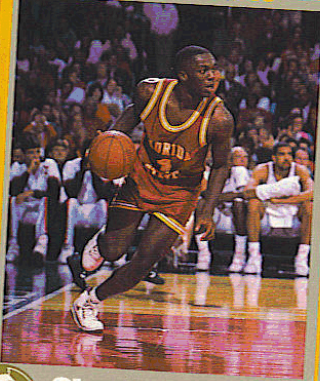



1992-93 Florida State University
Basketball Media Guide

Florida State

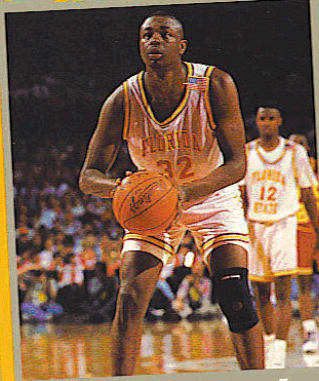
FSU Seminoles




Chuck Graham
Guard



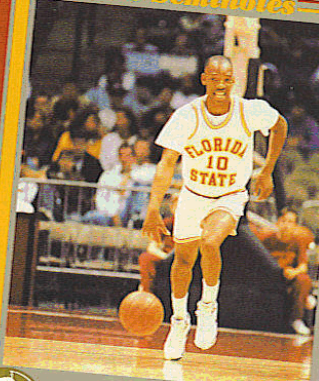
FSU Seminoles




Doug Edwards
Forward




FSU Seminoles




Sam Cassell
Guard



FSU Seminoles



Rodney Dobard
Forward




FSU Seminoles




Lorenzo Hands
Guard



FSU Seminoles



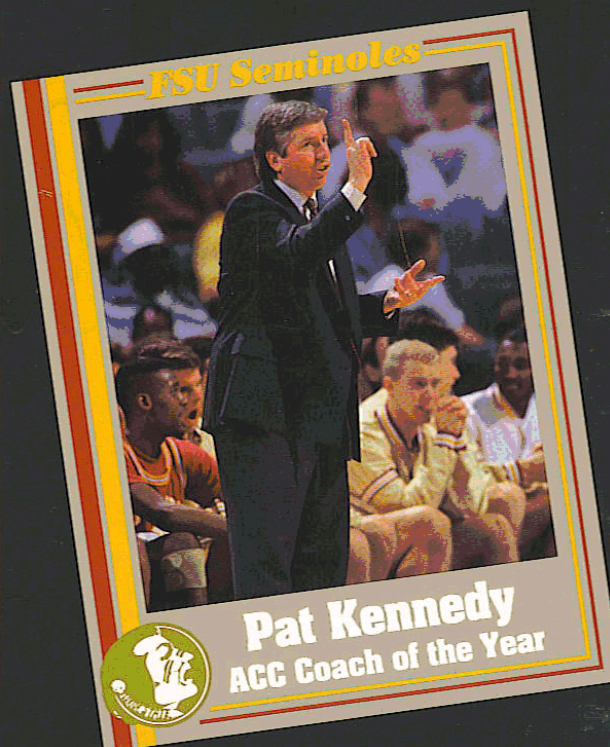
Byron Wells
Forward



1992-93 Florida State Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
NOVEMBER			
18	PRE-SEASON NIT VS. SIENA	Tallahassee, FL	7:00
20	Pre-Season NIT Second Round		
25	Pre-Season NIT Semifinals	New York, NY	
27	Pre-Season NIT Finals	New York, NY	
DECEMBER			
2	§ MASSACHUSETTS	Tallahassee, FL	7:30
15	Duquesne	Pittsburgh, PA	7:00
19-20	Florida Citrus Classic 19th vs. UNC Charlotte	Orlando, FL	4:00
	20th vs. Temple		4:00
22	ARKANSAS-LITTLE ROCK	Tallahassee, FL	7:00
28	MARYLAND-BALTIMORE COUNTY	Tallahassee, FL	7:00
30	SOUTH FLORIDA	Tallahassee, FL	7:00
JANUARY			
2	‡ FLORIDA	Tallahassee, FL	4:00
6	§ Virginia*	Charlottesville, VA	9:00
9	Wake Forest*	Winston-Salem, NC	1:30
13	MARYLAND*	Tallahassee, FL	7:00
16	‡ N.C. STATE*	Tallahassee, FL	4:00
20	Clemson*	Clemson, SC	7:30
24	† DUKE*	Tallahassee, FL	3:45
27	§ North Carolina*	Chapel Hill, NC	9:00
31	† GEORGIA TECH*	Tallahassee, FL	4:00
FEBRUARY			
2	Jacksonville	Jacksonville, FL	7:30
6	Δ Connecticut	Storrs, CT	2:00
8	‡ VIRGINIA*	Tallahassee, FL	9:00
10	§ WAKE FOREST*	Tallahassee, FL	9:00
13	‡ Maryland*	College Park, MD	1:30
17	N.C. State*	Raleigh, NC	7:30
20	‡ CLEMSON*	Tallahassee, FL	4:00
24	§ Duke*	Durham, NC	9:00
27	‡ NORTH CAROLINA*	Tallahassee, FL	4:00
MARCH			
4	§ Georgia Tech*	Atlanta, GA	7:30
11-14	ACC Tournament	Charlotte, NC	TBA

All Game Times Are Eastern
 * Atlantic Coast Conference
 ‡ Raycom-Jefferson Pilot Television Network
 § ESPN
 † ABC
 Δ CBS





The 1992-93
Florida State University
Basketball Media Guide

Florida State's 1992-93 season is as promising as any in the history of Seminole Basketball. Coach Pat Kennedy begins his seventh season at Florida State after taking the Tribe to the NCAA Tournament in four of the last five seasons. All five starters return from last year's team which finished 22-10 and advanced to the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA Tournament. Four freshmen join 11 returning players to lead the Seminoles into their second year in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

1992-93 Florida State Seminole Basketball Media Guide

3
Media Information

Seminole On The Air.....6
Media Outlets.....7
Composite Schedule.....8

9
Outlook

The Seminoles Return to National Prominence




19
The Coaches

Seminole Head Coach Pat Kennedy:
Building on Unprecedented Success

Assistant Coaches
David Zimroth.....26
Kenny Williamson.....27
Tom Carlson.....28
Support Staff.....29

31
Players



Sam Cassell.....32
Rodney Dobard.....34
Doug Edwards.....36
Chuck Graham.....38
Lorenzo Hands.....40
Byron Wells.....42
Derrick Carroll.....44
Ray Donald.....45
Jonathan Kerner.....46
Andre Reid.....47
Maurice Robinson.....48
Scott Shepherd.....49
Bob Sura.....50
Charlie Ward.....51
A Closer Look
At The Seminoles.....52
Player Rosters.....54

55
Opponents

Siena/Massachusetts.....56
Duquesne/UNC Charlotte.....57
Temple/Arkansas-Little Rock.....58
Maryland-Baltimore County/South Florida.....59
Florida/Virginia.....60
Wake Forest/Maryland.....61
N.C. State/Clemson.....62
Duke/North Carolina.....63
Georgia Tech/Jacksonville.....64
Connecticut.....65
Atlantic Coast Conference.....66
ACC Statistics.....68
The Theme.....70

71
The University

“It’s almost *unfair* for Florida State... They’ve got all that and they live in Florida, too!”

Tradition.....73
Excitement.....75
Exposure.....77
Arena.....79
Academics.....81
Setting.....83
Athletic Administration.....88

95
1991-92 Review

It Was A Sweet Season

Statistics.....102
Box Scores.....107

111
Record Book

Individual/Team Records.....113
Tournament History.....119
NCAA Tournament History.....120
Series Records.....121
All-Time Scores.....126
Coaching History.....130
FSU Basketball Lettermen.....131
Players In The Pros.....132

Alphabetical Reference

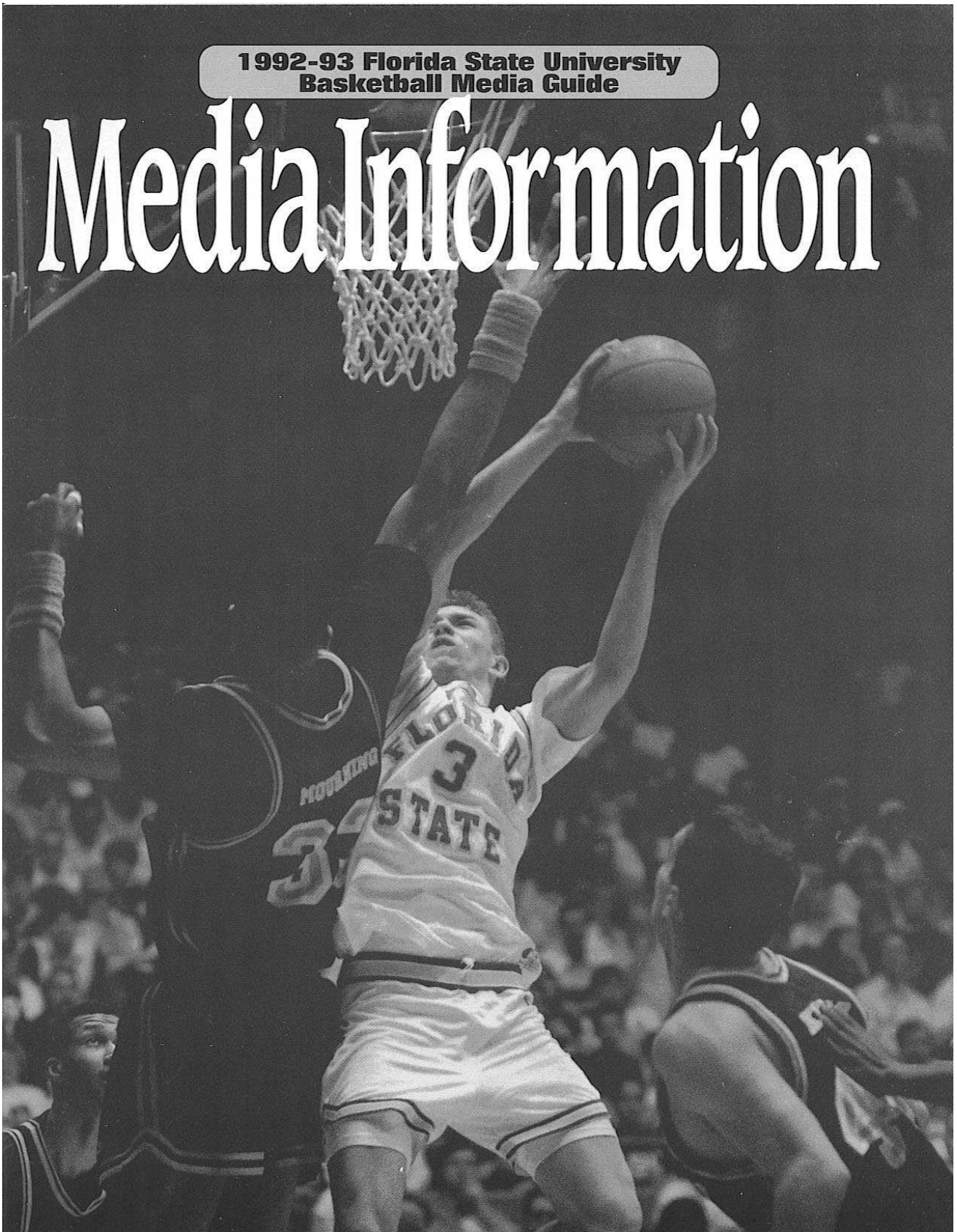
Academics.....81
ACC Composite Schedule.....8
ACC Faxback Service.....5
ACC Statistics.....66
All-Time Scores.....126
Athletic Administration.....88
Basketball Support Staff.....29
Box Scores, 1991-92.....109
Carlson Bio.....28
Civic Center.....79
Closer Look.....52
Coaching Records.....130
Exposure.....77
Florida State University.....84
Kennedy Information.....20
Lettermen’s Club.....131
Media Information.....4
Media Outlets.....7
NCAA Tournament History.....120
Opponents.....56
Outlook.....10
Players.....32
Players in the Pros.....132
Records.....113
ROSTERS.....54
Seminole Radio Network.....6
Series Records.....121
Statistics, 1991-92.....102
Tradition.....73
Williamson Bio.....27
Year in Review.....96
Zimroth Bio.....26

