

# Virginia Cavaliers

## Sports Information

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### MORGAN HOMERS TWICE, CHOATE THROWS 3-HITTER AS FSU BLANKS UVA, 6-0 Seminoles move closer to ACC title; Cavaliers still clinging to 5th

Charlottesville, Va. (5/10/96) - Senior designated hitter Scooby Morgan hit a pair of home runs while sophomore lefthander Randy Choate tossed a 3-hitter as visiting #7-ranked Florida State moved a step closer to clinching its first Atlantic Coast Conference title with a 6-0 victory over the University of Virginia in front of a near-capacity crowd Friday at the UVA Baseball Field.

With the win, Florida State (42-12, 18-4 ACC) reduced its magic number for clinching the ACC title to "1", pending 2nd-place Clemson's home game with Georgia Tech later Friday night (Clemson is 15-6). The victory snapped FSU's 4-game conference losing streak while also ending a 5-game winning streak for UVA, which had won 15 of its previous 17 heading into the series opener.

Virginia (35-17, 10-12 ACC), which was shut out for just the third time this season, saw its hold on 5th-place in the ACC shrink after its ace, junior righthander Seth Greisinger, faltered in his attempt to win for the 10th time this season. Coupled with Duke's 7-5 win at Maryland, UVA leads the Blue Devils (9-12) by percentage points, with Duke and Maryland set to conclude their doubleheader later Friday night. UVA's lead over North Carolina (9-12) shrunk to a half game, with the Tar Heels hosting N.C. State on Friday evening.

Choate (13-3) faced just 30 batters while remaining amongst the nation's victory leaders. He scattered three hits and a pair of walks over the full nine innings, while serving up two double play balls and striking out five.

Greisinger (9-2) gave up seven hits and six runs, only three of which were earned, over seven full innings. His eight strikeouts gave Greisinger 116 K's for the season, moving into 2nd on the UVA all-time list, and 265 K's in his career, just seven back of Tim Burcham's UVA record (272, from 1983-95). Burcham holds the UVA single season mark as well (146 in 1985).

Brooks Badeaux opened the game with a walk before Scott Zech stuck out looking and J.D. Drew flew out to center. Jeremy Morris then sent a roller to the left side but 3rd baseman Brian Sherlock could not find the handle, extending the inning. Morgan then launched an opposite-field shot over the rightfield fence for an early 3-0 FSU lead.

Drew hit a 2-out homer in the 3rd, clearing the fence in left-center field, and Morgan opened the 4th with a shot into the trees outside the leftfield fence, marking the first multiple home run game of the season for a FSU player. Drew's blast gave him 16 home runs for the season while Morgan moved into double digits with his 10th and 11th bomb of the year.

UVA's best chance came in the 4th, when John Galloway led off with a sharp single to left and moved up to 2nd on a walk by Donnie Seward. But Choate forced senior catcher Justin Counts into a 6-4-3 double play before Kevin Ford left Galloway at 3rd with a groundout to 1st base.

Choate then set down five straight before Galloway drew a 2-out walk in the 6th, with Seward striking out moments later. UVA offered another baserunner in the 8th, when Symmlon Willis hit a leadoff single before being forced out on a fielder's choice. Choate then forced E.J. Anderson to fly out and Adam Robinson to hit into another fielder's choice, ending the inning.

Galloway beat out an infield single to open the 9th but Seward then hit into a double play and Counts flied out to end the game.

Florida State	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	-	6	8	0
Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	3	2

Choate and Salazar. Greisinger, Lee (8), Zawatski (9) and Counts. **WIN** - Choate (13-3). **LOSS** - Greisinger (9-2). **HOME RUNS:** FSU - Morgan 2 (1st inning, 2 on, 10th of season; 4th inning, solo, 11th of season), Drew (3rd inning, solo, 16th of season).

**RECORDS:** FSU (42-12, 18-4 ACC), UVA (35-17, 10-12 ACC).

## 1996 FLORIDA STATE BASEBALL

FLORIDA STATE at Virginia May 10, 1996 at Charlottesville, VA

FLORIDA STATE 6 (42-12)

Virginia 0 (35-17)

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Badeaux, Brooks ss	4	2	1	0	1	1	1	2	Galloway, John lf	3	0	2	0	1	0	2	0
Zech, Scott 2b	4	0	0	0	1	3	3	6	Seward, Donnie cf	3	0	0	0	1	2	2	0
Drew, J.D. cf	4	1	2	2	1	1	3	0	Counts, Justin c	4	0	0	0	0	0	8	3
Morris, Jeremy lf	5	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	Ford, Kevin 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	12	0
Morgan, Scooby dh	4	2	2	4	0	1	0	0	Gilleland, Ryan 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	5
Sprague, Geoff 1b	3	0	0	0	0	1	11	0	Willis, Symion rf	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Woodward, Matt ph/1b	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	Sherlock, Brian 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Salazar, Jeremy c	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	Anderson, E.J. dh	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Nedeau, Steve rf	4	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	Robinson, Adam ss	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zabala, Jose 3b	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	3	Greisinger, Seth p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Choate, Randy p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	Lee, Andrew p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
									Zawatski, Geoff p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	35	6	8	6	4	9	27	14	Totals.....	28	0	3	0	2	5	27	12

Score by innings:

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FLORIDA STATE	301	100	100	-	6	8	0
Virginia	000	000	000	-	0	3	2

L - Sherlock 2(11).

DP - SEMINOLES 2. LOB - SEMINOLES 7, Cavaliers 3.

HR - Drew(16), Morgan 2(11).

SB - Badeaux. CS - Nedeau.

FLORIDA STATE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	Virginia	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Choate, Randy	9.0	3	0	0	2	5	Greisinger, Seth	7.0	7	6	3	2	8
							Lee, Andrew	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
							Zawatski, Geoff	1.0	0	0	0	2	0

Winner - Choate 13-3. Loser - Greisinger 9-2. Save - None.

WP - Greisinger.

HBP - by Greisinger (Salazar).

Umpires - Kramer, Pittman, Everett

Start: 4:06 Time: 2:05 Attendance: 611

Game Notes:

ACC Records: FSU 18-4, UVa 10-12