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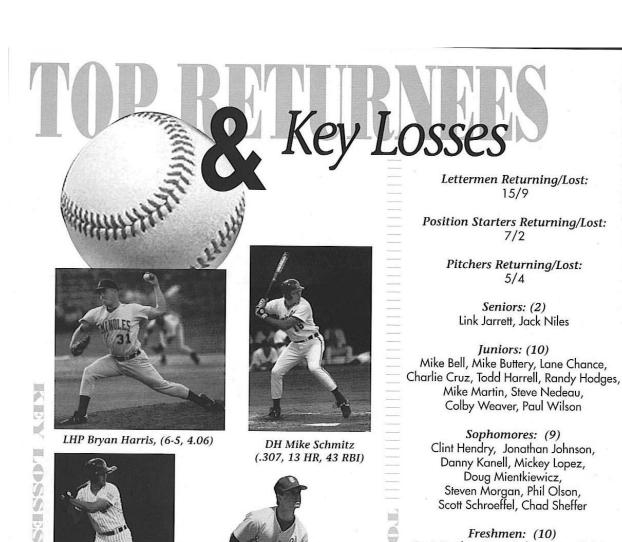
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OF Ty Mueller (.267, 8 HR, 40 RBI)

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Doug Mientkiewicz, Steven Morgan, Phil Olson, Scott Schroeffel, Chad Sheffer

Freshmen: (10) Scott Bentley, Steve Butler, James Colzie, Chuck Howell, Charles McQuaig, Tim Miller,

Jeremy Morris, Jamie Stafford,

David Yocum, Scott Zech

1. SS Link Jarrett (Sr., .242, 22 RBI) 2. RHP Paul Wilson (Jr., 11-5, 1.94 ERA) 3. C Mike Martin

(Jr., .307, 5 HR, 43 RBI)

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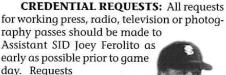


1. 1B Doug Mientkiewicz (So., .327, 4 HR, 47 RBI) 2. RHP Jonathan Johnson (So., 10-1, 1.68 ERA)

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The 1994 Florida State University Baseball Yearbook has been designed for use by media, Any questions not covered in this yearbook should be directed to the

CONTACTS: Assistant Sports Information Director Joey Ferolito is the media coordinator for the Florida State baseball team with help from graduate assistant Chris Walker. Ferolito will travel with the team and can be reached at team headquarters listed on page 40 — when on the road.



should be made in writing if possible. Credentials may be picked up prior to the game at the SID Office, or

held at the Will Call window

for game day pickup.

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fans, and friends of the Seminole baseball team.

FSU Sports Information Office (904/644-1403), located on the second floor of the Moore Athletic



Wayne Hogan



Joey Ferolito

members of the working media. All working media are encouraged to arrive as early as possible in order to avoid parking problems.

PHOTOGRAPHERS: Accredited photographers with passes will be admitted to shoot in designated areas on the field. These areas are marked just inside the gates in the protected area at the corners of the home and visitors dugouts. Still photographers are asked not to restrict views of the fans if at all pos-

TELEVISION: Facilities are available for network broadcasts. Please contact Ferolito or Wayne Hogan at the Sports Information Office for more information.

RADIO: One booth is available for the opposing team's radio broadcast. If more than one booth is needed to accommodate visiting radio crews, an area will be made available in the stadium. When such a case occurs, the visiting team's SID will allocate booth space.

PHONE LINES: Florida State has three phone lines in the main press box for use by media before, during and after home games.

Tallahassee radio station WNLS-AM, which carries most Seminole baseball game broadcasts live, has installed two phone lines for use by visiting radio stations in the visiting radio booth. Please contact WNLS' Dave Lowe at 904/ 386-6143 for details concerning the use of this line. If other lines are needed, or WNLS' lines are not sufficient, visiting radio stations should contact the Florida State University Office of Telecommunications at (904) 644-2414.

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box score via the fax should contact Ferolito or Walker during the game.

INTERVIEWS: On game days, Florida State players are available to the media prior to and during batting practice. FSU Head Coach Mike Martin and his players will be available for post-game interviews following a 10-minute cooling off period. Martin will meet with the media in the FSU dugout immediately after talking with the team in the Seminole lockerroom. Requested Seminole players will be escorted to the interview area by Florida State Sports Information personnel after Coach Martin.

