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Canes take on rival Noles on Senior Day

Miami comes into the BUC today for its regular season finale desperately needing a win. After a rough setback against NC State last week and a close loss to UNC at the Dean Dome, the Canes need to close out the regular season and send its seniors off with a victory. However, that will not be easy, as the rival Florida State Seminoles will try to crash the Senior Day party.

FSU defeated Miami exactly one month ago in Tallahassee, 71-65. Sophomore G **Luke Loucks** led FSU in scoring that game, dropping a career high 19 points off the bench. UM was led by seniors G **James Dews** and F **Dwayne Collins**, the only two Canes to score in double digits. For the Hurricanes to get revenge and knock off the Seminoles today, they need a team effort, starting with similar numbers from **Collins** and **Dews**, as well as solid games from freshman G **Durand Scott** and sophomore G **Malcolm Grant**. Against UNC, **Scott** had a career high 29 points on 11-15 shooting, and **Grant** chipped in with 12 points and 8 assists.



The Noles have a young, balanced team that has had success this season. Leading the way has been sophomore C **Solomon Alabi**. The Nigerian leads the team in scoring at 11.8 points per game, pulls down 6.1 rebounds per game, and leads the team in blocked shots with 2.4 blocks per game, more than double what anyone on the UM squad averages. Standing at 7'1", he is the tallest player on the court today, though he isn't the only weapon the Noles have. Second on the team in scoring is sophomore F **Chris Singleton**, who averages 10.7 ppg, grabs 7.4 boards per game, and leads the team in steals at 2.4 per game. Junior G **Derwin Kitchen** runs the point and scores 8.5 ppg, grabs 4.7 rpg, and dishes out 4.0 assists per game. **Singleton**, sophomore G **Deividás Dulkys**, and freshman G **Michael Snaer** all like to shoot threes, with **Dulkys** being the best of the bunch at 40% from downtown. FSU's major weakness, however, is free throw shooting. The Noles are the worst FT shooting team in the ACC, and other than **Alabi** (at 80%), no one on the team shoots over 72% from the line. Of players who get major minutes, the Noles have four who shoot under 60% from the charity stripe: **Ryan Reid** (59%), **Xavier Gibson** (57%), **Loucks** (57%), and **Singleton** (50%). If the game comes down to the wire, the Canes shouldn't be afraid to foul the Noles.

Other than being a rivalry game, this contest has meaning for both teams, despite the difference in records. For FSU, a win here would probably clinch an NCAA Tournament birth and could get them a first round bye for the ACC Tournament next week. For Miami, a win would close out the regular season on a high note, get the Canes closer to gaining an NIT birth, and would keep the Canes out of last place, allowing UM to compete in the ACC-Big Ten Challenge next year. So cheer on your team for one last time this year and help them beat the Seminoles. Go Canes!



- Rebound! UM got killed on the boards against UNC; FSU is tall, but the Canes need to do a solid job of boxing out.
- Feed the ball inside. UM plays better when the bigs get the ball down low.
- Win one for the seniors. Let's send our upperclassmen out with a victory over their hated rivals.

Tale of the Tape



VS



21-8 (9-6) RECORD 18-11 (4-11)

NR RANKING NR
(Coaches/AP Polls)

ACC CONFERENCE ACC

46% SHOOTING % 46%

38.2 REBOUNDS/GAME 36.3

65% FT % 66%

33% 3 PT % 37%

FSU leads the series, 35-28.

ACC Standings

TEAM	CONF	TOTAL
1 Duke	12-3	25-5
2 Maryland	12-3	22-7
3 Virginia Tech	9-6	22-7
4 Clemson	9-6	21-8
5 Florida State	9-6	18-7
6 Wake Forest	8-7	18-9
7 Georgia Tech	7-8	19-10
8 Boston College	6-9	15-14
9 North Carolina	5-10	16-14
10 Virginia	5-10	14-14
11 Miami	4-11	18-11
12 NC State	4-11	16-14

Upcoming Schedule

3/11 ACC Tournament



The Lineups



#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
0	Pierre Jordan	G	6-0	FR	Atlanta, GA
1	Xavier Gibson	C	6-11	SO	Dothan, AL
3	Luke Loucks	G	6-5	SO	Clearwater, FL
4	Deividas Dulkys	G	6-5	SO	Silute, Lithuania
15	Terrance Shannon	F	6-8	FR	Forsyth, GA
21	Michael Snaer*	G	6-5	FR	Moreno Valley, CA
22	Derwin Kitchen*	G	6-4	JR	Jacksonville, FL
24	Andrew Rutledge	F	6-6	JR	Tallahassee, FL
30	A.J. Yawn	G	6-0	SR	Oceanside, CA
31	Chris Singleton*	F	6-9	SO	Canton, GA
32	Solomon Alabi*	C	7-1	SO	Kaduna, Nigeria
33	Joey Moreau	G	6-2	FR	Bradenton, FL
42	Ryan Reid*	F	6-8	SR	Lauderdale Lakes, FL

* DENOTES LIKELY STARTERS

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
1	Durand Scott*	G	6-3	FR	New York, NY
3	Malcolm Grant	G	6-1	SO	Brooklyn, NY
11	Ryan Quiglar	G	5-11	SO	Skyway, WA
12	Antoine Allen	G	6-1	FR	Baltimore, MD
20	Cyrus McGowan	F	6-9	SR	Brooksville, MS
21	Dwayne Collins*	F	6-8	SR	Miami, FL
22	Donnavan Kirk	F	6-9	FR	Pontiac, MI
23	James Dews*	G	6-4	SR	Cincinnati, OH
25	Garrus Adams*	G/F	6-6	FR	Apex, NC
30	Adrian Thomas	F	6-7	SR	Pembroke Pines, FL
31	DeQuan Jones	F	6-6	SO	Stone Mountain, GA
42	Reggie Johnson	C	6-10	FR	Winston-Salem, NC
45	Julian Gamble*	C	6-9	SO	Durham, NC

* DENOTES LIKELY STARTERS

Head Coach: Leonard Hamilton (8th year at FSU)

Assistants: Stan Jones, Andy Enfield, Corey Williams

Head Coach: Frank Haith (6th year at the U)

Assistants: Jorge Fernandez, Jake Morton, Michael Schwartz



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DWAYNE COLLINS

We here at the Gameday Report would like to honor our seniors for their dedication, hard work, perseverance, and all the good times we've had over the past years. Best of luck in the future, and we'll miss you.

THANK YOU SENIORS!



JAMES DEWS



CYRUS MCGOWAN



ADRIAN THOMAS*

*NOTE: While Adrian Thomas is technically a senior, he still has one year of eligibility left and will likely return next year.

Cheering 101

Don't be silent when the Canes are hoopin' it up! Make the Bank-United 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."

