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NO. 6 CAL ENDS SEMINOLE'S SEASON WITH 3-2 10-INNING VICTORY IN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Florida State softball comes within one strike of reaching Women's College World Series.

Tallahassee, FL — It is hard to imagine a more heart-breaking way for a season to end than the way it ended for the Florida State softball team (58-12) on a soggy Sunday night. After battling the University of California to a 1-1 tie for nine innings, the Seminoles broke a six inning scoreless drought to take a 2-1 lead in the top of the tenth. FSU then had Cal (53-16) down to its last strike in the bottom of the tenth before number nine hitter, Kristen Morley sent a double to left center scoring the Bear's second and third runs and punching Cal's ticket to the Women's College World Series.

"You have to give a lot of credit to Cal," said head coach Dr. JoAnne Graf. "They played a great game and they hung around the whole time. I thought that once we got two out we were going to get out of that inning (bottom of the 10th). I felt pretty good about it but their kid just got a great hit."

For the first time in three meetings with Cal at the 2001 NCAA Tallahassee Regional, the Seminoles scored first and took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning. Kimmy Carter started things off for FSU with a one-out single to center and was moved to second when Cal starter Nicole DiSalvio (20-7) walked Jessica van der Linden. Robyn Gauger advanced Carter to third on a deep fly to right and California-native Brandi Stuart drove her home with a single to left field. The RBI was the first of the 2001 Tallahassee Regional for the Seminoles leading hitter.

The Bears tied the game up in the bottom of the third and threatened to take the lead when Candace Harper's double to deep center scored Kristen Morley with the tying run off of freshman starter van der Linden. After van der Linden loaded the bases with two outs, Jennifer White-Stokes replaced the ACC Rookie of the Year on the mound and got Courtney Scott to ground to short where Veronica Nelson was called out on runner's interference.

FSU led off the top of the fourth with a double by first baseman Robyn Gauger to deep right center, her third of the tournament, but was unable to capitalize. DiSalvio struck out two of the next three batters to end the Seminoles threat and keep the game even at 1-1.

Florida State looked like it could take over the lead in the top of the sixth inning when Gauger reached on a two-out error by Bear third baseman Harper. Sophomore Stuart then sent a deep shot over the head of the Cal right fielder as Gauger rounded third and headed for home. Second baseman Eryn Manahan took the throw from right and made a perfect strike to Cal catcher Courtney Scott who tagged Gauger out at the plate to keep the game knotted at 1-1.

Both pitchers held the other squad off of the board as the game entered the tenth inning. Cal almost ended the game in the bottom of the eighth when Nelson led off the inning with a base hit down the left field line and Manahan reached on an error. White-Stokes battled back to retire the next three batters to keep the game tied.

FSU staged a two-out rally in the top of the tenth when Brooks laid down a perfect bunt along the first baseline and beat the throw out at first. Brooks then stole her 55th base of the year to advance to second. Junior Kimmy Carter's base hit into shallow right scored Brooks from second with the potential game-winning run.

Cal never gave up and led off the bottom of the inning with a walk. They proceeded to put runners on first and third after Manahan got on base on a fielder's choice and pinch runner Katie Andrew reached safely and advanced on an error by third baseman Staci Brandon. Manahan moved over to second on a Scott ground out and the Bears then loaded the bases on an intentional walk to Amber Phillips. The Seminoles then brought in ace Leslie Malerich to face Mikella Pedretti. Pedretti sent a ball to shortstop Natalie Bennett who fired a perfect strike to home to get Andrew on an extremely close play at the plate. Malerich then, needing just one out to send her team to the



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WCWS, took a commanding 0-2 lead on Cal's Morley, but after taking a ball to send the cont to 1-2, Morely sent a shot into left center scoring Phillips and Manahan and ending the Seminoles season.

White-Stokes (19-6) pitched six and two-thirds scoreless innings before giving way to Malerich who entered the final game with a perfect 4-0 record in the 2001 NCAA Regional Tournament. For the tournament, White-Stokes, a senior from Tuttle, Okla., pitched 15.0 innings against the sixth-ranked Bears while allowing just one earned run and posting an impressive 0.47 ERA.

