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Kennedy unloads

Tribe sweeps JU

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Sophomore Terry Kennedy blasted three home runs, including a massive 475 foot shot in the second game that led Florida State to a doubleheader sweep of sixth-ranked Jacksonville University Wednesday at Seminole Field.

The Seminoles, paced by a pair of Kennedy homers and an unbelievable 13-run eighth inning, took the opener 21-5 and then got a bases-loaded walk in the bottom of the ninth inning to win the nightcap.6-5.

The Dolphins, 22-3 after dropping the twin bill, watched a four-run lead disappear in the last three innings as the Seminoles improved their record to 19-2

Kennedy's second-game shot followed a wild rhubarb staged by FSU Coach Woody Woodward in the fifth inning in which the second-year head man was ejected from the game.

The homer, listed as 475 feet by the official scorer, was called one of the longest ever hit at Seminole Field.

Another home run, this one by designated hitter Joe Hicks, tied the score in the last of the eighth and set the stage for the ninth-inning victory. Hicks' shot was a dramatic two-strike, two-out blow off JU starter Rick Peterson. PETERSON, who dropped his first game of the season in five decisions, got into trouble in the ninth when an error and two walks loaded the bases with one out. After he threw two balls to pinchhitter David Cooper, JU Coach Jack Lamabe went to his bullpen.

Reliever Tom Braithwaite came on for the second time on the day, promptly threw ball three, got the next pitch over for a strike but handed FSU the sweep with ball four that forced home Chip Bifano from third.

In the first game the Seminoles were clinging to an 8-5 lead when the eighthinning explosion took place.

Florida State had roughed up starter Brad Tanner and Braithwaite for eight runs and nine hits including a 440-foot shot by Kennedy to center and an opposite field smash two innings later.

But in the eighth, the Seminoles batted and batted and batted. All the way through the order — twice.

Before it was all over, FSU had sent 19 hitters to the plate, pounded out 11 hits and scored 13 runs. All are records for a single inning at Florida State. JU chipped in with four errors to stoke the fire.

Jackie Smith started the first game, but he fell victim to the Jacksonville bats early and lasted only five innings. Dan Owen relieved him, was the recipient of the eighth-inning generosity, and improved his record to 3-0.

CRAIG EATON got the win in the nightcap, taking a pounding early but shutting down the hard-hitting Dolphins after the third inning. He raised his mark to 2-0, allowing eight hits and striking out nine.

Happy as Florida State was with its two victories, the conversation kept turning to Kennedy's home run.

Hit off the lefthander Peterson, the ball carried over the pine trees that line the right field fence and into the FSU Circus practice area on the far side of Chiefton Way.

"It was a fastball up," said Kennedy.
"All three were fastballs."

Kennedy smiled when told that no one had seen a home run hit that far at Seminole Field.

"Well, I thought the one I hit to center was hit just as well," he said. "I think I've hit a ball as hard as that or harder before, but it felt good."

FSU assistant Coach Mike Martin, who took over the club after Woodward's ejection has seen quite a few long homers since he was a player in 1965 and '66 at Florida State.

"I don't want to sound corny," he said, "but I've seen him hit the ball farther. That was a shot though, wasn't

Lamabe, who didn't have much to laugh about, found some entertainment in the homer.

"I thought he hit the one to center a long way, but I guess it was just a 7-iron shot compared to that last one," he said.

FSU 21 JU 5

First Game

Jacksonville	at	10	h	FSU	abrh
Suriano, 2b	5	1	1	Bifano, 2b	612
Simmons, c	4	1	1	Jones, pr	000
Chappell, 1b	3	2	1	Huff,rf	5 2 1
Bowerman,	# 3	0	0	Bonilla,3b	331
Rausch,ss	4	0	0	Kennedy,c	433
Petrillo,dh	2	0	1	M'one, ph-c	000
Laval,ph	1	0	0	Hardy,ss	431
Miller,rf	4	0	1	Coulter, dh	101
Buscher,cf	4	0	2	West, ph-dh	412
Donovan,3b	2	1	0	Lezcano,cf	5 2 4
Tanner,p	0	0	0	Cooper, pr-If	110
B'waite,p	0	0	0	McArdle,If-c	f5 2 2
Pustay,p	0	0	0	Curry, lb	312
Coughlin,p	0	0	0	Hicks,pr	0 1 0
				Smith,p	000
				Owen,p	000
				Nichols,p	000
Totals	32	5	7	Totals 4	11 21 19

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Tanner	5*	5	5	4	4	3	
Br'waite,(L3-1)	1/2	2	3	3	1	1	
Pustay	2	7	7	7	1	1	
Coughlin	23	5	2	0	2	0	
Smith .	5 **	4	5	3	5	4	
Owen (W,3-0)	3	2	0	0	0	2	
Nichols	1	1	0	0	0	0	
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Second Game

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Giapponi, dh 3 0 1	McArdle,H 410			
Chappell, lb 1 1 0	Bonilla,3b 4 0 0			
Bowerman, If 4 0 0	Kennedy,rf 4 1 1			
Laval,c 412	Curry,1b 400			
Rausch,ss 3 1 2	Cooper,ph 000			
	Hardy,s 221			
Miller,rf 400 Buschar,cf 412	Lezcano,cf 400			
Buschar,cf 4 1 2	Hicks,dh 312			
Donovan,3b 4 0 0	McGiore,c 300			
Paterson,p 0 0 0	Eaton,p 000			
Br'waite,p 000				
Totals 31 5 8	Totals 32 6 5			
Florida State 100 002 021-6 One out when winning run scored. Chappell, Laval, Rausch. LOB-JU 5, FSU 8. DP-FSU 1. 2B-Hardy, Laval, Rausch. RBI-Laval 2, Buscher 3, Bonilla, Kennedy, Cooper, Hicks 3. HR-Buscher, Kennedy (9), Hicks (1). SB-Chappell, McArdle. S-Giapponi. IP H R ER BB 50 Ptrsn(L,4-1) 8½ 5 6 3 8 7 Braithwaite0* 0 0 0 0 0 Eaton(W,2-0) 9 8 5 5 4 9 "completed walkcharged to Peterson driving in winning run in 9th. HBPby Eaton (Chappell), by Peterson (Hicks). PBLaval. UDavis, Novasad, Rosa.				
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