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**GAME NOTES: May 29, 2003**

## 2003 SCHEDULE

### MARCH

22-23	Alabama Relays (Tuscaloosa, Ala.)	3rd, 27
28-29	Adidas Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, N.C.)	NTS
29	Ball State Relays (Muncie, Ind.)	NTS

### APRIL

5	Clemson Invitational (Clemson S.C.)	1st, 140
12	<b>Miami Invitational (Oxford, Ohio)</b>	<b>1st, 253</b>
19	Southern Ohio Cup (Cincinnati, Ohio)	1st, 156
24	Penn Relays (Philadelphia, Penn.)	NTS
25	Louisville Classic (Louisville, Ky.)	NTS

### MAY

2-3	Jesse Owens Classic (Columbus, Ohio)	NTS
11	Indiana Invitational (Indianapolis, Ind.)	NTS
15-17	MAC Championships (Mt. Pleasant, Mich.)	2nd, 106
30-31	NCAA Regionals (Columbus, Ohio)	All Day

### JUNE

11	NCAA Championships (Sacramento, Calif.)	All Day
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**\*\* All Times Local To Site**

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## Miami Women's Track & Field

NCAA Regional Meet

May 30-31, 11 a.m. — Columbus, Ohio

**NCAA BOUND:** Twelve Miami women's track and field athletes will look to prolong their already successful season on Friday and Saturday as they compete at the NCAA Regional meet on the campus of the Ohio State University on the Jesse Owens Memorial Track. Each athlete will be competing for a top-five finish in their respective events in order to qualify for the NCAA National meet. Juniors **Andrea Kremer** and **Lauren Collins** have the best chance to qualify as they enter with the second and fourth best marks in the 3,000-meter steeplechase and hammer throw, respectively. Both RedHawk athletes could possibly earn at-large bids into the national meet as they stand ninth and 20th in the nation heading into the Regional meet.

Over the past two weeks, the Miami team has received many accolades. Head coach **Richard Ceronie** was named Great Lakes Region Mondo Coach of the Year to go along with his Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year award. Kremer was named first-team all-MAC, academic all-MAC, and academic all-region in the past week. Collins earned first-team all-MAC and academic all-MAC in addition to her Most Valuable Performance honor at the MAC Championships. Junior **Erin Connolly** also earned first-team all-MAC honors while junior **Bernitta Johnson** received second-team all-MAC status. The Miami team finished the MAC Championships in second place, the highest finish since 1986.

**REDHAWK REGIONAL QUALIFIERS:** After earning five NCAA Regional Qualifying marks on April 5 at the Clemson Invitational, eight more marks counted as qualifying standards at the Miami Invitational on April 12 to make 13 in two weeks. At the Southern Ohio Cup and the Penn Relays, there were no new events in which runners earned NCAA Regional Standards, but seven NCAA Regional marks were lowered. At the Jesse Owens Classic on May 2, junior **Andrea Kremer** lowered her already incredible 3000-meter steeplechase time and freshman **Joanna Borawski** gave Miami 14 marks that were NCAA Regional worthy. Then again, at the Billy Hayes Invite, senior **Kylee Studer** joined the elite company while juniors **Lauren Collins** and **Erin Connolly** bettered their NCAA Qualifying Standards. Finally, at the MAC Championships, five RedHawk runners improved their marks. Twelve RedHawk runners will be competing in 15 events at the NCAA Regionals

- Studer lowered her time in the 3,000-meter steeplechase by more than seven seconds to put her in better standing for the regional meet.

- Connolly was one of three RedHawks to place first at the MAC Championships as she set a track record time in the 100-meter hurdles with a 0:13.69 mark. Connolly's personal record time moves her to second all-time on Miami's top-ten list.

- Sophomore **Katie Dyer** also lowered her NCAA Regional Mark as she enters the Regional with the 28th fastest time after she ran a 1:01.31 mark at the MAC Championships.

- Finally, Collins personal record throw of 193'07" in the hammer crushed the MAC meet record by nearly nine feet and also the track record by the same distance for first place. Collins' throw also beat the Miami record by almost 21 feet. In the shot put, Collins broke the Miami school record with a mark of 49'01.5" to give her two better marks for the NCAA Regional Meet.

- At the Billy Hayes Invite, Studer finally ran below the elusive 11:00 mark in the 3,000-meter steeplechase to qualify for the NCAA Regional meet. Studer's time of 10:56.08 ranks second on Miami's all-time top-ten in the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

- In the 100-meter hurdles, Connolly ran a personal best time to also claim an NCAA Regional time at the Billy Hayes Invite. Connolly's 0:13.96 mark is fourth on Miami's all-time top-ten.

