



# FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

## DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS



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**Danny Wardell's Three-Run Homer Gives FSU 5-4 Win Over Michigan State**  
**The game-winning homer came with two out in the bottom of the ninth.**

**March 12, 2004**

Tallahassee, Fla. – No. 19 Florida State (14-5) got a two-out, three-run homer from Danny Wardell in the bottom of the ninth to defeat Michigan State (4-5) by a final score of 5-4 Friday night at Dick Howser Stadium. Kevin Lynch (3-2) picked up the win after recording the final two outs of the ninth inning. Michigan State starter Bryan Gale (0-1) went the distance, allowing five runs on 10 hits in 8.2 innings.

With FSU down 4-2 in the bottom of the ninth, Aaron Cheesman singled and Brandon Manasa took his place at first as a pinch runner. After two Seminole batters were retired, Shane Robinson ripped a single through the left side on a 0-2 pitch to put runners on first and second. Wardell then took a 1-1 pitch deep over the wall in left to give Florida State a 5-4 victory.

The Spartans scored two runs on four hits in the top of the first inning. The first four batters singled, including Scott Koerber's RBI-single. David Miller's groundout with the bases loaded scored Travis Gulick from third for the early 2-0 lead.

FSU cut the lead to 2-1 with a run in the home half of the first. Zech led off with a single and moved to second on a balk by Spartan starter Bryan Gale. Gibbs Chapman's double down the right line plated Zech for the Seminoles' first run.

Gulick led off the third inning with his first home run of the season over the wall in left to push Michigan State's lead to 3-1.

In the top of the sixth, MSU made it 4-1 on a RBI-single from James Moreno.

FSU got that run back in the bottom half of the sixth as Eddy Martinez-Esteve's RBI-double down left line scored Chapman from second to make the score 4-2. Chapman hit his second double of the game earlier in the inning.

Chapman paced the Seminoles offensively, going 3-for-4 with a run scored and an RBI. Bryan Zech (2-for-4) and Cheesman (2-for-4) also had multi-hit games for the Tribe. Cheesman extended his hitting streak to 12 games.

FSU shortstop Stephen Drew missed the game with a hip injury and will not play over the weekend.

Florida State and Michigan State will continue the three-game series on Saturday at 7:00 p.m. Senior right-hander Eddie Cannon (4-1, 2.41 ERA) will take the mound for the Seminoles.

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2004 Florida State Baseball  
Michigan State at #19 Florida State  
Mar 12, 2004 at Tallahassee, FL (Dick Howser)

Michigan State 4 (4-5)

Florida State 5 (14-5)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Alan Cattrysse ss.....	5	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Travis Gulick cf.....	4	2	2	1	0	2	2	0	0
Kris Morris c.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	0
Scott Koerber 1b.....	3	1	2	1	1	0	6	1	0
Sean Walker dh.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
David Miller lf.....	4	0	1	1	0	0	3	0	0
James Moreno 3b.....	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	2
Oliver Wolcott 2b.....	4	0	1	0	0	2	1	2	2
Adam Tripp rf.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
Bryan Gale p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Totals.....	35	4	9	4	1	7	26	6	6

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Bryan Zech ss.....	4	1	2	0	0	0	2	3	0
Gibbs Chapman 3b.....	4	1	3	1	0	0	2	4	0
Eddy Martinez-Esteve rf..	4	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0
Aaron Cheesman c.....	4	0	2	0	0	0	7	0	0
Brandon Manasa pr.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ryne Malone 2b.....	3	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	1
Derrick Smith dh.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Shane Robinson cf.....	4	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
Daniel Wardell 1b.....	4	1	1	3	0	1	8	0	0
Matt Sauls lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Hunter Jones p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Hunter Davis p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matt DiBlasi p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kevin Lynch p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	34	5	10	5	1	6	27	8	4

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Michigan State.....	201	001	000 - 4 9 0
Florida State.....	100	001	003 - 5 10 0

Note: 2 outs, 0 runners LOB when the game ended.

Seminoles 1. LOB - Spartans 6; Seminole 4. 2B - Chapman 2(3); M.-Esteve(5). HR - Gulick(1); Wardell(2). HBP - Moreno. SB - Malone(1).

Michigan State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Bryan Gale.....	8.2	10	5	5	1	6	34	35

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Hunter Jones.....	6.0	7	4	4	1	5	25	26
Hunter Davis.....	2.0	1	0	0	0	1	6	6
Matt DiBlasi.....	0.1	1	0	0	0	0	2	3
Kevin Lynch.....	0.2	0	0	0	0	1	2	2

Win - Lynch (3-2). Loss - Gale (0-1). Save - None.  
HBP - by DiBlasi (Moreno). BK - Gale(1). PB - Cheesman(2).  
Umpires - HP: Wayne Funderburke 1B: Steve Partington 3B: Landon Davis  
Start: 3:36 Time: 2:38 Attendance: 1408  
Game notes:  
Danny Wardell's hit the game winning home run with two on and two outs in the bottom of the ninth.  
Game: MSU1