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NO. 2 FLORIDA STATE DOWNS DUKE, 7-3

MARCH 21, 1997

DURHAM, N.C. -- Third baseman Geoff Sprauge belted four hits, including a two-run homer, as he led No. 2 Florida State (22-6, 6-1 ACC) to a 7-3 win over ACC foe Duke (20-7, 3-4 ACC) at Jack Coombs Field on the Duke University campus.

Florida State jumped out to a 2-0 lead on centerfielder J.D. Drew's tworun home run after second baseman Scott Zech was walked by Duke lefthander Clayton Connor in the first inning. Drew leads the ACC with 13 home runs on the season.

The Seminoles scored three more in the second as leftfielder Jeremy Morris drove in Jose Zabala and Drew on a blast to rightfield to give FSU a 5-0 edge.

Duke retaliated in the bottem of the second inning as leftfielder Jeff Staubach belted his first home run of the year off Florida State lefthander Randy Choate. Third baseman Jeff Becker added another solo blast in the third inning to close the gap to 5-2.

Choate retired 12 consecutive batters before second baseman Jeremy Horowitz singled to centerfield in the seventh inning. Horowitz scored on first baseman John Benik's double to centerfield making it a 5-3 ballgame.

Choate struck out a season-high eight batters in the 7 2/3 inning outing. Choate gave up six hits and walked four before leaving the game after loading the bases in the eighth inning. Seminole closer took Chris Chavez over for Choate and struck out rightfielder Michael Fletcher to end the inning. Chavez struck out three in 1 1/3 innings pitched as he earned his sixth save of the season.

The Seminoles were shutout by reliever Brad DuPree until third baseman Geoff Sprague blasted a two-run homer over the rightfield fence in the ninth inning. Sprague extended his hitting streak to a career-long nine games with a 4-for-5 outing.

Duke starter Clayton Connor (3-2) gave up five runs on eight hits and three walks as he took the loss for the Blue Devils.

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DP-FSU 1, Duke 2. LOB-FSU 9, Duke 8.

Choate, Chavez (8) and Klosterman. Connor, DuPree (4), Sullivan (8) and Maluchnik.

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### 1997 FLORIDA STATE BASEBALL

# FLORIDA STATE at Duke Blue Devils Mar 21, 1997 at Durham, NC

FLORIDA STATE 7 (22-6)

Duke Blue Devils 3 (20-7)

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H F	BI	BB	SO	P0	A	Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	P0	A
Zech, Scott 2b Drew, J.D. cf Morris, Jeremy 1f Sprague, Geoff 3b Cox, Brian dh Henderson, Terry ph/dh Woodward, Matt 1b McCorkel, Shawn rf Griggs, Reggie ph Klosterman, Jeremiah c Zabala, Jose ss Choate, Randy p Chavez, Chris p	4 5 2 3 5 4 1	2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0	1 2 2 4 1 1 0 0 0 0	3 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 1 0	0 2 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1	2 0 0 0 0 10 0 0 12 1	0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0	Schill, Vaughn ss Becker, Jeff 3b Conrey, Ed dh Goodroe, Randy pr Fletcher, Michael rf Geis, Adam cf Staubach, Jeff 1f Horowitz, Jeremy 2b Benik, John 1b Maluchnik, Gregg c Russell, Chase pr Connor, Clayton p DuPree, Brad p Sullivan, Teddy p	2 0 4 3 4 4 4 3	1 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0	1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0	0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0	2 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0	1 0 0 2 2 2 2 2 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 1 3 5 0 6	0 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0
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HR - Drew(13), Morris(8), Sprague(3), Becker(7), Staubach(1). SB - Drew(11), McCorkel, Zech(21).

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Choate, Randy Chavez, Chris	7.2 1.1	6				Connor, Clayton DuPree, Brad Sullivan, Teddy	3.0 5.0 1.0	8 4	5		3	0

Winner - Choate 7-0. Loser - Connor 3-2. Save - Chavez (6).

