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Welcome to the spring edition of *Hurricanes Magazine*!

This issue features stories on sprint standouts Gabriella Grissom and Sanaa Hebron, as well as swimmer Ashlyn Massey. We spotlight our recent Hurricane Honors winners and our future NFL stars after a draft weekend that had a Miami presence from start to finish. We also reminisce with several members of an exclusive club – Canes football alums with three national championship rings.

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SPEED AND STRENGTH: GABRIELLA GRISSOM & SANAA HEBRON

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

They arrived at Miami and quickly learned they had plenty in common.

Both of them were the daughters of professional athletes. Both of them grew up with talented siblings that helped foster good-natured competition and pushed them to be their absolute best. Both of them were accomplished track and field standouts and both of them wanted to make the most of their college experiences and write their own individual stories.

Four years later, Gabriella Grissom and Sanaa Hebron have done exactly that, adding their names to the list of storied women who have competed for the Hurricanes track and field program, all while marveling at the parallel journeys that brought them both to Coral Gables.

“Her being from Georgia, we didn’t

really cross paths at all until we both signed, so knowing that there was someone that had such a similar background as me was funny,” Hebron said of the way she and Grissom quickly bonded four years ago. “Then let alone, we signed to the same school and we were roommates. It’s honestly just so crazy how it happened.”

The pair may no longer share a dorm room, but they still share one crucial similarity.

Resilience.

Grissom and Hebron, 4x400-meter relay teammates who have become two of Miami’s steadiest performers, have each endured their share of challenges during their time as Hurricanes.

But they’ve found the strength and resolve to work through those challenges and in the pro-

cess, have become two of Miami’s biggest leaders, on and off the track.

“Both of them came in with a very strong work ethic and both of them have a passion to not only be great on the track, but also to excel academically,” said Amy Deem, Miami’s Director of Track and Field and Cross Country. “Each of them had different challenges to becoming All-Americans, but I think the biggest thing is they may not race the way they want, but they both come back every Monday ready to go. They’re focused. They’re ready to go. They think ‘Okay, this weekend I had this happen, but today, I’ve got to get better.’

“And I think as they’ve gotten older, they’ve really become leaders. I’ve had multiple kids this year tell me how much they’ve helped them, or say ‘I want to be like Gigi,’

or 'I want to be like Sanaa.' ...I think their teammates coming to me and saying that shows how much growth [Grissom and Hebron] have had in their time here. It also says that other people notice what they're doing and how they've worked through things, but they're still out there every day, trying really hard."

Grissom – a sprinter from Fayetteville, Georgia – has added her name to the Miami record book multiple times throughout her Hurricanes career and currently holds the program record in the 800-meters with a time of 2:01.00.

She's an All-American, an ACC Champion, an NCAA qualifier and is on track to earn a master's degree in finance this spring after completing her undergraduate degree in three years.

During her time at Miami, Grissom also interned with an Atlanta-based investment firm and joined Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., one of the Divine Nine Black Greek-letter organizations.

Her schedule is often jam-packed,

and she's mastered the art of time management.

But early on in her Miami career, Grissom struggled.

It was hard to be away from her family, including her father, Marquis, who spent 16 years playing Major League Baseball; her brother, Marquis Jr., who played baseball at Georgia Tech and is now a member of the Washington Nationals organization; her mother, Daphne, and the rest of her older siblings, Tiana, D'Monte, and Micah.

The carefully structured environment she'd created for herself as a five-time state champion at Georgia's Sandy Creek High School was gone and Grissom found herself having to start a new life in a new place while competing on a new team.

It proved challenging in a way she hadn't expected, and all of the changes she faced took a toll.

"I got to college and things weren't what I expected them to be, and I got to a point where I was really sad, and I was having to talk to a lot

of therapists and I just didn't have my support system," Grissom said. "The people here, I had just met. My family was so far away. I think it was just a really hard transition for me. And so, I think coming back sophomore year, junior year, senior year and just being resilient and making myself think positively and changing my perspective, I would say that's what got me through that and that's what has shaped my mindset today. That was probably my biggest struggle. I've been through some other ones, but that was the one that really changed, I think, who I was."

Once Grissom began to feel more comfortable, she began to push herself harder – in the best way possible.

As a sophomore, she won the ACC indoor championship as part of the 4x400 relay team. She ran the third-fastest 800-meter outdoor race in school history at the Pepsi Relays.

By her junior year, she'd set the school record in her signature event and this season, is looking to continue building on her success.





“Gigi will just push, push, push until she can’t go anymore, so it’s really about trying to get her to understand how to use her competitiveness and her aggressiveness on the track in a positive manner,” Deem said. “Gigi’s very inquisitive. So, you have to have maturity as a coach to be able to handle the questions that she’s going to ask you and embrace it. You can’t be intimidated by it. I think that’s been the biggest thing, just watching her grow and constantly asking questions, wanting to get better.”

Like Grissom, Hebron brought a sparkling resume and a determined work ethic with her to Miami.

Her father, Vaughn, was a two-time Super Bowl champion with the Denver Broncos. Her brother, Savion, was a sprinter at Penn State. And Hebron and her four siblings played their fair share of competitive pickup basketball together growing up.

By the time her career ended at Neshaminy High School in Pennsylvania, Hebron was an indoor national champion in the 400 meters, a two-time state champion and a four-time district champion.

As a freshman at Miami, she was part of the Hurricanes’ 4x400 relay team and notched one of the top 10 times in the nation in the 400-meter hurdles. Sophomore year brought her her first win in that event and a pair of ACC Championships.

She earned second-team All-American honors, represented Miami at the USA Track & Field U20 Championships, where she won the gold medal in the 400m hurdles and seemed ready to put together a memorable junior season before she was sidelined by the first serious injury of her career.

Hebron fractured her foot and was forced to miss both the indoor and outdoor seasons in 2024. As she navigated her recovery and rehabilitation, she watched as her teammates moved forward with the season, traveling to indoor meets across the country, competing and setting personal bests.

She tried to stay engaged and be as supportive as possible, but it was difficult and more than once, she couldn’t help but feel like she was being left behind, especially when the outdoor season also started without her.