The 1992-93 FSU BASKETBALL GUIDE

Editor:.....Rob Wilson
Research:.....Bob Burda
Meredith Heins
Steve Roogow
Jessica Reo
Proofreading:.....Debbie Powell
Bob Burda
Photography:.....Bucky Parrish
Ross Obley
Ryals Lee
FSU Photo Lab
Randall Prophet
Phil Sears
Printing:.....Rapid Press
Tallahassee, Florida

1992-93 Florida State University
Basketball Media Guide

Media Information



Press

Florida State University's 1992-93 Basketball Media Guide has been designed for use by the news media and Seminole fans. Any questions not covered in this publication can be directed to the Florida State Sports Information Office.

Credential Requests: All requests for working press, radio, television, photographer or scouting credentials should be made in writing to Associate Sports Information Director Rob Wilson at least one week prior to date of game.

Requests will be evaluated and credentials issued according to the following criteria.

- Local metropolitan press; wire services; national publications; metropolitan press from opponents areas; student newspapers;
- Other daily newspapers;
- Radio and television personnel not broadcasting the contest live;
- Non-daily newspapers (space available);
- Scouts.

Parking: A number of spaces in the Civic Center's main parking lot have been set aside for use by the media. Cars should enter the parking lot off Pensacola Street and will be directed to the proper area. ALL REQUESTS FOR PARKING CREDENTIALS SHOULD BE MADE ALONG WITH REQUESTS FOR PRESS CREDENTIALS.

Photographers: Accredited photographers will be allowed to shoot the game from court side upon presentation of a photo pass for the contest. Working press only will be allowed in the designated photo areas of the court.

Television: Facilities are available at court side for both local and network broadcasts. Please have requests prepared several weeks prior to the broadcast.

NETWORK TELEVISION CREWS WILL BE ISSUED FOUR PARKING PASSES ONLY FOR THEIR ENTIRE CREW. Producers should contact the Civic Center's Roger Englert directly for special parking needs.

Radio: Sections are reserved for both Florida State and opposing radio on press row. FSU grants broadcast rights to the official radio outlet of the visiting team

on a reciprocal basis. Contact Tom Stipes of Host Communications (904) 644-2550 to assure the lines are available.

Phones: Telephone service should be ordered directly through Centel Telephone Company of Tallahassee. Call (904) 681-6600 to order private lines.

A limited number (six) of phone lines are available in the press/interview room following the game. The phones are for credit card calls only and are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Faxing: Faxing of statistics is available through the FSU Sports Information Office. There will be a sign-up list in the press/interview room for any media members who need post-game materials faxed.

will be brought to the same room. Media may also conduct interviews in the FSU locker room.

Press Meals: A buffet dinner is available in the Seminole Spirit Room to members of the media with meal ticket attached to credential.

Television crews will be supplied with five meal tickets to accommodate the talent and producers. Any catering needs for television crews should be addressed with Roger Englert of the Civic Center.

ACC Faxback Service

Last season, Florida State began to implement a move away from mailing weekly releases and sending all information by FAX machine. This year, the Atlantic Coast Conference made a decision to be on the "cutting edge" of technology in regard to meeting the media's demand. The ongoing process started with the addition of the coaches' teleconference and the ACC computer bulletin board. And now, they have added what they feel is the next and perhaps most important step in assisting the media in obtaining the needed information in a more timely and convenient manner.

In order to provide you with timely and accurate information we have installed a "Faxback System" (the latest in facsimile technology) which will allow us to drastically reduce our mailing list while at the same time provide you what you want, when you want it, 24 hours a day. The ACC Faxback will allow members of the media 24-hour access to the latest press releases (notes & statistics) from the ACC office AND from each of the nine school sports information offices as well. Several of the ACC Faxback features are listed below.

Simply dial the Faxback machine phone number on your fax phone. You will then be instructed step-by-step on how to retrieve the information. Connect your fax at the tone and the requested information will start transmitting through your machine. This system is operational 24 hours a day and will contain the latest releases from the nine ACC schools and the ACC office release. We will not release this phone number except to certified media sources. Therefore, you must contact the ACC Media Relations department or fax in your request to (919) 854-8797.

ACC Basketball Coaches Teleconference & Sports Services

The ACC Media Relations Department offers up-to-date statistics on a daily basis and an opportunity to speak to each of the conference coaches via conference-call telephone format on a weekly basis. The statistics will be accessible by computer every afternoon by 3:00 p.m., while the teleconferences will take place on

TUESDAY MORNINGS (starting January 5) beginning at 11:00 a.m. The stats line phone number is 919-855-6568 and the teleconference can be accessed by dialing 703-276-4310.

Teleconference Schedule

Dave Odom, Wake Forest	11:00
Jeff Jones, Virginia	11:10
Les Robinson, N.C. State	11:20
Dean Smith, North Carolina	11:30
Gary Williams, Maryland	11:40
Bobby Cremins, Georgia Tech.....	11:50
PAT KENNEDY, FLORIDA STATE.....	12:00
Mike Krzyzewski, Duke.....	12:10
Cliff Ellis, Clemson	12:20

Services/Statistics: Statistics will be distributed to the media following both the half and completion of the game along with a play-by-play of the game. Coaches quotes will be available approximately 30 minutes after the completion of the game.

Interview Policies: Florida State players may be reached through the Sports Information Office. A media call-back card will be filled out and given to the athlete who should return the call collect at the requested time.

Following completion of the game, Florida State's locker room will be open following a 10-minute cooling off period. Pat Kennedy will address the media in the press/interview room and two FSU players

ACC Men's Basketball Faxback Catalog

CLEMSON

General Release.....11150
 Notes Only.....11151
 Stats Only.....11152
 Box Score.....11153
 Schedule.....11154

DUKE

General Release.....21150
 Notes Only.....21151
 Stats Only.....21152
 Box Score.....21153
 Schedule.....21154

FLORIDA STATE

General Release.....31150
 Notes Only.....31151
 Stats Only.....31152
 Box Score.....31153
 Schedule.....31154

GEORGIA TECH

General Release.....41150
 Notes Only.....41151
 Stats Only.....41152
 Box Score.....41153
 Schedule.....41154

MARYLAND

General Release.....51150
 Notes Only.....51151
 Stats Only.....51152
 Box Score.....51153
 Schedule.....51154

NORTH CAROLINA

General Release.....61150
 Notes Only.....61151
 Stats Only.....61152
 Box Score.....61153
 Schedule.....61154

N.C. STATE

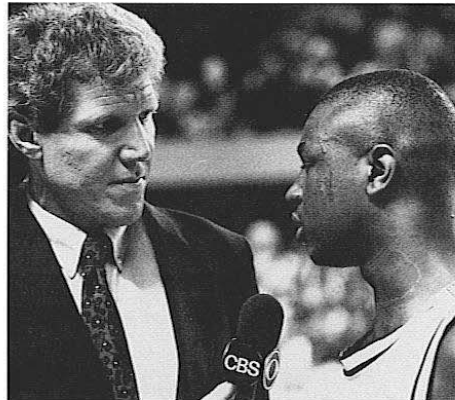
General Release.....71150
 Notes Only.....71151
 Stats Only.....71152
 Box Score.....71153
 Schedule.....71154

VIRGINIA

General Release.....81150
 Notes Only.....81151
 Stats Only.....81152
 Box Score.....81153
 Schedule.....81154

WAKE FOREST

General Release.....91150
 Notes Only.....91151
 Stats Only.....91152
 Box Score.....91153
 Schedule.....91154



Bill Walton interviewed Doug Edwards following FSU's win over Georgetown in last year's NCAA Tournament.

