



# FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

## SPORTS INFORMATION



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### SEMINOLE SOFTBALL BLASTS NO. 14 DEPAUL 11-5 AT KIA CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

No. 22 FSU sets three season highs in rout of Blue Demons; Carter's five RBIs lead the way for the Tribe.

Fullerton, CA – After completing pool play with a 2-1 record, the 22<sup>nd</sup>-ranked Florida State softball team (24-10) moved into single-elimination, championship play against the third-seeded and 14<sup>th</sup>-ranked DePaul Blue Demons (11-5-0) Friday night. The Seminoles set three season highs versus the 14<sup>th</sup>-ranked Blue Demons for hits in a game (14), at bats (36) and RBIs (9) as they moved into the Kia Classic quarterfinals with an 11-5 win.

Senior Kimmy Carter had a career night at the plate as she set a new personal high mark with 5 RBIs due to a double and a triple with the bases loaded. Tatiana George and Jessica van der Linden combined for four hits, two RBIs and six runs scored in the romp over DePaul. Senior Leslie Malerich picked up her 15<sup>th</sup> win of the season and her 15<sup>th</sup> complete game as she went all seven innings for her second win of the tournament.

After generating just one run in a loss to No. 9 Cal State Fullerton earlier in the day, the Seminoles looked to jump out to a fast start as they loaded the bases with two outs against Blue Demon starter April Valdez. Junior Shundra Colzie then lined a shot up the middle scoring Tatiana George and staking FSU to a 1-0 lead.

The Seminoles built on that lead in the second by posting four runs on two hits and moving ahead of DePaul 5-0. The Blue Demons committed three errors which opened the door for Shandra Colzie, Brandi Stuart, Beth Wade and Shundra Colzie to all score runs.

After a solo home run by DePaul first baseman Saskia Roberson cut the Seminole lead to 5-1, the Demons climbed back into the game in the top of the fourth. The Blue Demons strung together three hits and narrowed FSU's advantage to 5-3.

The Garnet and Gold struck back in the bottom of the inning though as they loaded the bases on three consecutive singles to lead off their half of the inning. Carter then rocketed a shot to deep center which bounced over the fence for a two-run, ground rule double. That double was the catcher's third of the year and it brought in her team leading 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> RBIs of the year. New DePaul pitcher Sarah Martz (3-2) held FSU from scoring any more in the fifth as the Tribe finished the inning with a 7-3 lead.

After DePaul scored two more runs during a two-out rally in the bottom of the seventh to cut the Garnet and Gold lead to 7-5, Florida State answered back again. With two outs and bases loaded, Carter once again came through with a big hit for the Tribe. Carter, who doubled with the bases loaded in the fourth, lined a triple into right clearing the bases and putting FSU up 10-5. The five RBIs set a new career high for the senior co-captain. Florida State capped the game off with another run in the bottom of the sixth as it cruised to the 11-5 victory.

Next up for the Seminoles in the Kia Classic quarterfinals is No. 13 Washington (25-7). The Huskies went 3-0 in pool play and downed Texas Tech to reach the quarters. The two teams met earlier in the season with UW taking the win 6-4. Live stats for tomorrow's Kia Classic quarterfinal between the Huskies and Seminoles will be available only at [www.seminoles.com](http://www.seminoles.com).

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No. 22 Florida State Softball  
Depaul vs Florida State  
Mar 15, 2002 at Fullerton, CA (Fullerton Softball)

Depaul 5 (11-5)

Florida State 11 (24-10)

P	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Bouck 2b.....	4	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
Martz rf/p.....	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Ramacci c.....	3	1	1	1	0	0	4	0	2
Desecki cf.....	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0
C. Douglas lf/rf.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Kenney rf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S. Douglas dh.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Roberson 1b.....	3	1	2	2	0	0	6	0	0
Parker pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kukman 3b.....	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
Doezie ss.....	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
Visin ss.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Valdez p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Sircher lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	27	5	8	5	1	3	18	6	3

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Tatiana George ss.....	5	3	2	1	0	0	5	5	1
Shandra Colzie dh.....	4	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Robyn Larson ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jess van der Linden cf...	4	3	2	1	1	0	1	0	0
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	4	1	2	1	1	0	1	1	2
Kimmy Carter c.....	3	0	2	5	1	0	3	2	0
Shundra Colzie rf.....	3	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
Monique Marier lf.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	5
Beth Wade 1b.....	4	0	3	0	0	0	9	0	2
Skyla Cox pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Becky Brock 3b.....	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jackie Hirschfeld ph....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leslie Malerich p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	36	11	14	9	4	2	21	10	11

Score by Innings                      R H E

Depaul..... 001 220 0 - 5 8 5  
Florida State..... 140 231 X - 11 14 0

E - Roberson 2; Kukman; Doezie; Sircher. LOB - Blue Demons 3; Seminoles 11. 2B - Ramacci; Desecki; T George(4); Kimmy Carter(3). 3B - Kimmy Carter(2). HR - Roberson. SF - Kukman. SB - C. Douglas; B Stuart(30); Shu Colzie(7). CS - Parker.

Depaul	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Valdez.....	3.0	6	5	1	1	0	18	19
Martz.....	3.0	8	6	3	3	2	18	21

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Leslie Malerich.....	7.0	8	5	5	1	3	27	29

Win - L Malerich (15-7). Loss - Martz (3-2). Save - None.

WP - Valdez.

Umpires -

Start: 9:05 pm Time: 2:11 Attendance: 124

Game: 3152002B

Game notes:

Florida State advances to the quarterfinals to face Washington.

FSU sets season highs for RBIs and hits.