

Florida State University basketball coach Bud Kennedy, while looking for the good points in a 9-17 season just concluded, can point to the fact that three of his top four scorers will be back next season.

Final statistics show that sophomore guard Hugh Durham has become the second player in FSU history to surpass 500 points in a single season, scoring 509 points in 26 games for a 19.5 average.

STROM, GARCIA FOLLOW

Durham, forward Larry Strom and guard Tom Garcia, who finished first, third and fourth in that order in scoring, will all be back next year.

Kennedy points to the last half of the season with pride, when the Seminoles caught fire and reeled off eight wins in the last 13 games, including victories over Mississippi Southern and Loyola.

"I feel the boys gained a great deal of poise and stature in those final 13 games," Kennedy says, "and our tough early season schedule finally paid off."

ROUGH FIRST FIVE

The Seminole coach was referring to the first five games of the season when the Tribe tackled Duquesne, Steubenville, West Virginia, Bradley, and Florida in succession.

Kennedy attributes the won-lost record to the fact the Seminoles played 16 games on the

road and just 10 at home, while next year they will play an equal amount both places.

"We are looking forward to 1957-58 with a great deal of optimism. We feel our boys have gained a great deal of experience and we hope to bolster the squad with several boys up from the freshman team and possibly some junior college men," Kennedy said.

"We'll have a much stronger schedule next year and we anticipate bringing here some of the finest teams available," Kennedy added. "We have Army and West Virginia already on tap and we hope to bring other top names down here."

WAITS RACKS SECOND

Behind Durham in scoring was senior guard Bobby Waits of Jacksonville, with 363 points and a 14.5 average. Waits led the team in free throw accuracy, hitting 101 of 126 tries for an 80.2 percentage.

Junior Strom, who finished third with 242 points and a 9.3 average, led the team in accuracy from the field with a 51.4 percentage.

The statistics:

	G	FGA	FG	Pct.	FTA	FT	Pct.	RE	PF	TP	Avg.
Hugh Durham	26	438	177	.404	213	133	.728	116	53	500	19.6
Bobby Waits*	25	336	131	.389	126	101	.802	118	75	363	14.5
Larry Strom	26	175	90	.514	95	62	.640	237	74	242	9.3
Tom Garcia	25	239	73	.306	99	77	.777	50	42	223	8.9
Bob Williams*	26	175	67	.383	78	43	.551	234	62	177	6.8
Bob Ward*	24	153	57	.373	30	15	.500	76	35	129	5.4
Stu Gregory*	24	137	51	.372	33	18	.545	81	64	120	5.0
Fred Twomey*	19	82	26	.283	62	42	.677	70	29	94	5.2
Joe Westhafer	21	42	17	.405	33	19	.576	44	19	53	2.5
Joe Williams	18	36	9	.250	11	6	.545	12	19	24	1.3
Bob Casteel	11	28	6	.214	19	5	.263	53	27	17	1.5

FSU Totals

26 1852 704 .380 799 543 .678 1232 406 1951 75.1

Opp. Totals

25 1981 763 .385 805 543 .677 1448 632 2001 79.0

* Seniors