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2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Coastal Carolina Men's Club Basketball

Mascot: Chanticleer

Location: Conway, SC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Ryan Borzager - Head Coach

Mark Derflinger - Assistant Coach

Mason Grigg - President

Nate Correard - Assistant President

Alexei Iturbe- Treasurer

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: **18-4**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **Top 15 all season, Conference Champs, and Regional Runners-ups**
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 6

Players to Watch: Alexei Iturbe, Brady O'Connell, Mason Grigg, Khalil McDaniels

New additions: Matteo Jaconi, Jack Godown, Easton Morris, Khalil McDaniel, Brady O'Connell, Christian Jones, Parker Norris, Cason McClendon, Brandon Myers, Connor Stillwell

Biggest Rival: Wake Forest

Best Player Nickname: -

2023-24 Season Outlook: National Championship



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Head Coach Quote: "We have had some great practices so far and are very excited to build on the success we had last season. We are extremely grateful to be able to represent our University."



2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Davidson

Mascot: Wildcats

Location: Davidson, North Carolina

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Charlie McGee, Luke Zimmerman

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: 7-7
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **Missed Tournament**
- Notables: **Season Sweep over UNC, averaged 78.1 PPG**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 11 returners, 4 starters

Players to Watch: Charlie McGee - dynamic lead guard who paces the team in points/assists. Luke Zimmerman - undersized forward who rebounds well and scores in the mid-range

New additions: John Nowland, Jacob Asbill, Will Hunt

Biggest Rival: South Carolina

Best Player Nickname: "Zimmy" - Luke Zimmerman

2023-24 Season Outlook: Ready to compete with a lot of returning talent and some intriguing new additions, the 'Cats are looking to be a contender within their new-look conference this year.

Head Coach Quote: "We've got a good group this year and are looking forward to fitting all the pieces together."



2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Duke University

Mascot: Blue Devil

Location: Durham, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Grant Dunaway (Coach), Joshua Tennyson and Ben Thorpe (Co-Presidents)

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: **14-13**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **2nd at UMiami Tournament 4/1-2/23**
- Notables: **41 point triple double for Trey Rouse vs High Point on 3/26/23**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 11 returners - Loeffler, Brathwaite, Bullock, Perlman, Buxton, Thorpe, Tennyson, Franzon, Kitch, Israel, J. Cooper (3 starters - Bullock, Franzon, Thorpe)

Players to Watch: big guard Brock Davis, big man Gavin Franzon

New additions: Davis, Diallo, Mukund, Cocard, Roberts, Djidjeu, Agnolin, Guo, Wang, Axon, McLeod, Thornton, Grant, K. Cooper

Biggest Rival: UNC - Chapel Hill

Best Player Nickname: Left Hand (Bullock), Big Gav (Franzon)

2023-24 Season Outlook: Experienced team with added size and all-around depth. Excited to join NCBBA league play for the first time this year.

Head Coach Quote: We got a good group of experienced and new guys ready to get after it in the South Atlantic East Conference. We look forward to competing at a high level.



2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Florida State Seminoles

Mascot: Seminole

Location: Tallahassee, Florida

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Braedan Shaffer/Julian Levy

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: **7-1**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **South Atlantic Regional Champions, National Championship top 3 finalist, FSU Home Tournament Champions, Georgia Tech Tournament Runner Up, Emory Tournament Runner Up.**
- Notables: **Finished 3rd in the nation last year after playing in the National Championship in Erie. Returning this season with all of our starters, the same 6th man, and even more depth play from the bench.**

**Number of Returning Players (Include starters): All 5 starters returning, as well as 4 bench players.
Total of 9 returners**

Players to Watch: Noah Mitchell, Miguel Yopez, Zach Minetola, Braedan Shaffer

New additions: Andrew Reilly, Sebastian Gall, Daniel Harvin

Biggest Rival: Auburn

Best Player Nickname: "The Enforcer" - Miguel Yopez

2023-24 Season Outlook: Florida State looks to enter this upcoming 2023-24 season hungry to keep proving they are a top team in the Nation. We have one goal, and it is to win the National Championship and be crowned best team in the nation. Our team has all starters from the previous season returning this year, as well as our 6th man, and revamped depth off the bench to push us over that edge of being the top



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team. We look to win our conference, as well as our region, in hopes of returning to the big tournament in April. We will be entering many pre-season tournaments to get the team settled again and ready to attack once the NCBBA season begins.

