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**SOUTH ALABAMA TOPS NO. 8 FLORIDA STATE IN 10 INNINGS, 6-4
FSU junior RHP Robby Read struck out a career-high 11 in the loss**

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. – Erik Smallwood's RBI-single to left in the top of the 10th inning gave visiting South Alabama (24-11) a 6-5 victory over No. 8 Florida State (34-12) Tuesday evening in front of 1,675 at Dick Howser Stadium. The Jaguars scored runs in the eighth and the ninth to erase a 5-3 FSU lead and force extra innings. Seminole starter Robby Read struck out a career-high 11 batters in 7.2 innings, the longest outing for an FSU pitcher this season, before leaving with the lead in the top of the eighth. The loss snapped a five-game FSU winning streak.

South Alabama got things going early when Josh Touchstone ripped a two-run double deep into left center to give the Jaguars an early 2-0 lead.

The Seminoles closed the gap to one as Ryan Barthelemy hit his 12th home run of the season, a solo shot over the fence in right to make it 2-1.

USA added an unearned run in the top of the third to make it 3-1 as Cole Craig scored from third on a throwing error by second baseman Bryan Zech.

Stephen Drew's RBI-single to center that scored Tony Richie from third in the fifth inning cut the South Alabama lead to 3-2.

Richie staked FSU to a 5-3 lead in the sixth inning when he belted a triple to right center with the bases load.

The Jaguars got one back in the eighth on a solo home run to left field by Ryan Mulhern and then tied the game in the top of the ninth on a sacrifice fly by pinch-hitter Buck Pettus.

In the top of the 10th, Ben Nelson singled and Josh Touchstone walked to put runners on first and second with one out. Daniel Davidson then relieved Kevin Lynch from the FSU bullpen and got an out on a fly ball to center before giving up the game-winning RBI to Smallwood.

USA starter Caleb Crosby allowed four runs (three earned) in 5.2 innings. Bert Heath earned the victory (5-2) after throwing two scoreless innings.

Richie led FSU at the plate with three hits and three RBI.

The Seminoles travel to Jacksonville on Wednesday for a 7:00 p.m. game against the Dolphins. Sophomore left-hander Trent Peterson (2-2, 2.76 ERA) is scheduled to get the start for the Tribe. FSU returns to ACC action this weekend with a three-game series against Georgia Tech. Game times are set for 7:00 p.m. Friday, and 1:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at Dick Howser Stadium.

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The Automated ScoreBook
 South Alabama at Florida State
 Apr 16, 2002 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

South Alabama 6 (24-11)

Florida State 5 (34-12)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
TOUCHSTONE, T cf.....	5	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	0
CHAMBERLAIN, C lf/lb.....	5	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	2
RAYBORN, J 1b.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	4	0	0
NELSON, B 1b.....	2	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
WIGGINS, S lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
MULHERN, R dh.....	3	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
TOUCHSTONE, J 2b/3b.....	4	0	2	2	1	0	2	2	0
SCOVILLE, S c.....	5	1	1	0	0	1	7	1	1
SMALLWOOD, E rf.....	5	0	2	1	0	1	5	0	2
SYTKO, K 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	0
PETTUS, B ph.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
HARDCASTLE, J 2b.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
PARKER, B ss.....	4	0	1	0	0	3	3	1	0
CROSBY, C p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
WOOD, A p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HEATH, B p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	40	6	10	5	3	13	30	9	8

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Stephen Drew ss.....	4	0	2	1	1	0	2	2	0
Bryan Zech 2b.....	5	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
Nick Rogers cf.....	5	0	1	0	0	2	4	0	2
Ryan Barthelemy 3b.....	5	1	2	1	0	0	0	2	3
Tony McQuade lf.....	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Blair McCaleb dh.....	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jerrold Brown 1b.....	4	1	1	0	1	1	5	0	1
Tony Richie c.....	4	1	3	3	0	1	12	1	1
Scott Toole pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aaron Cheesman c.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Richie Smith rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0
Mike Futrell ph/rf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Robby Read p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daniel Hodges p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kevin Lynch p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Daniel Davidson p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	39	5	10	5	3	7	30	5	8

Score by Innings

	R	H	E
South Alabama.....	201	000	011 1 - 6 10 1
Florida State.....	010	013	000 0 - 5 10 2

E - CROSBY, C(1); Zech(18); Barthelemy(13). LOB - Jaguars 8; Seminoles 8. 2B - TOUCHSTONE, J(9); Rogers(16). 3B - Richie(2).
 HR - MULHERN, R(7); Barthelemy(12). HBP - McCaleb. SF - PETTUS, B(1). CS - TOUCHSTONE, J(3); Drew(2).

South Alabama	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
CROSBY, C.....	5.2	6	4	3	1	4	22	24
WOOD, A.....	2.1	3	1	1	1	0	10	11
HEATH, B.....	2.0	1	0	0	1	3	7	8

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Robby Read.....	7.2	5	4	3	2	11	29	31
Daniel Hodges.....	0.1	2	1	1	0	0	3	3
Kevin Lynch.....	1.2	2	1	1	1	1	6	8
Daniel Davidson.....	0.1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2

Win - HEATH, B (5-2). Loss - K. Lynch (3-1). Save - None.

HB - CROSBY, C. PB - SCOVILLE, S(10); Richie(3).

Umpires - Home:Landon Davis 1st:Al Davis 3rd:Bruce Ravan

Start: 6:02 Time: 3:03 Attendance: 1675

Game: USA1

Game notes:

Robby Read establishes new career-high with 11 strikeouts.

Read's outing (7.2) is the longest for an FSU pitcher this season.

Hodges faced 2 batters in the 9th.

WOOD, A faced 1 batter in the 9th.