

# 16th ANNUAL NCAA WOMEN'S COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

## GAME 11

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1997 Women's College World Series

ARIZONA vs FRESNO STATE May 25, 1997 at Oklahoma City

ARIZONA 0 (59-5)

FRESNO STATE 3 (54-13)

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
ALISON JOHNSEN cf.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
KATIE SWAN dh.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LEAH O'BRIEN 1b.....	3	0	2	0	0	0	2	0
LEAH BRAATZ c.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	6	0
NANCY EVANS p.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
LETY PINEDA 3b.....	3	0	1	0	0	2	2	0
LISA PITT ss.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	0
CHRISSEY GIL lf.....	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
BRANDI SHRIVER rf.....	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
MICHELLE CHURNOCK 2b.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	22	0	3	0	2	5	18	2

Name (Pos)	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
LAURA BERG cf.....	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
ROBYN YORKE rf.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
NINA LINDENBERG 2b.....	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	3
ANGELA CERVANTEZ 1b.....	3	0	0	0	0	1	11	1
AMANDA SCOTT p.....	3	1	2	1	0	1	0	5
TRINA PUCKETT 3b.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
BROOKE BERNARDONI dh.....	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
CATALINA CHAVEZ c.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	2
RANDI BERG ss.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
CANDICE BOWLIN lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	24	3	5	3	1	6	21	15

Score by innings:	R	H	E
ARIZONA	000	000	0 - 0 3 1
FRESNO STATE	001	002	- 3 5 0

E - EVANS.  
 DP - FRESNO 1. LOB - ARIZONA 3, FRESNO 4.  
 2B - O'BRIEN, BERG, L..  
 HR - LINDENBERG(10), SCOTT(4).  
 SB - JOHNSEN. CS - O'BRIEN.

ARIZONA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
NANCY EVANS.....	6.0	5	3	3	1	6	24	25

FRESNO STATE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	AB	BF
AMANDA SCOTT.....	7.0	3	0	0	2	5	22	24

Winner - SCOTT 19-4. Loser - EVANS 34-2. Save - None.  
 PB - BRAATZ.  
 Umpires - Home:L. Rudloff 1st:P. Yarranton 3rd:J. Murdock  
 Start: 12:07 Time: 1:51 Attendance: 3218

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ARIZONA inning 1

JOHNSEN grounded out to 2b. SWAN out at first c to 2b. O'BRIEN grounded out to p. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FRESNO STATE inning 1

BERG, L. popped up to ss. YORKE struck out. LINDENBERG flied out to cf. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

ARIZONA inning 2

BRAATZ walked. EVANS hit into double play p to ss to 1b; BRAATZ out on the play. PINEDA singled to left field. PITT struck out. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FRESNO STATE inning 2

CERVANTEZ grounded out to p. SCOTT singled to center field. SCOTT advanced to second on a passed ball. PUCKETT struck out. BERNARDONI walked. CHAVEZ grounded out to p. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 2 LOB.

ARIZONA inning 3

GIL struck out looking. SHRIVER walked. JOHNSEN reached on a fielder's choice; SHRIVER out at second 1b to ss. JOHNSEN stole second. SWAN grounded out to ss. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FRESNO STATE inning 3

BERG, R. lined out to 3b. BERG, L. doubled to left field. YORKE reached on an error by p; BERG, L. advanced to third. LINDENBERG singled to left field, RBI; YORKE advanced to second; BERG, L. scored. CERVANTEZ struck out looking. SCOTT struck out. 1 run, 2 hits, 1 error, 2 LOB.

ARIZONA inning 4

O'BRIEN doubled to right center. BRAATZ struck out. EVANS out at first p to 2b to 1b; O'BRIEN advanced to third. PINEDA struck out looking. 0 runs, 1 hit, 0 errors, 1 LOB.

