

2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

2007 Schedule & Results

Overall: 29-23

A-Sun: 14-10

Home: 16-7 Away: 13-16 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
Feb. 14	Georgia State	W, 8-2
Feb. 16	at South Alabama	L, 7-5
Feb. 17	at South Alabama	L, 13-11
Feb. 18	at South Alabama	W, 9-5
Feb. 21	Georgia	L, 6-5
Feb. 23	Florida A&M	W, 3-2
Feb. 24	Florida A&M	W, 4-1
Feb. 25	Florida A&M	W, 5-1
Feb. 28	at Georgia State	W, 5-1
Mar. 2	Samford	W, 6-4
Mar. 3	Samford	W, 13-0
Mar. 4	Samford	L, 4-2
Mar. 7	at Western Carolina	W, 13-10
Mar. 9	at Florida A&M	W, 5-3
Mar. 10	at Florida A&M	W, 5-2
Mar. 11	at Florida A&M	W, 12-2
Mar. 16	*Campbell	W, 7-3
Mar. 17	*Campbell (DH)	W, 8-2; W, 12-3
Mar. 20	at Georgia	L, 9-3
Mar. 23	*at Stetson	L, 3-2
Mar. 24	*at Stetson (DH)	L, 9-1; W, 4-3
Mar. 27	Auburn	L, 5-1
Mar. 30	*Jacksonville	W, 5-4 (13 Inn.)
Mar. 31	*Jacksonville (DH)	L, 5-0; W, 7-6 (10 Inn.)
Apr. 4	at Georgia State	L, 10-8
Apr. 6	*Lipscomb	L, 12-7 (10 Inn.)
Apr. 7	*Lipscomb (DH)	L, 7-2; W, 5-4
Apr. 10	at Auburn	L, 22-6
Apr. 14	*at Belmont	L, 6-5
Apr. 16	*at Belmont (DH)	W, 5-4; L, 9-8 (10 Inn.)
Apr. 17	Georgia Southern	W, 12-5
Apr. 21	*at UNF (DH)	W, 10-0 (7 Inn.); W, 4-3 (10 Inn.)
Apr. 22	*at UNF	L, 8-2
Apr. 24	Savannah State	L, 8-3
Apr. 27	*Kennesaw State	W, 2-1
Apr. 28	*Kennesaw State (DH)	W, 4-3; W, 13-7
May 10	*at Gardner-Webb	L, 3-2 (11 Inn.)
May 11	*at Gardner-Webb (DH)	L, 11-5; W, 6-4
May 15	at Georgia Southern	L, 4-3
May 17	*ETSU	6 p.m.
May 18	*ETSU (DH)	noon
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

Games 54-56 Mercer vs. ETSU May 17-18, 2007 Claude Smith Field

Mercer has already clinched a spot in the Atlantic Sun Tournament, but will look to earn the second seed this weekend. They are currently tied for second with Belmont and the Bruins took the season series, two games to one, but Belmont has regular-season champion Stetson on the slate this weekend. ETSU was in first place at mid-season, but finds itself fighting for a tourney spot with Lipscomb and Gardner-Webb. Two of the three squads will earn a berth as ETSU holds the tiebreaker over GWU, GWU holds the tiebreaker over Lipscomb, Lipscomb holds the tiebreaker over ETSU and in a three-way tie ETSU and Lipscomb would head to DeLand.

The Bears ended their non-conference schedule with a 4-3 loss at Georgia Southern. Mercer took an early 2-0 lead after Andrew Einert's solo home run in the second, but the Eagles knotted up the score an inning later. Mike Armstrong, who went 3-for-3, drove in the go-ahead run in the fifth frame, but GSU's Matt Miller belted a two-run homer off Josh Lowey in the seventh inning to secure the win. Jason Lowey (2 IP, 1 ER, 1 H, 1 K, 2 BB) started the first game of his career as Boone Webster and J.C. Daugherty also tossed a pair of solid innings.

Mercer Probable Lineup

Probable Batting Order							
Pos.	Name	Yr.	Avg.	2B	R	HR	RBI
LF	Matt Crawford	Jr.	.333	6	32	1	19
SS	Billy Shaughnessy	Jr.	.328	12	31	2	24
C	Josh Thompson	Sr.	.325	15	28	9	45
1B	Mike Armstrong	Jr.	.321	15	43	4	33
CF	Eric Renfroe	Sr.	.312	11	39	7	25
DH	Tyler Brown	Jr.	.250	8	15	4	22
3B	Steve Karwatt	So.	.271	12	27	5	26
RF	John Dortch	Jr.	.302	9	21	2	14
2B	Michael Langley	Fr.	.207	4	12	0	10

Key Reserves

DH	Andrew Einert	Sr.	.258	5	9	2	11
INF	Nick DiMauro	Fr.	.239	2	6	0	6
INF	John Daugherty	So.	.217	1	0	0	5
INF	Josh Lowey	Jr.	.227	1	0	0	1
OF	Jason Lowey	Sr.	.212	5	12	2	14
C	Casey Stuart	So.	.204	7	9	0	4
OF	Richard Bentley	Jr.	.077	0	3	0	2

Probable Pitching Rotation

Pos.	Name	Yr.	ERA	W-L	SV	IP	SO
RHP	Brantley New	Sr.	3.03	5-3	0	95.0	83
RHP	Boone Webster	Jr.	4.58	6-5	0	74.2	51
RHP	Justin Boyette	So.	5.00	4-3	0	63.0	48

Bullpen

RHP	Cory Gearrin	Jr.	1.91	3-2	12	37.2	62
RHP	Josh Lowey	Jr.	3.90	5-3	0	32.1	26
RHP	Jason Lowey	Sr.	4.15	1-1	0	21.2	23
RHP	David Harden	Fr.	4.15	1-1	0	34.2	26
RHP	Andy Campbell	Jr.	5.87	2-0	0	15.1	9
LHP	Blake Quarles	Sr.	6.16	1-3	1	38.0	33
RHP	Scott Patterson	Fr.	7.41	1-0	0	17.0	8
LHP	J.C. Daugherty	Sr.	7.45	0-2	0	19.1	13
RHP	Michael Shaw	Fr.	9.82	0-0	0	11.0	7

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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
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-nert
 26 Cory **Gearrin**Gare-in
 27 John **Dortch**Door-ch
 28 Justin **Boyette**Boy-et
 36 Kyle **Bedrosian**Buh-droh-shun
 38 **Boone** WebsterBoon
 42 Travis **Peyatt**Pee-ot
 Tim **Boeth**Booth
 Danny **McMurtry**Mc-Mer-tree
 Ty **Megahee**Muh-gay-hee

Roster Breakdown

By State
 Georgia25
 Florida7
 Pennsylvania1
 Tennessee1
 Texas1

By Year
 Seniors8
 Juniors11
 Sophomores6
 Freshman10

By Position
 Pitchers12 (9 RHP and 3 LHP)
 Catchers3
 Infielders10
 Outfielders10

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.
*#1Stetson	20	4	.833	-	38	15	.717
*Belmont	14	10	.583	6	29	23	.558
*Mercer	14	10	.583	6	29	23	.558
*Jacksonville	13	11	.542	7	28	24	.538
^UNF	12	12	.500	8	23	30	.434
^Kennesaw St.	11	13	.458	9	30	22	.577
Lipscomb	11	13	.458	9	27	26	.509
ETSU	11	13	.458	9	26	26	.500
Gardner-Webb	10	14	.417	10	23	29	.442
Campbell	4	20	.167	16	10	43	.189

*Clinched berth in Atlantic Sun Tournament
^Ineligible during reclassification years

Mercer Individuals in the A-Sun

Slugging Percentage

Josh Thompson - .559, (7th)

On-Base Percentage

Josh Thompson - .427, (8th)

Runs Scored

Mike Armstrong - 43, (T10th)

Home Runs

Josh Thompson - 9, (5th)

Runs Batted In

Josh Thompson - 45, (T4th)

Total Bases

Josh Thompson - 109, (7th)

Walks

Josh Thompson - 31, (T5th)

Eric Renfroe - 28, (9th)

Doubles

Mike Amrstong - 15, (T8th)

Josh Thompson - 15 (T8th)

ERA

Brantley New - 3.03, (3rd)

Innings Pitched

Brantley New - 95.0, (3rd)

Strikeouts

Brantley New - 83, (3rd)

Cory Gearrin - 62, (10th)

Wins

Boone Webster - 6, (T6th)

Appearances

Cory Gearrin - 23, (T6th)

Games Started

Brantley New - 14, (T2nd)

Justin Boyette - 12, (T10th)

Boone Webster - 12, (T10th)

Saves

Cory Gearrin - 12, (1st)

Mercer in the A-Sun

Batting Average284, (5th)

Slugging Percentage418, (5th)

On-Base Percentage361, (5th)

Runs Scored289, (5th)

Hits506, (7th)

Runs Batted In263, (5th)

Doubles111, (1st)

Triples8, (8th)

Home Runs37, (2nd)

Walks190, (3rd)

Stolen Bases42, (8th)

Earned Run Average4.67, (5th)

Opp. Batting Average282, (4th)

Innings Pitched452.2, (8th)

Strikeouts386, (2nd)

Wins29, (T2nd)

Saves13, (3rd)

Fielding Percentage972, (1st)

Putouts1358, (8th)

Assists552, (5th)

Errors56, (10th)

Double Plays34, (9th)

Upcoming A-Sun Schedule

May 17

***ETSU at Mercer - 6 p.m.**

*Campbell at Kennesaw State - 6 p.m.

*Lipscomb at Jacksonville - 6:30 p.m.

*Gardner-Webb at UNF - 7 p.m.

*Belmont at Stetson - 7 p.m.

May 18

***ETSU at Mercer - noon (DH)**

*Campbell at Kennesaw State - 1 p.m. (DH)

*Gardner-Webb at UNF - 1 p.m. (DH)

*Lipscomb at Jacksonville - 6:30 p.m.

*Belmont at Stetson - 7 p.m.

May 19

*Belmont at Stetson - noon

*Lipscomb at Jacksonville - 1 p.m.

May 23-26

Atlantic Sun Championships (DeLand, Fla.)

All Times are Eastern

DH - Doubleheader

* - Atlantic Sun Conference Game



Game Notes

2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

A Look at the Bucs

ETSU (26-26, 11-13 A-Sun) comes into this weekend struggling losing 13 of its last 16 contests. The Bucs opened the conference slate 10-2 and were in first place at the mid-point, but have dropped 11 of 12 Atlantic Sun games and were swept in their last two league series finding themselves fighting for a spot in the A-Sun tournament. They are tied for sixth with Lipscomb, but only one game up on seventh-place Gardner-Webb. ETSU opened its conference schedule by sweeping Gardner-Webb and Kennesaw State and taking two of three from UNF and Campbell, but since then have been swept by Lipscomb, Stetson and Jacksonville along with losing two of three at Belmont. The only non-conference common opponent that Mercer and ETSU have squared off against was Western Carolina. ETSU dropped a pair against WCU while the Bears won a single game versus the Catamounts.

Anthony Russell leads the Buc's offense finishing himself in the Top 10 in several A-Sun categories including slugging percentage (.576), hits (70), RBIs (43), doubles (18), home runs (10) and total bases (118). The junior also leads the squad with a .341 batting average.

Caleb Glafenheim leads the rotation leading the A-Sun in wins (13) and innings pitched (112.1), and is in the Top 10 in saves with six.

Tony Skole is in his eighth season at the helm of the ETSU program. Skole has a record of 170-214 entering this season with the Bucs and is 265-271 in 10 seasons overall. Before taking the post at ETSU, Skole was the head coach at Lincoln Memorial University for three seasons.

Mercer leads the all-time series with ETSU, 4-0. Last season marked the first time the teams met as the Bears won all four meetings. They swept a three-game set in Johnson City, Tenn., winning 10-8, 6-4 and 10-7. The Bears also took a first-round A-Sun Tourney match up in DeLand, 11-3.

Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Hometown
1	Michael Courtney	INF	Sr.	Knoxville, Tenn.
2	Bubba Herbold	C	Jr.	Knoxville, Tenn.
3	Anthony Biello	INF	So.	Lower Gwyned, Pa.
4	C.J. Lee	OF	Sr.	Bristol, Va.
5	Jacob Fabry	OF	So.	Chattanooga, Tenn.
8	Danny Petro	C	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga.
9	Darren Caldwell	RHP	So.	Spartanburg, S.C.
10	Todd Caldwell	LHP/OF	Fr.	Johnson City, Tenn.
11	Ryan Self	INF	Fr.	Mount Juliet, Tenn.
12	Ben Allen	INF	So.	Kingsport, Tenn.
13	Tony Lombardi	LHP	Sr.	Windsor, Calif.
14	Joey McCown	LHP	Jr.	Alcoa, Tenn.
15	Craig Wojciechowski	LHP	Jr.	Maryville, Tenn.
16	Ryan Howe	LHP	Sr.	Spartanburg, S.C.
17	Justin Tramble	INF	Fr.	Marietta, Ga.
18	John Weddle	C	Sr.	Knoxville, Tenn.
19	Anthony Russell	INF	Jr.	Waldorf, Md.
20	Caleb Glafenheim	RHP	Sr.	Knoxville, Tenn.
21	Brandon Langston	RHP	Jr.	Ringgold, Ga.
22	Robbie Campbell	RHP	Jr.	Lothian, Md.
23	Troy Mendez	OF	So.	Roswell, Ga.
24	Tanner Moore	INF	Fr.	Chattanooga, Tenn.
25	Justin Aughey	C	Sr.	Davie, FL.
27	Matt McGahey	LHP	Jr.	Jonesborough, Tenn.
30	Bart Roark	INF	Fr.	Mountain City, Tenn.
32	Jimmy Tidwell	RHP	Jr.	Acworth, Ga.
33	Drew Story	RHP	Fr.	Jefferson City, Tenn.
34	Micheal Dillow	LHP	So.	Gray, Tenn.
37	Scott Deans	OF	Jr.	Greeneville, Tenn.
44	Jon Stoudt	RHP	Jr.	Marietta, Ga.

Head Coach: Tony Skole (Eighth Season, The Citadel '91)

Assistant Coaches: Clay Greene (Second Season, Tennessee '01); Reid Casey (First Season, ETSU '03); Trevor Smith (ETSU '05)

2007 Individual Statistics Leaders

Batting Leaders

Name	Avg.	2B	HR	RBI	R
Anthony Russell	.341	18	10	43	38
Justin Aughey	.323	13	6	32	31
Danny Petro	.298	12	2	24	21
Tanner Moore	.288	12	3	22	29
C.J. Lee	.282	14	3	13	39
Troy Mendez	.262	8	2	24	23

Pitching Leaders

Name	W-L	ERA	SO	SV	IP
*Drew Story	2-4	7.35	35	1	49.0
*Brandon Langston	6-6	3.88	61	0	97.1
*Caleb Glafenheim	13-6	4.57	49	6	112.1
Jimmy Tidwell	1-1	3.00	30	0	27.0
Todd Caldwell	2-2	5.29	29	0	49.1
Darren Caldwell	2-0	6.52	24	1	38.2

*Probable Starters for this weekend's games



Game Notes

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Current Bear Hitting Streaks

Eric Renfroe7
Matt Crawford6
Mike Armstrong2
Tyler Brown	.....2

Longest Bear Hitting Streaks

Josh Thompson	.....19
Eric Renfroe	.....9
Steve Karwatt	.....9
John Dortch	.....8
Mike Armstrong	.....7
Billy Shaughnessy	.....7

Game-Winning RBI

Steve Karwatt	.....7
Josh Thompson	.....6
Jason Lowey	.....3
Mike Armstrong	.....3
Billy Shaughnessy	.....2
Eric Renfroe	.....1
Nick DiMauro	.....1
Michael Langley	.....1
John Dortch	.....1

Multiple RBI Games

	2	3	4	5+	Total
Josh Thompson	10	3	1		14
Eric Renfroe	7	2			9
Mike Armstrong	5	1	1		7
Matt Crawford	6	1			7
Billy Shaughnessy	7				7
Steve Karwatt	3		1	1	5
Tyler Brown	3	1	1		5
Jason Lowey		2	1		3
Andrew Einert	3				3
John Dortch	2				2
John Daugherty	2				2
Michael Langley	1				1
Richard Bentley	1				1
Nick DiMauro	1				1

Multiple Hit Games

	2	3	4	5+	Total
Mike Armstrong	7	8	1	1	17
Billy Shaughnessy	12	1	3		16
Josh Thompson	12	3	1		16
Steve Karwatt	11	2			13
Eric Renfroe	5	7			12
Matt Crawford	8	2	1		11
Tyler Brown	9	2			11
John Dortch	4	5			9
Jason Lowey	5				5
Andrew Einert	5				5
Michael Langley	1	1			2
Casey Stuart	2				2
Tyler McCarty	1				1
Josh Lowey	1				1
Nick DiMauro	1				1
John Daugherty	1				1

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.

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

Individual Highs

Most hits	.....Armstrong - 5, 4/6
Most at-bats	.....Five Tied - 6
Most runs scored	.....Karwatt - 4, 3/11
Most RBIs	.....Karwatt - 5, 3/7
Most doubles	.....Armstrong - 3, 4/6
Most home runs	.....Karwatt - 2, 3/7
Most total bases	.....Karwatt - 9, 3/7
Most walks	.....Four Tied - 3
Most stolen basesShaughnessy - 2, 4/28
Most innings pitchedTwo Tied - 9.0
Most strikeoutsNew - 9, Two Times

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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	.330	106	21	35	9	1	3	20	19	1	20	3-3	.981
South Alabama	.336	107	25	36	11	0	2	23	14	1	21	2-3	.972
Georgia	.232	69	8	16	6	0	0	6	5	2	16	2-2	.949
Florida A&M	.254	201	44	51	9	2	2	28	24	5	22	4-7	.975
Samford	.311	103	21	32	7	1	4	20	15	2	18	8-8	.980
Western Carolina	.375	40	13	15	3	1	4	13	3	0	3	1-3	1.000
Campbell	.347	101	27	35	11	0	4	25	7	3	17	4-7	.972
Stetson	.221	104	7	27	6	0	0	6	4	2	15	0-1	.949
Auburn	.288	66	7	19	3	0	0	7	7	2	7	3-3	.944
Jacksonville	.295	112	12	33	6	0	1	11	18	4	19	0-3	.985
Lipscomb	.248	105	14	26	7	0	1	11	17	2	0	1-2	.966
Belmont	.296	115	18	34	12	1	1	18	10	1	24	3-4	.966
Georgia Southern	.400	75	15	30	4	1	3	15	8	0	13	2-2	.972
North Florida	.250	100	16	25	6	0	1	16	11	1	17	0-0	.966
Savannah State	.273	33	3	9	2	0	0	3	5	0	5	0-0	.974
Kennesaw State	.356	101	19	36	6	0	1	16	10	2	12	5-6	1.000
Gardner-Webb	.227	110	13	25	2	1	5	12	7	0	20	3-3	.975
ETSU													

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	2.77	2-1	0	26.0	23	13	8	6	26	4	0	2	.237
South Alabama	7.20	1-2	0	25.0	32	25	20	12	23	1	2	1	.323
Georgia	7.94	0-2	0	17.0	27	15	15	9	16	5	0	1	.360
Florida A&M	1.17	6-0	3	54.0	40	11	7	9	56	5	0	1	.208
Samford	2.33	2-1	1	27.0	19	8	7	3	24	3	0	3	.194
Western Carolina	9.99	1-0	1	9.0	20	10	10	8	9	4	0	1	.465
Campbell	2.67	3-0	0	27.0	28	8	8	5	26	5	0	3	.267
Stetson	5.04	1-2	1	25.0	24	15	14	14	21	2	0	1	.253
Auburn	12.71	0-2	0	17.0	29	27	24	14	13	4	0	2	.403
Jacksonville	3.66	2-1	0	32.0	31	15	13	10	29	4	0	3	.256
Lipscomb	5.46	1-2	0	28.0	33	23	17	13	21	6	1	1	.295
Belmont	5.81	1-2	0	26.1	32	19	17	10	15	4	3	4	.305
Georgia Southern	4.24	1-1	0	17.0	23	9	8	3	11	2	0	2	.319
North Florida	3.24	2-1	1	25.0	22	11	9	9	20	3	0	2	.234
Savannah State	7.00	0-1	0	9.0	12	8	7	3	8	4	0	2	.324
Kennesaw State	3.67	3-0	2	27.0	27	11	11	11	20	4	0	0	.276
Gardner-Webb	4.94	1-2	1	27.1	26	18	15	10	20	1	0	2	.263
ETSU													

Inside the Numbers

Mercer hitting when:

Facing a right-handed pitcher	...291
Facing a left-handed pitcher	...266
Bases are empty	...277
Runners are on base	...291
Bases are loaded	...246
There are 2 outs	...291
Runners in scoring position	...290
Overall	...284

Mercer pitching when:

Facing a right-handed hitter	...262
Facing a left-handed hitter	...318
Bases are empty	...261
Runners on base	...304
There are 2 outs	...246
Overall	...282

Game Notes

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Mercer's Record...