FSU players are also available on the field at Dick Howser Stadium prior to practice on non-game days. Reporters who wish to interview players before practice should be at the field between 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please contact Joey Ferolito at the FSU SID office to arrange off-day player phone interviews. Contact Coach Martin directly at 904/644-1073 to arrange interviews with him.

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RADIO

For the third consecutive season, Seminole baseball fans don't have to miss a minute of exciting Florida State baseball action. Tallahassee's WNLS-AM (1270) will once again broadcast every inning of

every game of both the regular and postseason in 1994. From the season opener February 3rd, all the way through Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament and NCAA Regional action in May, the radio home of Seminole baseball is 'Noles Radio 1270.

In addition, 12 of the Seminoles' toughest contests will be simulcast on WNLS' sister station, WTNT-FM (94.9). A powerful, 100,000-watt station, WTNT-FM will bring Seminole baseball to homes across North

WTNT-FM

Florida and South Georgia once again in 1994. The road games scheduled for broadcast on both WTNT and WNLS are listed below, but every game throughout the season can be heard on WNLS.

WTNT-FM/WNLS-AM will broadcast Seminole Baseball for the 13th consecutive season. With WNLS's complete coverage, the Seminoles have one of the best and most extensive radio package in college baseball.

WTNT-FM's 1994 package begins with coverage of FSU's first six games, all in the state of Hawaii, and will also include all four of the Tribe's contests with arch-rival Florida, as well as the final two games of FSU's series at in-state rival Miami. WNLS will be there for every game as the Seminoles play another challenging schedule, which includes 28 games against eight teams ranked in the preseason, 24 Atlantic Coast Conference games, and 12 games against in-state rivals Miami, Florida, and Jacksonville. The station will also bring Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament action from Greenville, S.C. to the Tallahassee area, and will accompany the Tribe into the postseason.

The voice of the baseball Seminoles for the fifth straight year is Lee Bowen, who continues a long association with the Florida State radio networks in 1994. The producer of FSU's football and men's basketball radio network, Bowen had previously worked as a statistician for the Seminole Network. Bowen has also called play-by-play for the minor league Burlington (N.C.) Indians, a rookie league team in the Appalachian League. WTNT's Jim Crosby will join Bowen in the booth for all home games. Crosby is a 12-year veteran of Seminole baseball broadcasts.

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4	at Florida	7:00 p.m.
5	Florida	7:00 p.m.
6	Florida	2:00 p.m.

April
16 at Miami 7:30 p.m.
17 at Miami 1:00 p.m.

TELEVISION

Florida State's rich baseball tradition will once again attract live coverage from cable television networks throughout the Southeast. Florida State's exciting style of baseball, and its affiliation with the Atlantic Coast Conference makes the Seminoles no stranger to television exposure. This year, FSU is slated for 11 television appearances, including five of its six games with Miami.

The Sunshine Network is once again the

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home of Florida State baseball in 1994. The Sunshine Network, Florida's most successful sports cable network, will televise seven games from Dick Howser Stadium and two games at Miami. Broadcasting to over 2.5 million homes in Florida, the Sunshine Network takes Florida State baseball to all corners of the state.

Sunshine begins its coverage in Tallahassee with Arizona State in February. Florida State baseball can be seen on the Sunshine Network six times in April. Sunshine's coverage will also include the final game of a key ACC series with Georgia Tech. Sports Channel Florida will televise both of FSU's games with Florida in Gainesville and Sunshine will pick up the series finale in Tallahassee.

FSU's television exposure does not stop at the state border. The Sunshine Network is part of the Prime Network family, an affiliation of regional sports networks nationwide. Through this affiliation, Florida State baseball has the potential to reach an audience of 30 million households around the country. Its programming reaches to every region in the country. Sunshine Network's growth from an initial subscriber base of 1.5 million has led to its current ranking as the fourth largest regional sports network in the country.

THE MIKE MARTIN SHOW

Seminole fans who miss the baseball action on radio and television can still keep up with their favorite college baseball team by turning in to "The Mike Martin Show." The show, which will air weekly beginning in mid-February, gives even the fans who have been out to the games a recap of the past week's action.

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9	Miami*	7:00 p.m.
10	Miami*	1:00 p.m.
15	at Miami*	7:30 p.m.
17	at Miami*	1:00 p.m.
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1	Georgia Tech*	2:00 p.m.
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For 30 minutes each week, Florida State Head Coach Mike Martin and Wayne Hogan take a look at recent highlights and discuss upcoming opponents. Other elements of the show include player features and a weekly baseball tip from Coach Martin.

