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NO. 23 SEMINOLES DROP 5-3 DECISION TO NO. 13 TENNESSEE

LAKE BUENA VISTA, FL -- Tennessee righthander Kurt Scott struck out 10 batters as he led the No. 13 Volunteers to a 5-3 win over No. 23 Florida State in the ACC Baseball Blast at Disney's Wide World of Sports complex.

Florida State jumped out to an early 3-0 in the first inning with the help of a walk, two hit batters and a Tennessee error. Volunteer righthander Kurt Scott dropped a Brian Cox pop fly with the bases loaded scoring shortstop Brooks Badeaux and second baseman Jose Zabala. Centerfielder Shawn McCorkel gave the Seminoles their third run after stealing home while Cox evaded a run down by the Volunteers in the double steal attempt.

Tennessee chipped away at FSU's lead as leftfielder Donnie Ross and rightfielder Sonny Cortez hit solo home runs in the fourth and fifth innings, respectively.

The Volunteers took a 4-3 advantage in the sixth inning as catcher Jason Evans led off with a double to rightfield. Evans scored on an Eduardo Figueroa fielder's choice. Figueroa then advanced to third base on an error by Zabala and was driven home with a basehit to leftfield by second baseman Jeff Pickler.

Cortez added another solo run in the seventh inning to give Tennessee a 5-3 lead.

Scott (1-0) held the Seminoles hitless until the seventh inning when Badeaux singled to rightfield. Scott struck out 10 batters and did not allow an earned run on two hits in seven innings pitched. Reliever Clark Odom earned a save for the Volunteers as he struck out the side in the eighth inning.

Seminole righthander Jon McDonald (0-1) gave up three runs on five hits in relief as he took the loss. McDonald struck out four batters in three-plus innings. Florida State freshman lefthander Chris Ginn hurled five innings in his first collegiate start surrendering two runs on four hits.

The Seminoles stranded two baserunners in both the sixth and seventh innings.

NOTES: Rightfielder Brian Cox earned all-tournament team honors for his game-winning grand slam against Ohio State....second baseman Jose Zabala became FSU's all-time leader in hit by pitches with 33.

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Tennessee 5 (2-1)

Florida State 3 (1-2)

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Win - Scott 1-0. Loss - McDonald 0-1. Save - Odom (1).

WP - Ginn, McDonald.
HBP - by Scott (Zabala), by Scott (McCorkel), by Ginn (Evans), by Ginn (Figueroa), by Scott (McCorkel), by Scott (Cash), by

Umpires - Home: Kiernam 1st: Magnusson 3rd: Darby Start: 7:09 Time: 3:10 Attendance: 1990

Game Notes:

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McDonald faced 2 batters in the 9th.