FSU QUICK FACTS

President.....Dr. Dale W. Lick
 Location.....Tallahassee, FL
 Enrollment.....29,000
 Founded.....1857
 Nickname.....Seminoles
 Colors.....Garnet and Gold
 Conference.....Atlantic Coast
 Arena.....Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center
 Capacity.....12,500
 Athletic Director.....Bob Goin
 Faculty Athletic Representative.....Charles Ehrhardt
 Associate Sports Information Director.....Rob Wilson
 Head Basketball Coach.....Pat Kennedy
 Alma Mater (year).....King's College ('75)
 Overall Record (years).....243-126 (12)
 Record at FSU (years).....119-66 (6)

**Travel Itinerary/
Road Headquarters**

12/15.....at Duquesne

Departure: 3:50 on December 14
Hotel: Pittsburgh Green Tree Marriott (412) 922-8400
Return: 12:39 December 16

12/19-20.....at Fla. Citrus Classic (Orlando)

Departure: 5:00 on December 18
Hotel: Omni Orlando Hotel (407) 843-6664
Return: 7:54 on December 21

1/6.....at Virginia

Departure: Charter on January 5
Hotel: Days Hotel (804) 977-7700
Return: Charter after game

1/9.....at Wake Forest

Departure: 1:30 on January 8
Hotel: Stouffer Winston Plaza Hotel (919) 725-3500
Return: 8:46 on January 9

1/20.....at Clemson

Departure: Charter on January 19
Hotel: Holiday Inn of Clemson (803) 654-4450
Return: Charter following game

1/27.....at North Carolina

Departure: Charter on January 26
Hotel: Marriott Research Triangle (919)941-6200
Return: Charter following game

2/2.....at Jacksonville

Departure: 8:00 a.m. on February 1
Hotel: Jacksonville Marriott (904) 296-2222
Return: Bus following game

2/6.....at Connecticut

Departure: 1:30 on February 5
Hotel: Sheraton Hartford (203) 728-5151
Return: 8:30 on February 7

2/13.....at Maryland

Departure: 3:40 on February 12
Hotel: Greenbelt Marriott (301) 441-3700
Return: 1:32 on February 14

2/17.....at N.C. State

Departure: Charter on February 16
Hotel: Marriott Research Triangle (919) 941-6200
Return: Charter following game

2/24.....at Duke

Departure: Charter on February 23
Hotel: Durham Hilton (919) 383-8033
Return: Charter following game

3/4.....at Georgia Tech

Departure: 1:30 on March 3
Hotel: Atlanta Marriott Marquis (404) 521-0000
Return: 9:20 on March 5



Florida State And Raycom/JP Sports

Florida State's entry into the Atlantic Coast Conference has opened new broadcast neighborhoods for FSU basketball telecasts. The Seminoles join the tradition-rich ACC and Raycom/Jefferson-Pilot in a televised showcase of the finest basketball action in the nation.

Raycom, the nation's top independent sports programmer, has been telecasting ACC basketball in

conjunction with JP Sports since 1982. This season Raycom/Jefferson-Pilot will broadcast 40 ACC games and the entire ACC Tournament. Florida State will make six appearances, beginning January 2 when the Seminoles host Florida in Tallahassee. The Raycom/JP broadcasts are in addition to the 10 games already schedule on the major national networks.

1992-93 Schedule

Sun., Jan. 2.....	4:00 p.m.
Florida at Florida State	
Sat., Jan. 16.....	4:00 p.m.
N.C. State at Florida State	
Mon., Feb. 8.....	9:00 p.m.
Virginia at Florida State	
Sat., Feb. 13.....	1:30 p.m.
Florida State at Maryland	
Sat., Feb. 20.....	4:00 p.m.
Clemson at Florida State	
Sat., Feb. 27.....	4:00 p.m.
North Carolina at Florida State	
Thurs.-Sun., Mar. 11-14.....	TBA
ACC Tournament	

Seminole Radio Network



The Florida State Basketball Network will once again deliver the live action of all Seminole games to a growing number of radio stations throughout Florida and South Georgia. Over 30 stations make up one of the largest networks in the school's history.

The Seminole Sports Network is produced by Host Communications Inc., one of the leaders in collegiate sports broadcasting. The FSU and Lexington, KY based company have joined forces to establish a comprehensive marketing opportunity which will include radio, TV, print and corporate sponsorship components. In addition to its long-term broadcast

relationship with the NCAA, Host also owns the right to networks of other outstanding schools such as Texas, Auburn, Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee, Notre Dame, LSU, Army and Navy.

The ever popular Gene Deckerhoff, a six-time Florida Sportscaster of the Year winner, returns for his 14th season to handle the play-by-play for Seminole basketball. Deckerhoff will be joined court-side by John Peterson and Nick Menacof who will share the color commentary duties.

Once again the Seminole Radio Network will offer fans a chance to talk to Coach Pat Kennedy and Gene Deckerhoff live on Pat Kennedy's call-in show every Wednesday or Thursday night at 7:00 p.m.

FSU games can also be heard outside the coverage area through the TRZ Network by calling 1-800-846-4700. The Seminole code is 5410 and the call can be charged to major credit cards.



Gene Deckerhoff



John Peterson



Nick Menacof

HOST COMMUNICATIONS SEMINOLE RADIO NETWORK AFFILIATES

Location	Station	Frequency
Alma, GA.....	WULF-AM	1400
Bartow.....	WWBF-AM	1130
Belle Glade.....	WBGF-FM	93.5
Bonifay.....	WTBB-FM	97.7
Crestview.....	WCNU-AM	1010
Daytona Beach.....	WROD-AM	1340
DeFuniak Springs.....	WGTX-AM	1280
Donalsonville, GA.....	WGMK-FM	106.3
Donalsonville, GA.....	WSEM-AM	1500
Fort Pierce.....	WIRA-AM	1400
Fort Walton Beach.....	WFTW-AM	1260
Gainesville, GA.....	WDUN-AM	550
High Springs.....	WYOC-FM	104.9
Jacksonville.....	WNZS-AM	930
Lake City.....	WDSR-AM	1340
Live Oak.....	WQHL-FM	98.1
Macclenny.....	WJXR-FM	92.1
Marianna.....	WTYS-AM	1340
Marianna.....	WBNF-FM	94.1
Memphis, TN.....	WHBQ-AM	560

Milton.....	WEBY-AM	1330
Ocala.....	WMFQ-FM	92.9
Ocala.....	WCOA-AM	1370
Orlando.....	WDBO-AM	580
Palatka.....	WPLK-AM	800
Panama City.....	WMTO-FM	93.5
Pensacola.....	WTKX-AM	1230
Sebring.....	WJCM-AM	960
St. Augustine.....	WAOC-AM	1420
Tallahassee.....	(flagship) WTNT-FM	94.9
Tampa.....	WRBQ-AM	1380
Valdosta.....	WGOV-AM	950
Wauchula.....	WAUC-AM	1310
Zephyrhills.....	WPAS-AM	1400
(subject to change)		

The Pat Kennedy Television Show

Tallahassee.....	WCTV Channel 6
Saturday 12:30 p.m.	
Sunshine Network.....	Regional Coverage
TBA	
SportsSouth	
Network.....	Regional Coverage
TBA	

FSU Media Outlets



Newspapers (A.M.)

(Area Code 904 except where noted)	Telephone	FAX
Boca Raton News – Vin Mannix, Sports Editor P.O. Box 580, Boca Raton, FL, 33429	407-395-8300	338-4944
Bradenton Herald – Bob McComas, Sports Editor 3703 60th St. W. Bradenton, FL, 34209	813-745-7000	745-7097
Daytona Beach News – Godwin Kelly, Sports P.O. Box 431, Daytona Beach, FL, 32015	252-1511	258-8465
The Flambeau – Mark Nessmith, Sports P.O. Box 20287, Tallahassee, FL, 32316	681-6695	681-3577
Florida Today – Tom Squires, Sports Editor P.O. Box 363000, Melbourne, FL, 32936	407-242-3500	242-6620
Florida Times Union (Local) – Garry Smits, Sports P.O. Box 1949, Jacksonville, FL, 32202	224-7515	681-2961
Florida Times Union – Gene Frenette, Columnist P.O. Box 1949, Jacksonville, FL, 32202	359-4246	359-4478
Fl. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel – Craig Barnes, Sports 101 N. New River Dr., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301	305-356-4635	356-4676
Ft. Myers News Press – Glen Miller, Sports Editor P.O. Box 10, Ft. Myers, FL, 33902	813-335-0200	334-0708
Gainesville Sun – Paul Jenkins, Sports P.O. Drawer A, Gainesville, FL, 32602	374-5055	338-3128
Gainesville Sun – Mike Bianchi, Columnist P.O. Drawer A, Gainesville, FL, 32602	374-5055	338-3128
Lakeland Ledger – Tom Hardesty, Sports Editor P.O. Box 408, Lakeland, FL, 33802	813-687-7820	687-7016
Miami Herald – Gary Long, Sports One Herald Plaza, Miami, FL, 33101	305-376-3494	376-3509
Miami Herald – Edwin Pope, Columnist One Herald Plaza, Miami, FL, 33101	305-376-3494	376-3509
Naples News – Tom Rife, Sports Editor P.O. Box 7009, Naples, FL, 33940	813-262-3161	263-4816
Northwest Florida News – Arnold Feliciano, Sports Editor P.O. Box 2949, Ft. Walton Bch, FL, 32549	863-1111	862-5230
Ocala Star Banner – Dwight Collins, Sports P.O. Box 490, Ocala, FL, 32670	867-4010	867-4018
Orlando Sentinel (Local) – Alan Schmadtke 336 E. College Ave., Tallahassee, FL, 32301	222-5564	224-0979
Orlando Sentinel – Larry Guest, Columnist P.O. Box 2833, Orlando, FL, 32802	407-420-5474	420-5069
Palm Beach Post – Tom D'Angelo, Sports 2751 Dixie Hwy., W. Palm Bch., FL, 33405	407-837-4100	820-4445
Panama City News-Herald – Pat McCann, Sports Editor P.O. Box 194, Panama City, FL 32401	904-763-7621	435-8633
Pensacola News Journal – Bill Wilona, Sports One News Jml. Plaza, Pensacola, FL, 32501	435-8522	435-8633
Sarasota Herald – Tom Spouta, Sports 801 S. Trail, Sarasota, FL, 34236	813-957-5171	957-5276
St. Petersburg Times – Bob Harig, Sports P.O. Box 1121, St. Petersburg, FL, 33731	813-893-8123	893-8675
St. Petersburg Times – Hubert Mizell, Columnist P.O. Box 1121, St. Petersburg, FL, 33731	813-893-8123	893-8675
Tampa Tribune (Local) – Jim Henry 2001 Scenic Road, Tallahassee, FL, 32303	385-9961	222-4772
Tampa Tribune – Tom McEwen, Columnist P.O. Box 191, Tampa, FL, 33601	813-272-7655	223-4316
Vero Beach Press-Journal – Chuck Balnius, Sports Editor P.O. Box 1268, Vero Bch., FL, 32961	407-562-2315	562-6517

Newspapers (P.M.)

