

# 2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

## 2007 Schedule & Results

Overall: 4-5

A-Sun: 0-0

Home: 1-0

Away: 3-5

Neutral: 0-0

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 2	at Miami, Fla.	W, 6-5
Feb. 3	at Miami, Fla.	W, 8-5
Feb. 4	at Miami, Fla.	Rained Out
Feb. 10	at Bethune-Cookman (DH)	L, 5-0; L, 9-2
Feb. 11	at Bethune-Cookman	L, 5-3
<b>Feb. 14</b>	<b>Georgia State</b>	<b>W, 8-2</b>
Feb. 16	at South Alabama	L, 7-5
Feb. 17	at South Alabama	L, 13-11
Feb. 18	at South Alabama	W, 9-5
<b>Feb. 21</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Feb. 23</b>	<b>Florida A&amp;M</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Feb. 24</b>	<b>Florida A&amp;M</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
<b>Feb. 25</b>	<b>Florida A&amp;M</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Feb. 28	at Georgia State	6 p.m.
<b>Mar. 2</b>	<b>Samford</b>	<b>4 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 3</b>	<b>Samford</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 4</b>	<b>Samford</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Mar. 7	at Western Carolina	3 p.m.
Mar. 9	at Florida A&M	4 p.m.
Mar. 10	at Florida A&M	1 p.m.
Mar. 11	at Florida A&M	1 p.m.
<b>Mar. 16</b>	<b>*Campbell</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 17</b>	<b>*Campbell (DH)</b>	<b>noon</b>
Mar. 20	at Georgia	6 p.m.
Mar. 23	*at Stetson	7 p.m.
Mar. 24	*at Stetson (DH)	1 p.m.
<b>Mar. 27</b>	<b>Auburn</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 30</b>	<b>*Jacksonville</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Mar. 31</b>	<b>*Jacksonville (DH)</b>	<b>noon</b>
Apr. 4	at Georgia State	6 p.m.
<b>Apr. 6</b>	<b>*Lipscomb</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 7</b>	<b>*Lipscomb (DH)</b>	<b>noon</b>
Apr. 10	at Auburn	7 p.m.
Apr. 14	*at Belmont (DH)	3 p.m.
Apr. 15	*at Belmont	2 p.m.
<b>Apr. 17</b>	<b>Georgia Southern</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
Apr. 21	*at North Florida (DH)	1 p.m.
Apr. 22	*at North Florida	1 p.m.
<b>Apr. 24</b>	<b>Savannah State</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 27</b>	<b>*Kennesaw State</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>Apr. 28</b>	<b>*Kennesaw State (DH)</b>	<b>noon</b>
May 10	*at Gardner-Webb	4:30 p.m.
May 11	*at Gardner-Webb (DH)	1 p.m.
May 15	at Georgia Southern	6 p.m.
<b>May 17</b>	<b>*ETSU</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>May 18</b>	<b>*ETSU (DH)</b>	<b>noon</b>
May 23-26	A-Sun Tournament (DeLand, Fla.)	

\*Atlantic Sun Conference game

DH-Doubleheader

All times are Eastern

Home games are **bold**

Schedule is subject to change

## Game 11

### Mercer vs. Georgia

Feb. 21, 2007

### Claude Smith Field

The Bears are looking for their second consecutive win at home when Georgia comes to town on Wednesday. Last week, Mercer defeated Georgia State, 8-2, in a mid-week game that saw Josh Thompson go 3-for-3 with four RBIs, one run scored, one triple and a home run.

Mercer then traveled to Mobile, Ala. for a three-game series against perennial NCAA Regional selection, South Alabama. The Bears dropped the first two games of the series, 7-5 and 13-11, but fought back to take the finale, 9-5. The three-game series featured 50 runs and 68 hits. Mike Armstrong enjoyed another strong weekend going 5-for-12 (.417) with five runs scored, one RBI and a pair of doubles. Thompson chipped in with a .300 batting average and four RBIs, three runs scored, one double and a home run. The preseason all-conference Player of the Year had a slugging percentage of 1.154 over the week and a .632 on-base percentage. Billy Shaughnessy also had a solid week hitting .583 (7-for-12) with two doubles, three RBIs and two runs scored. Steve Karwatt continued his early-season hot streak going 5-for-15 (.333) with four runs scored, two RBIs and a pair of doubles in game two at South Alabama. John Dortch went 3-for-5 with three runs scored and two doubles, helping the Bears win game three in Mobile.

### Mercer Probable Lineup

Probable Batting Order							
Pos.	Name	Yr.	Avg.	2B	R	HR	RBI
1B	Mike Armstrong	Jr.	.361	2	9	1	7
DH	Tyler Brown	Jr.	.182	0	6	1	4
C	Josh Thompson	Sr.	.382	2	7	3	11
CF	Eric Renfroe	Sr.	.103	0	3	0	4
3B	Steve Karwatt	So.	.296	2	5	1	3
LF	Jason Lowey	Sr.	.368	3	1	0	2
SS	Billy Shaughnessy	Jr.	.345	3	3	1	7
2B	Josh Lowey	Jr.	.182	0	0	0	0
RF	John Dortch	Jr.	.269	4	6	1	2

### Key Reserves

LF	Mark Jarvis	Jr.	.286	0	0	0	2
LF	Matt Crawford	Jr.	.167	1	6	0	3
C	Casey Stuart	So.	.100	0	1	0	0
2B	Michael Langley	Fr.	.182	0	1	0	1

### Probable Pitching Rotation

Pos.	Name	Yr.	ERA	W-L	SV	IP	SO
RHP	Brantley New	Sr.	7.88	0-2	0	16.0	11
LHP	Blake Quarles	Sr.	11.17	0-1	0	9.2	6
RHP	Justin Boyette	So.	7.20	0-1	0	5.0	6

### Bullpen

RHP	Cory Gearrin	Jr.	0.00	1-0	2	7.2	13
RHP	Josh Lowey	Jr.	0.00	0-0	0	3.1	3
RHP	Boone Webster	Jr.	0.90	2-0	0	10.0	6
RHP	Scott Patterson	Fr.	1.80	0-0	0	5.0	3
RHP	Jason Lowey	Sr.	5.40	0-0	0	3.1	4
RHP	Andy Campbell	Jr.	5.59	1-0	0	9.2	5

## Game Notes

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No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School
2	Nick DiMauro	INF	R/R	5-9	160	Fr.	Boca Raton, Fla./Boca Raton HS
3	Casey Stuart	C	R/R	6-2	180	So.	Warner Robins, Ga./Houston County HS
4	Jason Lowey	OF	R/R	5-10	170	Sr.	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla./Okaloosa-Walton JC
5	Thomas Carroll	OF/LHP	L/L	6-2	210	Fr.	Albany, Ga./Deerfield Windsor HS
6	Blake Quarles	LHP	L/L	6-3	188	Sr.	Augusta, Ga./Young Harris JC
7	Michael Langley	INF	R/R	5-11	160	Fr.	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview HS
8	Steve Karwatt	INF	R/R	6-0	210	So.	Sarasota, Fla./Sarasota HS
9	Billy Shaughnessy	INF	R/R	5-11	180	Jr.	Roswell, Ga./Lassiter HS
10	Josh Lowey	INF	R/R	5-11	180	Jr.	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla./Okaloosa-Walton JC
11	Tyler McCarty	INF	S/R	5-10	190	So.	Griffin, Ga./Spalding County HS
12	Josh Thompson	C	R/R	6-3	210	Sr.	Pineview, Ga./Fullington Academy
13	Matt Crawford	OF	S/R	6-0	164	Jr.	Waycross, Ga./Gordon JC
14	Mike Armstrong	INF/C	R/R	6-4	225	Jr.	Evans, Ga./Evans HS
15	Tyler Brown	INF/C	L/R	6-0	210	Jr.	Monroe, Ga./Middle Georgia JC
17	Brantley New	RHP	R/R	6-3	205	Sr.	Dublin, Ga./Dublin HS
19	Andrew Einert	INF	L/R	6-2	210	Sr.	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb HS
20	J.C. Daugherty	LHP	L/L	6-2	220	Sr.	Clearwater, Fla./North Florida CC
21	Mark Jarvis	OF	R/R	6-2	205	Jr.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla./Westminister HS
22	Eric Renfroe	OF	L/R	6-2	205	Sr.	Macon, Ga./Tattnall Square Academy
23	Andy Campbell	RHP	R/R	6-2	200	Jr.	Whitesburg, Ga./Alexander HS
25	John Daugherty	INF	L/L	6-2	180	Jr.	Athens, Ga./Clarke Central HS
26	Cory Gearrin	RHP	R/R	6-3	210	Jr.	Dayton, Tenn./Young Harris JC
27	John Dortch	OF	R/R	6-2	180	Jr.	Tallahassee, Fla./Chiles HS
28	Justin Boyette	RHP	R/R	6-1	195	So.	Beaumont, Texas/Okaloosa-Walton JC
29	Joe Winker	OF	L/L	6-1	190	Fr.	Orlando, Fla./Bishop Moore HS
30	Michael Shaw	RHP	R/R	6-3	230	Fr.	Cumming, Ga./North Forsyth HS
31	Mike Narveson	RHP	R/R	6-3	191	Sr.	Savannah, Ga./Savannah Christian HS
33	David Harden	RHP	R/R	6-4	210	Fr.	Marietta, Ga./Kennesaw Mountain HS
34	Scott Patterson	RHP	R/R	6-0	170	Fr.	Cumming, Ga./North Forsyth HS
35	Richard Bentley	OF	R/R	6-3	195	Jr.	Marietta, Ga./Young Harris JC
36	Kyle Bedrosian	LHP	L/L	6-0	185	So.	Sharpsburg, Ga./East Coweta HS
38	Boone Webster	RHP	R/R	6-2	201	Jr.	Alpharetta, Ga./Young Harris JC
39	Jerod Northcutt	RHP/OF	R/R	6-2	190	Fr.	Cochran, Pa./Cochran HS
40	Justin True	OF	R/R	6-1	190	So.	Macon, Ga./Tattnall Square Academy
42	Travis Peyatt	C	R/R	6-2	225	Fr.	Byron, Ga./Mount de Sales
44	J.T. Odom	OF	R/R	6-0	180	Fr.	St. Mary's, Ga./The Bolles School

**Head Coach:** Craig Gibson (Fourth season, Mercer '85)

**Assistant Coaches:** Tim Boeth (Second season, Central Florida '98), Danny McMurtry (First season, Louisiana-Lafayette '03), Ty Megahee (Second season, Mercer '05)

## Pronunciations

2 Nick **DiMauro** .....Di-Mar-oh  
 6 Blake **Quarles** .....Kwarles  
 8 Steve **Karwatt** .....Car-wat  
 9 Billy **Shaughnessy** .....Shaw-nes-ee  
 19 Andrew **Einert** .....I-ner-t  
 26 Cory **Gearrin** .....Gare-in  
 27 John **Dortch** .....Door-ch  
 28 Justin **Boyette** .....Boy-et  
 36 Kyle **Bedrosian** .....Buh-droh-shun  
 38 **Boone** Webster .....Boon  
 42 Travis **Peyatt** .....Pie-ut  
 Tim **Boeth** .....Booth  
 Danny **McMurtry** .....Mc-Mer-tree  
 Ty **Megahee** .....Muh-gay-hee

