## Seminoles sweep Morehead

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The Florida State Seminoles won an important baseball game Thursday. It was important not because they extended their win streak to 12, nor because they looked good in the face of their number three national ranking. No, the striking thing about their second-game win of a double-header was that they pulled out a close game, and played real baseball to do it.

The final was 3-2, and that's a lot different from the routs the Seminoles have been providing lately. . . such as in the first game, when they overwhelmed Morehead State (Ky.) 16-4 with the help of one of their seemingly routine eight-run innings.

But in the second game with Morehead, FSU encountered a pitcher by the name of Walt Terrell, and for the Seminoles it was a completely unique experience.

Terrell throws the baseball very hard, and he throws it most of the time where he wants to. Not coincidentally, where Terrell likes to place the ball is not where the Seminole batters prefer to have it served to them. This resulted in a 1-0 Morehead lead after four innings.

But then things started to break right for the Seminoles, just as they have all season. Rightfielder Ken Schimchak led off the fifth with a scratch single. With the next hitter, Mark Gilbert up, Schimchak took off for second on a delayed steal. It worked even better than intended, because no one covered the bag, and the throw sailed into center field, Schimchak taking third.

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The Seminoles then went ahead in the sixth. Catcher Blane McDonald's solo homer with one out gave FSU a 2-1 lead, and with pitcher Rick Holloway looking stronger with each inning, the few fans that remained throughout the chilly evening probably figured that nothing much could happen in the one remaining inning.

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Not so. Morehead second baseman
David Butts, leading off the seventh,
lofted what looked to be a routine fly
to Bruce Huff in left. But the wind,

which had been doing weird things to fly balls all night, did a number on this one, and the ball fell out of Huff's glove. Huff, ironically, was in as Ronnie Traylor's defensive replacement.

With Butts on third and no one out, Holloway got Chet LeMay to fly to Gilbert, but that was all for Holloway. Coach Woody Woodward summoned senior Kevin Brooks from to the bullpen to get the Seminoles out of the jam, and he did. Almost.

Brooks hit David Means and walked Jody Hamilton, filling the bases. The next batter, Danny Kiser, hit a sacrifice fly, tying it up 2-2, and then Brooks struck out Brian Hawk to end it for the Eagles.

The Seminoles, facing a bottom of the last inning for only the second time this season, played baseball by the book, and it paid off. The irrepressible Gilbert led off by working a walk, and then stole second. Shortstop Bob Benda then did exactly what he was supposed to, laying down a perfect sacrifice bunt, advancing Gilbert to third. The next two batters, Patterson and Mobley, were walked

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intentionally, loading the bases, and setting the stage for Kevin Rigby.

Rigby, in only his fourth at-bat of the year (The first three were basehits), lofted a short fly to center. Not many people thought it could score the run, but third base coach Mike Martin and Gilbert, who was on third, apparently did. Gilbert broke for home at the moment of the catch, and beat the throw rather easily. The Seminoles had done it again.

For Brooks, it was his first career victory. He said he "felt bad about letting the run in, but I'm glad we won." Holloway should feel good too. He walked only one over the last four innings, and since control has been his biggest problem, it has to be a good sign.

In the first game, Benda, Mobley and McDonald each had three runs batted in, and Gilbert reached base five straight times. Brooks Carey got the win to run his record to 3-0. He fanned 10.

MISCELLANEOUS - Seminoles entered doubleheader with team batting average of .320. Opponents were hitting .212. Gilbert and Benda individual leaders at .471...Steve Hamilton, ex-major leaguer, coaches Morehead State...Bruce Huff has class. After crucial error, he didn't sulk or turn away questions... Mike Bretz has sprained ankle, so it's Fox and Long today against Western Kentucky.

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