**Sports Channel Florida

The show, which is produced by Mark Rodin of Seminole Productions, will air statewide on the Sunshine Network, and in Tallahassee on Fox-49. Check local listings for dates and times.

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Numerical Roster

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	4	Mike Martin	C	L-R	6-1	175	JR	Tallahassee, FL (Manatee JC)
	6	Phil Olson	P	R-R	6-3	225	SO	Sarasota FL (Riverview HS)
	7	Chad Sheffer	2B	R-R	5-11	180	SO	Dover, FL (Valrico Bloomingdale HS)
	9	Scott Zech	SS	R-R	5-10	175	FR	Boca Raton, FL (Boca Raton HS)
ı	10	Link Jarrett	SS	S-R	5-11	168	SR	Tallahassee, FL (Florida HS)
	13	Jonathan Johnson	P	R-R	6-0	180	SO	Ocala, FL (Forest HS)
ı	14	Randy Hodges	OF	L-R	6-0	182	JR	Ocala, FL (Vanguard HS)
	15	Todd Harrell	P	R-R	6-1	195	JR-R	Tallahassee, FL (Gulf Coast CC)
	17	Jamie Stafford	OF	R-R	5-11	172	FR	Tallahassee, FL (Leon HS)
	18	Jack Niles	3B	S-R	6-0	185	SR	Key West, FL (Seminole CC)
	19	James Colzie	OF	R-R	5-10	165	FR	Miami, FL (South Miami)
	21	Scott Schroeffel	OF	S-R	6-0	180	SO	Pittsburgh, PA (N. Allegheny HS)
	22	Colby Weaver	C	R-R	6-0	200	JR	Warwick, NY (Warwick Valley HS)
	23	Mike Buttery	OF	R-R	6-2	205	JR	Tampa, FL (Polk CC)
	24	Clint Hendry	OF	L-L	6-0	192	SO	Wauchula, FL (Hardee HS)
	25	Doug Mientkiewicz	1B/C	L-R	6-2	190	SO	Miami, FL (Wesminster Christian)
	26	Danny Kanell	1B	R-R	6-2	216	SO	Ft. Lauderdale, FL (Westminster Academy)
	27	Steve Nedeau	OF	S-R	5-9	165	JR	Cape Coral, FL (Tallahassee CC)
	29	Tim Miller	P	R-R	6-1	200	FR	Williamsport, PA (Williamsport Area HS)
	30	Scott Bentley	OF	R-R	6-0	175	FR	Aurora, CO (Overland HS)
	31	David Yocum	P	L-L	6-0	175	FR	Miami, FL (Columbus HS)
	32	Paul Wilson	P	R-R	6-5	217	JR	Orlando, FL (Boone, HS)
	33	Charles McQuaig	C	L-R	6-2	195	FR-R	Milledgeville, GA (Milledge Academy)
	35	Steven Morgan	P	L-L	5-10	190	SO	Lake Placid, FL (Taravella)
	37	Jeremy Morris	OF	R-R	6-2	203	FR	Quincy, FL (Robert F. Munroe)
	39	Chuck Howell	P	R-R	6-0	192	FR	Tallahassee, FL (Leon HS)
No.	41	Lane Chance	P	R-R	6-5	220	JR	Tallahassee, FL (Tallahassee CC)
STATE OF	44	Mike Bell	P/1B	L-L	6-2	190	JR	Sarasota, FL (Pasco-Hernando CC)
September 1	49	Charlie Cruz	P	L-L/	5-11	170	JR	Miami, FL (N. Miami Senior CC)
	51	Steve Butler	P/1B	LL	6-4	220	FR	Miami, FL (Westminster Christian)
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SEM Outlook

Just a year after fielding his youngest team ever, Florida State Head Coach Mike Martin may field his best team ever.

That says a lot for Martin and his staff, who molded 19 newcomers and a short list of returnees into a team that threatened to make a return trip to the College World

Series in 1993. And that by a team that was unranked, according to one poll, when the season started.

That poll, Baseball America's, this year has the Seminoles ranked second in the presea-

son. Collegiate Baseball says they are the fourth best team in the land.

What does this mean? Besides making the Seminoles a large target, very little. But it does say something. That Florida State is once again as talented as anybody, and should make a strong run toward yet another College World Series appearance.