## Roster Breakdown

**By State**  
 Georgia .....25  
 Florida .....8  
 Pennsylvania .....1  
 Tennessee .....1  
 Texas .....1

**By Year**  
 Seniors .....8  
 Juniors .....12  
 Sophomores .....6  
 Freshman .....10

**By Position**  
 Pitchers .....12 (9 RHP and 3 LHP)  
 Catchers .....3  
 Infielders .....10  
 Outfielders .....11

## Game Notes

# 2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

## Craig Gibson Head Coach - Fourth Season



Mercer head coach Craig Gibson has helped put the Bears among the elite squads in the Atlantic Sun Conference heading into 2007. Last season, Gibson led Mercer to its best finish since 1999, earning a 34-26 mark and a third-place finish in the conference. Highlighting the season were victories over No. 1 Florida and No. 1 Clemson. Closer Andrew Urena finished second in the nation in saves with 15, and earned All-America honors from several publications. Urena was chosen by the Chicago White Sox during the 11th round of the June major league baseball draft. Brantley New was also drafted last June in the 27th round by the Boston Red Sox, but elected to return to Mercer for his senior year. The Bears also finished over .500 in back-to-back seasons for the first time since 1982-83. Due to the recent success, Gibson has been able to land top-flight recruits, as *Collegiate Baseball* tabbed Mercer's 2007 recruiting class among the nation's top tier.

In 2005, Gibson guided the Bears back above .500, marking the first time Mercer had finished the season with a winning record since 1999. In the process, the Bears set a new school record with eight shutouts and defeated Southwest Missouri State, who finished the season ranked in the Top 25.

Gibson became the third head coach at Mercer University since 1948 at the start of the 2004 season. Barry Myers hung up his spikes after 26 years at Mercer and the Bears did not have to go far to find their new leader.

In his first campaign as head coach, Gibson led his young

squad to a 20-35 record, a nine-win improvement from the previous season. The 2004 Bears had just three seniors on the roster, and of the eight juniors on the squad, only one had played for Mercer in 2003. The rest of the junior class had transferred to Mercer looking for a chance to win.

Mercer opened the 2004 season with a victory over Florida A&M for Gibson's first career win on January 24, 2004. On March 20, 2004, the Bears defeated Jacksonville 2-0, for Gibson's first Atlantic Sun Conference victory. The Bears won two of three games against Troy on April 23-24, 2004 for the first conference series win during the Craig Gibson Era.

Gibson started his career at Mercer as a player. His junior year, the hard-hitting first baseman earned Atlantic Sun Conference Player of the Year honors, while leading the Bears to the Atlantic Sun Tournament and a second-place finish in the regular season.

Following his playing career, Gibson served as a graduate assistant coach on Myers' staff. He then took over as the head baseball coach at Jupiter Community High School in Jupiter, Fla., for two years before moving over to Suncoast Community High School in Riviera Beach, Fla., for one season. Gibson wrapped up his high school coaching career in 1993 as the head coach at Palm Beach Gardens High School in Palm Beach, Fla.

In August 1993, Gibson got the call to come home and serve as an assistant under Myers. With his strong ties to Mercer and a wealth of coaching experience, it made Athletics Director Bobby Pope's choice an easy one when he elevated Gibson to the head job following Myers resignation.

During his time as an assistant, Gibson coached four players who were drafted by the Major Leagues and helped lead Mercer to two A-Sun divisional titles. The Bears also advanced to the A-Sun Tournament three times, finishing as high as third in 1999. The 1999 team was one of the best Gibson worked with, finishing in a tie for third place in the A-Sun at 19-11 and going 36-24 overall.

Since 1994, he has also been involved in helping fundraising for Mercer athletics, serving as director of the athletic department annual fund.

On top of his victories on the field, Gibson was a winner in the classroom, earning a bachelor's degree in history and health, physical education and recreation, and a master's of education in social science from Mercer.

A native of Macon, Ga., Gibson and his wife Diane have two children, Tyler and Lindsey.

### *The Gibson File*

#### *Coaching Experience*

##### **Mercer University**

**Head Coach**

**2004-present**

**(Fourth Season)**

**Assistant Coach**

**1994-2003**

**(10 Seasons)**

**Graduate Assistant**

**1986-87**

**(Two Seasons)**

**Palm Beach Gardens HS**

**1991-93**

**(Three Seasons)**

**Suncoast Community HS**

**1990**

**(One Season)**

#### **Jupiter Community HS**

**1988-89**

**(Two Seasons)**

#### *Playing Experience*

##### **Mercer University**

**1981-85**

**(Four Seasons)**

#### *Education*

##### **Mercer University**

**B.S. history and health,  
physical education and  
recreation**

**M.S. education in**

**social science**

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## 2007 Atlantic Sun Standings

Team	Conference				Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.
Belmont	0	0	.000	-	2	0	1.000
Stetson	0	0	.000	-	5	2	.714
Lipscomb	0	0	.000	-	5	2	.714
ETSU	0	0	.000	-	3	2	.600
<b>Mercer</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.000</b>	-	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>.444</b>
Jacksonville	0	0	.000	-	4	5	.444
Kennesaw St.	0	0	.000	-	1	3	.250
Gardner-Webb	0	0	.000	-	1	5	.167
Campbell	0	0	.000	-	0	5	.000
UNF	0	0	.000	-	0	7	.000

## 2007 Preseason Poll

Pos.	Team (First-place votes)	Pts.
1.	Jacksonville (5)	91
2.	Stetson (4)	91
<b>3.</b>	<b>Mercer (1)</b>	<b>80</b>
4.	North Florida	72
5.	ETSU	60
6.	Kennesaw State	42
7.	Belmont	41
8.	Campbell	27
9.	Gardner-Webb	25
10.	Lipscomb	21

**A-Sun Tournament Champion:**  
Stetson

**Preseason Player of the Year:**  
Josh Thompson (Mercer)

## 2007 Preseason All-Atlantic Sun Team

Pos.	Name	Team	Cl.
SP	*Matt Dobbins	Jacksonville	Jr.
SP	Chris Ingoglia	Stetson	Sr.
SP	Brad Johnson	North Florida	Sr.
<b>SP</b>	<b>Brantley New</b>	<b>Mercer</b>	<b>Sr.</b>
RP	Robbie Elsemiller	Stetson	Jr.
<b>1B</b>	<b>Mike Armstrong</b>	<b>Mercer</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
2B	Chad Knight	North Florida	Jr.
3B	Braedyn Pruitt	Stetson	Sr.
<b>SS</b>	<b>Billy Shaughnessy</b>	<b>Mercer</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
OF	Pete Clifford	Jacksonville	Sr.
OF	Shane Jordan	Stetson	Sr.
OF	Wilson Tucker	Belmont	Sr.
<b>C</b>	<b>Josh Thompson</b>	<b>Mercer</b>	<b>Sr.</b>
DH	Travis Martin	North Florida	Jr.
DH	Jay McConnell	Gardner-Webb	So.

\*Unanimous Selection

## This Week in the A-Sun

### Feb. 21

Georgia at Mercer - 4 p.m.  
Campbell at East Carolina - 3 p.m.  
Lipscomb at Vanderbilt - 5 p.m.

### Feb. 23

Florida A&M at Mercer - 4 p.m.  
Campbell at Charlotte - 3 p.m.  
Rider at ETSU - 3 p.m.  
Canisius at Gardner-Webb - 3 p.m.  
Auburn at Jacksonville - 3:30 p.m.  
Boston College at Belmont - 4 p.m.  
Ball State at Lipscomb - 4 p.m.  
Kennesaw State at Samford - 6 p.m.  
Louisville at Stetson - 7 p.m.  
Towson at UNF - 7 p.m.

### Feb. 24

Florida A&M at Mercer - 1 p.m.  
Louisville at Stetson - 1 p.m.  
Rider at ETSU - 1 p.m.  
Towson at UNF - 1 p.m.  
Canisius at Gardner-Webb - 1 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Belmont - 2 p.m.  
Campbell at Charlotte - 2 p.m.  
Jacksonville at South Alabama - 2 p.m.  
Kennesaw State at Samford - 2 p.m.  
Boston College at Lipscomb - 3 p.m.  
Louisville at Stetson - 5 p.m.

### Feb. 25

Florida A&M at Mercer - 1 p.m.  
Michigan State at Jacksonville - noon  
Louisville at Stetson - 1 p.m.  
Rider at ETSU - 1 p.m.  
Towson at UNF - 1 p.m.  
Canisius at Gardner-Webb - 1 p.m.  
Ball State at Belmont - 2 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Lipscomb - 2 p.m.  
Kennesaw State at Samford - 2 p.m.

All Times are Eastern



# 2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

## A Look at the Bulldogs

Following a season in which Georgia was the lone team in the Southeastern Conference to compete at the College World Series, the SEC coaches have picked the Bulldogs to finish fifth in the Eastern Division. Georgia is one of only five teams nationally to advance to the College World Series twice in the last three years. Also, Georgia returns 15 lettermen off of last year's squad that went 47-23 and finished ranked sixth in the nation.

Georgia (0-3) was swept by defending national champion Oregon State to open the season, Feb. 9-11. The Beavers rallied with a six-run ninth inning in the opener and went on to win, 10-8. Gordon Beckham had a big game one, going 2-for-5 with two home runs and four RBIs for UGA. In game two, Oregon State registered another come-from-behind victory putting up a seven-spot in the eighth inning in the 7-3 win. Jonathan Wyatt hit a solo home run for the Bulldogs and went 2-for-4 at the dish with two runs scored. Late rallies were the theme of the weekend for the Beavers as they plated four runs in the seventh and eighth innings to brake open a tie game and win the finale, 6-2. Luke Stewart and Blake Cannady each went 2-for-3 in game three.

Joshua Fields is among 35 players that are on the watch list for the NCBWA Stopper of the Year award. Fields had a tough go-around in his first appearance of the season, giving up six runs, five earned, on three hits in 1.0 inning of work. All three weekend starters for Georgia had a fine opening weekend, including Jason Leaver (0.00 ERA, 5.0 IP, 1 K), Stephen Dodson (0.00 ERA, 4.0 IP, 3 K) and Nathan Moreau (2.25 ERA, 4.0 IP, 3 K).

David Perno is in his sixth season at the helm of the Georgia program. He has a career record of 183-126 entering this season. Georgia leads the all-time series over the Bears 42-9 and won last season's meeting in Athens, 14-2.

## Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Hometown
1	Mike Freeman	INF	Fr.	Orlando, Fla.
2	Travis Parrott	INF/OF	Jr.	Cocoa, Fla.
3	Ryan Peisel	1B/3B	Jr.	Marietta, Ga.
5	Jonathan Wyatt	OF	Sr.	Kennesaw, Ga.
6	Gordon Beckham	SS	So.	Atlanta, Ga.
8	Jason Leaver	LHP	So.	Springfield, Ohio
10	Matt Cerione	OF	Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
12	Nick Montgomery	RHP	Jr.	Marietta, Ga.
13	Nathan Moreau	LHP	So.	Lilburn, Ga.
14	Luke Stewart	3B	Fr.	Normal, Ill.
16	Andrew Turner	P/INF	Fr.	Powder Springs, Ga.
17	Trevor Holder	RHP	So.	Birmingham, Ala.
18	Justin Earls	LHP	Fr.	Lawrenceville, Ga.
19	Robbie O'Bryan	1B	Fr.	Marietta, Ga.
20	Steve Esmonde	P/OF	Fr.	Lilburn, Ga.
22	Adam McDaniel	RHP	Sr.	Powder Springs, Ga.
23	Joey Lewis	C/1B	Fr.	Fayetteville, Ga.
24	Justin Holloway	RHP	Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
25	Joshua Fields	RHP	Jr.	Hull, Ga.
26	Blake Cannady	OF	Jr.	Byron, Ga.
27	Miles Starr	2B/3B	So.	St. Simons Island, Ga.
28	Dean Weaver	RHP	Fr.	Douglasville, Ga.
29	Clayton Cain	OF/1B	Fr.	Snellville, Ga.
30	Matt Olson	OF	Jr.	LaGrange, Ga.
32	Alex McRee	LHP	Fr.	Gainesville, Ga.
33	Rich Poythress	1B/3B	Fr.	Grovetown, Ga.
34	Ryan Woolley	RHP	Fr.	Montclair, Va.
35	Matt Robbins	OF/C	Sr.	Calhoun, Ga.
36	Jake Crane	C	Jr.	Savannah, Mo.
38	David Fallis	C	Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
39	Iain Sebastian	RHP	So.	Columbus, Ga.
42	Stephen Dodson	RHP	So.	Norcross, Ga.

**Head Coach:** David Perno (Sixth Season, Georgia '91)

**Assistant Coaches:** Doug Sisson (Second Season, Montevallo '86); Jason Eller (Fifth Season, Georgia State '98); Brady Wiederhold (First Season, Kennesaw State '94)

## 2006 Individual Statistics Leaders

### Batting Leaders

Name	Avg.	2B	HR	RBI	R
Matt Cerione	.429	1	0	3	1
Jonathan Wyatt	.333	0	1	2	3
Luke Stewart	.300	1	1	2	1
Gordon Beckham	.250	1	2	4	3
Joey Lewis	.250	0	0	1	1

### Pitching Leaders

Name	W-L	ERA	SO	SV	IP
Jason Leaver	0-0	0.00	1	0	5.0
Stephen Dodson	0-0	0.00	3	0	4.0
Nathan Moreau	0-0	2.25	3	0	4.0
*Dean Weaver	0-1	15.43	1	0	2.1

\*Probable Starter for this week's game



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## Current Bear Hitting Streaks

Jason Lowey	.....5
Mike Armstrong	.....5
Billy Shaughnessy	.....2
Mark Jarvis	.....2

## Longest Bear Hitting Streaks

Lowey/Karwatt/Armstrong	.....5
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## Multiple RBI Games

	2	3	4	5+	Total
Josh Thompson	1	1	1		3
Mike Armstrong	1	1			2
Billy Shaughnessy	2				2
Tyler Brown	1				1
Matt Crawford	1				1
Eric Renfro	1				1

## Multiple Hit Games

	2	3	4	5+	Total
Mike Armstrong	1	2			3
Josh Thompson	1	1	1		3
Steve Karwatt	3				3
Tyler Brown	2				2
Jason Lowey	2				2
Billy Shaughnessy	1		1		2
John Dortch	1	1			2
Tyler McCarty	1				1
Eric Renfro	1				1

## Inside the Numbers

### *Mercer hitting when:*

Facing a right-handed pitcher	.....270
Facing a left-handed pitcher	.....258
Bases are empty	.....309
Runners are on base	.....226
Bases are loaded	.....000
There are 2 outs	.....191
Runners in scoring position	.....208
<b>Overall</b>	..... <b>266</b>

### *Mercer pitching when:*

Facing a right-handed pitcher	.....294
Facing a left-handed pitcher	.....338
Bases are empty	.....331
Runners on base	.....302
There are 2 outs	.....321
<b>Overall</b>	..... <b>315</b>

## Individual Highs

Most hits	.....Two Tied - 4
Most at-bats	.....Armstrong - 6, Two Times
Most runs scored	.....Five tied - 3
Most RBIs	.....Thompson - 4, 2/14
Most stolen bases	.....Four tied - 1
Most innings pitched	.....New - 6.0, 2/10
Most strikeouts	.....New - 5, 2/10

## Mercer Home Runs in 2007

Game	Inning	RBI	Outs
Josh Thompson	6th	1	1
<b>2/2 at Miami (Fla.)</b>			
Billy Shaughnessy	4th	2	0
<b>2/3 at Miami (Fla.)</b>			
Mike Armstrong	9th	2	2
<b>2/3 at Miami (Fla.)</b>			
Steve Karwatt	8th	1	2
<b>2/10 at Bethune-Cookman</b>			
John Dortch	3rd	1	0
<b>2/11 at Bethune-Cookman</b>			
Josh Thompson	1st	2	1
<b>2/14 vs. Georgia State</b>			
Tyler Brown	7th	2	1
<b>2/17 at South Alabama</b>			
Josh Thompson	9th	1	1
<b>2/17 at South Alabama</b>			

## 2007 Home Run Breakdown

Solo HR	.....4
Two-Run HR	.....4
Three-Run HR	.....
Grand Slam	.....
First Inning	.....1
Second Inning	.....1
Third Inning	.....1
Fourth Inning	.....1
Fifth Inning	.....1
Sixth Inning	.....1
Seventh Inning	.....1
Eighth Inning	.....1
Ninth Inning	.....2
With No Outs	.....2
With One Out	.....4
With Two Outs	.....2

**Rankings:** **Miami (Fla.)** is ranked No. 3 in the USA Today/ESPN Top 25, No. 11 in Baseball America's Top 25, No. 14 in the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Top 35 and No. 16 in the Collegiate Baseball Top 30 ... **Georgia** received votes in the NCBWA poll and the USA Today/ESPN poll ... **Auburn** is No. 29 in the Collegiate Baseball poll, and received votes in the NCBWA poll and the USA Today/ESPN poll ... **Georgia Southern** and **Stetson** each received votes in the NCBWA poll.

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## Series-by-Series

### Hitting

Opponent	Avg.	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HBP	SO	SB-ATT	FLD%
#2 Miami (Fla.)	.257	74	14	19	2	0	3	12	7	5	13	1-2	.959
Bethune-Cookman	.179	95	5	17	2	0	2	4	3	1	15	2-2	.935
Georgia State	.229	32	8	10	3	1	1	8	12	1	5	1-1	1.000
South Alabama	.336	107	25	36	11	0	2	23	14	1	21	2-3	.972

Georgia  
Florida A&M  
Samford  
Western Carolina  
Campbell  
Stetson

### Pitching

Opponent	ERA	W-L	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	Opp. Avg.
#2 Miami (Fla.)	5.00	2-0	2	18.0	20	10	10	16	15	2	0	1	.290
Bethune-Cookman	6.00	0-3	0	24.0	36	19	16	3	16	7	0	1	.343
Georgia State	2.25	1-0	0	8.0	9	2	2	2	7	1	0	0	.257
South Alabama	7.20	1-2	0	25.0	32	25	20	12	23	1	2	1	.323

Georgia  
Florida A&M  
Samford  
Western Carolina  
Campbell  
Stetson

## Mercer Pitcher of the Week

### Cory Gearrin

RHP ♦ 6-3 ♦ 210 ♦ Jr. ♦ Dayton, Tenn.



Gearrin has yet to allow a hit or run in 7.2 innings of solid relief this season. Last week, the junior closer pitched 2.0 innings versus Georgia State and struck out three batters in the 8-2 win. In game three at South Alabama, Gearrin picked up his first win as a Bear throwing 2.2 innings and striking out four while also walking four batters.

**Other Notables:** Boone Webster 1-0, 5.0 IP, 0 ER, 5 Hits, 3 K, 1 BB; Josh Lowey 3.0 IP, 0 ER, 1 Hit, 3 K, 2 BB

## Mercer Player of the Week

### Josh Thompson

C ♦ 6-3 ♦ 210 ♦ Sr. ♦ Pineview, Ga.



Thompson finished the week going 6-for-13 (.462) with eight RBIs, four runs scored, two home runs, one double, one triple, a .632 on-base percentage and a 1.154 slugging percentage. The preseason all-conference Player of the Year started his week strong with a 3-for-3 evening versus Georgia State with four RBIs, one run scored, one triple and a home run. In game two at USA, the senior catcher was 2-for-3 with two runs scored, a pair of RBIs and a solo home run.

**Other Notables:** Billy Shaughnessy 7-for-12 (.583), 3 RBI, 2 R, 2 2B; Mike Armstrong 5-for-12 (.417), 5 R, 1 RBI, 2 2B

## Game Notes

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## Mercer's Record...

Overall	4-5
A-Sun	
At Home	1-0
On the Road	3-5
At a Neutral Site	
At Home (A-Sun)	
On the Road (A-Sun)	
At Home (Non-Conference)	1-0
On the Road (Non-Conference)	2-3
Neutral Site (Non-Conference)	
In Extra-Inning Games	
Vs. Top 25 Teams	2-0
Playing a Day Game	2-5
Playing a Night Game	2-0
In the First Game of a Doubleheader	0-1
In the Second Game of a Doubleheader	0-1
In Single Games	4-3
In One-Run Games	1-0
In Two-Run Games	0-3
In Five + Run Games	1-2
When Scoring First	2-3
When Opponent Scores First	2-2
When Leading Entering Final Inning	3-0
When Trailing Entering Final Inning	1-5
When Tied Entering Final Inning	
When Scoring 10+ Runs	0-1
When Allowing 10+ Runs	0-1
When Scoring 5 Runs or Less	1-4
When Allowing 5 Runs or Less	4-2
When Out-Hitting Opponent	2-2
When Matching Opponent with Hits	1-0
When Out-Hit by Opponent	1-3
When Hitting a Home Run	3-3
Vs. Starting LHP	2-1
Vs. Starting RHP	2-4

## Mercer Highs and Lows

	High	Low
<b>Runs Scored</b>	11	0
<b>Runs Allowed</b>	13	2
<b>Run Differential</b>	6	-7
<b>Hits</b>	17	3
<b>At Bats</b>	40	30
<b>RBI's</b>	11	0
<b>Stolen Bases</b>	2	0
<b>Walks</b>	12	0
<b>Assists</b>	14	8
<b>Putouts</b>	27	24
<b>Errors</b>	3	0
<b>Hits Allowed</b>	17	8
<b>Earned Runs Allowed</b>	9	2
<b>Strikeouts</b>	10	4
<b>Walks</b>	8	0
<b>Wild Pitches</b>	3	0
<b>Hit By Pitch</b>	3	0



**Top 25 Wins:** Mercer recorded two wins over **No. 2 Miami (Fla.)** to open the season, but defeating a Top 25 team is no new thing for Coach Gibson's squads. Last season, the Bears defeated **No. 1 Florida**, 3-2, in Gainesville, Fla. on Feb. 15, and scored a win over **No. 1 Clemson**, 3-2, in Clemson, S.C. on Feb. 26. The Bears have registered a win over a Top 25 in each of Gibson's first four seasons. In 2004, Mercer defeated **No. 19 UCF** on May 15, 6-0, and on Apr. 20, 2005, the Bears up-ended **No. 19 College of Charleston**, 10-2.