"This game meant a lot to me thinking about how it could be the last one I ever played," said White-Stokes. "It is so weird to think that it is all over since I have been doing this my whole life. Despite the outcome, it was a good way to go out."

The Seminoles end the season with their deepest run into the postseason since they advanced to the Women's College World Series in 1993. Their 58 wins were the most since the 1995 team went 58-18 and they placed six players on the All-Southeast Region Team, swept all three awards at the ACC Banquet and placed six members on the 2001 NCAA Tallahassee Regional All-Tournament team.

NOTES: Florida State led all teams at the 2001 NCAA Tallahassee Regional with six players named to the all-tournament team. Regional champion Cal had five players, including Most Outstanding Player Amber Phillips, and FAU placed one player, Nicole Meyers on the 12-person team. Seniors Jen White-Stokes, Robyn Gauger and Serita Brooks, juniors Monique Marier and Leslie Malerich and freshman Jessica van der Linden were FSU's six representatives on the all-tournament team.

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2001 Tallahassee Regional All-Tournament Team

APPENDIX V

2000 NCAA DIVISION I SOFTBALL

All-Tournament Team Ballot

Please select 12 players for the all-tournament team. The players should be selected at-large with no specific regard to position (i.e., a certain number of outfielders, infielders, etc.). Also, indicate your choice for the Most Outstanding Player of the tournament with an "X" at the left of her name. The MOP will be a member of the 12-person all-tournament team.

The ballots will be collected at the end of the fifth inning of the championship game. The all-tournament team will be announced following the game.

MOP	NAME, TEAM AFFILIATION, POSITION
_____	1. Eryn Manahan, California
_____	2. Jennifer White-stokes, FSU
_____	3. Jocelyn Forest, California
_____	4. Monique Marier, FSU
_____	5. Nicole Myers, FAU
X _____	6. Amber Phillips, California
_____	7. Serita Brooks, FSU
_____	8. Courtney Scott, California
_____	9. Leslie Malerich, FSU
_____	10. Nicole DiSalvio, California
_____	11. Jessica Van der Linden, FSU
_____	12. Robyn Gaugee, FSU

(Signed)

(Affiliation)

The Automated ScoreBook

Florida State vs CAL

May 20, 2001 at NCAA Regional Champ (Tallahassee, FL)

Florida State 2 (58-12)

CAL 3 (53-16)

r	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Serita Brooks cf.....	4	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0
Kimmy Carter rf/c.....	3	1	2	1	1	0	4	0	0
Jessica van der Lind p/rf	4	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1
Robyn Gauger lb.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	11	0	1
Skyla Cox pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	4	0	2	1	0	1	1	3	0
Jen White-Stokes dp/p....	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Leah Armstrong pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monique Marier lf.....	4	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	1
Natalie Bennett ss.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	5	4	0
Staci Brandon 3b.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1
Elisa Velasco c/dp.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Leslie Malerich p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	35	2	7	2	3	6	29	11	7

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Bowie, Paige ss.....	3	0	0	0	1	0	3	6	1
Duenas, Pauline lf.....	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harper, Candace 3b.....	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
Nelson, Veronica lb.....	2	0	1	0	3	0	13	2	1
Deering, Jen pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andrew, Katie pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manahan, Eryn 2b.....	3	1	0	0	0	0	5	4	1
Scott, Courtney c.....	5	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	3
Phillips, Amber cf.....	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Pedretti, Mikella dp.....	5	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3
Morley, Kristen rf.....	4	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
DiSalvio, Nicole p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	35	3	6	3	6	3	30	17	13

Score by Innings

R H E

Florida State..... 100 000 000 1 - 2 7 3
 CAL..... 001 000 000 2 - 3 6 1

Note: 2 outs, 2 runners LOB when the game ended.

R Carter(6); Brandon 2(12); Harper(7). DP - CAL 1. LOB - Seminoles 7; CAL 13. 2B - Gauger(10); Stuart(12); Harper(9);
 lps(3); Morley(2). HBP - Harper; Manahan. SH - Carter(19); Bowie(6); Manahan(12). SB - Brooks(55).

