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No. 19 FSU Tops Ball State 1-0 As van der Linden Notches Sixth Win Seminoles improve to 20-3 and are No. 1 seed for final day of tourney.

Tallahassee, FL – In Saturday's 1-0 win over Ball State (2-2), freshman Jessica van der Linden (6-0) proved once again why she is the leading candidate for ACC rookie of the year. The freshman from Cerritos, CA pitched a complete game two-hit shutout, lowered her season ERA to 0.59, hit a triple and knocked in the game winning run as FSU improved to 20-3 and wrapped up the No. 1 seed for the final day of the Seminole Challenge Tournament.

"It is really hard to describe how well Jess has played for us this year," said head coach Dr. JoAnne Graf. "She has been phenomenal on the mound and then she comes up with a big hit to win the game. It is rare to see a freshman adjust to the college game as quickly as she has but her time with the Puerto Rican National Team probably prepared her for the competition she is facing now."

Cardinal pitcher Marcy Mobley and van der Linden matched each other pitch for pitch through the first five innings as the Seminoles went to the bottom of the fifth tied 0-0 with Ball State. The Seminoles, like they did against Northwestern in the day's earlier game, started the game-winning rally with two outs already on the board. Jen White-Stokes started the rally when she launched a double to left field and advanced to third on a passed ball. Van der Linden then drove a single to left field that scored White-Stokes and gave the Noles their seventh straight win.

The freshman southpaw then retired the next six batters she faced, three by strikeouts, and recorded her sixth straight win to start her Seminole career. Van der Linden is now hitting .277 and leads FSU in doubles (7) and triples (2). She also leads FSU in opponent batting average (.082), won/loss percentage (1.000), fewest hits allowed (9), earned runs allowed (3) and fewest walks (9).

The Seminoles will face Northwestern (6-6/0-3) Sunday, March 4 at 9:00 a.m. in the 1-seed vs. 4-seed game. The Seminoles downed the Wildcats 2-1 in the early game Saturday. The Florida State/Northwestern winner will then face the winner of the Ball State/Central Michigan game at 1:00 p.m. All games will take place at the Seminole Softball Complex and admission is free to the public.

2001 Seminole Challenge Schedule

3/4 Florida State vs. Northwestern
3/4 Ball State vs. Central Michigan
3/4 Championship game
-309:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
1:00 p.m.

The Automated ScoreBook

Ball State at Florida State

Mar 03, 2001 at Tallahassee, FL (Seminole Softball Co)

Ball State 0 (2-2)

Florida State 1 (20-3)

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AMGULO, Kasey 1b										Serita Brooks cf									
CLARK, Britni rf	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	Monique Marier lf	2	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	
SHEA, Katie ss	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	Skyla Cox pr	0	0	0	0	Đ	0	0	0	
OREL, Ali lf	2	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	Kimmy Carter rf	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	
SNYDER, Mandy pr	0	0	Đ	0	0	0	0	9	0	Brandi Stuart 2b	3	0	2	0	0	0	2	3	
LUDWIG, Angie pr/lf	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	Jenn White-Stokes p/dp	3	1	2	Ģ	C	1	0	0	
HJELMELAND, Ruth cf	2	0	1	Ū	0	0	0	Ó	Q	Jess van der Linden dp/p.	3	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	
WILLIS, Abby c	2	0	9	0	0	0	8	9	8	Robyn Gauger 1b	3	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	
CAMPBELL, Janice dp	1	0	0	Ð	0	0	0	0	Ð	Natalie Bennett ss	2	Ç	1	0	0	1	3	3	
LIVELY, Carrie 3b	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Staci Brandon ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	G	
MARTIN, Robin 2b	2	0	Ð	0	0	2	4	Ð	0	Julie Jordan c	0	C	0	0	1	0	7	1	
MOBLEY, Marcy p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	Stephanie Klowsky ph	1	0	0	Q	0	1	Ð	Ð	
										Becky Brock 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ð	1	
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E - Julie Jordan, DP - Seminoles 1. LOB - Cardinals 2; Seminoles 11. 2B - Jenn White-S. 3B - Jessica van. HBP - Monique Mari 2. SE - HJELMELAND; Kinny Carter; Julie Jordan. SB - Serita Brook; Monique Mari. CS - SNYDER.

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Win - Jessica van (6-0). Loss - MOBLEY (2-1). Save - Wone. HB - MOBLEY 2. PB - WILLIS.

Umpires - Home: Ken Hayes 1st: Patti Yaranton Start: 2:20 Time: 2:00 Attendance: 218

Game: 3032001B