Ft. Lauderdale News – Fred Turner, Sports Editor 101 N. New River Dr., Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 33301	305-761-4225	761-4778
Leesburg Commercial – Jim Halley, Sports Editor P.O. Box 490007, Leesburg, FL, 34749	787-4515	365-1951
Palatka Daily News – Kerry Dunning, Sports 1825 St. Johns Ave., Palatka, FL, 32177	328-2721	325-0663
Palm Beach Evening Times – Steve Moore, Editor 2751 S. Dixie, W. Palm Beach, FL, 33405	904-837-4100	820-4445

Wire Services

Associated Press (Local) – Brent Kallasted 336 E. College, Tallahassee, FL, 32301	224-1211	224-2099
Associated Press – Fred Goodall, Sports 9100 NW 36 St., Miami, FL, 33178	305-594-5825	594-9265
UPI – Bob Kiem, Sports Editor 2100 Coral Way, Miami, FL, 33145	800-432-9068	285-4119

Radio

WBGM – Rick Sprinkles, Sports P.O. Box 3168, Tallahassee, FL, 32315	385-1156	224-8329
WFLA – Ted Careras, Sports P.O. Box 1300097, Tampa, FL, 33601	813-839-9393	
WOWW – Vicki Helms, Sports 4220 N. Davis Hwy., Pensacola, FL, 32503	434-7388	
WQHI – Sports Director 325 John Knox Rd., Tallahassee, FL, 32303	422-2100	422-0008
WRXJ – Jay Solomon, Sports P.O. Box 6877, Jacksonville, FL, 32236	448-0930	
WTAL – Tom Block, Sports Director 1940 N. Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL, 32303	386-3145	
WTHZ – Amy Alberts, Sports P.O. Box 13549, Tallahassee, FL, 32317	386-5141	
WTNT-FM – Jim Crosby, Sports Director 325 John Knox Rd., Tallahassee, FL, 32303	386-6143	385-8789

Television

Jacksonville		
WJKS (ABC) – Irv White, Sports P.O. Box 17000, Jacksonville, FL, 32216	641-1700	
WJXT (CBS) – Sam Kouvaris, Sports P.O. Box 5270, Jacksonville, FL, 32207	399-4000	
WTLV (NBC) – John Lawrence, Sports 1070 E. Adams St., Jacksonville, FL, 32202	354-1212	
Orlando		
WFTV (ABC) – Pat Clark, Sports P.O. Box 999, Orlando, FL, 32802	407-841-9000	
WCPX (CBS) – Mike Storms, Sports P.O. Box 606000, Orlando, FL, 32860	407-291-6000	
WESH (Winter Park) – Mark Middleton 1021 N. Wymore Rd., Winter Park, FL, 32789		
Panama City		
WMBB (ABC) – Paul Joseph, Sports P.O. Box 1340, Panama City, FL, 32401	769-2313	
WJHG (NBC) – Scott Rossman, Sports P.O. Box 2349, Panama City, FL, 32401	234-2125	
Pensacola		
WEAR (ABC) – Dan Shugart, Sports P.O. Box 12278, Pensacola, FL, 32581	455-7311	
St. Petersburg		
WTSP (ABC) – Al Keck, Sports P.O. Box 10000, St. Petersburg, FL, 33733	904-577-1010	
Sarasota		
WWSB (ABC) – Scott Dennis, Sports 5725 Lawton Dr., Sarasota, FL, 33583	813-923-8840	
Tallahassee		
WCTV (CBS) – Scott Atwell, Sports P.O. Box 3048, Tallahassee, FL, 32315	893-2166	668-3851
WTLX (ABC) – John Peterson, Sports 8927 Thomasville Rd., Tallahassee, FL, 32312	893-1313	668-1460
WTWC (NBC) – John Maquirk, Sports 8440 Deer Lake Rd., Tallahassee, FL, 32312	893-4140	
Tampa		
WTVT (CBS) – Andy Hardy, Sports P.O. Box 31113, Tampa, FL, 33622	813-876-1313	
WFLA (NBC) – Dick Crippen, Sports P.O. Box 1410, Tampa, FL, 33601	813-228-8888	

Specialty Outlets

The Osceola – Jerry Kutz, Editor 402 Dunwoody St., Tallahassee, FL, 32304	222-7733	222-2129
Sunshine Network – Paul Kennedy, Talent 330 N. Orange Ave., Suite 1075, Orlando, FL, 32801	407-648-1150	648-1679
Seminole Uprising – Mark Rodin, Producer P.O. Box 2195, Tallahassee, FL, 32316	644-0019	644-3820

Campus Media

Florida Flambeau – Mark Nessmith, Sports Editor P.O. Box 20287, Tallahassee, FL, 32316	681-6695	681-3577
FSView – Jessica Reo, Sports Editor P.O. Box 2195, Tallahassee, FL, 32316	561-6653	
V89 – Corey Saban, Sports Director Suite 420 Dffenbaugh, FSU, Tallahassee, FL, 32306	644-3871	

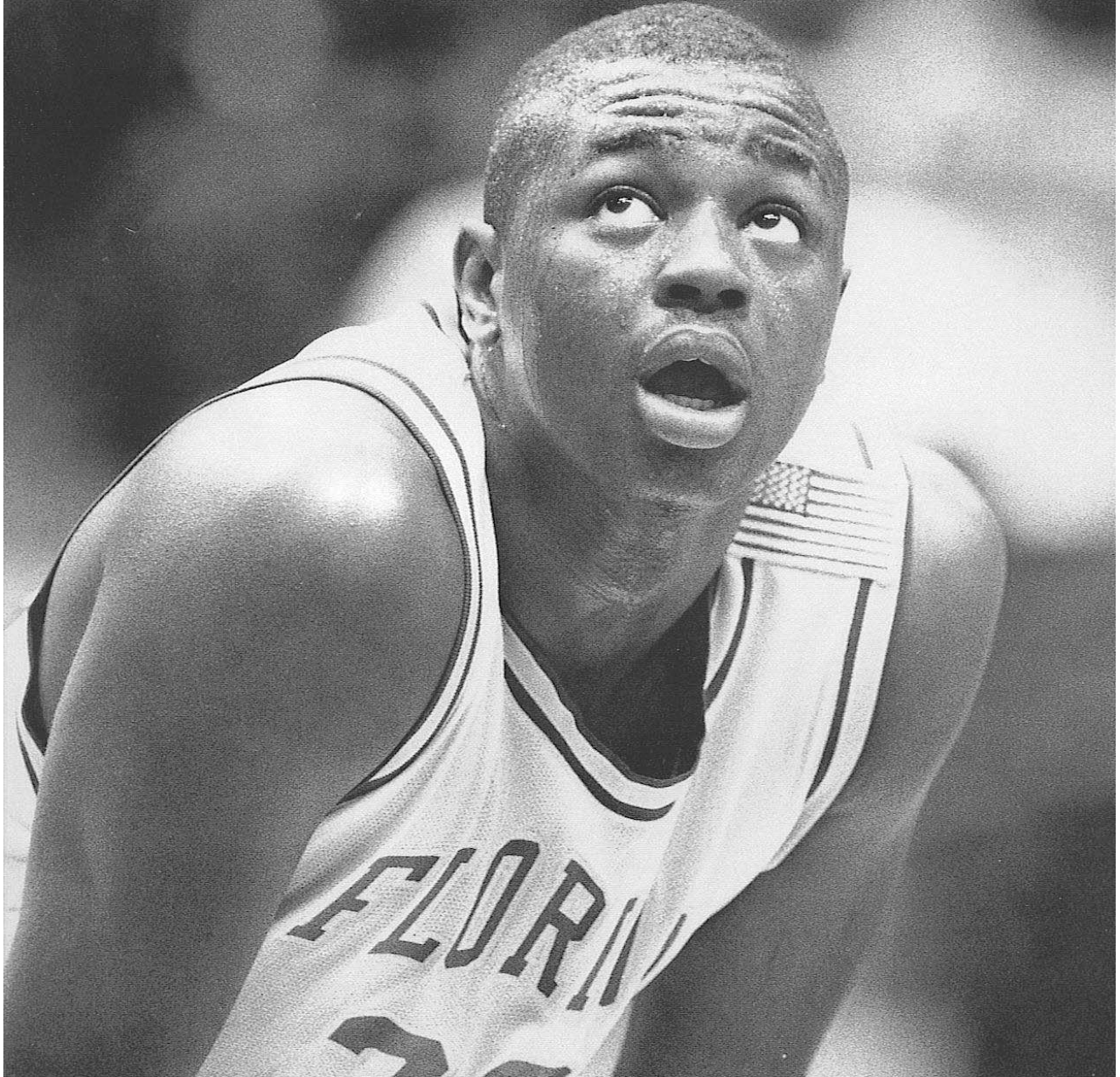
1992-93 Atlantic Coast Conference Basketball Schedule

