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NO. 2 FLORIDA STATE HOLDS ON TO DEFEAT NO. 8 MIAMI, 10-9

Daniel Hodges picked up the win in relief and Justin Lord earned his ninth save

Coral Gables, Fla. – The No. 2 Florida State Seminoles (33-7, 14-1 ACC) held on to defeat No. 8 Miami (28-10) by a score of 10-9 in front of 4,940 fans at Mark Light Stadium. Daniel Hodges (3-0) was the winner after going 4.1 innings in relief of starter Blair Varnes. Justin Lord, who leads the nation in saves, picked up his 10th of the year after working a scoreless ninth and striking out two. Karl Jernigan's run in the top of the sixth on a throwing error by Miami catcher Greg Lovelady was the difference.

Both starters struggled with neither making it through the fourth inning. Varnes had his shortest outing of the season, going 3.2 innings and giving up five earned runs on 10 hits. He had gone at least seven innings in each of his last six starts. UM's Kiki Bengochea went just three innings, surrendering seven earned runs on seven hits.

FSU jumped on the 'Canes early with five runs in the top of the second inning. Jeff Probst singled and Chris Hart doubled down the third base line to put runners on second and third. Freshman Tony Richie responded in his first career at bat against Miami with a home run over the wall in left, his second of the season. Richie would finish the night with a team-high three hits and three RBI in five at bats. After Bryan Zech was hit, John-Ford Griffin hit his 11th homer of the year to stake the visiting Seminoles to a 5-0 lead.

UM cut the lead to 5-2 in the bottom of the inning on Kevin Brown's two-run homer to center.

The Seminoles put two more runs up in the top of the third. After Karl Jernigan walked and Nick Rogers singled to right to put runners on the corners, Probst ripped an RBI-double off the wall in right center. Rogers scored on a wild pitch to push FSU's margin back to five.

Miami once again answered in the bottom half of the inning, taking advantage of two FSU errors to score three unearned runs and make it 7-5. Danny Matienzo and Kris Clute had run-scoring singles with the other run coming home on an error by Zech at second.

The Hurricanes took their first lead with a three-spot in the bottom of the fourth inning. Matienzo picked up the first RBI with a sacrifice fly to right that scored Javy Rodriguez, who had reached on a bunt base hit. Brown and Greg Lovelady recorded back-to-back, two-out RBI-singles to give UM the lead at 8-7.

Charlton Jimerson's solo homer to right center in the fifth upped the Hurricanes' lead to 9-7.

FSU regained the lead with three runs in the top of the sixth inning. Mike Futrell hit a two-run homer to left, his sixth of the year, with Barthelemy on first after being hit by a pitch. Jernigan then scored what would prove to be the game-winning run when he doubled down the third base line, took third on a wild pitch and came home when Lovelady's throw sailed over Kevin Howard's head at third on the play.

T.J. Prunty (0-1) took the loss for UM after giving up two runs (one earned) in 1.1 innings.

The two teams continue the series Saturday at 7:00 p.m. in a game that will be televised live by Fox Sports Net. FSU LHP Matt Lynch (5-1) is scheduled to face UM LHP Brian Walker (7-1).

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The Automated ScoreBook
 Florida State at Miami
 Apr 13, 2001 at Coral Gables, FL (Mark Light)

Florida State 10 (33-7)

Miami 9 (28-10)

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
Bryan Zech 2b.....	5	1	0	0	0	0	4	2	3
John-Ford Griffin 1f.....	4	1	1	2	1	0	2	0	1
Ryan Barthelemy 1b.....	3	1	1	0	0	1	5	1	0
Mike Futrell dh.....	3	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	0
Richie Smith ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Karl Jernigan cf.....	4	2	1	0	1	2	2	0	2
Nick Rogers rf.....	4	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
Jeff Probst ss.....	5	1	2	1	0	2	3	0	3
Chris Hart 3b.....	4	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Tony Richie c.....	5	1	3	3	0	0	9	1	0
Blair Varnes p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Daniel Hodges p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Justin Lord p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	38	10	11	8	4	8	27	6	9

Player	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A	LOB
NETTLES 1f.....	5	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0
J. RODRIGUEZ ss.....	4	2	1	0	1	1	2	1	1
M. RODRIGUEZ cf.....	5	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
MATIENZO dh.....	4	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
HOWARD 3b.....	5	3	2	0	0	0	2	2	0
BROWN 1b.....	4	1	3	3	1	0	8	1	0
LOVELADY c.....	4	0	1	2	0	2	9	2	1
CLUTE 2b.....	5	0	3	1	0	2	1	1	2
JIMERSON rf.....	4	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	4
SAFCHIK ph.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
BENGOCHEA p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SMITH p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
COHN p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PRUNTY p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
PRENDES p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DeBOLD p.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	41	9	16	9	2	9	27	8	9

Score by Innings	R	H	E
Florida State.....	052	003	000
Miami.....	023	310	000

Each; Varnes; LOVELADY. LOB - Seminoles 9; MIAMI 9. 2B - Barthelemy; Jernigan; Probst; Hart; Richie. HR - Griffin; Futrell; Richie; BROWN; JIMERSON. HBP - Zech; Barthelemy 2; Rogers; LOVELADY. SF - MATIENZO. SB - Zech; JIMERSON. CS - Probst; NETTLES.

Florida State	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
Blair Varnes.....	3.2	10	8	5	2	3	20	24
Daniel Hodges.....	4.1	5	1	1	0	4	17	17
Justin Lord.....	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	4	4

Miami	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
BENGOCHEA.....	3.0	7	7	7	2	3	16	19
SMITH.....	2.0	0	0	0	1	2	6	9
COHN.....	0.1	0	1	1	0	0	1	2
PRUNTY.....	1.1	3	2	1	0	0	7	7
PRENDES.....	0.2	0	0	0	0	1	2	2
DeBOLD.....	1.2	1	0	0	1	2	6	7

Win - Hodges (3-0). Loss - PRUNTY (0-1). Save - Lord (10).
 WP - BENGOCHEA; PRUNTY; DeBOLD. HB - Varnes; BENGOCHEA; SMITH 2; COHN.
 Umpires - Home:Mark Chapman 1st:Mark McGill 3rd:Eddie Loggins
 Start: 7:07 Time: 3:32 Attendance: 4940
 Game: UM1
 Game notes:
 FSU extends winning streak to nine games.