



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

SPORTS INFORMATION



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NO. 16 FSU DROPS WORTH INVITATIONAL OPENER TO ILLINOIS 1-0
Seminoles commit three errors and strand six runners in loss to Illini.

Boca Raton, FL – The 16th-ranked Seminole softball team (13-2) lost just their second game of the 2001 season when they were downed 1-0 by the University of Illinois (10-4) in the opening game of the FAU/Worth Invitational. Florida State stranded six base runners and committed three errors in its first loss in the last 10 games.

"Illinois played very well tonight but you can't play as inconsistently as we did and expect to beat a good team," said head coach JoAnne Graf. "We had some opportunities to score runs but we never seemed to get the big hit we needed."

Illinois freshman Amanda Fortune (3-1) limited the Seminole to just three hits and struck out three batters giving up two walks in the complete game shutout. Florida State threatened in the first, second and fourth but was unable to get a big hit off of the right-hander from Newhall, CA.

Staci Brandon recorded a one-out triple in the bottom of the first but the Noles were unable to get her home. FSU then stranded Brandi Stuart at third base in the bottom of the second inning. In the fourth, Jen White-Stokes, who took the loss despite allowing just one earned run, singled with two outs in the bottom of the fourth to load the bases but Fortune once again held FSU off of the board.

The Seminole had one last chance in the bottom of the seventh when White-Stokes recorded her second hit of the game with a one-out double. Illinois brought in freshman Kathryn Nevard to close the door and she retired the next two batters to record her first save of the season.

Florida State will continue play at the FAU/Worth Invitational at approximately 7:45 p.m. when they face tournament host Florida Atlantic (5-4). Florida Atlantic holds a 2-3 all-time edge in the series with the Seminole.

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The Automated ScoreBook
 Illinois vs Florida State
 Feb 23, 2001 at Boca Raton, FL (FAU Stadium)

Illinois 1 (10-4)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Montgomery, Erin cf.....	3	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	1
Jones, Erin 3b.....	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Hamma, Lindsey ss.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1
Sartini, Janna c.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	5	0	0
Hammel, Alicia 1b.....	2	0	1	0	1	0	7	0	1
Sauter, Kristie lf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
O'Connell, Katie 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	2
Bird, Karyn rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Fortune, Amanda dp/p.....	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	3	0
Nevard, Kathryn p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	26	1	5	0	3	5	21	9	8

Florida State 0 (13-2)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Serita Brooks cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staci Brandon dp.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kimmy Carter rf.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Monique Marier lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	1	0	0	0	2	0	2	3	0
Jess van der Linden 1b...	3	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0
Jenn White-Stokes p.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
Skyla Cox pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Natalie Bennett ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	6	4
Elisa Velasco c.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0
Robyn Gauger ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Becky Brock 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	24	0	4	0	2	5	21	11	6

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Illinois.....	001	000	0 - 1 5 0
Florida State.....	000	000	0 - 0 4 3

E - Serita Brook; Elisa Velasc; Becky Brock. LOB - Illini 8; Seminoles 6. 2B - Jenn White-S. 3B - Staci Brando. HBP - Hamma, L.. SH - Monique Mari. SB - Jones, Erin; Hamma, L. 2; Brandi Stuar.

Illinois	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Nevard, Kathryn.....	0.2	0	0	0	0	2	2	2
Fortune, Amanda.....	6.1	4	0	0	2	3	22	25

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jenn White-Stokes...	7.0	5	1	1	3	5	26	30

Win - Fortune, A. (3-1). Loss - Jenn White-S (3-2). Save - Nevard, K. (1).
 HB - Jenn White-S. PB - Sartini, J..
 Umpires -
 Start: 5:20 pm Time: 2:10 Attendance:
 Game: 2232001