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No. 1 Florida State Wins Ninth Straight, 9-0 Over Charleston Southern Seminole pitching staff records back-to-back shutouts for first time since 2000.

February 28, 2003

Tallahassee, Fla. – The top-ranked Florida State Seminoles (12-1) defeated Charleston Southern (3-7) by a final score of 9-0 in front of 1,826 fans at Dick Howser Stadium Friday afternoon. Senior All-American Matt Lynch improved to 4-0 with the victory after allowing just three hits in six innings of work. Florida State's pitching staff has not allowed a run in 24 consecutive innings. The back-to-back shutouts were the first since the Seminoles held Maryland scoreless over three games in 2000. The victory was FSU's ninth in a row.

The Seminoles took the early lead with three runs in the bottom of the third inning. Aaron Cheesman led off with a single and Matt Sauls doubled to put runners on second and third with no outs. Stephen Drew plated Cheesman with a sacrifice fly and Tony McQuade followed with a walk. Eddy Martinez-Esteve knocked in Sauls with a single to left as McQuade took third on the play. Tony Richie recorded the second sacrifice fly of the inning to score McQuade.

FSU added single runs in the fourth and fifth to extend the lead to 5-0. Cheesman had an RBI-single and Jerrod Brown picked up an RBI with a groundout in the fifth.

In the eighth, Florida State loaded the bases on singles by Daniel Wardell and Cheesman, and a walk by Matt Sauls. Drew, who was 0-for-3 in the game, came up with a three-run triple down the right field line to put the game away. McQuade's sacrifice fly to center scored Drew and made it 9-0.

The eight and nine batters in the order were the only Seminoles to have more than one hit. Cheesman went 3-for-4 and Sauls went 2-for-2, both scoring two runs apiece.

Lynch's victory moved him into a tie for ninth in ACC history with 33 career wins. The senior lefty struck out five and walked just one. Eddie Cannon, Rhett James and Daniel Hodges each worked a scoreless inning of relief.

CSU starter Ian Holmen (0-2) took the loss after giving up nine earned runs on eight hits over seven innings. Holmen walked eight and struck out two.

The series with Charleston Southern will continue Saturday at 2:00 p.m. Junior left-hander Trent Peterson is scheduled to take the mound for FSU and lefty Brad Bissell will start for the Buccaneers.

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2003 Florida State Baseball
Charleston Southern at Florida State
Feb 28, 2003 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

Charleston Southern 0 (3-7)

Florida State 9 (12-1)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Jordan Haar cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0
Andrew Grosse ph.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brad Woods ss.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	0
Davis ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Jeff Kolhagen dh.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alan Bontya ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Brandon Massey rf.....	3	0	0	0	1	2	4	0	1
Michael Blankenship 3b...	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1
Adrian Vanderburg 1b.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	7	3	0
Jay Reynolds lf.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Scott Thacker c.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
William Dalton 2b.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	1
Ian Holmen p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
Jimmy Trenor p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Totals..... 27 0 4 0 3 10 24 9 4

Score by Innings

R H E

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Florida State..... 003 110 04X - 9 8 0

DP - Buccaneers 1; Seminoles 2. LOB - Buccaneers 4; Seminoles 7. 2B - Vanderburg(2); Thacker(1); Matt Sauls(3). 3B - Drew(4). HBP - Kolhagen. SH - Matt Sauls(1). SF - Drew(1); McQuade(1); Richie(1). SB - Mart.-Esteve(1); Richie(1); Matt Sauls(3). CS - Dalton(1).

Charleston Southern	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Ian Holmen.....	7.0	8	9	9	8	2	26	37
Jimmy Trenor.....	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Matt Lynch.....	6.0	3	0	0	1	5	19	21
Eddie Cannon.....	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	2	3
Rhett James.....	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	2	3
Daniel Hodges.....	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	4	4

Win - M. Lynch (4-0). Loss - Holmen (0-2). Save - None.

WP - Holmen 2(6). HBP - by M. Lynch (Kolhagen).

Umpires - HP: Al Davis 1B: Bruce Ravan 3B: Landon Davis

Start: 3:33 Time: 2:36 Attendance: 1826

Game notes:

Matt Lynch now tied for ninth in ACC history with 33 career victories.

FSU pitching staff has gone 24 innings without allowing a run.

Seminoles have now nine straight games.

Holmen faced 4 batters in the 8th.

Game: CSU1