2019 MIAMI BASEBALL GAME NOTES
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Home to Four National Championships (1982, 1985, 1999, 2001) and 45 NCAA Postseason Appearances

SERIES INFORMATION
Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2019
Game Time (ET): 6:00 p.m.
Site: Coral Gables, Fla. | Mark Light Field (4,999)
TV: ACC Network Extra (all home games)
Student Radio: WVUM 90.5 FM | WVUM.org (all games)
Twitter Updates: @CanesBaseball / @MiamiHurricanes
Live Stats: HurricaneSports.com
Postgame Recap: HurricaneSports.com

Series History:
- Miami leads, 21-5
- Coral Gables: Miami leads, 14-3
- Fort Myers: Miami leads, 7-2

First Meeting: April 8, 2008 - Miami won, 4-2 (11)
Last Meeting: April 10, 2019 - Miami won, 10-1
Streak: Miami, four wins

MIAMI
25-12, 10-8 ACC

2018:
- 28-26, 16-13 ACC (third place, Coastal)
- 1-7 loss, Clemson
Last Game:
- May 24, 2018 (Durham, N.C.)
- 2-run win over Radford

Head Coach: Gino DiMare (Miami, 1992)
Career Division I Record:
- 25-12 (first season)
- Record at Miami: 25-12 (first season)
Proj. Starter:
- JR RHP Tyler Keysor (3-0, 6.30 ERA)

FGCU
24-12, 6-3 ASUN

2018:
- 32-21, 8-13 ASUN (7th place, ASUN)
- 4-11 loss, at Lipscomb
Last Game:
- May 19, 2018 (Nashville, Tenn.)
- 1-run win over Lipscomb

Head Coach: Dave Tollett (Tusculum College, 1988)
Career Division I Record:
- 589-349-3 (17th season)
- Record at FGCU: 589-349-3 (17th season)
Proj. Starter:
- TBA

MIDWEEK STORYLINES & NEWS
• Miami will play FGCU for the third and final time in 2019. The Hurricanes won the first two meetings, 13-9 and 10-1.
• The Hurricanes lead the all-time series, 21-5, and are on a four-game winning streak against the Eagles dating back to 2018.
• Miami junior RHP Tyler Keysor (3-0, 6.30 ERA) will make his second career start. (First start was 3/12 vs Jackson State)
• Keysor has made 14 appearances for Miami this season and threw two scoreless innings vs. FGCU in 13-9 win on April 9.
• Miami has two of the top 10 run producers in the ACC: Adrian Del Castillo (3rd, 44) and Freddy Zamora (9th, 37).
• First baseman Alex Toral is tied for the ACC lead with 14 home runs. Miami's 50 home runs are tied for the ACC lead.
• Freshman Adrian Del Castillo has reached in 34 of 37 games and began his career with a 15-game hitting streak.
• Freshman Jordan Lala is second in the ACC with 17 stolen bases and third in the conference with 40 runs scored.
• The Canes, who finished 28-26 a season ago, added a recruiting class ranked No. 10 nationwide by Baseball America and D1 Baseball to a group of 19 returning players from a 2018 team that finished 16-13 in ACC play.

PROJECTED STARTERS

Pos. # Player AVG AB R H 2B 3B HR RBI SB-SBA
C 24 Michael Amditis .278 90 14 25 3 0 5 16 1-2
RB 30 Alex Toral .231 130 29 30 2 0 14 35 1-1
2B 27 Anthony Vilar .317 139 28 44 10 0 2 23 0-1
SS 16 Freddy Zamora .317 145 36 46 10 0 2 23 0-1
3B 16 Raymond Gil .372 129 23 48 9 0 9 24 1-1
LF 43 Gabe Rivera .314 51 14 16 2 2 2 3 15 4-4
CF 28 Jordan Lala .300 130 40 39 6 0 3 10 12-17
RF 44 Adrian Del Castillo .318 151 30 48 13 0 5 44 1-1
DH 10 JP Gates .390 59 9 23 6 0 2 13 0-1
INF 9 Willy Escala .231 26 6 6 1 1 0 3 1-1
OF 4 Dylan Cloonan .244 45 5 11 2 0 1 4 1-2
OF 35 Chad Crosbie .162 37 4 6 0 0 0 2 3-3
OF 51 Tony Jenkins .257 70 17 18 3 0 0 9 9-10

