



Canes beat Lehigh, face Bulldogs tonight

The Canes sleepwalked through the first 10 minutes of the Lehigh game, but they woke up in time to run away with the game at the end, defeating the Mountain Hawks, 79-58. Miami can't afford to get into an 11 point hole early in the game against quality competition like Mississippi State.



UM will need teamwork to beat MSU.

The Canes were led in the Lehigh game once again by SG **Jack McClinton**, who had 21 points. **McClinton** leads the ACC in scoring with 21 points per game, and he's scored 20 or more points in six straight games, an incredible feat for the transfer sophomore. UM also got a good contribution last game from SF **Brian Asbury**, who had 18 and hit 4 key three-pointers in the second half. PG **Denis Clemente** played efficiently, finishing with 9 assists to go with his 8 points. PF **Ray Hicks** had a career high 13 points in his first start of the season. Miami missed the interior defense of C **Anthony King**, who will be out up to a month with a wrist injury.

If it looks like a dog and smells like a dog...

The Mississippi State Bulldogs are a middle-of-the-pack SEC West school. Their football team traditionally is horrible, but they're a decent basketball school, very similar to UM in terms of results and rosters. The Bulldogs only have two seniors and one junior on their roster and are absolutely loaded with lots of young talent, just like the Canes. Their two losses came in close games against mid-major Winthrop at home and at Clemson on the road. Starting tonight should be three sophomores and two freshmen, only one of whom is above 6'4"

Mississippi State is led by sophomore **Jamont Gordon**. **Gordon**, a 5-star recruit, averages 16.3 points per game, to go with 9 boards and 4.7 assists per game. He is only 6'4", but with his 225 pound frame, he can play four positions on the floor, anywhere from point guard to power forward.



Jamont Gordon

Also starting for the Bulldogs are the **Delk** twins, **Richard** and **Reginald Delk**. Richard is older by 30 minutes, but both sophomores start and can play multiple positions. They're the nephews of ex-NBA player **Tony Delk**, who's currently playing in Greece. They aren't the only family connection on the team, though. Frosh PG **Ben Hansbrough** is the younger brother of UNC starting C **Tyler Hansbrough**, one of the best players in the country. Ben isn't quite as good or as tall as big bro, but he's still averaging 10.7 points per game.



Tale of the Tape



VS



5-2 (0-0)	RECORD	6-3 (1-0)
Not ranked	RANKING	Not Ranked
SEC	CONFERENCE	ACC
48%	SHOOTING %	48%
42	REBOUNDS/GAME	39
65%	FT %	68%
38%	3 PT %	37%

The series is tied, 1-1.

Next Home Game

STETSON HATTERS

Saturday, 12/16/06 4:00 PM

WEAR ORANGE!

Upcoming Schedule

- 12/16 vs. Stetson
- 12/20 vs. Binghamton
- 12/23 @ Louisville
- 12/30 vs. Nebraska



The Lineups



#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
1	Richard Delk*	G/F	6'4"	SO	Jackson, TN
3	Billy Begley	G	6'1"	JR	Henderson, KY
4	Barry Stewart	G	6'2"	FR	Shelbyville, TN
10	Joe Iupe	G	6'1"	FR	Madison, MS
11	Ben Hansbrough*	G	6'3"	FR	Poplar Bluff, MO
20	Phil Turner	G	6'3"	FR	Grenada, MS
22	Dietric Slater	G	6'3"	SR	Waynesboro, MS
23	Charles Rhodes	F/C	6'8"	JR	Jackson, MS
24	Reginald Delk*	G/F	6'4"	SO	Jackson, TN
30	Bernard Rimmer	F	6'8"	SO	Grenada, MS
32	Jarvis Varnado*	F/C	6'9"	FR	Brownsville, TN
40	Vernon Goodridge	C	6'9"	SO	Brooklyn, NY
41	Piotr Stelmach	F	6'9"	SR	Kamien Pomorski, Poland
44	Jamont Gordon*	F	6'4"	SO	Nashville, TN

* DENOTES LIKELY STARTERS

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
00	Jimmy Graham*	F	6'8"	SO	Goldboro, NC
3	Omari Buncum	G	6'3"	FR	Atlanta, GA
10	London Glover	G	6'2"	JR	Montclair, NJ
12	Anthony Harris*	G	6'2"	SR	Chicago, IL
15	Denis Clemente	G	6'0"	SO	Bayamon, P.R.
20	Lawrence Gilbert	F	6'7"	FR	New Orleans, LA
21	Dwayne Collins	F	6'8"	FR	Miami, FL
22	Fabio Nass	F	6'11"	JR	Santa Catarina, Brazil
23	James Dews	G	6'3"	FR	Westchester, OH
25	Jonathan Stratton	G	6'3"	JR	Sandusky, OH
30	Adrian Thomas	F	6'7"	SO	Pembroke Pines, FL
32	Brian Asbury*	F	6'7"	SO	Miami, FL
33	Jack McClinton*	G	6'1"	SO	Baltimore, MD
42	Raymond Hicks*	F	6'7"	JR	Longview, TX
44	Keaton Copeland	F	6'5"	SR	Miramar, FL
50	Anthony King	C	6'9"	SR	Durham, NC

* DENOTES LIKELY STARTERS

Head Coach: Rick Stansbury (9th year)

Assistant Coaches: Robert Kirby, Phil Cunningham, Mark White

Head Coach: Frank Haith (3rd year)

Assistant Coaches: Butch Estes, Jorge Fernandez, Michael Hunt



SEBASTIAN'S CORNER

While you're at home over winter break (or in Boise watching the football team play on the Smurf Turf) don't just sit there and play in the snow - grab a cup of hot chocolate and watch the Canes on TV! Here's our **upcoming schedule**:

Date	Opponent	Time	TV
Saturday, Dec. 16	vs. Stetson	4:00 pm	FSN
Wednesday, Dec. 20	vs. Binghamton	7:30 pm	No TV
Saturday, Dec. 23	@ Louisville	2:00 pm	ESPN
Saturday, Dec. 30	vs. Nebraska (in Sunrise)	4:00 pm	FSN
Tuesday, Jan. 2	@ UMass	7:00 pm	CSTV
Saturday, Jan. 6	vs. Wake Forest	7:30 pm	ESPN U
Wednesday, Jan. 10	@ Maryland	9:00 pm	RLF
Sunday, Jan. 14	vs. Duke	5:30 pm	FSN

And if you're in town for any of these games, especially against **Wake Forest** and **Duke**, please come on over to the BankUnited Center and watch your Canes play - seats will be easy to come by, and the guys need your support! **Have a great break!**



December 30th - come watch your Canes take on Nebraska in the Orange Bowl Classic in Sunrise. Special student rates are as low as \$11.

Contact Drew Muraciov for more info: 954-835-7264 or at muraciova@sselive.com.

Cheering 101

Don't be silent when the Canes are hoopin' it up! Make the BankUnited Center an imposing place to play with cheers like these:

OFFENSE:

- "Let's Go Canes!" with claps on each word.
- "Gooooo Miami Go!" with 3 claps afterwards.
- "Let's Go UM!" with 5 claps after.

DEFENSE:

- "Ohhhhhh!" while jumping up and down for the entire possession.

FREE THROWS:

- Hold one finger in the air for a Canes FT; if it's made, go "Whoosh! Ohhhh!" and then jump and stomp. Stomp twice if he makes both FTs.

ENEMY PLAYER INTROS:

- Turn around, with your back to the court, and hold up the "U."

