

LSU Baseball Report
April 4, 2005

Overall Record: 21-8
SEC: 5-4 (second place in Western Division)

Last Week: 2-2

March 29 – NEW ORLEANS (W, 18-10)
April 1 – at Alabama (L, 0-4)
April 2 – at Alabama (W, 11-2)
April 3 – at Alabama (L, 4-5 – 13 innings)

Nominee for Player of the Week

Ryan Patterson, OF, Sr., Rowlett, Texas

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Notes on the Tigers

LSU lost a series to Alabama for the first time since 1999, when the Crimson Tide defeated the Tigers in an NCAA Super Regional in Tuscaloosa ... LSU had won five straight series over Alabama prior to last weekend, and the Tigers are now 15-6 versus the Tide in this decade ... outfielder Ryan Patterson enjoyed another superb week, batting .389 (7-for-18) with two doubles, one triple, two homers, 10 RBI and six runs ... Patterson launched his first career grand slam Tuesday night against New Orleans, and his three-run homer at Alabama on Saturday broke and 2-2 tie and propelled the Tigers to an 11-2 victory ... Patterson has homered 11 times in LSU's last 13 games ... in his last 10 games, Patterson is batting .442 (19-for-43) with four doubles, one triple, six homers and 16 RBI ... on the season, Patterson is hitting .425 (48-for-113) with 11 doubles, one triple, 13 homers, 33 RBI and 42 runs ... infielder Blake Gill was LSU's leading hitter in the Alabama series, batting .417 (5-for-12) with one homer, three RBI and two runs ... left-hander Clay Dirks earned his SEC-leading seventh win on Saturday at Alabama, as he worked five innings, limiting the Tide to two runs on two hits with four walks and four strikeouts ... Dirks is 7-0 this season with a 3.02 ERA and one save with 44.2 innings of work ... reliever Edgar Ramirez turned in his most impressive performances of the season with two sterling outings at Alabama ... Ramirez worked 4.1 scoreless innings in two appearances, allowing just two hits with two walks and five strikeouts ... LSU's opponent has scored first in each of the Tigers' last 10 games; LSU is 6-4 during that 10-game stretch.