**Home Sweet Home:** Mercer opened its season with a pair of road wins at Miami, but were swept in three games at Bethune-Cookman and dropped two of three at South Alabama. Mercer opened its home schedule with a win over Georgia State, and starting Feb. 21, the Bears will enjoy a four-game homestand.

### Mercer Versus the Top 25 Last Five Years

2007	2-0
2006	2-3
2005	1-2
2004	1-3
2003	0-3
2002	0-9

### Mercer Records the Last Five Seasons (First 10 Games)

Year	Overall	Home	Road
2007	4-5	1-0	3-5
2006	8-2	7-3	4-6
2005	9-1	10-0	3-7
2004	5-5	6-4	3-7
2003	5-5	5-5	2-8
2002	4-6	7-3	2-8

## Game Notes

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## 2007 Bear Starting Lineups

Game (Pitcher)	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DH
1. Miami (Fla.) (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	McCarty	Shaughnessy	Jo. Lowey	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
2. Miami (Fla.) (Quarles)	Stuart	Armstrong	McCarty	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
3. Bethune-Cookman (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	McCarty	Shaughnessy	Jo. Lowey	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
4. Bethune-Cookman (Quarles)	Stuart	Armstrong	McCarty	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
5. Bethune-Cookman (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	McCarty	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
6. Georgia State (Webster)	Thompson	Armstrong	Jo. Lowey	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
7. South Alabama (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
8. South Alabama (Quarles)	Stuart	Armstrong	Jo. Lowey	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
9. South Alabama (Shaw)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Jarvis	Crawford	Dortch	Brown

Game (Pitcher)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1. Miami (Fla.) (New)	Dortch	McCarty	Brown	Thompson	Renfroe	Armstrong	Shaughnessy	Ja. Lowey	Jo. Lowey
2. Miami (Fla.) (Quarles)	Crawford	McCarty	Brown	Thompson	Renfroe	Armstrong	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Stuart
3. Bethune-Cookman (New)	Dortch	McCarty	Brown	Thompson	Armstrong	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Ja. Lowey	Jo. Lowey
4. Bethune-Cookman (Quarles)	Crawford	McCarty	Brown	Thompson	Armstrong	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Stuart
5. Bethune-Cookman (Boyette)	Crawford	McCarty	Brown	Thompson	Armstrong	Renfroe	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch
6. Georgia State (Webster)	Armstrong	Brown	Thompson	Renfroe	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Shaughnessy	Jo. Lowey	Dortch
7. South Alabama (New)	Armstrong	Brown	Thompson	Karwatt	Renfroe	Ja. Lowey	Shaughnessy	Langley	Dortch
8. South Alabama (Quarles)	Armstrong	Brown	Thompson	Karwatt	Renfroe	Ja. Lowey	Shaughnessy	Jo. Lowey	Stuart
9. South Alabama (Shaw)	Armstrong	Brown	Thompson	Karwatt	Dortch	Shaughnessy	Jarvis	Langley	Crawford

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## Mercer Season and Career Highs (Hitting)

### Returning Letterwinners

#### #14 Mike Armstrong

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.3, Two Times	.3, Seven Times
At Bats	.6, Two Times	.6, Two Times
Runs	.3, at South Alabama (2/17/07)	.3, Two Times
RBIs	.3, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)	.4, Two Times
SB	.1, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07)	.1, Two Times

#### #27 John Dortch

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.3, at South Alabama (2/18/07)	.3, Four Times
At Bats	.5, at South Alabama (2/18/07)	.5, Four Times
Runs	.3, at South Alabama (2/18/07)	.3, at South Alabama (2/18/07)
RBIs	.1, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)	.3, Two Times
SB	.1, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07)	.2, at Georgia Southern (4/11/06)

#### #21 Mark Jarvis

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.1, Two Times	.3, Three Times
At Bats	.3, at South Alabama (2/18/07)	.4, Eight Times
Runs	.2, Three Times	.2, Three Times
RBIs	.1, Two Times	.4, at ETSU (4/15/06)
SB	.1, Three Times	.1, Three Times

#### #4 Jason Lowey

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.2, Two Times	.3, at Kennesaw State (3/25/06)
At Bats	.5, at South Alabama (2/17/07)	.5, Six Times
Runs	.1, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)	.2, Two Times
RBIs	.1, Two Times	.4, vs. Bethune-Cookman (2/18/06)
SB	.1, Five Times	.1, Five Times

#### #22 Eric Renfroe

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.2, at South Alabama (2/16/07)	.3, 13 Times
At Bats	.5, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)	.6, at Georgia State (3/5/05)
Runs	.2, at South Alabama (2/16/07)	.3, Six Times
RBIs	.2, at South Alabama (2/18/07)	.5, vs. Alabama State (1/31/04)
SB	.1, Two Times	.2, Two Times

#### #9 Billy Shaughnessy

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.4, at South Alabama (2/17/07)	.4, Two Times
At Bats	.5, at South Alabama (2/17/07)	.5, Six Times
Runs	.1, Three Times	.2, Five Times
RBIs	.3, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)	.3, Four Times
SB	.1, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)	.2, Three Times

#### #25 John Daugherty

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.1, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)	.2, vs. Alabama State (2/20/05)
At Bats	.1, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)	.2, vs. Alabama State (2/20/05)
Runs		
RBIs		
SB		

#### #19 Andrew Einert

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.3, Two Times	.3, Two Times
At Bats	.1, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07)	.5, Six Times
Runs	.3, vs. Alabama State (2/20/05)	.3, vs. Alabama State (2/20/05)
RBIs	.3, vs. Savannah State (2/28/04)	.3, vs. Savannah State (2/28/04)
SB	.1, College of Charleston (4/20/05)	.1, College of Charleston (4/20/05)

#### #8 Steve Karwatt

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.2, Three Times	.3, vs. FAU (3/11/06)
At Bats	.4, Four Times	.5, at UAB (3/3/06)
Runs	.2, at South Alabama (2/17/07)	.2, Two Times
RBIs	.1, Three Times	.2, Four Times
SB		

#### #11 Tyler McCarty

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.2, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07)	.3, Five Times
At Bats	.5, at Miami (2/2/07)	.6, at ETSU (4/15/06)
Runs	.2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)	.2, Five Times
RBIs	.1, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)	.3, Two Times
SB	.1, Three Times	.1, Three Times

#### #2 Casey Stuart

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07)	.1, Three Times
At Bats	.4, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)	.4, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)
Runs	.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07)	.1, Four Times
RBIs	.1, vs. VMI (2/10/06)	.1, vs. VMI (2/10/06)
SB		

#### #14 Josh Thompson

	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits	.4, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)	.4, Three Times
At Bats	.5, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)	.6, Two Times
Runs	.2, Two Times	.3, Four Times
RBIs	.4, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07)	.5, at ETSU (4/14/06)
SB	.1, Four Times	.1, Four Times

### Newcomers

#### # 35 Richard Bentley

	<u>Season-High</u>
Hits	
At Bats	
Runs	.1, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)
RBIs	
SB	

#### #2 Nick DiMauro

	<u>Season-High</u>
Hits	
At Bats	
Runs	
RBIs	
SB	

#### #42 Travis Peyatt

	<u>Season-High</u>
Hits	
At Bats	
Runs	
RBIs	
SB	

#### #15 Tyler Brown

	<u>Season-High</u>
Hits	.2, Two Times
At Bats	.5, Two Times
Runs	.3, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07)
RBIs	.2, at South Alabama (2/17/07)
SB	

#### #7 Michael Langley

	<u>Season-High</u>
Hits	.1, Two Times
At Bats	.4, at South Alabama (2/18/07)
Runs	.1, at South Alabama (2/18/07)
RBIs	.1, at South Alabama (2/16/07)
SB	.1, at South Alabama (2/18/07)

#### #13 Matt Crawford

	<u>Season-High</u>
Hits	.1, Three Times
At Bats	.4, Two Times
Runs	.2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)
RBIs	.2, at South Alabama (2/17/07)
SB	.1, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)

#### #10 Josh Lowey

	<u>Season-High</u>
Hits	.1, Two Times
At Bats	.4, at South Alabama (2/17/07)
Runs	
RBIs	
SB	

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## Mercer Season and Career Highs (Pitching)

### Returning Letterwinners

#### #23 Andy Campbell

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .3.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07) . . .3.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07)  
K . . . . .3, at South Alabama (2/17/07) . . . . .3, Two Times  
ER . . . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP

##### Career-High

IP . . . . .3.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07) . . .3.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07)  
K . . . . .3, at South Alabama (2/17/07) . . . . .3, Two Times  
ER . . . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -2 IP

#### #31 Mike Narveson

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .7.2, at Jacksonville (3/19/04)  
K . . . . .5, vs. Georgia State (3/28/06)  
ER . . . . .0, Four Times -2 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, Three Times -2 IP

##### Career-High

IP . . . . .7.2, at Jacksonville (3/19/04)  
K . . . . .5, vs. Georgia State (3/28/06)  
ER . . . . .0, Four Times -2 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, Three Times -2 IP

#### #6 Blake Quarles

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .3.0, Three Times . . . . .9.0, vs. Gardner-Webb (4/22/06)  
K . . . . .3, at South Alabama (2/17/07) . . . . .9, vs. UNF (4/2/06)  
ER . . . . .0, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07) -0.2 IP 0, vs. Georgia St. (3/28/06) -4 IP  
Hits . . . . .2, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07) -0.2 IP .0, at Clemson (2/26/06) -2 IP

##### Career-High

IP . . . . .3.0, Three Times . . . . .9.0, vs. Gardner-Webb (4/22/06)  
K . . . . .3, at South Alabama (2/17/07) . . . . .9, vs. UNF (4/2/06)  
ER . . . . .0, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07) -0.2 IP 0, vs. Georgia St. (3/28/06) -4 IP  
Hits . . . . .2, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07) -0.2 IP .0, at Clemson (2/26/06) -2 IP

#### #20 J.C. Daugherty

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .7.0, Three Times  
K . . . . .5, Two Times  
ER . . . . .0, Three Times -1 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, vs. FAU (3/11/06) -2 IP

