

FSU rips Gators in 15-2 win

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GAINESVILLE — When the Florida State baseball team decides to score runs, it doesn't fool around. Wednesday afternoon at Perry Field, three Florida pitchers became the latest victims of the Seminoles' Big Smack Attack.

FSU broke up a pitching duel by scoring two runs in the fourth and 12 runs in the final four innings to humiliate UF 15-2.

The victory, coupled with Tuesday night's 2-1 comeback win, gave the Seminoles a sweep of the two-game series. FSU is now 32-5; the Gators are 30-10.

Although the Seminoles pounded UF pitchers for 13 hits, including two long home runs, the biggest excitement was generated by an attempted steal of first base — a steal in which the culprit was out before he took the base.

FSU manager Mike Martin was ejected from the game in the top of the second inning after arguing with umpires Mike Holt and Dick Porter over a disputed call at second. Martin left, but only after lifting first base out of the dirt and heaving it toward the UF dugout.

After showering and joining the 1-169 in attendance, Martin watched his team get the job done without him. Seminole starter Ken Fischer (5-0) held the Gators to eight hits and one earned run as FSU breezed to its 14th straight win.

UF starter Carlos Moreno (3-2) lasted just five innings and was rocked for seven hits and seven runs. Relievers Brian Gonzalez and Shawn Mathena were given similiar treatment as the pair surrendered FSU's

final six hits and eight runs in the Gators' worst defeat of the season.

Gator right fielder Craig McGraw walked to lead off the first inning and scored on FSU third baseman Rick Figueredo's error. It was the last time the Gators led.

Seminole first baseman Jeff Ledbetter got hold of a Mareno fastball and sent it high over the right-center field wall for a three-run homer in the fourth. Two innings later, left fielder Jim Weaver knocked in two more runs with a blast that equaled Ledbetter's.

With that cushion, Fischer had little problems with the Gators the rest of the afternoon. He gave up one more run in the fourth, but allowed only two UF runners to reach third through the final five innings.

"My change-up was excellent today," Fischer said. "My curve ball wasn't working that good so I resorted to my junk pitches. I had them were I wanted them today."

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	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Martinez 2b	3	1	1	1	McGraw rf	3	1	0	0
DeLoach ss	5	1	1	2	Floyd lf	5	0	1	0
Fuentes cf	4	2	1	0	Lmbrdzzi ss	4	0	2	0
Weaver lf	4	3	2	3	Stevens 1b	4	0	0	1
Ledbetter 1b	3	3	1	4	Baines 3b	4	1	1	0
Ramsey c	5	1	3	2	Brantley dh	4	0	1	0
Cullen dh	4	1	2	1	Carpenter cf	2	0	1	0
Ystrzmski rf	3	1	1	0	Arnold 2b	4	0	0	0
Huff rf	0	1	0	0	Worley c	4	0	2	1
Figueredo 3b	4	0	1	1					
Tebbetts 3b	1	1	1	1					
Totals	36	15	13	15	Totals	34	2	8	2

Florida State	000	305	223	-	15
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E — Baines 3, Carpenter 1, Figueroa, Fisher, DP — Florida State 2. LOB — Florida State 7, Florida 16. 2B — Ramsey, Yastrzemski. HR — Weaver (15), Ledbetter (14). SB — Weaver. SF — Weaver, Cullen.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Florida State						
Fisher (W, 5-0)	9	8	2	1	11	3
Florida						
Moreno (L, 3-2)	5	7	7	7	3	3
Gonzalez	1	1	3	3	3	0
Mathena	3	5	5	5	2	0

HBP — by Gonzalez (Ledbetter). WP — Morengo. T — 3:12. A — 1,169.