

# Gator Home Run Nips FSU

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GAINESVILLE — John Fuller could think of no better person to win a game for than his father — who also happens to be the coach.

(John) Fuller cracked a ninth inning solo home run to left field giving the (Dave) Fuller - coached University of Florida a 5-4 victory over Florida State Sunday and a one - game lead in the two team's career series.

The Gators, now 23-19, hosts FSU this afternoon at 3 in the final game of the season for both clubs.

Fuller's shot off loser Mike Kelley was his third in three games against the 1974 Seminoles, and the 350 - footer dropped FSU to 36-25 for the season.

Florida jumped on Seminole starter Ron Herring for three runs in the bottom of the first inning with designated hitter Doug Corbett's two-run homer providing the spark. Second baseman David Bowden also doubled home a run.

FSU came back with three runs of its own in the top of the second inning on five hits, a walk and a passed ball.

Jim Foxwell and Guillermo Bonilla led off the inning with back - to - back singles, and Bill Daniel doubled both runners home with an opposite - field shot to the leftfield fence.

Windle Higginbotham drew a walk and Marty Maier singled to load the bases. A passed ball scored Daniel, but reliever John Reich came on to retire the next three Seminoles and put down the threat.

Florida State went on top with a run in the fifth after Randy Davidson's hit - and - run single sent Steve Tebbetts to third. Tebbetts, who had reached base on a single of his own, was tagged out after Jim Busby hit a tapper to the mound.

Foxwell walked to load the bases and Bonilla hit a smash up the middle which shortstop Bill Bolander just managed to knock down. Davidson scored from third on the play, but Busby was thrown out at the plate when trying to score all the way from second.

Fuller, an all - SEC selection, also drove home the tying run in the sixth with a single that scored Bowden from second.

The ballgame was halted 22 minutes because of rain after six innings, and the Seminoles came back to jump on Reich in the seventh, but could not score.

FSU		FLORIDA	
	ab r h		ab r h
Tebbetts,cf	4 0 2	Shulock,lf	4 0 1
Davidson,2b	5 1 2	Finney,1b-rf	3 1 0
Busby,rf	5 0 1	Bowden,2b	3 2 1
Foxwell,dh	4 1 1	Reich,rf-p	3 0 0
Bonilla,3b	4 1 2	Corbett,dh-1b	4 1 1
Daniel,lf	3 1 1	Fuller,c	3 1 2
Hignbthm,1b	3 0 0	Ricks,cf	3 0 0
Maier,ss	4 0 2	Bolander,ss	3 0 0
Drews,c	4 0 0	Huerta,3b	3 0 1
Herring,p	0 0 0	Combs,p	0 0 0
Kelley,p	0 0 0		
Totals	36 4 11	Totals	29 5 5

FSU	030	010	000—4
Florida	300	001	001—5

E — Bolander, Huerta. DP. FSU—1, UF—1. LOB — FSU—9; UF—4. 2B — Bowden, Busby, Daniel. RBI — Bowden, Corbett 2, Fuller 2, Bonilla, Daniel 2. HR—Corbett, Fuller. S—Daniel, Reich.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Herring	7	5	4	4	3	2
Kelley (L,4-3)	1 1/3	1	1	1	0	0
Combs	1	3	3	3	1	2
Reich	8	8	1	1	2	3

RB—Fuller WP—Reich. Umpires — Van Kee, Turner. A — 500. T—2:37.