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JACKSONVILLE — Sparked by the hotshot shooting of Rex Morgan, Jacksonville University subdued cold-hitting Florida State 76-68 Saturday night.

Morgan, a 6-4 junior from Charleston, Ill., came on with the second-half firepower after the Dolphins had grabbed a slim 38-33 halftime lead.

For his evening's work Morgan wound up with 28 points. Earlier in the season when the Seminoles tangled with JU in the Sunshine Classic Morgan netted 31.

Florida State enjoyed the lead only twice early in the game 2-0 and 7-5.

The last time the game was tied was 15-15 in the early moments.

The Seminoles had narrowed JU's lead to one point with three minutes remaining in the first half on buckets by Dave Cowens and Skip Young, 23-22.

But Jacksonville quickened the pace and with just seconds left in the half Greg Nelson hit a jumper to put the Dolphins ahead at intermission 33-28.

Morgan opened the second period with a three point play that got JU on the move. Of the first 11 points scored by JU in the final half, Morgan bucketed nine.

The Seminoles were extremely cold. With 11:41 left in the second half, the Tribe managed only one field goal in two and a half minutes while the Dolphins were busy tallying 11 points in the same period.

Trailing Morgan in double figures were Tom Erney with 12 and Rod McIntyre with 11.

McIntyre was big on the boards for the Dolphins with 16 rebounds as JU outrebounded the Seminoles 42-36.

JU hit a 46 per cent average from the field making 25 of 55 tries. At the free throw line the Dolphins hit 76 per cent mark on 26 of 37 buckets.

From the floor, Florida State managed 40 per cent average bucketing on 28 of 65 attempts. At the charity line, the Tribe was even more frigid, collecting just 12 of 21 for a 57 per cent mark.

Cowens, who apparently shook off a bronchial infection, to pace FSU's scoring with 26 points. He also snatched 14 rebounds.

Jeff Hogan contributed 15 and Young 10 for FSU.

It was only the second time JU has beaten Florida State. The last was in 1966, 90-86 in Jacksonville.

The Seminoles' record now stands at 5-4 while JU has a 5-3 mark.

FLORIDA STATE

	FG	FT	RB	PF	TP
Hogan	6-16	3-4	3	3	15
Cowens	11-19	4-7	14	4	26
Young	5-9	0-0	6	4	10
Klay	2-9	0-1	5	4	4
Williams	2-2	1-2	3	2	5
Gies	2-5	1-2	3	1	5
Bush	0-1	0-0	0	1	0
Burt	0-5	1-3	2	4	1
Macomber	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Cable	0-1	2-2	0	0	2
Kimrey	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Team Rebounds					
Totals	28-65	12-21	36	23	68

JACKSONVILLE

	FG	FT	RB	PF	TP
McIntyre	3-6	5-7	16	4	11
Morgan	9-13	10-14	8	1	28
Nelson	3-7	2-3	5	4	8
Wedeking	1-8	2-2	3	1	4
Dublin	0-4	0-1	2	3	0
Hawkins	3-4	1-2	2	1	7
Erney	4-10	4-5	3	0	12
Kellam	1-1	0-0	0	1	2
Selke	1-2	2-2	2	1	4
Team Rebounds			5		
TOTALS	25-55	26-37	47	16	76
FSU			28-40		68
JAX U			33-43		76