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Game Recap: Softball | 2/13/2016 4:08:00 PM

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### *A.J. Hamilton hits inside-the-park home run*

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- [Lydia Witkowski](#) had a pair of hits against Tennessee Tech
- [India Davis](#) finished the weekend hitting .600 (6-for-10)
- Catcher [A.J. Hamilton](#) legged out an inside-the-park home run

**STARKVILLE, Miss.** – The Georgia Southern softball team wrapped up play at the Bulldog Kickoff Classic Saturday, dropping a pair of games to Tennessee Tech (4-0) and Houston (10-2).

#### **GAME 1 – TTU 4, GS 0**

Tennessee Tech (2-1) scored all four runs via Georgia Southern errors, scoring an unearned run in the first inning, two more unearned runs in the second inning and a last

unearned run in the sixth inning. GS had a pair of big chances, but couldn't cash in either time. In the first inning, GS loaded up the bases, but a pair of strikeouts ended the rally. The Eagles again loaded the bases up in the fifth inning, but a strikeout and a fly out quashed that threat. GS left 10 runners on base for the game.

Kierra Camp (L, 1-2) went the distance, allowing four unearned runs as the Eagles committed five errors. She gave up five hits and a walk while striking out three.

At the plate, Witkowski led the way with a pair of hits while Emily Snider, Hannah Farrell and Davis each had one hit. The Eagles drew five walks, two from Macy Weeks and one apiece from Taylor Rogers, Snider and Emily Robinson.

### **GAME 2 – UH 10, GS 2 (5 Inn.)**

Georgia Southern scored the first run of the game in the second inning when Alesha Mann blooped a single to right field to plate Hamilton from second base. The Cougars (2-1) loaded the bases up in the third inning and plated two runs on a double and then three more on a pair of singles and a sacrifice fly.

Houston scored another run in the top of the fourth inning to stretch the lead to 6-1. In the fourth inning, Hamilton led off with an inside-the-park home run to energize the dugout. The senior sliced the ball to right field and Julana Shrum dove for the ball. It squirted past her and rolled to the fence and Hamilton raced home ahead of the throw.

The Cougars put the game away with four more runs in the top of the fifth inning to help end the game early due to the run-ahead rule.

At the plate, Davis led the way with a pair of hits while Hamilton, Snider and Mann each had one.

Dixie Raley (L, 0-2) went four-plus innings, picking up three strikeouts. Camp finished the game, picking up the final three outs.

The Eagles will return to action next weekend, participating in the Madeira Beach Spring Invitational, hosted by Eastern Michigan. The event will take place at the in Madeira Beach, Florida, and the Eagles are scheduled to play Villanova, UMass-Lowell, North Florida, Providence and Marist.

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