Overall	29-23
A-Sun	14-10
At Home	16-7
On the Road	13-16
At a Neutral Site	
At Home (A-Sun)	9-3
On the Road (A-Sun)	5-7
At Home (Non-Conference)	7-4
On the Road (Non-Conference)	8-9
Neutral Site (Non-Conference)	
In Extra-Inning Games	3-3
Vs. Top 25 Teams	2-0
Playing a Day Game	22-14
Playing a Night Game	7-9
In the First Game of a Doubleheader	4-5
In the Second Game of a Doubleheader	7-2
In Single Games	18-16
In One-Run Games	10-6
In Two-Run Games	3-5
In Five + Run Games	8-11
When Scoring First	17-7
When Opponent Scores First	12-16
When Leading Entering Final Inning	23-1
When Trailing Entering Final Inning	3-20
When Tied Entering Final Inning	3-2
When Scoring 10+ Runs	7-1
When Allowing 10+ Runs	1-5
When Scoring 5 Runs or Less	13-18
When Allowing 5 Runs or Less	26-8
When Out-Hitting Opponent	19-9
When Matching Opponent with Hits	2-0
When Out-Hit by Opponent	8-14
When Hitting a Home Run	16-8
Vs. Starting LHP	6-9
Vs. Starting RHP	23-14

Mercer Highs and Low

	High	Low
Runs Scored	13	0
Runs Allowed	22	0
Run Differential	13	-16
Hits	20	3
At Bats	44	28
RBI's	13	0
Stolen Bases	4	0
Walks	12	0
Assists	19	5
Putouts	39	24
Errors	3	0
Hits Allowed	22	3
Earned Runs Allowed	19	0
Strikeouts	15	2
Walks	9	0
Wild Pitches	4	0
Hit By Pitch	3	0

Mercer Records - Overall Record (10-Game Record)

After 10 Games

Year	Overall	Home	Road
2007	4-6	8-2	5-5
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

After 20 Games

Year	Overall	Home	Road
2007	13-7 (9-1)	13-7 (5-5)	9-11 (4-6)
2006	12-8 (4-6)	14-6 (7-3)	10-10 (6-4)
2005	12-8 (3-7)	13-7 (3-7)	8-12 (5-5)
2004	9-11 (4-6)	8-12 (2-8)	6-13 (3-6)
2003	8-12 (3-7)	8-12 (3-7)	4-16 (2-8)
2002	10-10 (6-4)	11-9 (4-6)	5-15 (3-7)

After 30 Games

Year	Overall
2007	19-11 (6-4)
2006	19-11 (7-3)
2005	18-12 (6-4)
2004	11-19 (2-8)
2003	11-19 (3-7)
2002	14-16 (4-6)

After 40 Games

Year	Overall
2007	22-18 (3-7)
2006	23-17 (4-6)
2005	22-18 (4-6)
2004	14-26 (3-7)
2003	12-28 (1-9)
2002	16-24 (2-8)

End of Season Record

Year	Overall	Home	Road	Neutral
2007	29-23 (6-6)	16-7 (3-0)	13-16 (4-5)	-
2006	34-26	20-8	12-16	2-2
2005	28-26	17-9	8-16	3-1
2004	20-35	13-21	6-13	1-1
2003	13-32	8-13	5-19	-
2002	22-32	15-12	7-20	-

Game Notes

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Rankings: Stetson is ranked No. 22 in the Ping Baseball Top 30, No. 22 in the Rivals.com Top 25, No. 26 in the Collegiate Baseball Top 30, and received votes in the USA Today/ESPN Top 25 and the NCBWA Top 30 ... **Miami (Fla.)** received votes in the USA Today/ESPN poll and the NCBWA poll ... **Western Carolina** received votes in the USA Today/ESPN and NCBWA polls.

Long Balls: The Bears sit in second in the Atlantic Sun with 38 home runs on the season. Mercer recorded a season-high four homers in a 13-10 win at Western Carolina on Mar. 7. Ten different players have hit a home run and senior **Josh Thompson** leads the bunch with nine round trippers. **Eric Renfroe** has notched seven and **Steve Karwatt** has garnered five dingers. Karwatt enjoyed the Bears only multi-home run game this season with a pair at Western Carolina. **Mike Armstrong** has registered four long balls, **Tyler Brown** jacked three and **Billy Shaughnessy**, **Andrew Einert** and **Jason Lowey** each have two.

The Garrin Watch: Junior **Cory Garrin** has given up only eight earned runs and 12 hits in 37 2/3 innings of work for a 1.91 ERA this season. He has a record of 3-2, notched a conference-high 12 saves and recorded 62 strikeouts.

The Catalyst: Senior **Josh Thompson** leads the squad in home runs (9), RBIs (45), total bases (109), walks (31), slugging percentage (.545), and is tied for the lead in doubles (15).

National Rankings: **Cory Garrin** is ninth in the country with 12 saves. **Brantley New** is ranked 70th in strikeouts with 83. **Billy Shaughnessy** is 49th in sacrifice hits per game with 0.24. As a team, Mercer's pitching staff is ranked 40th in strikeouts per nine innings at 7.7, the offense ranks 37th in doubles per game with 2.18 and defensively they rank 30th with a .972 fielding per-

centage.

The .300 Club: The Bears have six regulars hitting over .300 on the season. The list includes **Matt Crawford** (.333), **Billy Shaughnessy** (.328), **Josh Thompson** (.325), **Eric Renfroe** (.312), **Mike Armstrong** (.321) and **John Dortch** (.302).

The K Zone: The Bears are currently second in the Atlantic Sun in strikeouts with 389. **Brantley New** leads the club with 83 and **Cory Garrin** has notched 62. **Boone Webster** has fanned 51 batters this season while **Justin Boyette** has struck out 48.

Small Ball: **Billy Shaughnessy** is second in the A-Sun in sacrifice bunts with 12. **Matt Crawford** has notched six bunt singles this season to go along with six sacrifice bunts.

20 Times: The Bears garnered 20 hits two times in eight games this season, the first time was versus Georgia Southern on Apr. 17 and then against Kennesaw State on Apr. 28. Before those games the last time Mercer pounded out 20 or more hits in a game was Apr. 27, 2007 when they racked up 23 in a 16-8 win over Samford.

Honors: **Brantley New** was named A-Sun Pitcher of the Week on May 14, joining **Josh Thompson** (Player), **Cory Garrin** (Pitcher), **Justin Boyette** (Pitcher) and **Billy Shaughnessy** (Player) as Bears to earn the honor this season. **Thompson** is also on the Johnny Bench Award Watch List and a candidate for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award. **Garrin** is on the Midseason Stopper of the Year Watch List, a candidate for the CSTV Player of the Year and on the Roger Clemens Award Watch List along with **New**. **Mike Armstrong** has recently been named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District first team.



Mercer Pitcher of the Week

Brantley New

RHP ♦ 6-3 ♦ 205 ♦ Sr. ♦ Dublin, Ga.

New went nine strong innings against Gardner-Webb, but was dealt another hard-luck no decision. The right-hander allowed one run on five hits and one walk while striking out eight. New is 3-1 with a 2.29 ERA in conference action this season to go along with 49 strikeouts in 59 innings. In his last 11 starts the senior ace has compiled a 2.08 ERA with 71 strikeouts in 78 innings of work.

Other Notables: Blake Quarles 1-0, 5.2 IP, 2 ER, 6 H, 3 K, 2 BB; David Harden 3.2 IP, 2 R, 0 ER, 1 H, 3 K, 0 BB



Mercer Player of the Week

Eric Renfroe

CF ♦ 6-2 ♦ 205 ♦ Sr. ♦ Macon, Ga.

Renfroe continued to stay hot in conference play going 6-for-13 (.462) at Gardner-Webb. The senior center fielder scored a run, drove in a run, and notched a stolen base, double and a homer. He recorded 10 total bases and slugged at a .769 clip and got on-base 50 percent of the time. Renfroe has been the catalyst in conference action leading the squad with a .388 batting average, three home runs, a .600 slugging percentage and a .485 on-base per-

centage.

Other Notables: Josh Thompson 5-for-13 (.385), 3 RBI, 1 R, 1 2B, 1 HR, .692 Slugging Pct., .429 On-Base Pct.
Billy Shaughnessy 4-for-12 (.333), 3 R, 2 RBI, 1 HR, .583 Slugging Pct., .385 On-Base Pct.

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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
10. Georgia (Webster)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
11. Florida A&M (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Jo. Lowey	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
12. Florida A&M (Harden)	Stuart	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
13. Florida A&M (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Jo. Lowey	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
14. Georgia State (Patterson)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
15. Samford (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Jo. Lowey	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
16. Samford (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
17. Samford (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
18. Western Carolina (Harden)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Ja. Lowey	Brown
19. Florida A&M (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Ja. Lowey	Brown
20. Florida A&M (Webster)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Crawford	Dortch	Brown
21. Florida A&M (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Crawford	Dortch	Brown
22. Campbell (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
23. Campbell (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Dortch	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
24. Campbell (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Einert
25. Georgia (JC Daugherty)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
26. Stetson (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
27. Stetson (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Thompson
28. Stetson (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
29. Auburn (Quarles)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Dortch	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
30. Jacksonville (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Einert
31. Jacksonville (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Thompson	Einert
32. Jacksonville (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Renfroe	Dortch	Einert
33. Georgia State (Quarles)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Einert
34. Lipscomb (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Jarvis
35. Lipscomb (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Jarvis
36. Lipscomb (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Ja. Lowey	Einert
37. Auburn (Daugherty)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Jarvis
38. Belmont (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Einert
39. Belmont (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Einert
40. Belmont (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Jarvis	Crawford	Dortch	Stuart
41. Georgia Southern (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Brown	Einert
42. North Florida (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
43. North Florida (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown
44. North Florida (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
45. Savannah State (Quarles)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Brown	Einert
46. Kennesaw State (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Brown	Einert
47. Kennesaw State (Webster)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Dortch	Crawford	Thompson	Brown
48. Kennesaw State (Boyette)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Brown
49. Gardner-Webb (New)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Brown	Renfroe	Crawford	Einert
50. Gardner-Webb (Webster)	Thompson	Armstrong	DiMauro	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Brown	Renfroe	Crawford	Einert
51. Gardner-Webb (Quarles)	Stuart	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Dortch	Thompson
52. Georgia Southern (Ja. Lowey)	Thompson	Armstrong	Langley	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Crawford	Renfroe	Brown	Einert
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2007 Mercer Bears Baseball

2007 Bear Starting Lineups

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
10. Georgia (Webster)	Armstrong	Brown	Thompson	Karwatt	Renfroe	Ja. Lowey	Shaughnessy	Langley	Dortch
11. Florida A&M (New)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Brown	Thompson	Armstrong	Ja. Lowey	Dortch	Jo. Lowey	Langley
12. Florida A&M (Harden)	Renfroe	Armstrong	Thompson	Brown	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Stuart	DiMauro	Crawford
13. Florida A&M (Boyette)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	Jo. Lowey	Langley
14. Georgia State (Patterson)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Langley
15. Samford (New)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Jo. Lowey	Dortch
16. Samford (Webster)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Langley	Stuart
17. Samford (Boyette)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Dortch	DiMauro
18. Western Carolina (Harden)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Ja. Lowey	Langley
19. Florida A&M (New)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Ja. Lowey	Langley
20. Florida A&M (Webster)	Crawford	Ja. Lowey	Thompson	Brown	Karwatt	Armstrong	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Langley
21. Florida A&M (Boyette)	Crawford	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Brown	Armstrong	Karwatt	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	DiMauro
22. Campbell (New)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Brown	Armstrong	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Dortch	Langley
23. Campbell (Webster)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Brown	Armstrong	Karwatt	Dortch	Stuart	Langley
24. Campbell (Boyette)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	DiMauro
25. Georgia (JC Daugherty)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Karwatt	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	Langley
26. Stetson (New)	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown	Armstrong	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	Langley
27. Stetson (Webster)	Dortch	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Ja. Lowey	Stuart	Langley
28. Stetson (Boyette)	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown	Armstrong	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	DiMauro
29. Auburn (Quarles)	Renfroe	Thompson	Brown	Armstrong	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Stuart	Langley
30. Jacksonville (New)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	Langley
31. Jacksonville (Webster)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Ja. Lowey	Stuart	Langley
32. Jacksonville (Boyette)	Renfroe	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Dortch	Ja. Lowey	DiMauro
33. Georgia State (Quarles)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Langley
34. Lipscomb (New)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Jarvis	Langley
35. Lipscomb (Webster)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Jarvis	Stuart	Langley
36. Lipscomb (Boyette)	Renfroe	Crawford	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Ja. Lowey	DiMauro
37. Auburn (Daugherty)	Crawford	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Dortch	Renfroe	Jarvis	Langley
38. Belmont (New)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Langley
39. Belmont (Webster)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Shaughnessy	Karwatt	Stuart	Langley
40. Belmont (Boyette)	Crawford	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Jarvis	Stuart	Dortch	DiMauro
41. Georgia Southern (Boyette)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Langley
42. North Florida (New)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Brown	Dortch	Langley
43. North Florida (Webster)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Karwatt	Shaughnessy	Stuart	DiMauro
44. North Florida (Boyette)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Dortch	Langley
45. Savannah State (Quarles)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Einert	Karwatt	Brown	Shaughnessy	Langley
46. Kennesaw State (New)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Karwatt	Einert	Shaughnessy	Langley
47. Kennesaw State (Webster)	Crawford	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Karwatt	Dortch	Stuart	Langley
48. Kennesaw State (Boyette)	Crawford	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Renfroe	Karwatt	Brown	Dortch	DiMauro
49. Gardner-Webb (New)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Karwatt	Einert	Shaughnessy	Langley
50. Gardner-Webb (Webster)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Einert	Armstrong	Shaughnessy	Brown	Karwatt	DiMauro
51. Gardner-Webb (Quarles)	Crawford	Shaughnessy	Thompson	Armstrong	Dortch	Renfroe	Stuart	Karwatt	Langley
52. Georgia Southern (Ja. Lowey)	Crawford	Renfroe	Thompson	Armstrong	Brown	Shaughnessy	Einert	Karwatt	Langley
53. ETSU									
54. ETSU									
55. ETSU									

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Mercer Season and Career Highs (Hitting)

#14 Mike Armstrong

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits5, vs. Lipscomb (4/6/07)	.5, vs. Lipscomb (4/6/07)
At Bats6, Four Times	.6, Four Times
Runs3, Three Times	.3, Four Times
RBI's4, at Belmont (4/16/07)	.4, Three Times
SB1, Three Times	.1, Four Times

#27 John Dortch

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits3, Five Times	.3, Eight Times
At Bats5, Three Times	.5, Six Times
Runs3, Two Times	.3, Two Times
RBI's2, Three Times	.3, Two Times
SB2, vs. Campbell (3/16/07)	.2, Two Times

#21 Mark Jarvis

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits1, Four Times	.3, Three Times
At Bats3, at South Alabama (2/18/07)	.4, Eight Times
Runs1, vs. Lipscomb (4/6/07)	.2, Three Times
RBI's1, Four Times	.4, at ETSU (4/15/06)
SB1, Three Times	

#4 Jason Lowey

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits2, Five Times	.3, at Kennesaw State (3/25/06)
At Bats5, Three Times	.5, Seven Times
Runs2, Two Times	.2, Four Times
RBI's4, at Western Carolina (3/7/07)	.4, Two Times
SB1, Five Times	

#22 Eric Renfroe

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits3, Seven Times	.3, 20 Times
At Bats5, Five Times	.6, at Georgia State (3/5/05)
Runs3, vs. Georgia Southern (4/17/07)	.3, Seven Times
RBI's3, Two Times	.5, vs. Alabama State (1/31/04)
SB1, Seven Times	.2, Two Times

#9 Billy Shaughnessy

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits4, Three Times	.4, Four Times
At Bats6, vs. Jacksonville (3/30/07)	.6, vs. Jacksonville (3/30/07)
Runs3, Two Times	.3, Two Times
RBI's3, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)	.3, Four Times
SB3, vs. Kennesaw State (4/28/07)	.3, vs. Kennesaw State (4/28/07)

#35 Richard Bentley

<u>Season-High</u>
Hits1, at FAMU (3/11/07)
At Bats3, at Auburn (4/10/07)
Runs1, Three Times
RBI's2, at FAMU (3/11/07)
SB

#2 Nick DiMauro

<u>Season-High</u>
Hits2, at FAMU (3/11/07)
At Bats4, Three Times
Runs1, Six Times
RBI's2, at FAMU (3/11/07)
SB

#42 Travis Peyatt

<u>Season-High</u>
Hits
At Bats1, at FAMU (3/11/07)
Runs
RBI's
SB

#25 John Daugherty

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits2, vs. Georgia Southern (4/17/07)	.2, vs. Georgia Southern (4/17/07)
At Bats3, at FAMU (3/11/07)	.3, at FAMU (3/11/07)
Runs	
RBI's2, Two Times	.2, Two Times
SB	

#19 Andrew Einert

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits2, Five Times	.3, Two Times
At Bats5, vs. Lipscomb (4/7/07)	.5, Six Times
Runs2, at Belmont (4/16/07)	.3, vs. Alabama State (2/20/05)
RBI's2, Three Times	.3, vs. Savannah State (2/28/04)
SB1, College of Charleston (4/20/05)	

#8 Steve Karwatt

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits3, Two Times	.3, Two Times
At Bats6, vs. Lipscomb (4/6/07)	.6, vs. Lipscomb (4/6/07)
Runs4, at FAMU (3/11/07)	.4, at FAMU (3/11/07)
RBI's5, at Western Carolina (3/7/07)	.5, at Western Carolina (3/7/07)
SB	

#11 Tyler McCarty

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits2, at Bethune-Cookman (2/10/07)	.3, Five Times
At Bats5, at Miami (2/2/07)	.6, at ETSU (4/15/06)
Runs2, at Miami (Fla.) (2/3/07)	.2, Five Times
RBI's1, at Bethune-Cookman (2/11/07)	.3, Two Times
SB1, Three Times	

#2 Casey Stuart

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits2, Two Times	.2, Two Times
At Bats4, Two Times	.4, Two Times
Runs2, vs. Samford (3/3/07)	.2, vs. Samford (3/3/07)
RBI's1, Four Times	.1, Five Times
SB1, vs. Samford (3/3/07)	.1, vs. Samford (3/3/07)

#14 Josh Thompson

<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Career-High</u>
Hits4, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07)	.4, Three Times
At Bats6, vs. Lipscomb (4/7/07)	.6, Three Times
Runs2, Six Times	.3, Four Times
RBI's4, vs. Georgia State (2/14/07)	.5, at ETSU (4/14/06)
SB1, vs. Kennesaw State (4/28/07)	.1, Five Times

#13 Matt Crawford

<u>Season-High</u>
Hits4, vs. Kennesaw State (4/28/07)
At Bats6, vs. Kennesaw State (4/28/07)
Runs3, vs. Samford (3/3/07)
RBI's2, Five Times
SB2, Two Times

#10 Josh Lowey

<u>Season-High</u>
Hits2, vs. FAMU (2/23/07)
At Bats4, Two Times
Runs
RBI's1, vs. FAMU (2/23/07)
SB

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Mercer Season and Career Highs (Pitching)

#23 Andy Campbell

Season-High

IP3.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07) . . .3.1, at South Alabama (2/17/07)
K3, at South Alabama (2/17/07)3, Two Times
ER0, 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

#20 J.C. Daugherty

Season-High

IP4.0, at Georgia (3/20/07)7.0, Three Times
K4, at Georgia (3/20/07)5, Two Times
ER0, Two Times -2 IP0, vs. Samford (3/3/07) -2 IP
Hits . .0, at Georgia State (2/28/07) -1.2 IP0, vs. FAU (3/11/06) -2 IP

Career-High

#31 Mike Narveson

Season-High

IP1.0, at Auburn (4/10/07)7.2, at Jacksonville (3/19/04)
K5, vs. Georgia State (3/28/06)
ER5, at Auburn (4/10/07) -1 IP0, Four Times -2 IP
Hits . . .4, at Auburn (4/10/07) -1 IP0, Three Times -2 IP

Career-High

#17 Brantley New

Season-High

IP9.0 at Gardner-Webb (5/10/07)9.0, Three Times
K9, Two Times9, Six Times
ER0, at UNF (4/21/07) -7 IP0, Two Times -7 IP
Hits . . .3, at UNF (4/21/07) -7 IP0, at Savannah State (4/10/04) -4 IP

Career-High

#6 Blake Quarles

Season-High

IP5.2, at Gardner-Webb (5/11/07) . .9.0, vs. Gardner-Webb (4/22/06)
K5, at Georgia State (4/4/07)9, vs. UNF (4/2/06)
ER . . .0, at Georgia State (2/28/07) -2 IP 0, vs. Georgia St. (3/28/06) -4 IP
Hits . .0, at Georgia State (2/28/07) -2 IP0, Two Times -2 IP

Career-High

#4 Jason Lowey

Season-High

IP2.1, vs. Auburn (3/27/07)2.1, vs. Auburn (3/27/07)
K3, Two Times3, Two Times
ER0, Two Times -2 IP0, Two Times -2 IP
Hits . . .0, vs. Auburn (3/27/07) -2.1 IP0, vs. Auburn (3/27/07) -2.1 IP

Career-High

#28 Justin Boyette

Season-High

IP9.0, vs. FAMU (2/23/07)
K7, vs. Campbell (3/17/07)
ER0, vs. FAMU (2/23/07) -9 IP
Hits6, vs. FAMU (2/23/07) -9 IP

#26 Cory Gearrin

Season-High

IP5.0, vs. Jacksonville (3/30/07)
K6, vs. Jacksonville (3/30/07)
ER0, vs. Jacksonville (3/30/07) -5 IP
Hits0, at Stetson (3/24/07) -3 IP

#33 David Harden

Season-High

IP6.0, vs. FAMU (2/24/07)
K7, vs. FAMU (2/24/07)
ER0, vs. FAMU (2/24/07) -6 IP
Hits1, vs. FAMU (2/24/07) -6 IP

34 Scott Patterson

Season-High

IP3.0, at South Alabama (2/16/07)
K2, at South Alabama (2/16/07)
ER0, Two Times -2 IP
Hits0, at Georgia State (2/28/07) -2 IP

#30 Michael Shaw

Season-High

IP2.0, Two Times
K2, Two Times
ER0, Four Times -1 IP
Hits0, Three Times -1 IP

#38 Boone Webster

Season-High

IP7.2, Two Times
K6, Two Times
ER0, Two Times -5 IP
Hits0, at Miami (Fla.) (2/2/07) -3 IP

#10 Josh Lowey

IP3.0, Four Times
K3, Four Times
ER0, Two Times -3 IP
Hits0, vs. Kennesaw State (4/28/07) -3 IP

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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 28, 2007, in Macon, Ga. when the Bears racked up 20 hits in a 13-7 win over Kennesaw State.

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 - April 17, 2007, in Macon, Ga. when Eric Renfroe and Josh Thompson hit back-to-back solo homers in with one out in the first inning. The Bears would go on to defeat Georgia Southern, 12-5

A Mercer player hit two home runs in a game - March 7, 2007, in Cullowhee, N.C., when Steve Karwatt belted a three-run shot as part of a 10-run fourth inning and jacked at two-run homer in the sixth inning in a 13-10 non-conference win over Western Carolina.

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 - March 9, 2007, in Tallahassee, Fla., when Matt Crawford swiped home at Florida A&M. On an attempted double steal, Mike Armstrong drew a throw to second that allowed Crawford to slide home safely and propel Mercer to a 5-3 win.

A Mercer player had a hitting streak over 15 games - Senior Josh Thompson had a 19-game hitting streak this season that ran from Feb. 24 until Mar. 30.