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jessica van der Lind	2.2	2	1	1	3	0	8	14
Jen White-Stokes....	6.2	3	2	0	3	3	25	29
Leslie Malerich.....	0.1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2

CAL	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
DiSalvio, Nicole....	10.0	7	2	2	3	6	35	39

Win - DiSalvio (20-7). Loss - White-Stokes (19-6). Save - None.

HB - van der Lind 2.

Umpires - Home:Tom Topping 1st:Patty Yarrington 3rd:Dan Morrow

Start: 5:47 pm Time: 3:02 Attendance: 336

Game: NCAA6

2001 NCAA Division I Softball Regional at Tallahassee

GAME 12



California
VS.



Florida State

May 20, 2001
Seminole Softball Complex

FSU vs CAL

May 20, 2001 at NCAA Regional (Tallahassee, Fla.)

FSU 2 (58-12)

CAL 3 (53-16)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Serita Brooks cf.....	4	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0
Kimmy Carter rf/c.....	3	1	2	1	1	0	4	0	0
Jess van der Linden p/rf.	4	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1
Robyn Gauger 1b.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	11	0	1
Skyla Cox pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brandi Stuart 2b.....	4	0	2	1	0	1	2	3	0
Jen White-Stokes dp/p....	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Leah Armstrong dp.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monique Marier lf.....	4	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	1
Natalie Bennett ss.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0
Staci Brandon 3b.....	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1
Elisa Velasco c/dp.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Leslie Malerich p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	35	2	7	2	3	6	29	11	7

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Bowie ss.....	3	0	0	0	1	0	3	6	1
Duenas lf.....	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harper 3b.....	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
Nelson 1b.....	2	0	1	0	3	0	13	2	1
Deering pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andrew pr.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manahan 2b.....	3	1	0	0	0	0	5	4	1
Scott c.....	5	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	3
Phillips cf.....	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Pedretti dp.....	5	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3
Morley rf.....	4	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	1
DiSalvio p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	35	3	6	3	6	3	30	17	13

Score by Innings	R	H	E
FSU.....	100	000	000
CAL.....	001	000	000

Note: 2 outs, 2 runners LOB when the game ended.

E - Carter; Brandon 2; Harper. DP - CAL 1. LOB - FSU 7; CAL 13. 2B - Gauger; Stuart; Harper; Phillips; Morley. HBP - Harper; Man. SH - Carter; Bowie; Manahan. SB - Brooks. CS - Bowie.

FSU	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Jess van der Linden.	2.2	2	1	1	3	0	8	14
Jen White-Stokes....	6.2	3	2	0	3	3	25	29
Leslie Malerich.....	0.1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2

CAL	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
DiSalvio.....	10.0	7	2	2	3	6	35	39

Win - DiSalvio (20-7). Loss - White-Stokes (19-6). Save - None.

HB - van der Lind 2.

Umpires - Home:Tom Topping 1st:Patty Yarrington 3rd:Dan Morrow

Start: 5:48 pm Time: 3:02 Attendance: 336

Game: GAME12

Game notes:

All the marbles ride on this one...

Rain Rain go away, come again some other day...

Cal is looking for its sixth overall trip to the WCWS and their third consecutive, while FSU is also looking for its sixth trip.

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FSU vs CAL - Play-by-Play
May 20, 2001 at NCAA Regional (E:)

Score by Innings	R H E		
FSU.....	100	000	000
CAL.....	001	000	000

FSU starters: 15/cf Brooks; 8/rf Carter; 99/p van der Lind; 25/1b Gauger; 29/2b Stuart; 12/dp White-Stokes; 4/lf Marier; 43/ss Bennett; 10/3b Brandon; 9/c Velasco;

CAL starters: 3/ss Bowie; 1/lf Duenas; 12/3b Harper; 17/1b Nelson; 20/2b Manahan; 4/c Scott; 11/cf Phillips; 15/dp Pedretti; 23/rf Morley; 13/p DiSalvio;

FSU - inning 1

Brooks struck out swinging. Carter singled to center field. van der Lind walked; Carter advanced to second. Gauger flied out to rf; Carter advanced to third. Stuart singled to left field, RBI; van der Lind advanced to second; Carter scored. White-Stokes reached on a fielder's choice; Stuart out at second ss to 2b. 1 run, 2 hits, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