“I would say it’s very difficult when you get injured. I don’t think it’s talked about, how isolated you feel, especially when your team starts traveling,” Hebron said. “I broke my foot and found out in December, right before indoors started. So, when the team started traveling, I felt alone a lot, and I was rehabbing all the time. Mentally, it was very tiring, and I just tried to think of the little things and the little positives that I was growing and getting better.”

As she worked to get herself healthy and ready to compete again, Hebron did her best to try and lean on her family and friends for encouragement. She wrote poetry and journaled to try and get a handle on her feelings and her teammates and coaches tried to provide support, too.

But even in her toughest moments, Deem noticed that Hebron never lost her focus.

“She came out every day and whatever we had for her, she tried her best to do it,” Deem said. “I think there was a lot of growth, too, in learning to say, ‘Enough is enough’ or to not look at it as a

weakness to say, 'Coach, my foot really hurts. I can't do anymore today.' That's not just a coach-athlete moment, that's a life moment, where you're growing and you're learning to be an advocate for yourself. That's one of the things I thought she did a great job with within this process."

Once Hebron was finally cleared to get back on the track, though, another challenge presented itself.

As good as it felt to begin practicing again, Hebron couldn't help but wonder if she'd still be able to compete at the same high level she'd been at before her injury.

There was fear, mixed in with her excitement.

"Those thoughts definitely do pop up in your head because there's a lot riding on it. You're like, 'Am I going to be the same?' 'Is this going to do this?' 'Is that going to do that?' My nerves were higher for sure, especially for indoor season," Hebron said. "I felt so removed from competing, that was definitely a segue and then doing hurdles, I felt like I hadn't hurdled in so long. So, I think a lot of it was that it was fun to finally be back out there again, but it was also nerve-racking because it had been so long. There was a duality to it."

It didn't take long for Hebron to discover she still felt like herself on the track.

She opened the indoor season with a personal best time of 38.00 in the 300m at the Gamecock Opener and later in the spring, she became the first Hurricane since 2018 to win the ACC championship

in the 400-meter hurdles when she crossed the finish line with a time of 55.21, the second-fastest time in school history.

Hebron went on to qualify for the NCAA Championships and earned a pair of first-team All-American honors.

This season, the senior has only continued to get stronger.

In April, she set a new meet record at the historic Penn Relays with a time of 55.30 in the 400m hurdles and is heading into May with the fourth fastest time nationally in her signature event.

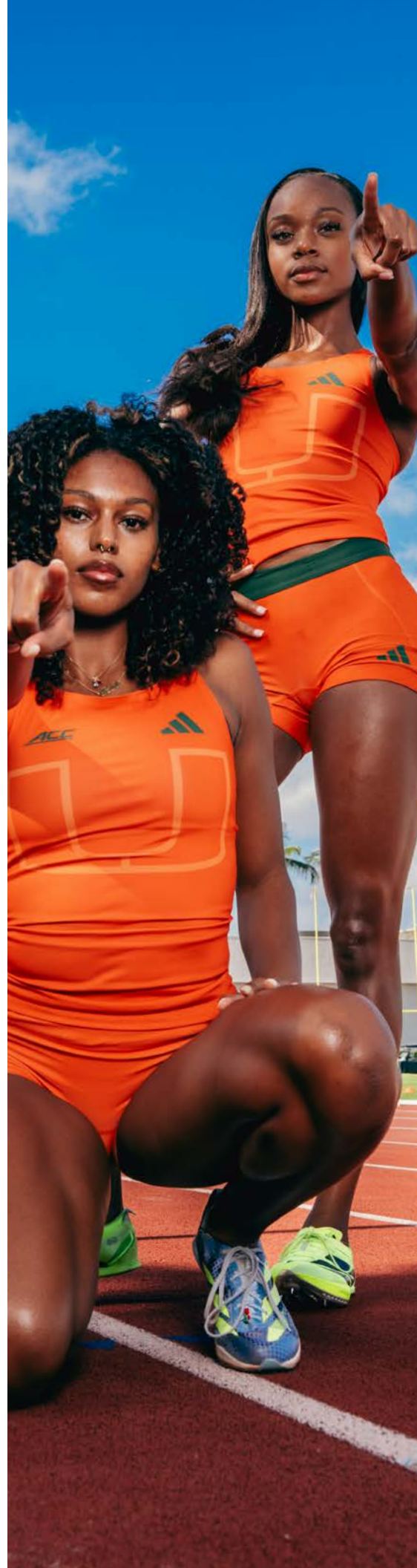
Now, Grissom and Hebron are looking to close out the season on a high note.

The Hurricanes are set to compete at the ACC Track and Field Championships in mid-May, with NCAA qualifiers following shortly thereafter.

And while the pair is hoping to add to their collectively long list of postseason accomplishments, Grissom and Hebron are also looking to continue setting the tone for their younger teammates and creating a legacy that will stay at Miami long after their respective college careers are over.

They know the challenges they've endured have shaped them into the young women they are today and say their time at Miami has helped them grow, too.

"I actually have a tattoo on my foot that I broke that says, 'But God,' because although in the moment it felt like my world was shattering,



God had a better story for me and there was a reason for it,” Hebron said. “I feel like as an athlete, I’m much stronger and I’m able to tell the positives from things much better than I could before, just from going through that experience. So, I think it really has shaped me, and I feel like all of it was something that I had to go through to get where

I’m at today. ... I hope I’ve shown the next generation that they can come here and really do amazing things.”

Added Grissom, “I mean, hopefully, I just left the program better than I found it. I feel like athletically, I’ve done that. I’ve set a few school records, so I’ve kind of upped the

score. But for my teammates and for the team, hopefully I’ve said enough and encouraged them enough that they’re just a little bit better, even if it’s like one percent or .01 percent better than they were when they came in. That’s all I can do.”





GETTING THE CALL: CANES IN THE NFL DRAFT

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

Akheem Mesidor, Rueben Bain Jr. and Francis Mauigoa came to Miami hoping to change a program.

Mesidor arrived first, a transfer who endured a 5-7 season and persevered, believing in the vision of then first-year head coach Mario Cristobal.

