

# The Rage Page North Carolina Tar Heels (6-1, 0-0 ACC)

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#### Tar Heels projected starting line-up:

2	Coby White	6'5"	G
Spirit animal is Chad Danforth from High School			
Music	cal		

13 Cameron Johnson 6'9" G
Had hip surgery before his grandma

15 Garrison Brooks 6'9" F

Has only read two books: the Bible and Holes

24 Kenny Williams 6'4" G

32 Luke Maye 6'8" F

An admirer of gingerbread houses

### HC Roy Williams

Google "roy williams freakout"

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Bum of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": Luke Maye

Good evening, Maize Rage and welcome back to Crisler Center! We have a Maize Out tonight as your Michigan Wolverines are matched-up in a blockbuster showdown against the University of North Carolina Tar Heels as a part of the ACC-Big Ten Challenge. The yearly interconference competition featured this very same matchup last November in Chapel Hill, with the Tar Heels emerging victorious over by a score of 86-71. A repayment of debt is in store for Coach Roy Williams and his squad tonight, so let's get loud and have the maize apparel of Crisler Center drown out any hint of Carolina Blue.

Clash of Styles: Tonight's contest features a stark contrast of methods to win basketball games. UNC's prolific offense is designed to overwhelm the opponent, averaging a blistering 96.6 points per game this season, sparked by senior guard Cameron Johnson and freshman phenom Coby White, who are first and second on the team in scoring, respectively. Their fast-paced buckets have proven to be necessary, as their defense has shown to be suspect thus far, giving up a pedestrian 72.9 points per game, including being torched for 92 in a three point loss to Texas on Thanksgiving. Simply put, Michigan hasn't faced an offense as dynamic as UNC's. However, UNC hasn't faced a defense as stifling as Michigan's...

**Small-Ball Ballers:** North Carolina has not rolled out a starting line-up with a player taller than 6'9" all season. The Wolverines will either choose to take advantage of this on the offensive end by featuring 7'1" behemoth Jon Teske heavily in the offense, or by countering the Tar Heel offense with a small-ball defensive lineup featuring Isaiah Livers at the 5, in order to help stymie the mobility the UNC offense has by not regularly employing a traditional center.

The Rest of the Tar Heels: Seventh Woods (#0), Leaky Black (#1), Andrew Platek (#3), Brandon Robinson (#4), Nassir Little (#5), Shea Rush (#11), Sterling Manley (#21), Walker Miller (#22), Caleb Ellis (#25), K.J. Smith (#30), Ryan McAdoo (#35), Brandon Huffman (#42)

**Keep it classy, Rage:** As one of college basketball's premiere student sections, it's important that we refrain from swearing or using other slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative, we need to uphold this standard.

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**Underclassmen Domination:** Our underclassmen were here to play over Thanksgiving break against the Chattanooga Mocs. With a total of 46 points between the three highest scorers, Brazdeikis (20 pts), Poole (14), and Livers (12) dominated the floor. Brazdeikis is impressing us all in his freshman season and Poole and Livers are looking to build off their successful season last year. Hopefully we see them grow together as a unit as the season goes on.

**Defensive Efficiency:** It's no mistake that we got ourselves into the top 10—that's in large part due to our defensive superiority. Just by the numbers we have one of the most efficient defenses in the country, holding our opponents to no more than 61 points so far in the season. After just 6 games, we have a total of 30 blocks and 39 steals this season while also forcing 86 turnovers from our opponents. Let's keep it up against the strong offensive team UNC is.

**Undefeated:** So far, we've gone undefeated at home and on the road, beating the defending national champions in the process. With a big home crowd and the continuous progress of our team as a unit, we have a good chance to continue this early season success against the Tar Heels.

Remember: A maize Michigan shirt, a Michigan basketball jersey, or costume is required to sit in the bleachers.



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#### **Cheers and Chants**

- Put your arms around those near you and sway to the beat during the pregame video
- Iggylggylggylggy (when Ignas Brazdeikis touches the ball or makes a play)
- Big Jon (when Jon Teske makes a play)
- During free throws, listen for the distracting noise and echo along
- Howl like a wolf when Charles Matthews has a great play
- Defense! (stomp, stomp)

**The Cannonball:** Every time Jordan Poole hits a three, drop back in your seat as though you are doing a cannonball in Crisler

## Maize Rager of the Game



Name: Jacob Year: Senior

Major: Sport Management

Favorite thing about the Maize Rage: "The people you meet and the relationships you can build."

If we notice you on the jumbotron, or if you tweet a picture of yourself using #LetsRage, you could be the next Maize Rager of the Game!