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FEBRUARY 4, 2001

NO. 4 FLORIDA STATE DOWNS WESTERN KENTUCKY 8-4

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The Florida State baseball team improved to 2-0 on the season with an 8-4 victory over Western Kentucky (0-2) on Sunday in front of 2,272 fans at Dick Howser Stadium.

Sophomore Robby Read won his first start of the year, going five innings and allowing one unearned run on just two hits. Read struck out four and walked one.

Western Kentucky once again scored first with a run in the top of the fourth inning. First baseman D.J. Johnson led off with a double and scored when Read made a throwing error on a pick-off attempt to first.

In the bottom half of the fourth, the Seminoles took control with five runs on three hits. Catcher Tony Richie got things started with a single to center. Designated hitter Tony McQuade and center fielder Richie Smith drew walks to load the bases before first baseman Chris Cole came through with an RBI-single to tie the game. Left fielder Mike Futrell then picked up an RBI when he was hit by a pitch. Smith and Cole scored to make it 4-1 lead when WKU starting pitcher Ryan Bicondoa threw over to first with no one covering. Third baseman Ryan Barthelemy knocked in the fifth run of the inning with a single to right.

FSU picked up another run in the fifth inning when McQuade doubled, moved to third on a Smith single, and came around to score on a sacrifice fly by Cole.

In the sixth inning, the Hilltoppers made it 6-2 when right fielder Tim Cleland doubled and scored on Dane Bourque's single.

Cole launched his first collegiate home run in the seventh, a solo shot over the right field fence to give the Seminoles a 7-2 lead.

WKU cut the lead to 7-4 with a pair of runs in the top of the eighth. Left fielder Matt Fox had an RBI-single to left and third baseman Tanner Townsend plated a run with a sacrifice fly.

FSU picked up one more in the bottom of the eighth. Barthelemy doubled and eventually came home on a sacrifice fly by Smith.

Bicondoa took the loss for WKU, going 3.1 innings and allowing five earned runs.

Barthelemy, Cole and Richie had two hits apiece to pace the Seminoles offensively. Cole led all hitters with three RBI.

Relief pitchers Marc LaMacchia and Justin Lord each worked a scoreless inning of relief for the Tribe.

FSU travels to Stanford Thursday for a three-game series with the No. 9 Cardinal. The Seminoles will play at 9:00 EST on Friday and 4:00 EST on Saturday and Sunday.

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The Automated ScoreBook

Western Kentucky at Florida State

Feb 04, 2001 at Tallahassee, Fla. (Dick Howser)

Western Kentucky 4 (0-2)

Florida State 8 (2-0)

I :	AB	R	н	RBI	ВВ	so	PO	A	. LO	B	Player					ВВ	so	PO	A	LOB
LOWER cf	5	0	1	0	0	1	3	0		0	Brett Groves ss					0	0	1	4	 0
HOUDEK 2b/p	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	3		0	Jeff Probst ph/ss	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
CLELAND rf	5	2	2	0	0	1	2	0		1	John-Ford Griffin 1f	3	0	1	0	2	0	4	0	0
JOHNSON, D.J 1b	3	1	1	0	0	0	13	0		0	Ryan Barthelemy 3b	4	1	2	1	1	0	1	3	0
TURNER ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	Tony Richie c	4	1	2	0	0	0	6	0	2
MILLER 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		2	Blair McCaleb c	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PACHOLKE dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	Tony McQuade dh	4	2	1	0	1	2	0	0	2
BOURQUE ph	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0		0	Richie Smith cf	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
FOX 1f	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0		0	Chris Cole 1b	2	2	2	3	1	0	8	0	0
TOWNSEND 3b	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	4		1	Scott Boyd 1b	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
RODRIGUEZ ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	3		5	Mike Futrell rf	3	1	0	1	0	1	3	0	0
POLSON c	3	0	1	0	0	0	5	1	-	0	Scott Toole 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4
CATTELL ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	Bryan Zech 2b	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
BICONDOA p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	Robby Read p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BELCH p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(0	Chris Ginn p	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
WILHITE p/2b	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0		0	Marc LaMacchia p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
											Daniel Hodges p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
											Justin Lord p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Score by Innings				R	H	E														
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E - BICONDOA; Barthelemy 3; Read. LOB - Hilltoppers 9; Seminoles 11. 2B - CLELAND; JOHNSON, D.J; POLSON; Griffin; Barthelemy; Richie; McQuade. HR - Cole. HBP - PACHOLKE; FOX; McCaleb; Smith; Futrell. SF - TOWNSEND; Smith; Cole.

Western Kentucky	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF	Florida State	IP	H	R	er	BB	so	AB
BICONDOA	3.1	3	5	5	3	3	13	18	Robby Read 5	.0	2	1	0	1	4	17
BELCH	1.0	3	1	1	1	0	5	7	Chris Ginn 1	.0	2	1	1	, 0	1	5
WILHITE	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	Marc LaMacchia 1	.0	0	0	0	0	1	3
HOUDEK	3.0	4	2	2	2	2	12	16	Daniel Hodges 1	.0	3	2	2	1	0	5
									Justin Lord 1	.0	1	0	0	0	0	5

Win - Read (1-0). Loss - BICONDOA (0-1). Save - None.
WP - BICONDOA; Ginn. HB - HOUDEK; BICONDOA 2; Read 2.
Umpires - Home:Bruce Ravan 1st:Joe Correia 3rd:Al Davis
Start: 1:03 Time: 2:44 Attendance: 2272
Game: WKU2