below in Chicago and St. Paul, Minn. and 10 below in St. Louis and Des Moines, Iowa. By Saturday afternoon, the bliniest city around was Indianapolis, where the snow had changed to freezing rain and the wind chill was just five below zero.

Authorities blamed the storm for at least eight deaths. The deaths, seven reported Friday and one Saturday, were attributed to traffic accidents.

The nasty weather should push out of the Midwest Sunday, but it won't just dissolve. Instead, it will head toward the Atlantic Ocean as New England comes in for its New Year's

dose of ice and snow. "Basically," said Mike Doll, a meteorologist with WeatherData Inc., "everything will shift east and a little bit north." That couldn't happen soon enough for most Midwesterners.

On average, Chicago records just one day a year with a 24-hour snowfall accumulation of more than 5 inches. Same with St. Louis. "This was that day," Doll said.

Doll traced the storm to two distinct systems — one sweeping south from Canada, the other pushing east from California — that collided in the upper atmosphere. "The two merged right over the central U.S. and combined forces," Doll said. "All the ingredients were there for a major winter storm. And we've got one."

Indeed, Chicago Mayor Richard Daley called the storm the worst to hit his city in 30 to 40 years. By late afternoon Saturday, downtown had recorded 17 inches of snow — just 2 inches shy of the last big single-storm total in 1979. And it was still coming.

Making matters much worse was the wind, which gusted up to 63 mph, taunting Chicago's shoveling crews with a never-ending job. Though the city sent out 700 pieces of equipment to clear the roads starting at 3 a.m. Saturday, Daley warned that "the task is enormous" and said the cleanup could take

days. All flights in and out of Chicago were canceled Saturday afternoon and evening, and no one was quite sure when normal service would resume. With roads treacherous and officials urging people not to drive, those who made it to the airport found themselves trapped, even if they lived nearby.

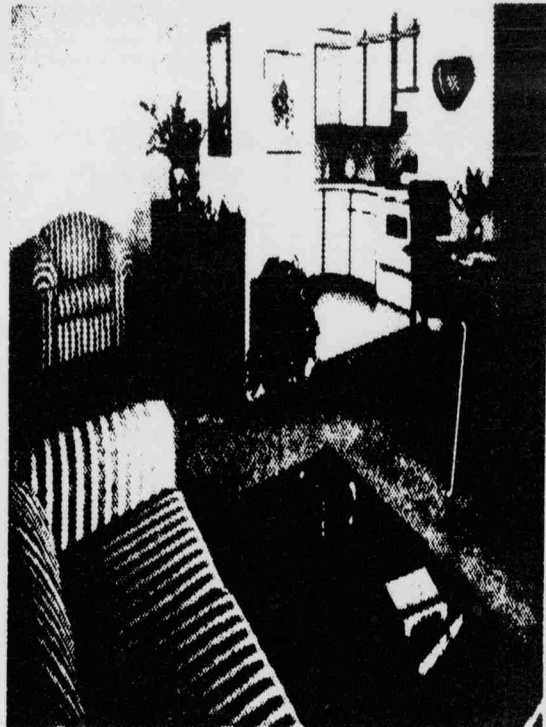
Both United Airlines and American Airlines canceled flights to Chicago from Los Angeles, San Francisco and Oakland airports.

Other cities across the Midwest also reported major disruptions in air service, most notably St. Louis, where TWA scratched more than 400 flights.

Although St. Louis' snow accumulation — about 8 inches — was not as impressive as Chicago's or Milwaukee's, it was bad enough for a city unused to blizzards. About 500 state workers were pressed into round-the-clock shifts to clean the streets.

The Arch closed. The St. Louis Symphony canceled its Saturday evening performance for the first time in 16 years.

And software engineer Shelby Smith contemplated sending out her resume: "All weekend, I've been thinking of moving to Atlanta," she said as she struggled to free her ice-encased car in the suburb of Maryland Heights.