Team Almanac

Longest winning streak	.....7
Longest losing streak	.....3
Most runs scored	.....13, (3/3, 3/7 and 4/28)
Fewest runs scored	.....0, (2/10 and 3/31)
Most runs allowed	.....22, (4/10)
Fewest runs allowed	.....0, (3/3 and 4/21)
Average runs scored	.....5.6
Average runs allowed	.....5.3

Record by Month

February	.....8-6
March	.....12-6
April	.....8-8
May	.....1-3

Record by Game

Non-Conference	.....15-13
Atlantic Sun	.....14-10
Tournament	.....0-0

Record by Day

Sunday	.....3-3
Monday	.....1-1
Tuesday	.....1-6
Wednesday	.....3-1
Thursday	.....0-1
Friday	.....8-4
Saturday	.....13-7

Record vs. Conferences

Atlantic Coast	.....2-0
Miami (Fla.)	.....2-0
Colonial	.....2-1
Georgia State	.....2-1
Independent	.....0-1
Savannah State	.....0-1
Mid-Eastern	.....6-3
Bethune-Cookman	.....0-3
Florida A&M	.....6-0
Ohio Valley	.....2-1
Samford	.....2-1
Southeastern	.....0-4
Georgia	.....0-2
Auburn	.....0-2
Southern 2-1
Georgia Southern1-1
Western Carolina1-0
Sun Belt 1-2
South Alabama1-2



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Mercer Home Runs in 2007

Game	Inning	RBI	Outs	Game	Inning	RBI	Outs
Josh Thompson	6th	1	1	Eric Renfroe	1st	1	1
2/2 at Miami (Fla.)				4/17 vs. Georgia Southern			
Billy Shaughnessy	4th	2	0	Josh Thompson	1st	1	1
2/3 at Miami (Fla.)				4/17 vs. Georgia Southern			
Mike Armstrong	9th	2	2	Tyler Brown	4th	2	2
2/3 at Miami (Fla.)				4/21 at UNF			
Steve Karwatt	8th	1	2	Tyler Brown	9th	1	2
2/10 at Bethune-Cookman				4/24 vs. Savannah State			
John Dortch	3rd	1	0	Josh Thompson	6th	2	0
2/11 at Bethune-Cookman				4/28 vs. Kennesaw State			
Josh Thompson	1st	2	1	Eric Renfroe	4th	1	1
2/14 vs. Georgia State				5/11 at Gardner-Webb			
Tyler Brown	7th	2	1	Josh Thompson	7th	1	0
2/17 at South Alabama				5/11 at Gardner-Webb			
Josh Thompson	9th	1	1	Tyler Brown	7th	3	1
2/17 at South Alabama				5/11 at Gardner-Webb			
Eric Renfroe	1st	1	0	Billy Shaughnessy	3rd	1	1
2/23 vs. FAMU				5/11 at Gardner-Webb			
Eric Renfroe	3rd	1	1	Josh Dortch	3rd	2	2
2/28 at Georgia State				5/11 at Gardner-Webb			
Josh Thompson	1st	2	1	Andrew Einert	2nd	1	0
3/2 vs. Samford				5/15 at Georgia Southern			
Mike Armstrong	5th	1	0				
3/2 vs. Samford							
Steve Karwatt	1st	3	1				
3/3 vs. Samford							
Eric Renfroe	3rd	2	0				
3/3 vs. Samford							
Jason Lowey	3rd	1	0				
3/7 at Western Carolina							
Josh Thompson	4th	1	0				
3/7 at Western Carolina							
Steve Karwatt	4th	3	2				
3/7 at Western Carolina							
Steve Karwatt	6th	2	2				
3/7 at Western Carolina							
Matt Crawford	7th	2	1				
3/9 at FAMU							
Eric Renfroe	1st	1	0				
3/16 vs. Campbell							
Josh Thompson	1st	3	0				
3/17 vs. Campbell							
Jason Lowey	1st	3	2				
3/17 vs. Campbell							
Andrew Einert	6th	2	2				
3/17 vs. Campbell							
Eric Renfroe	9th	2	1				
3/31 vs. Jacksonville							
Mike Armstrong	2nd	1	0				
4/4 at Georgia State							
Steve Karwatt	4th	1	2				
4/7 vs. Lipscomb							
Mike Armstrong	9th	3	1				
4/16 at Belmont							

2007 Home Run Breakdown

Solo HR	.19
Two-Run HR	.13
Three-Run HR	.06
Grand Slam	
First Inning	.09
Second Inning	.02
Third Inning	.06
Fourth Inning	.06
Fifth Inning	.01
Sixth Inning	.05
Seventh Inning	.03
Eighth Inning	.01
Ninth Inning	.05
With No Outs	.13
With One Out	.15
With Two Outs	.10

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.

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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)
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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).

Games 3-4

Game 1 - Bethune-Cookman 5, Mercer 0

Game 2 - 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 two, plating five runs in the bottom of the first inning.

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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.

Game 1

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

Game 2

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

HR MER - Dortch (1).

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

HR MER - Thompson (2).

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

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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 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 seeing-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
HR MER - Brown (1); Thompson (3).
HR USA - Kleinschrodt (1).

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

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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.

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.

Mercer 9, South Alabama 5

Mercer.....011 000 322 - 9 8 0
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

Game 10

Georgia 6, Mercer 5

Feb. 21-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Bears gave the Bulldogs all they could handle Wednesday night at Claude Smith Field, but were defeated 6-5 in front of a standing-room only crowd. The Georgia bullpen held Mercer in check over the final five innings, allowing only one unearned run, and stranding seven runners on base.

Mercer (4-6) received a big lift as right-hander Boone Webster escaped a jam in the first inning. With the bases loaded and two outs, Webster struck out Ryan Peisel to end the inning.

A wild second inning began when Georgia (1-3) notched four consecutive hits with one out to take a 3-0 lead. Matt Cerione delivered a RBI-double and Gordon Beckham scored two more runs on his double down the left-field line.

The Bears came right back as Eric Renfroe got things going with a one-out double and Jason Lowey

followed with a walk. Billy Shaughnessy came through with a big two-run single and he scored on an error by right fielder Cerione to tie the game at three. Dortch drove a single to the opposite-field and Shaughnessy was held by head coach Craig Gibson at third, but Cerione attempted to throw behind the runner and air-mailed the ball to the fence, allowing Shaughnessy to cross the plate.

The 'Dogs took the lead for good in the top of the fourth, as Beckham picked up another run batted in with a single to left field and Jonathan Wyatt followed with a run-scoring single.

Mercer would not go quietly tacking on a run in its half of the fourth, making the score 5-4. Shaughnessy once again was clutch notching a lead-off double. The Bears played small ball as Shaughnessy advanced to third on a sacrifice bunt and scored on Dortch's second hit of the night.

Georgia added some insurance an inning later when Mike Freeman registered the game-winning RBI on a double down the left-field line.

In the eighth inning, the Bears pulled to within one at 6-5. Shaughnessy scored his third run of the game on a heads-up play. Mike Armstrong hit a routine grounder to the shortstop, but Beckham was unable to make the play. While first baseman Ryan Peisel was trying to gather the ball, Shaughnessy alertly took off from third and dove around catcher Joey Lewis's tag.

Matt Crawford kept the game alive for Mercer, recording a bunt single with two outs in the final frame. Lowey followed with a walk, but Georgia's hard-throwing closer Josh Fields notched his third strikeout of the inning to pick up his first save of the season.

Webster (2-1) went 4.0 innings and allowed five earned runs on 11 hits. He struck out one and walked five batters. Nick Montgomery (1-0) picked up starter Dean Weaver and threw 3.0 innings of no-run, one-hit ball. Montgomery fanned three and walked one.

Shaughnessy led the Bears at the plate as he went 2-for-4 with two RBIs to go along with his three runs scored. Dortch finished the game 2-for-4 with one RBI and Steve Karwatt was 2-for-4 with a double to deep-center field in the seventh inning.

"We gave it our best shot and played well," said Gibson. "We need to get more two-out hits against a team of Georgia's caliber. This game should help us down the road when we get into our conference schedule."

Georgia 6, Mercer 5

Georgia.....030 210 000 - 6 14 5
Mercer.....030 100 010 - 5 8 2

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Boyette (5); New (8); Gearrin (9).
Georgia - Weaver; Montgomery (4); McRee (7); Dodson (8); Fields (9).
Win - Montgomery (1-0)
Loss - Webster (2-1)
Save - Fields (1)
T - 2:55 A - 1157

Game 11

Mercer 3, Florida A&M 2

Feb. 23-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - In his first collegiate at-bat, freshman Nick DiMauro notched a run-scoring double in the

bottom of the ninth propelling Mercer to a 3-2 win over Florida A&M at Claude Smith Field on Friday evening.

"We were emotionally flat after the big Georgia game on Wednesday," said assistant coach Tim Boeth. "You have got to tip your hat to (Ben) Baylor. He did an outstanding job for them, but this was a much-needed win for us."

The Bears (5-6) started the game off with a bang as Eric Renfroe led off the first inning with a home run to right-center field.

For the second straight inning, Mercer tacked on a run to take an early 2-0 lead. Mike Armstrong reached on an error by shortstop David James and scored on Josh Lowey's first RBI of the season.

The Rattlers (1-11) cut the lead in half in the top of the sixth inning when Thaddous McBurrows doubled home Darryl Evans.

Florida A&M tied the game in the seventh with an unearned run. Gordon hit a routine ground ball to Armstrong at first base, but relief pitcher Andy Campbell dropped Armstrong's toss and Gordon advanced to second on the play. Jared Jeffries then recorded a two-out base hit, evening the score at two runs apiece.

In the bottom of the eighth inning the Bears had a chance to take the lead, but a mistake on the base paths and a fine defensive play by the Rattlers thwarted the potential rally.

With runners on first and second FAMU's left-handed starter Ben Baylor threw a wild pitch, but catcher Elvin Millan made a nice recovery and threw out Matt Crawford at second base. Following an intentional walk to Josh Thompson, Armstrong laced a ball that looked as though it would get through the infield, but third baseman Jared Jeffries ranged to his left and made a nice diving stop. Jeffries threw to second and forced out Thompson to end the inning.

After coming in and recording the final two outs in the top of the ninth, Cory Gearrin led off the bottom of the frame with a single in his first at-bat as a Bear. Dortch followed with a fielder's choice and Josh Lowey notched a single, moving Dortch to second and setting up DiMauro's heroics. DiMauro laced a one-out double into the gap in left-center field and Dortch crossed the plate giving Mercer the win.

Right hander Brantley New picked up a no-decision in his fourth start of the season. He allowed one earned run on six hits in 6.0 innings of work. New struck out eight batters and walked one. Gearrin (2-0) registered the win recording the final two outs in the ninth on a strikeout and a nicely executed pick-off in which Billy Shaughnessy snuck up behind the runner at second and applied the tag.

Baylor pitched a solid game for FAMU going 8.0 innings. He allowed two runs, one earned, on three hits while striking out six and walking two. Austin Dill (0-1) was the losing pitcher. Dill allowed the winning run on three hits while recording only one out.

Mercer 3, FAMU 2

Florida A&M.....000 001 100 - 2 8 1
Mercer.....110 000 001 - 3 6 1

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Campbell (7); Ja. Lowey (8); Gearrin (9).
FAMU - Baylor; Dill (9).
Win - Gearrin (2-0)
Loss - Dill (0-1)
T - 2:28 A - 432

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HR MER - Renfroe (1).

Game 12 Mercer 4, Florida A&M 1 Feb. 24-Macon, Ga. Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - Senior Josh Thompson notched a pair of run-scoring doubles leading Mercer (6-6) to a 4-1 win over Florida A&M on Saturday night at Claude Smith Field.

"(Josh) Thompson had a couple big knocks and it was enough tonight," said assistant coach Tim Boeth.

For the second straight day, Eric Renfroe reached base to lead off the game and FAMU starter Cirilo Manego hit the next batter, Mike Armstrong. That set up Josh Thompson's first double down the left-field line to plate Mercer's first run of the game. Two batters later, Steve Karwatt produced a run-scoring groundout, giving the Bears an early 2-0 lead.

Thompson struck again in the fifth with a double to right-center field, scoring Renfroe for the second time and putting Mercer up by three.

FAMU (1-12) tallied an unearned run in the sixth closing the gap at 3-1, as Stanley Gnat crossed the plate when second baseman Nick DiMauro mishandled a ground ball of the bat of Jared Jeffries.

Billy Shaughnessy tacked on some insurance in the bottom of the eighth, registering a RBI-single that scored Steve Karwatt. Karwatt recorded a two-out triple setting up the opportunity.

Cory Gearrin entered the game in the bottom of the ninth and closed the door once again. The junior picked up his third save of the season by striking out the side. Gearrin has not allowed a hit or run in 10 1/3 innings of work and has struck out 20 batters.

Right-hander David Harden (1-1) retired the first nine batters of the game and faced the minimum through five innings. The freshman was stellar in his first start as a Bear throwing six innings while allowing one unearned run and one hit. Harden struck out seven and walked none.

"It was a great outing by (David) Harden," added Boeth. "He showed a great deal of maturity and poise, and was on the attack. Casey Stuart called a great game behind the plate as well."

Manego (1-2) recorded the loss giving up four earned runs on seven hits in eight innings of work. He struck out seven and walked three batters.

Mercer 4, FAMU 1

Florida A&M.....000 001 000 - 1 3 0
Mercer.....200 010 01X - 4 7 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Harden; Jo. Lowey (7); Gearrin (9).

FAMU - Manego.
Win - Harden (1-1)
Loss - Manego (1-2)
Save - Gearrin (3)
T - 2:08 A - 576

Game 13 Mercer 5, Florida A&M 1 Feb. 25-Macon, Ga. Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - In a game that featured only three earned runs and 10 hits, Mercer came out on top, 5-1,

at Claude Smith Field on Sunday afternoon.

Both Justin Boyette and Chad Smith were sharp in the early going as the game remained scoreless through three innings. Boyette allowed zero hits and struck out three and Smith gave up only one hit after three frames.

Florida A&M (1-13) jumped out to an early lead for the first time in the series, plating an unearned run in the top of the fourth inning. Darryl Evans notched a RBI-single, scoring Jared Jeffries on the play. The Bears avoided further damage with a nifty 1-4-6-3 double play to end the inning. Jared Grace hit a ball up the middle that deflected off Boyette's glove and Michael Langley grabbed it at the edge of the dirt. Langley then made a nice flip to Billy Shaughnessy who turned the twin-killing for Mercer.

The Bears answered back in the bottom half of the fourth as Josh Thompson came around to score after a lead-off walk. Mercer took the lead, 2-1, when Mike Armstrong scored on a wild pitch.

Mercer (7-6) put together its first rally of the day in the eighth inning. Pinch runner Richard Bentley started the scoring crossing the plate on a wild pitch by relief pitcher Eddie Thomas. Tyler Brown then laced a run-scoring single to right field giving the Bears a 4-1 advantage. Matt Crawford kept the inning going registering a walk with the bases loaded to tack on another run.

Boyette (1-1) earned his first win as a Bear. The junior college transfer tossed a complete game and allowed one unearned run on six hits. He struck out six and walked one.

Smith (0-4) was charged with the loss going 3 2/3 innings while allowing two unearned runs on one hit and two walks.

Thompson finished the game 1-for-1 with three walks and two runs scored.

Mercer 5, FAMU 1

Florida A&M.....000 100 000 - 1 6 2
Mercer.....000 200 03X - 5 4 2

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette.
FAMU - Smith; Reed (4); Thomas (8).
Win - Boyette (1-1)
Loss - Smith (0-4)
T - 1:59 A - 232

Game 14 Mercer 5, Georgia State 1 Feb. 28-Panthersville, Ga. The Field at Panthersville

PANTHERSVILLE, Ga. - Behind solid pitching and timely hitting, the Mercer (8-6) baseball squad defeated Georgia State, 5-1, at Panthersville Field on Wednesday night. The Bears out-hit the Panthers 12-3 and received a stellar effort from seven pitchers in the second of three non-conference match-ups between the two teams.

Senior Eric Renfroe picked up where he left off over the weekend sparking the Bears with a solo home run in the third inning, giving Mercer an early 1-0 lead.

An inning later, Mike Armstrong who went 3-for-5 in the game with a pair of doubles, led off with a single through the left side of the infield. Two batters later, Steve Karwatt notched his fourth double of the season to score Armstrong and put the Bears on top, 2-0.

Georgia State (4-7) looked to battle back in its half of the fifth inning benefiting from a pair of walks. Bradley Logan plated Aeden McQueary with a sacrifice fly, but J.C. Daugherty came in to make his first appearance of the season and escaped further damage.

Mercer put the game away in the seventh inning by putting together a two-out rally. Eric Renfroe picked up his second run batted in on the night with a single that allowed John Dortch to cross the plate. Following a walk to Matt Crawford, Josh Thompson delivered with a RBI-single and Armstrong followed suit with a run-scoring double, giving the Bears a four-run cushion.

Renfroe finished the game 3-for-5 with two runs scored and two RBIs, Thompson chipped in with a 2-for-5 effort and Karwatt stayed hot with a 2-for-4 performance.

Freshman Scott Patterson (1-0) picked up the win in his first start at Mercer. In the staff outing, Patterson pitched two innings of no-hit, shutout ball. Blake Quarles got back on track with a strong two innings, recording three strikeouts without giving up a hit or run. Daugherty pitched 1 2/3 innings in his debut and also did not give up a hit or run. Jason Lowey, Boone Webster and Cory Gearrin each added a scoreless inning for the Bears. Gearrin allowed his first hit of the season, but struck out a pair to increase his A-Sun leading total to 22 in 11 1/3 innings. As a staff, Mercer struck out nine batters and walked three.

Jeremy Compton (0-3) was tagged with the loss after going 6 1/3 innings and allowing three earned runs on seven hits. He struck out three and walked one batter.

Mercer 5, Georgia State 1

Mercer.....001 100 300 - 5 12 0
Georgia State.....000 010 000 - 1 3 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Patterson; Quarles (3); Shaw (5); J.C. Daugherty (5); Ja. Lowey (7); Webster (8); Gearrin (9).

Georgia State - Compton; Bowling (7); Dooley (7).
Win - Patterson (1-0)
Loss - Compton (0-3)
T - 2:18 A - 213
HR MER - Renfroe (2).

Game 15 Mercer 6, Samford 4 Mar. 2-Macon, Ga. Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball team defeated former conference foe Samford, 6-4, on Friday evening at Claude Smith Field.

Senior Josh Thompson struck first for the Bears (9-6) with his A-Sun leading fourth home run of the season in the first inning. Matt Crawford got things going with a bunt single and proceeded to steal second base. Thompson then laced a two-run shot over the left-center field fence and Tyler Brown tacked on another run in the frame with an RBI-single up the middle, giving Mercer a 3-0 advantage.

Samford (4-6) got on the board with an unearned run in the top of the fourth inning as John Morgan came around to score when Josh Lowey mishandled Bill Whitehead's ground out.

In the fifth inning, Mike Armstrong gave the Bears their second long ball of the game with a jack over the left-center field fence and four batters later Michael

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Langley scored Steve Karwatt on a two-out single, putting Mercer up 5-1.

Eric Renfroe extended his hitting steak to seven games with a lead-off single in the sixth. Following a walk to Thompson, Armstrong delivered again with a run-scoring double to deep center, extending Mercer's lead to five.

The Bulldogs made a game of it with Garrett Rice's three-run home run in the eighth inning, making the score 6-4.

Closer Cory Gearrin closed the door for Mercer picking up his fourth save of the season while registering one strikeout. Gearrin has yet to allow a run in 12 1/3 innings of work this season.

Brantley New (1-2) was solid in six innings giving up only one unearned run on four hits. He struck out five and walking one batter.

Trent Hill (2-1) gave up three earned runs in the first inning, but settled down after that allowing two runs in four more innings of work. He finished his outing with one strikeout and four walks.

"We know we have to play a full nine innings against these guys," said head coach Craig Gibson. "Samford played well and fought hard. It should be two more great games this weekend."

Armstrong finished the game 2-for-3 with two RBIs and two runs scored, and Thompson also drove in a pair of runs. Crawford chipped in with a 2-for-3 effort and one run scored, and Brown was 2-for-3 with one run batted in.

Mercer 6, Samford 4

Samford.....000 100 030 - 4 6 0
Mercer.....300 021 00X - 6 10 2

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Ja. Lowey (7); Gearrin (9).
Samford - Hill; Swann (6); Knapp (6).
Win - New (1-2)
Loss - Hill (2-1)
Save - Gearrin (4)
T - 2:36 A - 263
HR MER - Thompson (4); Armstrong (2).
HR SAM - Rice (4).

Game 16

Mercer 13, Samford 0

Mar. 3-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball team put together a nine-run first inning and cruised from there in defeating Samford, 13-0, Saturday afternoon at Claude Smith Field. The win marked Mercer's sixth in a row.

"It was just one of those days," said head coach Craig Gibson. "We got the bats going early, got into their bullpen and had a good all-around day."

The Bears (10-6) got things going early with a nine-spot in the first inning on nine hits. For the second straight day, Josh Thompson put Mercer on top in the opening frame. His double off the wall in right-center field plated Matt Crawford.

Following a walk to Mike Armstrong, Steve Karwatt belted a three-run home run over the left-center field fence, giving the Bears an early 4-0 lead. With the jack, Karwatt has hit safely in 10 of his last 11 games.

Michael Langley kept the inning going with his first collegiate extra-base hit, a triple past a diving Bear Burnett in center field, allowing Tyler Brown to

score. Langley came around to score when second baseman Parker Gargis mishandled Casey Stuart's ground ball and Eric Renfroe followed with a run scoring double down the right-field line. With the hit, Renfroe extended his hitting streak to eight games.

Crawford kept the inning going with an RBI-single and Armstrong capped the explosion, scoring Crawford with an opposite-field single.

In the bottom of the third inning, Renfroe tacked on two more runs with a jack over the right-field fence and Karwatt registered his fourth run batted in of the day with a ground out to third base.

One inning later, Mercer added to its lead as Crawford walked with the bases loaded forcing home Langley, making the score 13-0.

Thompson finished the game 3-for-3 with two doubles, one RBI and one home run, and Crawford went 3-for-3 with two RBIs and three runs scored. Renfroe chipped in with a 2-for-3 effort, three RBIs, two runs scored, one double and a home run. Langley went 2-for-4 with a double, triple, two runs scored and one run batted in.

Right-hander Boone Webster (3-1) picked up his team-high third win of the season tossing five innings of shutout ball. He allowed four hits and struck out six batters while walking two. J.C. Daugherty, Andy Campbell and Michael Shaw shut down Samford the rest of the way giving Mercer its first shutout of the season.

Samford starter Daniel Payne (0-1) lasted only 2/3 of an inning and gave up eight runs, five earned, on six hits.

Mercer 13, Samford 0

Samford.....000 000 000 - 0 6 1
Mercer.....903 100 00X - 13 14 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; J.C. Daugherty (6); Campbell (8); Shaw (9).
Samford - Payne; Nichols (1); Forrester (4); Jones (4); Waite (8).
Win - Webster (3-1)
Loss - Payne (0-1)
T - 2:22 A - 217
HR MER - Renfroe (3); Karwatt (2).

Game 17

Samford 4, Mercer 2

Mar. 4-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball team had its six-game winning steak snapped with a 4-2 loss on Sunday afternoon at Claude Smith Field. Billy Shaughnessy went 4-for-4, but the Bears managed only four other hits and stranded 10 runners on base.

"You have got to give them credit," said head coach Craig Gibson. "Their starter pitched well and we knew they would come to play today."

