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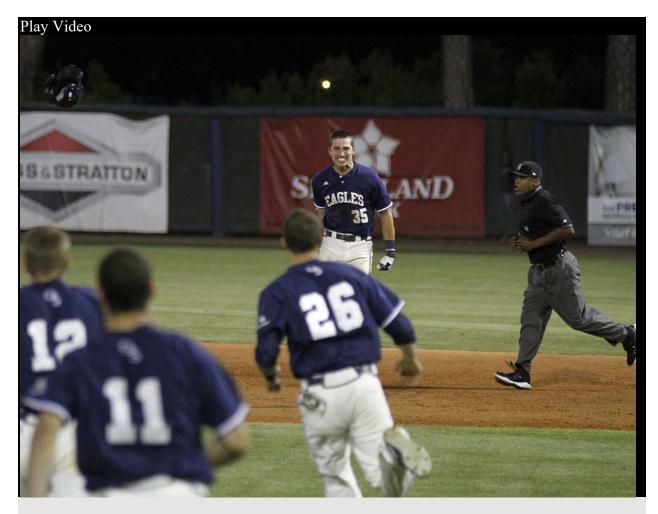
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W: Landon Hughes (4-2) L: Alex Eubanks (4-5)

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### Junior right fielder hits a bases loaded single with two outs in the ninth

**STATESBORO, GA.** – Georgia Southern Baseball evened the weekend series with No. 23 Clemson by taking Saturday's game 7-6 on *Jordan Wren*'s walk-off single in the ninth. The Eagles trailed three separate times in the game, but rallied with two in the first, three in the third and two in the ninth to take their 31st win of the year. Georgia Southern and Clemson close out the three game series on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m.

#### QUOTEABLES

#### HEAD COACH RODNEY HENNON

"I was really proud of our guys for hanging in there, they really kept battling. It was a good ballgame, Clemson really didn't make any mistakes and we got a break there to tie it up late. *Jordan Wren* stepped up and got a big hit for us. I thought *Landon Hughes* did an outstanding job for us, giving us a chance and being able to set up the comeback. It was a good effort and now we've got to come out ready to compete and battle all day tomorrow."

#### PLAYER OF THE GAME

#### Jordan Wren – JR – OF – Peachtree City, Ga.

#### 2-for-4 // 3 RBI // 1 SAC

<u>Jordan Wren</u> drove in Georgia Southern's game-winning run, but the junior drove in two more runs in the third as a part of the Eagles' second comeback of the night.

#### **CRUCIAL MOMENTS**

**TOP 1ST** – A leadoff error put a runner on for Clemson in the first, but a Seth Beer tworun home run down the line in right gave the visitors an early 2-0 lead.

**BOTTOM 1ST** – <u>Logan Baldwin</u> stroked a one out single to set the table for <u>Ryan</u> <u>Cleveland</u>. The junior first baseman crushed a game-tying home run to left center, levelling the game at 2-2.

**TOP 3RD** – Clemson re-took the lead with three runs off four hits in the third. Two singles with one out got things started, but a sacrifice fly, a double and a single to left did the damage for the visitors.

**BOTTOM 3RD** – Georgia Southern answered the Clemson runs with two hits early in the third inning. An RBI single from <u>*Ryan Cleveland*</u> plated one run with the junior moving up to second on the throw back in. <u>*Jordan Wren*</u> sent two more runs home with a single to center.

**TOP 6TH** – A leadoff walk came back to bite the Eagles in the sixth as Andrew Cox singled up the middle to score the runner from second with two outs.

**BOTTOM 8TH** – Georgia Southern got a leadoff single from Baldwin and a walk to Cleveland to put runners on with no outs. *Jordan Wren* bunted the runners over, but a strikeout and an infield ground out erased the Eagles in the inning and quelled a late rally bid.

**BOTTOM 9TH** – The Eagles needed a run to tie the game and got it when <u>Logan</u> <u>Baldwin</u> struck out for what would have been the third out. The ball got past Clemson's catcher and <u>CJ Ballard</u> scored. With runners on first and second, the Tigers walked <u>Ryan Cleveland</u> to get to <u>Jordan Wren</u>. The junior right fielder made the Tigers pay, stroking then 0-2 pitch through the right side for the game-winning hit.

#### NOTES

- <u>Ryan Cleveland</u>'s first inning home run was the first conceded by Clemson's Pat Krall in his career with the Tigers. Krall entered the series with five earned runs allowed, he doubled that total in the first three innings by giving up three runs.

- <u>Landon Hughes</u> got his fourth win of the season on the mound by going 3.2 innings in relief and allowing just one hit. He fanned three and retired the last 10 batters he faced.

In the month of May, Hughes is 3-0 with a save in five appearances.

- The top four hitters in the Eagle lineup combined for eight of Georgia Southern's 10 hits in the game.

- Georgia Southern is now 4-4 against teams ranked in the Top-25 and 5-6 against all ranked opponents.

#### NEXT GAME

Georgia Southern and Clemson will close out the series with the rubber match of the series on Sunday. First pitch is set for 1 p.m. at J.I. Clements Stadium on a Chamber of Commerce Day. Sunday's high temperature will be 84 degrees under sunny skies.

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