



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPORTS INFORMATION



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NO. 17 FLORIDA STATE MOVES TO 4-0 IN NORTH CAROLINA WITH 2-0 WIN OVER EAST CAROLINA

White-Stokes picks up her third win of the weekend and Brandon knocks in her second run of the day in the shutout.

Chapel Hill, NC – Florida State softball shut out its third opponent in four games in North Carolina and moved to 4-0 on the weekend with a 2-0 win over East Carolina Saturday afternoon. Senior pitcher Jen White-Stokes picked up her third win in three games for FSU and improved to 14-2 on the season with an ERA of just 0.46 while Staci Brandon and Jessica van der Linden each had an early RBI to move FSU to 39-6 on the season. The loss dropped the Pirates to 31-14 but did not count against either team's SASA (South Atlantic Softball Alliance) record since it was a tournament game. The Noles are now 2-0 in the Tar Heel Invitational and will try to complete the round-robin tournament undefeated when they face UNC Sunday, April 8 at 12:00 p.m.

"I am really proud of the way this team has approached the most important road trip of our season so far," said head coach Dr. JoAnne Graf. "After a very emotional win over FAU just a half an hour before this game, I thought this group of kids did a great job staying focused on the task ahead of them which was beating a very good East Carolina team. Jen did a great job today on the mound and she really has come through for us this weekend."

Florida State scored early in this game when Serita Brooks walked and stole second base in the top of the first inning. The steal was the 32nd successful steal in a row for Brooks this year and she added number 33 later in the game. The senior All-American advanced to third when Kimmy Carter reached on an error and then came around to score on another error by ECU shortstop Eva Herron that allowed Jessica van der Linden to reach base.

The Seminoles added to their 1-0 lead in the second when freshman Elisa Velasco singled up the middle and advanced to second on a wild pitch by Pirate starter Laurie Davidson (18-7). Velasco moved to third when shortstop Natalie Bennett singled up the middle. Brandon then singled to left scoring Velasco. It was Brandon's eighth RBI of the year and just the second run scored for the freshman catcher from Hesperia, CA.

That was all White-Stokes (14-2) would need as she threw a complete game four hitter with three strikeouts and no walks. White-Stokes has now allowed just one walk in her last three wins and leads the team with an ERA of 0.46 and is tied for the team lead in wins, complete games (14) and shutouts (8).

Florida State returns to Tallahassee to face Florida A&M Wednesday, April 11 at the Rattlerette Softball Complex. The Noles will resume play at home with their final meeting with FAMU Tuesday, April 17. After the meeting with FAMU, Florida State will have just three home dates remaining on its 2001 schedule.

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The Automated ScoreBook
 Florida State vs East Carolina
 Apr 07, 2001 at Chapel Hill, NC (Finley Field)

Florida State 2 (39-6)

East Carolina 0 (31-14)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Serita Brooks cf.....	3	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	0
Kimmy Carter rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Jess van der Linden lf...	3	0	1	1	0	0	3	0	2
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
Jen White-Stokes p.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Monique Marier dp.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Elisa Velasco c.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	3	0	0
Natalie Bennett ss.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Staci Brandon 3b.....	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	3	0
Beth Wade 1b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0
Totals.....	26	2	6	2	1	3	21	7	6

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Shepperson 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Critcher cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Manzo 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0
Herron ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	1
Bridger rf.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Halpern 1b.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	9	1	0
Gill dp.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Johnson ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benedict lf.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Chlebnikow c.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4
Davidson p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	26	0	4	0	0	3	21	10	6

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Florida State.....	110	000	0 - 2 6 2
East Carolina.....	000	000	0 - 0 4 2

E - Bennett; Wade; Herron 2. LOB - Seminoles 6; Pirates 6. SH - Carter; Stuart; Halpern. SB - Brooks 2; Manzo.

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
White-Stokes....	7.0	4	0	0	0	3	26	27

East Carolina	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Davidson.....	7.0	6	2	1	1	3	26	29

Win - White-Stokes (14-2). Loss - Davidson (18-7). Save - None.

WP - Davidson.

Umpires - Home:Mickey Hall 1st:Jim Morfino

Start: 12:45 pm Time: 1:40 Attendance: 109

Game: 4072001B