FGCU
3-0, 6.30 ERA, 20.0 IP

Potential Starting Lineup

Pos. # Player AVG AB R H 2B 3B HR RBI SB-SBA
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LF
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## 2019 SCHEDULE (25-12, 10-8 ACC)

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### PROGRAM HISTORY


Home games in CAPS, played at Mark Light Field in Coral Gables, Fla.
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**Head Coach:** 6 Gino DiMare (1st season, 20th season at Miami, Miami '92)

**Associate Head Coach:** 33 J.D. Arteaga (17th season, Miami '97)

**Assistant Coaches:** 8 Norberto Lopez (4th season, Nova Southeastern '99)

49 Bo Durkac (1st season, Virginia Tech '95)

**Strength & Conditioning Coach:** Brian Gabriel, Incarnate Word (1996), sixth season

**Director of Baseball Operations & Camps:** Robert McDaniel, FIU (2003), 17th season

**Athletic Trainer:** H.R. Powell, Montclair State (2003), fourth season

**Communications:** David Villavicencio (1st season, Miami ‘09)

**Pronunciation Guide**

- Michael **Amditis**  am-DEE-tiss
- J.D. **Arteaga**  ar-tee-AH-gah
- Slade **Cecconi**  shih-CO-nee
- Adrian **Del Castillo** Del Cas-TEE-yoh
- Gino **DiMare** duh-MAWR-ee
- Bo **Durkac** DURR-kack
- Tyler **Keysor** KI-zor
- Bailey **Mantilla** man-TEE-yah
- Albert **Maury, Jr.** MAOW-ree-e
- Isaac **Quinones** keen-YOH-nez
- Luis **Tuero** loo-EYE too-EH-row
- Gregory **Veliz** vuh-LEEZ
- Anthony **Vilar** vee-LAR
Gino DiMare became the ninth head baseball coach in University of Miami history prior to the 2019 season.

DiMare previously served as associate head coach in charge of hitting, as well as the baseball program’s recruiting coordinator. Overall, 2018 marked DiMare’s 19th year as a member of the Hurricanes baseball staff. DiMare rejoined the University of Miami baseball program after three years away from the program in 2011. Prior to his exit in 2008, DiMare served as the Canes recruiting coordinator and hitting coach over his final nine seasons. He held the title of assistant head coach during the 2008 season - a year the Canes won the Atlantic Coast Conference championship before advancing to the College World Series.

The Hurricanes qualified for their second straight College World Series berth and 25th in program history in 2016. Under DiMare’s guidance as hitting coach, five field players (Zack Collins - first round, Willie Abreu - sixth round, Brandon Lopez - 10th round, Jacob Heyward - 18th round, Johnny Ruiz - 28th round) were selected in the 2016 MLB First-Year Player Draft. Collins was named a first-team All-American by several publications, and became Miami’s first first-round draft pick since Yasmani Grandal in 2010 when he was selected by the Chicago White Sox with the No. 10 overall pick.

In 2015, DiMare guided the Hurricanes to the No. 1 national ranking in offense. Miami scored 547 runs over the season, which ranked first nationally at an average of 8.16 runs per game. Miami’s offense, which ranked No. 7 nationally in batting average (.307) and No. 2 in on-base percentage (.417), led the way to the team’s 24th College World Series appearance in program history and second straight ACC Coastal Division title.