FRESNO STATE inning 4

PUCKETT lined out to ss. BERNARDONI struck out. CHAVEZ flied out to ss. 0

runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

ARIZONA inning 5

PITT grounded out to ss. GIL lined out to 1b. SHRIVER grounded out to p.  
0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FRESNO STATE inning 5

BERG, R. flied out to lf. BERG, L. popped up to ss. YORKE fouled out to  
lf. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

ARIZONA inning 6

JOHNSEN grounded out to 3b. SWAN grounded out to 2b. O'BRIEN singled to  
center field. O'BRIEN out at second c to ss, caught stealing. 0 runs, 1  
hit, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

FRESNO STATE inning 6

LINDENBERG homered to left center, RBI. CERVANTEZ lined out to 2b. SCOTT  
homered to left field, RBI. PUCKETT struck out. BERNARDONI popped up to  
3b. 2 runs, 2 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

ARIZONA inning 7

BRAATZ flied out to lf. EVANS grounded out to p. PINEDA struck out  
looking. 0 runs, 0 hits, 0 errors, 0 LOB.

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# NCAA Women's College World Series

## Notes

ASA Hall of Fame Stadium -Oklahoma City, Okla.

Saturday, May 24, 1997

### GAME 11: FRESNO STATE 3, ARIZONA 0

- Arizona drops to 28-12 all-time at the NCAA Women's College World Series in 12 appearances at the WCWS. Arizona, who has played in the NCAA Tournament 11 times, is now 54-16 in NCAA games.
- With the Fresno State win, these two teams will play later in the day with the winner advancing to the championship game of the 1997 Women's College World Series. Coming into the 1997 WCWS, Arizona has played in the championship game six consecutive seasons.
- In 10 NCAA College World Series berths, Fresno State improves to 25-19 all-time in the WCWS. Fresno State is the only team to advance to the NCAA Tournament every season and the Bulldogs are 55-33 in NCAA games in the school's history.
- Notes on the Arizona-Fresno State all-time series
  - Arizona leads the all-time series 23-12, but the Bulldogs have swept the Wildcats this season.
  - The Bulldogs swept a doubleheader with Arizona on April 9 beating the Wildcats 5-2 and 6-5. The season series is now 3-0 in favor of Fresno.
  - Fresno State has handed UA three of its five losses this season.
  - In NCAA College World Series history, Fresno State leads the all-time series 4-3. The Wildcats had won the last two WCWS games against Fresno State, ousting the Bulldogs in the 1992 Women's College World Series.
- Fresno junior Nina Lindenberg collected her 63<sup>rd</sup> RBI this season. She is currently ranked second in single-season RBI. Kim Maher drove in 64 runs for the Bulldogs in 1994.
- With 334 career hits, Arizona senior Leah O'Brien ranks third in NCAA history. O'Brien would need an extraordinary College World Series to catch current UA assistant coach Amy Chellevoid who finished her career with 371 hits.
- Fresno State improves to 50-1 when leading after five innings this season and the Bulldogs are 44-2 when scoring first.
- Arizona was shutout for just the second time this season. The Wildcats were also beat 3-0 by Oregon State on March 22 for their first loss of the season.
- Arizona senior Leah O'Brien has now hit safely in 13 straight Women's College World Series games. She is a lifetime .540 (27-for-50) hitter at the WCWS. Her two hits today (she went 2-for-3) marked the 11<sup>th</sup> time that she has had two or more hits in the College World Series.
- Fresno State junior Nina Lindenberg hit her 10<sup>th</sup> home run of the season. She has had 10 or more home runs in the past two seasons (she hit 13 last year). Lindenberg has 23 career homers, which ranks second in Fresno history. Kim Maher hit 31 home runs from 1991-94.
- Arizona pitcher Nancy Evans is now 34-2 this season with both losses coming at the hands of Fresno State. Evans needs one win to tie the record for single-season victories in Arizona history. Carrie Dolan went 35-6 a campaign ago.
- The loss snapped Arizona's 26-game winning streak, the nation's longest active streak headed into the Fresno State game.
- Arizona right fielder Brandi Shriver ended her 10-game hitting streak with a 0-for-1 performance.
- The two home run performance by Fresno State marked the second straight game in the 1997 Women's College World Series that a team hit two home runs. Iowa hit two homers against Fresno State last night.
- The shutout was the 30<sup>th</sup> shutout of the season for Fresno State pitchers.

