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NO. 17 FLORIDA STATE SOFTBALL GETS WIN NO. 50 AS VAN DER LINDEN SHUTS OUT TROY

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Stuart and White-Stokes' seventh inning heroics extend Seminole's win streak to season-high II games.

Troy, AL – After clinching their 14th NCAA post-season berth in the last 15 years Saturday afternoon, the Seminole softball team traveled to Troy State University to face the Trojans in their final regular season road games of 2001. The Seminoles (50-7) got big plays from senior Jen White-Stokes and sophomore Brandi Stuart in the seventh and a complete game, two-hit shutout from freshman Jessica van der Linden as FSU reached the 50-win plateau and extended their season-high win streak to 11 games with a 1-0 victory over TSU (34-21).

"That was a fantastic pitchers duel," said head coach Dr. JoAnne Graf. "It is no fluke that Kim Unkenholz came into this game with a 1.14 ERA. She did a fantastic job against us considering we came into this game averaging nine runs a game over the last two weeks. Once again, I give our kids a lot of credit for not giving up and fighting until the last play."

Trojan junior southpaw Unkenholz (17-9), who entered the game with a 1.14 ERA, held the Seminoles at bay through the first six innings allowing just three hits while striking out four batters. The Seminoles put a runner in scoring position for only the second time in the sixth when Kimmy Carter laced a two out double down the left field line but they were unable to capitalize on the extra base hit as the game remained scoreless.

FSU finally broke through against Troy State's No. I starter in the top of the seventh when they strung together three straight one out singles to take a I-O lead. After Robyn Gauger failed to get on with a bunt to start the inning, Stuart started the rally with a single to short and then stole second and third her 26th and 27th stolen bases of the season. That brought up two-time ACC Player of the Week White-Stokes who sent a shot to left field that plated Stuart with the games only run.

Freshman van der Linden (13-3) had a perfect game going through three innings, which was broken up by a bunt single off of the bat of TSU junior Mindy Porep to start the fourth. The southpaw gave up just one hit through five innings before allowing a leadoff single to start the sixth and that was all she allowed for the day. The Trojans did threaten in the seventh when senior Renie Mitchell, a one-time FSU recruit, drew a walk to start of the inning and then stole second. After van der Linden retired the next two batters, freshman Elisa Velasco picked off Mitchell at second to end the rally and end the game.

The Seminoles will complete their doubleheader with Troy State Monday at 5:20 p.m. EST before returning home to close out the regular season against ACC and SASA foe Maryland at the Seminole Softball Complex. All games at the Seminole Softball Complex are free to the public and additional information on today's game and upcoming games is available on-line at www.seminoles.com. --30--

The Automated ScoreBook

Florida State at Troy State (Game 1) Apr 30, 2001 at Troy, AL (Troy Sportsplex)

Florida State 1 (50-7)

Troy State 0 (34-21)

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| Serita Brooks cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | | SWIFT, P 1f | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Kimmy Carter rf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | POREP, M 3b | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Jess van der Linden p | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | | BARNETT, P 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Robyn Gauger 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 0 | | MITCHELL, R ss | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Brandi Stuart 2b | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | | MARROTT, K cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Jen White-Stokes dp | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | McINNES, B 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1, | 10 | 1 | 0 |
| Skyla Cox pr | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | PETTY, J c | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Monique Marier lf | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | | JONES, T dp | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Elisa Velasco c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 3 | | WESTBERG, L ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Staci Brandon 3b | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | | CRUZAT, E rf | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Natalie Bennett ss | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | | UNKENHOLZ, K p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
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| Troy State 000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| E - Bennett(12). DP - TSU 1. LOB - Seminoles 4; TSU 3. 2B - Carter(8). SH - POREP, M; MITCHELL, R. SB - Stuart 2(27); MITCHELL, R. Florida State IP H R ER BB SO AB BF Troy State IP H R ER BB SO AB BF | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ; | | | | | | |
| s van der Linden. 7.0 | | | | | | | | | | | UNKENHOLZ, K 7.0 | | | | | | | | | |

Win - van der Lind (13-3). Loss - UNKENHOLZ, K (17-9). Save - None.

Umpires - Home:Larry McCaden 1st:James Gordon Start: 2:10 pm Time: 1:49 Attendance: 156

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