If the Seminoles are to return to Omaha, they will have to do it in one of the toughest conferences in college baseball. Even as highly-ranked as the Seminoles are, ACC rival Georgia Tech is rated higher, number one according to Baseball America, which ranked two

teams from the same league 1-2 for the first time in its history.

N.C. State, North Carolina and Clemson are once again among the top teams in the land, too. Last year, those five ACC teams reached postseason play, all seeded second or higher in their respective regionals.

"I truly believe college baseball is at an all-time high in terms of parity," Martin said. "Even in our league, we have a team ranked higher than we are, and we're number two!"

Not only will the Seminoles play in a

tough league, they will battle another difficult schedule, with the likes of Hawaii, Arizona State, Minnesota, Florida and Miami out of the conference.

If you play a tough schedule, it helps to have experience. That, Florida State has, along with depth...and pitching.

The '94 Seminoles return seven position starters and five pitchers. In all, 15 letterwinners return. Add to that the third best recruiting class in the nation, according to *Collegiate Baseball*, and its easy to see why expectations are so high in Tallahassee.

"High expectations and high rankings do not concern me," Martin added. "What concerns me is these kids are now being put in a situation of being shot at from day one. I feel they can handle it as they handled their ups and downs last year.

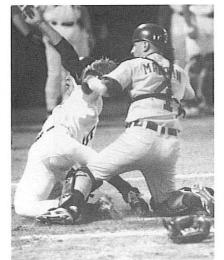
"There is still a lot for this team to prove."
How will they get it done? The philosophy will be the same, as Martin enters his 15th season — pitching, defense and speed. Those are the trademarks of one of the most successful coaches in the history of college baseball has preached the past nine seasons.

In Jonathan Johnson and Paul Wilson, FSU returns the ACC's top two ERA leaders from 1993. The pair combined for a 21-6 record a year ago, with Johnson posting a league-leading 1.68 ERA followed by Wilson's 1.94 mark.

Wilson, who compiled a 5-4 record this past summer for Team USA, is projected to be a possible number one pick in the upcoming amateur draft. The 6-5, 215-pound junior out of Orlando "pours the ball into the strike zone." Last year, he hurled six complete games, four shutouts, and blanked Miami twice and Florida once. He was a second-team All-ACC choice.

Johnson, a freshman All-American and the reigning ACC Rookie of the Year, averaged 10.4 strikeouts per nine innings and posted a 10-1 record last year. He, too, was invited to Team USA tryouts, but returned home bothered by an elbow injury. With Wilson and Johnson, Florida State returns the best starting duo in college baseball.

Also back is Phil Olson, who had an outstanding summer in the Alaska league. Olson



Catcher Mike Martin is one of seven position starters that return in 1994.



will most likely be FSU's closer. In that role last year, he posted four quick saves before being pressed into the starting rotation.

Junior Charlie Cruz is one of five lefthanders on the pitching staff. Cruz will have to fill a variety of roles this year. Other lefties include sophomore "Scooby" Morgan, juco transfer Mike Bell, and freshmen David Yocum and Steve Butler, each of whom could vie for a spot in the starting rotation.

"We're going to go as far as our pitching will take us," says Martin. "Last year, we did not do the job in support of our pitching. We put too much pressure on our staff. We have to do a better job of scoring runs."

Defensively, Florida State returns its entire infield intact, led by veteran shortstop Link Jarrett, who will begin his fourth season as the starter at short. Arguably one of the best defensive shortstops in the country, Jarrett committed just seven errors in 290 chances a year ago, while starting every game. He has started 134 of FSU's 135 games over the past two seasons. In 1992, Jarrett led the team with a .325 average and an ACC-best 25 doubles.

Joining Jarrett on the left side of the infield will be sophomore Mickey Lopez, who won the job at third midway through the '93 season. Lopez is a solid defender with a strong arm and some pop in his bat. He will likely be the leadoff hitter, a role he took over for the last month of the year in '93.

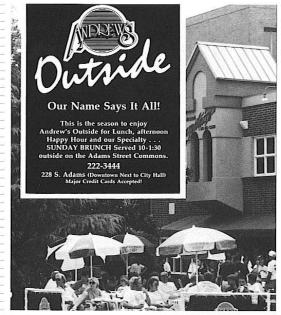
Utility infielder Jack Niles, another switchhitter, will battle Lopez for playing time at third. Niles can also play short, second, and the outfield.

