

Tribe belted by hot UM 12-3, 10-2

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MIAMI — Miami gave the Florida State Seminoles a dose of their own medicine here Tuesday, pounding out a 12-3, 10-2 doubleheader sweep at Mark Light Field.

The Hurricanes, who have now won four of five games against FSU this season, bombed just about every pitcher on the Seminole staff in sweeping this three-game series.

And at the same time, the Hurricanes were holding the hard-hitting Seminoles in check, getting complete games from Mark Batten and Gavin Long in Tuesday's doubleheader.

MIAMI IS now 39-10 on the year, and has just about wrapped up an NCAA Regional playoff bid. The Hurricanes have won 21 of their last 23.

The Seminoles, on the other hand, have watched their playoff hopes diminish considerably. The Metro-7 tournament in Memphis at the close of the season should go a long way in determining if the Seminoles, now 29-12 on the season, will get a bid.

The two lopsided victories pushed Miami's run-production to 54 in five games against FSU this year. The Hurricanes have scored 10 or more runs in 20 of their 49 games this season.

The Seminoles' defense was just as shaky as their pitching, and the Hurricanes' sparkling play on defense matched their power hitting.

FSU committed 13 errors in the three-game series, including five in Tuesday's first game, while the Hurricanes played errorless ball throughout the series.

Mark Batten tossed a five-hitter in the first game to push his record to 10-1. He was never in serious trouble, allowing just six baserunners.

The Seminoles led briefly when they came up with a run in the top of the second when Terry Kennedy doubled and later scored on a double play. But the Hurricanes came up with five in the bottom of the inning on a solo homer by Pat Callahan and a grand slam by Rick Montoni.

BATTEN WAS in control all the way after that, allowing only a two-run homer by Carlos Lezcano in the sixth inning.

In the second game, Jim Maler hit his third home run of the year off Seminole pitching, a two-run shot in the fifth inning off Larry Jones. That gives him 10 for the season, tying the UM single-season record set by Ed Garvey.

The Seminoles hit the road again Saturday, traveling to Macon for a doubleheader against Mercer College.

FIRST GAME

FLORIDA STATE		MIAMI	
	ab r h bi		
Benda,ss	3 1 1 0	Shapiro,2b	6 1 1 0
G.Jones,ss	0 0 0 0	Robbins,cf	3 3 1 1
Lezcano,cf	4 1 1 2	Montoni,rf	3 2 2 5
Hicks,dh-3b	4 0 0 0	Tyner,rf	0 0 0 0
Kennedy,c	4 1 1 0	Maler,1b	3 1 1 1
Coulter,1b	4 0 1 0	Guerra,dh	3 0 0 0
Mobley,3b	1 0 0 0	RFieldm'n,lf	4 0 0 0
Gilbert,p	2 0 0 0	Acosta,lf	1 1 1 1
Bifano,2b	3 0 0 0	Akchurin,3b5	1 2 1
Huff,rf	2 0 1 0	Callahan,c	4 2 2 1
McArdle,lf	3 0 0 0	Gallagher,c	0 0 0 0
Carey,p	0 0 0 0	Rams,ss	4 1 3 0
Miller,p	0 0 0 0	Batten,p	0 0 0 0
Totals	30 3 5 2	Totals	36 12 13 10

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E — Benda, G. Jones 2, Kennedy, Mobley. DP — FSU 3, Miami 2. LOB — FSU 2, Miami 13. 2B — Kennedy, Maler, Akchurin. HR — Callahan (7), Montoni (5), Lezcano (8). SB — Robbins 3, Callahan 1.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Carey(L,5-3)	2	6	7	7	5	3
Gilbert	4 2/3	6	5	4	4	1
Miller	1 1/3	1	0	0	1	1
Batten(W,10-1)	9	5	3	3	1	2

HBP — By Carey (Montoni), by Batten (Huff). WP — Miller. T — 2:38. A — 985.

SECOND GAME

FLORIDA STATE					MIAMI				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Benda,ss	4	1	4	0	Shapiro,2b	2	2	0	1
Lezcano,cf	4	1	1	2	Acosta,lf	4	1	2	4
Hicks,3b	5	0	2	0	Tyner,lf	1	0	0	0
Kennedy,rf	5	0	0	0	Montoni,rf	4	1	1	0
Coulter,dh	5	0	0	0	Guerra,dh	3	1	1	0
Curry,1b	2	0	0	0	Chaney,pr	0	0	0	0
Bifano,2b	4	0	2	0	Maler,1b	4	2	1	4
Huff,lf	4	0	1	0	Ri.Feldman,3b				
McGlone,c	3	0	0	0		4	1	2	0
Bretz,p	0	0	0	0	Akchurin,3b0	0	0	0	0
L.Jones,p	0	0	0	0	Callahan,c	4	0	0	0
					Gallagher,c	0	0	0	0
					Robbins,cf	4	0	2	0
					Rams,ss	3	1	1	1
					Long,p	0	0	0	0
TOTALS					TOTALS	33	10	11	10
	36	2	10	2					

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E — McGlone, Hicks, Bretz. DP —
FSU 1, Miami 1. LOB — FSU 12, Miami
8. 2B — Hicks, Acosta. 3B — Montoni.
HR — Maler (10), Lezcano (9). SB —
Shapiro, Acosta, Ri. Feldman. S —
Rams.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Bretz(L,6-3)	4	7	8	8	3	4
L.Jones	4	3	2	2	4	4
Long(W,9-3)	9	10	2	2	5	7

WP — L. Jones. T — 3:14. A —
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