Samford (5-7) opened the game with a bang as Kyle Krebs took right-hander Justin Boyette's first offering of the day and crushed it over the right-field fence. Two batters later, Parker Gargis belted a ball over the left-field fence, giving the Bulldogs an early 2-0 advantage.

The Bulldogs tacked on another run in the third inning when Krebs led off the frame getting hit by a Boyette pitch. Krebs advanced to third on Michael Marseco's single to left and scored on a double play ball by Gargis.

Mercer (10-7) answered back in its half of the third, narrowing the deficit to two runs on Josh Thompson's RBI-single up the middle.

Following a pair of scoreless frames, Samford increased its lead to 4-1 when Bear Burnett scored on wild pitch.

The Bears cut the lead in half in the eighth as Shaughnessy delivered a run-scoring single down the right-field line, but Mercer stranded runners at second and third to end the inning.

Boyette (1-2) was tagged with loss working six innings and allowing four earned runs on six hits. He struck out three batters and walked none. Josh Lowey pitched three innings of scoreless relief recording three strikeouts.

Left-hander Josh Ehmke (2-1), a 2006 third team All-American, tossed a solid game for Samford. The crafty southpaw threw 7 2/3 innings and gave up two earned runs on six hits. He fanned seven batters and walked five. Closer Joseph Edens picked up his fourth save of season with a scoreless ninth inning.

Samford 4, Mercer 2

Samford.....201 001 000 - 4 7 0
Mercer.....001 000 010 - 2 8 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Jo. Lowey (7).
Samford - Ehmke; Knapp (8); Edens (9).
Win - Ehmke (2-1)
Loss - Boyette (1-2)
Save - Edens (4)
T - 2:11 A - 209
HR SAM - Krebs (1); Gargis (4).

Game 18

Mercer 13, Western Carolina 10

Mar. 7-Cullowhee, N.C.
Moore-Kittles Field

CULLOWHEE, N.C. - The Mercer (11-7) baseball squad put together a 10-run fourth inning and held on for a 13-10 win over Western Carolina on Wednesday afternoon at Ronnie Childress Field.

Steve Karwatt led the attack going 3-for-5 with five RBIs, three runs scored and a pair of home runs. Jason Lowey chipped in with 2-for-4 effort and added four RBIs, two runs scored and a home run. Tyler Brown registered three hits in the game, and Josh Thompson and Matt Crawford each recorded two.

Western Carolina out-hit Mercer 20-15, but stranded 15 runners on base and the Bears left only four on.

The Catamounts (7-5) took an early lead as their first three batters reached in the first inning. Barrett Shaft and Nick Liles recorded back-to-back singles, and right-hander David Harden walked Jonathan Greene to load the bases with no outs. Harden allowed a sacrifice fly by Blake Murphy scoring Shaft, but escaped further damage with a caught stealing and strikeout.

Jason Lowey evened the score with his first home run of the season, a solo shot to lead off the third inning.

Western Carolina used a pair of singles and a double to deep left field in taking back the lead, 3-1, in its half of the third.

One inning later, the Bears exploded plating 10 runs in the frame. Thompson tallied his A-Sun leading fifth home run of the season over the purple monster in left field to open the frame. Right-hander Tyler Johnson walked the next batter, Mike Armstrong, and

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Karwatt and Brown followed with a pair of singles, loading the bases with nobody out.

Billy Shaughnessy produced Mercer's third consecutive hit in the inning, driving in Armstrong and tying up the score at three. The next batter, Jason Lowey, delivered a big blow in the inning with a bases-clearing double to left-center field, giving the Bears a 6-3 advantage.

Crawford tacked on another run with an RBI-bunt single down the first-base line and Armstrong added a run-scoring single. The bunt hit was Crawford's fifth of the season. Steve Karwatt followed with another big blast, a three-run home run extending Mercer's lead to eight runs.

The high-scoring affair continued in the bottom of the fourth as Kenny Smith belted a two-run shot. Following a walk and wild pitch, Liles notched an RBI-double and John Ingram knocked in Liles with a single through the left side of the infield. A walk with the bases loaded by Steven Strausbaugh forced in a run and Smith drove in his third run of the inning with an infield single, pulling the Catamounts within two runs.

In the sixth inning, Karwatt notched his second round-tripper of the game with a two-run blast over the left-field fence, widening the Bears' lead to four.

Western Carolina narrowed the gap to three runs on Andy John's pinch-hit RBI-single in the eighth inning.

Cory Gearrin entered the game in the ninth and picked up his fifth save of the season. He tossed a scoreless inning while striking out two batters. Gearrin has yet to allow a run and has 25 strikeouts in 13 1/3 innings of work this season.

Harden went three innings and gave up five runs on eight hits while striking out three batters. Andy Campbell (2-0) picked up the win throwing 1 1/3 innings of scoreless relief.

Johnson (0-2) was tagged with the loss allowing six runs on five hits in three innings of work. He struck out two and walked a pair.

Mercer 13, Western Carolina 10

Mercer.....001 (10)02 000 - 13 15 0
Western Carolina.....102 6 00 010 - 10 20 2

Pitchers: Mercer - Harden; Quarles (4); Campbell (4); Jo. Lowey (6); Gearrin (9).
Western Carolina - Johnson; Nelson (4); Ottone (5); Corbett (7); Larrimore (9).
Win - Campbell (2-0)
Loss - Johnson (0-2)
Save - Gearrin (5)
T - 2:56 A - 106
HR MER - Ja. Lowey (1); Thompson (5); Karwatt 2 (4).
HR WCU - Smith (5).

Game 19

Mercer 5, Florida A&M 3 Mar. 9-Tallahassee, Fla. Moore-Kittles Field

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - The Mercer baseball squad won its fourth straight road contest with a 5-3 victory over Florida A&M on Friday afternoon at Moore-Kittles Field. Matt Crawford led the way scoring a pair of runs and the junior college transfer added a two-run round tripper, giving the Bears life late in the game.

"We played hard for nine innings today and took

advantage of our opportunities late," said head coach Craig Gibson. "Brantley (New) came out and threw well for us.

Mercer (12-7) garnered an unearned run in the opening frame to take an early lead. Crawford reached base on an error by shortstop Adam Gordon and stole home on an attempted double steal. On the play, Mike Armstrong broke from first drawing a throw to second base and while Gordon looked Armstrong back, Crawford swiped home giving the Bears a 1-0 advantage.

Florida A&M (1-17) evened up the score at one run apiece in the third inning when Stanley Gnat led off with a home run just over the wall in left-center field. FAMU took the lead on an unearned run later in the frame as Darryl Evans came around to score on a throwing error by second baseman Michael Langley.

FAMU tacked on another run in the fifth inning on a nicely executed suicide squeeze to take a 3-1 advantage. Gnat led off the frame with a double and scored on Jared Jeffries bunt down the first-base line.

The Bears got their bats going in the seventh inning plating a pair of runs. Following a lead-off single by Langley, Crawford delivered a two-run homer knotting the score at three.

In the eighth inning, the Bears regained the lead on a run-scoring triple by Jason Lowey. Langley then followed with a sacrifice fly, scoring Lowey and extending Mercer's lead at 5-3.

Closer Cory Gearrin entered the game in the bottom of the eighth and picked up his sixth save in as many chances. Gearrin still has yet to give up a run in 14 1/3 innings this season and struck out four, raising his season total to 29.

Josh Thompson went 2-for-3 with two walks and Billy Shaughnessy finished the game 2-for-4 with a run scored.

Right-hander Brantley New (2-2) won his second consecutive start allowing three runs, two earned, on eight hits in seven innings of work. The senior tied a career high with nine strikeouts and he walked one.

Left-hander Ben Baylor (0-4) had his second hard-luck decision against the Bears giving up five runs, four earned, in nine innings. He allowed eight hits and two walks while striking out three.

Mercer 5, FAMU 3

Mercer.....100 000 220 - 5 8 1
Florida A&M.....002 010 000 - 3 8 4

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Gearrin (8).
FAMU - Baylor.
Win - New (2-2)
Loss - Baylor (0-4)
Save - Gearrin (6)
T - 2:06 A - 61
HR MER - Crawford (1).
HR FAMU - Knat (1).

Game 20

Mercer 5, Florida A&M 2 Mar. 9-Tallahassee, Fla. Moore-Kittles Field

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - The Mercer (13-7) baseball squad defeated Florida A&M, 5-2, on Saturday afternoon at Moore-Kittles Field. The Bears put together a three-run fourth inning and added two runs in the ninth as they won for the 10th time in their last 12 contests.

The game was a pitcher's duel early on as the contest remained scoreless through three innings. Mike Armstrong broke the tie in the fourth with an RBI-double scoring Tyler Brown on the play. Following a bunt single and stolen base by Billy Shaughnessy, John Dortch came up big with a two-run single giving Mercer a 3-0 advantage.

FAMU (1-18) recorded its first run of the game when Corey McFadden delivered a two-out, run-scoring single in the bottom of the sixth.

One inning later, the Rattlers narrowed the margin to one run with a run-scoring single up the middle by Jared Jeffries, but that is the closest they would get.

The Bears tacked on some insurance in the final inning as Shaughnessy led off with a single and Dortch bunted his way on base. Following an intentional walk, Andrew Einert recorded a pinch-hit, two-run single making the score 5-3.

Closer Cory Gearrin closed the door once again notching his seventh save of the season while pitching the final two innings. The junior struck out two, giving him 31 on the year, and has yet to allow a run in 17 1/3 innings this season.

Shaughnessy went 3-for-4 with a double and scored two runs while John Dortch was also 3-for-4 with a pair of RBIs and a run scored. Josh Thompson extended his hitting streak to nine games with a single in the first inning and Brown finished the game 2-for-4 with a walk and run scored.

Right-hander Boone Webster (4-1) started the game sharp not allowing a hit until the fourth inning. The junior college transfer allowed one run on three hits in six innings of work. He fanned five batters and walked four.

Right-hander Chad Smith (0-6) was tagged with the loss tossing 8 2/3 innings of five-run, 13-hit ball. Smith recorded no strikeouts and walked two.

Mercer 5, FAMU 2

Mercer.....000 300 002 - 5 13 0
Florida A&M.....000 001 100 - 2 6 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Daugherty (7); Patterson (8); Gearrin (8).
FAMU - Smith; Thomas (9).
Win - Webster (4-1)
Loss - Smith (0-6)
Save - Gearrin (7)
T - 2:20 A - 65

Game 21

Mercer 12, Florida A&M 2 Mar. 9-Tallahassee, Fla. Moore-Kittles Field

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - The Bears notched their fourth straight win with a 12-2 victory over Florida A&M on Sunday afternoon at Moore-Kittles Field. Mercer benefited from five FAMU errors and has now won 11 of its last 13 contests.

Mercer (14-7) took advantage of a pair of Florida A&M miscues to take a first-inning 1-0 lead. Matt Crawford reached on an error to open the game. He then stole second base and advanced to third on an error on the play. Crawford eventually came around to score on Josh Thompson's double-play ball.

The Bears broke the game open with a five-run second inning. Nick DiMauro opened the scoring when he delivered a run-scoring single through the right side of the infield and John Dortch scored on the

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play due to a throwing error by right fielder Jared Grace. Crawford then notched a sacrifice fly knocking in Jason Lowey and Josh Thompson extended his hitting streak to 10 games with an RBI-single. Mike Armstrong capped the output driving in Thompson with a single up the middle.

In the fifth inning, Mercer added to its lead after loading the bases with one out. Jason Lowey recorded a bases-clearing double, giving the Bears a 9-0 advantage.

Richard Bentley notched his first hit as a Bear in the seventh inning, driving in Steve Karwatt and giving Mercer a 10-run lead.

One frame later, DiMauro and Bentley each garnered their second RBIs on the day, putting the Bears up 12-0.

FAMU (1-19) plated its first runs of the game in its half of the eighth as David James registered a run-scoring double and Thaddous McBurrows knocked in James with a base hit.

Tyler Brown performed well over the weekend and went 2-for-2 with a double on get-away day. Armstrong finished the game 3-for-3 with a double, run batted in and scored a run. Karwatt crossed the plate four times and Dortch scored three runs. Jason Lowey chipped in with three RBIs.

Right-hander Justin Boyette (2-2) had a solid outing tossing five innings of shutout, three-hit ball. The junior college transfer struck out four batters and walked none.

Right-hander Austin Dill (0-2) did not receive much help from his defense as he allowed six runs, all of which were unearned. Dill gave up six hits and one walk in 1 2/3 innings of work.

Mercer 12, FAMU 2

Mercer.....150 030 120 - 12 13 0
Florida A&M.....000 000 020 - 2 9 5

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Quarles (6); Shaw (7); Patterson (8); Lowey (9).

FAMU - Dill; Patton (2); Cook (6); Birch (7); Reed (9).

Win - Boyette (2-0)

Loss - Dill (0-2)

T - 2:37 A - 87

Game 22

Mercer 7, Campbell 3

Mar. 16-Macon, Ga.

Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer Bears opened conference play with a 7-3 win over Campbell on Friday evening at Claude Smith Field. The victory marked Mercer's fifth consecutive win as the Camels out-hit the Bears 13-10, but 12 of their hits were singles and Mercer registered four extra-base hits.

The Bears (15-7, 1-0 A-Sun) took an early 1-0 lead as Eric Renfroe led off the bottom of the first inning with his fourth home run of the season over the right-center field fence.

Two innings later, Mercer plated a pair of runs in taking a three-run advantage. John Dortch led off the frame with a double, but the next two batters were unable to move him over to third. With two outs, Shaughnessy worked the count drawing a walk and Dortch moved to third on a wild pitch. Josh Thompson then delivered a two-out double that scored both Dortch and Shaughnessy.

Mercer tacked on two more runs in its half of the fourth when Mike Armstrong crossed the plate on Jason Lowey's double-play ground out and Michael Langley notched a run-scoring single, extending the lead to 5-0.

Campbell (4-16, 0-1 A-Sun) got its first run on the board in the fifth inning with a RBI single from Carlton Floyd, his third single of the game.

Dortch picked up a big two-out, two-run single in the eighth, giving the Bears a six-run lead they would not relinquish.

The Fighting Camels showed fight in the final frame when Rob Lyerly jacked a two-run homer to straightaway-center field.

Right-hander Brantley New (3-2) scattered eight hits and gave up one run over six innings of work. The hard-throwing senior struck out four and walked one.

Campbell starter Justin Lilly (0-1) allowed seven runs on 10 hits in a career-high eight innings. Lilly fanned six and walked two batters.

Dortch led the way going 3-for-4 with a double, two runs scored, a pair of RBIs and a stolen base, and Armstrong scored a pair of runs giving him 23 on the year.

Mercer 7, Campbell 3

Campbell.....000 010 002 - 3 13 0
Mercer.....102 200 02X - 7 10 1

Pitchers: Mercer - New; J.C. Daugherty (7); Jo. Lowey (8); Campbell (9); Patterson (9).

Campbell - Lilly.

Win - New (3-2)

Loss - Lilly (0-1)

T - 2:24 A - 211

HR MER - Renfroe (4).

HR CAM - Lyerly (1).

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Game 1 - Mercer 8, Campbell 2

Game 2 - Mercer 12, Campbell 3

Mar. 17-Macon, Ga.

Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad swept a doubleheader over Campbell on Saturday afternoon at Claude Smith Field. The Bears won going away in game one, 8-2, and capped the day with an 12-3 win. Mercer has now won seven consecutive games and 14 of its last 16 contests.

In game one, Mercer right-hander Boone Webster cruised through six innings allowing no runs on two hits. At one point the junior college transfer set down 14 batters in a row.

The Bears (17-7, 3-0 A-Sun) put together a two-out rally in the bottom of the third inning taking a 3-0 advantage. Michael Langley started things with a walk and advanced to third on a double by Eric Renfroe. Billy Shaughnessy then delivered a two-run double down the left field line and scored on a base hit by Josh Thompson.

One inning later, Mercer tacked on a pair of runs extending its lead to five runs. Mike Armstrong led off the frame with a single and came around to score on a base hit from John Dortch. Steve Karwatt scored the Bears second unearned run of the game on a wild pitch by Campbell starter Brandon Scott.

Mercer added another two-out run in the fifth inning as Armstrong laced a run-scoring single to left

field and the Bears scored for the fourth straight inning in the sixth when Dortch crossed the plate on a sacrifice fly by Langley.

Campbell (4-18, 0-3 A-Sun) scored its first runs of the game as Jacob Allen and Ryan Hamme recorded back-to-back doubles to open the seventh. Brandon York then notched an RBI single making the score 7-2.

Armstrong sparked another scoring chance in the eighth with a lead-off double down the left field line. Karwatt followed with an infield single, advancing Armstrong to third, and Casey Stuart plated Armstrong with a sacrifice fly.

Shaughnessy led the way in game one going 2-for-3 with two RBIs, a run scored and a double. Armstrong went 3-for-4 with a double, run batted in and scored two runs. Dortch went 2-for-4 with a double, run scored and RBI, and Renfroe also finished the game 2-for-4 with two runs scored.

Webster (5-1) had a solid outing throwing seven innings of two-run, six-hit ball. The junior struck out four batters and walked none.

Scott (0-1) was tagged with the loss in his second start of the season. He allowed six runs, four earned, on eight hits in 4 2/3 innings of work. Scott registered one strikeout and walked a pair.

In game two, Campbell wasted no time getting on the scoreboard as the third batter of the game, Hamme, jacked his third round tripper of the season to give the Camels an early one-run lead.

The Bears struck back in their half of the first with a seven-run frame. Renfroe led off with a single and Shaughnessy reached on an error by third baseman Rob Lyerly. Thompson then followed with a big three-run homer to straightaway centerfield, his sixth of the season.

Armstrong followed with a single and two batters later, Karwatt recorded a base hit. After a Dortch ground out, Jason Lowey delivered the Bears second three-run homer of the inning. Campbell committed another error and Renfroe came up with his second hit of the inning, a run-scoring double to right field to cap the scoring.

The Camels did not quit as Jacob Allen led off the fourth inning with a home run to left field, pulling Campbell within five runs.

Mercer added a run in the fifth on Nick DiMauro's RBI single up the middle and tacked on another run an inning later on Armstrong's run-scoring double. Andrew Einert belted a two-run homer off the scoreboard later in the sixth, giving the Bears' an 11-2 lead.

Campbell scored its final run of the game in the seventh as Hamme plated Brandon Scott with a base hit.

Langley picked up his second run batted in on the day extending the Mercer lead to nine runs after seven innings of play.

Right-hander Justin Boyette (3-2) tossed six innings and gave up two runs on five hits. Boyette fanned seven batters and walked none. Cory Gearrin pitched two innings of no-hit, shutout relief. Gearrin registered three strikeouts moving his season total to 34. He has yet to allow a run in 19 1/3 innings and has only given up only one hit.

The Fighting Camels game two starter' Quinn Lesage (0-5) lasted only one inning and gave up seven runs, two earned, on six hits.

Renfroe had another solid game in the second half of the doubleheader reaching all four times at-bat while going 3-for-3 with a run scored, run batted in and one stolen base. Karwatt went 2-for-4 with a double and scored a pair of runs, and Thompson extend-

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ed his hitting streak to 13 games with his first-inning home run and added a double in the sixth. Armstrong was 2-for-4 with two runs scored and one RBI, and Jason Lowey provided a 2-for-4 effort with three RBIs and crossed the plate once. Eight of Mercer's nine starters scored a run in the game.

The series sweep by Mercer marked the first time since 1995 that either team has swept the other squad.

Game 1

Mercer 8, Campbell 2

Campbell.....000 000 200 - 2 7 1
Mercer.....003 211 01X - 8 11 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Ja. Lowey (8).
Campbell - Scott; Martinez (5); Herring (7).
Win - Webster (5-1)
Loss - Scott (0-1)
T - 2:03 A - 173

Game 2

Mercer 12, Campbell 3

Campbell.....100 100 100 - 3 8 4
Mercer.....700 013 10X - 12 14 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Harden (7); Quarles (7); Gearrin (8).
Campbell - Lesage; England (2); Lehman (7); Ford (7).
Win - Boyette (3-2)
Loss - Lesage (0-5)
T - 2:18 A - 151
HR MER - Thompson (6); Ja. Lowey (2); Einert (1).
HR CAM - Allen (1); Hamme (3).

Game 25

Georgia 9, Mercer 3 Mar. 20-Macon, Ga. Claude Smith Field

ATHENS, Ga. - For the second time this season the University of Georgia defeated Mercer, this time by a score of 9-3 at Foley Field. The loss ended the Bears' seven-game winning streak.

Georgia (9-11) struck first in the bottom of the second inning. Left-hander J.C. Daugherty retired the lead-off man, but the next three batters reached base, loading the bases with only one-out. Center fielder Jonathan Wyatt came up to bat and registered a bases-clearing double, giving the Bulldogs a 3-0 lead.

On the other side, Georgia starter Jason Leaver set down the first six batters he faced and kept the Bears scoreless through three innings. The freshman left-hander left the game with a pair of strikeouts and allowed one hit.

Mercer (17-8) got things going in the fourth as Josh Thompson notched an infield single, extending his hitting streak to 14 games, and Mike Armstrong followed with a base hit up the middle. Tyler Brown then plated both Thompson and Armstrong with a double down the left-field line and John Dortch stayed hot with a two-out, RBI double tying the game at three runs apiece.

The 'Dogs answered back in their half of the fifth as designated hitter Joey Lewis notched a two-run double, closing the book on Daugherty. The Bears escaped further damage as relief pitcher Josh Lowey struck out Wyatt with the bases loaded to end the frame, keeping Mercer within two runs.

Daugherty (0-1) allowed five runs on six hits in four innings of work. The senior fanned four batters and walked four as well.

Gordon Beckham extended the Georgia lead to three with a solo home run in the sixth inning. The jack was Beckham's team-high fourth of the season.

Georgia tacked on some insurance in seventh as Jake Crane notched his second run batted in this year with a single to left field and Wyatt scored Crane with a sacrifice fly, giving the 'Dogs an 8-3 advantage.

Junior Cory Gearrin gave up his first run in 20 1/3 innings of work this season when he hit Crane with the bases loaded in the eighth inning.

Adam McDaniel (1-0) picked up the win tossing two innings of shutout, one-hit ball. The senior right-hander struck out one and walked none.

Dortch led the way for the Bears with a 3-for-4 effort including a double and RBI, and Brown chipped in with a pair of RBIs. Six Mercer starters recorded a hit in the contest.

Georgia 9, Mercer 3

Mercer.....000 300 000 - 3 8 2
Georgia.....030 021 21X - 9 13 0

Pitchers: Mercer - JC Daugherty; Jo. Lowey (5); Quarles (7); Gearrin (8).
Georgia - Leaver; Weaver (4); McDaniel (6); Sebastian (8); Woolley (9).
Win - McDaniel (1-0)
Loss - JC Daugherty (0-1)
T - 2:28 A - 1574
HR UGA - Beckham (4).

