



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPORTS INFORMATION



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MARCH 20, 2001

NO. 15 FLORIDA STATE TOPS AKRON, 8-2

Mike Futrell leads FSU at the plate with a four-RBI performance.

Tallahassee, Fla. – The No. 15 Florida State Seminoles (19-6) defeated Akron (3-7) by a score of 8-2 at Dick Howser Stadium. FSU starter Matt Lynch improved to 3-1 with the win. Lynch, who worked six innings, gave up one unearned run on six hits and struck out three. Mike Futrell and John-Ford Griffin each homered for the Seminoles, with Futrell recording a game-high four RBI and Griffin scoring a game-high three runs.

Futrell put the Seminoles on the board in the bottom of the first inning with a three-run homer off the scoreboard in left. Griffin singled and Chris Cole walked prior to the home run, which was Futrell's fourth of the season.

FSU added another run in the third when Futrell singled and scored on a Chris Hart double to right center.

Akron made it 4-1 when Ty Moorhead's sacrifice fly in the top of the fourth scored Tom Lindhe, who had reached on an error.

Griffin got the run back in the bottom half of the inning when he launched his ninth home run of the season over the right field fence. In just 25 games this season, Griffin has already matched his season-high in home runs.

Karl Jernigan reached on a bunt single, stole second and came around to score on an error by AU second baseman Ryan Lucas to push the lead to 6-1.

Jernigan stole his second and third bases of the night before crossing the plate on a bunt base hit by Brett Groves to make it 7-1.

Akron scored another unearned run in the top of the eighth and FSU added a run of their own in the bottom of the inning for the final margin of 8-2.

Akron starter Ben McCauley took the loss after surrendering three runs on two hits in two innings of work.

Nick Whidden gave up one unearned run in two innings of relief for the Tribe and John Bentley came in to hold the Zips scoreless in the ninth.

The two teams meet again Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. with LHP Trent Peterson (1-0) scheduled to start for FSU.

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The Automated ScoreBook

Akron at Florida State

Mar 20, 2001 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

Akron 2 (3-7)

Florida State 8 (19-6)

	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Ty Moorhead lf.....	4	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	4
Steve Bowers of.....	3	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Jim Gemler 1b.....	5	0	2	0	0	3	8	1	0
Sean Manfredonia dh.....	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Jason Winkler c.....	3	1	1	0	1	1	3	0	3
Dan Swallie ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Clarke White ss.....	4	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	3
Jim Lindhe 3b.....	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	0
Mike Languth rf.....	4	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0
Ryan Lucas 2b.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	3	4	1
Brady Steineck ph/2b....	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Ben McCauley p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Aaron Gangi p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chris Maczko p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
David Wipkowski p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	35	2	9	1	5	8	24	11	12

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Bryan Lech 2b.....	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
John-Ford Griffin lf.....	4	3	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
Ryan Barthelmy 1b.....	4	0	1	0	1	0	4	0	0
Chris Cole dh.....	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Nick Rogers ph.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mike Futrell rf.....	5	2	2	4	0	0	2	0	0
Karl Jernigan cf.....	3	2	2	0	2	0	3	0	2
Chris Hart 3b.....	3	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	0
Brett Groves ss.....	3	0	2	1	1	0	4	3	0
Tony Richie c.....	4	0	0	0	0	2	9	2	7
Matt Lynch p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Nick Whidden p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
John Bentley p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	35	8	11	7	7	3	27	9	10

Score by Innings

Akron..... 000 100 010 - 2 9 1
 Florida State..... 301 110 11X - 8 11 4

E - Lucas; Hart; Groves 2; N. Whidden. DP - Lips 1; Seminoles 2. LOB - Lips 12; Seminoles 10. 2B - Gemler; Langguth; Hart.
 H - Griffin; Futrell. SF - Moorhead. SB - Griffin; Jernigan 3; Groves. CS - Manfredonia; Lucas.

Akron	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Ben McCauley.....	2.0	2	3	3	4	0	8	12
Aaron Gangi.....	3.0	5	3	2	1	1	14	15
Chris Maczko.....	2.2	4	2	2	2	2	12	14
David Wipkowski.....	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Matt Lynch.....	6.0	6	1	0	5	3	22	28
Nick Whidden.....	2.0	2	1	0	0	4	9	9
John Bentley.....	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	4	4

Win - Lynch (3-1). Loss - McCauley (1-2). Save - None.

WP - Lynch 3; N. Whidden.

Umpires - Home:Joe Correia 1st:Steve Partington 3rd:Bruce Ravan

Start: 6:02 Time: 3:06 Attendance: 488

Game: AK1