Then Bain, a hometown star, and Mauigoa, a five-star prospect signed with the Hurricanes, despite watching that 2022 team struggle.

Like Mesidor, they had faith in Cristobal, in Miami's future and in themselves.

In April, three months after helping lead the Hurricanes through a magical College Football Playoff run, all three became first-round NFL Draft picks. Mauigoa, a first-team All-American offensive lineman, was the first to hear his name called when the New York Giants selected him 10th overall.

Bain, the ACC Defensive Player of the Year, was next, selected 15th by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Mesidor rounded out Miami's memorable first round, going to the Los Angeles Chargers with the 22nd overall pick.

It marked the first time since 2007 that three Hurricanes were selected in the first round.

"It's such a relief, knowing that I was fortunate enough to get my name called tonight no matter where it was," said Bain on draft night. "Having my name called has been a dream for the last 17 years." Mauigoa, Bain and Mesidor weren't the only Hurricanes to get those coveted draft calls.

Quarterback Carson Beck was taken on the draft's second day when he was selected by the Arizona Cardinals, followed by offensive lineman Markel Bell, who went to the Philadelphia Eagles and defensive back Jakobe Thomas, who was selected by the Minnesota Vikings.

Also drafted this year were defensive back Keionte Scott (Tampa Bay), offensive lineman Anez Cooper (New York Jets), and wide receiver CJ Daniels (Los Angeles Rams).

In all, nine Hurricanes were drafted, the most for the program since 2017 and a number that was tied for third-most among any program in the nation.









GETTING TO KNOW ... **ASHLYN MASSEY**

By Anirudh Kannan

She earned All-ACC Academic recognition as a freshman.

She qualified for the NCAA Swimming and Championships in consecutive years.

She set a school record time for the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 1:54:83.

But Hurricanes swimmer Ashlyn Massey is nowhere close to done.

Hailing from Montreal, Canada, the sophomore arrived at Miami in 2024 after a successful high school career, where she won the 200-yard fly at the Speedo Canadian Championships and was a four-time champion of the Coupe du Québec Junior et Senior.

It makes sense that it did not take Massey long to make her mark on Miami's swim and dive program.

"It's part of me to always want more, [to] always strive to be better in and out of the pool. . . I'm very competitive, so I'm always wanting to be better. After a race, there's always, I know something I can improve on," Massey said. "And when I get to practice, I know if I wasn't happy with my race, [then] this is the time I need to work harder, better, [and] smarter. And same with school. If I'm not happy with one of my grades, it really allows me to reflect and know that I need to put in more work. And I think consistency is key when it comes to all."

Following an impressive start to her collegiate swimming career, *Hurricanes Magazine* caught up with Massey to talk about her past, present, and future at The U.

Here's what she had to say, in her own words...

HM: As a Canadian, what inspired you to come to the University of Miami?

AM: "I think being surrounded by my sport, where I was seeing so many older swimmers go to the [United] States and swim at college, it inspired me to want to do that as well. When I came on my visit to Miami, it was just so breathtaking. It wasn't a hard decision for me. The team, the school, everything Miami had to offer, I was just so amazed with it and that's what led me to making my decision to come here."

HM: What have you enjoyed most about being at Miami?

AM: "Definitely the team. The girls on the team are just so amazing. They push me to work harder every single day, in and out of the pool. And honestly the athletic department as well. There's so many resources and I feel so supported. And obviously the weather, coming from Canada. It's so nice to be [in] summer all year 'round when I hear my family back home going through awful snowstorms."

HM: Who inspired you to pursue swimming as a sport?

AM: "My parents put me in the water at a very young age. I started liking it a lot more, so then I was put into competitive swimming. I'm very competitive, so I grew a passion for the sport. I was also playing soccer at the time, but I think at the end of the day I really just enjoyed swimming more and it gave me a lot of opportunities and I've met amazing people along the way because

of the sport, so I'm very grateful for that."

HM: You set a school record time of 1:54.83 in the 200-yard butterfly at the NCAA championships as a freshman. What was that moment like for you?

AM: "Honestly, it felt so good. It just showed how all the hard work I was putting in was brought to a result and I was very happy with that. And accomplishing that time, it felt good for me personally. ... Having my team by my side and cheering me on, it's definitely not something I could have done by myself. And they pushed me through so many hard times, and it feels like when I accomplished that time, it wasn't something just for me, but for the team as a whole."

HM: What goes into your preparation for races?

AM: "I think going to the [starting] block knowing that I've done all the work possible for me to just execute my race as planned. We put in so much hard work every single day, and I think I just need to go in [and] trust the process, and trust that I know what I'm doing. And again, surrounding myself with my teammates, [having] good, positive energy. And going up to the block, walking in, and just knowing I can do it."

HM: How do you stay mentally focused throughout the course of a whole season?

AM: "It's definitely a lot, but one thing I do go by is just taking [it] one thing at a time and controlling what I can control – trusting the process, trusting my coaches, [and] putting



the work where it needs to be put in. Mentally, it is hard, but ... I'm around such a supportive environment that it makes it a lot easier. There'll definitely be days where it's harder to get out of bed or harder to stay motivated to go to practice, but like I said, it's nice to be able to lean on such a supportive environment.

HM: You received All-ACC Academic Recognition as a freshman. What did that mean for you?

AM: "Honestly, it was very accomplishing because as much as I love swimming and want to do good in swimming, I also value school a lot and I want to be very good academically alongside my sport. So that was a nice accomplishment to be able to get."

HM: What have you learned from competing at the NCAA championship meet?

AM: "It's amazing to be surrounded by such talented people, especially alongside our divers who are just absolutely amazing. Being able to watch them win national championships is a moment I will cherish forever. It's so inspiring and they inspire me to work harder and be better. And it's very motivating to

be surrounded by that culture."

HM: What kinds of goals are you setting for yourself ahead of next season?

AM: "I always want to be better. I want to break my record for the 200-fly. I want to get under that 1:54 mark. I want to compete at NCAAs again and make a final, and I want to be alongside my teammates. I want more of my teammates to make [the NCAA Championships] so we're more of a group going. I think that'd be really good for our team and just the culture of it all as well. And I really want to see others succeed and be at that level as well and get them to experience just how amazing that meet is.