DiMare’s impact on the program was felt immediately upon his return in 2012, as the first recruiting class under his watch was ranked among the top 10 by two national publications. UM’s 2008 recruiting class, which was targeted primarily by DiMare, was ranked No. 10 by Baseball America, its first top-10 ranking from BA since 2006, and No. 9 by Collegiate Baseball. One of those newcomers, third baseman David Thompson, earned Freshman All-America honors from Perfect Game following the conclusion of the 2013 season.

Previously, DiMare helped recruit and coach players such as Yonder Alonso, Ryan Braun, Jon Jay, Gaby Sanchez, Danny Valencia and Jemile Weeks - all of whom have reached the big leagues in recent years. DiMare’s accomplishments on the recruiting scene during his nine years in the capacity of recruiting coordinator are as impressive as the Hurricanes’ annual postseason results. His 2001 class was rated among the top five nationally and his 2003 class was ranked among the top 15 nationally.

UM’s 2008 recruiting class, which was targeted primarily by DiMare, was ranked second by Collegiate Baseball and fifth by Baseball America prior to the 2007 season. That includes Braun, the 2005 ACC Player of the Year and Cesar Carrillo, the ACC’s Pitcher of the Year that same season. Braun and Carrillo were also Miami’s two first-round draft picks in 2005. DiMare has also kept Florida’s top talent home, including 2006 first-round pick Chris Perez (Holmes Beach) and second-round pick Jay (Miami).

DiMare’s offensive teams also proved to be some of the best in the history of the Hurricanes program. UM’s offense ranked among the top 10 in school history in eight of DiMare’s nine seasons as the club’s hitting instructor. The 2005 team hit .321, the seventh-best team batting average in school history and the 2004 squad finished the season with a .330 batting average, which ranks fourth in school history. UM’s .310 average in 2006 was only bested by five teams that were not under the guidance of DiMare dating back 62 years.

The 1999 Hurricanes posted the third-best batting average in school history with a .333 mark, while the 2000 team finished with a .325 batting average that ranks sixth all time. Miami batted .315 in 2003 and .314 in 2002 (10th). The 2008 team that advanced to the College World Series and spent much of the season atop the national collegiate baseball polls finished the year hitting at a school eighth-best .320 average, while also ranking tied for second in home runs (106), fourth in slugging percentage (.541), eighth in total bases (1,202) and RBI (517), tied for ninth in doubles (135) and 10th in hits (711).

DiMare has long been associated with the Miami baseball program. First, he was a fan as a kid growing up in South Florida. Then, DiMare was a player for the Hurricanes following a stellar career at Westminster Christian. He was a standout outfielder for the Canes from 1989-92, with a career batting average of .320. He currently ranks among UM’s leaders in career games played (243), career stolen bases (93) and total sacrifices (36). In 1991, DiMare led the Hurricanes with a .353 batting average.

Following his career in Coral Gables, he was signed as a free agent by the Boston Red Sox. He played the 1992-93 seasons in the Red Sox minor league system in Winter Haven and Ft. Lauderdale. Upon returning to Miami, DiMare spent the 1996 season as an assistant coach at Westminster - the 1996 High School National Champions. DiMare then returned to UM in 1997 and was a volunteer coach for three seasons, in charge of outfielders and base running.

DiMare currently resides in Miami with his wife Denise and four daughters: Nicolette, Gianna, Giselle and Gina.
**MIDWEEK NEWS & NOTES**

**CANES KICKING OFF MIDWEEK SERIES VS FGCU**
- The University of Miami will continue its first season under the direction of head coach Gino DiMare with the last of three midweek games against Florida Gulf Coast University. The Canes will host FGCU on Tuesday at 6 p.m. in Coral Gables.
- The Canes lead the all-time series, 21-5, and have won the last four meetings against the Eagles.
- Miami junior RHP Tyler Keyser (3-0, 6.30 ERA) will start for the Hurricanes. FGCU has not named a starter.

