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GAINESVILLE — Defending Southeastern Conference champion Tommy Aaron and teammate Skip Stigger fashioned five-under-par 66s to pace Florida's Gators to a 19-8 golf victory over Florida State here yesterday.

Five subpar rounds featured play over the Gainesville Golf Club's par 71 layout.

It was a red-hot season's debut for the Gators and the first setback in two starts for Coach Bill Odeneal's Seminoles. FSU dumped Wisconsin, 20-7, in its opener Feb. 7.

Veteran Bob Shave fired a four-under 67 for FSU, but found himself 3 down at the turn against Aaron. Aaron toured the front side in only 31 strokes.

Don Torppa also had a hot

round for the Seminoles, carding a 69. Florida's Pete Trenham had the fifth subpar round, with a three-under 68.

Florida also won a four-man freshman match. The Baby Gators downed the Baby Seminoles, 12-6.

The teams play a return match in Tallahassee March 22.

Tommy Aaron (66) and Pete Trenham (68), Florida, defeated Bob Shave (67) and Dave Morris (72), LSU, 6-3. Skip Stigger (66) and Al Duhalme (73), Florida, defeated Don Torppa (69) and Mel Fleischer (72), FSU, 6-3.

Billy Turner (73) and Tony Baker (73), Florida, defeated Wayne Timberman (75) and Wink Wise (77), FSU, 7-2.

Freshman—Frank Beard (69) and Jim Parks (75), Florida, split with Frank Malara (71) and Dickie Dunlap (76), FSU, 4½-4½.

Jim Rothenberg (72) and John Joyner (70), Florida, defeated Downing Gray (73) and Dickie Moss (73), FSU, 7½-1½.