##### Career-High

IP . . . . .7.0, Three Times  
K . . . . .5, Two Times  
ER . . . . .0, Three Times -1 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, vs. FAU (3/11/06) -2 IP

#### #17 Brantley New

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .6.0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) . . . . .9.0, Two Times  
K . . . . .5, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) . . . . .9, Four Times  
ER . . . . .3, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) -6 IP . . . . .0, at UAB (3/3/06) -7 IP  
Hits 7, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) -6 IP . . . . .0, at Savannah State (4/10/04) -4 IP

##### Career-High

IP . . . . .6.0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) . . . . .9.0, Two Times  
K . . . . .5, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) . . . . .9, Four Times  
ER . . . . .3, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) -6 IP . . . . .0, at UAB (3/3/06) -7 IP  
Hits 7, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) -6 IP . . . . .0, at Savannah State (4/10/04) -4 IP

#### #4 Jason Lowey

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .1.1, at South Alabama (2/18/07) . . . . .1.1, at South Alabama (2/18/07)  
K . . . . .2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) . . . . .2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/18/07)  
ER . . . . .0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07) -1 IP . . .0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07) -1 IP  
Hits . . . . .1, Two Times -1 IP . . . . .1, Two Times -1 IP

##### Career-High

IP . . . . .1.1, at South Alabama (2/18/07) . . . . .1.1, at South Alabama (2/18/07)  
K . . . . .2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) . . . . .2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/18/07)  
ER . . . . .0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07) -1 IP . . .0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07) -1 IP  
Hits . . . . .1, Two Times -1 IP . . . . .1, Two Times -1 IP

### Newcomers

#### #28 Justin Boyette

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .5.0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)  
K . . . . .4, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)  
ER . . . . .4, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07) -5 IP  
Hits . . . . .8, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07) -5 IP

#### #26 Cory Gearrin

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .2.2, at South Alabama (2/18/07)  
K . . . . .4, Two Times  
ER . . . . .0, at South Alabama (2/18/07) -2.2 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, at South Alabama (2/18/07) -2.2 IP

#### #33 David Harden

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .2.0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07)  
K . . . . .2, at South Alabama (2/17/07)  
ER . . . . .0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) -2 IP  
Hits . . . . .2, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) -2 IP

#### #34 Scott Patterson

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .3.0, at South Alabama (2/16/07)  
K . . . . .2, at South Alabama (2/16/07)  
ER . . . . .0, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07) -2 IP  
Hits . . . . .1, at South Alabama (2/16/07) -3 IP

#### #30 Michael Shaw

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .2.0, at South Alabama (2/18/07)  
K . . . . .2, at South Alabama (2/18/07)  
ER . . . . .2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -0.2 IP  
Hits . . . . .2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07) -0.2 IP

#### #38 Boone Webster

##### Season-High

IP . . . . .5.0, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07)  
K . . . . .2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)  
ER . . . . .0, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07) -5 IP  
Hits . . . . .0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07) -3 IP

#### #10 Josh Lowey

IP . . . . .3.0, at South Alabama (2/18/07)  
K . . . . .3, at South Alabama (2/18/07)  
ER . . . . .0, at South Alabama (2/18/07) -3 IP  
Hits . . . . .1, at South Alabama (2/18/07) -3 IP

# 2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

## The Last Time...

**Mercer scored 20 or more runs in a game** - March 23, 2001, in Atlanta, Ga., when Mercer pounded out 21 hits in a 23-7 win over Georgia State.

**Mercer had 20 or more hits in a game** - April 27, 2001, in Birmingham, Ala., when Mercer had 23 hits in a 16-8 win over Samford.

**A Mercer player hit a grand slam** - April 14, 2006, in Johnson City, Tenn., when Josh Thompson delivered a second-inning jack to center field in a 10-8 win over ETSU.

**An opponent hit a grand slam** - April 15, 2006, in Johnson City, Tenn., when ETSU's Matt Traylor blasted a fourth-inning shot over the right-field fence. The Bears went on to defeat the Bucs, 10-7.

**A Mercer player hit two grand slams in a game** - February 23, 2001, in Macon, Ga., when Chris Connelly hit grand slams in the fourth and sixth innings of the Bears' 32-0 victory over Howard University.

**Mercer players hit two grand slams in an inning** - February 23, 2001, in Macon, Ga., when Luke Jackson and Chris Connelly both hit grand slams with two outs recorded in the Bears' nine-run sixth inning against Howard University. The Bears went on to win 32-0 in the seven inning contest.

**Mercer players hit back-to-back home runs** - May 21, 2005, in Macon, Ga., when Daniel Hurst and Josh Thompson hit back-to-back solo home runs in the sixth inning of the final game of the season. Mercer would go on to defeat UCF, 8-7.

**A Mercer player hit two home runs in a game** - April 14, 2006, in Johnson City, Tenn., when Josh Thompson recorded a grand slam in the first inning and added a solo shot in the fourth inning of a 10-8 win over ETSU.

**A Mercer player hit a walk-off home run** - May 1, 2002, when Kurt Levensgood ended a match-up against Florida A&M in the bottom of the seventh with a two-out, three-run shot to give the Bears a 5-2 victory.

**A Mercer pitcher struck out 10 or more batters** - February 20, 2004, in Macon, Ga., when Brian Jones struck out 13 Albany State batters in his complete-game, nine-inning shutout, which the Bears won 1-0.

**A Mercer pitcher threw consecutive shutouts** - February 7, 15 and 20, 2004, when Brian Jones threw three consecutive shutouts against VMI, Florida A&M and Albany State. His consecutive shutout innings streak would last 30.2 innings before falling in the first inning against Savannah State.

**A Mercer player stole home** - February 11, 2006, in Macon, Ga., when Mike Armstrong and Billy Shaughnessy successfully pulled off a double steal. Armstrong broke from third as Shaughnessy left first to draw a pick-off attempt, and Armstrong beat the throw to the plate. The Bears went on to defeat VMI, 9-4.

**A Mercer player had a hitting streak over 15 games** - In 2006, junior Josh Thompson registered a 21-game hitting streak from March 24 until April 28.

## Team Almanac

Longest winning streak	.....2
Longest losing streak	.....3
Most runs scored	.....11, (2/17)
Fewest runs scored	.....0, (2/10)
Most runs allowed	.....13, (2/17)
Fewest runs allowed	.....2, (2/14)
Average runs scored	.....5.8
Average runs allowed	.....6.2

## Record by Month

February	.....4-5
March	.....0-0
April	.....0-0
May	.....0-0

## Record by Game

Non-Conference	.....4-5
Atlantic Sun	.....0-0
Tournament	.....0-0

## Record by Day

Sunday	.....1-1
Monday	.....0-0
Tuesday	.....0-0
Wednesday	.....1-0
Thursday	.....0-0
Friday	.....1-1
Saturday	.....1-3

## Record vs. Conferences

<b>Atlantic Coast</b>	..... <b>2-0</b>
Miami (Fla.)	.....2-0
<b>Colonial</b>	..... <b>1-0</b>
Georgia State	.....1-0
<b>Independent</b>	..... <b>0-0</b>
Savannah State	.....0-0
<b>Mid-Eastern</b>	..... <b>0-3</b>
Bethune-Cookman	.....0-3
Florida A&M	.....0-0
<b>Ohio Valley</b>	..... <b>0-0</b>
Samford	.....0-0
<b>Southeastern</b>	..... <b>0-0</b>
Georgia	.....0-0
Auburn	.....0-0
<b>Southern</b>	..... <b>0-0</b>
Georgia Southern	.....0-0
Western Carolina	.....0-0
<b>Sun Belt</b>	..... <b>1-2</b>
South Alabama	.....1-2



# 2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

## Game 1

### Mercer 6, No. 2 Miami (Fla.) 5

Feb. 2, 2007-Coral Gables, Fla.

#### Mark Light Stadium

CORAL GABLES, Fla. - The Mercer baseball squad opened its 2007 campaign with a bang, scoring two runs in the ninth inning to grab a 6-5 decision over No. 2 Miami on Friday night. Preseason A-Sun Player of the Year Josh Thompson led the way going 4-for-4 with three RBIs, two runs scored, one double and a home run.

The 'Canes wasted no time getting on the board, plating a pair of runs in the bottom of the first inning. Mercer right-handed pitcher Brantley New retired the leadoff batter before Roger Tomas and Yonder Alonso followed with back-to-back singles.

With runners at first and third, New struck out right fielder Dennis Raben, but Alonso broke from first and on catcher Josh Thompson's throw to second, Tomas swiped home. Designated hitter Mark Sobolewski then roped an RBI single giving Miami an early 2-0 advantage.

Miami struck again when Alonso added his second hit of the game, a leadoff home run to straight-away center in the third inning.

The Bears played small ball to score their first run of the season in the fourth. Thompson led off with a double to right-center field and advanced to third on a groundout by Eric Renfroe. Mike Armstrong plated Thompson with an infield single, pulling Mercer within two at 3-1.

The 'Canes extended their lead to 5-1 in the fifth as catcher Richard O'Brien laced a two-run single to right, scoring Raben and Gus Menendez.

Mercer cut the deficit to three in the sixth when Thompson belted his first home run of the season over the left-field fence.

Tyler Brown's RBI infield single tacked on another run for the Bears in the seventh and Thompson followed with his third hit of the game, an RBI single to left, pulling Mercer within one at 5-4.

Matt Crawford led off the ninth with a bunt single and Tyler McCarty hit an opposite-field single giving the Bears life in the final frame. Brown advanced Crawford to third with a fielder's choice and Thompson delivered his fourth hit of the night, an RBI single evening up the score, 5-5.

Following a Renfroe stolen base, Mike Armstrong came through with a game-winning RBI single scoring pinch runner Richard Bentley, giving Mercer its first lead of the game, 6-5.

Boone Webster picked up the win throwing three innings of shutout ball while allowing three hits and two strikeouts. Cory Gearrin earned the save in his first appearance as a Bear. Enrique Garcia recorded the loss for Miami giving up two earned runs and four hits in 1.1 innings of work.

Each starter went five innings as New gave up five earned runs on seven hits, and Manny Miguez allowed one earned run and five hits.

Armstrong finished the game 3-for-5 with a pair of RBIs and Jason Lowey went 2-for-4 with one run scored.

Mercer 6, Miami (Fla.) 5

Mercer..... 000 101 202 - 6 14 0

Miami (Fla.).....201 020 000 - 5 10 1

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Webster (6); Gearrin (9).  
Miami (Fla.) - Miguez; Kaufman (6); Koronis (6);

Rudman (7); Garcia (8).  
Win - Webster (1-0) Save - Gearrin (1)  
Loss - Garcia (0-1)  
T - 3:23 A - 2593  
HR MER - Thompson (1).  
HR MIA - Alonso (1).

## Game 2

### Mercer 8, No. 2 Miami (Fla.) 5

Feb. 3, 2007-Coral Gables, Fla.

