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## Baseball



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### REDHAWKS, PURPLE EAGLES SOAR AGAINST BULLS

Leading the MAC East Division and having won six of its last seven, Miami (OH) surged past the University at Buffalo baseball team, which is on a six-game losing skid, in a weekend series at McKie Field in Oxford, OH.

Buffalo has fought tough in the stretch, losing four games by one run.

On Sunday, Miami scored eight runs in the first five innings and never looked back as it marched to an 8-5 win. Buffalo pushed four runs across in the sixth, helped by a three-run homer by sophomore **Dan Quinn (Hamburg, NY/Frontier)**, but Buffalo was shut down the rest of the way by Miami starter John Ely.

Brian Canada hooked a base hit down the line in the bottom of the ninth inning on Saturday to score two runners and give Miami a 6-5 win, spoiling a seven-inning, three-run performance from junior **Matt Johnson (Montague, MI/Montague/Grand Rapids CC)** and a two-homer, five-RBI game from junior **James Kingsley (Medina, NY/Medina)**.

The MAC's 2004 Freshman of the Year, Keith Weiser, held Buffalo in check on Friday, as he pitched 7 2/3 innings, allowing three hits and one earned run as the RedHawks cruised to a 10-3 win.

On Tuesday, the Bulls dropped two one-run affairs to Big 4 rival Niagara at Sal Maglie Field in Niagara Falls, NY. In the first game, a run-scoring single in the bottom of the sixth inning from Jeff Vincent lifted the Purple Eagles to a 2-1 win, spoiling a complete-game effort from sophomore **Matt Francavillo (Endicott, NY/Union-Endicott)**. In the nightcap, Andrew MacDonald blooped a single past the shortstop to lift the Purple Eagles to a 4-3, 10-inning win.

### OPENING UP, FINALLY

After 30 games on the road, Buffalo becomes the final team in the MAC to open up its home slate when it hosts St. Bonaventure in a 1:00 pm doubleheader Wednesday afternoon at Amherst Audubon Field.

The Bonnies (17-15 overall) are the reigning Atlantic 10 champions and feature 2004 Freshman All-American Brian Pellegrini.

On Friday, the Bulls open up a three-game set with MAC East Division rival Ohio. In 2004, the Bulls took two out of three games from the Bobcats (15-14 overall, 6-4 MAC).

### 2005 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

February		
Fri., 25	at Kentucky	L, 3-4 (10)
Sat., 26	at Kentucky	L, 7-10
Sun., 27	at Kentucky	L, 9-11
March		
Fri., 4	at Georgia Southern	L, 1-13
Sat., 5	at Georgia Southern	L, 6-14
Sun., 6	at Georgia Southern	L, 5-8
Mon., 14	at George Washington	L, 4-9
Tue., 15	at Maryland-Baltimore County	W, 7-6
Wed., 16	at Towson	L, 4-6
Thu., 17	at Coppin State (DH)	W, 1-0, W 5-3
Fri., 18	at Towson	L, 8-11
Sat., 19	at Towson	W, 12-9
Sun., 20	at Towson	W, 9-8 (7)
Fri., 25	at Maryland-Baltimore County (DH)	W, 8-5, L, 5-3
Sat., 26	at Navy (DH)	W, 7-2, W 2-0
Sun., 27	at Navy	W, 8-0
Tue., 29	<b>LE MOYNE (DH)</b>	<b>Ppd. to TBA</b>
April		
Fri., 1	at Akron*	L, 6-8
Wed., 6	at Canisius (DH)	W, 16-0, L, 4-8
Fri., 8	at Bowling Green*	L, 1-7
Sat., 9	at Bowling Green*	W, 6-4
Sun., 10	at Bowling Green*	L, 0-1
Tue., 12	at Niagara (DH)	L, 1-2, L, 3-4
Fri., 15	at Miami*	L, 1-10
Sat., 16	at Miami*	L, 5-6
Sun., 17	at Miami*	L, 5-8
<b>Wed., 20</b>	<b>ST. BONAVENTURE (DH)</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>Fri., 22</b>	<b>OHIO*</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>Sat., 23</b>	<b>OHIO*</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>Sun., 24</b>	<b>OHIO*</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>
Tue., 26	St. Bonaventure^	3:00 pm
Wed., 27	Canisius/Niagara^	3/7:00 pm
<b>Fri., 29</b>	<b>KENT STATE*</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>Sat., 30</b>	<b>KENT STATE*</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>
May		
<b>Sun., 1</b>	<b>KENT STATE*</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>Wed. 4</b>	<b>CANISIUS (DH)</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
Fri., 6	at Toledo*	3:00 pm
Sat., 7	at Toledo*	1:00 pm
Sun., 8	at Toledo*	1:00 pm
<b>Fri., 13</b>	<b>CENTRAL MICHIGAN*</b>	<b>3:00 pm</b>
<b>Sat., 14</b>	<b>CENTRAL MICHIGAN*</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>
<b>Sun., 15</b>	<b>CENTRAL MICHIGAN*</b>	<b>1:00 pm</b>

\* = Mid-American Conference matches

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS** held at Amherst Audubon Field

^Big Four Tournament held at Dunn Tire Park

