



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPORTS INFORMATION



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GATORS END NO. 20 FSU SOFTBALL'S SEVEN-GAME WINNING STREAK

Florida scores seven runs in the first two frames to take game one of Wednesday's doubleheader.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The 20th-ranked Florida State softball team (38-14-0) saw its seven-game winning streak halted Wednesday afternoon by intra-state rival Florida (28-29-0) in a 7-1 loss. The six-run loss was FSU's second-worst defeat of the season. Florida State's lone run came on a Monique Marier blast in the bottom of the seventh inning, which helped FSU avoid being shutout for just the fourth time this season.

Florida starter Amanda Knowles (10-8) limited the Seminoles to just four hits and struck out eight FSU batters in the win. Seminole starter Leslie Malerich (22-10) picked up her first loss in her last five decisions.

Despite the loss, there were a few bright spots for the Garnet and Gold. Junior college transfer Shundra Colzie extended her hit streak to four games and accounted for two of the Seminoles' four hits. Marier hit her fourth home run of the season and her second in less than a week. Freshman Casey Hunter sparked in five innings of work in relief.

The Gators broke on top of FSU in their first as they got three hits off of Malerich and took a 3-0 lead. The senior All-American had allowed just three earned runs all season in the first inning before Wednesday's opener.

After FSU stranded its lead-off hitter in the bottom of the first, Florida picked up where it left off in the second by adding four more runs of the unearned variety on a two-out triple to left center and a two-out bloop single. The Gators inning should have been over before a single run scored but was extended due to two FSU errors in the infield.

Hunter relieved Malerich in the third and had a strong outing. The freshman held the Gators scoreless in relief while recording a career-high seven strike outs.

Florida State completes its doubleheader with the Gators at 6:15 p.m. today. Next up for the Seminoles is conference rival North Carolina who heads to Tallahassee Saturday April, 20th. This is the first meeting between FSU and North Carolina since the Heels dethroned the Seminoles at the 2001 ACC Championships. The doubleheader between Florida State and UNC is set for a 1:00 p.m. start at the Seminole Softball Complex and there is no admission charge for all regular season games. For more information on Seminole softball, please visit our official athletic website at www.seminoles.com.

--FSU Sports Information--

Florida at Florida State (Game 1)
Apr 17, 2002 at Tallahassee, FL (Seminole Softball)

Florida 7 (27-28)

Florida State 1 (38-14)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Schuerman, Mandy dp.....	3	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Marchetta, Jackie pr....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garner, Jenilee lb.....	3	1	1	2	0	1	6	0	1
Mossadeghi, Jenn 3b.....	2	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	0
Prieto, Mylin ss.....	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	3	3
Berger, Katy rf.....	4	0	1	2	0	2	1	0	0
Walden, Prissie 2b.....	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Berger, Bree c.....	4	0	0	0	0	3	8	0	3
Franklin, Jessie lf.....	3	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Rosen, Stacy cf.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
Knowles, Amanda p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Totals.....	28	7	7	7	5	9	21	6	7

Score by Innings

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Florida..... 340 000 0 - 7 7 0
Florida State..... 000 000 1 - 1 4 2

E - Lindheim 2(9). DP - Seminoles 1. LOB - Gators 7; Seminoles 5. 2B - Schuerman 2(14); KBerger(9). 3B - Garner(2). HR - Marier(4). HBP - Garner. SH - Rosen(3). SB - Mossadeghi(7); Prieto(5); KBerger(4).

Florida	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF	NP
Knowles, Amanda.....	7.0	4	1	1	2	8	25	27	102

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF	NP
Leslie Malerich.....	2.0	6	7	3	3	2	12	16	66
Casey Hunter.....	5.0	1	0	0	2	7	16	19	79

Win - Knowles (10-8). Loss - Malerich (22-10). Save - None.

HB - Hunter. Inherited runners/scored: None.

Umpires - Home: Gary Smith 2nd: Ken Hayes

Start: 3:55 pm Time: 2:02 Attendance: 288

Game: livegame

Game notes:

Florida State leads the all-time series 7-5.

The Seminoles recorded the first sweep in series history last year.

Florida ends FSU's seven-game winning streak.