(ALL TIMES EASTERN - SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY																											
NOV.	15	16	17	18 Siena at FLORIDA STATE (7:00)	19	20	21																											
DECEMBER			1 Clemson at DUKE (7:30) Florida A&M at GEORGIA TECH (7:30) UNC-Wilmington at N.C. STATE (7:30) Old Dominion at NORTH CAROLINA (7:30) VIRGINIA at Pennsylvania (7:30) Rutgers at WAKE FOREST (7:30) Md. Baltimore County at MARYLAND (8:00)	2 Liberty at CLEMSON (7:30) Massachusetts at FLORIDA STATE (7:30)	3 UNC-Asheville at N.C. STATE (7:30)	4 Texas vs. Princeton (TV-7:30) NORTH CAROLINA vs. So. Carolina (TV-9:00)	5 Connecticut at N.C. STATE (TV-12:00) Stanford at VIRGINIA (11:00) Howard at CLEMSON (7:30) MARYLAND at West Virginia (7:00) GEORGIA TECH at Kentucky (TV-7:30) Vermont at WAKE FOREST (7:30) Michigan at DUKE (TV-9:00) North Carolina in Tournament of Champions (TBA)	6 Northwestern at DUKE (7:30) Md. Eastern Shore at MARYLAND (8:00)	7 North Carolina vs. Virginia Tech (7:30) Old Dominion at VIRGINIA (7:30)	8 Florida State at Duke (9:00) Rhode Island at WAKE FOREST (7:30)	9 Georgia vs. GEORGIA TECH (5:00-8:00) N.C. STATE vs. Princeton (TV-9:30)	10 American at MARYLAND (8:00)	11	12 Howard at VIRGINIA (2:30) UNC-Greensboro at CLEMSON (7:30) Georgia State at GEORGIA TECH (7:30) MARYLAND at La Salle (7:30) Duke vs. Rutgers (TV-7:30)	13 Houston at NORTH CAROLINA (2:00)	14	15 FLORIDA STATE at Duquesne (8:00) Rhode Island at WAKE FOREST (7:30)	16 Georgia vs. GEORGIA TECH (5:00-8:00) N.C. STATE vs. Princeton (TV-9:30)	17	18	19 Purdue at WAKE FOREST (9:00) Clemson at CLEMSON (7:00) Oregon State at N.C. STATE (7:30) FLORIDA STATE vs. Temple (9:00) Iowa State vs. GEORGIA TECH (TV-12:30)	20 NORTH CAROLINA at Butler (TV-11:00) FLORIDA STATE vs. UNCC (5:00)	21 Davidson at CLEMSON (7:30) N.C. STATE at Kansas (9:00) DUPUI vs. DUKE (TV-9:30) (Wash. Invitational)	22 WAKE FOREST at California (12:30) Arkansas-Little Rock at FLORIDA STATE (7:30) NORTH CAROLINA at Ohio State (TV-7:30) GEORGIA TECH at UT-Chattanooga (7:30) Alabama at VIRGINIA (7:30) DUKE in Maui Invitational (TV/TBA)	23 Towson State at MARYLAND (8:00) DUKE in Maui Invitational (TV/TBA)	24	25	26 Morgan State at MARYLAND (8:00)	27	28 WAKE FOREST vs. Davidson (7:00) Md. Baltimore County at FLORIDA STATE (7:00) Louisville at MARYLAND (8:00) CLEMSON vs. Appalachian State (9:00) NORTH CAROLINA vs. SW Louisiana (Rainbow Classic-TBA)	29 NORTH CAROLINA in Rainbow Classic (TBA) Youngstown State at GEORGIA TECH (7:30) Radford at VIRGINIA (7:30)	30 NORTH CAROLINA in Rainbow Classic (TBA) South Florida at FLORIDA STATE (7:00) Mercer at CLEMSON (7:30) Boston University at DUKE (7:30) Lynchburg at WAKE FOREST (7:30)	31	1 Winthrop at VIRGINIA (11:30) Florida at FLORIDA STATE (TV-4:00) Virginia Military at GEORGIA TECH (7:30) Iowa at N.C. STATE (7:30) Mt. St. Marys at WAKE FOREST (7:30) Howard at MARYLAND (8:00)
JANUARY	3 Furman at CLEMSON (9:00)	4 Morgan State at FLORIDA STATE (7:00) Cornell at NORTH CAROLINA (7:30) Charlottesville at DUKE (TV-9:30)	5 GEORGIA TECH at MARYLAND (TV-9:00)	6 CLEMSON at DUKE (7:30) FLORIDA STATE at VIRGINIA (TV-9:00)	7 Winthrop at WAKE FOREST (7:30) NORTH CAROLINA at N.C. STATE (TV-9:00)	8	9 FLORIDA STATE at WAKE FOREST (TV-11:30) DUKE at GEORGIA TECH (or 11:30) (TV-3:45) MARYLAND at NORTH CAROLINA (TV-4:00) VIRGINIA at N.C. STATE (7:30)	10	11 N.C. STATE at Davidson (7:30)	12	13 MARYLAND at FLORIDA STATE (7:00) DUKE at WAKE FOREST (TV-7:00) CLEMSON at VIRGINIA (7:30) GEORGIA TECH at NORTH CAROLINA (TV-8:30)	14	15	16 NORTH CAROLINA at CLEMSON (TV-1:30) Iowa at DUKE (TV-4:00) N.C. STATE at FLORIDA STATE (TV-4:00) Col. at Charleston at GEORGIA TECH (7:30) WAKE FOREST at MARYLAND (8:00)	17 VIRGINIA at DUKE (TV-5:00) CLEMSON at Furman (7:30)	18	19 Oklahoma at MARYLAND (Baltimore) (7:30)	20 FLORIDA STATE at CLEMSON (7:30) VIRGINIA at NORTH CAROLINA (TV-9:00)	21 N.C. STATE at DUKE (TV-7:30) WAKE FOREST at GEORGIA TECH (TV-9:00)	22	23 MARYLAND at N.C. STATE (TV-1:30) GEORGIA TECH at VIRGINIA (TV-4:00)	24 CLEMSON at WAKE FOREST (TV-2:00) DUKE at FLORIDA STATE (TV-3:45) NORTH CAROLINA at Seton Hall (TV-12:30)	25 VIRGINIA at William & Mary (7:30)	26 San Francisco at DUKE (7:30) MARYLAND at CLEMSON (TV-9:00)	27 N.C. STATE at GEORGIA TECH (7:30) WAKE FOREST at VIRGINIA (7:30) FLORIDA STATE at NORTH CAROLINA (TV-9:00)	28	29	30 DUKE at MARYLAND (TV-1:30) NORTH CAROLINA at WAKE FOREST (TV-4:00) Virginia Tech vs. VIRGINIA (7:30)						
FEBRUARY	7 WAKE FOREST at Temple (TV-4:00)	8 DUKE at FLORIDA STATE (7:30) VIRGINIA at CLEMSON (TV-9:00)	9 NORTH CAROLINA at MARYLAND (TV-9:00)	10 GEORGIA TECH at DUKE (TV-9:00) WAKE FOREST at FLORIDA STATE (TV-9:00)	11 N.C. STATE at VIRGINIA (TV-7:30)	12	13 FLORIDA STATE at MARYLAND (TV-1:30) VIRGINIA at CLEMSON (TV-4:00) WAKE FOREST at DUKE (TV-4:00) Tennessee at N.C. STATE (7:30)	14 NORTH CAROLINA at GEORGIA TECH (TV-1:30)	15 UNC-Greensboro at N.C. STATE (7:30)	16	17 MARYLAND at WAKE FOREST (TV-7:00) FLORIDA STATE at N.C. STATE (7:30) GEORGIA TECH at Richmond (7:30) CLEMSON at NORTH CAROLINA (TV-9:00)	18 DUKE at VIRGINIA (TV-9:00)	19	20 GEORGIA TECH at WAKE FOREST (TV-1:30) CLEMSON at FLORIDA STATE (TV-4:00)	21 NORTH CAROLINA at VIRGINIA (TV-1:30) DUKE at N.C. STATE (TV-3:45)	22	23 Notre Dame at NORTH CAROLINA (7:30) VIRGINIA at GEORGIA TECH (TV-9:00)	24 WAKE FOREST at CLEMSON (7:30) N.C. STATE at MARYLAND (8:00) FLORIDA STATE at DUKE (TV-9:00)	25	26	27 VIRGINIA at WAKE FOREST (TV-1:30) NORTH CAROLINA at FLORIDA STATE (TV-4:00) CLEMSON at MARYLAND (TV-12:05)	28 GEORGIA TECH at N.C. STATE (TV-1:00) JCLA at DUKE (TV-4:00)	1 DUKE at NORTH CAROLINA (TV-1:30) GEORGIA TECH at CLEMSON (TV-4:00)	2	3 WAKE FOREST at NORTH CAROLINA (TV-7:00) N.C. STATE at CLEMSON (7:30) Col. at Charleston at VIRGINIA (7:30) MARYLAND at DUKE (TV-9:00)	4 FLORIDA STATE at GEORGIA TECH (TV-7:00)	5	6 N.C. STATE at WAKE FOREST (TV-1:30) MARYLAND at VIRGINIA (TV-4:00)						
MARCH	1993 NCAA Tournament						Final Four April 3 & 5 Louisiana Superdome New Orleans, Louisiana																											
40th Annual ACC Tournament March 11-15 Charlotte Coliseum, Charlotte, N.C.			1st & 2nd Round			Regionals																												
Thursday, March 11 Seed 8 vs. Seed 9 (ESPN-7:30)			EAST REGION L. B. Joel Memorial Coliseum Winston-Salem, N.C. March 18 & 20 Carrier Dome Syracuse, N.Y. March 19 & 21			WEST REGION Huntsman Center Salt Lake City, Utah March 18 & 20 McKale Center Tucson, Arizona March 19 & 21																												
Friday, March 12 Seed 4 vs. Seed 5 (ESPN/RJ-12:00) Seed 1 vs. Seed 8/9 Winner (ESPN/RJ-2:00) Seed 2 vs. Seed 7 (ESPN/RJ-7:00) Seed 3 vs. Seed 6 (ESPN/RJ-9:00)			SOUTHEAST REGION Orlando Arena Deland, Florida March 18 & 20 Memorial Gymnasium Nashville, Tennessee March 19 & 21			EAST REGION - Meadowlands Arena East Rutherford, N.J. March 26 & 28 SOUTHEAST REGION - Charlotte Coliseum Charlotte, N.C. March 25 & 27																												
Saturday, March 13 4/5 Winner vs. 1/8-9 Winner (ESPN/RJ-1:30) 2/7 Winner vs. 3/6 Winner (ESPN/RJ-3:30)			MIDWEST REGION Rosemont Horizon Chicago, Illinois March 18 & 20 Indiana Hoosier Dome Indianapolis, Indiana March 19 & 21			MIDWEST REGION - St. Louis Arena St. Louis, Missouri March 25 & 27 WEST REGION - Kingdome Seattle, Washington March 26 & 28																												
Sunday, March 14 Championship Game (ESPN/RJ-3:00)																																		

**1992-93 Florida State University
Basketball Media Guide**

1992-93 Outlook





The Seminoles Return to National Prominence

The last six years have seen the Seminoles claim their place among the nation's best basketball programs. Now comes the tough part: Staying there.

For the 1992-93 Seminoles, one of the most important messages the veteran coaching staff must convey to their returning players is not to read the press clippings. "Ignore the hype" - may be Pat Kennedy's most familiar preseason chant. And his concern with the subject is justified, as it appears the Seminoles will make their most impressive preseason debut in the polls in 20 years.

The high expectations that surround the FSU program as the season approaches would appear justified. All five starters return, at least when Charlie Ward is finished with football, and only one reserve was lost from a team which advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament, posted a 22-10 overall

record and finished second in the Atlantic Coast Conference last year.

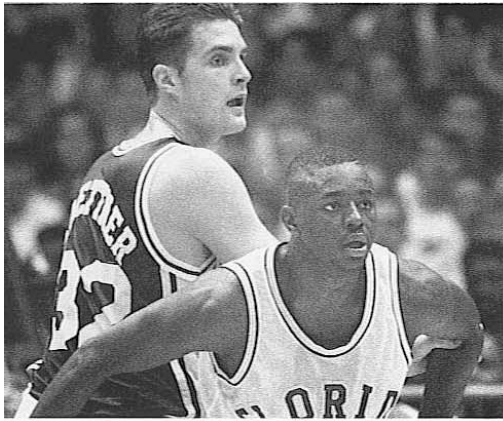
"We are not going to shy away from the preseason rankings," said head coach Pat Kennedy. "We've worked hard to get the program to the point where we are considered to be among the best teams in the country. Of course it takes a lot of different elements coming together to have the kind of season we had last year, but we are determined to go as far as we can."

