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FLORIDA STATE SOFTBALL GOES 5-0 AT SOUTH FLORIDA CLASSIC

March 9, 1996

Tampa, FL -- The Florida State softball team (21-8) finished in first place in their pool at the South Florida Classic. FSU finished with a 5-0 record after the first two days of competition. The wins allow FSU a first round bye in bracket play which begins tomorrow.

Late last night, Florida State defeated Ball State 4-2. Niki Zenger (3-3) got the win, having to come from behind after four first inning errors allowed Ball State to take a 2-0 lead. But, after the first inning, Zenger held Ball State to just two more hits the rest of the way.

Today at noon, Florida State defeated Penn State 4-3. Zenger was on the mound once again for the win. The Lady Seminoles scored early with two runs in the first inning, but Penn State had a 3 run homer in the bottom of the first inning and took a 3-2 lead. Florida State would have to come from behind again and did, scoring in the fifth and sixth innings.

This afternoon, Florida State defeated #17 Indiana with Renee Espinoza pitching her way to her 13th win. FSU outhit 7-3 the 17th ranked Hoosiers and never trailed in the game. Espinoza struck out seven batters.

Tomorrow Florida State will begin play at 9 am and with a win in that game could face #1 UCLA at 11 am.

1996 FSU Lady Seminole Softball

Florida State vs Penn State Mar 09, 1996 at Greco Field, Tampa

Florida State 4 (20-8)

Penn State 3

| Name (Pos) | λB | R | H | RBI | BB | SO | P0 | A | Name (Pos) | AB | R | H | RBI | BB | SO | PO | Å |
|----------------|----|---|---|-----|----|----|----|---|----------------|----|---|---|-----|----|----|----|----|
| Wilson, S cf | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Marucci M 2b | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Hull, K dh | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | McIntyre J 3b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| McGregor, J ss | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Cowen J c | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Schnute, K pr | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Salsburg S 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9 | 0 |
| Williams, C 1b | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | Serpico V ss | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 |
| Post, T 3b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | Peterson K lf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Braye, W c | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 2 | Accordino J rf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Bailey, D rf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | Hackett H dh | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Weltz, W 2b | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 3 | Ricciardi J cf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Calkins, H lf | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | Hippo J p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Zenger, N p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 26 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 21 | 8 | Totals | 28 | 3 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 21 | 11 |

| Score by innings: | | H | _ | | |
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| Florida State Penn State | 200 011 0 300 000 0 | - | 4 | 8 | 1 |

Bailey, D, Serpico V.
DP - FSU 1. LOB - FSU 9, Penn State 6.

2B - Bailey, D.

HR - Serpico V.

SB - Calkins, M, Wilson, S 2, Marucci M. CS - According J.

SH - Williams, C, Wilson, S, McIntyre J.

| Florida State | ΙP | Ħ | R | ER | BB | SO | Penn State | ΙP | H | R | ER | BB | SO |
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| Zenger, N | 7.0 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | Hippo J | 7.0 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 2 |

Winner - Zenger, N 4-3. Loser - Hippo J. Save - None.

WP - Hippo J. PB - Cowen J.

Umpires -

Start: 12 pm Time: Attendance: 100