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SEMINOLES OPEN SDSU TOURNAMENT WITH 8-0 WIN OVER RIVERSIDE No. 16 FSU gets big hits from Brooks, Bennett and Marier to improve to 23-4.

San Diego, CA – The 16th-ranked Florida State softball team opened the San Diego State Tournament with an 8-0 win over University of California-Riverside (6-16-1) to move its record to 23-4 in 2001. Serita Brooks hit a fourth inning, 3 RBI inside the park home run and Monique Marier and Natalie Bennett combined for five RBI's as the Seminoles opened the SDSU Tournament 1-0.

"It was nice to see us get big hits with runners on base," said head coach JoAnne Graf. "We haven't always taken advantage of the opportunities we've had this season so it was great to see Nat, Serita and Mo take advantage of some good RBI chances."

Florida State got on the board in the second inning when freshman Jessica van der Linden tripled to center field and Highlander pitcher Jessica Jenkins loaded the bases on back-to-back walks. Marier then sent then first pitch she saw down the right field line for a three run triple. It was Marier's third triple of the season and it upped her RBI total to nine for the season.

As the game moved to the fourth, van der Linden once again began a rally for the Noles. The California native singled to left field to lead off the inning and after a fielder's choice and back-to-back singles by Robyn Gauger and Marier, Bennett knocked a two run double to left center to put FSU up 5-0. With two outs, All-American Brooks then hit an inside the park home run to right center that scored Staci Brandon and Bennett and increased Florida State's lead to 8-0.

Senior Jen White-Stokes shut the Highlanders down in the bottom of the fifth as she moved to 7-2 on the season. White-Stokes allowed just two hits, struck out four batters and walked just one and lowered her ERA to 0.61 on the season. It was her fourth straight win dating back to the championship game of the FAU tournament February 25.

The Seminoles continue tournament play at 11:30 PST when they face tournament host San Diego State (11-8). FSU then returns to action Saturday, March 10 when they face UC Riverside at 9:00 am and No. 10 Cal State Fullerton (20-6) at 11:30.

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The Automated ScoreBook
UC Riverside vs Florida State
Mar 09, 2001 at San Diego, CA (SDSU Field)

UC Riverside 0 (6-16-1)

Florida State 8 (23-4)

	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Klara Burneleit lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Danielle Camacho 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1
Karli Burneleit ss.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Sarah Ditrich 3b.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andrea Cunningham c.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	0
Jessica Jenkins p.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Lauren Sigler 1b.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Jenelle Jackson 1b/p.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	1
Jennifer Benbury rf.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Danelle Ray cf.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals.....	16	0	2	0	1	4	12	8	2

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Staci Brandon dp.....	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Serita Brooks cf.....	3	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0
Kimmy Carter c.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	0
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Jessica van der Lind rf..	2	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	0
Jen White-Stokes p.....	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Robyn Gauger 1b.....	1	2	1	0	1	0	5	0	0
Monique Marier lf.....	2	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Skylla Cox pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Natalie Bennett ss.....	2	1	1	2	0	0	1	1	0
Becky Brock 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0
Totals.....	19	8	7	8	2	2	15	7	1

Score by Innings R H E

UC Riverside..... 000 00 - 0 2 0
Florida State..... 030 5X - 8 7 0

LOB - Highlanders 2; Seminoles 1. 2B - Bennett. 3B - van der Lind; Marier. HR - Brooks. SB - BENBURY. CS - CUNNINGHAM.

UC Riverside	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jen White-Stokes.....	3.2	7	8	8	2	2	18	20
Jenelle Jackson.....	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jen White-Stokes.....	5.0	2	0	0	1	4	16	17

Win - White-Stokes (7-2). Loss - JENKINS (2-5). Save - None.

Umpires -

Start: 9:00 am Time: 1:10 Attendance: 82

Game: 3092001