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**NATLIE DUGGINS**  
Spotlight Editor

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### The new alternative

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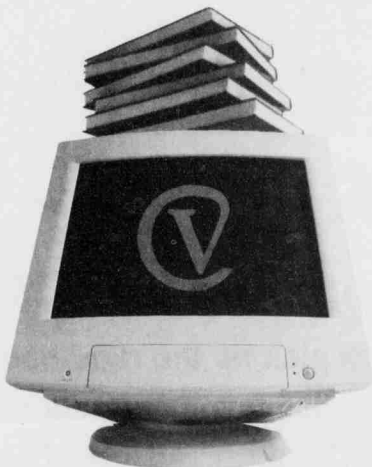
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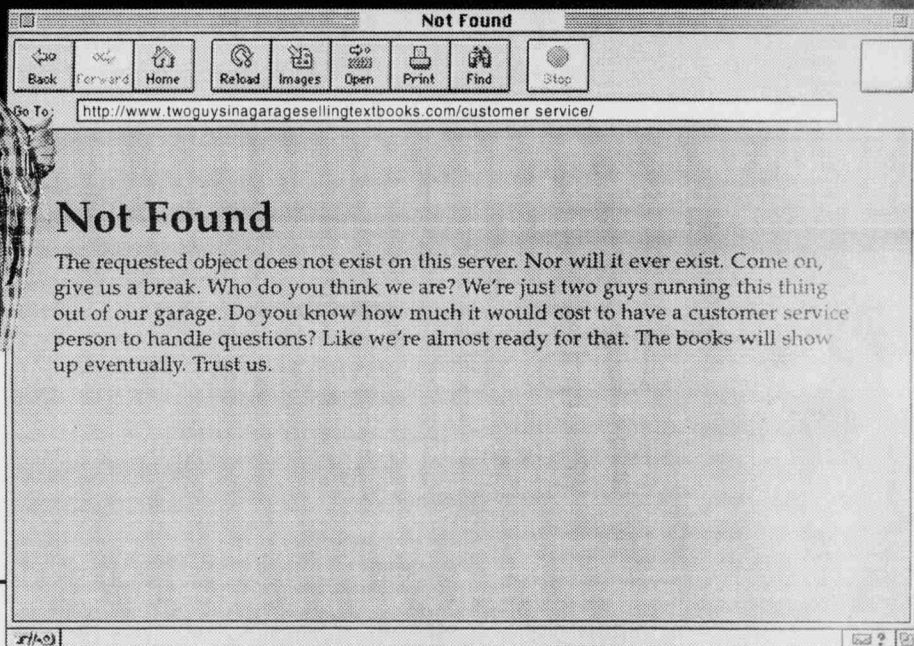


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# Notes Miami

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**Thumbs up, thumbs down:** NCSU quarterback Jamie Barnette may have set a record for most pass attempts in the Micron PC Bowl, but the junior field general also set a record on the wrong side of the ball, throwing three interceptions.

**Signs of things to come:** Fear not, Wolfpack faithful worried about the NCSU receiving game post Torry Holt. On six catches, junior Chris Coleman led the Pack against the Hurricanes with 98 yards, including two plays over 23 yards and a seven-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter. Coleman also recovered a fourth-quarter fumble by the Hurricanes' Nate Webster just seconds after Webster and the Miami defense picked Barnette off for the third time.

your safeties and your corners are having to make every tackle," said Reid. "We know what type of team Miami was coming in. They held up their end of the bargain, and we didn't."

Four of the Pack's top five tacklers in the contest were members of the secondary unit, and State collected just five tackles behind the line of scrimmage for a combined loss of 11 yards.

"We definitely have some things to work on between now and next year, myself personally," said junior cornerback Lloyd Harrison. "We just have to buckle down and get our acts together."

The upside, if there is one, is that only four starters from State's defensive unit will not return for the 1999 season.

