



# FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

## SPORTS INFORMATION



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### NO. 17 MIAMI DEFEATS NO. 1 FSU 7-3

Coral Gables, FL – After winning three straight against the Hurricanes in Tallahassee, the top-ranked Seminoles (36-6) dropped a 7-3 contest to No. 17 Miami (25-12-1) in front of 2,396 at Mark Light Stadium. UM RHP David Gil worked 8.0 innings and gave up three runs on six hits as he improved his record to 6-1 on the year. Gil struck out 10 and walked just one. RHP Tom Farmer came in to close the game out in the ninth for the Hurricanes.

“David Gil was definitely the difference tonight,” said head coach Mike Martin. “He threw well all night and really did a good job of spotting his fastball. Miami just outplayed us, plain and simple.”

Miami got on the scoreboard first with two runs in the bottom of the third inning. Shortstop Javy Rodriguez walked and took second on a wild pitch with left fielder Marcus Nettles following with a single to left to put runners on the corners. Rodriguez scored and Nettles took second on a delayed double steal. Nettles advanced to third on third baseman Marshall McDougall’s throwing error and scored on center fielder Mike Rodriguez’s ground out to shortstop.

McDougall made up for the mistake in the top of the fourth when he hit his eighth home run of the season over the left field wall. Right fielder Chris Smith was on board after reaching on a perfectly executed bunt base hit down the third base line. The Seminoles had not recorded a hit off UM starter David Gil prior to Smith’s single and McDougall’s homer in the fourth.

UM regained the lead with a run at 4-2 with a pair of runs in the bottom half of the inning. Right fielder Manny Crespo led off with a double off the wall in left center and advanced to third on first baseman Danny Matienzo’s ground out. Designated hitter Lale Esquivel picked up the RBI with a sacrifice fly to right as Crespo narrowly beat Chris Smith’s throw in a bang-bang play at the plate. With two outs, Mike DiRosa walked and moved to third on back-to-back singles before scoring on Javy Rodriguez’s single to center. Lefty Daniel Hodges came in to relieve starter Jon McDonald and the inning ended when Kris Clute tried to steal home on a pitch in the dirt and was tagged out by catcher Mike Futrell.

McDonald (8-2) had his shortest start of the season, lasting just 3.2 innings. The junior took the loss as he gave up four runs (three earned) on six hits with three walks and one strikeout.

The Hurricanes scored two runs again in the fifth to take a 6-2 lead. Mike Rodriguez doubled to right center and scored on Kevin Howard’s single up the middle to start the inning. Howard took second on the throw and Crespo followed with a bunt base hit to third. Matienzo scored Howard with a single to left. On the next play, Esquivel flied out to right and a record-setting double play followed. Crespo took third on the fly out and Matienzo started for second on the throw to third and during that run down, Cresp started for home and got thrown out 9-3-6-4-2-5-1. The six assists on the play tied for fifth in the NCAA record book for assists in an inning.

FSU got one back in the top of the sixth when Halliday’s sacrifice fly to the warning track in right scored first baseman Ryan Barthelemy.

Esquivel pushed UM’s lead back to four at 7-3 when he led off the bottom of the eighth with a solo homer to left center.

John-Ford Griffin’s hitting streak came to end at 23 games as he went 0-for-4 on the night. Karl Jernigan and Smith led FSU at the plate with two hits each.

Right-hander Mike Ziegler (7-1) will face left-hander Brian Walker (5-2) Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. with FSU RHP Blair Varnes (6-1) scheduled to go against UM RHP Kiki Bengochea (4-1) on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

FSU	000	201	000	3	6	1
UM	002	220	01x	7	11	1

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The Automated ScoreBook  
 Florida State at Miami  
 Apr 14, 2000 at Coral Gables, FL (Mark Light)

Florida State 3 (36-6)

Miami 7 (25-12-1)

(Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Chris Smith rf/p.....	4	1	2	0	0	1	4	1
John-Ford Griffin lf.....	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Marshall McDougall 3b/2b..	4	1	1	2	0	1	1	4
Ryan Barthelemy 1b.....	3	1	0	0	0	2	10	1
Karl Jernigan cf.....	4	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
Brett Groves ss.....	3	0	1	0	1	1	2	5
John Halliday dh/rf.....	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Mike Futrell c.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	2
Blair McCaleb c.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Bobby Spano 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	4
Pichi Balet ph/3b.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Jon McDonald p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Daniel Hodges p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
John Bentley p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Eric Roman p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 32 3 6 3 1 11 24 18

Score by innings: R H E

Florida State	000	201	000	-	3	6	1
Miami	002	220	01	-	7	11	1

McDougall; Matienzo.  
 DP - Seminoles 2. LOB - Seminoles 7; Hurricanes 6.  
 2B - M. Rodriguez; Crespo.  
 HR - McDougall(8); Esquivel.  
 SB - J. Rodriguez; Nettles. CS - DiRosa; Clute.  
 SF - Halliday; Esquivel.

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jon McDonald.....	3.2	6	4	3	3	1	14	18
Daniel Hodges.....	0.1	4	2	2	0	0	4	4
John Bentley.....	3.0	1	1	1	1	1	9	10
Eric Roman.....	0.2	0	0	0	1	0	2	4
Chris Smith.....	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Mike Rodriguez cf/lf.....	5	1	1	1	0	0	2	0
Kevin Howard 3b.....	4	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
Manny Crespo rf.....	3	1	2	0	1	0	3	0
Danny Matienzo 1b.....	4	0	2	1	0	0	6	0
Lale Esquivel dh.....	3	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
Michael DiRosa c.....	2	1	0	0	1	1	11	1
Kris Clute 2b.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Javier Rodriguez ss.....	3	1	1	1	1	0	1	3
Marcus Nettles lf.....	2	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
Charlton Jimerson cf.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
David Gil p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tom Farmer p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 30 7 11 6 5 2 27 6

Miami	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
David Gil.....	8.0	6	3	3	1	10	29	33
Tom Farmer.....	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4

Win - Gil 6-1. Loss - McDonald 8-2. Save - None.

WP - McDonald; Bentley.

HBP - by Gil (Smith); by Gil (Barthelemy); by Roman (DiRosa); by Farmer (Halliday).

Umpires - Homer:Paul Guille 1st:Mark McGill 3rd:Mark Chapman

Start: 7:07 Time: 3:06 Attendance: 2396

Hodges faced 4 batters in the 5th.

Bentley faced 1 batter in the 8th.