

**NCAA Division I Field Hockey Semifinal #1
#1 North Carolina 6, Syracuse 1
Norfolk, Va.**

Syracuse Head Coach Ange Bradley

“I want to congratulate North Carolina on their win today and wish them the best of luck in the game on Sunday. I am incredibly proud of this team. Our group of seniors have done nothing but represent our great university with class and I am honored to have worked with them and they are an amazing group of student-athletes.”

“We got a yellow card and after that five-minute yellow card, it opened things up and allowed them to accelerate the game. I think the cards were a game changing moment and that is something that led to quick goals.”

“We were trying to win the game. They had a player out of the game, so by pulling the goalie that gave us plus two, and you have to take risks if you want to win the game.”

Syracuse senior goalkeeper Leann Stiver

“I believe that UNC had very good pressure on our backs. We had a little bit of trouble with them and they outshot us, much more than we got to shoot on their cage. Their pressure was really good, they stepped up to the ball, and they got the outcome.”

“I think the games were pretty similar despite the score. A lot of the goals against us were very quick and they had chances like that when we played them on our home field. At the end of the day the games were similar and we just didn’t come out on top today.”

Syracuse senior forward Kelsey Millman

“I don’t think you can put a whole game on one person. She (Craddock) is an awesome player and she brings a lot of power to their team.”

“It was an amazing career that Leann and I both have had here. It was the first time our group has been to the semifinals and it was awesome that we could do it in our senior year.”

North Carolina Head Coach Karen Shelton

“I want to say congratulations to Syracuse. I admire the way they play, and I am proud of my kids for advancing. We had an explosion at the end of the first half and it was something we haven’t seen all season. Syracuse required our intensity and total effort and I thought they passed the ball and were dangerous in our counter attacks. It brought the best out of our kids, and I know they are disappointed but they have an awful lot to be proud of. I think we did a nice job of getting into

halftime, keeping it behind us, and winning the second half. They did dominate for stretches, but our kids held solid.”

“We knew the goalie was going to be strong. We talked about widening the goal, but we also practiced some corners that were a little bit different. Stiver is good, and one of the best in the country. I think we knew she was going to have some saves, and it helped us not get frustrated.”

“We don’t know much about Princeton, and we know Maryland so well that we really want to focus on Princeton. If we face Maryland, they know us very well and we know them very well.”

“Both teams are very good teams and solid at every position. I feel like our team is solid at every position, but I do think the top four teams in the country got here.”

“Syracuse brought out the best in us. When you get to the semifinals, you want to play well. We knew we had to be focused, we knew we had to work hard, and we knew we had to play as a team. We have firepower, but we haven’t seen it explode quite like that. We want to be peaking at this time, and the senior class has been brilliant.”

“You never know how kids are going to react in this stage, and they responded beautifully. They really worked hard together, and they had each others back and made things happen.”

North Carolina sophomore forward Charlotte Craddock

“I’d first like to congratulate Syracuse on making the semifinals. I think I was just in the right place at the right time with my goals. I think Emily Wold is one of the best midfielders in the country. Her vision is excellent and she passed me the ball and I didn’t have much else to do but to score.”

North Carolina senior forward Jaclyn Gaudioso Radvany

“I think we were a much different team than last time we played them. They passed the ball better last time and they were able to capitalize in the middle and pick off our diagonal balls. We also didn’t press as well as we did today, and it was a good team win.”

“I couldn’t put a single word on it, but this is an incredible class. We are student-athletes that are so proud and blessed to get here. We are really excited for the next game and everybody leads in their own way.”

“Last year 3-0 down, the year before that 2-0 down, so we know the feeling of trailing early. When you go down, it presents a bigger challenge, and this team is good at overcoming that challenge.”