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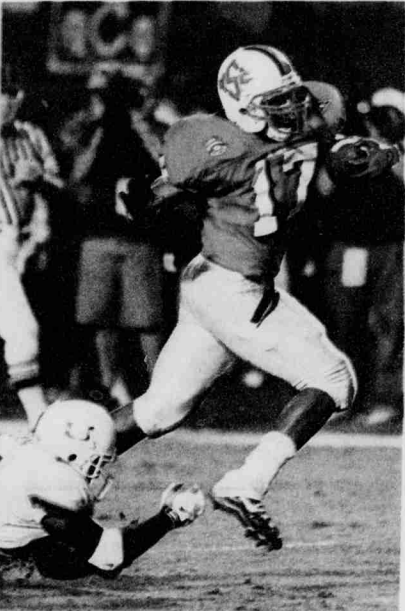
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## Miami crushes Pack in Micron PC



Rahshon Spikes (17) had a career day in State's post-season loss.

◆ The N.C. State football team loses 46-23 to the Miami Hurricanes in the Micron PC Bowl.

**TIM HUNTER**  
Assistant Sports Editor

**FT. LAUDERDALE, Fla.** — Behind a balanced offensive attack, the Miami Hurricanes defeated the N.C. State Wolfpack 46-23 in State's first post-season bowl game since the 1994 season.

Playing in front of a predominantly Miami crowd in the Micron PC Bowl in Pro Player Stadium, just miles away from the University of Miami campus, the Hurricanes dominated the Wolfpack from the outset and never trailed on the way to the 23-point rout.

"We knew what we had to do to win," State quarterback Jamie Barnette explained. "We just weren't able to do it. We just have to build on what we did well and move onto next season."

"We didn't look like the same team today," ACC Player of the Year Torry Holt said. "We just didn't execute as well as we should have."

The Wolfpack defense struggled to contain the 'Canes the entire evening, with Miami gaining an average of over 10 yards per play. Junior tailback Edgerin James, who is expected to turn professional after this season, racked up 156 yards on 20 carries. State also struggled against the 'Canes air attack, surrendering 269 yards in the air, mainly to Miami receiver Santana Moss, who scored one of the Hurricane's touchdowns on an 80-yard catch early in the second quarter.

Miami's defense fared better, and the Hurricanes held the All-American Holt to 52

yards on the evening, his second-lowest total of 198.

"I still think we went out on a positive note," Holt said. "We accomplished what we wanted to accomplish, and that was to have a winning season and go to a bowl game. Even though we didn't get the bowl win, I still think everything is on the up and up."

Junior tailback Rahshon Spikes was one of

in his shoulder against Georgia Tech.

Miami started off the scoring on the first drive of the game, marching 71 yards in just over three minutes to take an early seven-point lead. The Wolfpack answered back, looking equally impressive in a 12-play, 84-yard drive to even the score at 7-7. Miami scored a touchdown on its next possession and did not look back from there.

"Give Miami credit, they won the football game," Pack Head Coach Mike O' Cain said. "They lined up and took it to us offensively. We had a lot of yards, but yards don't win games, points do."

State would not score again until senior Danny Deskevich nailed a 28-yard field goal with 1:37 remaining in the first half to pull the Pack within 10 points at 20-10.

The Hurricanes marched down the field again before the half in less than a minute to increase the lead to 27-10 going into the break. In a sign of how things were going for State, the Pack had the ball at the Hurricane's

20-yard line just before half-time. The Pack had the ball at the Hurricane's 20-yard line and appeared to be poised to score again. However, a pass by Barnette deflected off an official's head and was intercepted.

Miami started off the scoring in the second half with a field goal, increasing the 'Canes lead to 30-10. After a fumble recovery by the

Pack, Spikes carried in a 30-yard touchdown run, tying the record for the longest touchdown run in the history of the bowl game, bringing the Pack within 13 points.

The Hurricanes answered again, scoring two quick touchdowns to take an insurmountable 43-17 lead with 12:08 remaining. Junior wideout Chris Coleman caught a seven-yard-TD pass for the Pack's final score.

"It leaves a bitter taste in your mouth," a despondent Spikes said. "I did so much to get here and to play like we did hurts. They just outplayed us tonight."



State's few highlights on offense, as he had a career day rushing for 176 yards on 24 carries.

"After coming off of the shoulder injury he had, he did a great job of coming in with confidence and running the ball hard," Barnette said of Spikes. The junior missed four contests mid-season for the Pack after breaking the coracoid bone

## Canes melt Pack defense

◆ The Miami Hurricanes blew through the Pack's line en route to a bowl win.

