

# Grand slam fuels Seminole sweep

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Faced with an opportunity for instant redemption, pitcher Dick Wiggins seized it and got the Florida State home baseball season off to a breathless start.

Wiggins hit a grand slam in the bottom of the seventh and final inning Wednesday to give the Seminoles an 11-9 victory over Troy State, completing a doubleheader sweep at Seminole Field.

In the first game, Rick Hatcher pitched six scoreless innings in relief as the Seminoles (3-2) won 5-3.

Florida State played without stellar centerfielder Mike Fuentes, who was idled by the flu.

In the nightcap, Wiggins not only was the batting hero, he also picked up his first pitching victory of the season.

He relieved Tim Phillips, the third FSU pitcher, in the sixth inning. The score was tied, 7-7, with runners on first and second and one out.

The Seminoles' top starter, Wiggins was being saved for the Georgia Southern series this weekend. But Mike Martin had reached the end of his pitching rope, and summoned his ace.

Wiggins promptly was greeted by Larry Pelliccione's double that scored Gary Bruckner with the go-ahead run.

Wiggins removed himself from further trouble in the

sixth, but allowed an apparent insurance run in the seventh when Rich Bouchillon hit a lead-off homer.

The Seminoles trailed 9-7 going into the bottom of the last inning when strange things started to happen.

First, Jack Emerick pinch-hit for designated hitter Jeff Ledbetter, who also had been the starting pitcher. Ledbetter lasted into the second inning, giving up five runs on six hits.

He remained in the game as DH until the fourth, when he failed to run out a grounder to first base. FSU Coach Mike Martin yanked the sophomore slugger, but Emerick struck out.

Then Mike Yastrzemski hit a deep-but-catchable fly ball to centerfield. Chip Williams, a freshman starting his first collegiate game, drifted back. Just when it appeared he would make the catch, Williams slipped on the gravel warning track and dropped the ball. Yaz made it to second.

The next hitter, Roy Alvarez, hit a sinking line drive to center. Williams came in and fielded it, but umpire Bruce Raven ruled he had trapped it. Williams didn't protest, Yaz held at second and Alvarez was on first.

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Then pitcher Rick Johnston, apparently unnerved by the proceedings behind him, walked Craig Ramsey on four pitches.

Ken Huff was the next scheduled hitter. He had entered the game back in the fifth when Martin pulled Mike Cullen from the lineup for swinging away — and flying out — on a 3-0 pitch. Cullen said he didn't see the "take" sign.

Huff was pulled for Wiggins, who still was eligible to hit. Martin reminded Wiggins to swing only if the ball was in his "house" — his favorite spot for a pitch.

Wiggins looked fastball and got it on Murphy's first pitch — in his house, which was over the outside part of the plate. He swung and opposite-fielded the ball over the rightfield wall.

## First game

TROY STATE					FLORIDA STATE				
AB	R	H	B	I	AB	R	H	B	I
Phillips lf	3	0	0	0	DeLoach ss	3	1	2	0
Tinkler ss	3	0	0	0	Martinez 2b	3	1	1	1
Bruckner 2b	3	0	0	0	Weaver cf	3	1	0	1
Hansen dh	2	1	0	0	Ledbetter dh	2	0	1	0
Pel'cone 1b	2	1	0	0	Huff pr	0	0	0	0
Rolfes cf	3	1	1	0	Emerick c	2	0	1	1
Griffin cf	3	0	1	1	Yazl'mski rf	3	1	1	1
Bou'lon c	3	0	2	2	Cullen lf	2	1	1	0
Ostertag 3b	3	0	1	0	Alvarez 1b	3	0	1	1
Totals	24	3	5	3	Figuredo 3b	2	0	0	0
					Totals	23	5	8	4

Troy State 030 000 0-3

Florida State 000 500 x-5

E — Bruckner. LOB — Troy State 3, FSU 3. DP — Troy State 2. SB — Weaver, Cullen, Alvarez. SF — Emerick. 2B — Ostertag, Martinez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
<b>Troy State</b>						
Cox (L, 0-1)	3 $\frac{2}{3}$	5	5	1	1	0
Tolbert	1 $\frac{1}{3}$	3	0	0	0	0
Murphy	1	0	0	0	0	0

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
<b>Florida State</b>						
Smalley	1	2	3	3	2	2
Hatcher (W, 1-0)	6	3	0	0	1	3

WP — Cox. HBP — Cullen (by Murphy).

## Second game

TROY STATE					FLORIDA STATE				
AB	R	H	B	I	AB	R	H	B	I
Phillips lf	5	1	1	1	DeLoach ss	3	1	1	0
Tinkler ss	4	1	1	0	Martinez 2b	2	2	1	1
Bruckner 2b	4	2	3	1	Weaver cf	3	2	2	2
Lee dh	3	0	2	1	Ledbetter dh	3	0	1	2
Allen ph	1	0	1	0	Emerick dh	1	0	0	0
Pel'cone 1b	4	2	2	3	Alvarez 1b	4	1	2	0
Williams cf	3	1	1	0	Ramsey c	3	1	1	0
Griffin rf	4	1	1	0	Cullen lf	2	1	1	1
Bou'lon c	3	1	1	1	Huff lf	0	0	0	0
Ostertag 3b	2	0	1	1	Wiggins p-ph	1	1	1	4
Totals	34	9	14	8	Tebbetts 3b	2	1	1	1
					Totals	27	11	11	11

Troy State 050 201 1-9

Florida State 240 100 4-11

E — Tinkler, Giannini, Williams, Ramsey, Alvarez, T. Phillips, Tebbetts. LOB — Troy State 8, FSU 6. DP — Troy State. SB — Yastrzemski. SF — Ostertag. 2B — Ostertag, Bruckner, Pelliccione, Weaver. 3B — Williams. HR — Pelliccione, Bouchillon, Weaver, Cullen, Tebbetts, Wiggins.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
<b>Troy State</b>						
Giannini	3 $\frac{1}{3}$	7	7	3	1	1
Murphy	1	1	0	0	4	0
Johnston (L, 0-1)	2	3	4	4	1	1
<b>Florida State</b>						
Ledbetter	1 $\frac{2}{3}$	6	5	5	2	2
Gagnon	1 $\frac{2}{3}$	4	1	1	1	0
T. Phillips	1 $\frac{2}{3}$	2	2	2	1	1
Wiggins (W, 1-1)	1 $\frac{2}{3}$	2	1	1	0	0

HBP — Ostertag (by T. Phillips). U — Raven, Davis. A — 600 (est.).