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VAN DER LINDEN THROWS THIRD NO-HITTER AS SEMINOLES DOWN FAMU 12-0 Florida State scores season high 12 runs for the second straight game and improves to 43-7

Tallahassee, FL — Florida State scored II runs on IO hits in the bottom of the fourth inning to down Florida A&M I2-O in five innings Tuesday night. Freshman Jessica van der Linden threw her third no-hitter of the season and went four for four at the plate with two doubles and three RBI as she improved her record to I2-3 on the year. For the second game in a row, FSU (43-7, 3-1) set season highs in runs scored (I2) and hits (I6) while van der Linden tied a season high for hits in a game (4) and equaled a season high for doubles in a game (2), which she originally set February 2O against Mercer. The loss drops Florida A&M to I7-34 on the year and gives FSU a 5-1 edge in this year's series.

"I'm not sure I've seen anything like that before," said head coach Dr. JoAnne Graf. "The game was I-O entering the bottom of the fourth and then we get II runs and FAMU makes six errors and the game is totally out of reach. Florida A&M was playing really well but sometimes things just get out of hand before you know what hit you. I think that was the case tonight."

Van der Linden was the star of the game for the Seminoles Tuesday night. The freshman lefty from Cerritos, CA gave up just one walk and struck out eight Rattlerettes on her way to her 12<sup>th</sup> win and third no-hitter. She lowered her ERA to 0.85 on the season, recorded her 10<sup>th</sup> complete game and her ninth shutout. She also had two doubles, two singles, three RBI and she now leads the team with 30 RBI this season. Van der Linden is hitting .329, leading the team with 11 doubles and is slugging .459.

The Seminoles took a I-O lead in the second inning when Jen White-Stokes continued her hot hitting and led the inning off with a double to right center. After she advanced to third on a wild pitch, Elisa Velasco sacrificed her home for her 16<sup>th</sup> RBI of the year. The lead stayed at I-O until the bottom of the fourth.

In the fourth, FSU sent I7 batters to the plate and scored II runs on I0 hits as FAMU committed six errors. Kimmy Carter, Brandi Stuart and van der Linden each had two hits in the inning. Carter singled to left to load the bases and then tripled to right center to plate the Seminoles ninth and I0<sup>th</sup> runs of the inning. Stuart had two singles and an RBI and van der Linden doubled and singled and plated all three of her RBI in the inning.

Senior Robyn Gauger went two for three and knocked in an RBI Tuesday night. For the season, Gauger is now hitting .643 against the Rattlerettes with II RBI and a slugging percentage of 1.214. Van der Linden has also fared well against FAMU and her four for four night at the plate raised her average against the Rattlerettes to .632 with six RBI and a slugging percentage of .789. During her three outings on the mound against FAMU, van der Linden has walked just six batters while striking out 32.

Florida State tied four Seminole Softball Complex records in the 12-0 win over Florida A&M. The Seminole's 16 hits and 10 RBI both equaled previous highs for the stadium and van der Linden tied the record for most hits in a game (4) and became just the third pitcher to throw a no-hitter at the complex. All three of van der Linden's no-hitters have come at home this season.

The Florida State softball team returns to action Wednesday, April 18 when they travel to Gainesville to face the rival Gators in a doubleheader scheduled to begin at 4:00 p.m. The first game of the twin bill will be shown live on the Sunshine Network. The Seminoles then return home to continue SASA play when they face East Carolina in a doubleheader with games scheduled for 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

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## The Automated ScoreBook

## Florida A&M at Florida State

Apr 17, 2001 at Tallahassee, FL (Seminole Softball Co)

Florida A&M 0 (17-34)

Florida State 12 (43-7)

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Tonya Minick lf									0
Meyla Hooker 1b	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
Nkese Reed cf	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Cherrae Rushton dp	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Tiya Hines rf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kimberly Saunders ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Raven Rushton 3b	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0
Jerika Mobley ss	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0
Natalie Mathews 2b	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0
Shakaye Peters c	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Tenyse Tasby p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	15	0	0	0	1	8	12	7	1

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· Hooker; Hines 3; Mobley; Mathews. LOB - Rattlerettes 1; Seminoles 9. 2B - van der Lind 2; White-Stokes. 3B - Carter. SH /elasco.

Florida State IP H R ER BB SO AB BF Florida A&M IP H R ER BB SO AB BF Tenyse Tasby...... 4.0 16 12 8 3 1 29 33 Jess van der Linden. 5.0 0 0 0 1 8 15 16

Win - van der Lind (12-3). Loss - Tasby (13-14). Save - None.

WP - Tasby.

Umpires - Home: Gary Smith 1st: Ken Hayes Start: 6:00 pm Time: 1:35 Attendance: 203

Game: 4172001