

# Seminoles blast past Jackets

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ATLANTA — Paul Sorrento, Jimmy Jones and Vince Calandra all ripped three-run homers and Mike Loynd pitched five innings of four-hit baseball to lead Florida State to a 13-3 win over Atlantic Coast Conference champion Georgia Tech on Monday night.

The win, FSU's 14th in 17 games, lifted the 12th-ranked Seminoles to 46-18 on the season. Georgia Tech fell to 32-15-1. FSU outscored the Yellow Jackets 32-3 in the two-game series.

"There's nothing really to say other than we were able to put the game away early," FSU head coach Mike Martin said. "Obviously, Georgia Tech did not play up to its abilities in this series, but at the same time I don't want to take anything away from our players. We have played solid baseball over the last two weeks."

FSU jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the fourth off Georgia Tech starter Kevin Brown. Luis Alicea led off the inning with a single before Bien Figueroa was hit by a pitch. Frank Fazzini reached on an error that scored Alicea. After a fielder's choice, Sorrento connected on a long homer to right for a 4-0 lead.

Florida State got all the runs it would need in the next inning. A triple by Eric Mangham was followed by Alicea's RBI single. Fazzini singled one out later before Jones hit his 13th home run, a line drive to deep center.

Sorrento was hit by the next pitch, which earned Brown a warning from home plate umpire Hank Roundtree. Ed Fulton followed with a walk before Calandra added his homer to deep right field. Harry Blackwell was almost hit on the next pitch, which resulted in both benches emptying. Umpires restored order with no punches being thrown, but Brown was ejected.

Loynd, now 11-3 and 5-0 in his last five starts, went five innings. He gave up one run and struck out six. Ray Revak and Richie Lewis did the relief work, each pitching two innings. Four walks and two FSU errors in the last four innings led to two unearned Tech runs.

"We were a little sloppy in the end, but it's hard to keep 100-percent concentration in a game like this," Martin added. "Overall, I was pleased with the win and the way we played."

Brown, considered the ace of the Tech staff, took the loss and fell to 8-4.

FSU continues its seven-game road trip with a Wednesday afternoon game against South Alabama in Mobile. Kevin Smith, 6-1, will pitch for the Seminoles.

Florida St					Georgia Tech				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Alicea,2b	5	2	2	1	Newbern,lf	5	1	3	0
Figueroa,ss	4	1	1	1	Kerver,ss	3	0	0	0
Fazzini,lf	5	2	2	0	Jordan,cf	5	0	0	1
Jones,1b	3	2	1	3	McConnell,3b	4	0	0	1
Sorrento,rf	3	2	2	3	White,rf	3	1	3	0
Fulton,c	3	1	1	0	Sitler,2b	3	0	2	0
Calandra,3b	4	1	3	3	Mons,c	5	0	0	0
Blackwell,dh	4	0	0	0	Maisano,1b	3	0	0	0
Mangham,cf	4	2	2	0	Stephens,dh	4	1	2	0
Zoeller,1b	0	0	0	1					
Kosco,rf-lf	1	0	0	0					
Saxner,c	1	0	0	0					
Pacetti,3b	1	0	0	0					
Eppley,rf	1	0	0	0					
Totals	39	13	14	12	Totals	35	3	10	2

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Georgia Tech	000	010	011	—	3	10	2

E—Maisano, Kerver, Alicea, Lewis.  
DP—FSU 2, Ga. Tech 2. LOB—FSU 4, Ga. Tech 14. 2B—Newbern 2. 3B—Mangham.  
HR—Sorrento (8), Jones (13), Calandra (8).  
SF—Zoeller, McConnell.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Florida St.						
Loynd, W(11-3)	5	4	1	1	3	6
Revak	2	4	0	0	0	0
Lewis	2	2	2	0	4	1
Georgia Tech						
Brown, L(8-4)	4 1/3	11	11	10	1	1
Roddy	3 2/3	3	2	1	1	2
Poole	1	0	0	0	0	3

WP—Brown, Roddy. PB—Fulton. BK—Lewis. HBP—Figueroa (Brown), Sorrento (Brown). T—3:19. A—675.