The lofty expectations for the 1992-93 season were spawned last year when the same group raced through its first year in the ACC with success like no other on Tobacco Road and then followed that with a cinderella-like swing through the NCAA, which included wins over Montana and Georgetown, and did not stop until the Sweet 16.

Head coach Pat Kennedy is telling his players: "Ignore the hype."



After last year's cinderella first year in the ACC, FSU isn't going to sneak up on anyone in 1992-93. The good news is that the Seminoles return all five starters from the 1991-92 Sweet Sixteen team.

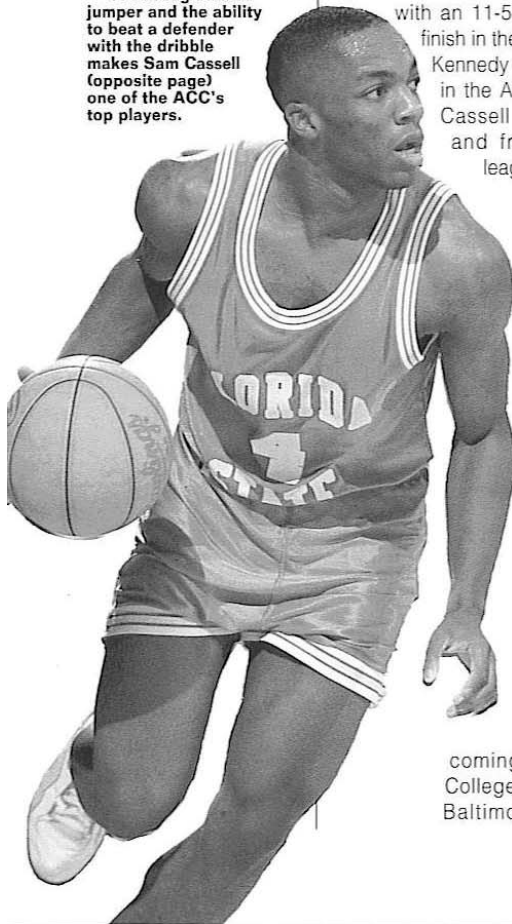


Florida State returns all five starters from a team that won a record six road games during Pat Kennedy's inaugural ACC campaign. The Tribe's 11 overall wins were also the most for a first-year ACC coach.

Above: FSU played against some of the nation's top teams last year and the Seminoles will have to hold off opponents bent on bouncing them from the Top 20 rankings this year.

Chuck Graham (below) has scored over 1,000 points in his career and is one of five returning starters for FSU in 1992-93.

A soaring outside jumper and the ability to beat a defender with the dribble makes Sam Cassell (opposite page) one of the ACC's top players.



The Seminoles picked some unlikely places to post wins that would bring a final ranking of 13th (Associated Press) to the first year ACC member. The Seminoles got wins in Chapel Hill, Atlanta, Charlottesville, Raleigh, College Park and Winston-Salem. In fact, no other team in the history of ACC basketball had won six road games in its first year, and no first year ACC coach had registered 11 league wins - until FSU's run last year. The Tribe finished its inaugural campaign with an 11-5 record and a second place finish in the nation's best conference. Pat Kennedy was named Coach of the Year in the ACC, Doug Edwards and Sam Cassell were second team All-ACC and freshman Bob Sura earned league Rookie of the Year honors.

With one of the most talented group of returners FSU has ever had and a schedule that features nationally-ranked opponents, the national spotlight should shine brightly on Tallahassee - and nowhere will that light shine brighter than on a pair of seniors who will lead the Seminole attack.

Sam Cassell and Doug Edwards return to give the Seminoles one of the most effective one-two scoring combinations and two legitimate All-America candidates.

Cassell, a 6-foot-3 senior, proved to be every bit as talented as billed coming out of San Jacinto Junior College and famed Dunbar High in Baltimore as he led the Tribe in

scoring last year with an 18.4 points per game average. He used his ability to create his own shot to dazzle opponents on the drive and with the long-range jumper, and won three games for the Seminoles on the final shot. In addition to his scoring achievements, Cassell and Charlie Ward each dished over 100 assists marking the first time in school history that two players reached the mark in the same season. Cassell also proved extremely versatile handling the point guard duties until Ward was available and then shifted to shooting guard.

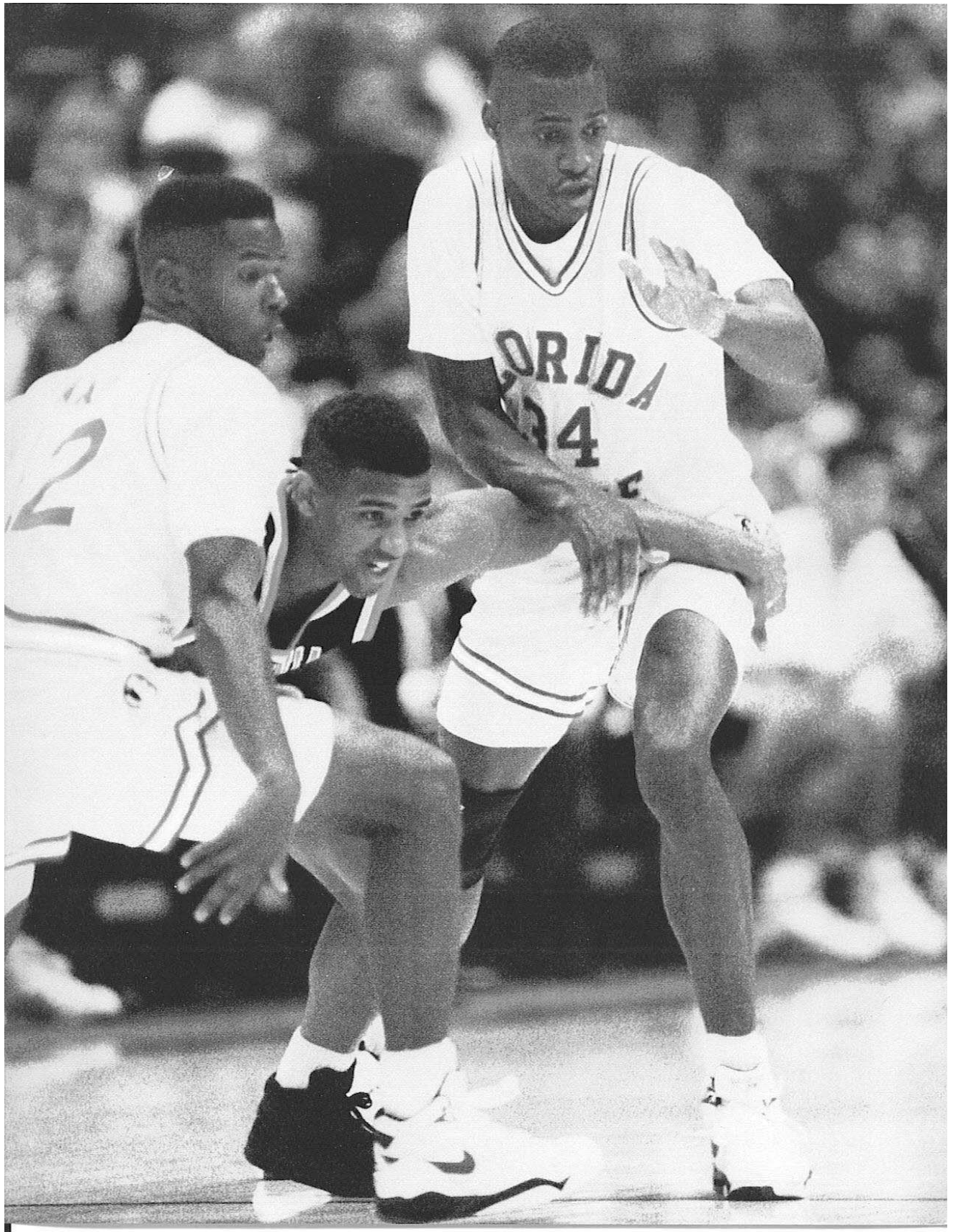
This year the coaches will look to Cassell to carry the Seminole backcourt early in the season. More than likely, he will be the chief ball-handler until Ward returns in January. Cassell must balance his ability to score with keeping the Seminoles organized at both ends of the floor. Professional scouts seem convinced that Cassell can do it all as he is listed as one of the top five guards in the upcoming NBA draft.

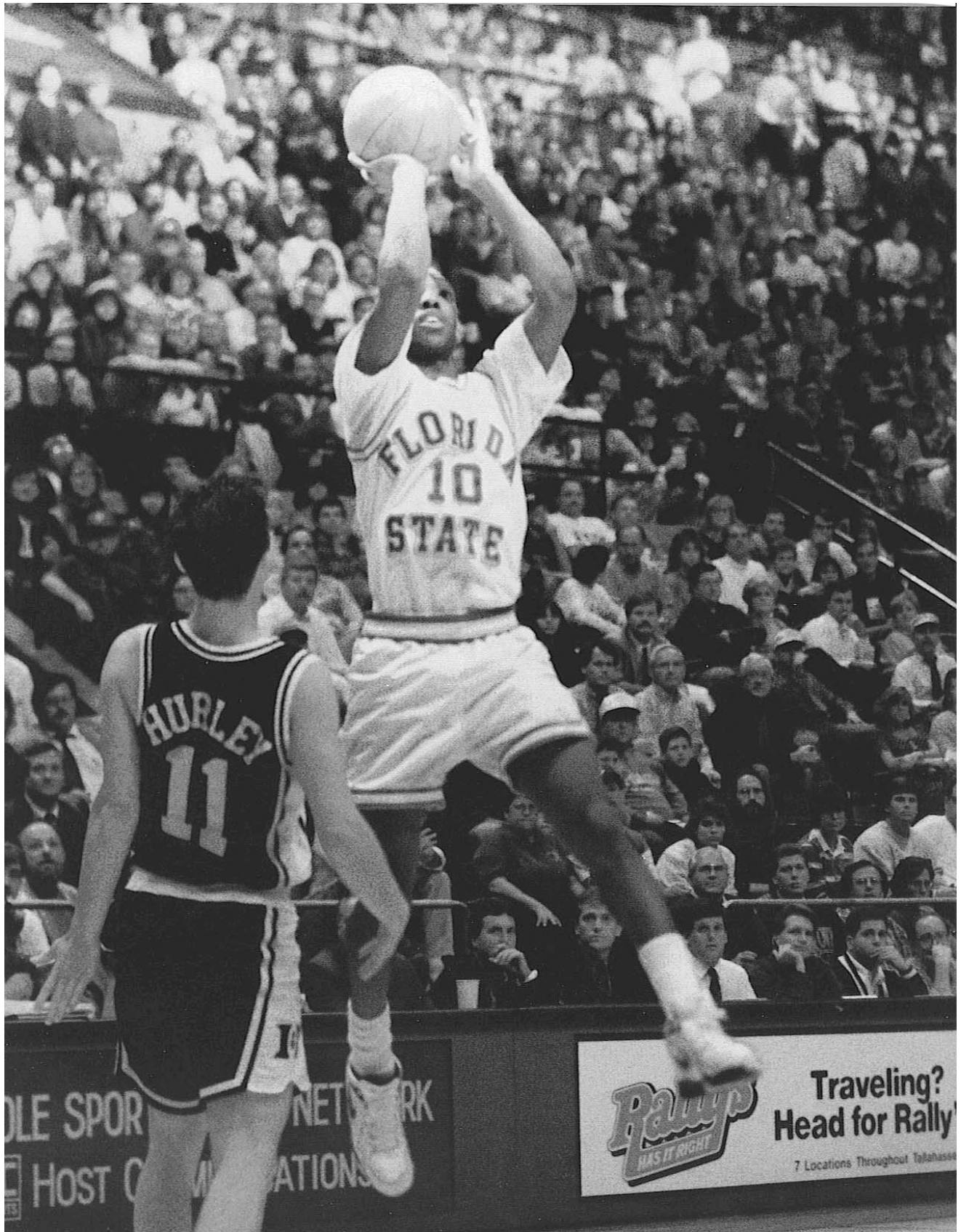
Edwards, a 6-foot-9 senior, presents a contrast to Cassell in that he goes about the game with almost an economy of motion. A gifted passer, rebounder and defender, Edwards is a perfectionist and his excellent basketball instincts make it look effortless at times. He finished second in the ACC in rebounding last year averaging 9.0 per game. He also averaged 17.1 points per game and was remarkably consistent reaching double figures in scoring in 27 of 30 games. Edwards, who thrives on the big games, has the ability to play his best at the crucial moments and in the toughest games.

