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**APRIL 28, 2000** 

## FLORIDA STATE FALLS TO NC STATE 5-4

Tallahassee, FL –No. 2 Florida State (39-9, 11-5 ACC) dropped a 5-4 ACC contest to NC State (27-22, 9-10 ACC) in front of 2,035 fans at Dick Howser Stadium. The Wolfpack turned three FSU errors into four runs as they pulled out the one-run victory in the ninth.

The Seminoles opened up a 3-0 lead with a two-out rally in the bottom of the third inning. Chris Smith, John-Ford Griffin and Marshall McDougall had back-to-back doubles before Ryan Barthelemy knocked in the third run with a base hit to right.

NC State tied it up with three unearned runs in the top of the sixth. With the bases loaded and two outs, McDougall could not handle a Mike Prochaska ground ball to third and NCSU ended Mike Ziegler's scoreless inning streak at 14 innings. Andy Baxter followed with an RBI-single up the middle and Criag Lee drew a pinch-hit walk to tie the score at three. Nick Whidden came in and relieved Ziegler, recording a strikeout to end the inning.

FSU regained the lead in the seventh inning without a hit. Blair McCaleb and Bobby Spano started the inning with a pair of walks and McCaleb moved to third after tagging up on a Smith fly ball to right. Griffin picked up the RBI with a sacrifice fly to deep center.

The Wolfpack took advantage of two more FSU errors to tie the game for the second time in the eighth. After two singles, Brett Groves dropped a pop fly to load the bases. Then Mike Futrell then dropped a fly ball in right that made the score 4-4.

NC State scored a run in the top of the ninth to take its only lead of the game. Brian Wright knocked in what proved to be the winning run with a double to center. Wright's double scored Josh Schmitt, who got on with a double of his own earlier in the inning.

Prochaska got the win in relief, working two scoreless innings for the Wolfpack. Josh Miller finished off FSU in the ninth for his first save of the year.

Chris Whidden gave up the fifth and deciding run to drop to 1-1 on the season. Ziegler allowed three unearned runs on five hits in the no-decision.

FSU completes its home schedule with NC State on Saturday (7:00 p.m.) and Sunday (1:00 p.m.). Sunday's game will be televised by Sunshine Network.

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## The Automated ScoreBook North Carolina State at Florida State Apr 28, 2000 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

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Win - Prochaska 3-4. Loss - C. Whidden 1-1. Save - Miller (1).

HBP - by Ziegler (Mooney); by Ziegler (Mooney).

Umpires - Home: Gerald Trexler 1st: Arthur Schmidt 3rd: Scott Erby

Start: 7:01 Time: 2:59 Attendance: 2035