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Game Notes:

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### FLORIDA STATE

Zech 2b Drew cf Morris lf Sprague 3b Cox dh Henderson rf Woodward 1b McCorkel rf Griggs ph Klosterman c Zabala ss Choate p Chavez p	BB	F72 1B	BB 3 F8 2 5-3 1B 3 BB 5	KS 1B P3 KL	P6 HP3 F73	BB KS FC KS	F7 P2 KS	5-3 F7	9 1B
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### Duke Blue Devils

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# FLORIDA STATE inning 1

Zech walked. Drew homered to center field, 2 RBI; Zech scored. Morris grounded out to p. Sprague singled to center field. Cox singled to center field; Sprague advanced to second. Woodward flied out to rf. McCorkel flied out to lf. 2 runs, 3 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

# Duke Blue Devils inning 1

Schill struck out looking. Becker grounded out to 2b. Conrey walked. Conrey advanced to second on a wild pitch. Fletcher struck out. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

## FLORIDA STATE inning 2

Klosterman lined out to ss. Zabala singled, bunt. Zech flied out to lf. Drew singled to center field; Zabala advanced to second. Morris homered to right center, 3 RBI; Drew scored; Zabala scored. Sprague singled to left field. Cox flied out to cf. 3 runs, 4 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

## Duke Blue Devils inning 2

Geis struck out. Staubach homered to right field, RBI. Horowitz grounded out to 1b unassisted. Benik grounded out to p. 1 run, 1 hit, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

### FLORIDA STATE inning 3

Woodward grounded out to 3b. McCorkel singled, bunt. McCorkel stole second. Klosterman walked. Zabala flied out to cf. Zech walked; Klosterman advanced to second; McCorkel advanced to third. Drew flied out to cf. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 3 LOB.

### Duke Blue Devils inning 3

Maluchnik walked. Schill grounded into double play ss to 2b to 1b; Maluchnik out on the play. Becker homered to center field, RBI. Conrey singled to left field. Fletcher struck out looking. 1 run, 2 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

### FLORIDA STATE inning 4

DuPree to p for Connor. Morris struck out. Sprague singled, bunt.

Henderson pinch hit for Cox. Henderson popped up to 1b. Woodward struck out looking. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 4

Geis fouled out to ss. Staubach struck out. Horowitz struck out. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 5

McCorkel popped up to ss. Klosterman hit by pitch. Zabala flied into double play lf to 1b; Klosterman out on the play. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 5

Benik grounded out to ss. Maluchnik flied out to cf. Schill popped up to c. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 6

Zech singled to right field. Zech advanced to second on a wild pitch. Drew walked. Morris struck out; Drew stole second; Zech stole third. Sprague reached on a fielder's choice; Drew advanced to third; Zech out at home 1b to c. Henderson struck out. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 6

Becker out at first 1b to p. Conrey flied out to cf. Fletcher grounded out to 3b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 7

Woodward flied out to 1f. McCorkel popped up to c. Klosterman struck out. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 7

Geis struck out looking. Staubach grounded out to p. Horowitz singled to center field. Benik doubled to center field, RBI; Horowitz scored. Maluchnik grounded out to p. 1 run, 2 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 8

Zabala struck out. Zech grounded out to 3b. Drew flied out to 1f. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 8

Schill struck out looking. Becker grounded out to 2b. Conrey walked. Goodroe pinch ran for Conrey. Fletcher singled to center field; Goodroe advanced to third. Geis walked; Fletcher advanced to second. Chavez to p

for Choate. Staubach struck out looking. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 3 LOB.

## FLORIDA STATE inning 9

Morris singled to right center. Sprague homered to right field, 2 RBI; Morris scored. Sullivan to p for DuPree. Henderson singled to right field. Woodward grounded into double play 2b to ss to 1b; Henderson out on the play. Griggs pinch hit for McCorkel. Henderson to dh. Griggs struck out looking. 2 runs, 3 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

# Duke Blue Devils inning 9

Henderson to rf. Chavez to p for Griggs. / for Chavez. Horowitz struck out. Benik fouled out to 1b. Maluchnik singled to right field. Russell pinch ran for Maluchnik. Schill singled to right field; Russell advanced to third. Becker struck out. 0 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

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