**T. HUNTER**

Miami's offensive coordinator Mike O' Cain said his team's offense was "a little bit more coordinated than we were last year."

Crowd noise was a hindered aspect of the rushing drives for the Hurricanes, who raked in 156 yards just once against the Wolfpack and one in the Micron PC Bowl in Pro Player Stadium. Five of the Miami offense's touchdowns came through the Wolfpack's defense, leading to a 46-23 win.

"The reason that we got beat was that we didn't make the plays we needed to," said Wolfpack head coach Mike O' Cain after the Pack's first bowl consecutive loss since 1994. "We got into a tough spot. We couldn't stop the offense any more."

"I'll tell you what, we made ten really

mistakes tonight, and Miami played well. They are a great team, and they showed it tonight," said Wolfpack senior Rodney Keel, a member of the ACC's elite backfield and one of four Wolfpack captains.

Miami's 14-7 advantage after the first quarter came after the Hurricanes drove right through the Wolfpack defense on six first down possessions of the game.

Starting the evening from its own 29-3 yard line, the Hurricanes found the end zone three times and 71 yards later. Highlighted by four passes from quarterback Scott Covington for close to 60 yards.

On Miami's second drive of the game, which also started at the Hurricane's 29-yard line, Edgerin James collected 37 yards, and Covington aired out a 29-yard pass to Santana Moss en route to the touchdown.

In the first two drives alone, Miami rolled out nine first downs and was so efficient that Covington and the Hurricane offense only faced third down once at each possession.



The Wolfpack defense struggled all evening to contain the Hurricanes. N.C. State made just five tackles behind the line of scrimmage.

O' Cain cited the Pack's inability to tackle effectively as part of Miami's ability to drive through N.C. State's defense.

"I was worried. Then when they did it the second time, I was even more worried, and then the third time more than that," said O' Cain of the Hurricane's ability to penetrate State's defensive line.

The Hurricanes zoomed to 594 total yards in the contest, including 269 on

the ground. Miami set four offensive records for the Micron PC Bowl, and Covington's 80-yard-touchdown pass to Santana Moss in the second quarter was the second-longest in bowl history.

"There were too many times in the game when (Miami) was back into our secondary and that's not good. Anyone who knows anything about football will tell you that it's not good when



Mr. Perfect no more: With a missed 30-yard field-goal attempt at the start of the second quarter, Danny Deskevich gave up claim to his spottless record. Prior to the attempts, Deskevich, a senior walk-on and December graduate for the Wolfpack team, had nailed all 12 field goals and 29 extra points that he had attempted in the 1998 season. Deskevich finished the season with 31 successful extra-point attempts and 13 field goals.

**Record-setting day:** Miami and N.C. State combined to set five records for the Micron PC Bowl. Among the records were most points scored (69), most first downs (58), total yards (1,092), most rushing yards (576) and most touchdown passes (3).

**Big numbers, wrong category:** Like the Ohio game all the way back in August, it probably wasn't defensive coordinators Kent Briggs and Jeff Snipes' game plan to see Jason Perry, Tony Scott, Rodney Redd and Lloyd Harrison's names atop the list of defensive tackles. The four members of the secondary were among the top five defensive performers for the Pack, with Perry leading the way with 12 tackles.

**Season-ending injury:** Ray Robinson knew that the season would be over after the match-up with Miami, but the tailback's freshman campaign didn't end quite the way he expected. Robinson left the game late in the second quarter after hurting his right arm at the end of an 11-yard pass completion from Jamie Barnette. Robinson was diagnosed with a broken forearm, returning to the sidelines but not to action in the second half.

**Rushing record:** Despite the loss of Ray Robinson late in the first half, NCSU set a Micron PC Bowl record for rushing yards with 297, breaking the record set by Alabama in 1991. Junior tailback Rahshon Spikes led the Wolfpack with 176 yards on 24 rushes.

## Pack gets No. 1 in ACC

◆ Kenny Inge scores career-high 28 points in N.C. State's first conference win.

