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NO. 2 FLORIDA STATE DEFEATS DUKE, 8-3

DURHAM, N.C. -- Righthander Chuck Howell struck out five batters in eight innnigs as he led No. 2 Florida State (23-6, 7-1 ACC) to a 8-3 win over ACC foe Duke (20-8, 3-5 ACC) at Jack Coombs Field.

Florida State jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the third inning as first baseman Matt Woodward singled and scored on a wild pitch and shortstop Jose Zabala walked and then came home on a passed ball.

Duke retaliated in the bottom of the third inning as Howell loaded the bases and then walked designated-hitter Ed Conrey allowing shortstop Vaugh Schill to score. Rightfielder Michael Fletcher then drove in two runs on a basehit to leftfield giving the Blue Devils a 3-2 edge.

The Seminoles tied the game in the fourth inning as third baseman Geoff Sprague walked and scored on a passed ball, and then regained the lead as DH Brian Cox and rightfielder Shawn McCorkel scored on a grounder by Matt Woodward and error by Duke pitcher Chris Capuano.

McCorkel gave the Seminoles some insurance runs in the fifth inning with a two-run double to leftfield. He then scored on catcher Jeremy Salazar's single to leftfield.

Howell (5-0) gave up three runs on eight hits and walked two in the eightinning outing, but allowed Duke to score only in the third inning. Lefthander Zach Diaz faced Duke's final three batters in the ninth inning to close the game.

Capuano (3-3) gave up eight runs on six hits and six walks while striking out six in the loss for Duke.

Centerfielder J.D. Drew went 3-for-5 on the day, while Geoff Sprague was 2-for-3 and scored two runs.

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DP-FSU 1, Duke 1. LOB-FSU 6, Duke 7.

Howell, Diaz (9) and Salazar. Capuano, Sullivan (5) and Maluchnik. --30--

1997 FLORIDA STATE BASEBALL

FLORIDA STATE at Duke Blue Devils Mar 22, 1997 at Durham, NC

FLORIDA STATE 8 (23-6)

Duke Blue Devils 3 (20-8)

Name (Pos)		AI	3 R	H	RB	Ι	BB	SO	PO) /	1	Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	S0	P0	A
Zech, Scott 2b Drew, J.D. cf Morris, Jeremy lf Sprague, Geoff 3b Cox, Brian dh Henderson, Terry ph/o McCorkel, Shawn rf Salazar, Jeremy c Woodward, Matt 1b Zabala, Jose ss Cash, Kevin ph/ss Howell, Chuck p Diaz, Zach p	dh	3 2 2 2 4 4 4 2	0 0 1 1 0 0 0	3 0 2 1 0 1 1 1 0 0	0 0 0 0 2 1 1		2 1 1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0	0 0 1 1 0 2 0 2 0 0 0	5 0 0 3 5 12 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0		Schill, Vaughn ss Becker, Jeff 3b Conrey, Ed dh Fletcher, Michael rf Geis, Adam cf Staubach, Jeff 1f Benik, John 1b Horowitz, Jeremy 2b Maluchnik, Gregg c Capuano, Chris p Sullivan, Teddy p	4 2 3 4 4 4 4 4 0	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	1 1 1 0 1 0 1 0	0	2 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 1 2 2	1 0 1 2 2 6 4 9	0 0 1 0 2 2 2 2
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CS - Drew, Morris, Sprague. SH - McCorkel, Zech.

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Howell, Chuck Diaz, Zach	8.0 1.0	8 0	_	3 0		5 0	Capuano, Chris Sullivan, Teddy	4.2 4.1	6 3	 8 0	6 0	6 1	6

Winner - Howell 5-0. Loser - Capuano 3-3. Save - None. WP - Capuano 2. PB - Maluchnik. HBP - by Capuano (Sprague), by Howell (Fletcher). Umpires - Morris, Fuqua, Alexander Start: 1:00 Time: 2:42 Attendance: 362

Game Notes:

