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NO. 4 FLORIDA STATE COMES BACK TO DEFEAT NO. 12 ARIZONA STATE, 4-1

TALLAHASSEE, FL -- No. 4 Florida State used a three-run rally in the eighth inning to break a 1-1 tie and come back to defeat No. 12 Arizona State in front of 2,361 fans at Dick Howser Stadium.

The two teams used wooden bats due to a Pac-10 Conference insurance rule. The Pac-10, the ACC and Louisville Slugger have worked out an agreement for Saturday and Sunday's games in order for both teams to use aluminum bats.

Designated-hitter John Halliday knocked in third baseman Marshall McDougall with a basehit up the middle for the game winning RBI in the eighth inning. Rightfielder Matt Diaz, who was hit by a pitch to reach base, came home on single to leftfield by second baseman Bobby Spano. FSU's final run was scored by pinch-runner Mike Futrell as shortstop Brett Groves walked with the bases loaded.

Left-hander Chris Ginn earned the win in relief after throwing a scoreless eighth inning. Southpaw Mike DiBlasi out two batters in the ninth inning, earning his first save of the season.

ASU right-hander Chad Pennington gave up three runs on five hits in 7 1/3 innings as he took the loss for the Sun Devils. He struck out six and walked three in the outing. Pennington hurled a no-hitter for five innings before Groves led off the sixth inning with a basehit to centerfield.

The Sun Devils scored their only run in the second inning as centerfielder Dustin Delucchi drove in first baseman Mitch Jones. The Seminoles tied the score in the seventh inning as Diaz led off with a basehit and scored on a ground ball by first baseman Kevin Cash.

FSU right-hander Jon McDonald struck out 11 batters in 6 1/3 innings of a no-decision. He allowed just one run on four hits and five walks.

Freshman reliever Chris Whidden struck out third baseman Andrew Beinbrink, the Sun Devils leading htiter, to end Arizona State's threat in the seventh inning. ASU was held hitless by Florida State following a leadoff single by shortstop Willie Bloomquist in the fifth inning. The FSU pitching staff combined for 15 strikeouts in the game.

Halliday was the game's only batter with more than one hit as he collected two. There were no extra-base hits in the game.

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Winner - Ginn 1-0. Loser - Pennington 2-1. Save - DiBlasi (1). HBP - by McDonald (Sitzman), by Pennington (Jernigan), by Pennington (Diaz,

Umpires - B. Ravan, Al Davis, Funderburke Start: 3:38 Time: 2:59 Attendance: 2361