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NO. 1 FLORIDA STATE OVER POWERS VIRGINIA, 10-3

TALLAHASSEE, FL -- Designated-hitter John Halliday drove in four runs on three hits and second baseman Marshall McDougall drove in three runs on four hits as they led No. 1 Florida State (17-3, 1-0, ACC) to a 7-3 win over Virginia (8-10, 0-1 ACC) in the Seminoles' Atlantic Coast Conference season opener.

Right-hander Jon McDonald (3-1) struck out eight batters and held the Cavaliers to four hits in seven innings pitched. McDonald gave up three unearned runs and two walks in the outing.

McDougall ripped a two-run home run in the eighth inning for his fourth hit of the night and right fielder Matt Diaz followed suit with a solo homer to left field for his fourth basehit as well.

Virginia right-hander Casey Kennedy (1-4) surrendered six runs on 10 hits in sixplus innings in the loss for the Cavaliers. Kennedy struck out three batters and walked one in the game.

The Seminoles took a 2-0 led in the third inning on four singles. Left fielder Chris Smith led off the third with a basehit up the middle and McDougall reached base on an infield hit. Diaz drove in Smith on a single to left, while McDougall scored on a basehit by designated hitter John Halliday.

Virginia came back in the top of the fourth with a three-run home run by right fielder Julian Gonzalez to take a 3-2 lead.

Halliday drove in McDougall for the second time in the game in the fifth inning to knot the score at 3-3, while Diaz singled and came home on a ground ball by first baseman Kevin Cash as FSU took a one-run lead.

FSU increased its lead to 7-3 on a RBI-basehit by McDougall and two-run single by Halliday in the seventh inning.

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E-Kennedy, Floyd, Groves, Scott, McDougall. DP-UVA 1, FSU 2. LOB-UVA 7, FSU 6. 2B-Gonzalez, Smith. HR-Gonzalez (2), McDougall (7), Diaz (6). --30--

1999 FLORIDA STATE BASEBALL

Virginia at Florida State Mar 12, 1999 at Tallahassee, FL

rginia 3 (8-10)

Florida State 10 (17-3)

Name (Pos)	AB	R	Н	RBI	BB	so	PO	A	Name (Pos)	AB	R	Н	RBI	BB	so	PO	A
LaVigne, Tim ss	5	0	2	0	0	0	3	6	Groves, Brett ss	4	1	0	0	1	2	3	6
Stone, David lf	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	McDougall, Marshall 2b/3b	5	4	4	3	0	0	0	3
Benick, Jonathan 1b	4	0	2	0	0	0	9	0	Diaz, Matt rf	4	2	4	2	1	0	3	0
Rueffert, Mark c	2	1	0	0	2	0	5	1	Halliday, John dh	4	0	3	4	0	0	0	0
Wyant, Hunter 2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	Hart, Chris ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Giraldo, Luis 3b	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	Cash, Kevin 1b	3	0	0	1	0	1	6	2
Gonzalez, Julian rf	4	1	2	3	0	1	3	0	Scott, Sam 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
McGrane, Eric dh	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	Futrell, Micheal ph	1	0	_	0	0	1	0	0
Baber, Billy ph	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Spano, Bobby 2b		0		0	0	0	2	0
Floyd, Mike cf	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	Jernigan, Karl cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Kennedy, Casey p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Klosterman, Jeremiah c	4	0	1	0	0	0	9	0
Keiper, Tommy p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Smith, Chris lf	4	3	2	-	0	0	0	0
Metzger, Jon p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	McDonald, Jon p	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
Chapman, Denny p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Diaz, Zach p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
									Chavez, Chris p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
									Ginn, Chris p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	3	7	3	2	9	24	12	Totals	37	10	15	10	2	5	27	13

Score by innings:			R	Н	E
Virginia Florida State	 300 020		_	7 15	_

E - Floyd, Kennedy, Groves, McDougall, Scott.

DP - UVA 1, FSU 2. LOB - UVA 7, FSU 6.

2B - Gonzalez(4), Smith.

HR - Gonzalez(2), Diaz, M(6), McDougall(7).

SB - Giraldo, Rueffert, Diaz, M(4). CS - Cash.

Virginia	IP	H	R	ER.	BB	so	Florida State	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO
Kennedy, Casey	6.0	10	6	6	1	3	McDonald, Jon	7.0	4	3	0	2	8
Keiper, Tommy	0.0	1	1	1	1	0	Diaz, Zach	0.1	2	0	0	0	1
Metzger, Jon	1.2	4	3	3	0	2	Chavez, Chris	0.2	0	0	0	0	0
Chapman, Denny	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	Ginn, Chris	1.0	1	0	0	0	0

Winner - McDonald 3-1. Loser - Kennedy 1-4. Save - None.

BK - Metzger.

HBP - by Metzger (Cash).

Umpires - Thompson, Manders, Couch

Start: 7:01 Time: 3:00 Attendance: 2246

Game Notes:

ACC Records: UVA 0-1, FSU 1-0