**CANES MAKE 2019 DEBUT IN TOP 25**
- On Monday, the University of Miami baseball program entered the top 25 on for the first time under head coach Gino DiMare.
- The Hurricanes (25-12, 10-8 ACC) cracked the top 25 in multiple polls, coming in at No. 23 in the D1Baseball Top 25 and No. 22 in Collegiate Baseball’s NCAA Div. I Baseball Poll.
- Miami posted a perfect 5-0 week, taking two midweek games from FGCU before sweeping the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Va., for the first time in program history.
- The Canes are ranked for the first time since the week of Feb. 26, 2018, when they came in at No. 24 in the USA Today Coaches’ Poll.

**HURRICANES FLEXING MUSCLE AT THE PLATE**
- After a five-homer weekend at Virginia, the Canes have hit 50 home runs over 37 games in 2019.
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**“EL CABALLO” DEL CASTILLO DELIVERING**
- Freshman Adrian Del Castillo opened his career with a 15-game hit streak and has reached base in 34 of 37 games in 2019.
- Del Castillo has been entrenched in the middle of Miami’s lineup, batting third twice and cleanup 35 times.
- Del Castillo’s 44 RBI and 13 doubles lead the Hurricanes, while his 48 hits are tied for first with 3B Raymond Gil. He has a team-high 14 multi-hit games and 10 multi-RBI outings.
- A versatile player, Del Castillo has started double-digit games at catcher (10), right field (11) and designated hitter (16).

**PITCHERS PUNCHING OUT COMPETITION**
- Four Canes entered the week ranked in the top 20 in the ACC in strikeouts: Evan McKendry (3rd, 64 K), Brian Van Belle (T-14th, 53), Chris McMahon (T-14th, 53) and Greg Veliz (T-17th, 51).
- Junior right-hander Evan McKendry has had eight or more strikeouts in six starts in 2019 and is averaging 10.54 K/9.
- Junior right-hander Greg Veliz is averaging 15.19 K/9 and is second among ACC relievers with 51 strikeouts in 30.2 innings pitched.
- Redshirt junior right-hander Brian Van Belle ranks fourth in the ACC with 21 batters struck out looking, while freshman RHP Slade Cecconi is tied for ninth with 17 batters caught looking.

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**USA TODAY COACHES POLL - 4/15**

1. UCLA
2. Mississippi State
3. Stanford
4. Oregon State
5. Vanderbilt
6. Georgia
7. Louisville*
8. NC State*
9. Texas A&M
10. Arkansas
11. UC Santa Barbara
12. NC State*
13. Georgia Tech*
14. Arizona State
15. Louisiana State
16. Texas Tech
17. North Carolina*
18. Mississippi
19. Baylor
20. Texas
21. UC Irvine
22. Texas Christian
23. Clemson
24. Auburn
25. West Virginia

* indicates 2019 opponent

**BASEBALL AMERICA TOP 25 - 4/15**

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21. Missouri
22. Texas Tech
23. Miami

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**2019 ACC PRESEASON POLL**

**Atlantic Division**
1. Louisville (7) - 90
2. Florida State (6) - 86
3. Clemson (1) - 71
4. NC State - 53
5. Wake Forest - 49
6. Notre Dame - 24
7. Boston College - 19

**Coastal Division**
1. North Carolina (15) - 97
2. Virginia (1) - 64
3. Duke - 64
4. Miami - 61
5. Georgia Tech - 59
6. Pitt - 24
7. Virginia Tech - 23

**Overall Champion:**
Louisville

* indicates 2019 opponent
JP GATES: PITCHER WHO RAKES
- Freshman JP Gates came into the season as a late-inning option in the Miami bullpen, but emerged as a big-time bat for the Canes.
- Gates had a memorable debut as a hitter, going 2-for-3 with a 2B and an RBI vs. UMBC (3/3), and crushed a pinch-hit two-run HR vs. NC State on March 23. He’s been Miami’s regular DH ever since.
- Over the last 10 games, Gates is 13-for-38 (.342) with three doubles, a home run, four RBI and seven runs scored.