Game 26

Stetson 3, Mercer 2 Mar. 23-DeLand, Fla. Melching Field

DELAND, Fla. - In a battle between two of the top teams in the Atlantic Sun Conference Stetson prevailed in game one, 3-2, on Friday evening at Melching Field.

Stetson (19-7, 3-1 A-Sun) plated the first runs of the game in the second inning as right-hander Brantley New walked the leadoff man, Braedyn Pruitt, and then gave up a base hit to Justin Bass to open the frame. Jeremy Cruz moved the runners over with a ground out and Pruitt scored the first run of the game on a wild pitch. Brian Pruitt then produced a run-scoring single giving the Hatters an early 2-0 advantage.

The Bears (17-9, 3-1 A-Sun) answered back in the third inning cutting the deficit in half. John Dortch extended his hitting streak to eight games with a double to open the frame and he advanced to third on a fly out by Jason Lowey. Michael Langley picked up his eighth RBI of the season with a ground out plating Dortch.

The Hatters managed to score another run in their half of the third on a RBI single from Bass, extending their lead back to two runs.

Following a pair of scoreless innings Mercer had a chance to knot the score in the sixth, but they stranded runners at second and third keeping the score 3-1.

Mercer did not quit tallying a run in the eighth on Tyler Brown's RBI single up the middle off of Robbie Elsemillier, the A-Sun leader in saves. Elsemillier rebounded in the ninth setting the Bears down in order to pick up his 10th save.

Josh Thompson moved his hitting streak to 15 games with a single in the fourth inning and garnered another hit in the eighth. Dortch notched the only extra base hit of the game.

New (3-3) allowed three runs on five hits in eight innings of work. He struck out eight and walked three batters.

Right-hander Corey Kluber (5-0) gave up one run on four hits in 7 2/3 innings. Kluber fanned nine and walked a pair.

Stetson 3, Mercer 2

Mercer.....001 000 010 - 2 6 0
Stetson.....021 000 00X - 3 5 1

Pitchers: Mercer - New.
Stetson - Kluber; Elsemillier (8).
Win - Kluber (5-0)
Loss - New (3-3)
Save - Elsemillier (10)
T - 2:14 A - 1605

Games 27-28

Game 1 - Stetson 9, Mercer 1 Game 2 - Mercer 4, Stetson 3 Mar. 24-DeLand, Fla. Melching Fla.

DELAND, Fla. - After losing the first game of Saturday's doubleheader, 9-1, Mercer rallied for a 4-3 come-from-behind win over Stetson in the series finale at Melching Field.

In the first game of the day the Bears (18-10, 4-2 A-Sun) plated a run in the first inning taking an early lead. Josh Thompson ripped a two-out double down the left field line, extending his hitting streak to 16 games, and Mike Armstrong reached on an error to plate Thompson. Armstrong hit a routine ground ball to second base, but first baseman Justin Bass missed the bag on the play.

Stetson (20-8, 4-2 A-Sun) did not waste anytime answering back with four runs of its own in the bottom half of the first. Shane Jordan led off with an infield single and following a walk, Braedyn Pruitt delivered a RBI single. Then right-hander Boone Webster found himself in a heap of trouble walking consecutive batters, the first loaded the bases and the second forced in a run. Jeremy Cruz delivered the big blow with a two-run double to deep center field and another walk forced Webster to leave the game without making it out of the first inning.

In the second inning, Bass recorded a run-scoring single off of relief pitcher David Harden and Cruz scored Braedyn Pruitt with a base hit later in the frame extending the Hatters' lead to five runs.

Stetson added to its lead when Braedyn Pruitt garnered a two-run homer in the seventh inning and Josh Clendenin garnered a run-scoring single in the eighth.

The Bears had their chances placing a runner in scoring position in every inning except for four frames, but Stetson kept Mercer at bay the rest of the game. The Hatters also stranded 14 batters of their own.

Casey Stuart and Eric Renfroe each notched doubles for the Bears, and Billy Shaughnessy went 2-for-3 with a walk.

Webster (5-2) gave up four runs on three hits while striking out one and walking four in 1/3 of an inning.

Left-hander Chris Ingoglia (4-2) tossed a complete game one-run, six-hitter. The senior southpaw struck

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out a pair and walked two. Stetson jumped out quickly in the second game of the twin bill as Cruz notched his fifth run batted in on the day with a two-run single in the second inning.

The Bears put together a two-out rally in the fourth cutting the deficit in half. Steve Karwatt recorded a double and Shaughnessy followed with a RBI single.

In the fifth inning, Bass put the Hatters back up by two with a run-scoring single up the middle.

Mercer showed life in the top of the seventh putting runners at first and second with two outs. Stetson brought in closer Robbie Elsemiller (1-1), the A-Sun leader in saves, but Thompson kept his hitting streak alive with a two-run double down the left field line knotting the score at three. The Bears kept it going as Tyler Brown followed with a single and Armstrong came through with a go-ahead RBI single. It was Elsemiller's first blown save this season.

Cory Gearrin made his entrance for the first time in the series in the bottom of the seventh and proceeded to pick up his eighth save of the year. The junior closer threw three innings of no-hit, shutout ball. He struck out three and walked two batters.

Karwatt finished the second game 2-for-4 with a double and scored a run, and Renfroe chipped in with a 2-for-5 effort and a run scored.

Right-hander Justin Boyette allowed three runs on five hits in five innings of work. He fanned three batters and walked a pair. Josh Lowey (1-0) picked up the win throwing one scoreless inning while registering two strikeouts.

Stetson starter Justin Dechert gave up one run on five hits in 6 1/3 innings. Dechert recorded three strikeouts and walked none.

Game 1

Stetson 9, Mercer 1

Mercer.....100 000 000 - 1 6 2
Stetson.....420 000 21X - 9 14 2

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Harden (1); Patterson (6); Shaw (8).

Stetson - Ingoglia.

Win - Ingoglia (4-2)

Loss - Webster (5-2)

T - 2:43 A - 1530

HR STET - Bra. Pruitt (5).

Game 2

Mercer 4, Stetson 3

Mercer.....000 100 300 - 4 11 3
Stetson.....020 010 000 - 3 5 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Jo. Lowey (6); Gearrin (7).

Stetson - Dechert; Thompson (7); Elsemiller (7).

Win - Jo. Lowey (1-0)

Loss - Elsemiller (1-1)

Save - Gearrin (8)

T - 2:45 A - 1530

Game 29

Auburn 5, Mercer 1

Mar. 27-Macon, Ga.

Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - Led by Mike Bianucci's three hits and four RBIs, Auburn defeated Mercer 5-1 on Tuesday evening at Claude Smith Field.

Mercer evened the score at one in the fourth inning, but Auburn took over from there plating the final four runs in the game. The Bears out-hit the Tigers 8-7, but stranded eight runners on base.

"You have to give them credit, their middle of the lineup stepped up," said head coach Craig Gibson. "Our middle part of the order has not been getting it done lately."

Auburn (19-9) grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first as Mike Bianucci recorded a run-scoring single up the middle.

The Bears (18-11) had a chance to tie things up in the first two frames, but Josh Thompson and Casey Stuart were thrown out at home in consecutive innings by Bianucci from left field both times.

Mercer played small ball to tie the game at one in the fourth inning. Billy Shaughnessy led off with a walk and advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by John Dortch. Following a wild pitch by Auburn starter Taylor Thompson that moved Shaughnessy to third base, Stuart delivered with an RBI-double.

The Tigers went back on top in the fifth inning, 3-1, when Bianucci's knocked in another run on a base hit and a sacrifice fly by Joseph Sanders that scored Josh Donaldson.

Stuart was robbed of his third hit in the sixth when second baseman Robert Brooks made an over the shoulder catch while falling to the ground, stranding Steve Karwatt on base.

Bianucci struck again in the seventh belting a two-run homer over the left field fence giving Auburn a decisive 5-1 advantage.

"The lead off walks hurt us," added Gibson. "I am disappointed because I felt if we could keep it close and get to (Cory) Gearrin late, we would have a chance."

Left-hander Blake Quarles went two innings and allowed one run on two hits. The senior southpaw struck out two and walked a pair. Jason Lowey (0-1) followed with 2 1/3 innings of two-run relief and Boone Webster tossed two innings of two-hit, two-run ball in the staff outing. Josh Lowey took over in the seventh and gave up one hit while striking out one in 2/3 of an inning.

Cory Gearrin entered the game in the eighth and fired a pair of scoreless frames. The junior closer registered five strikeouts, moving his season total to 42.

Taylor Thompson (3-0) allowed one run on six hits in a career-high six innings of work. The freshman hurler fanned two batters and walked four.

Thompson extended his hitting streak to 18 games with a first-inning single and Stuart finished the game 2-for-3 with an RBI.

Auburn 5, Mercer 1

Auburn.....100 020 200 - 5 7 1
Mercer.....000 100 000 - 1 8 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Quarles; Ja. Lowey (3); Webster (5); Jo. Lowey (7); Gearrin (8).

Auburn - Thompson; Woodall (7); Greinke (8).

Win - Thompson (3-0)

Loss - Ja. Lowey (0-1)

T - 2:38 A - 831

HR AUB - Bianucci (7).

Game 30

Mercer 5, Jacksonville 4 (13 Inn.)

Mar. 30-Macon, Ga.

Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - Down 4-3 to A-Sun foe Jacksonville in the bottom of the ninth inning, Mercer was able to tie the score with an RBI-single by Mike Armstrong and Steve Karwatt capped the comeback with a run-scoring single in the 13th inning, giving the Bears a 5-4 win on Friday evening at Claude Smith Field.

"We made some mistakes, but we fought hard and were fortunate to survive this one," said head coach Craig Gibson. "We were confident with Steve (Karwatt) at the plate in that situation, even with two strikes we were confident he would get a good part of the bat on the ball."

The Bears tied up the game at four in the ninth as JU closer Matt Davis blew his first save of the season in five tries. Billy Shaughnessy led off the inning with a double down the right-field line and Josh Thompson advanced him to third with a ground out. Armstrong then scored Shaughnessy with a base hit up the middle.

Mercer (19-11, 4-3 A-Sun) was the beneficiary of 11 walks and managed 16 hits in the contest, but stranded 17 runners on base and made four outs on the base paths including two caught stealing, one pick off and had a runner gunned down at third base.

The Bears' pitching staff did an outstanding job as three pitchers combined to limit the Dolphins to one hit in the last eight innings of the ball game.

Thompson led the way for the Bears with a 3-for-5 effort and one run scored. Mike Armstrong chipped in going 4-for-6 with two RBIs and scored a run, and Andrew Einert, making his second start of the season, went 2-for-4 with a run batted in and crossed the plate once. Karwatt and Jason Lowey each went 2-for-5 as Karwatt drove in two runs.

Jacksonville (17-16, 2-5 A-Sun) took an early 2-0 lead in the opening inning on Mike McCallister's second home run this season. The two-run shot cleared the right-center field fence just in front of the scoreboard.

Mercer answered back with two runs of its own in the bottom half of the first as Armstrong and Einert notched back-to-back run-scoring doubles. Thompson singled in the frame to extend his hitting streak to 19 games.

The Dolphins took the lead right back an inning later stringing together four singles. Logan James and Pete Clifford each delivered RBI-singles in the frame.

In the seventh inning the Bears put together a rally, but left the bases loaded. They nearly put together a crooked number on the scoreboard as Karwatt roped a long foul ball that soared just outside the foul pole in left field and John Dortch placed a ball just foul down the left-field line.

Right-hander Brantley New allowed four runs on seven hits in the first two innings, but settled down after that tossing five shutout frames while striking out seven batters. The senior ace finished the game with nine strikeouts for the sixth time in his career.

Cory Gearrin (3-0) had his usual dominating stuff throwing five innings of one-hit, scoreless relief. The junior closer fanned a career-high six batters and walked one.

On the other side, Jacksonville right-hander Justin Young gave up two runs in the opening inning, but was solid over the next four frames setting down 12 of the 16 batters he faced. Young left the game in the sixth after allowing an RBI-double to deep left center

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by Karwatt, cutting the Mercer' deficit to one run.

Young completed his outing with six strikeouts and a pair of walks while giving up three runs on nine hits.

Davis (0-1) performed well following the ninth frame giving up two runs on five hits in 5 2/3 innings of work. He struck out five and walked four.

Mercer 5, Jacksonville (13 Inn.)

Jacksonville.....220 000 000 000 0 - 4 9 0
Mercer.....200 001 001 000 1 - 5 16 0

Pitchers: Mercer - New; JC Daugherty (8); Gearrin (9).

Jacksonville - Young; Brown (6); Witkowski (7); Rapoza (7); Davis (8).

Win - Gearrin (3-0)

Loss - Davis (0-1)

T - 4:17 A - 281

HR JAX - McCallister (2).

Games 31-32

Game 1 - Jacksonville 5, Mercer 0

Game 2 - Mercer 7, Jacksonville 6 (10 Inn.)

Mar. 31-Macon, Ga.

Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad dropped the front end of Saturday's doubleheader 5-0 at Claude Smith Field, but rebounded for a come-from-behind 7-6 win in 10 innings in the second game of the day.

For the second time in three games, the Bears trailed entering their final at-bat and this time Eric Renfroe delivered a game-tying two-run homer to knot the score at five. The Dolphins scored a run in the top of the 10th to take a 6-5 lead, but Mercer battled back again scoring an unearned run to tie the game and Jason Lowey walked with the bases loaded to force in a run and secure the win. A strong pitching performance by JU right-hander Matt Gardner helped propel the Dolphins to a 5-0 in game one.

Mercer (20-12, 6-3 A-Sun) was never able to get anything going in game one putting together only four base hits, all singles. The Bears only had two runners reach third base in the contest. Gardner (3-2) had a spectacular outing as he tossed a five-hit, complete-game shutout. The junior fanned a pair of Bears and issued one free pass.

The second game featured a battle between two teams primed to compete for the conference title this season as Mercer came out on top to win the series. The Bears foiled their chances in the early going by grounding into three double plays and the Dolphins took advantage of their opportunities hitting .313 with runners in scoring position in the contest.

In the first game of the twin bill, both starting pitchers had it working early as Mercer' starter Boone Webster gave up only two hits in the first four frames and Gardner no-hit the Bears through three innings.

The Bears had their first scoring chance in the fourth inning as Billy Shaughnessy and Mike Armstrong garnered back-to-back singles, putting runners on the corners with one out. Andrew Einert and Steve Karwatt followed with a pair of fly outs to left field to end the frame.

An inning later the Dolphins (19-16, 4-5 A-Sun) put the first runs of the game on the board as Pete Clifford belted his fifth home run this season, a two-run shot over the right-center field fence. JU added to

its lead on Jimmy Potucek's solo home run in the sixth inning.

In the eighth, Kevin Ferreira added an RBI-single and Ferreira came around to score when Shaughnessy let Matt Lopez's ground ball skip underneath his glove to give the Dolphins a 5-0 lead they would not relinquish.

Webster (5-3) allowed five runs, four earned, on nine hits in 7 2/3 innings of work. The junior struck out five and walked four batters.

The Dolphins jumped out quickly in the opening inning of game two plating a pair of runs. Clifford started the scoring with a run-scoring single. The second run came courtesy of a crazy play as Ryan McArdle roped a double to left-center field, but the Bears were able to gun down Clifford at home on the play. McArdle advanced to third on the throw home and scored an unearned run when Karwatt was unable to hold onto Josh Thompson's snap throw.

The Bears were able to score their first runs of the day in the bottom of the second. Karwatt got things going with an RBI-double to the gap and following a base hit by John Dortch, two batters later Nick DiMauro drove home Einert with a base hit to center field, evening the score at two runs apiece.

Jacksonville had a chance to re-take the lead an inning later as they had the bases loaded with only one out and cleanup hitter McArdle at the dish, but right-hander Justin Boyette induced a 1-2-3 double play to end the frame.

JU grabbed the lead back, 3-2, when Lopez crossed the plate on Chuck Opachich's fielder's choice ground out in the fifth. The Dolphins added to their advantage an inning later on a run-scoring single from John Tiner.

The Dolphins added more insurance in the eighth on an RBI-double from Potucek making the score 5-2.

Mercer started to chip away in its half of the eighth narrowing the deficit to two runs on a sacrifice fly by Karwatt that plated Armstrong on the play.

Josh Lowey (2-0) tossed 2 2/3 innings of one-run, two-hit relief to help set up the Mercer heroics.

Boyette settled down after allowing two runs, one earned, on two hits and a walk in the first inning. He gave up two runs on seven hits the rest of the way. The junior college transfer finished his outing with four strikeouts and two walks in six innings of work.

JU starter Carson Andrew did not last long going one inning while giving up two runs on four hits. Preseason all-conference selection Matt Dobbins came in and threw 4 1/3 innings of two-hit, shutout relief. Dobbins fanned three batters and walked four in his appearance.

The Dolphins had to go deep into their bullpen using seven pitchers in the game, but Glenn Witkowski (3-3) was charged with the loss allowing a pair of runs, one earned, on two hits.

Karwatt led the way in game two going 3-for-4 with a double, scored a run and produced two RBIs. Einert chipped in with a 2-for-3 effort while crossing the plate once and stroking a double.

Game 1

Jacksonville 5, Mercer 0

Jacksonville.....000 021 020 - 5 9 0

Mercer.....000 000 000 - 0 5 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Harden (8).

Jacksonville - Gardner.

Win - Gardner (3-2)

Loss - Webster (5-3)

T - 2:17 A - 232

HR JAX - Clifford (5); Potucek (1).

Game 2

Mercer 7, Jacksonville 6 (10 Inn.)

Jacksonville.....200 011 010 1 - 6 13 3

Mercer.....020 000 012 2 - 7 12 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; JC Daugherty (7); Jo. Lowey (7).

Jacksonville - Andrew; Dobbins (2); Ackley (6); Yates (8); Brown (9); Witkowski (10); Rapoza (10).

Win - Jo. Lowey (2-0)

Loss - Witkowski (3-3)

T - 3:27 A - 232

HR MER - Renfroe (5).

Game 33

Georgia State 10, Mercer 8

Apr. 4-Panthersville, Ga.

The Field at Panthersville

PANTHERSVILLE, Ga. - A late rally propelled Georgia State to a 10-8 win over Mercer on Wednesday evening at the Field at Panthersville.

The Bears (20-13) had a three-run lead late in the game, but the Panthers plated five runs on five hits and one key error in the bottom of the seventh inning as Georgia State defeated Mercer for the first time this season in three tries.

Left-hander Blake Quarles gave Mercer a solid outing allowing three runs, two earned, on four hits in four innings of work. The senior southpaw struck out five and walked one.

Josh Lowey (2-1) was tagged with the loss as he gave up two unearned runs on two hits in 2/3 of an inning.

Reliever Tyler Allen (1-0) was the beneficiary of the five-run inning, but also aided the GSU cause with 1 1/3 innings of one-hit, scoreless relief.

Kevin Dooley notched his second save tossing two-innings of no-hit, shutout ball. Dooley struck out five of the six batters he faced.

Georgia State (15-15) struck first in the battle between former conference foes as Eric Suttle and Jean Rochon-Salvas registered back-to-back singles to begin the bottom of the first. Center fielder Eric Renfroe mishandled the ball on Rochon-Salvas's base hit allowing Suttle to score the first run of the game. Two batters later Rochon-Salvas scored on a sacrifice fly giving the Panthers an early two-run lead.

The Bears have shown a great amount of resiliency all season and came right back with a four-run second inning. Mercer garnered three consecutive hits to open the frame as Mike Armstrong led off with a solo home run, Andrew Einert singled and Steve Karwatt followed with a double advancing Einert to third base.

With one out, Einert came around to score on a John Dortch sacrifice fly and Langley then delivered the his first of his three hits on the evening. Eric Renfroe came up in a run-producing situation and came through with an RBI-single, and Matt Crawford, back from injury and seeing action for the first time in 11 contests, capped the inning with a run-scoring base hit.

Billy Shaughnessy tacked onto the Bears' lead an inning later scoring Karwatt with a double to left center. Josh Thompson, who has hit safely in 21 of his last 22 games, gave Mercer a 6-2 lead with a run-scor-

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ing single in the fourth inning.

Luke Gordon hit his fifth round-tripper to lead off the fifth narrowing the GSU deficit to three runs.

Mercer attempted to put the game away with a pair of runs in the sixth, but Georgia State came to life in its half of the seventh putting a five-spot on the board. The Bears had a chance to escape the jam as the Panthers had two runners on with two outs, but an error led to four unearned runs and a 10-8 lead that Dooley made stand.

Langley led the way for the Bears going 3-for-3 with two runs scored. Renfroe also crossed the plate twice as six Mercer starters scored a run.

Thompson and Karwatt, each of whom is tied for the team lead with 11 multi-hit games, continued to swing the bat well. Thompson chipped in with a 2-for-4 effort including a pair of RBIs and Karwatt was 2-for-3 with one run scored, two walks and a double.

Georgia State 10, Mercer 8

Mercer..... 041 102 000 - 8 13 2
Georgia State.....200 120 50X - 10 11 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Quarles; Campbell (5); Patterson (5); Ja. Lowey (6); Jo. Lowey (7); JC Daugherty (8). Georgia State - Carder; Reeves (2); Bennett (3); Hasenfelt (6); Allen (6); Dooley (8).

Win - Allen (1-0)
Loss - Jo. Lowey (2-1)
Save - Dooley (2)
T - 2:55 A - 102
HR MER - Armstrong (3).
HR GSU - Pelt (7); Gordon (5).

Game 34

Lipscomb 12, Mercer 7 (10 Inn.)

Apr. 6-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad had a three-run lead late in the game, but Lipscomb battled back and eventually won, 12-7, in 10 innings on a cold Friday evening at Claude Smith Field.

Mercer (20-14, 6-4 A-Sun) took a 7-4 lead into the eighth inning, but Lipscomb plated a run in the eighth and a pair in the ninth to send the game into extra innings. The Bison then exploded for a five-run 10th inning to run away with the win.

Junior closer Cory Gearrin (3-1) experienced his worst appearance as a Bear giving up seven runs, six earned, on two hits in 1 2/3 innings. Gearrin struck out four and walked four batters.

The Bison made the Bears pay for not closing the door earlier in the game as they produced five runs behind two walks, a pair of hit by pitches, two singles and an error in the 10th frame.

Eric Renfroe led the way for Mercer reaching base all six times at the plate going 3-for-3 with two runs scored, a pair of RBIs, two doubles and walked three times. Mike Armstrong chipped in with a 5-for-6 effort including three doubles, giving him a team-high 14 two-baggers.

