1999 NCAA College World Series (Game 7) Florida State vs Stanford

Jun 14, 1999 at Omaha, Neb. (Rosenblatt Stadium)

Florida State 6 (54-13)

Stanford 10 (50-13)

Name (Pos)				RBI					Name (Pos) AB R H RBI	BB :	so	PO	A
John-Ford Griffin lf							1		Craig Thompson dh 5 0 1 3				
Karl Jernigan cf					1			0	Jeff Rizzo 2b	0		-	0
Marshall McDougall 2b/3b					0			2			2		
Matt Diaz rf					1			0	John Gall 1b 4 3 3 2	1			1
Sam Scott dh					2	0		0	Joe Borchard rf 3 2 1 0		1		
Jeremiah Klosterman c					0		10	0	Josh Hochgesang 3b 2 1 1 1	1		2	0.000
Kevin Cash 3b/1b					0	3	0	1	Damien Alvarado c 4 0 0 1		2		
Chris Smith cf					1		3	1	Nick Day If 4 1 1 1		1	1	0
Michael Futrell ph/lf			1775	0.50		0	1		Edmund Muth cf 3 2 1 0	1	2	1	0
Brett Groves ss					1		0	3	Eric Bruntlett ss 3 1 1 0	1	1	2	5
Ryan Barthelemy 1b					_	0			Justin Wayne p 0 0 0 0	0	0	0	0
John Halliday ph/1b					0		2		Dan Rich p 0 0 0 0	0	0	0	0
Bobby Spano 2b					0	0	2		Tony Cogan p 0 0 0 0	0	0	1	0
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fon McDonald p				0	0	0	0	0					
Chris Ginn p					0	0		0					
Chris Whidden p					0	0	0						
Mike Smalley p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
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- DP Florida St. 2; Stanford 2. LOB Florida St. 9; Stanford 6.
- 2B Griffin(13); Cash(12); Thompson(14); Gall(17).
- HR Gall(11).
- SB Jernigan(12); Gall(12); Hochgesang(13); Muth 2(8). CS McDougall(3).
- SF Klosterman(3); Hochgesang(2).

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	so	AB	BF	Stanford	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so	AB	BF
Jon McDonald	4.1	8	8	5	2	5	20	23	Justin Wayne								31
Chris Ginn	2.1	0	1	1	2	3	7	10	Dan Rich								
Chris Whidden	1.0	1	1	1	2	1	4	6	Tony Cogan								
Mike Smalley	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1					_		-	-	

Win - Wayne 10-1. Loss - McDonald 9-3. Save - None.

WP - McDonald(11); C. Whidden(3). BK - Wayne(1).

HBP - by Ginn (Borchard).

Umpires - Home:Bill Davis 1st:Randy Bruns 2nd:Ken Couch 3rd:Rich Fetchiet Start: 2:38 pm Time: 3:18 Attendance:

Game Notes:

Weather: Clear, 74 degrees, 44% humidity, Wind ENE 8 mph

Pitches: McDonald (89), Wayne (116), Ginn (45), Rich (14), C. Whidden (21),

Cogan (45), Smalley (4)

Estimated Attendance of 17,000

Stanford's 10-6 win puts FSU in loser's bracket

By Steve Ellis DEMOCRAT STAFF WATER OMAHA

You know the drill.

Get your hopes up after another incredible display by Florida State in the regionals — only to be disappointed at the College World Series.

This time, PSU delayed what always seems to be the inevitable at Rosenblatt Stadium. After beating Texas A&M on Saturday, PSU was sent into the loser's bracket with a disheartening 10-6 loss to Stanford on Monday.

"We're not throwing in the towel," Mike Martin said. "We are too good of a baseball team."

PSU must now defeat Cal State Fullerton, a 42 winner over Texas A&M on Monday, to keep alive its chances for a first-ever national title in 17 tries. Zach Diaz will start in the 7:30 p.m. game tonight, but other pitchers, including Mike Smalley, will be available. It will only be Diaz's sixth career start and second this season.

