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No. 19 Florida State Scores In Each Of The First Four Innings To Defeat Michigan State 11-1 Eddie Cannon ties a career-high with nine strikeouts while Matt Sauls goes 3-for-4 with three RBI.

March 13, 2004

Tallahassee, Fla. – No. 19 Florida State (15-5) scored at least two runs in each of the first four innings to defeat Michigan State (4-6) by a final score of 11-1 Saturday night in front of 3,161 fans at Dick Howser Stadium. Eddie Cannon (5-1) picked up the win after allowing just one run on five hits in six innings of work. Cannon tied a career-high with nine strikeouts and did not walk a batter. Matt DiBlasi, Frank Radziwon and Tyler Chambliss each pitched a scoreless inning of relief for the Seminoles.

"No question that was Florida State baseball," said head coach Mike Martin. "The credit goes to a group of guys that played very hard. I was very pleased with our discipline at the plate. This is a game as a coach you feel very good about because you are able to get a lot of guys in the game and I think we were able to improve on some things."

FSU scored two runs in the bottom half of the first inning to take the early lead. Bryan Zech singled to lead off the inning while Gibbs Chapman and Eddy Martinez-Esteve were both walked to load the bases with no outs. Zech and Chapman both scored when Aaron Cheesman doubled down the right field line. Cheesman extended his hitting streak to 13 games with the double.

The Seminoles pushed their lead to 5-0 with three more runs in the second. Brant Peacher and Matt Sauls walked and moved up a base on Dennis Anderson's sacrifice bunt to put runners on second and third. Zech's sacrifice fly to center plated Peacher and Sauls later scored from third on Martinez-Esteve's RBI-single to right. Chapman scored the final run of the inning on a wild pitch from Spartan reliever Adam White.

Michigan State's only run of the game came in the third inning as third baseman James Moreno hit a solo home run over the fence in right to make the score 5-1.

Florida State's lead grew to 7-1 in the third. Danny Wardell led off with a double off the fence in right center, moved to third on Peacher's sacrifice bunt before scoring on a bunt single from Sauls. Sauls stole second and third before coming home when the throw to third from MSU catcher Sean Walker's went into left field.

The Seminoles added three runs in the fourth to up the lead to 10-1 as Peacher, Sauls and Zech each recorded RBI-singles. FSU put up a single run in the sixth for the final score of 11-1.

Scott Koerber (0-3) took the loss for the Spartans after allowing five runs in 1.2 innings. Koerber had five walks and no strikeouts. Michigan State pitchers didn't record a strikeout until the sixth inning.

Four Seminoles had multi-hit performances (Zech 2-for-3, Peacher 2-for-2, Sauls 3-for-4 and Anderson 2-for-3) as FSU racked up a total of 13 hits. Sauls (3), Zech (2) and Cheesman (2) each had multi-RBI games.

Florida State and Michigan State will conclude the three-game series on Sunday at 1:00 p.m. Sophomore right-hander Mark Sauls (0-1, 4.03 ERA) will take the mound for the Seminoles.

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Michigan State 1 (4-6)

Florida State 11 (15-5)

gr 3r	AB	R	H	RBI	ВВ	so	PO	A	LOB	Player	AB	R	Н	RBI	BB	so	PO	A	LOB
Alan Cattrysse ss	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	1	Bryan Zech 2b	3	1	2	2	0	0	0	2	0
Troy Krider ss	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	Brandon Manasa ph/2b	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Ryan Basham 1f	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	Gibbs Chapman 3b	3	2	1	0	3	1	0	1	3
Travis Gulick cf	3	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	Eddy Martinez-Esteve dh	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	2
Adam Tripp cf	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Derrick Smith dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Kris Morris 1b/c	4	0	0	0	0	4	11	1	1	Aaron Cheesman c	3	0	1	2	0	0	9	0	0
E.J. Daws 1b/2b	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Danny Diaz c	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0
Clay Kovac ph/1b	1	0	0	C	0	0	0	0	0	Raul Rodriguez c	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Scott Koerber p/dh	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	Shane Robinson cf	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Jim Duffy ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Daniel Wardell 1b	3	2	1	0	0	1	4	0	1
David Miller rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Ryne Malone 1b	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
Jim Deliz rf	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Brant Peacher lf	2	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0
Sean Walker c	3	0	1	0	0	2	3	1	1	Louis Rojas lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oliver Wolcott 2b	3	0	1	0	0	1	2	2	1	Matt Sauls rf	4	3	3	3	1	1	0	0	0
James Moreno 3b	3	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	Dennis Anderson ss	3	0	2	0	0	1	3	2	0
Adam White p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	Eddie Cannon p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jeremy Dow p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Matt DiBlasi p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chris Toepper p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Frank Radziwon p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
										Tyler Chambliss p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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E - Walker(2); Moreno(7); Zech(4). DP - Spartans 1; Seminoles 1. LOB - Spartans 6; Seminoles 12. 2B - Walker(4); Wolcott(1); Cheesman(5); Wardell(2). HR - Moreno(2). HBP - Koerber; Cheesman; Robinson; Wardell; Anderson. SH - Peacher(1); Anderson(2). SF - Zech(2). SB - Matt Sauls 2(8). CS - Cheesman(2).

Michigan State	ΙP	H	R	ER	BB	so	A	3	BF	Florida State	ΙP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Scott Koerber	1.2	2	5	5	5	0	4	1	11	Eddie Cannon	6.0	5	1	1	0	9	23	24
Adam White	2.0	6	5	5	1	0	10)	16	Matt DiBlasi	1.0	1.	0	0	0	1	4	4
Jeremy Dow	2.1	4	1	1	1	2	11	Ļ	12	Frank Radziwon	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	3	3
Chris Toepper	2.0	1	0	0	1	3	•	7	8	Tyler Chambliss	1.0	0	0	0	0	3	3	3

Win - Cannon (5-1). Loss - Koerber (0-3). Save - None.

WP - White(1); Dow(2); DiBlasi(1). HBP - by White (Cheesman); by Cannon (Koerber); by White (Robinson); by White (Wardell); by White (Anderson). PB - Walker 2(5).

Umpires - HP: Steve Partington 1B: Landon Davis 3B: Wayne Funderburke

Start: 7:00 Time: 2:45 Attendance: 4161

Game: MSU2