HM: What kinds of obstacles have you faced throughout your swimming career and how have you overcome them?

AM: "I think with all sports in general, there'll be ups and downs and there'll be hard times that you'll need to push through. You're obviously not going to be going [your] best times every single meet, and I think it's important for an athlete to realize and be okay with not succeeding and being the best all

the time. We're human. We're not going to be a hundred percent all the time. [But] push through it. ... Rely on people that are supportive. Surround yourself in a positive environment, and [don't] be so hard on yourself. As athletes, we work so hard day and night, and I think it's really important to realize that. ... Pat yourself on the back for small accomplishments. And in the end, you will succeed and you need to just trust the process.

HM: How do you think you've grown during your time on campus, whether that be athletically or academically?

AM: "I would say I've definitely grown just as a person. I think I've been surrounded by an environment that pushes me to be the best version of myself, and I'm surrounded by so many successful people in the water. But also academically, seeing people get an amazing internship and getting good grades ... It just inspires me to be the best version of myself and I'm very grateful to be surrounded by such a successful environment."

HM: What has been your favorite moment swimming for the Hurricanes?

AM: "I think a very memorable moment for me was when I got the 200-fly record. When I touched the wall, I looked up at all my teammates and coaches and it was the pure happiness everyone felt for me, and I felt so happy as well. It just was such a special moment to share with my teammates and coaches. And on a more team standpoint, I would say just finishing when we went to ACCs. We did a relay ... it was me, another freshman, and two seniors, and I think sharing the last moment with them swimming was very special to me knowing that [was] the last race I got to be a part of with them. And after four or five years of swimming, it came down to that moment and that last race, and to share that moment with them felt very special to me."

HM: What do you enjoy doing in your free time besides swimming?

AM: "I enjoy going for walks and go-

ing to the beach. The beach is definitely so nice to be able to do. It's definitely something I was not used to coming here freshman year, so I really like to take the time and go to the beach with my friends or by myself and just read a book, relax by the ocean, and get some sun in."

HM: What kind of career aspirations do you have for the future?

AM: "I definitely want to stay surrounded in sports. I'm in sports administration right now as a major and I think being here in the States, especially in Miami, it's such a great opportunity. Sports are so big and we see it every single day, and I want to continue to be a part of that environment. So, I don't know exactly what direction, but I know I want it to be something in the sports world."

HM: What do you hope to accomplish going into the rest of your time at Miami?

AM: "I want to be able to get a master's [degree] and graduate in the sports administration program. I want to swim to the fullest potential I have and just really take in the time here and make all the experiences out of it and make all the friends out of it."

HM: What does it mean to you to be a Hurricane?

AM: "I think being a Hurricane is so special. Coming here, everything was just so unreal. And every day I'm still just amazed and I learn new things every single day. And representing The U means a lot to me. Whenever I do [well], it's a reflection of all the hard work I've put in, but also all the hard work my teammates have put in."



FACES IN THE CROWD

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos



In each edition of *Hurricanes Magazine*, we'll spotlight some of the student-athletes who are rising above the competition in each of their respective sports and making a difference for Miami.

This spring, we feature an experienced rower who is helping set the tone for the Hurricanes during a historic season, a Miami native who is shining on the diamond for his hometown program, and a pair of track and field newcomers that have quickly found ways to make an impact.

Get to know Hurricanes Tania Da Silva, Fabio Peralta, Tyson Schiele and Naroa Zubimendi Varela.



Tania Da Silva, Junior

A native of Porto Alegre, Brazil, Tania Da Silva arrived at Miami after a standout career at New Mexico Junior College where she was a two-time NJCAA indoor and outdoor champion. And midway through her first season as a Hurricane, she's already added her name to the Miami record book and won a conference championship. In January, Da Silva's throw of 21.82 meters in the weight throw at the Razorback Invitational became the second-longest throw in program history and a little over a month later, her throw of 21.78m at the ACC Indoor Track & Field Championships won her a gold medal and helped the Hurricanes sweep the podium in that particular event.



Fabio Peralta, Sophomore

A former standout at Miami Christian, Fabio Peralta started 46 games for the Hurricanes last season as a freshman and has continued to build on his early success. As of April 23, Peralta is hitting .301 in 83 at-bats and has totaled 22 RBI, five doubles and two triples. He has a team-high nine stolen bases and has helped the Hurricanes reach the 30-win mark. He has already posted six multi-hit performances, highlighted by a three-hit effort against Duke in March.



Tyson Schiele, Freshman

Thrower Tyson Schiele joined the Hurricanes track and field team this year after establishing himself as one of Canada's top young throwers. The freshman was second in the javelin at the U20 Canadian Track & Field Championships last summer and in his collegiate debut, already added his name to the Miami record book. At the Hurricane Collegiate Invitational in March, his throw of 73.29 meters set a new personal best and became the second-longest mark in program history. At the time, it ranked eighth nationally and was tops in the ACC. Schiele was named ACC Freshman of the Week on March 31.



Naroa Zubimendi Varela, Senior

A veteran leader on Miami's rowing team, Naroa Zubimendi Varela has been a steady presence for the Hurricanes as they've risen to new heights this season in the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association Top 25 poll. A member of the first varsity eight crew, she helped the Hurricanes set a new program record in April with a time of 6:18.9 at the Orlando Invitational and this past summer, earned a silver medal while representing Spain at the U-23 World Championships. She was recognized this year among the rowers on the ACC's Preseason Watch List and was honored as one of Miami's top female student-athletes at this year's Celebration of Women's Athletics.



CONTINUING THE LEGACY: CHIARA PELLACANI & MATTEO SANTORO

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

They entered the NCAA Swimming & Diving Championships in two very different places.

Chiara Pellacani brought with her a dazzling resume as an Olympian, a national champion and as one of Miami's veteran leaders.

Matteo Santoro, meanwhile, arrived in Atlanta as one of the Hurricanes' top up-and-coming young divers, a decorated junior champion looking to take the next step in his career.

