



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPORTS INFORMATION



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FEBRUARY 4, 2000

FLORIDA STATE COMES BACK TO BEAT ARIZONA STATE IN THE NINTH

Tempe, AZ – Trailing 8-2 after seven innings, No. 5 Florida State rallied to defeat No. 22 Arizona State 11-10 Friday evening in front of 3,687 fans at Packard Stadium. The Seminoles scored four runs in the eighth and five in the ninth to improve to 4-0 on the season while the Sun Devils (7-1) suffered their first loss of the year.

Second baseman Marshall McDougall struck out, but took first when the ball got away from the ASU catcher to start the comeback in the top of the eighth. Designated hitter John-Ford Griffin singled and left fielder Mike Futrell walked to load the bases. Center fielder Karl Jernigan cut the lead to 8-6 with one swing as he belted a grand slam over the wall in left.

ASU added two runs in the bottom half of the eighth to up its lead to 10-6.

In the top of the ninth, shortstop Brett Groves and third baseman Pichi Balet got things going with a pair of walks. First baseman Scott Boyd followed with a double in just his second career at bat as a Seminole to score Groves and advance Balet to third. On a 2-2 count with two outs, Futrell tied the game with a three-run home run to left center. Jernigan again came up big, this time with a triple to the gap in left. Catcher Blair McCaleb provided what proved to be the game-winning RBI when he slapped a single to right to score Jernigan.

Sophomore Chris Whidden picked up his second save of the season as he finished off the Sun Devils in the bottom of the ninth. Freshman Matt Lynch (1-0) got the win in relief.

Futrell (3-for-4, 4 RBI), Jernigan (3-for-4, 4 RBI) and Griffin (2-for-5) led FSU at the plate. All three scored two runs apiece as well.

Junior RHP Jon McDonald pitched 5.0 innings in a no-decision, giving up three earned runs on seven hits and striking out six.

Florida State and Arizona State square off again Saturday and Sunday at 3:00 p.m. (EST). RHP Blair Varnes (0-0) is scheduled to start for FSU on Saturday and RHP Mike Ziegler (1-0) is expected to pitch the final game of the series on Sunday.

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The Automated ScoreBook
Florida State at Arizona State
Feb 4, 2000 at Tempe, AZ (Packer)

Florida State 11 (4-0)

Arizona State 10 (7-1)

Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Brett Groves ss.....	2	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
Pichi Balet 3b.....	4	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
Bobby Spano 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Marshall McDougall 2b....	5	1	1	0	0	4	1	3
Ryan Barthelemy 1b.....	3	1	0	0	0	2	4	0
Scott Boyd ph/1b.....	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
John-Ford Griffin dh.....	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Mike Futrell lf.....	4	2	3	4	1	1	0	0
Karl Jernigan cf.....	4	2	3	4	0	0	3	1
Chris Hart c.....	2	0	0	1	0	0	9	1
Blair McCaleb c.....	2	0	1	1	0	0	5	1
Chris Smith rf.....	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jon McDonald p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robby Read p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mike DiBlasi p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nick Whidden p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daniel Hodges p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matt Lynch p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chris Whidden p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 37 11 11 11 4 9 27 9

Score by innings: R H E

Florida State	020	000	045	-	11	11	3
Arizona State	130	013	020	-	10	11	1

E - Groves 2; Smith; Wyrick.

DP - Sun Devils 2. LOB - Seminoles 7; Sun Devils 10.

2B - McDougall; Boyd; Futrell; Myers; Phelps. 3B - Jernigan.

HR - Futrell; Jernigan.

CS - Jones.

SF - Hart.

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jon McDonald.....	5.0	7	5	3	5	6	20	26
Robby Read.....	0.0	1	2	2	0	0	1	2
Mike DiBlasi.....	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Nick Whidden.....	0.0	0	1	1	2	0	0	2
Daniel Hodges.....	1.2	2	0	0	0	3	7	7
Matt Lynch.....	1.0	1	2	2	3	1	3	6
Chris Whidden.....	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3	3

Win - Lynch 1-0. Loss - Pezely 0-1. Save - C. Whidden (2).

WP - McDonald 2; Fingers. PB - Hart.

HBP - by Switzer (Jernigan); by McDonald (Lopez); by Switzer (Barthelemy); by Switzer (Groves); by Read (Martin).

Umpires - Home: Jeff Jenkins 1st: Kevin Daugherty 3rd: Steve Williamson

S 7:11 Time: 3:27 Attendance: 3867

Read faced 2 batters in the 6th.

N. Whidden faced 2 batters in the 6th.

Fingers faced 1 batter in the 9th.

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Jonah Martin rf.....	5	3	2	0	0	1	2	0
Jeff Duncan cf.....	6	0	1	1	0	4	3	1
Casey Myers c.....	3	1	1	2	2	0	8	0
Mitch Jones lf.....	3	0	1	1	2	1	0	0
Brendan Hines dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Gusich dh.....	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Trent Pratt dh.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Mel Stocker pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brooks Conrad 2b.....	3	2	0	0	2	2	3	2
Jeff Phelps 1b.....	4	0	3	4	1	0	8	1
Mike Lopez 3b.....	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
Dennis Wyrick ss.....	4	2	1	0	1	1	2	5
Jon Switzer p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jason Fingers p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Franco Pezely p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Will Waldrip p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 35 10 11 9 10 12 27 11

Arizona State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jon Switzer.....	7.0	5	2	1	1	6	24	29
Jason Fingers.....	1.0	2	5	5	2	2	6	8
Franco Pezely.....	0.2	3	4	4	1	1	5	6
Will Waldrip.....	0.1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2