**JEREMY ASHTON**  
Staff Writer

On a night when it seemed as if no one could miss a shot, some late-game heroics were needed from Kenny Inge to give the N.C. State men's basketball team a thrilling 75-69 victory over Georgia Tech for its first conference win of the year.

Inge poured in 19 of his career-high 28 points in the second half, aided by Justin Gainey, who added 11 points and eight assists to lead the way for the Wolfpack (10-3, 1-1).

"Kenny played a great game tonight," said Gainey, a junior co-captain for the Pack. "That might have been the best I've ever seen him play."

Early on, it did not appear that any dramatics would be needed. The Pack raced out of the gate against the Yellow Jackets (10-4, 1-1), taking an 18-9 lead.

But Tech started showing its shooting touch. Three consecutive threes, a pair from Jason Floyd and one from T.J. Vines, highlighted an 18-2 run midway through the first half to give them a 32-25 lead.

man Keith Bean. The second half became a seesaw battle in which neither team could establish control. Both shot over 60 percent from the floor in the half.

Tech stars Jason Collier, a recent addition to the Jack's roster, and Alvin Jones went a combined 17 for 21 for the game, with Jones scoring a career-high 23 points.

"If they consistently play as well as they did today, it's hard to imagine a better power forward-center combination," said State Head Coach Herb Secrest.

But Inge was always quick to answer the Tech duo. Playing the entire second half, he continuously brought the crowd to its feet with an electrifying display of dunks.

"We just kept running our offense, and Justin was hitting with me great passes," said Inge.

With 2:47 left in the game, Tech had the ball and a 65-63 lead, but Ron Anderson kept the Pack going with a key block on Floyd and a lay-up on the other end to tie the game again.

"His series of plays down the home stretch on the defensive end were as important as anything in our win," said Secrest.

Anderson's play set the stage for Inge. Trailing by one point with 54 seconds left, he drove to the basket and delivered a thunderous dunk for a 70-69 State lead. On the other end, Jones missed the front end of a one-in-one, which was rebounded by Anderson and led to a three-point play from Inge moments later to seal the win.



Kenny Inge (above) collected eight dunks against Tech on Saturday.

with 13 points in 15 minutes, and Ron Kelley, who ended with 13 points and eight rebounds. State takes on Clemson on the road Tuesday night at 8 p.m.

## Davis leads wrestlers

◆ The N.C. State wrestling team finished fourth against tough competition in the Lehigh Invitational.

Sports Staff Report

Sophomore wrestler Tommy Davis won an individual title at 141 pounds, leading the N.C. State wrestling team to a fourth-place finish at the Danny Sheridan Invitational Tournament at Lehigh University.

Fifteen teams competed in the tournament, with Rider coming away with the overall victory with 85.5 points. Lehigh was right behind at 77.5, followed by Drexel (50.5), James Madison (50.00) and N.C. State.

Davis, who was named the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler, defeated 17th-ranked Brett Tullio of Bloomsburg, 8-1 in the finals at 141. After a 12-8 decision over Clint Freese of Brown in the first round, Davis did not allow a point except for riding time the rest of the tournament.

The Newark, Del., native defeated Mike St. Blancard of Lycopom, 15-0 for a technical fall, and beat Derek Jenkins of Rider 3-1. Three other Wolfpack wrestlers fared well, finishing second in their respective weight classes. Senior Greg Bauer of Southampton, N.J., took second at 133, losing to Jimmy Dave Vollmer in the final round, 7-2. Sophomores Pierre Pryor and Kevin Boross also finished second at 157 and 174, respectively. Pryor lost to Lehigh's Chris Ayers 13-7 in the final match, and Boross dropped his final match to Rider's Leo Giel, 3-2. Junior Lee Carroll also performed well, taking fourth place at 125, and sophomore Zach Breitenbach took sixth place at 184. State has two important non-conference match-ups this week, both in the friendly confines of Reynolds Coliseum. The Wolfpack grapplers will take on traditionally strong programs from Appalachian State and Old Dominion on Monday and Tuesday, respectively. Both matches will be held in Reynolds Coliseum and will start at 7:30 p.m.