Both of them put together remarkable performances against some of the nation's top collegiate divers

In her final meet as a Hurricane, Pellacani defended her NCAA championship on the 1-meter springboard by the slimmest of margins, outdueling South Carolina's Sophie Verzyl to become Miami's first back-to-back individual diving champion since Jenny Keim won titles in 1999 and 2000.

Pellacani, who totaled a score of 345.70 to Verzyl's 345.45, scored more than 52 points on each of her six dives at the championship meet, capping her performance with a reverse 1½ somersault with 1½ twists that proved her highest-scoring dive.

"I can't even describe it, it's so special," Pellacani said of winning her second straight title. "It's my last

year. It's really important to me and of course, for the school. ... [Miami] did a lot for me. It's nice, in a way, to give back."

A night after winning her second straight national title, Pellacani earned All-American honors with a fourth-place finish in the 3-meter springboard.

That capped a 2026 postseason that featured, along with her national title, an ACC gold medal in the 3-meter, an ACC silver medal in the 1-meter, and recognition as both the ACC Diver of the Year and the Most Valuable Diver at the ACC Championships.

Meanwhile, in his first trip to the NCAA Swimming & Diving Championships, Santoro posted a runner-up finish and earned All-American honors in the 1-meter springboard.

The freshman, who hails from Italy, posted a score of 412.50, a score behind only SMU's Luke Sitz, who posted a 428.10.

Entering the national championship meet, Santoro earned his share of medals at the ACC Championships, winning a silver in the 1-meter and a bronze in the 3-meter to start his collegiate career.

Next season, he'll look to build on that success and continue adding to Miami's storied diving history.









CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE: HURRICANE HONORS

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

Ace Malone typically has no difficulties moving pretty quickly.

But on this particular Sunday in April, the record-breaking sprinter was weighed down by an armful of trophies that made it a bit tougher than usual for him to navigate his way through the ballroom at the Donna E. Shalala Center on Miami's Coral Gables campus.

Malone, a junior from Colorado, was a three-time honoree at this year's Hurricanes Honors, the athletic department's annual awards ceremony celebrating the best and brightest among Miami student-athletes.

And Malone certainly fits that description.

The sprinter was an ACC Top Six for Service Award winner, was recognized as the male Comeback Athlete of the Year after returning from injury to put together a string of dominant performances and earned Miami's Ibis Award, the department's highest honor, which is given annually to the student-ath-

lete that most embodies success across athletics, academics, community service and overall engagement.

"I'm just really thankful for everybody here and I couldn't do this all if I didn't feel supported, but I feel really supported every day," Malone said. "Trying to help everybody out and do as much community service as I can is super easy. They make it easy for you here. They give us a lot of opportunities to do service, but I did not expect to get these. When I heard my name, I was really happy."

Malone wasn't the only member of Miami's track and field team honored for their efforts in competition and in the community.

The team as a whole was recognized as Miami's Most Engaged Team, while sophomore sprinter Lyonna Codd and freshman thrower Tyson Schiele were both winners of the Rising Star Award.

Additionally, senior sprinter Robert Joseph was named the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee

MVP, senior jumper Alyssa Perkins was named an ACC Top Six for Service Award winner, and junior thrower Tania Da Silva was named the Female Newcomer of the Year.

This year's ceremony also featured a new award – the Courageous Cane Award – which led to one of the evening's most heartwarming moments.

Basketball student-athlete Marcus Allen, who missed the majority of the season after being diagnosed with non-Hodgkin lymphoma in December, earned that distinction and received a standing ovation from his fellow student-athletes, his family, and all of the coaches and staff in attendance.

It was part of yet another memorable evening for all of the Hurricanes who've given Miami fans plenty of reasons to cheer over the course of the last year.

"Being a student-athlete is not easy, so we'd like to give them a couple nights – this being the biggest one – where the spotlight shines

on them and we get to tell them 'thank you' for going in the community, for being incredible in the classroom and for being engaged," said Shirelle Jackson, Miami's Executive Associate Athletic Director for Student-Athlete Development

and Strategic Initiatives. "We want to keep motivating them and our energies feed off each other. ... To have this end-of-the-year event where they're celebrating each other's successes, where they get an opportunity to dress up ... I think

it adds to their overall student-athlete experience and so, when we talk about a U family and we talk about celebrating them, this is the culmination of those things."

2026 HURRICANE HONORS AWARD WINNERS

Rising Star Award

Iyonna Codd, Women's Track & Field
Tyson Schiele, Men's Track & Field

Career Cane Award

Joe Borchers, Football
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ACC Top Six for Service

Naylani Feliciano, Volleyball
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Outstanding Community Service Student-Athlete Award

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Outstanding Community Service Team Award

Baseball

Courageous Cane Award

Marcus Allen, Men's Basketball

Unsung Hero Award (Staff)

Houston Owens, Strength & Conditioning
Elijah Perales, Strength & Conditioning

Scholar Athlete of the Year

Sarah Sensenbrenner, Women's Swimming & Diving

Swimming & Diving

Jake Passmore, Men's Diving

Comeback Performance of the Year

Men's Basketball vs. NC State

Female Rookie of the Year

Teegan Melenhorst, Soccer

Male Rookie of the Year

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Tania Da Silva, Women's Track & Field

Male Newcomer of the Year

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Comeback Student-Athlete of the Year

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Ace Malone, Men's Track & Field

Best Female Student-Athlete (MVP)

Chiara Pellacani, Women's Swimming & Diving

Best Male Student-Athlete (MVP)

Rueben Bain Jr., Football





WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

KYSHAWN GEORGE

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

Kyshawn George had quite a few memorable moments during his rookie season in the NBA.

His very first game came against the then-defending champion Boston Celtics. A few months later, in a win over the Detroit Pistons, he became the fastest Wizards rookie to connect on 100 3-pointers, needing only 59 games to reach that mark.

He started 38 of the 68 games in which he played and the former Hurricanes standout from Monrovia, Switzerland set another Wizards rookie record when he made at least one 3-pointer in 31 straight games.

But for all of his success, George wasn't among the players invited to Rising Stars, the NBA's All-Star Weekend showcase featuring the league's top young players.

It was a slight that didn't go unnoticed.