Lipscomb (17-15, 3-4 A-Sun) got off to a quick start plating three two-out runs in the opening frame, two of which were unearned. Following a double and a walk, Justin Sanders registered a run-scoring single. An error allowed Ryan Wilkins to cross the plate and Sanders scored on a wild pitch.

The Bears managed a run in the bottom half of the first on Josh Thompson's RBI-single narrowing the

deficit to two runs.

An inning later, Mercer took the lead putting five runs on the board. The first five batters of the frame reached base as Billy Shaughnessy led off with a single, John Dortch walked, Mark Jarvis garnered a run-scoring base hit, Michael Langley earned a free pass and Renfroe followed with a two-run double. Matt Crawford then drove in a run with a ground out and Renfroe crossed the plate to cap the scoring when left fielder Allen Bolden dropped Thompson's long fly ball.

The Bison scored a run in the sixth on a passed ball allowing Branden Cadavid to cross the plate, but the Bears were able to grab the run right back as Armstrong scored another unearned run when first baseman Ryan Wilkins could not come up with a Steve Karwatt ground ball.

Lipscomb scored another two-out run in the eighth as Andrew Nickerson notched an RBI-single making the score 7-5, and they evened up the score in the ninth inning by way of a hit by pitch with the bases loaded and a wild pitch that allowed the game-tying run to score.

Right-hander Brantley New settled down after a rough start, but was saddled with another no-decision. The senior ace gave up four runs, one earned, on five hits in six innings of work. New fanned three batters and walked four.

Lipscomb starter Josh Spicer lasted only 1 1/3 innings allowing six runs on six hits and three walks. Brandon McClurg (3-1) came into the contest second in the league with a 2.28 ERA and performed extremely well tossing 8 2/3 innings of seven-hit, one-run ball. The only run McClurg allowed was unearned. The sophomore right-hander struck out six and walked five.

Lipscomb 12, Mercer 7 (10 Inn.)

Lipscomb.....300 001 012 5 - 12 11 3
Mercer.....150 001 000 0 - 7 13 2

Pitchers: Mercer - New; JC Daugherty (8); Gearrin (8); Harden (10).
Lipscomb - Spicer; McClurg (2).
Win - McClurg (3-1)
Loss - Gearrin (3-1)
T - 3:39 A - 138

Games 35-36

Game 1 - Lipscomb 7, Mercer 2

Game 2 - Mercer 5, Lipscomb 4

Apr. 7-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - In the first game of Saturday's twin bill at Claude Smith Field Lipscomb defeated Mercer, 7-2, but the Bears were able to salvage the series with a 5-4 victory in the finale.

The Bison (18-16, 4-5 A-Sun) put together a four-run third inning in game one and cruised from there to pick up their third consecutive win. Freshman left-hander Rex Brothers (6-1) tossed a gem for the Bison allowing two runs, one earned, on four hits in eight innings of work. Brothers struck out 11 batters and walked three.

The Bears jumped out to a three-run lead in the second game of the day, but Lipscomb chipped away and was able to tie the game at four on a solo home run by Andrew Nickerson. In the bottom of the ninth, Mercer recorded three consecutive two-out singles

and Steve Karwatt provided the all important one to score Mike Armstrong and end the game. It was Karwatt's second walk-off base hit in as many week-ends.

"It was a hard-fought series and each game could have gone either way," said head coach Craig Gibson. "Our pitching worked hard all weekend and winning this last game kind of salvaged the series for us."

In game one, Mercer (21-15, 7-5 A-Sun) fell behind in an early hole for the second straight day as right-hander Boone Webster was tagged for four runs on four hits in the third inning. Lipscomb notched three consecutive run-scoring base hits in the frame. The first came way of Allen Bolden's RBI-single, Caleb Joseph followed with his league-leading 18th double to plate a run and Ryan Wilkins capped the output with a run-scoring base hit.

Karwatt put the Bears on the scoreboard with a solo home run in the fourth inning. The round-tripper was sophomore's fifth of the season. The Bears plated an unearned run an inning later as Casey Stuart scored from third when Brothers' threw the ball away on a pick off attempt at first base.

Lipscomb tacked on some insurance in the eighth inning when pinch hitter Andrew Nickerson delivered a two-run double and Casey Bond plated Nickerson with a two-bagger to essentially put away the Bears.

Webster (5-4) was solid except for the third frame as he gave up six runs, four of which were earned, on seven hits in seven innings while fanning six and walking a pair.

Armstrong opened the scoring in game two with a two-out, run-scoring single in the bottom of the first inning giving the Bears an early 1-0 lead. Lipscomb answered right back with a two-out RBI of its own in the second inning to tie the game at one.

The Bears did not waste anytime regaining the lead in the bottom of the second when Nick DiMauro came through with a run-scoring single up the middle and following a walk to Eric Renfroe, Matt Crawford notched a sacrifice fly giving the Bears a two-run advantage.

Mercer added to its lead with an unearned run in the fourth frame as Crawford laced an RBI-single just over the outstretched glove of second baseman Andrew Nickerson.

In the fifth inning, the Bison narrowed the deficit to one run. Ben Williams' RBI-single through the left side of the infield started the scoring. Williams then proceeded to steal second and advanced to third base on a balk by Mercer starter Justin Boyette. Williams eventually came around to score on a base hit by Bolden.

The Bears wasted a chance to tack onto the lead in the sixth as they had the bases loaded with one out, but a foul out and a caught stealing spoiled the rally. The Bison took advantage the next inning when Nickerson led off with his first homer this season.

Boyette scattered 11 hits over eight innings and gave up four runs. The junior struck out five and walked none. Josh Lowey (3-1) earned the win with a scoreless ninth inning.

Lipscomb's game two starter Taylor Merry kept the Bison in the game after allowing four runs, three earned, on six hits in 5 2/3innings of work. Merry fanned three batters and issued four free passes.

Charles Williams (1-3) was tagged with the loss, but the final run was the only one he allowed in three innings on the mound.

Renfroe reached base four times for the Bears with a single and three walks in the contest, and Armstrong and Andrew Einert each went 2-for-5.

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Game 1

Lipscomb 7, Mercer 2

Lipscomb.....004 000 030 - 7 10 2
Mercer.....000 110 000 - 2 4 2

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Quarles (8).

Lipscomb - Brothers; Burnett (9).

Win - Brothers (6-1)

Loss - Webster (5-4)

T - 2:46 A - 127

HR MER - Karwatt (5).

Game 2

Mercer 5, Lipscomb 4

Lipscomb.....010 020 100 - 4 12 1
Mercer.....120 100 001 - 5 9 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Jo. Lowey (9).

Lipscomb - Merry; Williams (6).

Win - Jo. Lowey (3-1)

Loss - C. Williams (1-3)

T - 2:31 A - 127

HR LIP - Nickerson (1).

Game 37

Auburn 22, Mercer 6

Apr. 10-Auburn, Ala.
Samford Stadium

AUBURN, Ala. - The Mercer baseball squad ran into a buzz saw in the Auburn Tigers on Tuesday evening and was cut down, 22-6, at Samford Stadium.

Auburn (24-12) plated 11 runs on 11 hits through three innings of play en route to defeating Mercer for the second time this season.

The Bears (21-16) cashed in on their early opportunity courtesy of some small ball. Matt Crawford led off the game with an infield single and proceeded to steal second base. Billy Shaughnessy then laid down a nicely executed sacrifice bunt advancing Crawford to third and Josh Thompson followed with a sacrifice fly to give Mercer an early 1-0 lead.

Auburn was able to answer right back with six runs on six hits in its half of the first inning. Luke Greinke extended his hitting streak to 11 games with a RBI single and the Tigers scored an unearned run when Thompson threw the ball away attempting to gun down Josh Donaldson's stolen base attempt at third base.

Robert Brooks knocked in a run with an infield single, Joseph Sanders laced a run-scoring single to left field and Eric Skinner plated a pair with another base hit to drive in the final runs of the six-run frame.

The Tigers scored again on a sacrifice fly from Sanders in the second inning and added another unearned run an inning later as Greinke registered his second run-scoring base hit in the game. Later in the third frame, Donaldson kept the onslaught going with a two-run double and Dustin Spruill garnered a sacrifice fly giving Auburn a 10-run advantage.

Mercer managed a run in the fourth on a RBI single from Mark Jarvis and John Daugherty recorded a pinch-hit, run-scoring base hit the following inning. Daugherty picked up his second RBI with a ground out in the seventh frame. Tyler Brown produced another run-scoring ground out and John Dortch capped the Bears' scoring with a RBI base hit.

Auburn notched its final 11 runs of the game via a run-scoring infield single by Greinke, a pair of two-

run base hits from Spruill, a two-run homer and RBI two-bagger from Sanders, a sacrifice fly by Andy Bennett, a RBI ground out from Brooks and a run-scoring single off the bat of Ryan Jenkins.

Crawford led the Bears with a 3-for-4 effort including two runs scored and a pair of stolen bases. John Dortch went 3-for-5 with one RBI and crossed the plate once, and Casey Stuart added a pair of doubles.

The Tigers' big guns delivered as Greinke finished the game 4-for-4 with two RBIs, three runs scored and one stolen base, and Donaldson was 3-for-4 with three runs batted in, one double, a stolen base and scored three times.

Auburn starter Evan Crawford (4-3) enjoyed a solid outing tossing four innings of two-run, five-hit ball. The sophomore southpaw struck out a pair and walked one batter.

Senior left-hander J.C. Daugherty (0-2) was hit hard giving up seven runs, six earned, on eight hits in one inning of work.

Auburn 22, Mercer 6

Mercer.....100 110 102 - 6 11 3
Auburn.....614 051 05X - 22 22 0

Pitchers: Mercer - JC Daugherty; Shaw (2); Patterson (4); Harden (5); Ja. Lowey (7); Narveson (8).

Auburn - Crawford; Hubbard (5); Shuman (8).

Win - Crawford (4-3)

Loss - JC Daugherty (0-2)

T - 3:04 A - 1895

HR AUB - Sanders (2).

Game 38

Belmont 6, Mercer 5

Apr. 14-Nashville, Tenn.
Greer Stadium

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Designated hitter Derek Wiley recorded a game-tying three-run homer in the eighth inning and garnered a walk-off RBI single in the bottom of the ninth in leading Belmont to a 6-5 win over Mercer in the series opener on Saturday afternoon at Greer Stadium.

Right-hander Brantley New helped set the tone in the early going in the crucial A-Sun series as the Bears and Bruins came in tied for third place in the conference standings. The senior ace gave up five runs on eight hits in seven strong innings while striking out five and walking a pair, but was tagged with another hard-luck no-decision.

Belmont came into the game leading the Atlantic Sun in home runs and Derek Wiley belted his sixth of the year, a three-run shot, to tie the game at five in the bottom of the eighth and Wiley delivered the game-winning RBI with the bases loaded and no outs in the ninth.

Mercer (21-17, 7-6 A-Sun) executed well and was able to produce timely at-bats in the contest. The Bears scored a run in the third, a pair in the fifth, one in the seventh and another in the eighth inning. They pounded out nine of their 11 hits in those four frames.

The top three hitters in the Bears' lineup, Matt Crawford, Eric Renfroe and Josh Thompson, set the table going a combined 7-for-14 with three runs scored and three RBIs.

Following a pair of scoreless frames to open the contest, the Bears notched a run on three hits in the third inning. Michael Langley led off with a single, stole second base and advanced to third on a base hit

by Renfroe. Thompson then delivered a run-scoring single through the left side of the infield to give Mercer an early one-run advantage.

Later in the frame the Bears were victims of some bad luck on a bizarre double play. They had runners at first and second base with one out and Mike Armstrong at the dish. Armstrong hit a pop fly just off the infield dirt, but with the swirling winds second baseman Daniel Wagner dropped the ball. Thompson and Renfroe had retreated assuming the ball would be caught, but Wagner recovered following the drop to force out Thompson at second and shortstop Packy Elkins made a nice throw to double off Renfroe at third base.

Mercer added to its lead in the fifth inning stringing together four consecutive two-out base hits. Crawford started the rally with a double down the right-field line and Renfroe followed with an RBI single. Thompson then registered an infield single and Armstrong plated Renfroe with a base hit giving the Bears a 3-0 lead.

The Bruins (19-14, 8-5 A-Sun) garnered its first true scoring threat of the game in the sixth inning loading the bases with two outs. Ben Petsch, the team's leader in RBIs, came through driving in two runs with a base hit to pull Belmont within one run.

The Bears answered right back with runs in the seventh and eighth inning adding a little cushion to the lead. Andrew Einert picked up a run batted in with a bases loaded walk allowing Crawford to cross the plate for the second time in the game, and an inning later Mercer scored an unearned run when Langley crossed the plate on Renfroe's triple to the left-center field gap putting the Bears ahead, 5-2.

Mercer looked as though they had control of the game, but let another late lead slip away.

Belmont starter Charles Lee allowed four runs on 10 hits in six innings of work. The senior right-hander fanned seven batters and walked two. Ben Meador came in relief to pick up the win (4-4) tossing three innings of one-hit, one-run ball. The only run Meador allowed was unearned.

Josh Lowey (3-2) gave up the winning run on five hits in one inning on the mound.

Belmont 6, Mercer 5

Mercer.....001 020 110 - 5 11 0
Belmont.....000 002 031 - 6 14 3

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Jo. Lowey (8).

Belmont - Lee; Meador (7).

Win - Meador (4-4)

Loss - Jo. Lowey (3-2)

T - 2:45 A - 217

HR BEL - Wiley (6).

Games 39-40

Game 1 - Mercer 5, Belmont 4

Game 2 - Belmont 9, Mercer 8 (10 Inn.) Apr. 16-Nashville, Tenn.

Greer Stadium

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - The Mercer baseball squad produced a 5-4 win in the first game of the day, but Belmont held on for a 9-8 victory in 10 innings in the rubber match on Monday afternoon at Greer Stadium. Belmont took the series two games to one.

Belmont (20-15, 9-6 A-Sun) jumped out in front with two first-inning runs in game one, but Mercer (22-18, 8-7 A-Sun) rallied scoring a pair in the fifth

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and took the lead with a three-spot in the eighth inning. The Bruins attempted to come back once again tallying two runs in the bottom half of the eighth, but the Bears hung tough to pull out the win.

Boone Webster (6-4) who had not won since Mar. 17 gave up two runs in the first inning, but settled down after that. The junior right-hander finished his day allowing four runs on eight hits in 7 2/3 innings. Webster struck out three and walked a pair.

Senior left-hander Blake Quarles came in relief of Webster and nailed down the first save of his career. The crafty southpaw threw 1 1/3 innings of no-hit, shutout ball and struck out one.

In the second game of the day, Belmont scored five runs in the first inning and added a pair in the third, but Mercer managed five runs in the seventh inning to narrow the deficit.

The bullpen came on strong following the early hole Mercer dug themselves into as David Harden, Michael Shaw, Andy Campbell and Jason Lowey combined to throw 5 2/3 innings of shutout relief. Mike Armstrong then delivered a clutch three-run homer in the ninth inning to tie the game at eight runs apiece and send the affair into extra innings.

The Bruins rebounded in the 10th frame to garner the victory. Ben Petsch walked to lead off the inning and the next batter, Kane Simmons, was hit by a pitch. Carlo Testa sacrificed Petsch and Simmons to third and second base, respectively, and Packy Elkins followed with a single to plate Petsch and end the game.

In game one of Monday's doubleheader, the Bruins kept momentum going from their come-from-behind win in Saturday's contest taking a two-run first-inning lead. Matt Reynolds singled to open the frame and Testa followed with a walk. Two batters later, Derek Wiley singled to load the bases with one out. Petsch then recorded a sacrifice fly to score Reynolds and the Bears committed an error allowing Testa to cross the plate.

Mercer tied up the game at two in the fifth inning while notching five hits. Andrew Einert, who has solidified himself as a mainstay in the middle of the Mercer lineup, led off with a double and advanced to third base on a wild pitch. Billy Shaughnessy made up for his error in the first frame with an RBI single and following a base hit from Steve Karwatt, Casey Stuart stayed hot with a run-scoring double.

The Bears put together some two-out thunder to take a 5-2 lead in the top of the eighth inning. With runners at second and third base and two outs, Einert roped his second double of the game to score pinch runner Jason Lowey and Josh Thompson, and Shaughnessy followed suit with his second RBI single in the game.

Belmont responded in its half of the eighth cutting the deficit to one run. The Bruins continued to feast off the long ball in 2007 as Wilson Tucker belted his sixth of the season, a two-run shot, making the score 5-4.

Einert and Shaughnessy led the way in game one as each went 2-for-4 in the contest. Einert scored a pair of runs and recorded two RBIs while Shaughnessy knocked in two runs and crossed the plate once. Thompson chipped in going 2-for-3 and scored a run, and Matt Crawford continued to set the table at the top of the lineup with a 2-for-5 effort.

Belmont starter Josh Moffitt tossed six solid innings giving up two runs on seven hits while striking out seven batters. Brandon Paetznick (0-1) was responsible for the three-run eighth inning and was tagged with the loss.

For the second consecutive game Belmont scored

in its first at-bat, this time a five-run output to begin the series finale. Reynolds led off the game with a home run, his seventh of the season, Daniel Wagner reached on an error and Tucker doubled down the left-field line to open the frame. Wiley then notched a two-run single and Simmons garnered an RBI triple to lift right-hander Justin Boyette from the game. Boyette recorded only one out in the frame while yielding five runs, four earned, on four hits. Matt Wornat capped the scoring with a run-scoring base hit.

Wiley led off the third inning with his seventh homer and Wornat picked up his second run batted in later in the frame to give Belmont a seven-run advantage.

The first five batters reached base in the seventh frame for the Bears kick-starting the five-run rally and narrowing the Bruins' lead to 7-5. Eric Renfroe led off with an infield single, Stuart notched another RBI double, John Dortch walked, Michael Langley drove in a run with a two-bagger and Crawford garnered a free pass. Two batters later, Thompson came up with the bases loaded and came through with a two-run double, and Armstrong capped the scoring with an RBI ground out.

The Bruins added another run in the eighth frame giving them an 8-5 lead. Elkins tripled to set up the opportunity and Brady Manifold plated Elkins with a bunt.

Carlo Testa tossed six innings of eight-hit, five-run baseball for the Bruins while striking out three and walking three. Chris Manning (2-0) gave up the home run to Armstrong, but came back to record a scoreless 10th inning and get the win.

Armstrong came up huge with his three-run round tripper driving four runs overall while going 2-for-5 at the plate. Thompson enjoyed his second multi-hit game of the day going 2-for-3 with a pair of RBIs and scored a run. Langley finished the contest 2-for-5 with a run scored and an RBI, and Renfroe came in off the bench providing a spark going 2-for-3 and scored a run.

Quarles (0-2) was charged with the winning run to take the loss.

Game 1
Mercer 5, Belmont 4

Mercer.....000 020 030 - 5 12 1
Belmont.....200 000 020 - 4 8 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Quarles (8).
Belmont - Moffitt; Paetznick (7); Stanley (8).
Win - Webster (6-4)
Loss - Paetznick (0-1)
T - 2:31 A - 179
HR BEL - Tucker (6).

Game 2
Belmont 9, Mercer 8 (10 Inn.)

Mercer.....000 000 503 0 - 8 11 3
Belmont.....502 000 010 1 - 9 10 2

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Patterson (1); Harden (3); Shaw (5); Campbell (6); Ja. Lowey (7); JC Daugherty (8); Quarles (8).
Belmont - Testa; Meador (7); Stanley (8); Manning (9).
Win - Manning (2-0)
Loss - Quarles (0-2)
T - 3:09 A - 179
HR MER - Armstrong (4).

HR BEL - Reynolds (7); Wiley (7).

Game 41 Mercer 12, Georgia Southern 5 Apr. 17-Macon, Ga. Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad fed off some nifty glove work and clutch hitting from senior center fielder Eric Renfroe en route to a 12-5 win over Georgia Southern on Tuesday evening at Claude Smith Field. The Bears pounded out 20 hits in the win. The last time Mercer racked up 20 or more hits in a game was Apr. 27, 2001, when they recorded 23 in a 16-8 win at Samford.

Mercer (23-18) notched seven runs on 10 hits following two innings of play and cruised to the non-conference win over their intra-state rivals for the first time since Apr. 12, 2005 in Statesboro.

Renfroe had a night going 3-for-4 with two RBIs, three runs scored and a home run. Thompson chipped in going 3-for-5 with two RBIs, two runs scored and a homer. Also enjoying multi-hit games were Mike Armstrong, Billy Shaughnessy, John Daugherty and Tyler Brown.

Right-hander Justin Boyette was only able to record one out in Monday's series finale at Belmont and was right back on the mound in tonight's contest. Boyette escaped a jam in the first inning as Georgia Southern began the game with back-to-back singles from Matt Miller and Chris Shehan. Following a ground out, the Eagles had runners at second and third with one out, but Boyette sandwiched a walk between a pair of strikeouts to retire the side.

The Bears struck first in their half of the opening frame taking a two-run lead. With one out, Renfroe and Thompson belted back-to-back solo home runs. It marked the first time Mercer recorded back-to-back shots since May 21, 2005 when Daniel Hurst and Thompson performed the feat.

Shaughnessy led off the next inning for Mercer with a triple that nearly cleared the fence for another homer. The junior shortstop came around to score on Matt Crawford's RBI ground out. Later in the frame the Bears strung together five consecutive two-out singles. Renfroe, Thompson and Armstrong each picked up their second hit of the contest with Armstrong's knocking in a run. Steve Karwatt followed with a two-run base knock and Brown put Mercer up 7-0 with a run-scoring single.

Georgia Southern (20-21) was able to get on the board when Kyle Blackburn led off the fourth inning with a home run, his fourth of the season. Later in the inning, Jeremy Beckham knocked in a run with a double down the left-field line narrowing the deficit to five. Renfroe saved a run with a highlight-reel diving catch of the bat of Miller to end the inning.

The Eagles added another run in their attempt to chip away one inning later. Blackburn registered his second RBI of the game with a run-scoring single through the right side of the infield. The Bears continued their stellar defensive play turning a 4-6-3 double play to end the frame.

Renfroe delivered again in the bottom of the fifth recording his third hit in four at-bats and knocking in his second run to put the Bears back up by five. Thompson followed with his third hit and second RBI of the game on a single up the middle.

Miller plated a run in the sixth and eighth innings for GSU and Mercer tacked on three runs in the seventh courtesy of an RBI single of the bat of Armstrong

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and John Daugherty picked up his third run batted in with a single to left field.

Boyette (4-2) gave up three runs on nine hits in 4 1/3 innings of work. The junior fanned five batters and walked one. He has walked only seven batters in 57 2/3 innings this season.

Eagles' starter Brian Wilkerson (4-7) lasted 1 2/3 innings and allowed three runs on five hits and a walk while striking out a pair.