Early in the season, most expect Edwards to handle more of the scoring duties while Cassell concentrates on running the point guard position.

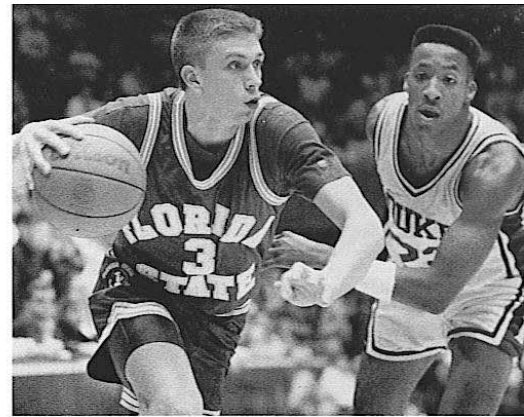
Both Edwards and Cassell were named second team All-ACC last season and each should vie for first team honors this season.

Joining Edwards at forward will be two-year starter Rodney Dobard. A 6-foot-9 Daytona Beach native, Dobard proved to be an offensive force over the second half of last season and was one of the keys to the Tribe's postseason success. Considered one of the Seminole's top defenders





If early publications are any indication, Florida State may begin the season ranked as high as they have been in 20 years. A big reason for the optimism surrounding the program is the return of all but one player from last year's 22-10 squad that reached the Sweet 16 of the NCAA.



because of his shot-blocking ability. Dobard used his exceptional quickness to master a turn-around jumper in the low post that gave opponents problems all year. He averaged 11.0 points per game and 6.7 rebounds as a junior.

Perhaps Dobard's greatest asset is his versatility. He can play either forward spot and is used as a center on defense when the Seminoles switch lineups. Extremely quick for a big man, Dobard is able to lead the fast break down court, creating match-up problems for opponents. Defensively, Dobard is already FSU's all-time leading shot blocker.

The Seminoles used a three-guard offense in 1991-92 that showcased their superior athleticism and gave opposing defenses a lot of territory to cover. And, while the Seminoles plan to use a more conventional offense this season, both Chuck Graham and Charlie Ward return to the backcourt to give FSU a baseline-to-baseline attack.

A 6-foot-4 senior, Graham has scored over 1,000 career points for the Seminoles and has an incredible 41-inch vertical leap. The Tribe's leader in free throw shooting percentage last year (81.2%), Graham was also one of the team's top three-point shooting threats. He averaged 13.0 points per game last year and has the temperament to excel as both a starter and coming off the bench. Graham's jump shot is a crowd pleaser as he usually gets way up before releasing the ball making it a most dramatic shot.

And for a third season, quarterback-turned-point guard Charlie Ward may be the key to just how good Florida State becomes. The starting quarterback on FSU's football team, Ward is expected to join the basketball team shortly after football season. The big question will be just how healthy he is after a full season of top-notch football and how soon he is able to blend with the starting lineup. What is not in question is how effective the Tribe is when he runs the show. FSU is 29-12 when Ward has started over the last two years. Last season, Ward led the ACC in steals averaging 2.7 per game and totaled a team-high 122 assists.

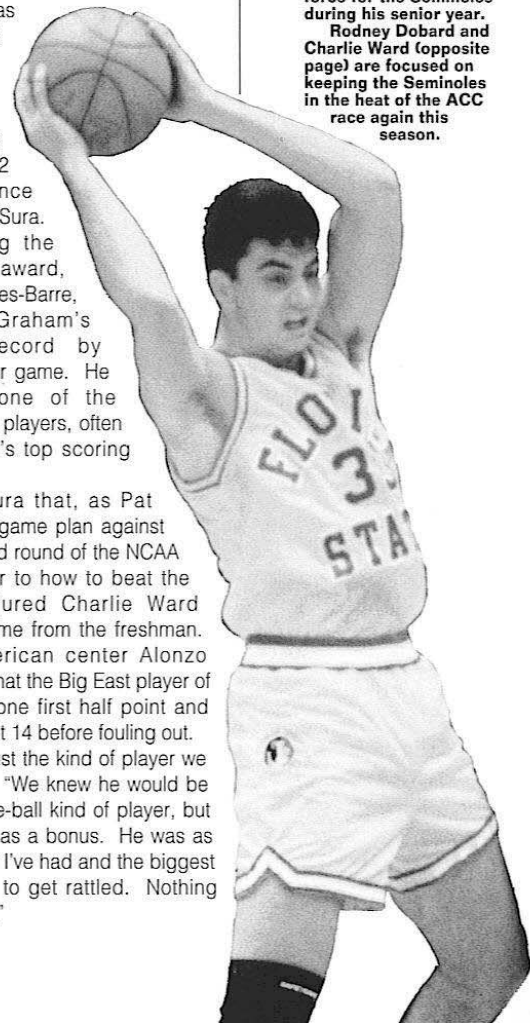
"Last season we asked our players to both understand and adjust their roles during the season," said Kennedy. "Because of their maturity factor, and the complete dedication to our goals both within the ACC and in the NCAA Tournament, we were able to play at our best most of the year. Chuck Graham was a great factor in our ability to change our look. He was able to adjust to playing time as the game dictated and provided us with the flexibility to change the look of our team."

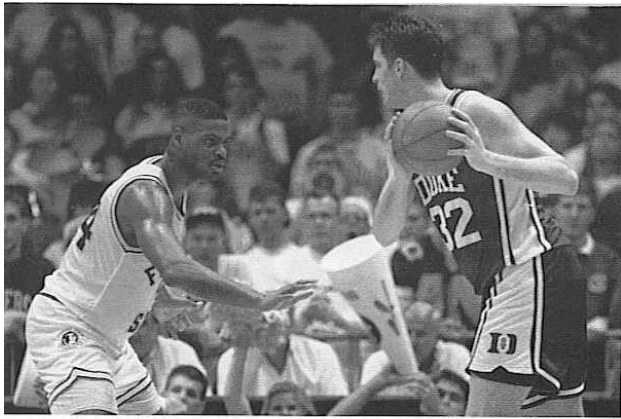
Also returning for the Seminoles is 1991-92 Atlantic Coast Conference Rookie of the Year Bob Sura. In addition to earning the league's top freshman award, the 6-foot-5 native of Wilkes-Barre, PA broke Chuck Graham's freshman scoring record by averaging 12.3 points per game. He also proved to be one of the Seminoles' top defensive players, often covering the opposition's top scoring threat.

So versatile is Sura that, as Pat Kennedy formulated the game plan against Georgetown in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, the answer to how to beat the Hoyas without an injured Charlie Ward (separated shoulder) came from the freshman. Sura fronted All-American center Alonzo Mourning so completely that the Big East player of the year managed just one first half point and finished the game with just 14 before fouling out.

"Bobby (Sura) was just the kind of player we needed," said Kennedy. "We knew he would be a hard-nosed, dive-for-the-ball kind of player, but his ability to score came as a bonus. He was as effective as any freshman I've had and the biggest reason is his ability not to get rattled. Nothing seemed to bother the kid."

Bob Sura (above) won ACC Rookie of the Year honors after his outstanding 1991-92 season. He returns to provide FSU with one of the conferences most versatile players. A gifted offensive player, Byron Wells (below) could be a force for the Seminoles during his senior year. Rodney Dobard and Charlie Ward (opposite page) are focused on keeping the Seminoles in the heat of the ACC race again this season.





Coaches expect Andre Reid (above) to take over at center for FSU and he should be ready having battled the likes of Duke's Christian Laettner last year. FSU's backcourt depth got a boost with the return of senior Lorenzo Hands (below) for a fifth year. Hands missed all of last year with an injury.



Coaches will point to some of the achievements of last year's team as goals for the upcoming season. Primary among them will be repeating FSU's ability to stay away from losing streaks. The Seminoles lost back-to-back games just twice all season in 1991-92.

While the Seminoles' three-guard offense proved extremely effective last year, coaches are looking for 7-foot center Andre Reid to solidify the starting lineup this year. An excellent physical specimen who runs the floor well and is an aggressive shot blocker, Reid is the true center that FSU will need against the ACC's big men.

Reid averaged 3.2 points and 4.1 rebounds during a sophomore season that saw him show flashes of the excellent post play that the coaches are counting on him to provide. Maturity will probably be the buzz word around the talented Miami native during his junior campaign. If he matures on the court quickly enough, the Seminoles may have the inside force they need to reach

expectations.

"We have a lot of confidence in Andre," said Kennedy. "We really would have liked to have gotten him more playing time in his first two seasons but we had so much success with the smaller lineup that we did not work him in. He has played in some crucial games however and we feel that he is going to be a force. Once he is comfortable we should have as balanced a club as we've had since I've been here. Andre could be our biggest key."

