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GOING DANCING?

Canes look to fly past Eagles and onto Tournament

Coming off a win against Virginia, the Canes face another ACC rival that stands in their path to an NCAA Tournament ticket. This one, though, has had quite a bit of luck against UM in the past. Miami has lost 13 straight games to Boston College, with its last win against the Eagles coming eight years ago. However, as the Canes' long winning streak against BC in football came to an end this year, it's definitely time for UM to reverse the similar trend in basketball.



Al Diaz/Miami Herald

Jack McClinton and Jimmy Graham led the Canes to a two-point win over the Virginia Cavaliers on Saturday.

RPI) would almost guarantee UM a spot in the tourney. Obviously, a win or two in the ACC Tournament, starting next Thursday, can only help the Canes' resumé.

Boston College has not had a great year, but they will have something to say about the Canes' tournament hopes. A very young team, the Eagles have talent but lack experience, with only two seniors and one junior on the roster, to go with five froshies. Despite that, BC defeated Miami earlier in the year up in Boston, but the Eagles are coming off a heartbreaking loss to UNC, where they blew an 18 point lead to the top-ranked Tar Heels. In that game, Eagles G **Tyrese Rice** scored a career-high 46 points. **Rice** is no stranger to the Canes, having been a thorn in Miami's side for three years. This year, he's averaging 21.4 points per game and is shooting 37% from downtown. While **Rice** is the focal point of the team, the Eagles have two others who average in double-figures: G **Rakim Sanders** (11.4 ppg) and F **Shamari Spears** (10.1 ppg). C **Tyrelle Blair** is the main presence inside, second on the team in rebounding and leading in blocks. The Eagles are decent from downtown, with **Rice, Sanders,** and F **John Oates** shooting the ball well.



This is your last chance to watch the Canes at home this year, so make some noise, honor our five seniors, and **root your Canes onto the Tournament!**



- Slow down Rice. He's going to get points, but we can't let him single-handedly beat us.
- Get Jack some open shots. He went off against UVA, and he can do it again versus BC.
- Ignore history. UM has lost 13 straight in the series; it's time to end that streak.

Tale of the Tape



13-14 (4-10) RECORD 20-8 (7-7)

NR RANKING NR
(Coaches/AP Polls)

ACC CONFERENCE ACC

#113 RPI #25

46% SHOOTING % 45%

35.6 REBOUNDS/GAME 38.7

70% FT % 73%

37% 3 PT % 40%

Boston College leads the series, 22-8.

ACC Standings

TEAM	CONF	TOTAL
1 North Carolina	13-2	28-2
2 Duke	12-2	25-3
3 Clemson	9-5	21-7
4 Virginia Tech	9-6	18-11
5 Maryland	8-7	18-12
6 Miami	7-7	20-8
7 Wake Forest	6-9	16-12
8 Florida State	6-9	17-12
9 Georgia Tech	5-9	12-16
10 Virginia	4-10	14-13
11 Boston College	4-10	13-14
12 NC State	4-11	15-14

Upcoming Schedule

3/8 @ Florida State



The Lineups



#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown	#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
4	Tyrese Rice*	G	6-1	JR	Richmond, VA	00	Jimmy Graham	F	6-8	JR	Goldsboro, NC
5	Biko Paris	G	6-1	FR	New Orleans, LA	1	Lance Hurdle*	G	6-2	JR	San Diego, CA
10	Brennan Bennett	G	6-0	SO	Whitinsville, MA	5	Eddie Rios	G	6-0	FR	Miami, FL
11	Corey Raji	F	6-5	FR	Washington, NJ	10	Landon Glover	G	6-2	SR	Montclair, NJ
12	Joe Trapani	F	6-8	SO	Madison, CT	20	Cyrus McGowan	F	6-9	JR	Brooksville, MS
13	Daye Kaba	G	6-4	SO	Ridge, NY	21	Dwayne Collins*	F	6-8	SO	Miami, FL
15	Rakim Sanders*	G	6-5	FR	Pawtucket, RI	22	Fabio Nass	F	6-11	SR	Santa Catarina, Brazil
21	Tyler Roche	F	6-7	SO	Hooksett, NH	23	James Dews*	G	6-3	SO	Westchester, OH
32	John Oates*	F	6-10	SR	Harriman, NY	25	Jonathan Stratton	G	6-3	SR	Sandusky, OH
34	Shamari Spears*	F	6-6	SO	Salisbury, NC	30	Adrian Thomas	F	6-7	SO	Pembroke Pines, FL
44	Tyrelle Blair*	C	6-11	SR	Monticello, FL	32	Brian Asbury	F	6-7	JR	Miami, FL
52	Josh Southern	C	6-10	FR	Saginaw, MI	33	Jack McClinton*	G	6-1	JR	Baltimore, MD
55	Cortney Dunn	F	6-8	FR	Dallas, TX	42	Raymond Hicks	F	6-7	SR	Longview, TX
						45	Julian Gamble	C	6-9	FR	Durham, NC
						50	Anthony King*	C	6-9	SR	Durham, NC

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Head Coach: Al Skinner (11th year)

Assistants: Pat Duquette, Bonzie Colson, Mo Cassara

Head Coach: Frank Haith (4th year at the U)

Assistants: Jorge Fernandez, Jake Morton, Michael Schwartz



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Today we honor our five seniors for their dedication, hard work, perseverance, and all the good times we've had over the past years. Good luck, and we'll miss you.

THANK YOU SENIORS!



JON STRATTON

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.
- "Goooo Miami Go!" with 3 claps afterwards.
- "Let's Go UM!" with 5 claps after.

DEFENSE:

- "Ohhhhh!" 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! Ohhh!" 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."