Head Coach Quote: Julian Levy - "After being named the new head coach of the Seminoles, I am excited to pick up where the team left off last season, and help to take the guys even further this year. See y'all in April"



2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: University of Florida

Mascot: Gators

Location: Gainesville, FL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach: Jacob Fischer. Assistant Coaches: Dillon Bagatell, Carson Wood, Cort McCarthy. Captains: Michael Grogins, Alex Houck.

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: 9-5. 6-3 in Conference Play.
- Tournament Rankings/Results: N/A
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters):

7 Returners: Grogins, Houck, Palmer, Bohne, Powers, Schultz, Rothman

All 5 Starters from last year: Grogins, Houck, Powers, Schultz, Palmer

Players to Watch:

Alex Houck and Jake Palmer

New additions:

TBD

Biggest Rival:

Nova Southeastern (for now...)

Best Player Nickname:

N/A

2023-24 Season Outlook:

Return the core of a first year team as an organization, and added in some great depth and supporting players.

Head Coach Quote:

We will outwork everybody and bring the most energy on our way to our first National Championship. Go Gators.



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Team Name: Georgia Highlands College Club Team

Mascot: Chargers

Location: Cartersville, GA

Captain(s)/Coach(s): DJ Lemelle

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: NA
- Tournament Rankings/Results:
- Notables:

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): New Team

Players to Watch: All New Players, Limited Basketball Experience

New additions: NA

Biggest Rival: New to the league

Best Player Nickname: NA

2023-24 Season Outlook: Looking forward to a season of Hardwork

Head Coach Quote: I Believe in the Impossible because No One else does.



2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: University of Miami

Mascot: Hurricanes

Location: Coral Gables, FL

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Head Coach / Player - Jacob Ripps

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: **20-5**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **4 Tournaments, 4 Championship Game Appearances, 2 Wins, 2 Losses, Auburn Invitational Champs, Miami Invitational Champs, Carolina Classic Runner ups, NIRSA Regional Runner ups**
- Notables: **Runner up in NIRSA Region II Tourney (24 team tournament)**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 10 returners, 5 of which are starters

Players to Watch: 6'7 F Connor Walsh, 6'0 G Joe Fiumefreddo, 6'3 G Mason Sheffield

New additions:

Biggest Rival: Florida State

Best Player Nickname: Logan "Shmoogie" Nothmann

2023-24 Season Outlook: Returning most players, including 5 starters, and looking to build on last years success.

Head Coach Quote: "It is amazing how much can be accomplished if no one cares who gets the credit." - John Wooden



2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: South Carolina

Mascot: Gamecocks

Location: Columbia, SC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Cam Burke, Geoff Coyne, Matt Lemmon

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: **9-5**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **N/A**
- Notables: **N/A**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 10

Players to Watch: Cam Burke, Matt Lemmon,

New additions: Sawyer Fox, Dom Marrone, Michael Norford, Vince Alexander, Luke Catanzaro,

Biggest Rival: Coastal Carolina

Best Player Nickname: Geoff "Goose" Coyne

2023-24 Season Outlook: Strong leadership in 4 starters returning, added depth and a lot of young athletic players who are hungry for playing time. Looking to out-hustle teams for loose balls and rebounds to get extra possessions, and get those big defensive stops down the stretch.

Head Coach Quote: We know we lost some games we should have won last year, and are looking to take our team to the next level this year with new leadership and 15 hard-working guys on the roster. We hope to win our conference and make the tournament for the first time since 2020.