Mercer 12, Georgia Southern 5

Georgia Southern.....000 211 010 - 5 14 0
Mercer.....250 020 30X - 12 20 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Harden (5); Quarles (9).
Georgia Southern - Wilkerson; Lairsey (2); Barto (3);
Nations (6); Kamppi (7); Ducey (8).

Win - Boyette (4-2)
Loss - Wilkerson (4-7)
T - 2:41 A - 271

HR MER - Renfroe (6); Thompson (7).
HR GA SOU - Blackburn (4).

Games 42-43

Game 1 - Mercer 10, UNF 0 (7 Inn.)

Game 2 - Mercer 4, UNF 3 (10 Inn.)

Apr. 21-Jacksonville, Fla.

Harmon Stadium

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - The Mercer baseball squad played a solid all-around game to defeat UNF 10-0 in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader at Harmon Stadium. The Bears registered a 4-3 come-from-behind victory in extra innings to clinch the series.

Right-hander Brantley New (4-3) tossed a gem in the first game of the twin bill. The senior ace pitched a complete-game, three-hit shutout. He struck out five and walked two batters.

Tyler Brown provided the damage offensively going 3-for-4 with a career-high four RBIs, two runs scored and a homer. Billy Shaughnessy finished game one 2-for-4 and scored two runs and Steve Karwatt also went 2-for-4 with an RBI and crossed the plate twice.

In game two Mercer fell behind 3-1, but tied up the score in the seventh and plated the go-ahead run in the 10th inning taking advantage of two UNF miscues. With one out Eric Renfroe struck out, but reached first on a wild pitch and advanced to third on a Josh Thompson base hit. Renfroe came around to score the winning run when shortstop Mycal Jones mishandled Mike Armstrong's ground out.

The Bears (25-18, 10-7 A-Sun) looked sharp in the opening frame of game one plating a pair of runs. Matt Crawford singled to start the game and the next batter, Renfroe, walked. Following a wild pitch advancing the runners second and third base, Thompson delivered a two-run double to the gap in left-center field.

Brown extended the Mercer lead to four runs with a two-out, two-run homer in the fourth frame, and two innings later the Bears tacked on four more runs aided by four consecutive hits and three walks.

Mike Armstrong started things with a double and Steve Karwatt drove him in with a single to center field. Shaughnessy then notched a base hit and Brown followed with an RBI single, knocking in his third run of the contest.

Tom Martin came in relief of starter Brad Johnson (3-6) and proceeded to walk two straight batters, the

latter walk forced in a run. Tucker Pryor relieved Martin and did not fare any better throwing strikes walking Crawford to force in another run.

Mercer continued to pound the ball plating a pair of runs in the seventh inning. Brown continued his tear producing a run-scoring single and John Dortch provided a sacrifice fly putting the Bears up 10-0.

Game two remained scoreless through three innings, but the Bears got it going in the fourth frame taking a 1-0 lead. Armstrong led off with a single and Brown stayed hot with a base hit. Karwatt plated Mercer's first run with a sacrifice fly and Shaughnessy followed with another hit, but Brown overran third base on the play and was tagged out by third baseman Chad Knight. Knight then threw over to second base and gunned down Shaughnessy for the 7-5-4 double play to end the inning.

UNF (16-27, 6-11 A-Sun) scored its first run of the day to tie the game at one in the fifth inning. TJ Thompson registered a lead-off single and advanced to third when Mercer starter Boone Webster threw the ball away on a pick off attempt. James Belyea made the Bears pay driving in Thompson with a ground out.

The Ospreys took the lead later in the frame as Jones produced an RBI fielder's choice with the bases loaded and Martin scored an unearned run to give UNF a 3-1 advantage.

The Bears made their charge in the seventh as the first four batters reached base. Brown garnered a single, Karwatt doubled, Shaughnessy was hit by a pitch and pinch hitter Andrew Einert drew a bases loaded walk to force in a run. Head coach Craig Gibson sent up another pinch hitter in John Daugherty and the junior drove in a run with a ground out to tie the game at three.

Webster did not allow a run besides the three he gave up in the fifth inning. Only two of the three runs were earned as the junior surrendered five hits in 6 2/3 innings while striking out five and walking three.

Josh Lowey (4-2) picked up the win throwing two innings of no-hit, shutout relief. Cory Gearrin recorded his ninth save of the season with a 1-2-3 10th inning

Right-hander Derek Bell gave up three runs on seven hits in seven innings of work. Bell fanned one and issued three free passes. Tyler Shohr (0-5) was tagged with the loss after allowing the winning run to score in the extra frame.

Brown and Shaughnessy each picked up a pair of hits in the second game. Brown finished the day 5-for-9 with four RBIs and three runs scored and Shaughnessy went 4-for-7 in the two contests.

Game 1
Mercer 10, UNF 0 (7 Inn.)

Mercer.....200 204 2 - 10 10 1
North Florida.....000 000 0 - 0 3 0

Pitchers: Mercer - New.
UNF - Johnson; Martin (6); Pryor (6); McCoy (6).
Win - New (4-3)
Loss - Johnson (3-6)
T - 2:06 A - 412
HR MER - Brown (2).

Game 2
Mercer 4, UNF 3 (10 Inn.)

Mercer.....000 100 200 1 - 4 9 2
North Florida.....000 030 000 0 - 3 6 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Quarles (7); Jo. Lowey (8); Gearrin (10).

UNF - Bell; Stohr (7).
Win - Jo. Lowey (4-2)
Loss - Stohr (0-5)
Save - Gearrin (9)
T - 2:48 A - 412

Game 44

UNF 8, Mercer 2

Apr. 22-Jacksonville, Fla.

Harmon Stadium

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - The Mercer baseball squad was not able to complete a three-game sweep at UNF as the Ospreys took the series finale 8-2 on Sunday afternoon at Harmon Stadium.

UNF left-hander John Atteo (5-3) limited Mercer to four hits in eight innings of one-run ball. The freshman southpaw struck out seven and walked three batters.

The Ospreys put together a three-run first inning and the Bears were never able to recover, but Mercer still took the series two games to one.

UNF struck first in the series finale as Jimmy Glanville belted his team-high fifth home run of the season, a towering three-run shot over the scoreboard in left field. Right-hander Justin Boyette came in having only walked seven batters in 57 2/3 innings, but issued free passes to the first two UNF batters leading to the blast.

The Bears (25-19, 10-8 A-Sun) flashed some leather in the second inning keeping the deficit at three. The Ospreys put together a nice hit-and-run that started with Andrew Hannon breaking from first base. Designated hitter TJ Thompson showed bunt, pulled back and roped a ball into the gap in right-center field, but John Dortch ran the ball down, fired a strike to cutoff man Michael Langley and Langley gunned down Hannon at the plate. With Thompson at third base and two outs, left fielder Matt Crawford made a stellar catch at the warning track going back on the ball to end the frame.

The Ospreys (17-27, 7-11 A-Sun) extended their lead to 4-0 with an RBI single from Chad Knight in the third inning. UNF kept it going the following frame adding two runs on back-to-back run-scoring singles courtesy of Mycal Jones and Jon Dandridge.

Mercer was able to manage a run in the sixth inning cutting the lead to five runs. Crawford led off the inning with a single and came around to score on a Mike Armstrong ground out.

Glanville notched his second round tripper of the game in the bottom of the seventh, this time a two-run jack giving him five RBIs in the contest.

The Bears plated their final run in the final inning as pinch hitter Andrew Einert drove in Steve Karwatt, who led off the frame with a double.

Boyette (4-3) surrendered four runs on five hits in three innings while striking out a pair and walking three.

UNF 8, Mercer 2

Mercer.....000 001 001 - 2 6 1
North Florida.....301 200 20X - 8 13 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Harden (4); Patterson (7);
Shaw (8).
UNF - Atteo; Franzese (9).
Win - Atteo (5-3)

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Loss - Boyette (4-3)
T - 2:17 A - 339
HR UNF - Glanville 2 (6).

Game 45

Savannah State 8, Mercer 3

Apr. 24-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad fell to Savannah State 8-3 on Tuesday evening at Claude Smith Field.

Mercer's (25-20) offense sputtered putting only five runners in scoring position the entire game.

Tigers' starter Marcus Cortes (5-7) faced the minimum through three innings and finished his outing with a stellar effort. The senior right-hander surrendered three runs on eight hits in 8 2/3 innings of work. Cortes fanned four and walking five batters.

Savannah State (27-20) put a pair of runs on the board in the second inning on Timothy Waime's two-run double plating Brandon Jarvis and Christopher Pheathan.

In the early going the Bears fell victim to the double-play ball as the Tigers put together a twin-killing in each of the first three frames.

The Tigers went up 3-0 in the fifth inning on Kyle Wilkerson's first home run of the season, a solo shot over the right-field fence. SSU tacked on an unearned run in the sixth frame to take a four-run lead.

The Bears mounted a rally in the bottom of the seventh loading the bases with one out, but a fly out and a ground out ended the threat.

Savannah State put the game away with a three-run eighth inning. Wilkerson came up with the bases loaded and proceeded to drive in his second, third and fourth runs of the game with a bases-clearing double.

In the eighth inning, Mercer finally put a run on the board. Pinch hitter John Daugherty led off with a double and Matt Crawford followed with an RBI single.

Alfred Arnold provided the final damage with a run-scoring double in the final inning. Tyler Brown belted a solo homer to deep center and Crawford provided another RBI single in the ninth frame, but it was too little, too late for the Bears.

Mike Armstrong and Crawford had the only multi-hit games for Mercer. Crawford was 3-for-5 with two runs batted in and Armstrong finished the affair 2-for-4.

Left-hander Blake Quarles (0-3) worked 4 2/3 innings and allowed three runs on three hits while striking out three and walking three.

Savannah State 8, Mercer 3

Savannah State.....020 011 031 - 8 12 0
Mercer.....000 000 012 - 3 9 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Quarles; Ja. Lowey (5); JC Daugherty (7); Jo. Lowey (8); Shaw (9).
Savannah State - Cortes; Ballew (9).
Win - Cortes (5-7)
Loss - Quarles (0-3)
T - 2:35 A - 311
HR MER - Brown (3).
HR SSU - Wilkerson (1).

Game 46

Mercer 2, Kennesaw State 1

Apr. 27-Macon, Ga.
Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - Sophomore Steve Karwatt drove in his team-high seventh game-winning RBI in the eighth inning and senior right-hander Brantley New tossed a gem in helping Mercer defeat Kennesaw State 2-1 on Friday evening at Claude Smith Field.

New (5-3) out-duced KSU starter Kyle Heckathorn surrendering just one run on five hits in eight innings of work. The senior ace fanned seven and walked one.

Heckathorn (4-2) was solid as well, but was tagged with the loss after giving up two runs on nine hits in seven innings while striking out four and issuing one free pass.

In the eighth inning, the Bears loaded the bases with just one hit. Eric Renfroe started the rally with an infield single, Josh Thompson followed with a walk and each runner advanced a base on a wild pitch. Following a strikeout, Tyler Brown was intentionally walked to set up Karwatt's heroics. The sophomore slugger drove a sacrifice fly to left-center field allowing Renfroe to score the go-ahead run.

Junior Cory Gearrin picked up his 10th save after striking out a pair in a scoreless ninth inning.

Mercer (26-20, 11-8 A-Sun) scored the first run of the game in the second inning on Billy Shaughnessy's two-out double that plated a hustling Andrew Einert.

The Bears had chances to add on to their lead in the second and fourth frames recording a pair of hits in each inning, but two double plays allowed Heckathorn to escape without any damage.

Mercer flashed some leather of its own in the early going. Zack Upton was hit by a pitch to lead off the second, but the Bears turned a nifty 6-4-3 twin-killing and in the fifth inning Matt Crawford made a stellar catch at the left-field fence to preserve the lead.

Kennesaw State (24-19, 7-9 A-Sun) tied up the contest in the fifth when the leading hitter in the A-Sun, Jacob Robbins, laced a two-out, RBI single to left field.

The Bears squandered an opportunity in the bottom of the seventh as they had runners at first and third with one out, but pinch runner Richard Bentley was thrown out at the plate on Michael Langley's chopper to third base. Crawford then flew out to center to end the frame.

Brown and Einert each went 2-for-3 in the contest and Mike Armstrong chipped in with a 2-for-4 effort.

Mercer 2, Kennesaw State 1

Kennesaw State.....000 010 000 - 1 6 0
Mercer.....010 000 01X - 2 9 0

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Gearrin (9).
Kennesaw State - Heckathorn; Blalock (8).
Win - New (5-3)
Loss - Heckathorn (4-2)
Save - Gearrin (10)
T - 2:06 A - 597

Games 47-48

Game 1 - Mercer 4, Kennesaw State 3

Game 2 - Mercer 13, Kennesaw State 7

Apr. 28-Macon, Ga.

Claude Smith Field

MACON, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad took the first game of Saturday's doubleheader at Claude Smith Field 4-3 to clinch the series and completed the three-game sweep with a 13-7 win in the series finale.

In game one, Kennesaw State took a three-run lead into the sixth inning, but aided by a Josh Thompson home run Mercer put a three-spot on the board to tie the contest.

The Bears (28-20, 13-8 A-Sun) took the lead for good the following inning. With one out, Matt Crawford beat out a grounder to short for an infield single, proceeded to steal second base and advanced to third on an overthrow by catcher Jace Whitmer. The next batter, Billy Shaughnessy, registered the game-winning run batted in with a double to deep left field.

The first game of the twin bill also featured solid outings from Mercer right-hander Boone Webster and KSU lefty Casey Rogers. Webster gave up three runs on eight hits in six innings of work. The junior fanned two and issued four free passes. Rogers allowed three runs on four hits in 5 2/3 innings while striking out three and walking one.

In the series finale, Mercer enjoyed a 7-2 lead following two innings of play and hung on for the win. The Bears out-hit the Owls 20-12 in the high-scoring affair. It marked the second time in eight games that Mercer recorded 20 or more hits.

Crawford and Shaughnessy led the way in the doubleheader. Crawford finished the day 6-for-10 with four runs scored and a stolen base, and Shaughnessy chipped in going 6-for-9 with three RBIs and crossed the plate four times and was stupendous in the field making numerous web gems throughout the day.

Following a pair of scoreless frames to open game one, the Owls took a 1-0 lead. The top two batting average leaders in the A-Sun, Jacob Robbins and Martin Baker, began the inning with back-to-back singles. Baker then scored his team-high 47th run on a single by Whitmer.

The Bears had a chance to answer back in their half of the third loading the bases with no outs, but a fielder's choice forcing out John Dortch at home, a foul out to the catcher and a fly out to center field ended the scoring threat.

Mercer also played some stellar defense as KSU put runners at second and third with one out in the fourth, but on a fly out by Tyler Stubblefield right fielder Josh Thompson fired a strike to home plate that gunned down Matt Dallas to retire the side.

The Owls (24-21, 6-12 A-Sun) increased their lead to three in the sixth frame as Andrew Martin and Jerome Wooley registered back-to-back run-scoring singles.

Mercer's offense finally got untracked in the bottom of the sixth as they were able to tie the score at three. Crawford led off with an infield single and advanced to third on a Shaughnessy double. Crawford then scored on a wild pitch and Thompson followed with his eighth homer, a two-run jack over the left-field fence.

Justin Freeman (1-2) was charged with the loss after giving up the game-winning run on two hits in 1 1/3 innings. Jason Lowey (1-1) earned the win tossing two innings of no-hit, shutout relief. Junior Cory

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Gerrin picked up his second save in as many days, giving him 11 on the year and putting him in a tie for the conference lead.

KSU cracked the scoreboard in the first inning of the second game taking an early 1-0 advantage. Robbins doubled to open the game and Baker drove him in with a single through the right side of the infield.

Mercer answered right back in the bottom of the first taking a 3-1 lead on four hits. Shaughnessy started the rally and Thompson followed with an infield single. Each runner advanced a base on a double steal and Shaughnessy came around to score when catcher Ray Redden threw the ball away on the play. Steve Karwatt capped the scoring with a two-out, RBI single.

The game was back and forth in the early going as the Owls plated a run in the second on Robbins second double of the contest, narrowing the gap to one.

The Bears busted out in the bottom of the second plating four two-out runs on five hits. The scoring started when Shaughnessy knocked in Crawford, who reached base on a two-out double, giving the Bears a 4-2 lead. After a walk and single, the bases were loaded with Eric Renfroe at the dish. The senior center fielder came through with a two-run single and Armstrong came around to score on the play when shortstop Jacob Robbins threw the ball out of play.

Kennesaw State scored on an RBI single from Martin in the third, but Mercer grabbed the run right back when Thompson walked with the bases loaded in the bottom half. For the seventh consecutive half inning a team scored as Morrow pushed home a run with a ground out and Dallas cut the deficit to three with an RBI infield single.

The Owls scored again in the fifth frame as Robbins knocked in his second run of the game with a ground out, but the Bears came right back again scoring on a Shaughnessy single. For the sixth straight inning, KSU plated a run as Morrow came around to score on a sacrifice fly from Martin, but again Mercer answered back. Following a single by Renfroe and a double via Karwatt, Tyler Brown picked up an RBI with a sacrifice fly.

The Bears tacked on some insurance in the seventh taking a 13-7 lead. Crawford and Shaughnessy once again set the table, and Armstrong, Renfroe and Brown garnered RBI singles.

Renfroe went 3-for-4 in game two with three RBIs and one run scored, and Armstrong was 3-for-5 while scoring three runs and driving in a pair.

Owls' starter Dan Dale (2-3) surrendered four runs on seven hits in 1 2/3 innings. On the other side, right-hander Justin Boyette did not fair any better allowing three runs on six hits and two walks in 2 2/3 innings while registering one strikeout. Josh Lowey (5-2) was credited with the win after tossing three innings of one-run ball.

Game 1
Mercer 4, Kennesaw State 3

Kennesaw State.....001 002 000 - 3 9 3
Mercer.....000 003 10X - 4 7 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Ja. Lowey (7); Gearrin (9).
Kennesaw State - Rogers; Freeman (6); Edwards (8).
Win - Ja. Lowey (1-1)
Loss - Freeman (1-2)
Save - Gearrin (11)
T - 2:20 A - 334

HR MER - Thompson (8).

Game 2
Mercer 13, Kennesaw State 7

Kennesaw State.....111 211 000 - 7 12 3
Mercer.....341 011 30X - 13 20 0

Pitchers: Mercer - Boyette; Harden (3); JC Daugherty (5); Jo. Lowey (6); Patterson (9).
Kennesaw State - Dale; Blalock (2); Jenkins (3); Muschara (5); Paul (7).
Win - Jo. Lowey (5-2)
Loss - Dale (2-3)
T - 2:50 A - 334

Game 49

Gardner-Webb 3, Mercer 2 (11 Inn.) May 10-Varsity Field Boiling Springs, N.C.

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. - Brantley New and Jonathon Ban locked up in a pitcher's duel on Thursday afternoon as Gardner-Webb pulled out a come-from-behind win defeating Mercer 3-2 in 11 innings at Varsity Field.

New allowed one run on five hits in nine innings while striking out eight and walking one. The senior ace continued his strong conference run and has now racked up 83 strikeouts in 95 innings this season while lowering his ERA to 3.03.

Ban was strong throughout the game tossing eight innings of six-hit, one-run ball. The sophomore right-hander struck out six and issued one free pass.

Mercer (28-21, 13-9 A-Sun) trailed 1-0 from the second inning through the eighth frame, but Josh Thompson registered Mercer's first clutch hit in the game, lacing a double to left center scoring Matt Crawford to tie the game.

The Bears played small ball to push across the go-ahead run in the 10th inning. Billy Shaughnessy led off with an infield single and advanced to second base when catcher Ty Boyles threw the ball into right field when attempting to pick him off. Nick DiMauro advanced Shaughnessy to third with a sacrifice fly and Crawford plated the junior shortstop with a sacrifice fly of his own.

Gardner-Webb handed Cory Gearrin (3-2) his second blown save in 13 chances rebounding to tie the game in the bottom of the 10th. Matt Rizzuto notched a one-out single and advanced to third when Gearrin's pick-off attempt was thrown away. Pinch hitter Jon Crockett made the Bears pay knocking in Rizzuto with a fly out to center.

The Dawgs retired the Bears 1-2-3 in the 11th frame and took that momentum into the bottom of the inning. Jon Ahearn was hit by a pitch to open the inning, moved to second on a sacrifice bunt and advanced to third base on Daniel Cooke's infield single. In dramatic fashion, GWU pulled off a nicely-executed suicide squeeze with Jeremiah Lokken at the dish to win the game.

Matt Tafazzoli (4-1) picked up the win tossing three innings of solid relief. The only run Tafazzoli allowed was unearned.

The Bulldogs (22-28, 9-13 A-Sun) tallied the first run of the contest in the second inning. Nate McDonald led off the frame with a single and scored on Rizzuto's run-scoring base hit two batters later.

Eric Renfroe paced Mercer going 3-for-5 with a stolen base and Thompson went 2-for-5 with an RBI and one double, which was the Bears' only extra-base

hit.

Gardner-Webb 3, Mercer 2 (11 Inn.)

Mercer.....000 000 010 10 - 2 7 2
Gardner-Webb.....010 000 000 11 - 3 8 2

Pitchers: Mercer - New; Gearrin (10).
Gardner-Webb - Ban; Tafazzoli (9).
Win - Tafazzoli (4-1)
Loss - Gearrin (3-2)
T - 2:35 A - 100

Games 50-51

Game 1 - Gardner-Webb 11, Mercer 5 Game 2 - Mercer 6, Gardner-Webb 4 May 11-Varsity Field Boiling Springs, N.C.

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. - The Mercer baseball squad was defeated by Gardner-Webb 11-5 in the first game of Friday's doubleheader and the Bears salvaged the series with a 6-4 win in the finale. The Bulldogs took the series two games to one, but Mercer clinched a spot in the Atlantic Sun Tournament with the win.

In the first game of the twin bill, Gardner-Webb scored in each of the first four innings and cruised to the win behind 6 1/3 strong innings from Josh Drewery (3-5). Drewery gave up five runs, only two of which were earned, on seven hits while striking out six and walking none. The Bears scored all of their runs via the long ball finishing the game with three, but it was not enough.

The series finale featured more power from the Bears as they pounded out two more home runs. Billy Shaughnessy led the way going 3-for-4 with two RBIs, one run scored and a homer and left-hander Blake Quarles (1-3) tossed a solid game going 5 2/3 innings and allowing two runs on six hits. The crafty southpaw registered three strikeouts and issued two free passes.

In game one, Right-hander Boone Webster walked the first two batters in Gardner-Webb's half of the first and it came back to haunt him as the Bulldogs took an early two-run lead. Jamall Kinard came around to score on a ground out by Daniel Cooke and Nate McDonald plated Jeremiah Lokken with a single to right field.

