

Gary Schull, Florida State's basketball team hung an 85-81 defeat on Manhattan College in a consolation game of the Gator Bowl Tournament here Friday night.

Florida overcame a terrific Air Force Academy defense to defeat the Falcons 74-68 in the finals for the tournament title.

Recovering brilliantly from a thoroughly bad performance in a loss to the Air Force Academy on Thursday, FSU was a daring and alert team against Manhattan's Jaspers.

The Seminoles took the lead at 16:15 and never trailed after that, though it was a heart-stopper in the fading minutes when the Jaspers, behind as much as 11 points, fought back to tie and had a couple of lovely opportunities to go ahead.

A rugged 6-6 type, Schull poured in 27 points for the Tribe, pulled down a game-tying 11-rebounds.

Manhattan's great scoring ace, 6-5 Larry Lembo, racked up 29, including 17 in the second half.

FSU was hot with its shots from the field, putting in 33 of 66 for an even 50 per cent, contrasted with Manhattan's 30 of 68 for 44 per cent. The Seminoles led in rebounds 46-39. Seminole efficiency at the foul line was a factor. FSU dropped in 19 of 25 free throws, Manhattan 21 of 29.

FSU also had a standout effort by Jerry Shirley, who notched 17 points, plucked 10 rebounds. Manhattan's Len Schnaptauf, who fouled out with 9:08 to play, hit 16 points.

Manhattan, on four straight points, by 6-9 Henry Chlupsa, jumped to a 6-3 lead in the early going.

Behind 15-13, FSU went on a nine-point tear for a 22-15 lead. It was 38-35 at intermission, with Schull scoring 10 first half points, Shirley nine and Cal Huge 8.

On two quick buckets by Pete Gonzalez, another by Shirley, FSU stepped away 44-35 at the start of the last half.

With Schull packing them in from outside, FSU drove on to a 51-40 lead before Manhattan came back big.

Behind 56-47, a seven-point points, by 6-9 Henry Chlupsa, Lembo's three-point spray, narrowed things to 56-54.

With the score 59-57, Pete Rogers stole the ball and pounded in for a layup that gave FSU a 61-57 advantage. But Manhattan tied it with 10:36 to go as Lembo hit a two-pointer and Matthew Link matched it.

Schull got his fourth foul with 7:50 left and FSU ahead 70-65. With 4:55 and the Seminoles leading 73-69 Shirley registered his fourth foul. Things got real sticky after that.

With some clutch work by Rogers for four points, FSU pushed to 77-72 lead. It was 80-75, then Joe Pette and Lembo sank fielders to cut things to 80-79 with 2:15 to play.

Schull missed a 20-footer at 1:49, and Manhattan pulled off the rebound. But Joe DeSantis missed on a shot that would have put the Jaspers ahead. FSU got the rebound. Then an offensive foul by Schull—putting him out of the game—provided Manhattan with the ball, with 54 seconds left.

Lembo tried a 20-footer with 37 seconds remaining. No good. Shirley was fouled as he went

for the rebound.

In a key 1-1 situation, Shirley put through both shots for an 82-79 lead. Manhattan immediately came back on a fielder by Pette, and trimmed it to 82-81 with 24 seconds to go.

But Gonzalez was fouled and he sank two free throws. Shirley added another on a technical foul call for the final 85-81 margin.

It was a nip and tuck game in the finales from the outset and the final score represented the biggest margin either team held. Brooks Henderson's floor work and the inside maneuvers of Florida's three big men — 6-foot-11 Richard Peek, 6-foot-6 Mont Highley and 6-foot-4 Chick Tomlinson — made the difference.

All were in double figures, led by Tomlinson's 22. Henderson had 17, Highley 14 and Peek 11.

It was 66-66 with 4:02 to go and, Florida made an effective stall pay off with six free throws and one jump shot by Tom Baxley the rest of the way. All Air Force could hit in the final four minutes, was a jumper.

FSU	FG	FT	Reb.	PF	TP	
Rogers	3-6	2-2	3	2	4	
Huge	4-6	0-0	3	4	8	
Schull	11-16	5-7	11	5	27	
Leakey	1-8	3-6	6	0	5	
Gonzalez	5-7	2-3	5	1	12	
Ek	1-2	0-0	1	1	2	
Shirley	5-15	7-7	10	4	17	
Lovell	2-5	0-0	0	0	4	
Peacock	1-1	0-0	1	3	2	
Totals	33-66	19-25	46	20	85	
Manhattan	FG	FT	Reb.	PF	TP	
Lembo	9-17	11-13	7	2	29	
Link	4-13	1-1	6	1	9	
Chlupka	2-4	2-2	3	3	6	
Schnaptau	6-11	4-6	6	1	16	
Pette	3-4	0-0	3	1	6	
DeSantis	5-14	2-3	7	4	12	
Travers	2-0	0-0	5	0	0	
Crews	2-0	0-0	2	0	0	
Flanagan	1-1	1-2	3	2	3	
Totals	30-36	21-29	39	13	81	
MANHATTAN			35	46	81	
FSU			38	47	85	

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