2024 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: Charlotte 49ers

Mascot: Norm the Niner

Location: Charlotte, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s):

Head Coach : Mac Barfield

Associate Head Coach : Cameron Harper

Assistant Coach : Nolan Brown

Captain : Jourdan Watkins

Captain : Anthony Franchi

Captain : Meelad Doroodchi

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record:
 - 22-9 (Outside of League)
- Tournament Rankings/Results:
 - 4 Final Four Appearances at Battle of the Brickyard (NC State), Queen City Classic, Charlotte Invitational and Carolina Classic (South Carolina). Champion of Charlotte Invitational Tournament, Runner Up of Queen City Classic
- Notables:
 - Beat 2023 South Atlantic Regional Champions FSU at Battle of the Brickyard

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 10 returning players.

- Returners
 - JJ Skiba, Anthony Franchi, Jourdan Watkins, Caleb Tillis, Zach Friday, Esosa Igbinihie, Trian Barnes, Tevin Jessup, Drew Moore, Tre'vion Clemons
- Starters :
 - Esosa Igbinihie, Trian Barnes, Anthony Franchi, Jourdan Watkins, Caleb Tillis

Players to Watch:

- Trian Barnes, Tre Clemons, Jourdan Watkins, Anthony Franchi



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New additions:

- Freshman : Tyler Druskis
- Sophomore : Trevor Kelly (former DIII transfer), Cole Strand (former DII Baseball transfer)
- Junior : Max Reid
- Senior : Meelad Doroodchi (former DIII transfer)

Biggest Rival: NC State

Best Player Nickname: Tyler Druskis aka “Druski”

2023-24 Season Outlook:

The Charlotte Men’s Club Basketball team is coming off of a record breaking season where the team finished 22-9, with a 3rd place finish at Duke regionals. Not to mention their first tournament win in club history at the Charlotte Invitational. This season the team is looking to take the next step as they join the NCBBA. With a great group of returners and an exciting group of new members, the club is full of college basketball experience, and an amazing culture. Lookout for Charlotte as they are ready to show everyone this is not the team of the last 7 years, but a team that is built around the “we” mentality.

Head Coach Quote:

“I have been the Head Coach of the Charlotte Men’s Club basketball team since 2022. The energy and commitment around this group is unlike anything I have been a part of. Last season we turned this program around, built on the we over me mentality. Now we are ready to go show everyone in the country what Charlotte basketball is all about.”



2023-24 NCBBA-M TEAM PREVIEW GUIDE

Team Name: University of North Carolina at Wilmington

Mascot: Seahawks

Location: Wilmington, NC

Captain(s)/Coach(s): Bo Holcombe (Coach) , Houston Carter (Captain) , Daniel Bugarino (Captain)

2022-2023 Performance (If applicable):

- Record: **16-7 (Did not participate in the NCBBA last year)**
- Tournament Rankings/Results: **Queen City Classic Champions**
- Notables: **Runner-up at NC State's Battle of the Brickyard, split 1-1 with an eventual National Championship 2022-2023 Final Four team Florida State, and finished 11th in the post-season poll.**

Number of Returning Players (Include starters): 8 returners - Carter, Bugarino, Brown, Roberts, Griffin, Ryan, Naseer, Barbierri. 4 starters - (Carter, Bugarino, Brown, Roberts)

Players to Watch: 6'1" Nathaneal Roberts, 6'4" Garrett Brown, 5'11" Houston Carter, 6'4" Daniel Bugarino

New additions: Senior - 6'3" Luke Lamporte. Juniors - 6'2" Benjamin Hines, 5'11" James Lee, 6'2" Lourell & Jaidyn Covington. Freshman - 6'7" Charlie Russell

Biggest Rival: UNC-Charlotte

Best Player Nickname: Bo 'Hammer Time' Holcombe

2023-24 Season Outlook: Both primary ball-handlers are returning as well as 4 of our top 5 scorers from last season. The change in leadership coming in from our new President may bring more basketball IQ to the players because of his experience as a walk-on for the Men's Basketball team at the University.



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Also, we added a lot of strength and shooting to our bench with newcomers Forward Luke Lamporte and Guards James Lee and Benjamin Hines.

Head Coach Quote: "Winning is not easy, winning comes with lots of hardwork and dedication to details."