- Collins earned NCAA Regional marks in the discus throw where she threw her season best mark of 155'01" and also the hammer throw where she threw a distance of 169'06" at the Billy Hayes Invite.



### MIAMI UNIVERSITY, PLEASE

When referring to Miami, please use Miami University, Miami University (Ohio) or Miami (Ohio) University. Please do not use Miami of Ohio, University of Miami of Ohio, etc. The latter are not the proper names for our institution. Also, in 1997, the University began using its new nickname, the RedHawks. It is one word with a capital H. Thank you.



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**During the Week:** Interviews with Miami players and head coach Rich Ceronie should be coordinated through the Athletic Media Relations Office. Please contact Matt Toy at least one day ahead of time when requesting an interview. Home phone numbers of players will not be made available.

- Kremer continued to lower her time as she ran her featured event, the 3000-meter steeplechase, four seconds faster than she had done all season at the Jesse Owens Classic. Kremer's time of 10:25.85 is fastest enough for the 10th lowest in the nation and continued to climb closer to the all-time fastest mark, as she currently stands second.

- Borawski threw her career best of 145' in the javelin at the Jesse Owens Classic to give her Miami's third longest throw in outdoor track and field history and put her among the nation's top 50 in the javelin.

- At the Penn Relays prior to the Jesse Owens Classic, Kremer set a season record time for second place in the 3000-meter steeplechase with a time of 10:24.18 against some of the nation's top competition on April 24. Kremer's time, which was second on Miami's all-time list, easily set a new NCAA Regional Standard.

- Sophomore **Tabitha Schwartz** set a school record and bettered her NCAA Regional Qualifying mark by jumping three inches further than her personal best for a 12'3" mark on April 19 at the Southern Ohio Cup.

- Johnson might have had the most exciting event at the Southern Ohio Cup; by coming from behind to break the Miami school record and better her NCAA Regional mark by over one foot in the triple jump with a 42'01" mark.

- Collins improved her marks in the discus and also the shot put with marks of 46'11" and 154'11" for two NCAA Regional Marks.

- Sophomore **Rasheda Malcolm**, Dyer, junior **Jennifer Caldwell** and junior **Erika Harper** rebroke the school record that they set the week before at the Miami Invitational and bettered their NCAA Regional Qualifying Time by crossing the finish line in 3:44.99.

- Connolly lowered her season best score in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 14.03 to improve her stock at the NCAA Regional. At the Miami Invitational on April 12, eight NCAA Regional Marks were set:

- Kremer was named Mid-American Conference Women's co-Runner of the Week after she took first place in two events, the 1500-meter run and 3000-meter steeplechase at the Miami Invitational on April 12. At the time, Kremer held the nation's third fastest time in the steeplechase run. Kremer met an NCAA Regional qualifying mark and set a Miami Invitational meet record in the steeplechase with a 10:27.39 clocking.

- The RedHawks finished 1-2-3 in the 100-meter hurdles, paced by an NCAA Regional qualifying mark of 14.06 by Connolly.

- Caldwell earned a NCAA Regional qualifying mark with a personal best time of 60.27 in the 400-meter hurdles, while taking first place by a mere 0.25 in front of Purdue's Kristy Liphardt.

- Junior **Lindsay Hazen** took third in the high jump as she set a personal record with a 5'7" jump and qualified for the NCAA Regional Meet.

- Schwartz met an NCAA Regional qualifying standard with her second-place performance and as she cleared the bar at 12-feet to meet the NCAA qualifying mark and give Miami a new outdoor pole vault record.

- The foursome of Malcolm, Dyer, Caldwell and Harper took first with a time of 3:45.16 in the 4x400-meter relay and also qualified for the NCAA Regional meet.

- Johnson jumped ahead of the competition with a distance of 12.43 meters to also earn a NCAA Regional qualifying standard.

- Harper qualified in the 400-meter run as she was edged out by a Ball State runner with her personal best time, but still qualified with a 0:54.77 time to give Miami its fourth fastest Miami time. At the Clemson Invitational, five other times qualified for the meet at Ohio State.

- Connolly came from behind to win the 100-meter hurdles with a qualifying time of 0:14.09.

- In her first 3000-meter steeplechase of the year, Kremer easily won the race and was less than a second under the qualifying time with a 10:59.89 time.

- Collins earned two first-place finishes and one second-place finish, while achieving three NCAA Regional Championship qualifying marks. Collins earned the top mark in the shot put when her throw measured out at 46'2" for the 10th longest throw in school history. Collins also earned the maximum amount of points in the hammer throw when she was the top college thrower to finish with a 170'7" mark and fifth all-time at Miami. In the discus throw, Collins was beat out by an Iowa State thrower, but she was able to earn second with a 153'09" mark.