Also returning are a pair of seniors that should figure prominently in the FSU attack.

Lorenzo Hands, a 6-foot-3 West Palm Beach native, sat out the entire 1991-92 season with a torn

Enjoying The Unprecedented Success of the Kennedy Years

While Florida State's basketball history dates back just 45 years, the Seminoles have enjoyed some very successful seasons. Included among them, a trip to the 1972 national championship game where FSU came just short of taking it all losing to Bill Walton and his UCLA team.

However, the proud Seminole program has never seen the consistent excellence that Pat Kennedy has brought them over the last six seasons.

Florida State has become a regular member of the NCAA Tournament fraternity garnering bids to the big dance in four of the last six years. To put that achievement into perspective, the Seminoles had been to the NCAA Tournament just four times prior to the 1986-87 season (Kennedy's first).

Last year's ramble through the nation's best teams did not stop for the Seminoles until they had reached the semifinal round of the NCAA Tournament. A Sweet 16 match-up with Indiana marked the second most

successful season in the history of Seminole basketball. True, the Tribe has totalled more wins in a single season than the 22 they managed last year, but only the trip to the Final Four marked a more successful year.

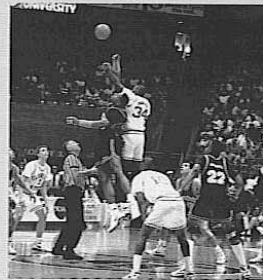
And the wins have come in bunches as well.

Kennedy and the Seminoles have produced 20 or more wins in three of the last four years. At no other time in FSU history has the school enjoyed an equivalent period of success. In fact, just seven 20-win seasons dot the FSU ledger prior to the Kennedy era.

Perhaps the most impressive aspect of FSU's recent success is its consistency.

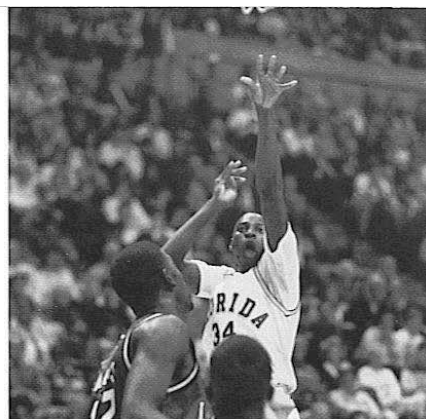
Kennedy won immediately at Florida State. He molded a program that had gone 12-17 the year before into a 19-11 squad that was selected for the N.I.T. tournament in 1986-87. The Seminoles went a step better in 1987-88 finishing with the same record but earning a berth in the NCAA Tournament for the first time in eight years.

A 22-8 campaign in 1988-89 marked the first time in school history that the Seminoles had made back-to-back NCAA appearances. And the 22 wins were the most since a 20-win season in 1983-84.



Kennedy's Seminoles have become regulars at the NCAA season-ending party.

"We are not going to shy away from the preseason rankings," said Pat Kennedy. "We have worked hard to get the program to the point that it is considered one of the best in the country."



muscle in his upper thigh. A solid ball-handler with excellent defensive skills, Hands was called on in key defensive situations two years ago. His ability to run the point and his experience within the FSU system may prove invaluable to the Seminoles, especially early in the year.

6-foot-10 forward Byron Wells played very well for the Seminoles over the second half of last season and the talented senior's offensive skills give coaches another element in their arsenal. Well's great range on his jump shot combined with his ability to drive to the bucket gives coaches another multi-dimensional player with the height to play inside and the moves to score from the outside.

Kennedy and his staff have proven themselves at both Iona and Florida State. Using the old measuring stick, Kennedy has won with somebody else's recruits and has brought in new players that have taken the program even higher.



As the new kids on the block, the Seminoles surprised everybody by finishing their first season in the ACC as conference runner-up.

Back-to-back NCAA appearances over the last two seasons have secured the Seminoles spot among the nation's top programs and preseason publications suggest that FSU will enjoy its highest preseason ranking since the 1972-73 season.

Before FSU left the Metro Conference two years ago, Kennedy accomplished his main goal — a conference title. Now, it seems obvious that the coach and his team are bent on repeating the feat in the nation's best conference.

Looking for a place to contribute on this veteran team will be four talented freshmen who comprise a recruiting class ranked among the nation's top 20.

On paper, Scott Shepherd appears to be the rookie most likely to make an early contribution. With Ward unavailable until at least January, Shepherd could see early action at point guard. The 5-foot-11 Indiana native's credentials for the job are impressive. He averaged 23.0 points and eight assists at Carmel High where both his father and uncle earned "Mr. Basketball" honors in the Hoosier state. A savvy player with great knowledge of the game, Shepherd should have an easier adjustment than most to major college basketball - having come from tradition-rich Indiana.

Derrick Carroll and Maurice Robinson bring impressive prep credentials into their first year at Florida State. Carroll, a 6-foot-6 freshman was a Parade All-American at Eau Claire High in Columbia, SC where he averaged 25.5 points and 9.4 rebounds a game as a senior in 1990-91. He led Eau Claire to back-to-back 4A state championships but did not play basketball last year while attending Maine Central Institute. Kennedy appears sold on Carroll before the season even begins. "I really expect Derrick to be a force in the ACC," he said.

Maurice Robinson is also 6-foot-6 but weighs in at 235 pounds and provides the Seminoles with considerable muscle under the basket.

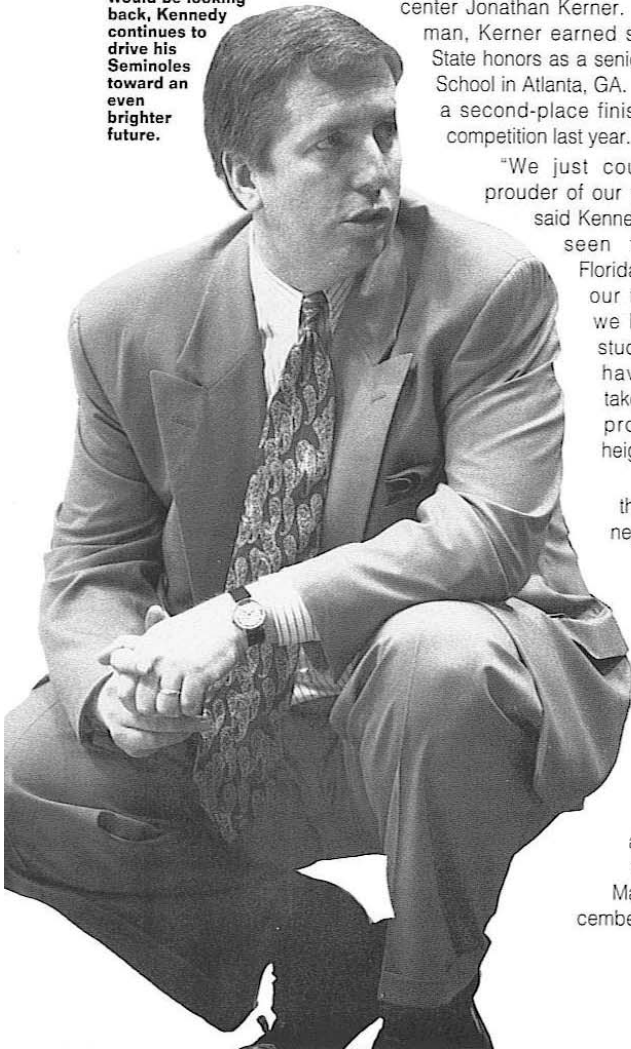
Rodney Dobard (above) rose above most of the competition last year and came just shy of leading the ACC in field goal shooting percentage.

While he may take time getting adjusted to the shape of the ball, Charlie Ward (below) hopes to blend into basketball quickly after the football team's bowl game.





Bob Sura (above) is the latest Kennedy rookie standout. The FSU mentor (below) has led FSU to 20 or more wins in three of the last four years and to the NCAA Tournament four times. While some coaches would be looking back, Kennedy continues to drive his Seminoles toward an even brighter future.



Florida State is already scheduled for ten games on the major television networks and an additional six on the ACC's Raycom/Jefferson-Pilot Network. Only two teams will play more games on ESPN than Florida State.

Robinson led powerhouse Parkview High in Little Rock, AK, to a spot among USA Today's Top 10 last year. He averaged 18.0 points and 10.0 rebounds per game for a high school which placed each of its starters on basketball scholarships. He earned first team All-State honors last year.

Rounding out the recruiting class is 6-foot-11 center Jonathan Kerner. A promising big man, Kerner earned second team All-State honors as a senior at St. Pius High School in Atlanta, GA. He led St. Pius to a second-place finish in Georgia 3A competition last year.

"We just could not be any prouder of our recruiting class," said Kennedy. "We've really seen the interest in Florida State grow over our tenure here and we have brought in student-athletes that have the ability to take the Florida State program to new heights."

The schedule the Seminoles must negotiate in 1992-93 may be the most difficult in school history. In addition to the Atlantic Coast Conference schedule, the Seminoles will play in the Preseason NIT and host top-flight national talent like Massachusetts (December 2), Florida (Jan-

uary 2) and South Florida (December 30). The road schedule will also be a challenge with the likes of Connecticut (February 6), Temple (December 20) and Duquesne (December 15) featured on the non-conference menu. Not to mention the grueling ACC road docket.

Television exposure will be at an all-time high for FSU basketball. The Seminoles are already scheduled for nine games on the major networks (ESPN-6, ABC-2, CBS-1) and an additional eight on the ACC's Raycom/Jefferson-Pilot Sports Network.

Only two schools will play more regular season games than the six Florida State will play on ESPN.

"Playing the best teams has been one of our goals since I came here and a personal goal of mine since I entered coaching," said Kennedy. "We've always had a strong out-of-conference schedule and that has helped us become a better team and, naturally, the strength of schedule when it comes time to pick the NCAA field. I just feel that playing against the best elevates your program in so many ways."

"The schedule for this season will be very challenging. We must play five of our first seven ACC games on the road and we start January with four games in seven days. Not to mention the Preseason NIT. We've got very difficult non-conference games with Massachusetts, South Florida, and Florida at home, and will travel to Connecticut, Temple and Duquesne."

"I think the key will be how we do in close games and avoiding any losing streaks. We had a remarkable year in that respect last season and it propelled us to the Sweet 16. We've got to repeat that this year. Win close games and avoid any slumps during the year. The caliber of team's were playing this year demands that we play at the same high level all season."

High expectations do indeed surround the Florida State program in 1992-93 and that is exactly what Pat Kennedy promised when he came to Tallahassee seven years ago.