

Seminoles survive threat from surprising St. Joseph's

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No, this was not the St. Joseph's Hawks of Philadelphia, the ambitious basketball program of the Atlantic Ten Conference.

This was the St. Joseph's College Monks of the 430-student, Division III school from North Windham, Me. Where is North Windham, you ask? Just north of South Windham.

But the Monks, expected to be simple fodder, put a scare into Florida State before the Seminoles walked away 88-72 on Monday night at the civic center. It could have been an upset for the ages, one of those Chaminade-over-Vir-

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numbers.

But before we get too rough on the Seminoles — and some of the surprisingly large crowd of 3,276 did — let us consider a few facts:

• FSU was coming off a hard-fought loss Saturday in Miami. The opponent was the North Carolina Tar Heels, royalty in college basketball.

● This was FSU's first home game since Dec. 18.

● This one was supposed to be a breather between North Carolina and a stretch of schedule that gets nasty Wednesday when South Florida comes to town. The following four opponents are Louisville here Saturday night and then

games at Virginia Tech, North Carolina State and Memphis State.

● And, really, who can get up for a team nicknamed the Monks?

The Seminoles could not. However, they improved their record to 7-3. St. Joseph's, finishing an 0-3 trip to the state that included losses to the Florida Institute of Technology, Stetson and FSU, is 8-5.

Emerging from a whooping St. Joseph's dressing room after the game, Coach Rick Simonds wore a broad grin. "We've got no scholarships," he said. "If we had a couple of scholarship players, we might have been all right today."

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Florida schools							
FSU 88, ST. JOSEPH'S 72							
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player	min	fg-a	ft-fta	reb	a	f	tp
Jones	32	3-3	1-2	2	2	4	7
Giddens	23	0-1	0-0	3	7	4	0
Ricciolo	29	8-16	0-0	2	1	1	16
Greech	36	9-14	0-8	3	1	3	24
Ribinskas	34	6-12	4-4	4	1	2	16
Marquardt	17	1-3	0-1	1	2	0	2
Johnson	2	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0
Russell	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Cherny	2	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	2
Warren	16	0-0	3-4	1	1	1	3
Olmann	5	1-1	0-0	2	0	1	2
Team				2			
Totals	200	29-52	14-19	20	15	16	72
FSU 88							
player	min	fg-a	ft-fta	reb	a	f	tp
Shaffer	25	3-6	0-0	1	6	2	6
Farrar	25	4-4	1-1	0	5	1	9
Gilson	38	10-14	5-8	5	0	2	25
Allen	28	12-15	1-2	5	0	4	25
Fitchett	30	4-4	0-1	3	2	3	8
Ambry	12	2-2	2-2	0	5	0	6
Garter	2	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	0
Spaights	4	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0
Team				5			
Totals	200	39-55	10-18	25	23	15	88

Halftime score: FSU 47, St. Joseph's 48. Field-goal percentages: St. Joseph's 56, FSU 64. Turnovers: St. Joseph's 17, FSU 18. Technical fouls: None.

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