#### Mark Light Stadium

CORAL GABLES, Fla. - The Mercer baseball squad defeated No. 2 Miami, 8-5, on Saturday night. The Bears were out-hit 10-5, but took advantage of their opportunities in starting the season with their second straight win.

For the second straight night, the Hurricanes (0-2) plated a pair of runs in the bottom of the first inning. Senior left-hander Blake Quarles retired the first two batters before Yonder Alonso and Mark Sobolewski delivered back-to-back singles. Following a walk to right fielder Dennis Raben, Gus Menendez recorded a two-run single scoring Alonso and Sobolewski.

Mercer tied the score, 2-2, on Billy Shaughnessy's two-run blast in the fourth inning. Shaughnessy belted senior right-hander Danny Gil's 0-2 offering just inside the foul pole down the left-field line.

Miami took back the lead in the bottom half of the fourth when Jason Lowey came in relief of Quarles. With two outs and the bases loaded, Lowey hit Sobolewski with a pitch, giving the Hurricanes a 3-2 advantage.

The Bears battled back again in the fifth as Matt Crawford led off with a walk and on a nicely executed hit-and-run, Crawford advanced to third on a Tyler McCarty single down the right-field line. With Tyler Brown batting, Gil threw a wild pitch allowing Crawford to score and even up the score at three runs apiece.

Teddy Kaufman relieved Gil with one out in the inning and hit Eric Renfroe with a pitch. The 'Canes then turned to Jason Santana out of the bullpen with the bases loaded and Mike Armstrong at the plate. Armstrong produced an RBI fielder's choice giving Mercer the lead at 4-3.

In the back-and-forth affair, Miami knotted up the score again on a sacrifice fly by Nick Freitas that scored Menendez in the bottom of the fifth. With the score tied a four, the Hurricanes struck again as freshman Ryan Jackson notched his first collegiate hit, scoring Blake Tekotte, and putting Miami back ahead, 5-4.

Mercer took advantage on a pair of Miami miscues in the seventh. McCarty scored when Shaughnessy was hit by a pitch, and Steven Karwatt followed with a high fly ball in front of home plate. Catcher Jason Haggerty and relief pitcher Carlos Gutierrez had some communication problems on the play, and Gutierrez dropped the ball allowing Brown to score the go-ahead run and give the Bears a 6-5 lead.

Armstrong added some insurance with a two-run home run in the ninth.

Andy Campbell registered the win for Mercer throwing two innings of no-hit, shutout relief. Raben was charged with the loss allowing one unearned run in 0.2 innings of work. Cory Gearrin came in and notched his second save in as many days striking out four in the final 1.2 innings

Quarles went three innings and allowed two earned runs on six hits and Hurricanes' starter Danny Gil no-

hit the Bears through 3.2 innings, but only retired two more batters before his departure. He allowed four earned runs on three hits while striking out four batters.

Armstrong finished the game 1-for-3 with three RBIs, two runs scored and a home run, and Shaughnessy chipped in three RBIs, one run scored and one home run.

Before yesterday's victory, Mercer's last win over Miami came in 1975 and they were 1-27 all-time versus the Hurricanes. The Bears two wins ensures a series' victory and they will look for a sweep in game three Sunday afternoon at Mark Light Field. First pitch is slated for 1 p.m.

The last time Miami lost its opening series of the season was in 1967 against Florida State.

Mercer 8, Miami (Fla.) 5

Mercer..... 000 220 202 - 8 5 3

Miami (Fla.).....200 120 000 - 5 10 3

Pitchers: Mercer - Quarles; Ja. Lowey (4); Shaw (5); Campbell (5); Jo. Lowey (7); Gearrin (8).  
Miami (Fla.) - Gil; Kaufman (5); Santana (5); Raben (7); Bellamy (7); Gutierrez (7); Rudman (8).  
Win - Campbell (1-0) Save - Gearrin (2)  
Loss - Raben (0-1)  
T - 3:45 A - 2345  
HR MER - Shaughnessy (1); Armstrong (1).

## Game 3-4

### Bethune-Cookman 5, Mercer 0

### Bethune-Cookman 9, Mercer 2

Feb. 10-Daytona, Fla.

#### Daytona Beach CC Stadium

DAYTONA, Fla. - The Bears (2-2) struggled to get their offense going on Saturday as they were defeated by Bethune-Cookman 5-0 in game one and 9-2 in the second half of the doubleheader at Daytona Beach CC Stadium.

Game one was a pitcher's duel early on as Mercer senior right-hander Brantley New and BCC senior left-hander Francisco Rodriguez went toe-to-toe.

The Wildcats (3-2) got on the board first with an unearned run in the bottom of the fifth inning. First baseman Alejandro Jimenez laced a one-out double down the left-field line to get things going. With two outs, New struck out left fielder Justin Hoyte, but the ball got away from catcher Josh Thompson. New's throw to first hit Hoyte in the back allowing Jimenez to score from second base.

BCC tacked on three runs in the sixth, taking a 4-0 lead. Jose Ortiz-Rivera led off the inning with a single to left field and Luis Gonzalez followed with a bunt single. Designated hitter Angel Negron notched an RBI-single and following a Mercer error, shortstop Chris Henault drove in Bethune-Cookman's second run of the inning with a single to left. Jimenez capped the scoring with a fielder's choice, bringing in the Wildcats' third run of the inning.

Henault doubled home a run in the eighth, adding some insurance and putting BCC up 5-0.

New picked up the loss for the Bears in his first decision of the season. He allowed seven hits and four runs, three earned, while striking out five batters. Rodriguez registered a complete game, five-hit shutout for the Wildcats. He struck out eight batters and walked one.

Bethune-Cookman did not waste anytime in game

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two, plating five runs in the bottom of the first inning. The first two runs came off a double to left-center field by Negron. Two batters later, Jimenez delivered a RBI-base hit and Patrick Jones followed with an opposite-field single. Catcher Drew Clark recorded BCC's third straight hit, a two-run single giving the Wildcats a 5-0 advantage. Bethune-Cookman finished the opening frame with seven hits.

Jones led off the third for BCC with a walk and scored on Ortiz-Rivera's RBI-single. In the sixth inning, Negron struck again for the Wildcats blasting a two-run shot over the right-field fence, extending their lead to 8-0.

The Bears finally got on the board following 16 straight scoreless innings with a Steven Karwatt solo home run in the eighth inning. Bethune-Cookman tacked on an unearned run in the bottom of the eighth and Mercer scored an unearned run of its own in the ninth for the final margin.

Senior left-hander Blake Quarles registered his first loss on the season going 3.0 innings and allowing six earned runs on 10 hits. Quarles struck out one and walked two batters. Dustin Blackwell moved to 2-0 for Bethune-Cookman pitching 8.0 innings of two-hit ball and striking out four.

Tyler McCarty went 2-for-4 in game two and scored one run.

Bethune-Cookman 5, Mercer 0

Mercer.....000 000 000 - 0 5 3  
Bethune-Cookman.....000 013 01X - 5 9 0

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Harden (7).

Bethune-Cookman - Rodriguez.

Win - Rodriguez (1-0)

Loss - New (0-1)

T - 2:03 A - 144

Bethune-Cookman 9, Mercer 2

Mercer.....000 000 011 - 2 3 3  
Bethune-Cookman.....501 002 01X - 9 17 3

Pitchers: Mercer - Quarles; Campbell (4); Patterson (7).

Bethune-Cookman - Blackwell; Guzman (9).

Win - Blackwell (2-0)

Loss - Quarles (0-2)

T - 2:04 A - 121

HR BCC - Negron (1).

## Game 5

### Bethune-Cookman 5, Mercer 3

Feb. 11-Daytona, Fla.

Daytona Beach CC Stadium

DAYTONA, Fla. - The Wildcats pushed across four runs in the second and went on to defeat the Bears, 5-3, on Sunday afternoon at Daytona Beach CC Stadium.

The series finale started much better for the Bears (2-3) as Tyler McCarty got things going in the first inning with a RBI-single scoring Matt Crawford giving Mercer a 1-0 advantage.

The Wildcats (4-2) took the lead in the bottom of the second inning registering six hits. Justin Hoyte started the scoring with a double down the left-field line allowing Alejandro Jimenez to score. Two batters later Jose Almonte drove in Hoyte with a single up the middle, and following a single by Jose Ortiz-Rivera,

Luis Gonzalez laced a RBI-single to right. Angel Mercado followed with a run-scoring single giving Bethune-Cookman a 4-1 lead.

John Dortch led off the third inning with a solo home run, his first of the season, narrowing the margin to two runs. Mercer continued to chip away in the fourth when an infield single by Billy Shaughnessy produced the Bears' third run of the afternoon.

The Bears had a chance to tie the score in the sixth with runners at the corners and only one out, but BCC right-hander Felix Machado induced Shaughnessy to groundout into an inning-ending double play.

In the bottom of the sixth, Bethune-Cookman tacked on another run, extending its lead to 5-3, with a RBI-ground out by Ortiz-Rivera.

Junior right-hander Justin Boyette recorded the loss in his first start as a Bear. He worked around a four-run second inning and allowed eight hits while striking out four in 5.0 innings of work.

Sophomore right-hander Hiram Burgos made the start for BCC and went 3.2 innings. Burgos gave up three earned runs on seven hits and struck out one. Machado picked up the win supplying 2.1 innings of shutout relief. He allowed one hit and walked one batter. Francisco Gomez registered his second save of the season for the Wildcats.

Bethune-Cookman 5, Mercer 3

Mercer.....101 100 000 - 3 9 1  
Bethune-Cookman.....040 001 00X - 5 10 2

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Webster (6); Ja. Lowey (8).

Bethune-Cookman - Burgos; Machado (4); Enright

(7); Gomez (9).

Win - Machado (1-0)

Loss - Boyette (0-1)

T - 2:36 A - 143

## Game 6

### Mercer 8, Georgia State 2

Feb. 14-Macon, Ga.

Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad defeated in-state rival and former conference foe Georgia State 8-2 on Wednesday evening at Claude Smith Field. The Bears put the game away with a four-run seventh inning and received solid pitching in winning their home opener.

"It is nice to be back home and have the bats come alive," said head coach Craig Gibson. "Josh (Thompson) had a great game and our bullpen was solid. It was a great team effort tonight."

The Bears (3-3) wasted no time getting on the board, plating a pair of runs in the bottom of the first inning. Senior Josh Thompson belted a one-out home run to center field, scoring Tyler Brown on the play.

Mercer added a run in the second as center fielder Eric Renfroe walked with the bases loaded. Two innings later, the Bears loaded the bases with one out. Brown scored his second run of the game on a RBI-ground out by Steve Karwatt, putting Mercer up 4-0.

The Panthers (0-4) notched two runs in the seventh inning cutting the Bears' advantage to two runs. Catcher Aeden McQueary laced a two-run single to left field, scoring Chase Childers and Jean-Michel Rochon-Salvas.

Mercer struck back in the bottom of the seventh, scoring four runs in taking a commanding 8-2 lead.