An inning later, the Bulldogs added to their lead when Jay McConnell jacked his fifth home run, a solo shot over the center-field fence. Kinard led off the third frame with his first homer this season extending the GWU lead to 4-0. Later in the inning, Lokken and Cooke notched back-to-back singles and each scored on Matt Rizzuto's two-run base hit.

The Bears (29-22, 14-10 A-Sun) tallied their first run of the game in the fourth inning as Eric Renfroe jacked his seventh long ball.

Gardner-Webb (23-29, 10-14 A-Sun) took an 8-1 lead with a pair of unearned runs in the bottom of the fourth. Justin Loyd reached on an error and scored on a double from Jon Ahearn, and Ahearn crossed the plate on a Kinard ground out.

Mercer narrowed the deficit to three with a pair of round trippers in the seventh frame. Thompson notched his ninth round tripper to lead off the inning and Tyler Brown garnered a three-run shot later in the frame, the junior's fourth on the year.

Leading the A-Sun in steals, Kinard is known more for his speed than his power, but the speedster went deep for the second time in the game and on the sea-

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son with a two-run shot in the seventh frame. Later in the frame, Rizzuto drove in his third run of the game with a run-scoring single giving GWU a decisive 11-5 advantage.

Webster (6-5) struggled with his command surrendering six runs on six hits in 2 1/3 innings. The junior fanned one and walked a pair.

Mercer squandered a chance to take an early lead in game two putting runners at second and third base with one out in the second inning, but a pair of strikeouts ended the frame. Gardner-Webb took the momentum into its half of the inning putting together a two-out rally. Following a single and a walk, game one winner Josh Drewery drove in a run with a single to left.

The Bears fought back to take the lead in the third inning, 3-1. Mercer continued to feast off the long ball as Shaughnessy hit his second homer of the season to lead off the frame and John Dortch belted a two-run homer three batters later, his second as well.

In the fourth inning, Mercer added two runs to its lead. Shaughnessy and Thompson each delivered RBI singles putting the Bears up 5-1. Mercer scored for the third consecutive inning plating an unearned run in the fifth.

The Bulldogs put single runs on the board in the sixth, seventh and eighth frames to pull to within two. Joey Testa plated Rizzuto with a run-scoring single and Kinard scored on McConnell's sacrifice fly. Gardner-Webb scored its run in the eighth without garnering a hit. A pair of walks chased Josh Lowey from the game and Cory Gearrin walked the first batter he faced before hitting Cooke with a pitch to force in a run.

Gearrin tossed a scoreless ninth to pick up his 12th save, giving the junior closer the conference lead.

GWU left-hander Ben Campbell (6-5) was tagged with the loss allowing three runs on seven hits in 3 1/3 innings of work. Campbell struck out two and walked a pair.

Game 1

Gardner-Webb 11, Mercer 5

Mercer.....000 100 400 - 5 7 1
Gardner-Webb.....213 200 30X - 11 11 3

Pitchers: Mercer - Webster; Harden (3); Shaw (7); Ja. Lowey (7); Patterson (8).

Gardner-Webb - Drewery; Cogdill (7).

Win - Drewery (3-5)

Loss - Webster (6-5)

T - 2:22 A - 150

Game 2

Mercer 6, Gardner-Webb 4

Mercer.....003 210 000 - 6 11 0
Gardner-Webb.....010 001 110 - 4 7 3

Pitchers: Mercer - Quarles; Jo. Lowey (6); Gearrin (8).

Gardner-Webb - B. Campbell; Beal (4); D. Campbell (8).

Win - Quarles (1-3)

Loss - B. Campbell (6-5)

T - 2:51 A - 150

STATESBORO, Ga. - The Mercer baseball squad dropped its final non-conference contest, 4-3, at J.I. Clements Stadium on Tuesday.

Mercer (39-23) jumped out to an early 2-0 advantage, but Georgia Southern evened up the score in the third inning. The Bears took a one-run lead in the fifth, but a two-run homer by Matt Miller in the seventh inning gave the Eagles a lead they would not relinquish.

Mike Armstrong led the way for Mercer going 3-for-3 with an RBI and a walk, and Eric Renfroe went 1-for-2 with two runs scored and a pair of walks.

Like the first meeting between the two teams, Mercer grabbed an early lead. In the first inning, a walk, an infield single by Mike Armstrong and an error by shortstop Brian Pierce gave the Bears runners at first and third with two outs. Tyler Brown stepped to the dish and delivered an RBI double. The following inning, Andrew Einert led off with a home run over the right-field fence, his second this season.

Georgia Southern (32-24) plated its first run of the contest in the second. Chris Shehan walked and advanced to third base on Griffin Benedict's single to left-center field. A.J. Wirnsberger took advantage of the situation scoring Shehan with a sacrifice fly.

The Eagles knotted the game at two the following inning Jeremiah Parker's run-scoring single.

The Bears regained the lead at 3-2 in the fifth frame. Renfroe drew another one-out walk and stole second base. Two batters later, Armstrong recorded his third hit in the contest to drive in Renfroe.

Kyle Kampi (4-2) collected the win tossing 2 1/3 innings of one-hit, shutout ball. Josh Lowey (5-3) was charged with the loss after surrendering the go-ahead home run.

Georgia Southern 4, Mercer 3

Mercer.....110 010 000 - 3 10 2
Georgia Southern.....011 000 20X - 4 9 1

Pitchers: Mercer - Ja. Lowey; Webster (3); JC Daugherty (5); Jo. Lowey (7).

Georgia Southern - Barto; Cogwell (5); Kamppi (6); Battisto (9).

Win - Kamppi (4-2)

Loss - Jo. Lowey (5-3)

Save - Battisto (9)

T - 2:31 A - 1309

HR MER - Einert (2).

HR GA SOU - Miller (2).

The Automated ScoreBook
Overall Statistics for Mercer (as of May 16, 2007)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 29-23 Home: 16-7 Away: 13-16 Conference: 14-10

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%
CRAWFORD, Matt.....	.333	39-33	132	32	44	6	1	1	19	55	.417	19	0	11	0	.409	3	6	12-15	65	0	3	.956
SHAUGHNESSY, Billy..	.328	52-52	186	31	61	12	1	2	24	81	.435	18	2	20	0	.391	1	12	11-14	62	136	8	.961
THOMPSON, Josh.....	.325	52-52	200	28	65	15	1	9	45	109	.545	31	3	46	0	.418	3	0	1-2	325	38	5	.986
ARMSTRONG, Mike.....	.321	52-52	209	43	67	15	0	4	33	94	.450	11	8	26	2	.376	1	0	3-3	442	23	4	.991
RENFROE, Eric.....	.312	50-47	173	39	54	11	1	7	25	88	.509	30	3	25	1	.422	0	3	8-10	116	2	3	.975
DORTCH, John.....	.302	44-34	126	21	38	9	0	2	14	53	.421	8	4	19	0	.357	2	4	5-7	50	4	1	.982
KARWATT, Steven.....	.271	49-48	177	27	48	12	1	5	26	77	.435	19	5	42	0	.353	3	0	1-1	37	83	9	.930
BROWN, Tyler.....	.250	47-38	148	15	37	8	0	4	22	57	.385	21	1	23	0	.345	1	0	0-0	9	0	1	.900
LANGLEY, Michael....	.207	45-33	116	12	24	4	2	0	10	32	.276	6	1	20	0	.248	2	6	2-2	70	108	4	.978

GEARRIN, Cory.....	1.000	1-0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	1.000	0	0	0-0	1	8	1	.900
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
HEINERT, Andrew.....	.258	27-14	66	9	17	5	0	2	11	28	.424	9	1	11	2	.355	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
DIMAURO, Nick.....	.239	28-11	46	6	11	2	0	0	6	13	.283	2	2	3	0	.300	0	1	0-3	24	39	5	.926
LOWEY, Josh.....	.227	14-7	22	0	5	1	0	0	1	6	.273	0	1	2	1	.261	0	0	0-1	5	10	3	.833
DAUGHERTY, John.....	.217	21-0	23	0	5	1	0	0	5	6	.261	3	1	5	0	.333	0	0	0-0	21	1	0	1.000
LOWEY, Jason.....	.212	27-22	85	12	18	5	1	2	14	31	.365	5	2	15	1	.269	1	0	0-2	35	10	1	.978
STUART, Casey.....	.204	24-15	54	9	11	7	0	0	4	18	.333	4	0	18	0	.254	1	3	1-1	85	14	1	.990
JARVIS, Mark.....	.174	19-5	23	1	4	0	0	0	4	4	.174	4	0	11	0	.296	0	0	0-0	10	1	0	1.000
BENTLEY, Richard....	.077	24-0	13	3	1	0	0	0	2	1	.077	1	0	3	0	.143	0	0	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
PEYATT, Travis.....	.000	3-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	0	.667	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
BOYETTE, Justin.....	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	12	1	.938
Totals.....	.284	52-52	1817	292	516	114	8	38	266	760	.418	194	36	301	7	.361	18	35	44-61	1382	560	58	.971
Opponents.....	.282	52-52	1788	275	504	70	6	33	249	685	.383	168	61	389	3	.360	18	42	54-73	1385	555	75	.963

LOB - Team (424), Opp (420). DPs turned - Team (35), Opp (48). CI - Team (0), Opp (1). IBB - Team (15), THOMPSON 6, RENFROE 2, ARMSTRONG 2, BROWN 2, CRAWFORD 1, LOWEY,JA 1, JARVIS 1, Opp (8). Picked off - SHAUGHNESSY 2, DORTCH 2, ARMSTRONG 1, CRAWFORD 1, STUART 1, LOWEY,JO 1, RENFROE 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
NEW, Brantley.....	3.03	5-3	15	14	2	1/0	0	95.0	88	39	32	21	83	9	0	4	355	.248	10	10	1	0	11
WEBSTER, Boone.....	4.58	6-5	17	12	0	0/1	0	74.2	86	43	38	34	51	13	1	6	296	.291	6	4	0	2	4
BOYETTE, Justin....	5.00	4-3	13	12	1	0/0	0	63.0	80	38	35	12	48	13	2	8	258	.310	5	8	1	0	5

GEARRIN, Cory.....	1.91	3-2	23	0	0	0/0	12	37.2	12	10	8	24	62	0	0	0	116	.103	2	10	0	1	4
LOWEY, Josh.....	3.90	5-3	19	0	0	0/0	0	32.1	34	16	14	8	26	7	0	2	122	.279	3	5	0	2	3
HARDEN, David.....	4.15	1-1	14	2	0	0/0	0	34.2	41	26	16	5	26	7	1	1	136	.301	5	5	0	3	4
LOWEY, Jason.....	4.15	1-1	15	1	0	0/0	0	21.2	19	14	10	12	23	2	0	1	83	.229	0	4	0	1	1
CAMPBELL, Andy.....	5.87	2-0	10	0	0	0/1	0	15.1	21	11	10	3	9	3	1	4	68	.309	0	3	1	0	0
QUARLES, Blake.....	6.16	1-3	18	7	0	0/0	1	38.0	51	27	26	20	33	6	0	2	150	.340	4	7	0	3	5
PATTERSON, Scott....	7.41	1-0	13	1	0	0/0	0	17.0	20	15	14	11	8	3	0	4	68	.294	1	1	0	1	2
DAUGHERTY, J.C.....	7.45	0-2	14	2	0	0/1	0	19.1	28	17	16	9	13	3	1	0	82	.341	1	2	2	1	2
SHAW, Michael.....	9.82	0-0	11	1	0	0/1	0	11.0	20	14	12	8	7	3	0	1	47	.426	2	1	0	4	1
NARVESON, Mike.....	45.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	4	5	5	1	0	1	0	0	7	.571	0	1	0	0	0
Totals.....	4.61	29-23	52	52	3	2/1	13	460.2	504	275	236	168	389	70	6	33	1788	.282	39	61	5	18	42
Opponents.....	4.83	23-29	52	52	6	2/0	9	461.2	516	292	248	194	301	114	8	38	1817	.284	39	36	10	18	35

PB - Team (14), THOMPSON 10, STUART 4, Opp (9). Pickoffs - Team (9), GEARRIN 3, QUARLES 3, NEW 2, HARDEN 1, Opp (10). SBA/ATT - THOMPSON (38-51), STUART (16-22), WEBSTER (10-16), NEW (8-11), BOYETTE (7-10), DAUGHERTY,JC (5-6), HARDEN (2-6), SHAW (5-5), GEARRIN (3-5), PATTERSON (4-4), LOWEY,JA (3-3), CAMPBELL (3-3), QUARLES (2-2), LOWEY,JO (2-2).

The Automated ScoreBook
Overall Statistics for Mercer (as of May 16, 2007)
(All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Player	C	PO	A	E	FLD%	Dps	SBA	CSB	SBA%	PB	CI
DAUGHERTY, John.....	22	21	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
QUARLES, Blake.....	12	4	8	0	1.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
JARVIS, Mark.....	11	10	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
BENTLEY, Richard....	5	5	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
PATERSON, Scott....	3	1	2	0	1.000	0	4	0	1.000	0	0
ARMSTRONG, Mike.....	469	442	23	4	.991	33	0	0	---	0	0
STUART, Casey.....	100	85	14	1	.990	1	16	6	.727	4	0
THOMPSON, Josh.....	368	325	38	5	.986	5	38	13	.745	10	0
DORTCH, John.....	55	50	4	1	.982	0	0	0	---	0	0
LOWEY, Jason.....	46	35	10	1	.978	1	3	0	1.000	0	0
LANGLEY, Michael....	182	70	108	4	.978	18	0	0	---	0	0
RENFROE, Eric.....	121	116	2	3	.975	0	0	0	---	0	0
NEW, Brantley.....	29	3	25	1	.966	0	8	3	.727	0	0
SHAUGHNESSY, Billy..	206	62	136	8	.961	24	0	0	---	0	0
CRAWFORD, Matt.....	68	65	0	3	.956	0	0	0	---	0	0
McCARTY, Tyler.....	21	6	14	1	.952	3	0	0	---	0	0
BOYETTE, Justin.....	16	3	12	1	.938	2	7	3	.700	0	0
KARWATT, Steven.....	129	37	83	9	.930	4	0	0	---	0	0
DIMAURO, Nick.....	68	24	39	5	.926	5	0	0	---	0	0
HARDEN, David.....	10	1	8	1	.900	0	2	4	.333	0	0
BROWN, Tyler.....	10	9	0	1	.900	0	0	0	---	0	0
GEARRIN, Cory.....	10	1	8	1	.900	0	3	2	.600	0	0
LOWEY, Josh.....	18	5	10	3	.833	1	2	0	1.000	0	0
WEBSTER, Boone.....	11	1	8	2	.818	0	10	6	.625	0	0
DAUGHERTY, J.C.....	4	1	2	1	.750	0	5	1	.833	0	0
CAMPBELL, Andy.....	6	0	4	2	.667	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
SHAW, Michael.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	5	0	1.000	0	0
PEYATT, Travis.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
EINERT, Andrew.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
NARVESON, Mike.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals.....	2000	1382	560	58	.971	35	54	19	.740	14	0
Opponents.....	2015	1385	555	75	.963	48	44	17	.721	9	1

The Automated ScoreBook
 Game Results for Mercer (as of May 16, 2007)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Conference	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time
			/											
Feb. 2, 2007	at Miami (Fla.)	W 6-5	6	14	0	5	10	1	9	1- 0- 0	0- 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	0- 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	0- 0- 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	0- 0- 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	0- 0- 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	0- 0- 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	0- 0- 0	NEW (L 0-2)	321	2:51
Feb 17, 2007	at South Alabama	11-13 L	11	17	3	13	15	1	9	3- 5- 0	0- 0- 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	0- 0- 0	GEARRIN (W 1-0)	511	3:16
Feb. 21,2007	Georgia	5-6 L	5	8	2	6	14	5	9	4- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	WEBSTER (L 2-1)	1157	2:55
Feb. 23,2007	Florida A&M	W 3-2	3	6	1	2	8	1	9	5- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	GEARRIN (W 2-0)	432	2:28
Feb. 24,2007	Florida A&M	W 4-1	4	7	1	1	3	0	9	6- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	HARDEN (W 1-1)	576	2:08
Feb. 25,2007	Florida A&M	W 5-1	5	4	2	1	6	2	9	7- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	BOYETTE (W 1-1)	232	1:59
Feb 28, 2007	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	12	0	1	3	1	9	8- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	PATTERSON (W 1-0)	213	2:18
Mar. 2, 2007	Samford	W 6-4	6	10	2	4	6	0	9	9- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	NEW (W 1-2)	263	2:36
Mar. 3, 2007	Samford	W 13-0	13	14	0	0	6	1	9	10- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	WEBSTER (W 3-1)	217	2:22
Mar. 4, 2007	Samford	2-4 L	2	8	0	4	7	0	9	10- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	BOYETTE (L 1-2)	209	2:11
Mar. 7, 2007	at Western Carolina	W 13-10	13	15	0	10	20	2	9	11- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	CAMPBELL (W 2-0)	106	2:56
Mar. 9, 2007	at Florida A&M	W 5-3	5	8	1	3	8	4	9	12- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	NEW (W 2-2)	61	2:06
Mar. 10,2007	at Florida A&M	W 5-2	5	13	0	2	6	0	9	13- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	WEBSTER (W 4-1)	65	2:20
Mar. 11,2007	at Florida A&M	W 12-2	12	13	0	2	9	5	9	14- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	BOYETTE (W 2-2)	87	2:37
*Mar. 16,2007	Campbell	W 7-3	7	10	1	3	13	0	9	15- 7- 0	1- 0- 0	NEW (W 3-2)	211	2:24
*Mar. 17,2007	Campbell	W 8-2	8	11	1	2	7	1	9	16- 7- 0	2- 0- 0	WEBSTER (W 5-1)	173	2:03
*Mar. 17,2007	Campbell	W 12-3	12	14	1	3	8	4	9	17- 7- 0	3- 0- 0	BOYETTE (W 3-2)	151	2:18
Mar. 20,2007	at Georgia	3-9 L	3	8	2	9	13	0	9	17- 8- 0	3- 0- 0	DAUGHERTY,JC (L 0-1)	1574	2:28
*Mar. 23,2007	at Stetson	2-3 L	2	6	0	3	5	1	9	17- 9- 0	3- 1- 0	NEW (L 3-3)	1605	2:14
*Mar. 24,2007	at Stetson	1-9 L	1	6	2	9	14	2	9	17-10- 0	3- 2- 0	WEBSTER (L 5-2)	0	2:43
*Mar. 24,2007	at Stetson	W 4-3	4	11	3	3	5	0	9	18-10- 0	4- 2- 0	LOWEY,JO (W 1-0)	1530	2:45
Mar. 27,2007	Auburn	1-5 L	1	8	1	5	7	1	9	18-11- 0	4- 2- 0	LOWEY,JA (L 0-1)	831	2:38
*Mar. 30,2007	Jacksonville	W 5-4	5	16	0	4	9	0	(13)	19-11- 0	5- 2- 0	GEARRIN (W 3-0)	281	4:17
*Mar. 31,2007	Jacksonville	0-5 L	0	5	1	5	9	0	9	19-12- 0	5- 3- 0	WEBSTER (L 5-3)	0	2:17
*Mar 31, 2007	Jacksonville	W 7-6	7	12	1	6	13	3	(10)	20-12- 0	6- 3- 0	LOWEY,JO (W 2-0)	305	3:30
Apr 04, 2007	at Georgia State	8-10 L	8	13	2	10	11	1	9	20-13- 0	6- 3- 0	LOWEY,JO (L)	102	2:55
*Apr. 6, 2007	Lipscomb	7-12 L	7	13	2	12	11	3	(10)	20-14- 0	6- 4- 0	GEARRIN (L 3-1)	138	3:39
*Apr. 7, 2007	Lipscomb	2-7 L	2	4	2	7	10	2	9	20-15- 0	6- 5- 0	WEBSTER (L 5-4)	0	2:46
*Apr. 7, 2007	Lipscomb	W 5-4	5	9	0	4	12	1	9	21-15- 0	7- 5- 0	LOWEY,JO (W 3-1)	127	2:31
Apr. 10,2007	at Auburn	6-22 L	6	11	3	22	22	0	9	21-16- 0	7- 5- 0	DAUGHERTY,JC (L 0-2)	1895	3:04
*Apr. 14,2007	at Belmont	5-6 L	5	11	0	6	14	3	9	21-17- 0	7- 6- 0	LOWEY,JO (L 3-2)	217	2:45
*Apr 16, 2007	at Belmont	W 5-4	5	12	1	4	8	0	9	22-17- 0	8- 6- 0	WEBSTER (W 6-4)	179	2:31
*Apr 16, 2007	at Belmont	8-9 L	8	11	3	9	10	2	(10)	22-18- 0	8- 7- 0	QUARLES (L 0-2)	179	3:09
Apr. 17,2007	Georgia Southern	W 12-5	12	20	0	5	14	0	9	23-18- 0	8- 7- 0	BOYETTE (W 4-2)	271	2:41
*Apr. 21,2007	at North Florida	W 10-0	10	10	1	0	3	0	7	24-18- 0	9- 7- 0	NEW (W 4-3)	412	2:06
*Apr. 21,2007	at North Florida	W 4-3	4	9	2	3	6	1	(10)	25-18- 0	10- 7- 0	LOWEY,JO (W 4-2)	0	2:48
*Apr. 22,2007	at North Florida	2-8 L	2	6	1	8	13	0	9	25-19- 0	10- 8- 0	BOYETTE (L 4-3)	339	2:17
Apr. 24,2007	Savannah State	3-8 L	3	9	1	8	12	0	9	25-20- 0	10- 8- 0	QUARLES (L 0-3)	311	2:35
*Apr. 27,2007	Kennesaw State	W 2-1	2	9	0	1	6	0	9	26-20- 0	11- 8- 0	NEW (W 5-3)	597	2:06
*Apr. 28,2007	Kennesaw State	W 4-3	4	7	0	3	9	3	9	27-20- 0	12- 8- 0	LOWEY,JA (W 1-1)	-	2:20
*Apr. 28,2007	Kennesaw State	W 13-7	13	20	0	7	12	3	9	28-20- 0	13- 8- 0	LOWEY,JO (W 5-2)	334	2:50
*May 10, 2007	at Gardner-Webb	2-3 L	2	7	2	3	8	2	(11)	28-21- 0	13- 9- 0	GEARRIN (L 3-2)	100	2:35
*May 11, 2007	at Gardner-Webb	5-11 L	5	7	1	11	11	3	9	28-22- 0	13-10- 0	WEBSTER (L 6-5)	150	2:22
*May 11, 2007	at Gardner-Webb	W 6-4	6	11	0	4	7	3	9	29-22- 0	14-10- 0	QUARLES (W 1-3)	150	2:51
May 15, 2007	at Georgia Southern	3-4 L	3	10	2	4	9	1	9	29-23- 0	14-10- 0	LOWEY,JO (L 5-3)	1309	2:31

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