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Eagles look to continue midweek success against the Ragin' Cajuns



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GAME NOTES // UPCOMING PROMOTIONS

STATESBORO, GA. – Georgia Southern Baseball hosts UL Lafayette this weekend for a three-game series at J.I. Clements Stadium. It is True Blue Weekend with fans encouraged to wear blue to all three games. Friday night's game, the annual GATA Game with student-athletes from all sports in attendance, can be seen live on ESPN3.

TEAM RECORDS

Georgia Southern – 17-12 (6-6 Sun Belt)

UL Lafayette – 19-10 (8-4 Sun Belt)

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

FRIDAY (4.8.16)

7 p.m. – J.I. Clements Stadium (Statesboro, Ga.)

GATA GAME

All Georgia Southern student-athletes will be in attendance

RADIO – [Ga. Southern Sports Network](#)

VIDEO – [ESPN3](#)

[LIVE STATS](#)

GS – LHP – [Evan Challenger](#)

ULL – LHP – Gunner Leger

SATURDAY (4.9.16)

7 p.m. – J.I. Clements Stadium (Statesboro, Ga.)

BARK IN THE PARK

Bring your furry best friends for a one-of-a-kind evening of baseball!

RADIO – [Ga. Southern Sports Network](#)

VIDEO – [GS All-Access](#)

[LIVE STATS](#)

GS – RHP – [Chase Cohen](#)

ULL – RHP – Wyatt Marks

SUNDAY (4.10.16)

1 p.m. – J.I. Clements Stadium (Statesboro, Ga.)

RADIO – [Ga. Southern Sports Network](#)

VIDEO – [GS All-Access](#)

[LIVE STATS](#)

GS – RHP – [Brian Eichhorn](#)

ULL – RHP – Nick Lee

QUICK HITS

- Georgia Southern reaches the midpoint of conference play this weekend as UL Lafayette comes to Statesboro for the first time in series history. The Ragin' Cajuns were picked first in the preseason Sun Belt standings and are currently third in the league standings at 8-4, just two games ahead of the Eagles
- Georgia Southern was swept last weekend by Texas State, but has bounced back with two wins this week. The Eagles dispatched No. 24 College of Charleston 13-10 on Tuesday night and unloaded on Savannah State for a 16-1 win on Wednesday.
- The Eagles are currently fourth in the Sun Belt standings entering week five of league play, even with Little Rock at 6-6.
- For Georgia Southern, the magic number is six. The Eagles are 12-0 this season when scoring six or more runs. Over the past five seasons the Eagles are a combined 104-17 including 31 wins in 2014.

EAGLES SWEEP MIDWEEK DOUBLE OVER COUGARS AND TIGERS

- Georgia Southern's busiest weekend of the season (to this point) opened with back-to-back midweek wins, beginning with a 13-10 victory over No. 24 College of Charleston. Just 24 hours later, the Eagles downed Savannah State 16-1 with the season's highest offensive output.
- Four Eagles posted three hits each against College of Charleston with [Kent Rollins](#) taking four RBIs and [Ryan Cleveland](#) swatting his seventh home run of the season.
- As a team, Georgia Southern matched a season-high with 13 runs and set a new high-water mark with 19 hits.
- In the win over Savannah State, the Eagles scored 16 runs, setting a new season high while posting 16 hits and taking advantage of seven Tiger errors.
- [Evan McDonald](#) and [Logan Baldwin](#) both had four-hit games against the Tigers. McDonald scored four of his own while Baldwin drove in three.
- Freshman [Lawson Humphries](#), who was just eight years old the last time the Eagles and Tigers played on the diamond, took his first collegiate win to improve to 1-1 on the year.

IN THE CLASSROOM

- The Georgia Southern baseball team posted a 3.25 GPA in the fall semester, its highest semester GPA in program history.
- 28 of the Eagles were on the honor roll with 12 on the Dean's List and 3 on the President's List.

CLEVELAND ROCKS!

- [Ryan Cleveland](#) delivered a 15-game hit streak which ended after the first game of the Texas State series. That streak was the longest for any Eagle batter this season.
- He hit .333 over those 15 games, going 19-for-57 with four home runs, five doubles and nine walks. He drove in 15 runs while stealing four bases.

EAGLES PARTNER WITH VS. CANCER FOUNDATION

- Georgia Southern hosted its second Vs. Cancer Day on April 3rd, raising funds and awareness for the Vs. Cancer Foundation to help combat children's cancer.
- The Eagles surpassed their goal of raising \$8,000 for the foundation by gathering more than \$11,000.
- Fans can still join the fight at <http://team.vs-cancer.org/georgiasouthern>

COMING UP NEXT

Following Sunday's series finale, the Eagles will play their second game against Mercer on Tuesday night, April 12th. A three-game set against UT Arlington starts next weekend starting on Friday night at 7:30 p.m.(ET)/6:30 p.m. (CT).

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