LALA IN THE LEADOFF SPOT
- Freshman Jordan Lala began the season as a bottom of the order spark in the Miami lineup, but moved into the leadoff spot against FIU on Feb. 27 and has excelled.
- In 28 games as a leadoff hitter, Lala is batting .305 with a .460 OBP, five doubles, three homers, 32 runs scored, 27 walks, 13 stolen bases and nine RBI.

AMIDTIS & McKENDRY LEADING THE WAY
- The University of Miami players and coaches combined to select junior RHP Evan McKendry and redshirt sophomore C Michael Amiditis as team captains for the 2019 season.

THREE FRESHMEN AMONG NATION’S BEST
- Baseball America rated three Miami freshmen among the Top 50 for the 2019 season: RHP Slade Cecconi was #12, LHP/UT JP Gates ranked #16 and C Adrian Del Castillo came in at #31.
- Cecconi, who was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles in the 38th round, is Miami’s midweek starter.
- Gates is a late-inning reliever and will also get at-bats as a designated hitter and pinch hitter.
- Del Castillo, who was a 36th round pick of the White Sox, projects as a middle of the order bat that can play a variety of positions.

EXPERIENCED YOUTH
- Miami’s roster features 25 underclassmen, tied for most in the ACC with Notre Dame.
- The Canes have zero seniors and seven juniors on the 2019 roster.
- Nine sophomores on the 2019 roster appeared in 20+ games in 2018, with eight on the current roster starting at least 21 games a year ago.

MIAMI BASEBALL ENTERS 75TH SEASON
- The 2019 season is the 75th in Miami Hurricanes baseball history.
- The Hurricanes enter the season with a new leader, as Gino DiMare embarks on his first season at the helm of the Canes after spending 20 years as a coach and four years as a player at Miami.
- DiMare, who is the ninth head coach in program history, follows the footsteps of legendary head coaches Ron Fraser and Jim Morris.
- The Hurricanes have accomplished a lot in advance of their 75th season: national championships in 1982, 1985, 1999 and 2001, 25 trips to the College World Series, an NCAA record 44 consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances and an NCAA record 30 NCAA Regional titles.
- Miami’s program has also produced 49 All-Americans, while 61 different Hurricanes have gone on to play Major League Baseball.

2018 RETURNING TEAM LEADERS

OFFENSE
- Average: Zamora (.302)
- Games Played: Zamora (54)
- Games Started: Zamora (54)
- At Bats: Zamora (211)
- Runs: Zamora (32)
- Hits: Zamora (64)
- Doubles: Zamora (12)
- Triples: Zamora (4)
- Home Runs: Gil (3)
- Runs Batted In: Zamora (28)
- Total Bases: Zamora (87)
- Slugging: Zamora (.412)
- Walks: Zamora (24)
- On-Base: Paige (.448)
- Steals: Zamora (20)

PITCHING
- ERA: Federman (2.25)
- Wins: McKendry (7)
- Losses: McKendry (6)
- Appearances: Federman (23)
- Starts: McKendry (14)
- Complete Games: Federman/McKendry (1)
- Saves: --- (0)
- Innings: McKendry (87.0)
- Hits Allowed: McKendry (44)
- Earned Runs Allowed: McKendry (34)
- Walks: McKendry (33)
- Strikeouts: McKendry (114)
- Wild Pitches: McKendry (11)
- B/Avg: Veliz (.188)

