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Bulldogs Take Series with Sunday Walk-Off

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ATHENS, GA. -- Georgia Southern Baseball dropped Sunday's series finale to Georgia, 4-3 on a walk-off sacrifice fly. The Eagles carried a 3-2 lead into the ninth, but two late runs by the Bulldogs handed the series to Georgia for the third-straight season. Next up for the Eagles is a midweek clash with in-state rival Georgia Tech. First pitch against the Yellow Jackets is set for 6 p.m. in the 2018 home opener on ESPN3.

QUOTEABLES
Head Coach Rodney Hennon
"I think we settled in and played better baseball over the last two days. We had a lot of guys in these situations for the first time, and the more experience that we get them, the better I think guys are going to perform. I think you saw guys performing more to the level that they are capable of over the last two days. We were able to get a lot of guys involved over the weekend and we're going to learn things about our ball club. We played really good baseball today for eight innings, but we didn't close things in the ninth. That is something that you have to do if you want to be a championship team, and I have no doubt that we will learn from this experience and continue to get better."

SCORING SUMMARY
Bottom 7th - A leadoff single came good for Georgia when Keegan McGovern hit a two-run home run off the batters eye in centerfield to give Georgia its first lead of the day.
Top 8th - The Eagles got the eighth inning started with a double, single and a walk to load the bases with no outs. Mitchell Golden drove in a run with a bloop single to center, while Jason Swan wore a pitch to drive in another run and tie the game at 2-2. Chandler Corley walked later in the inning with two outs to give the Eagles a 3-2 lead.
Bottom 9th - A leadoff single on the first pitch of the ninth started a frame which was helped by a fielding error. The Eagles got an out with a sacrifice bunt, but the next batter walked to load the bases. Power hitter Keegan McGovern walked as well to tie the game at 3-3. Cam Shepard lifted a fly ball to right which was deep enough to score Cole Tate from third and give the series to the Bulldogs.

NOTES
- Mitchell Golden went 2-for-4 with an RBI and a run scored to pace the offense at the plate.
- David Johnson got the call for his first collegiate start. He got through a rocky start to retire the final eight batters he faced in order.

NEXT GAME
Georgia Southern plays host to Georgia Tech on Tuesday in the 2018 Home Opener. First pitch is set for 6 p.m. against the Yellow Jackets. Watch the game live on ESPN3 or listen on the Georgia Southern Sports Network.

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