"I won't say I was disappointed," George said earlier this year. "But also, I knew internally that I was better than most of the players that were there, so I just kind of doubled down on the work that I did. I didn't change much, ultimately, but I just made sure that I kept doing what I needed to do. I trusted the work that I was putting in every single day and it just made me realize that you can't wait for stuff to be given to you. You have to go get it yourself."

This season, things were different.

George's work ethic, combined with the experience and knowledge he gained his rookie season, have made for an impressive sophomore campaign that didn't just have him at this year's Rising Stars tournament in Inglewood, Calif.

It had him holding a trophy once the event was over.

George – who was joined by Wizards teammates Bub Carrington, Tre Johnson and Alex Sarr at Rising Stars – was part of Team Vince, which won the event with a 25-24 win over Team Melo.

George totaled four assists, three rebounds and two points in the first-to-25 championship game of the four-team mini-tournament that took place on the Friday of All-Star Weekend.

And for him, making the most of his opportunity to play on that stage was a given.

"I mean, at the end of the day, you're playing a basketball game. You have new teammates for one night and you just have to go out there and I think you have to compete,"



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George said. "I think you have to treat it with respect, and I think that's what we went out there and did. So, to be able to actually come out with a win, it just makes everything so much better."

Before sustaining what ultimately became a season-ending elbow injury in early March, George's productivity was, as expected, significantly higher for the Wizards during his second NBA season.

The forward – a first-round pick of the Wizards in the 2024 NBA Draft – averaged 14.8 points, 5.1 rebounds and 4.5 assists per game, an improvement from a year ago when he averaged 8.7 points, 4.2 rebounds, and 2.5 assists per game.

He's grown more comfortable and confident in his game, and he says that made all the difference when he was on the floor this season.

"Definitely a lot," George respond-

ed, when asked how much he's improved since his playing days at Miami. "Especially in the physicality of the NBA game, just getting in the paint and making a decision for myself to either get a shot up or pass it over to a teammate and put him in a situation where he could do something with the ball. Definitely that.

"The shooting has always been there. It's always going to be there. ... But defensively, just being able to guard some of the best players early in my career and in my rookie year, just the more reps you get against good players, the more your game is going to evolve. So, just in general, I think the physicality, the experience, the defense, everything has just taken a step."

That doesn't mean George is done learning – not by any stretch.

During All-Star Weekend, he had the opportunity to connect with some of the biggest names in bas-

ketball, including at a pre-Rising Stars workshop where he had the chance to listen to Kareem Abdul-Jabbar discuss his career, the NBA and more.

Another highlight of George's Rising Stars experience?

Getting to share those four days with his family, which joined him in California and got a small taste of what his life is like these days.

"We were coming out of an event, and I was able to see Scottie Pippen," George said. "I was with my dad, and I know my dad used to watch the Bulls play, so it was kind of a cool moment for him to be able to see one of those legends in real life."

With Rising Stars, All-Star Weekend and his second season in the NBA now behind him, George is starting to think about the next goals on his list.

He wants to continue to see the Wizards improve – and feels confident they will, given the number of talented young players on Washington's roster.

He wants to continue improving himself. And he'd like to get back to All-Star Weekend and this time, play in the event's signature game.

"I mean, it's always been a goal of

mine," George said. "I've always been a hard worker. I've always done what I'm supposed to do to get better every single day, and I think as long as I keep doing that, as long as I keep that mindset, there's no reason why I won't be playing in many Sunday games."

And, he noted, he's made sure he's continued to keep tabs on how his alma mater is doing under first-year

head coach Jai Lucas.

"I know they're winning and they're winning more than when I was there," George laughed. "I'm really happy about that and I know they're doing it the right way. I had a little conversation with my GM about it, how Miami was doing this year, and I know they're on the right track."



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CANES CONNECT SPOTLIGHT: FOOTBALL NETWORKING EVENT

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

Cooper Barkate has been to his share of networking events.

Before coming to Miami, the veteran wide receiver attended both Harvard and Duke where he had multiple opportunities to connect with a variety of professionals across a number of industries and career paths.

But, Barkate noted, none of those experiences felt as personalized as the career development event he and his Hurricanes teammates attended earlier this spring.

More than two dozen South Florida professionals – including several former Miami student-athletes – came to campus, visited with

members of the football team and shared their stories, experiences, and advice with the Hurricanes.

And it wasn't the typical one-size-fits-all lecture with a series of guest speakers.

Instead, this particular networking event paired small groups of Hurricanes with a series of professionals working in the student-athletes' respective fields of study in an effort to create specifically tailored and meaningful conversations.

Business majors and budding entrepreneurs had the chance to get to know Don Bailey Jr., a former offensive lineman for the Hurricanes who now owns Don Bailey Flooring.

Aspiring first responders met with members of the Coral Gables Fire Department, including former Miami linebacker Wyatt Chickillo.

Potential realtors learned firsthand about Miami's intense market from luxury real estate advisor and former Hurricanes baseball player Willie Abreu.

And sports administration majors had the chance to get tips from experts like Brian Baptiste, Miami's Senior Deputy Director of Athletics and Steve Stowe, the Vice President/Executive Director of the Miami Heat Charitable Fund.

"It was really, really cool. I mean, you go to a place like Harvard, and that's





kind of just expected, but honestly, there's not a whole lot of extra help they give you in terms of networking," Barkate said. "You have a name behind you of the university, like Harvard. But there aren't any networking events like that. You kind of have to carry it out yourself. ... That was really cool to see, all those professionals that were Miami driven and you could tell they were interested in us. ... I'm sure a lot of the guys got some benefit out of it, seeing 'Oh, there are other aspects of life I could pursue.'"

Said Miami running back Mark Fletcher Jr., "I had the chance to talk to a lot of great people. ... We saw that football may be the sport we play now, but there are so many backup plans you can have for yourself and different careers you can look to. It was great for everybody."

The event, organized by Canes

Connect – Miami's Office of Student-Athlete Development – was designed to be as interactive and personalized as possible, with the football players moving in small groups from table to table to learn from the professionals in attendance.

And the hope was that meaningful connections were built.

"We really wanted to make sure this event was based off true connection instead of it just being, 'Here's a job you might be interested in,'" said Jessica Hurley, Miami's Associate Director of Student-Athlete Development. "It was more about, 'Here's a potential path and someone to help you get there.' That connective piece was really important for us in this specific event."

