

Baseball Report

LSU Baseball Report
February 28, 2005

Overall Record: 9-1

Last Week: 2-1

Feb. 25 – at Houston (L, 1-2)
Feb. 27 – at Houston (W, 11-5)
Feb. 27 – at Houston (W, 8-1)

This Week's Schedule

March 2 – at Centenary, 7 p.m.
March 4 – UAB, 6:30 p.m.
March 5 – UAB, Noon
March 6 – UAB, 1 p.m.

LSU posted a 2-1 series victory at Houston last weekend in the Tigers' first road trip of the season ... the Tigers have now won nine consecutive regular-season series, dating back to last season ... LSU last lost a weekend series on April 9-11, 2004, when Arkansas swept three games in Alex Box Stadium ... after dropping a 2-1 decision to Houston on Friday night, the Tigers rebounded with a doubleheader sweep (11-5, 8-1) on Sunday (Saturday's regularly-scheduled game was moved back to Sunday due to rain) ... senior left fielder Ryan Patterson led the LSU offense, as he hit .385 (5-for-13) in the series with two homers, six runs and five RBI ... senior second baseman Clay Harris was 5-for-10 at the plate with one double, one homer, three runs and two RBI ... senior left-hander Lane Mestepey became LSU's all-time leader in innings pitched on Friday, as he worked six frames in the 2-1 loss ... Mestepey has now fired 401.1 career innings, surpassing the previous LSU mark of 398 set by Scott Schultz from 1992-95 ... Mestepey was charged with the hard-luck loss on Friday despite limiting Houston to two unearned runs on six hits with two walks and two strikeouts ... junior left-hander Greg Smith delivered the best performance of his career Sunday, limiting UH to just one run on five hits in seven innings with three walks and six strikeouts ... senior infielder Blake Gill saw his 20-game hitting streak end Friday, when he was hitless in four at-bats; Gill ended the 2004 season on a 15-game streak and had collected hits in each of his first five games this year ... the Tigers play at Centenary Wednesday (7 p.m.) before playing host to UAB this weekend in Alex Box Stadium ... Saturday's LSU-UAB game time has been changed to Noon due to the 3 p.m. start of the LSU men's basketball game versus Vanderbilt in the Maravich Center.

NOMINEE FOR PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Greg Smith, LHP, Jr. Alexandria, La.

Junior left-hander Greg Smith delivered the best performance of his career Sunday, limiting UH to just one run on five hits in seven innings with three walks and six strikeouts ... he fired 108 pitches (a career high) to clinch the series victory for the Tigers ... Smith improved to season mark to 3-0 with a 2.55 ERA; in 17.2 innings this year, he has allowed just five earned runs on 16 hits with six walks and 21 strikeouts.