THE LAST TIME A HURRICANE...
- Led Off Game with HR... Jordan Lala (3/27/2019 at FAU)
- Had Six Hits in a Game... Mark Sobolewski (3/18/2008 vs. Cornell)
- Five Hits... George Iskenderian (6/12/2015 vs. FAU)
- Two Hits in One Inning... Zack Collins (3/6/2016 vs. Manhattan)
- Hit Three HRs in a Game... David Thompson (5/15/2015 vs. Georgia Tech)
- Hit Two HRs in a Game... Raymond Gil (3/27/2019 at FAU)
- Hit Two HRs in One Inning... Kevin Brown (3/16/1999 vs. Ohio State)
- Hit Pinch Hit HR... Dylan Cloonan (3/9/2019 vs. Georgia Tech)
- Hit Walk-off HR... Freddy Zamora (3/9/2019 vs. Georgia Tech)
- Hit Inside the Park HR... Paco Figueroa (5/8/2005 vs. Jacksonville)
- Hit Grand Slam... Alex Toral (4/5/2019 vs. Florida State)
- Hit for the Cycle... Gaby Sanchez (5/2/2003 vs. Pace)
- Threw Complete Game Shutout... Thomas Woodrey (5/14/2015 vs. Georgia Tech)
- Recorded CG 1-Hit S/O... Thomas Woodrey (5/14/2015 vs. Georgia Tech)
- Recorded a Perfect Game... Javi Salas (3/4/2014 vs. Villanova)
- Recorded a No-Hitter (non-PG)... Alex Fernandez (3/18/1989 vs. Maine)
- Struck Out 10 Batters... Chris McMahon (3/2/2019 vs. UMBC)
- Recorded Three-Pitch Inning... Chris Hernandez (6/2/2010 vs. Florida)
- Recorded Three Pickoffs in a Game... Brian Walker (3/16/2001 vs. East Carolina)

Programming note: Miami’s March 10 game vs. NC State was postponed due to weather and rescheduled for April 16.
NEW FACES IN NEW PLACES

- Miami has 13 newcomers on the 2019 roster, with 10 freshmen and three JUCO transfers joining the 18 letterwinners from a year ago.
- Freshmen Slade Cecconi, JP Gates, Adrian Del Castillo, Jordan Laia and Anthony Vilar have been key players early, along with JUCO transfer OF Chad Crosbie and RHP Tyler Keyser.

THE DESTINATION IS THE SAME: OMAHA

- Miami made its second straight trip to the College World Series in 2016, marking the program’s 25th all-time trip to Omaha, Neb.
- Miami’s 25 College World Series trips are the fourth-most of any program; Miami’s five national championships rank fifth-most.
- Since the NCAA began award national seeds prior to 1999, Miami has been among the top eight seven seasons: 1999 (#1), 2001 (#2), 2003 (#8), 2004 (#3), 2008 (#1), 2015 (#5) and 2016 (#3).

RECRUITING CLASS AMONG NATION’S ELITE

- The University of Miami’s recruiting class was ranked among the nation’s best by a number of publications heading into 2019.
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THREE CANES PICK ‘THE U’ OVER ‘THE SHOW’

- Freshmen Adrian Del Castillo (36th round, White Sox), Anthony Vilar (37th round, Cubs) and Slade Cecconi (38th round, Orioles) all spurned professional overtures for a career at Miami after being selected in the 2018 MLB Draft.
- Cecconi (#2), Del Castillo (#8) and Vilar (#48) were among the Top 50 Impact Freshmen in the ACC according to D1Baseball.com. Freshman LHP/UT JP Gates was ranked 10th among ACC freshmen.

MIAMI IS #MLBU

- No school in the ACC has had more players drafted than Miami, which has seen 288 players picked into the professional ranks - including six in 2018. Since 1991, UM has produced 185 draft picks - 22 more than the next-highest ACC total (163, Clemson).

"FROM THE CORNER OF PONCE & SAN AMARO"

- For the fourth consecutive season, every single Miami Hurricanes’ home baseball game at Mark Light Field will be broadcast and carried live on ACC Network Extra.
- 790 The Ticket (WAXY-AM) will be carrying 15 regular season games as well as all postseason baseball, including the ACC Championship and NCAA tournament.
- 990 AM ESPN Deportes will carry nine games in Spanish in 2019.