Added LaToya Farris, "It really was about engagement and having your own network of people that

you can then call upon, or they can connect you with someone else to learn more about industries or people's stories. ... It gave them a lot of insight into so many different things."

Adding to the experience was that fact that so many Miami alums – whether student-athlete or not – participated and wanted to give back to their alma mater.

That, too, made an impression.

"It was really special. I know I haven't been here since freshman year, but I could really tell from even the first day I touched down here that the people of Miami are behind The U for sure," Barkate said. "I think it's apparent that people love The U and want to help us. That's a big selling point."







ROWING BOAT DEDICATION: DR. STEPHEN CERRONE

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

In April, the Hurricanes rowing team took some time after one of its practices to honor one of its biggest supporters, Dr. Stephen Cerrone, who christened two of Miami's newest boats: the *Dante*, named in honor of his son, and the *Sonny*, named in honor of his father.

It was an especially heartfelt moment for both Cerrone, an associate professor at the Miami Herbert School of Business, and Miami's rowing team, which features three student-athletes who have taken Cerrone's classes.

Those three students stood beside Cerrone as he spoke with the Hurricanes and encouraged them to continue pushing to excel at the highest level.

"It's goosebumps-special, right? When those student-athletes come up to you and say, 'That brought tears to my eyes, knowing that someone believed in us,' that's really powerful to me," Cerrone said. "That's all the reinforcement I need to continue to support them."

Added Miami head coach James Mulcahy, "It's a deep sense of gratitude. ... For someone like himself, who's been so consequential in the business world and the academic world to take an interest in our team ...

we're literally going places that we've never gone before, and we never would've had the opportunity to go if it weren't for him. So, I can't really say thank you sufficiently or frequently enough for what he's done for our team, and I know he sees the impact it's making on our athletes here. It's given our team just such a great experience. I mean, look at today. They just went out there and literally emptied everything they possibly had on an incredibly tough workout on the water and look how happy they are right now."

The *Dante* and the *Sonny* are the latest boats in the Miami fleet that Cerrone has named. He previously christened the team's *Black Panther* as well.

Last fall, the Hurricanes also christened a boat named in honor of Dan Radakovich, who announced recently he is retiring as Miami's Vice President/Director of Athletics.

And with their newly named boats and Cerrone's support, the Hurricanes have excelled this season. Miami has steadily risen in this year's Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association Poll, achieving a program-high multiple times, while breaking a series of program records on the water. The Hurricanes are set to compete at the ACC Championships in mid-May.







SUPPORTER SPOTLIGHT: DODD & SHARON CLASEN

By Christy Cabrera Chirinos

Dodd Clasen was a teenager at a crossroads when he made a life-changing decision.

After a college search he himself described as “lackadaisical,” Clasen opted to apply to a school that would get him as far away as possible from the Minnesota winters of his childhood and have him cheering for a championship-caliber football team

It didn't even matter at the time that he didn't exactly know a whole lot about the place, or even that his mother was somewhat surprised by his choice.

He was sold on the University of Miami.

“I just really wanted to get out and experience the world, and I had a godfather that lived in Miami and was a big supporter of the football program and the athletic program, so I had that connection,” Clasen recalled. “So, I just remember it being kind of on my radar and wanting to find someplace far, far away from home. ... I didn't even know the University of Miami really existed until 1983, when I saw them play in the national championship game. I didn't even know there was a University of Miami. But that's how

it came on my radar by the time I came to pick a college.

“I actually was the same age and grew up not too far from Steve Walsh. Back in the day, I think we were one of the only few Minnesota kids back in the 80's actually to be at the University of Miami.”

And though there was some initial culture shock coming from Minnesota to South Florida, it didn't take long for Clasen to find friends and a sense of community at Miami.

He competed on the school's club rugby team and eventually, got a job selling ads for the University's newspaper, *The Miami Hurricane*.

Eventually, that sales job led to Clasen becoming the newspaper's production manager and later, business manager.

Today, Clasen says his Miami experience, particularly with *The Hurricane*, was a somewhat fitting start to what turned out to be a successful entrepreneurial career.

“That kind of became part of my friendship group, along with the rugby team,” Clasen said. “The skills you learn in terms of meeting people, networking, working

towards a goal, getting things accomplished ... it's a chance to kind of run a business. I was responsible for ad sales and making sure we had the funds to do the newspaper and negotiate with the editorial side of the paper and what have you. ... That experience, pushing yourself to achieve and be a leader and knowing how to do that, ... being in a situation where there might be conflicts and disagreements and the things you have to deal with in life, it gives you an opportunity to really experience that and grow and mature.”

After graduating from Miami, Clasen returned home to Minneapolis, earned his MBA at the University of St. Thomas and began working with his family's staffing firm that helped place temporary workers in factories and industrial positions.

Clasen eventually went on to found Creatis, a staffing service that focused on creative and marketing positions, but even as he lived far from Miami and his career and company grew, he never stopped following his alma mater's progress on and off the field.

And more than once, what the University – and the Hurricanes themselves – accomplished served as



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an inspiration in his own professional life.

“The football program, and athletics broadly, is really the embodiment of the values of the University of Miami,” Clasen said. “There’s a set of core values there that is what’s attracting all of us. I didn’t know it at the time, but in hindsight, it was all about this commitment to being excellent and to achieving. ... I wouldn’t have accomplished what I’ve accomplished in life without [my] experience there. I didn’t know it at the time, but [that commitment’s] obviously what attracted me.”

Today, Clasen is still a passionate supporter of Miami and the Hurricanes.

He and his wife, Sharon, travel across the country to attend Hurricanes sporting events as often as possible, and last year the couple pledged a \$10 million legacy gift

that will establish both the Clasen Family Endowed Athletics Scholarship and the Clasen Family Endowed Athletic Director Fund.

These endowed funds will impact the athletic department in perpetuity by providing support for student-athletes, while also equipping the athletic director with flexible resources to position Miami for success amid the changing landscape of college athletics.