John Dortch got things going with a RBI-double down the left-field line. Mike Armstrong followed with his first hit of the game, plating Dortch on the play, and putting the Bears on top 6-2. Thompson then delivered his third hit of the game, a two-run triple, giving Mercer a six-run advantage.

Thompson led the way going 3-for-3 with four RBIs and one run scored. Brown scored three runs and Billy Shaughnessy chipped in with a 2-for-3 night and a run scored. Dortch finished the game 2-for-4 with one RBI and two runs scored for Mercer.

The Bears recorded 10 hits and were aided by 12 walks from the Panthers' pitching staff, but left 14 stranded on base.

Junior Boone Webster made his first start as a Bear and registered the win, moving his record to 2-0 on the season. He pitched 5.0 innings of shutout ball giving up five hits and one walk while striking out three batters. Cory Gearrin closed the door with 2.0 innings of no-hit, no-run ball while striking out three.

GSU left-hander Andy Reid made the start and lasted only 1.2 innings. He recorded the loss while allowing three earned runs on two hits and walking five batters.

Mercer 8, Georgia State 2

Georgia State.....000 000 200 - 2 9 0  
Mercer.....210 100 40X - 8 10 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Quarles (6); Campbell (6); Gearrin (8).

Georgia State - Reid; Reeves (2); Compton (4); Dooley (7); Grant (8).

Win - Webster (2-0)

Loss - Reid (1-0)

T - 3:06 A - 357

## Game 7

### South Alabama 7, Mercer 5

Feb. 16-Mobile, Ala.

Stanky Field

MOBILE, Ala. - The Bears out-hit the Jaguars 11-9, but stranded seven base runners in a 7-5 loss at Stanky Field on Friday afternoon.

Game one had a crazy beginning as four runs crossed the plate courtesy of wild pitches in the first two innings. In the top of the first inning, Josh Thompson drew a two-out walk and advanced to third on a single by Steve Karwatt. With Eric Renfroe batting, USA's starting right-hander Dan Goldberg threw a wild pitch, allowing Thompson to score and give Mercer an early 1-0 lead.

The Jaguars came right back in the bottom half of the first. Mercer right-hander Brantley New walked the leadoff man Ray Kruml. Kruml then advanced to second base on a sacrifice bunt and moved to third on a base hit by Ryne Jernigan. South Alabama benefited from a pair of wild pitches by New as Kruml and Jernigan scored giving USA a 2-1 advantage.

In the second inning, Jason Lowey led off with a double for the Bears, but was stranded on third base following a pair of strikeouts to end the frame.

South Alabama did not relent, tacking on three more runs in the second. Eric Shortell led off the inning with a single to center and Joel Collins was hit by a pitch. Bill Kleinschrodt successfully sacrificed the runners over and New followed with another wild pitch allowing Shortell to score. Russell Harben then followed with a RBI-single and Clint Toomey added

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a RBI-base hit of his own making the score 5-1.

The Bears were able to push across a run in the third, narrowing the Jaguars' advantage to three. Mike Armstrong led the inning off with a double and scored on Thompson's double two batters later.

A RBI-ground out by Kleinschrodt extended South Alabama's lead to 6-2 in the fifth inning.

Mercer began chipping away in the sixth inning, starting the frame with three consecutive singles. Karwatt led off with his second hit of the day and Renfroe followed with a base hit to right field. The next batter, Jason Lowey, drove in Karwatt with a single to left and Billy Shaughnessy continued the inning by sacrificing Renfroe to third and Lowey to second with one out. Freshman Michael Langley notched his first collegiate hit earlier in the game and came up with his first run batted in on a ground out to the shortstop. Renfroe scored on the play pulling the Bears within two at 6-4.

The Jaguars came right back adding an insurance run in the bottom of the sixth. Kruml registered another leadoff walk and proceeded to steal second base. Following a sacrifice bunt, Jernigan scored Kruml on a sacrifice fly.

With two innings remaining, the Bears showed life and added another run making the score 7-5. Renfroe led off the frame with an infield base hit and advanced to third on a pair of groundouts. Mark Jarvis came off the bench and produced a big pinch-hit, run-scoring single.

The Bears were unable to get anything going in the ninth inning and lost their fourth straight on the road.

Karwatt, Renfroe and Lowey each finished the contest 2-for-4 from the plate.

New recorded his second loss of the season giving up six earned runs on eight hits in 5.0 innings of work, while striking out three and walking one.

Goldberg picked up the win for South Alabama throwing 6.0 innings and giving up four earned runs on eight hits. Goldberg struck out five batters and walked one. Chris LaGrow registered the save for the Jaguars. After allowing a leadoff double to John Dortch in the ninth, he set down the next three batters, the final two by strikeouts.

South Alabama 7, Mercer 5

Mercer.....101 002 010 - 5 11 0  
South Alabama.....230 011 00X - 7 9 1

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Patterson (6).  
South Alabama - Goldberg; Kerns (7); Turner (7); LaGrow (9).  
Win - Goldberg (1-0)  
Loss - New (0-2)  
Save - LaGrow (1)  
T - 2:51 A - 321

## Game 8

### South Alabama 13, Mercer 11

Feb. 17-Mobile, Ala.

Stanky Field

MOBILE, Ala. - In a game that featured 24 runs and 32 hits, South Alabama out-lasted Mercer, 12-10, on Saturday afternoon at Stanky Field.

Leading the offensive attack for the Bears were Mike Armstrong (3-for-6, 3 runs scored) and Billy Shaughnessy (4-for-5, two RBIs). Tyler Brown and Matt Crawford each chipped in a pair of RBIs and Steve Karwatt finished the game 2-for-3 with two doubles, one RBI and two runs scored.

Aided by three walks, the Bears (3-5) grabbed an early three-run lead in top of the first inning. After an Armstrong single to lead off the game, South Alabama right-hander Kevin Nabors walked three of the next four batters. Eric Renfroe received the third free pass of the frame with the bases loaded, forcing in Armstrong. Jason Lowey followed with a sacrifice fly and Shaughnessy capped the first-inning output with a RBI-single.

South Alabama (2-0) did not waste anytime getting back into the game in the bottom of the first, cutting the deficit to one. For the second straight day USA lead off man Ray Kruml opened the game by reaching base. Kruml advanced to second on a wild pitch and following a walk to Bunky Kateon, each runner moved up a base on a ground out. Jeff Cunningham registered the Jaguars' first big hit of the day with a run-scoring single and an error by Josh Thompson allowed Kateon to cross the plate on the play.

The Bears tacked on a pair of runs in the second inning as catcher Casey Stuart led off with his first hit of the season. Armstrong then laced a double down the left-field line advancing Stuart to third base. Thompson pushed across the Bears' fourth run of the day with a sacrifice fly and Karwatt continued his recent hot streak with a RBI-double to deep center field, giving Mercer a 5-2 cushion early on.

The Jaguars opened their half of the third inning with back-to-back singles by Kateon and Ryne Jernigan. Cunningham delivered another run batted in with a sacrifice fly to right field and Michael Cart added a RBI-ground-out in the inning, pulling South Alabama within one at 5-4. USA had a chance to tie the game later in the inning on a wild pitch by Mercer left-hander Blake Quarles, but David Doss was thrown out at the plate as Stuart hustled after the ball and Quarles applied the tag.

Mercer looked to increase its lead in the fourth, loading the bases with no outs, but USA reliever Stephen Boyd struck out the next two batters and then induced an inning-ending ground out to escape the inning unscathed.

Bill Kleinschrodt opened the South Alabama fourth with a triple and scored on Sean Laird's ground out, evening up the score at five runs apiece.

One inning later, South Alabama put up a six-spot on the scoreboard. Four of the runs were unearned off of two Mercer errors. Doss, Joel Collins and Jernigan each delivered one RBI in the inning and Kaeton plated a pair of runs with a single up the middle.

The high-scoring affair continued in the sixth as Crawford roped a two-run double, scoring Thompson and Karwatt. Two batters later, Crawford scored on Shaughnessy's RBI-single, narrowing the South Alabama lead to three.

Mercer struck again in the seventh on Tyler Brown's first home run of the season. The two-run shot brought Mercer within one, making the score 11-10.

South Alabama added a pair of insurance runs in the seventh as Kleinschrodt got things started with a lead off home run. Once again Kruml gave the Bears fits on the base paths, swiping second and third following his seein-eye single through the right side. Kateon then delivered his third RBI of the day on a ground out, giving USA a lead it would not relinquish.

The Bears put together a rally in the ninth as Thompson hit a solo home run with one out making the score 13-11. Karwatt then walked and advanced to third base courtesy of a wild pitch and a ground out, but was stranded at third to end the game.

Quarles went 3.0 innings and allowed four earned

runs on six hits. He struck out three and walked one batter. David Harden (0-1) picked up the loss for Mercer giving up seven runs, three earned, on five hits in 1.2 innings of work. Harden registered two strikeouts and one walk.

Nabors lasted only 1.0 inning for South Alabama after allowing five earned runs on four hits while striking out one and walking three batters. Boyd (1-0) picked up Nabors throwing 4.0 innings of two-run, four-hit ball. Boyd struck out four and walked four. Freshman Chris LaGrow recorded his second save in as many outings for the Jaguars.

South Alabama 13, Mercer 11

Mercer.....320 003 201 - 11 17 3  
South Alabama.....202 160 20X - 13 15 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Quarles; Harden (4); Campbell (5).  
South Alabama - Nabors; Boyd (2); Kerns (6); Turner (7); Doss (8); LaGrow (9).  
Win - Boyd (1-0)  
Loss - Harden (0-1)  
Save - LaGrow (2)  
T - 3:15 A - 543

## Game 9

### Mercer 9, South Alabama 5

Feb. 18-Mobile, Ala.

Stanky Field

MOBILE, Ala. - The Mercer (4-5) baseball squad posted seven runs in the last three innings, pulling out a come-from-behind 9-5 victory over South Alabama (2-1) on Sunday afternoon at Stanky Field.

The Bears took an early lead for the second consecutive day as John Dortch got things going in the second inning with a lead-off single. Following a sacrifice bunt by Billy Shaughnessy, Mark Jarvis, making his first start of the season, came through with a run-scoring single.

South Alabama responded as they had all weekend with three runs in the bottom of the second. Mercer right-hander Michael Shaw retired the lead-off man, but the next four USA batters registered singles. Joel Collins and Bill Kleinschrodt recorded back-to-back RBI-singles and Ray Kruml capped the scoring with a sacrifice fly to center field.

Mercer took advantage of South Alabama miscues an inning later. Mike Armstrong led off with a single and following a pair of wild pitches advancing Armstrong to third, Josh Thompson notched a sacrifice fly pulling the Bears within one at 3-2.

Both pitching staff buckled down over the next three innings allowing no runs on only two hits. This was a rarity in the three-game series that saw both teams combine for 50 runs and 68 hits.

