

UM wins 10-4: splits with FSU

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Miami's Randy Guerra was determined to beat Florida State one way or another.

He turned to pitching Wednesday, after his bat had earlier failed to do the job, and handcuffed the Seminoles with a 10-4 defeat as the Hurricanes gained a split in the important opening series between these two Southern Independents.

Tuesday night, the Hurricane star's heroics at the plate (four hits, three runs batted in) wasn't enough as the Seminoles took a 14-10 win at Seminole Field.

Florida State is now 27-9 on the year; Miami is 34-10. Next week's three-game series in Miami should go a long way towards deciding who gets a bid to the NCAA Southeast Regional tournament.

"Guerra was throwing really

well," said FSU coach Woody Woodward, who saw his ace, righthander Larry Jones, hit hard for his second straight loss. "They got the good pitching tonight, and we just didn't."

Guerra, after giving up a two-run homer to David Mobley in the second inning, settled down and had little trouble through the ninth inning, then jammed the thumb on his pitching hand and was removed from the game.

Mark Batten came on for the final two outs, but not before the Seminoles took advantage of three straight Miami errors to score two runs.

Guerra is now 5-0 on the season.

Jones lasted only two and two-thirds innings and gave up seven runs. They were all unearned, but the senior righthander was still hit hard, and that prompted Woodward to speculate on changes in the starting rotation.

"There will most definitely be changes," he said, "but I haven't fully decided at this time. One major possibility is bringing Jackie Smith out of the bullpen in into a starter's role.

"When you play the schedule we've got, you've got to have pitching and defense — we had neither tonight. We're going to get the runs, most of the time, but even then without solid pitching you're dead."

The Seminoles did get strong relief work. Smith came in and threw five and one-third innings and al-

lowed two earned runs, and David Bedingfield came on in the ninth and set the Hurricanes down in order.

After Mobley's blast in the second, his sixth of the season and fourth in his last six games, the Seminole bats were silenced the rest of the way.

Guerra got out of a jam in the sixth when the Seminoles had runners at second and third and two out, and left in the ninth with a runner on first and two down.

Batten got Carlos Lezcano to line to left for the second out, but then secondbaseman Erol Akchurin booted two grounders and centerfielder Humberto Acosta dropped a fly ball to let two Seminole runs score.

Freshman Jim Maler was the big gun at the plate for the Hurricanes in this one, drilling his seventh and eight home runs of the season.

Florida State					Miami				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Bifano 2b	3	1	0	0	Shapiro 2b	5	2	3	0
Lezcano cf	5	0	0	0	Akchn 2b	1	0	0	0
Hicks dh	4	1	2	0	Acosta cf	5	1	3	2
Kennedy c	3	1	0	0	Montoni rf	4	1	1	0
Mobley 3b	5	1	1	2	Rb.Feld'n rf	0	0	0	0
McArdle lf	5	0	2	0	Guerra p	5	1	0	1
Cooper rf	4	0	2	0	Batten p	0	0	0	0
Benda ss	3	0	0	0	Maler 1b	5	2	3	4
McGlone 1b	4	0	0	0	Knott 3b	5	0	0	0
L. Jones p	0	0	0	0	Rd.Feld'n lf	5	1	1	0
Smith p	0	0	0	0	Callahan c	5	1	2	0
Bedingfd p	0	0	0	0	Rams ss	4	1	0	0
TOTALS	36	4	7	2	TOTALS	44	10	13	7

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E — Benda, Mobley, Akchurin 2, Acosta. LOB — Miami 8, FSU 11. 2B — Hicks, Acosta, Montoni. HR — Mobley (6), Maler 2 (8). SB — Shapiro. S — Benda.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Guerra (W, 5-0)	8 ¹ / ₃	7	3	2	5	8
Batten	2 ² / ₃	0	1	0	0	1
L.Jones (L, 6-3)	2 ² / ₃	7	7	0	2	2
Smith	5 ¹ / ₃	6	3	2	0	6
Beddingfield	1	0	0	0	0	1

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