CAL - inning 1

Bowie walked. Bowie out at second c to ss, caught stealing. Duenas flied out to lf. Harper hit by pitch. Nelson popped up to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FSU - inning 2

Carter grounded out to 2b. Bennett out at first 1b to 2b. Brandon popped up to 2b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

CAL - inning 2

Manahan popped up to 1b. Scott flied out to lf. Phillips doubled down the rf line. Pedretti flied out to cf. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FSU - inning 3

Brooks grounded out to ss. Carter walked. van der Lind lined into double play ss to 1b; Carter out on the play. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

CAL - inning 3

Morley walked. Bowie grounded out to 3b, SAC, bunt; Morley advanced to second. Duenas fouled out to ss. Harper doubled to left center, RBI; Morley scored. Nelson intentionally walked. Manahan hit by pitch; Nelson advanced to second; Harper advanced to third. Carter to c. van der Lind to rf. White-Stokes to p. Velasco to dp. Scott reached on a fielder's choice; Manahan advanced to second; Nelson out at second ss unassisted, interference. 1 run, 1 hit, 0 errors, 3 LOB.

FSU - inning 4

Gauger doubled to right center. Cox pinch ran for Gauger. Stuart struck out swinging. White-Stokes grounded out to p; Cox advanced to third. Marier struck

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out swinging. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

CAL - inning 4

Gauger to 1b for Cox. Phillips flied out to rf. Pedretti struck out swinging. Morley reached on an error by 3b, advanced to second. Bowie grounded out to 2b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 1 error, 1 LOB.

FSU - inning 5

Bennett grounded out to ss. Brandon struck out swinging. Brooks out at first 1b to 2b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

CAL - inning 5

Duenas flied out to rf. Harper grounded out to ss. Nelson walked. Manahan grounded out to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FSU - inning 6

Carter grounded out to p. van der Lind struck out swinging. Gauger reached on an error by 3b. Stuart doubled to right field; Gauger advanced to third, out at home rf to 2b to c. 0 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 1 LOB.

CAL - inning 6

Scott grounded out to ss. Phillips grounded out to 2b. Pedretti singled to second base. Morley struck out looking. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FSU - inning 7

White-Stokes singled to center field. Armstrong to dp for White-Stokes. Marier struck out swinging. Bennett grounded out to 2b; Armstrong advanced to second. Brandon lined out to 1b. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

CAL - inning 7

White-Stokes to p for Armstrong. Bowie flied out to cf. Duenas lined out to p. Harper grounded out to 3b. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FSU - inning 8

Brooks walked. Carter out at first 3b to 2b, SAC, bunt; Brooks advanced to second. van der Lind grounded out to 1b unassisted; Brooks advanced to third. Gauger grounded out to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

CAL - inning 8

Nelson singled to left field. Deering pinch ran for Nelson. Manahan reached on an error by c, SAC, bunt; Deering advanced to second. Scott popped up to 2b. Phillips flied out to lf. Pedretti grounded out to 3b. 0 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 2 LOB.

FSU - inning 9

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Nelson to 1b for Deering. Stuart grounded out to 3b. White-Stokes grounded out to ss. Marier lined out to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

- inning 9

Morley struck out looking. Bowie grounded out to 1b unassisted. Duenas singled to right center. Harper popped up to 2b. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FSU - inning 10

Bennett flied out to rf. Brandon lined out to ss. Brooks singled, bunt. Brooks stole second. Carter singled to right field, RBI; Brooks scored. van der Lind grounded out to 2b. 1 run, 2 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

CAL - inning 10

Nelson walked. Andrew pinch ran for Nelson. Manahan reached on a fielder's choice; Andrew advanced to second on an error by 3b, advanced to third. Scott grounded out to 2b; Manahan advanced to second. Phillips intentionally walked. White-Stokes to dp. Malerich to p for Velasco. Pedretti reached on a fielder's choice; Phillips advanced to second; Manahan advanced to third; Andrew out at home ss to c. Morley doubled to left center, 2 RBI; Pedretti advanced to third; Phillips scored, unearned; Manahan scored, unearned. 2 runs, 1 hit, 1 error, 2 LOB.