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Jaguars snap a 65-all tie with 46 seconds left to claim the win; same two teams tomorrow in Mobile
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MOBILE, Ala. - South Alabama's Jadona Davis made a layup to snap a 65-all tie with 46 seconds remaining, and the Jaguars scored the final six points to capture a 71-65 Sun Belt Conference women's basketball victory over visiting Georgia Southern on Friday afternoon at the Mitchell Center in Mobile.

The Jaguars improved to 4-3 overall and 1-0 in the Sun Belt with the win, while Georgia Southern fell to 4-4 overall and 0-1 with the loss. The win was the sixth straight in the series for South Alabama dating back to 2017.

Neither team led by more than four in a tight first quarter that saw South Alabama lead, 19-17, at the end of the period. The Eagles took a one-point lead into halftime thanks to a free throw by sophomore [Shondell Vickers](#). Vickers had 12 points and nine rebounds in the first half alone for the Eagles.

Georgia Southern took a four-point lead late into the third quarter as a basket by senior [Sarah Moore](#) put the Eagles up, 51-47, with just a minute left in the frame. South Alabama responded with a bucket by Mahogany Vaught just before the quarter ended, then the Jaguars went on their 14-2 run through the first three minutes and nine seconds of the fourth quarter to take a 63-53 lead.

The Eagles rallied to tie the game, 65-all, on a basket by sophomore [Mya Burns](#) with 1:21 left, but the layup by Davis with 46 seconds left snapped the tie and the Jaguars would score the final six points in the contest for the victory.

Vickers was the only Eagle to reach double digit scoring on the day with her team-high 12 points. Senior [Sarah Moore](#) and freshman [Lydia Freeman](#) finished with nine points apiece.

Eagle of the Game

Vickers led the Eagles in points (12), rebounds (15) and assists (4) while also blocking a pair of shots and notching a steal. The 15 rebounds were the most for an Eagle this season and it is her fourth double digit rebounding game in 2020-21.

Stat of the Game

The Eagles shot 68% from the field on two-point shots (22-of-43), but shot just 18% from the field on three-point shots (3-of-23).

Next Up

The Eagles and the Jaguars will face off again in Sun Belt Conference play on Saturday at 2 p.m. ET at the Mitchell Center.