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NO. 2 FSU FALLS TO NO. 6 GEORGIA TECH 5-0

Tallahassee, FL – No. 6 Georgia Tech (34-9, 14-3 ACC) handed No. 2 Florida State (38-8, 10-4 ACC) its first shutout of the year, defeating the Seminoles 5-0 as 3,785 looked on at Dick Howser Stadium. FSU was last shut out against Wake Forest on May 21, 1999 at the ACC Tournament. The last time the Seminoles were held scoreless at home, College of Charleston won a 3-0 game on March 8, 1994.

Yellow Jacket righty Rhett Parrott (6-2) was the winner, working seven scoreless innings and allowing just four hits. Parrott struck out five and walked three.

Jeff Watchko came in to work the final two innings, striking out four Seminole batters and allowing one hit.

After two scoreless innings, Georgia Tech jumped on top with three runs in the top of the third inning. Richard Lewis led off with a double off the screen in right and after Mark Teixeira was intentionally walked, Bryan Prince knocked them in with a double to left center. Prince moved to third on Derik Goffena's ground out to second and scored run number three when Jason Basil singled to the hole in between third and shortstop. Basil took second on Brett Groves' errant throw. FSU center fielder Karl Jernigan stopped the scoring when he threw out Jason Basil at the plate after he tried to score from second on a single up the middle.

Georgia Tech made it 4-0 with Basil singling home Teixeira in the fifth inning.

The fifth and final run of the game came in the seventh, when Basil knocked in Teixeira again with a single.

Blair Varnes (7-2) took the loss, working six innings and allowing four earned runs on nine hits. Varnes had gone 7-0 with a pair of no-decisions in his last nine starts.

No Seminole starter had more than one hit and FSU's five total hits were a season-low. In Sunday's rubber match, FSU RHP Jon McDonald (8-2) will face Georgia Tech RHP Steve Kelly (6-1). The game is scheduled for a 1:00 p.m. start and will be televised by Sunshine Network.

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The Automated ScoreBook Georgia Tech at Florida State Apr 22, 2000 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

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HBP - by Watchko (Jernigan).

Umpires - Home:AJ Lostaglio 1st:Paul Larson 3rd:Rick Darby Start: 7:07 Time: 2:45 Attendance: 3785

Game Notes:

WP - Parrott.

FSU is now 27-2 at home.

This is the first time FSU has been shutout this season.

The last time FSU was shutout was against Wake Forest at the ACC Tournament

(4=0) on May 21, 1999.

K s faced 2 batters in the 7th.