



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

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SEMINOLES DROP FINAL GAME OF TAR HEEL INVITATIONAL TO NORTH CAROLINA 3-2 IN EXTRA INNINGS

Florida State goes 4-1 on the road trip and claims the top spot in the ACC despite Sunday's loss.

Chapel Hill, NC – The Florida State softball team left Tallahassee Thursday knowing that it was facing the most important road trip of the 2001 season. The Seminoles traveled to Chapel Hill, NC and took two games from ACC-rival North Carolina and tournament games from regional opponents East Carolina and Florida Atlantic before dropping their final tournament game to UNC (24-15-1) 3-2 in extra innings to post a 4-1 record for the weekend and take over sole possession of first place in the ACC and South Atlantic Softball Association. Jen White-Stokes went 3-0 and she and Kimmy Carter each knocked in three RBI as the Noles moved to 39-7 on the year and 3-1 in the conference.

In the final game of the 2001 Tar Heel Invitational, North Carolina took an early lead on FSU in the bottom of the second when junior Kelly Ramsey hit a 225-foot blast over the center field fence off of Seminole starter Jessica van der Linden (11-3). FSU evened the score in the third when Serita Brooks reached on a fielder's choice and stole second. The throw from UNC catcher Natalie Anter sailed over the shortstop's head and Brooks came around to score on the two base error.

The Heels reclaimed the lead in the bottom of the third when North Carolina outfielder Natasha Snipes led off with a single and advanced to third on a throwing error by Seminole catcher Kimmy Carter. Snipes scored one play later when left fielder Emily Price singled to left. FSU once again evened the game on another throwing error by the Heels. Second baseman Brandi Stuart got on base with an infield single to the shortstop and then stole second. She then swiped third base and came around to score when the Heels attempted to throw out Stuart at third and nobody covered the base.

The game remained tied into the bottom of the eighth inning when UNC's Rosie Gustavson scored the winning run on a single to right center by Michelle Semmes and gave the Tar Heels the 2001 Tar Heel Invitational title with a 3-2 victory. North Carolina starter Radara McHugh got the win and moved to 1-1 against FSU this season and 15-9 for the season.

Florida State returns to Tallahassee to face Florida A&M Wednesday, April 11 at the Rattlerette Softball Complex. The Noles will resume play at home with their final meeting with FAMU Tuesday, April 17. After the meeting with FAMU, Florida State will have just three home dates remaining on its 2001 schedule.

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The Automated ScoreBook
 Florida State at North Carolina
 Apr 08, 2001 at Chapel Hill, NC (Finley Field)

Florida State 2 (39-7)

North Carolina 3 (24-15-1)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Serita Brooks cf.....	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Kimmy Carter c.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	2
Jess van der Linden p....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	2	0
Jen White-Stokes dp.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Monique Marier lf.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Elisa Velasco rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Leah Armstrong pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Natalie Bennett ss.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	0
Staci Brandon 3b.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Becky Brock pr/3b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Beth Wade 1b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0
Totals.....	29	2	4	0	0	4	22	10	4

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Price lf.....	4	0	1	1	0	0	3	0	2
Gustavson rf.....	4	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Anter c.....	3	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	0
Parker pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Semmes ss.....	4	0	1	1	0	0	4	1	0
Olen 1b.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	2
Ramsey dp.....	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Looper pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Streete 3b.....	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0
Bates ph.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Young 2b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	2
Snipes cf.....	3	1	2	0	0	1	3	0	0
McHugh p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	27	3	7	3	1	4	24	9	7

Score by Innings R H E

Florida State..... 001 100 00 - 2 4 1
 North Carolina..... 011 000 01 - 3 7 3

Note: 1 out, 1 runner LOB when the game ended.

C Carter; Anter; Streete 2. LOB - Seminoles 4; Tar Heels 7. 2B - Marier. 3B - Brandon. HR - Ramsey. HBP - Ramsey. SH -
 cer; Bates. SB - Brooks; Stuart 2.

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jess van der Linden.	7.1	7	3	1	1	4	27	31

North Carolina	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
McHugh.....	8.0	4	2	0	0	4	29	29

Win - McHugh (15-9). Loss - van der Lind (11-3). Save - None.

HB - van der Lind.

Umpires - Home:Mike Donovan 1st:Jim Morfino

Start: 12:35 Time: 2:05 Attendance: 161

Game: 4082001