

Fuentes sets homer record as FSU splits

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TAMPA — Florida State's Mike Fuentes finally broke the NCAA career home run record Wednesday night, belting a solo shot in the sixth inning to lead the Seminoles to a 7-3 victory over South Florida in the second game of a doubleheader.

South Florida won the first game 2-0, handing the Seminoles their first shutout in 114 games.

Fuentes ended a two-week homer drought by tagging a 2-2 pitch from right-hander Tim Fenisey over the 395-foot sign in center field. The one-out blast gave him 57 career homers, breaking the mark set by Arizona State's Bob Horner from 1976-78.

Fuentes, who has 20 homers this season, had tied the mark with a grand slam against Jacksonville April 7.

Fuentes' home run boosted FSU's lead to 6-3. The Seminoles added another run in the inning when Mark Lacy walked, Joe Licata singled pinch-runner Mark Barineau to third, and Barineau scored on a grounder by Jeff Ledbetter.

FSU, 36-18, and South Florida, 16-23, play again today at 3 p.m. The

teams will head to Tallahassee for a doubleheader at 3 p.m. Saturday and a single game at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Fuentes probably will be honored in Saturday's doubleheader, an FSU spokesman said.

FSU pushed across three runs in the second inning of the nightcap. With one out, Ledbetter walked, Mike Yastrzemski singled and Rick Figueroa walked to load the bases. Craig Ramsey walked to force in a run and Lionel Martinez' grounder scored another. After Don DeLoach walked to reload the bases, Fuentes walked to push across the third run.

Yastrzemski singled home two runs in the fifth.

Clem Freeman struggled through 5½ innings to gain the victory. Jay Keeler finished up to record his fourth save.

In the opener, Randy Wilson struck out 11 to break Florida State's consecutive-game scoring string.

The Seminoles managed only four hits off Wilson, 5-2. They were shut out for the first time since Miami beat them 10-0 in the first game of the 1980 season.

The previous scoring record was 90 games set over the 1962, '63, '64 and '65 seasons.

USF took the lead in the fifth inning when shortstop Kim Carr walked, went to second when Ledbetter bobbled a pickoff throw and scored on a double by third baseman Frank Eriksen.

The Brahmins made it 2-0 in the sixth when, with one out, second baseman Tom Hiltner tripled to center and first baseman Jim Roberts delivered a bloop single to right.

FSU threatened for the first time in the sixth. Catcher Danny Dowell singled but was thrown out trying to stretch it into a double. One out later, DeLoach singled and stole second. Fuentes walked, and both players advanced on a wild pitch before Ledbetter struck out.

In the seventh, Licata reached on an error, but Lacy flied out to short center and Licata was doubled off at

second.

Wilson struck out nine of the first 12 batters. The win was USF's first over Florida State in seven years.

First game

FLORIDA STATE					SOUTH FLORIDA				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Martinez 2b	3	0	0	0	Cox cf	2	0	0	0
DeLoach ss	3	0	1	0	West lf	3	0	0	0
Fuentes cf	2	0	0	0	Clement rf	3	0	0	0
Ledbetter 1b	3	0	0	0	Hiltner 2b	2	1	1	0
Ystrzmski rf	3	0	1	0	Wilson dh	3	0	0	0
Licata 3b	3	0	0	0	Roberts 1b	2	0	1	1
Lacy dh	3	0	0	0	Grasso c	2	0	1	0
Cawthon lf	2	0	0	0	Carr ss	1	1	0	0
Dowell c	2	0	2	0	Eriksen 3b	2	0	1	1
Totals	24	0	4	0	Totals	20	2	4	2

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South Florida 000 011 x-2

E—Ledbetter, Eriksen. LOB—FSU 4, South Florida 4. 2B—Yastrzmski, Dowell, Eriksen. 3B—Hiltner. SB—DeLoach.

IP H R ER BB SO

Florida State									
Phillips (L, 2-1)	4 ² / ₃	2	1	0	4	4			
Shouppe	² / ₃	1	1	1	0	0			
Keeler	² / ₃	1	0	0	0	0			

South Florida									
Wilson (W, 5-2)	7	4	0	0	1	11			

WP—Wilson. A—400. T—1:55.

Second game

FLORIDA STATE					SOUTH FLORIDA				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Martinez 2b	5	0	2	1	Cox cf	3	1	0	0
DeLoach ss	4	0	1	0	West lf	4	1	1	2
Fuentes cf	2	1	1	2	Clement rf	3	0	2	0
Lacy dh	3	0	0	0	Hiltner 2b	4	1	1	1
Barineau pr	0	1	0	0	Wilson 3b	3	0	0	0
Licata lf	4	1	1	0	Grasso dh	2	0	0	0
Ledbetter 1b	3	2	1	1	Roberts 1b	1	0	0	0
Ystrzmski rf	4	1	3	2	Cook c	3	0	2	0
Figueroa 3b	2	1	0	0	Carr ss	3	0	0	0
Ramsey c	3	0	0	1					
Totals	30	7	9	7	Totals	26	3	6	3

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South Florida 201 000 0-3

E—Ramsey, Figueroa, Cox, Carr. DP—FSU 1. LOB—FSU 10, South Florida 7. 2B—Martinez 2, Ledbetter, Clement. HR—Fuentes (20), West (2). SB—Martinez, DeLoach, Yastrzmski.

IP H R ER BB SO

Florida State									
Freeman (W, 4-2)	5 ¹ / ₃	5	3	3	3	6			
Keeler	1 ² / ₃	1	0	0	1	1			

South Florida									
Bitner (L, 1-2)	1 ¹ / ₃	2	3	3	4	1			
Fenifey	4 ² / ₃	6	4	3	4	4			
Tanner	1	1	0	0	0	1			

WP—Freeman. HBP—by Freeman (Cox). T—2:20.