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FLORIDA STATE

Duke Blue Devils

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Conrey dh	1B	,	BB		6-3		BB		
Fletcher rf	F8_		iB		HP		F7		
Geis cf	F8		PF3		1B		w	5-3	
Staubach 1f	"	F8_	F8		KL			6-3	
Benik 1b		KS	KL 🖁			1B_ ∞		5-3	
Horowitz 2b		KS	"	KS _∞	ł	543			4-3
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FLORIDA STATE inning 1

Zech grounded out to ss. Drew struck out. Morris popped up to 2b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 1

Schill singled to center field. Becker flied out to rf. Conrey singled to left field; Schill advanced to second. Fletcher flied out to cf. Geis flied out to cf. 0 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 2

Sprague singled to right field. Sprague out at second p to 1b to ss, caught stealing. Cox walked. McCorkel grounded out to 1b unassisted, SAC, bunt; Cox advanced to second. Salazar struck out. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 2

Staubach flied out to cf. Benik struck out. Horowitz struck out. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 3

Woodward singled to right field. Zabala walked; Woodward advanced to second. Zech out at first 3b to 2b, SAC, bunt; Zabala advanced to second; Woodward advanced to third. Drew struck out. Zabala advanced to third on a wild pitch; Woodward scored on a wild pitch. Morris walked, advanced to second on a passed ball; Zabala scored on a passed ball, unearned. Morris out at third c to 3b, caught stealing. 2 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 3

Maluchnik singled, bunt. Schill singled to right field; Maluchnik advanced to second. Becker singled to center field; Schill advanced to second; Maluchnik advanced to third. Conrey walked, RBI; Becker advanced to second; Schill advanced to third; Maluchnik scored. Fletcher singled to left field, 2 RBI; Conrey advanced to second; Becker scored; Schill scored. Geis fouled out to 1b. Staubach flied out to cf. Benik struck out looking. 3 runs, 4 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 4

Sprague walked. Cox singled to right field; Sprague advanced to third.

McCorkel walked; Cox advanced to second. McCorkel advanced to second on a wild pitch; Cox advanced to third on a wild pitch; Sprague scored on a wild pitch. Salazar struck out. Woodward reached on a throwing error by p, advanced to second, RBI; McCorkel scored, unearned; Cox scored. Zabala struck out looking. Zech flied out to cf. 3 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 1 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 4

Horowitz struck out. Maluchnik grounded out to 2b. Schill flied out to rf. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 5

Drew singled to center field. Drew out at second p to 1b to 2b, caught stealing. Morris walked. Sprague hit by pitch; Morris advanced to second. Cox struck out. McCorkel doubled to left field, 2 RBI; Sprague scored; Morris scored. Salazar singled to left field, RBI; McCorkel scored. Sullivan to p for Capuano. Woodward popped up to 2b. 3 runs, 3 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 5

Becker grounded out to 3b. Conrey grounded out to ss. Fletcher hit by pitch. Geis singled to left field; Fletcher advanced to second. Staubach struck out looking. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 6

Zabala struck out. Zech walked. Drew doubled to right field; Zech advanced to third. Morris reached on a fielder's choice, advanced to second; Drew out at third 2b to ss to cf to 1b; Zech out at home p to 3b to c to ss. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 6

Benik singled to right field. Horowitz grounded into double play 3b to 2b to 1b; Benik out on the play. Maluchnik flied out to cf. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 7

Sprague grounded out to 3b. Henderson pinch hit for Cox. Henderson struck out looking. McCorkel flied out to 1f. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 7

Schill grounded out to 2b. Becker grounded out to 3b. Conrey walked. Fletcher flied out to 1f. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 8

Salazar flied out to rf. Woodward flied out to lf. Cash pinch hit for

Zabala. Cash grounded out to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 8

Henderson to dh. Cash to ss. Geis grounded out to 3b. Staubach grounded out to ss. Benik grounded out to 3b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FLORIDA STATE inning 9

Zech popped up to c. Drew singled. Morris flied out to cf. Sprague singled; Drew advanced to second. Henderson grounded out to 2b. 0 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

Duke Blue Devils inning 9

Diaz to p for Howell. Horowitz grounded out to 2b. Maluchnik flied out to rf. Schill lined out to 1b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

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