

WEEK SIX
 GEORGIA SOUTHERN at SOUTH ALABAMA

Late TD, FG in OT lifts Georgia Southern past South Alabama

MOBILE, Ala. -- Tyler Bass kicked a 37-yard field goal in the second overtime after the Georgia Southern forced a turnover and the Eagles rallied to defeat South Alabama 20-17 on Thursday night.

Bass, who kicked a 46-yard field goal to put Georgia Southern up 10-7 at halftime, missed a 32-yarder on the first possession of overtime. However, Ty Phillips blocked a 45-yard attempt by South Alabama's Frankie Onate to force a second overtime.

On the Jaguars' first play, Ricky Wade Jr., strip-sacked Cephus Johnson, and Raymond Johnson III recovered. The Eagles gained six yards on three running plays before Bass' winner.

The Eagles forced overtime by going 65 yards on eight running plays, chewing up 4-minutes, 4-seconds before scoring on Wesley Kennedy III's 1-yard option pitch with 20 seconds to play.

Georgia Southern (2-3, 1-1 Sun Belt Conference) ran 83 plays and had 388 yards, 310 on the ground, keeping the ball for 40 1/2 minutes. Quarterback Shai Werts was just 9 of 17 for 78 yards but had 102 yards on 20 rushes.

South Alabama (1-5, 0-2) ran just 39 plays for 247 yards and held the ball for 19:22. Johnson was 8 of 15 for 194 yards and two TDs. He had a 75-yard touchdown pass to Kawaan Baker in the first half, and the Jags had just 17 yards of offense other than that. He hit Jalen Tolbert for a 60-yard score in the third quarter and Baker for 43 yards in the fourth to set up Onate's 45-yard field goal for a 17-10 lead. Take away the three big pass plays and South Alabama, which is 0-6 against the Eagles, had 69 yards on offense.

Final	1	2	3	4	OT	T
GASO	0	10	0	7	3	20
USA	0	7	7	3	0	17

Scoring Summary -----

	GASO	USA
SECOND QUARTER		
GASO FG 11:03 Tyler Bass 46 Yd Field Goal		
12 plays, 61 yards, 6:25	3	0
USA TD 10:52 Kawaan Baker 75 Yd pass from Cephus Johnson (Frankie Onate Kick)		
1 play, 75 yards, 0:11	3	7
GASO TD 1:11 J.D. King 4 Yd Run (Tyler Bass Kick)		
7 plays, 42 yards, 3:41	10	7
THIRD QUARTER		
USA TD 5:41 Jalen Tolbert 60 Yd pass from Cephus Johnson (Frankie Onate Kick)		
3 plays, 80 yards, 0:42	10	14
FOURTH QUARTER		
USA FG 4:24 Frankie Onate 45 Yd Field Goal		
5 plays, 46 yards, 1:58	10	17
GASO TD 0:20 Wesley Kennedy III 1 Yd Run (Tyler Bass Kick)		
8 plays, 65 yards, 4:04	17	17
SECOND OVERTIME		
GASO FG Tyler Bass 37 Yd Field Goal		
4 plays, 6 yards	20	17

Team Stats	GASO	USA
First Downs	22	4
Passes for First	4	3
Rushes for First	18	1
Penalties for First	0	0
Third Down Efficiency	5-18	0-10
Fourth Down Efficiency	1-1	0-0
Total Yards	388	247
Total Plays	83	39
Avg Gain Per Play	4.7	6.3
Net Yards Rushing	310	53
Rushes	66	24
Yards Per Rush	4.7	2.2
Net Yards Passing	78	194
Comp-Att	9-17	8-15
Yards Per Pass	4.6	12.9
Times Sacked	2	1
Yds Lost To Sacks	-6	-9
Interceptions	0	0
Punts	8	8
Punt Average	39.1	44.6
Penalties	5	4
Penalty Yards	35	25
Fumbles	2	1
Fumbles Lost	0	1
Time of Poss	40:38	19:22

Individual Stats

RUSHING

GEORGIA SOUTHERN	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Shai Werts	20	102	5.1	0	23
J.D. King	22	72	3.3	1	9
Wesley Kennedy III	8	52	6.5	1	19
Logan Wright	7	46	6.6	0	13
Matt LaRoche	8	36	4.5	0	16
NaJee Thompson	1	2	2.0	0	2
SOUTH ALABAMA	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Tra Minter	17	45	2.6	0	20
Cephus Johnson	2	7	3.5	0	14
Kawaan Baker	1	2	2.0	0	2
Desmond Trotter	1	2	2.0	0	2
Jared Wilson	2	-1	-0.5	0	0
Team	1	-2	-2.0	0	0

PASSING

GEORGIA SOUTHERN	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Shai Werts	9	17	78	4.6	0	0	25.6
SOUTH ALABAMA	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Cephus Johnson	8	15	194	12.9	2	0	38.3

RECEIVING

GEORGIA SOUTHERN	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Malik Murray	4	27	6.8	0	14
Wesley Kennedy III	1	24	24.0	0	24
Colby Ransom	1	10	10.0	0	10
Mark Michaud	1	9	9.0	0	9
Khaleb Hood	1	9	9.0	0	9
Logan Wright	1	-1	-1.0	0	0
SOUTH ALABAMA	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Kawaan Baker	4	126	31.5	1	75
Jalen Tolbert	1	60	60.0	1	60
Tra Minter	3	8	2.7	0	4