START of a new era

The season starts strong with two wins, but falters after loss against Texas A&M

Playing three smaller schools in the first four games of the season, the Hurricanes seemed to have a shoo-in after beating Bethume-Cookman 70-13 in the first week of college football. With seven touchdowns, three of which were scored by sophomore running back Henry Parrish Jr. with 108 rushing yards for the game, the 'Canes charged into week two facing Southern Mississippi.

Another strong win at home, kicker Andres Borregales gained 12 points for the team with three field goals and three extra points in the 30-7 matchup against Southern Mississippi with a touchdown each from Henry Parrish Jr., Thaddius Franklin Jr., and Key'Shawn Smith.

However, after a loss to Texas A&M, Middle Tennessee took the win versus the 'Canes. After only 10 points in the first half, freshman quarterback Jake Garcia was brought in for the second half completing 169 yards. In an effort to shorten the gap in points, sophomore running back Thaddius Franklin Jr. scored two one-yard touchdowns with the help of a 91-yard kick-off return by sophomore wide receiver Key'Shawn Smith, but it wasn't enough in the 45-31 loss.

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AT HOME IN THE ENDZONE Running back Terrell Walden II charges into the end zone for a touchdown during the fourth quarter of Miami's game versus Bethune-Cookman University at Hard Rock Stadium in the 70-13 season opener blowout. Photo by Jared Lennon

FOOTBALL

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DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT
9/3	VS. BETHUNE-COOKMAN	W, 70-13
9/10	VS. SOUTHERN MISS	W, 30-7
9/17	AT TEXAS A&M	L, 17-9
9/24	VS. MIDDLE TENN	L, 45-31
10/8	VS. UNC	L, 27-24
10/15	AT VIRGINIA TECH	W, 20-14
10/22	VS. DUKE	L, 45-21
10/29	AT VIRGINIA	W, 14-12
11/5	VS. FLORIDA STATE	L, 45-3
11/12	AT GEORGIA TECH	W, 35-14
11/19	AT CLEMSON	L, 40-10
11/26	VS. PITT	L, 42-16

^{*}denotes conference game **denotes NCAA tournament



ON THE RUN Sophomore Brashard Smith evades a tackle by a Middle Tennessee defensive player during the eventual 31-45 loss. Photo by Charisma Jones