# **NCAA Women's College World Series**

## **Coach and Player Quotes**

**ASA Hall of Fame Stadium – Oklahoma City**

**SUNDAY, May 25, 1997**

### **GAME 11: FRESNO STATE 3, ARIZONA 0**

#### **Arizona Head Coach Mike Candrea**

##### **General Comments:**

"It was a good ball game. We knew we were going to be in a battle with Fresno (State), we always have been and we always will be. We feel that right now we just have to put that game aside and get ready for the next game. The fortunate thing right now is that we have another opportunity to come back. This is the time of year when you get the best out of everyone and you have to rise to the occasion. I was a little disappointed with the way we swung the bats offensively but Amanda (Scott) threw a good ball game. You can't take that away from a pitcher who's young, who came in at crunch time and got the job done. They got a key hit early in the game, had a chance a couple of times and couldn't get the key hit. That's what big ball games are all about. This was the same game last time we played them, but we were on the other side of the coin. You have to be resilient and prepare yourself to come out and play the best. You have to stop rehashing the things you haven't done. It's water under the bridge. We're going to try and focus on tonight. I'm sure it's going to be another barn-burner."

##### **On Amanda Scott's pitching performance:**

"She is a very good athlete and a competitor and threw a big game at a big time. Those are the kinds of athletes that you need to get here and do well. I thought she threw very well. She was very composed and definitely used the strike zone to her advantage. She basically kept us in check for the most part. I give her the credit and blame us a little bit for not making the adjustments that we needed to make at the plate. She is a very fine pitcher and I'm sure that we will see her again very soon."

#### **Arizona senior Leah O'Brien**

##### **On Amanda Scott's pitching:**

"I thought she threw the ball well. In my first at-bat she made me look pretty bad, but you just have to go up to the plate and be aggressive. I don't think our team was as aggressive as we would normally be. She was throwing the pitches that they (the umpires) were calling for her and that made it even tougher. The pitch she was throwing was a down pitch and especially with two strikes you're just trying to make contact and that caused a lot of ground balls."

#### **Arizona junior Nancy Evans**

##### **On how she feels:**

"I feel good. I'm getting ready to go tonight mentally and physically. It doesn't matter how many pitches I throw. I'm just going to go out there and do my best for my team."

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**ASA Hall of Fame Stadium – Oklahoma City**

**Sunday, May 25, 1997**

### **GAME 11: FRESNO STATE 3, ARIZONA 0**

#### **Fresno State Head Coach Margie Wright**

##### **General comments:**

"I really don't know what to say. It was a great ball game and our kids played extremely well. I was very proud of how they kept Arizona off the bases. Amanda pitched a terrific game. That seventh inning, where we got some timely home runs for some extra insurance, was just tremendous."

"I think my team is extremely focused right now and that's exactly what we need to be. Nothing can interfere with what is in front of us tonight and we know what we're facing. We've done it three times this year and many times in the past. So if our focus remains the same I think it will be a great ball game and I think our kids will do a great job."

#### **Fresno State junior second baseman Nina Lindenberg:**

##### **On her at-bat after Laura Berg doubled:**

"You always want to get the timely hit and it was my turn to hit her in. Last night I didn't really do my job, so today was my job to get the hit."

#### **What the two bubble gum fortunes Margie Wright read to her team before the game both said:**

"You're headed for the most excellent day ever."

#### **Fresno State freshman pitcher Amanda Scott:**

##### **On the difference between the Iowa game last night and the Arizona game this afternoon:**

"Last night I didn't adjust to the pitches being called. I had to throw different pitches than I normally rely on and those were the ones being hit. Today I worked the corners and worked my low ball which was working."