The Bears rallied to take a 5-3 lead in the seventh. Billy Shaughnessy started the rally with a lead-off double and three batters later, Shaughnessy scored on a fielder's choice by Matt Crawford. Freshman Michael Langley, who earlier in the series recorded his first career hit and RBI, scored on another fielder's choice groundout, this time by Tyler Brown. Jaguars' shortstop Russell Harben threw the ball away on the play and Crawford scored an unearned run giving Mercer the lead.

In this back-and-forth series, South Alabama countered again in the bottom of the seventh. Clint Toomey recorded a RBI-single and Kruml scored on a ground out by Ryne Jernigan evening the score at five runs apiece.

# Game Notes

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Mercer took the lead for good in the eighth inning as Dortch led off with a double down the left-field line. Eric Renfroe plated Dortch with a fielder's choice and Armstrong produced another run with a sacrifice fly giving the Bears a 7-5 lead.

Closer Cory Gearrin entered the game in the bottom of the seventh and shut down the Jaguars the rest of the way in picking up his first win as a Bear. He struck out four and walked four, while pitching 2.2 innings of no-hit, shutout ball. Gearrin has yet to allow a hit or run in 7.2 innings of solid relief.

The Bears tacked on some insurance in the ninth spearheaded by Dortch's second double and run scored in as many innings. Shaughnessy drove in Steve Karwatt with a sacrifice fly and Renfroe drove in his second run of the day with a single up the middle.

Shaw went 2.0 innings for Mercer and allowed three earned runs on four hits while striking out two. South Alabama starter Joey Doan pitched a solid game going 6.2 innings while giving up five runs, four earned, on five hits. Doan walked none and struck out five batters. Travis Johnson was tagged with the loss allowing two earned runs in 0.2 innings of work.

Dortch finished the game 3-for-5 with three runs scored and two doubles. Seven Bears picked up a run batted in led by Renfroe's two RBIs.

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South Alabama.....030 000 200 - 5 8 3

Pitchers: Mercer - Shaw; Jo. Lowey (3); Ja. Lowey (6); Gearrin (7).

South Alabama - Doan; Johnson (7); Dunning (8); Baxter (8); Nickerson (8); Clarke (9).

Win - Gearrin (1-0)

Loss - Johnson (0-1)

T - 3:16 A - 511

The Automated ScoreBook  
Overall Statistics for Mercer (as of Feb 18, 2007)  
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 4-5 Home: 1-0 Away: 3-5 Conference: 0-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
THOMPSON, Josh.....	.382	9-9	34	7	13	2	1	3	11	26	.765	7	0	10	0	.465	2	0	0-0	52	5	2	.966
LOWEY, Jason.....	.368	5-5	19	1	7	3	0	0	2	10	.526	1	0	5	0	.381	1	0	0-0	7	1	0	1.000
ARMSTRONG, Mike.....	.361	9-9	36	9	13	2	0	1	7	18	.500	2	4	3	0	.442	1	0	1-1	81	5	0	1.000
SHAUGHNESSY, Billy..	.345	9-9	29	3	10	3	0	1	7	16	.552	1	1	4	0	.375	1	6	0-0	17	25	4	.913
MCCARTY, Tyler.....	.313	5-5	16	3	5	1	0	0	1	6	.375	3	0	1	0	.421	0	0	0-0	6	14	1	.952
KARWATT, Steven.....	.296	8-7	27	5	8	2	0	1	3	13	.481	6	1	5	0	.441	0	0	0-0	8	13	1	.955
JARVIS, Mark.....	.286	5-1	7	0	2	0	0	0	2	2	.286	0	0	3	0	.286	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
DORTCH, John.....	.269	8-6	26	6	7	4	0	1	2	14	.538	0	0	1	0	.269	0	0	1-1	3	0	0	1.000
BROWN, Tyler.....	.182	9-9	33	6	6	0	0	1	4	9	.273	8	1	7	0	.357	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
LANGLEY, Michael....	.182	5-2	11	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	.182	1	1	2	0	.308	0	0	1-1	4	16	0	1.000
LOWEY, Josh.....	.182	6-4	11	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	.182	0	0	1	1	.182	0	0	0-1	1	4	1	.833
CRAWFORD, Matt.....	.167	7-4	18	6	3	1	0	0	3	4	.222	3	0	1	0	.286	0	0	1-1	11	0	1	.917
RENFROE, Eric.....	.103	9-8	29	3	3	0	0	0	4	3	.103	3	1	6	0	.212	0	0	2-3	19	0	1	.950
STUART, Casey.....	.100	3-3	10	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.100	0	0	4	0	.100	0	1	0-0	15	2	0	1.000
FEINERT, Andrew.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
DAUGHERTY, John.....	.000	3-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	.667	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
BENTLEY, Richard....	.000	3-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.266	9-9	308	52	82	18	1	8	47	126	.409	36	10	54	1	.357	5	7	6-8	228	97	13	.962
Opponents.....	.315	9-9	308	56	97	11	2	3	49	121	.393	33	15	61	0	.402	5	10	17-19	240	91	14	.959

LOB - Team (75), Opp (87). DPs turned - Team (4), Opp (8). CI - Team (0), Opp (1). IBB - Team (0), Opp (3). Picked off - LOWEY,JO 1, THOMPSON 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	AB	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
GEARRIN, Cory.....	0.00	1-0	4	0	0	0/0	2	7.2	0	0	0	7	13	0	0	0	20	.000	1	2	0	0	1
LOWEY, Josh.....	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	3.1	2	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	11	.182	1	0	0	0	0
WEBSTER, Boone.....	0.90	2-0	3	1	0	0/0	0	10.0	9	1	1	5	6	1	0	0	36	.250	0	0	0	0	2
PATTERSON, Scott....	1.80	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	5.0	4	2	1	4	3	0	0	0	17	.235	0	0	0	1	1
LOWEY, Jason.....	5.40	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	3.1	5	3	2	1	4	1	0	0	14	.357	0	3	0	0	1
CAMPBELL, Andy.....	5.59	1-0	4	0	0	0/0	0	9.2	10	6	6	2	5	2	1	2	40	.250	0	3	1	0	0
BOYETTE, Justin.....	7.20	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	8	4	4	0	4	2	0	0	23	.348	0	1	0	0	0
HARDEN, David.....	7.36	0-1	2	0	0	0/0	0	3.2	7	8	3	1	3	2	1	0	20	.350	0	0	0	1	0
NEW, Brantley.....	7.88	0-2	3	3	0	0/0	0	16.0	22	15	14	4	11	1	0	1	67	.328	4	4	1	0	3
QUARLES, Blake.....	11.17	0-1	4	3	0	0/0	0	9.2	24	12	12	5	6	2	0	0	48	.500	1	1	0	1	2
SHAW, Michael.....	16.88	0-0	2	1	0	0/0	0	2.2	6	5	5	3	3	0	0	0	12	.500	1	1	0	2	0
Totals.....	5.68	4-5	9	9	0	0/0	2	76.0	97	56	48	33	61	11	2	3	308	.315	8	15	2	5	10
Opponents.....	5.40	5-4	9	9	1	1/0	3	80.0	82	52	48	36	54	18	1	8	308	.266	11	10	2	5	7

PB - Team (5), THOMPSON 4, STUART 1, Opp (2). Pickoffs - Team (1), NEW 1, Opp (2). SBA/ATT - THOMPSON (12-14), STUART (5-5), NEW (5-5), CAMPBELL (3-3), GEARRIN (2-3), PATTERSON (3-3), SHAW (2-2), WEBSTER (1-2), BOYETTE (1-1).

The Automated ScoreBook  
Overall Statistics for Mercer (as of Feb 18, 2007)  
(All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Player	C	PO	A	E	FLD%	Dps	SBA	CSB	SBA%	PB	CI
ARMSTRONG, Mike.....	86	81	5	0	1.000	4	0	0	---	0	0
LANGLEY, Michael....	20	4	16	0	1.000	1	0	0	---	0	0
STUART, Casey.....	17	15	2	0	1.000	0	5	0	1.000	1	0
LOWEY, Jason.....	8	7	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
DORTCH, John.....	3	3	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
WEBSTER, Boone.....	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	1	1	.500	0	0
QUARLES, Blake.....	2	2	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
HARDEN, David.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
BOYETTE, Justin....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
JARVIS, Mark.....	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
PATTERSON, Scott....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
THOMPSON, Josh.....	59	52	5	2	.966	0	12	2	.857	4	0
KARWATT, Steven....	22	8	13	1	.955	0	0	0	---	0	0
MCCARTY, Tyler.....	21	6	14	1	.952	3	0	0	---	0	0
RENFROE, Eric.....	20	19	0	1	.950	0	0	0	---	0	0
CRAWFORD, Matt.....	12	11	0	1	.917	0	0	0	---	0	0
SHAUGHNESSY, Billy..	46	17	25	4	.913	3	0	0	---	0	0
NEW, Brantley.....	6	1	4	1	.833	0	5	0	1.000	0	0
LOWEY, Josh.....	6	1	4	1	.833	1	0	0	---	0	0
CAMPBELL, Andy.....	4	0	3	1	.750	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
GEARRIN, Cory.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	1	.667	0	0
EINERT, Andrew.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
SHAW, Michael.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
DAUGHERTY, John....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
BENTLEY, Richard....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
BROWN, Tyler.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals.....	338	228	97	13	.962	4	17	2	.895	5	0
Opponents.....	345	240	91	14	.959	8	6	2	.750	2	1

The Automated ScoreBook  
 Game Results for Mercer (as of Feb 18, 2007)  
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Conference	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time	
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Feb. 2, 2007	at Miami (Fla.)	W 6-5	6	14	0/	5	10	1	9	1-	0- 0	WEBSTER (W 1-0)	2593	3:23	
Feb. 3, 2007	at Miami (Fla.)	W 8-5	8	5	3/	5	10	3	9	2-	0- 0	CAMPBELL (W 1-0)	2345	3:45	
Feb. 10,2007	at Bethune-Cookman	0-5 L	0	5	3/	5	9	0	9	2-	1- 0	NEW (L 0-1)	144	2:03	
Feb. 10,2007	at Bethune-Cookman	2-9 L	2	3	3/	9	17	3	9	2-	2- 0	QUARLES (L 0-1)	121	2:04	
Feb. 11,2007	at Bethune-Cookman	3-5 L	3	9	1/	5	10	2	9	2-	3- 0	BOYETTE (L 0-1)	143	2:36	
Feb. 14,2007	Georgia State	W 8-2	8	10	0/	2	9	0	9	3-	3- 0	WEBSTER (W 2-0)	357	3:06	
Feb 16, 2007	at South Alabama	5-7 L	5	11	0/	7	9	1	9	3-	4- 0	NEW (L 0-2)	321	2:51	
Feb 17, 2007	at South Alabama	11-13 L	11	17	3/13	15	1	1	9	3-	5- 0	HARDEN (L 0-1)	543	3:15	
Feb 18, 2007	at South Alabama	W 9-5	9	8	0/	5	8	3	9	4-	5- 0	GEARRIN (W 1-0)	511	3:16	

( ) extra inning game