Additionally, the Clasens also found a way to combine one of their passions – golfing – with supporting the Hurricanes, making an additional gift that will help the golf team acquire a new suite of cutting-edge player development technology.

The couple hosted the Hurricanes at their California home recently and not only got to know the student-athletes wearing orange and green on the links but learned more about head coach Janice Oliven-

cia’s vision for the program and what it needs to compete at the highest level.

“We were just happy to help the program and boy, in meeting these girls, I felt like I was meeting myself back then,” Clasen said. “The maturity, their drive to achievement, success and leadership – and by achievement and success, I mean – it’s going to be in life. Maybe some of them will do it through a golf career, but you can see even this experience of [competing] at the University and working to be the best they can be, it’s going to carry over for their lives in the future. You can see how they’re thinking about their futures in how they conduct themselves. ... Their ability to network and reach out and build relationships that connect, you can just see how they’re growing into wonderful, wonderful human beings.”

Added Sharon Clasen, “It means a lot to us and it’s so fitting that, a, it’s

a [women's] team and b, it's a small team that we can really get to know them and maybe be there for them in other capacities in life, in a mentoring way, a business way, whatever we can do... To have them out [to the house], was really a fun thing to do."

For Clasen, staying connected to the University and the Hurricanes

remains a priority, especially considering all the program and the school have given him, he says.

And his family's relationship with the golf team is just the latest step in his lifelong journey with Miami.

"It just gets back to the story again of how important all this was to where my life is at and what I've

accomplished," Clasen said. "And it's really about the gratefulness for that experience and wanting to give back and pay it forward for the next generation for the same reasons. ... had it not been for the University of Miami and what it represents, I wouldn't be where I'm at in life and have the life that I have. That's very true and heartfelt."



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CANES CHRONICLES: CHAMPIONSHIP FRATERNITY

By Rick Remmert

The National Football Foundation estimates that each year, less than eight percent of more than a million high school football players go on to play in college.

Of those, very few will ever achieve the pinnacle and win a national championship, and only a fraction of those will win multiple titles.

But for a group of 12 Hurricanes, they beat the odds and earned three national championship rings: 1987, 1989, and 1991.

Start to finish, those five teams went 56-4, and achieved final national rankings of 1-2-1-3-1. With losses by one, six, seven and 14 points, they could have won a fourth title, but we won't waste words here on Catholics vs. Con-victs.

The dandy dozen includes wide receiver Doyle Aaron, linebacker Matt Britton, linebacker Derrick Golden, offensive guard Marty Golloher, defensive end Anthony Hamlet, center Kelvin Harris, kicker Carlos Huerta, cornerback

Herbert James, offensive guard Claude Jones, defensive tackle Eric Miller, tight end Joe Moore, and offensive tackle Leon Searcy.

The University of Miami will celebrate the three-time champs and dozens more of their 1991 teammates later this year at the 35-Year Anniversary and Reunion on September 26, during halftime of Miami's game against Central Michigan at Hard Rock Stadium.

"It's not easy now, but people have no idea how hard it was to win one championship in those days before the playoffs," said former head coach Dennis Erickson, who led Miami to the top in 1989 and 1991. "You pretty much had to go undefeated."

The Hurricanes went 12-0 to capture the first of the title trifecta under coach Jimmy Johnson, who recruited the 12 Hurricanes who went on to earn three rings.

In addition to those 12 redshirts who helped prepare the starters and reserves in practice, 10 members of that 27-member signing

class saw playing time during the 1987 season. The others would transfer out.

Johnson says his staff sought players with five characteristics: intelligence, gym rats, playmakers, speed, and character.

"Sprinkle in a couple of great players with 30-40 good players who have the five traits, and you've got a championship team," Johnson said.

Two of those great players – Searcy and Huerta – went on to become All-Americans in 1991 while winning their three rings.

But it didn't come easy or quickly, with Searcy initially redshirting, Huerta walking-on and redshirting and their older teammates reminding them they had a standard to uphold.

"It was a couple of weeks after the first championship and a bunch of us freshmen were in the student union, wearing our national championship gear, and having fun, feeling pretty good about ourselves," Searcy recalled.

Then an upperclassman intervened, with All-American and 1987 Jim Thorpe Award-winning safety Bennie Blades quickly changing the tone in the room.

"We won. You guys watched and didn't do [squat]," Searcy recalled Blades telling his younger teammates before issuing them a challenge.

"Now go out and win your own," Blades added.

Searcy took the admonishment to heart and accepted what has always fueled The U's rise above the rest: Accountability.

"Bennie kind of straightened us out and I appreciate it," Searcy said. "I knew right then I had to win my own."

Following his walk-on, redshirt season, Huerta earned a scholarship and became the team's record-setting starter in 1988.

"We learned from our coaches and the older players, Huerta said. "They were ultra-motivated and set the standard. We just fell in line."

The 1989 team overcame a mid-season loss at Florida State, dominating the final six games including defeating then-No.1-ranked Notre Dame en route to the title.

And two seasons later, Miami ran the table again for Erickson's second crown in three seasons and the program's fourth championship in nine years.

All had a common denominator.

"We play on Saturdays, but we win games during the offseason," Searcy said. "The offseason program was crazy. Our coaches wouldn't let us get complacent. The weight room coaches would stay on us every station. After stations we wanted to pass out, and then we had to run: 110's, gassers, sprints, four-to-five times a week."

Huerta had a whimsical take on how well-conditioned the Hurricanes were.

"After those summer workouts, my grandmother could have kicked and we would have won," he chuckled. "We demanded excellence of ourselves."

The players emphasized the greatness of their coaches. "I don't think Jimmy or Dennis ever made a mistake," said Huerta.

Added Searcy, "They never let us get comfortable with our success. I remember what assistant coach Don Soldinger said when he recruited me, 'If you're not good you won't play and if you're not great, don't come.'"

Searcy and his teammates would later tell recruits, "You come here and win championships. You go somewhere else and we'll find a way to kick your [butt]."

Tested by teammates, challenged by coaches, and holding themselves accountable, 12 men stayed the course. They won three national championship rings and helped change the course of college football and Hurricanes history.

Almost four decades later, would they do it again?

"Absolutely," Searcy said. "In a heartbeat."







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