Speedy Chad Sheffer returns at second, where he started 60 games last year. Sheffer struggled at the plate, but became a reliable gloveman and anchored the lineup in the number nine spot.

At first base, Doug Mientkiewicz returns after leading the team in hitting last year. Mientkiewicz batted .327 last year and also led the squad with 47 RBI. He played consistently at first base, and held down the number three spot in the order. That's where he will begin the '94 campaign.

Freshmen Scott Zech will back up Jarrett at short, and Butler, Bell and Danny Kanell will also work for playing time behind Mientkiewicz at first.

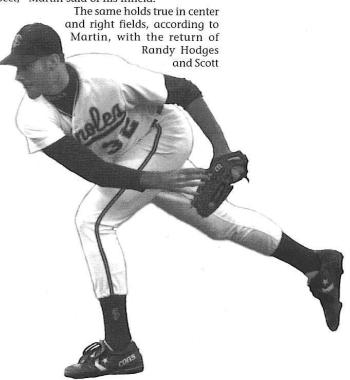
Behind the plate, the Seminoles return Team USA catcher Mike Martin. Martin is coming off a knee injury suffered while touring this summer, but should be ready on opening day. The lefthanded hitting backstop hit .307 last year with five home runs and 43 RBI. An iron man behind the dish, Martin threw out nearly 40 percent of potential base



stealers.

He is backed up by Colby Weaver and Charles McQuaig. Weaver was the starting catcher in 1992, giving the Seminoles two experienced catchers.

"These young men, with a year under their belts, know the system and what to expect," Martin said of his infield.



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Schroeffel. Martin is confident in the abilities of walk-on Mike Buttery, who finished the fall as the leading candidate to start in left field.

Hodges, a junior, is an excellent defensive outfielder with a strong arm and good speed. He is the type of player that always gives 110 percent, likes to get dirty, and can play all three outfield positions.

Schroeffel has good foot speed in center and is a promising hitter. The switch-hitting sophomore batted .309 last year and started 31 games in the outfield.

Buttery, with discipline at the plate, could become the surprise of this team. He proved he could hit for power in the fall, and may find himself hitting in the middle of the lineup. Buttery improved daily as an outfielder, and has a strong arm and above average speed.

Sophomore Clint Hendry and Bell will also vie for playing time in the outfield. Both are left-handed hitters. Freshmen Scott Bentley, James Colzie, and Jeremy Morris, who all came over from football and joined the team in January, will also battle for playing time.

Mientkiewicz, Kanell, Buttery, Bell and Butler will also hit in the DH spot from time to time, depending on the platoon system. Martin could actually pencil nine lefthanded hitters in the lineup this year, a dream of his.

The Seminoles open the season in Hawaii, but paradise will be no vacation as the Tribe has four games scheduled with 17th-ranked Hawaii, and plays a three-game set at Hawaii-Hilo.

More ranked competition awaits the Seminoles on their return to Tallahassee. No sooner do they get off the plane, than highly-ranked Arizona State greets the Seminoles for a weekend series at Howser Stadium. The next weekend, it's number 22 Minnesota in town for three games.

Once again, FSU has a four-game, four-day series with Florida that, this year, begins in Gainesville. The Florida series marks the first of 20 games in the month of March, ending with nine straight league games, including a spring break trip to North Carolina to meet Wake Forest and UNC.

In April, FSU faces highly ranked competition every weekend, beginning with N.C. State. Next, Miami comes to town. After returning Miami's visit, the Tribe greets Georgia Tech. The following week finds Duke visiting before it's off to Clemson for the regular season finale.

The ACC Tournament, which will once again be played in Greenville, SC, begins May 18, and this year includes just eight of the nine league teams.

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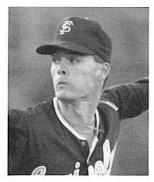
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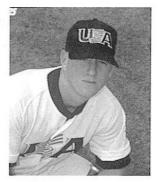
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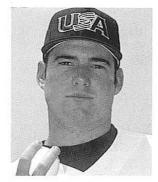
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Paul Wilson, RHP - 1993

Over the past several years, Florida State players have become regulars on Team USA rosters. Six recent Seminoles have represented the United States and Florida State University all over the globe. Last year, Paul Wilson and Mike Martin toured with Team USA, playing on baseball diamonds from Italy to Nicaragua to Cuba. Also, freshman Steve Butler has toured with Junior Team USA for the past two summers.

