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No. 2 Florida State Completes Sweep of Virginia with 5-4, 12-Inning Victory The Seminoles have now won 29 consecutive ACC home games

March 16, 2003

Tallahassee, Fla. – The No. 2 Florida State Seminoles (24-2, 3-0 ACC) found a way to extend their ACC home winning streak to 29 games as they came from behind to defeat Virginia (9-8, 0-3 ACC) by a final score of 5-4 in 12 innings as 2,858 looked on at Dick Howser Stadium. FSU led 3-0 after seven innings, but Virginia rallied to take the lead with four runs in the top of the eighth. Freshman Eddy Martinez-Esteve's two-out, solo home run in the bottom of the eighth forced extra innings where Tony Richie scored the winning run on a Cavalier throwing error.

The Seminoles got on the board first with two runs in the fourth. Jerrod Brown got his second hit of the game and Martinez-Esteve was hit by pitch to put runners on first and second. Blake Balkcom followed with a single to right to load the bases. Aaron Cheesman's fielder's choice groundout scored Brown and Martinez-Esteve scored when Matt Sauls singled down the right field line.

Sauls scored another run in the bottom of the seventh to give FSU a 3-0 lead. He led off the inning with a bunt single and advanced to second on an errant throw to first by Virginia pitcher Matt Avery. Sauls then moved to third on a balk before scoring on a wild pitch.

The Cavaliers took their first lead of the series with four runs in the eighth. After back-to-back singles by Paul Gillispie and Joe Koshansky, Scott Head knocked in the first run with a single to right. Three more RBI-singles by Matt Dunn, Mark Reynolds and Chris Sweet made it 4-3 UVA.

With two outs in the bottom of the eighth, Martinez-Esteve launched his fifth home run of the season over the screen in right to tie the game at 4-4.

Closer Daniel Hodges held Virginia in check over the final 4.1 innings before FSU scored the game-winning run in the 12<sup>th</sup> inning. Richie led off the inning with a walk and the Seminoles had runners on first and second with no outs after Brown was hit by a pitch. Chris Hart then laid down a sacrifice bunt and Koshansky threw the ball into right field, allowing Richie to score the game-winner.

In his first start of the season, FSU senior left-hander Daniel Davidson (2-0) allowed just three hits in seven scoreless innings of work. Davidson, who dropped his season ERA to 0.47, struck out five and did not walk a batter. He did not allow a Virginia runner past second base.

Hodges (3-0) got the win in relief, throwing a season-high 4.1 scoreless innings. Hodges gave up three hits, struck out five and didn't allow a walk. He has not given up a run in his last 28.2 innings, dating back to May 31, 2002.

Martinez-Esteve (2-for-3), Brown (2-for-5) and Sauls (2-for-3) led Florida State offensively.

FSU returns to action next weekend as they travel to Kinston, N.C., to take on NC State in a three game series. Game times are set for Friday (7:00), Saturday (1:30) and Sunday (12:00).

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## 2003 Florida State Baseball Virginia at Florida State Mar 16, 2003 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

Virginia 4 (9-8,0-3 ACC)

## Florida State 5 (24-2,3-0 ACC)

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Note: None out, 2 runners LOB when the game ended.

E - Zimmerman(1); Koshansky(1); Avery(1); Richie(3); Hart(6). DP - Cavaliers 2. LOB - Cavaliers 8; Seminoles 12. 2B - Dunn(1); Richie(13). HR - Mart.-Estev(5). HBP - Koshansky; Brown; Hart; Mart.-Estev. SH - Werman(1); Hart(2). SB - Ghrist(1).

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Greg Hansard	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2									
Adam Laird	1.1	0	0	0	3	1	5	8									
Scott Morgenthaler	0.2	0	1	0	1	0	1	3									
Canon Hickman	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1									

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Win - Hodges (3-0). Loss - Morgenthaler (0-1). Save - None.
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Umpires - HP: Henry Stancil 1B: Rick Darby 3B: Scott Erby

Start: 1:07 Time: 3:34 Attendance: 2858

notes:

had extends ACC home winning streak to 29 games.

Spooner faced 2 batters in the 9th.

Game: UVA3

WP - Gale(1); Avery(2); Hodges(1). HBP - by Gale (Mart.-Estev); by Gale (Hart); by Hodges (Koshansky); by Morgenthaler (Brown). BK - Avery(1).