PSU would have started Blair Varnes tonight, but he tore a knee ligament during the pileup after FSU won the super regional against Auburn.

"I don't believe in making ex-

cuses for injuries," Martin said.
"That is up for for us to overcome
it. Now if you want to talk about
the football team, now I'll make
the excuse we had to play with the
backup quarterback (in the Friesta
Bowl). Because we would have won
the national championship if we
had (Chris) Weinke."

In baseball, the Seminoles haven't opened the College World Series with a 2-0 start since 1989.

FSU didn't succumb to history without a fight — twice. The Semnoles, trailing 10-5, loaded the bases in the ninth inning but managed just one run to fall out of the winner's bracket.

Before that flirtation with a history-changing comeback, PSU struck big in the seventh inning. PSU was down 8-1 when it scored four runs. And if not for a controversial call by second base umpire Ken Couch, the damage could have been more.

Second-seeded FSU (54-13) opened the inning with a single and a walk when John Halliday hit a potential double-play grounder to Stanford shortstop Eric Bruntlett. Bruntlett dropped the baseball and

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then tossed it to second. A replay showed Brett Groves, on first base, had easily beaten the throw. Couch, who has done a number of PSU's Atlantic Coast Conference games this season, called him out.

Martin would only comment: "I ain't touching it, Ladies and Gentlemen."

From there, PSU scored on Marshall McDougall's single and a balk by Cardinal starter Justin Wayne to cut the Stanford's lead to 8-3. Then McDougall, a potential hero with three hits, made a baserunning blunder. McDougall was on second and John-Ford Griffin on third when Matt Diaz hit a grounder to shortstop. McDougall took off and was thrown out easily at third. That made it two outs and FSU managed just one more run before the rally was ended with PSU still trailing 8-5.

"Nobody gave up," McDougall

PSU stranded nine runners over four innings, including the seventh and ninth.

"Am I pleased with the way we fought?" Martin said. "Certainly, we fought back and had the tying run at the plate in the seventh, but that is something that is expected at Plorida State."

Stanford added a run in the eighth and ninth innings and the Cardinal bullpen finished the job Wayne (10-1) could not.

"I was very pleased that after they got those four runs, we scored ones in the bottom of that inning and the next," Stanford coach Mark Marquess said. "The difference today was our clutch hitting."

The Seminoles now find themselves in a very familiar spot facing elimination in the third game. FSU has been eliminated in three games in four of its last five appearances.

For FSU, all the disappointments of previous College World Series were awakened with one swing of the bat. Designated hitter Craig Thompson ripped a basesclearing double in the second inning that put FSU in a 4-1 hole.

"He did a great job on an 0-1 count and did a very good job of staying closed and hitting a change-up," Martin said.

Thompson's three-run doubte sailed over the first base bag, just an inch or so fair. Starter Jon Mc-Donald and the Seminoles were in trouble.

"I had to get the ball down and I wasn't," McDonald said. "I was getting the ball up and out over the plate."

The sophomore, working out of a lower delivery motion, threw 36 pitches in the second inning and still had a few more in him that were to Stanford's liking. The Cardinal opened with two hits in the third inning. Josh Hochgesang brought in one run on a sacrifice fly before McDonald's wild pitch scored Joe Borchard to put Stanford ahead 6-1. Stanford added another run in the fourth inning and another in the fifth on John Gall's home run.

The seven-run deficit was bigger than any FSU had overcome this season, and too much on Monday. By the time McDonald was yanked after 4½ innings, he had given up eight runs on eight hits while striking out five.

"It's very disappointing, mysterious," Martin said. "But we must understand now that if we can win (tonight) those two young men have a very good chance of showing what they are about. If we win, we'll play Thursday night with Stocks against Stanford and then see where Jon is for Friday (if FSU makes it to Thursday and wins)."

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