2015 BASEBALL REVIEW

Team Highlights

- In Kevin O’Sullivan’s eighth season at the helm, the Gators (52-18) advanced to the NCAA College World Series for the fourth time in six seasons and were one victory shy of the CWS Finals.


- UF reached the 50-win plateau for the second time in O’Sullivan’s tenure and for the fourth time in school history. Its 52 wins were the second-highest total for the program (53 in 2011).

- The Gators have been a national seed in six of the past seven seasons (No. 8 in 2009, No. 3 in 2010, No. 2 in 2011, No. 1 in 2012, No. 2 in 2014, No. 4 in 2015) – the most national seeds in the country in that span.

- Florida set a school record with a .984 fielding percentage, the second-best clip in NCAA history.

- For the first time in school history, the Orange and Blue ended the season at the helm, the Gators (52-18) at McKethan Stadium by knocking off Florida Atlantic (2-1).

- During the CWS. He set a Gator postseason and batted .333 (6-for-18) with a run scored versus Vanderbilt, was chosen as the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament Championship with a 7-3 victory over No. 9 Vanderbilt. It was the squad’s first crown since 2011 and it defeated the defending national champions three times in four meetings during the season.

- After dropping a 7-6 decision to No. 24 Arkansas in the SEC Tournament, the Gators reeled off four consecutive wins over Auburn (11-2), No. 24 Arkansas (10-0 in 7 innings), No. 1 LSU (2-1) and No. 9 Vanderbilt (7-3). The Tigers and Commodores were the top two seeds at the event.

- Freshman JJ Schwarz, who went 2-for-5 with a run scored versus Vanderbilt, was chosen as the Most Valuable Player of the SEC Tourney after batting .526 (10-for-19) over the five games, with six RBI, five runs and three doubles. He joined Gator winners Rich Bombard (Pitcher, 1982), Brian Reimsnyder (Outfielder, 1988), Herbert Perry (Designated Hitter, 1991), Brian Purvis (Outfielder, 1991) and Daniel Pigott (Outfielder, 2011).

- The NCBWA Freshman Hitter of the Year, Schwarz was 28-for-57 (.491) with 23 runs and 19 RBI during the postseason and batted .333 (6-for-18) during the CWS. He set a Gator freshman record with 18 homers, including a school-record four round-trippers versus Stetson on April 7, and led the club with 73 RBI.
Individual Highlights

- Mike Rivera, Fr., C/DH
- Buddy Reed, So., OF
- Taylor Lewis, Jr., RHP
- Dalton Guthrie, Fr., 2B
- Harrison Bader, Jr., OF
- JJ Schwarz, Jr.

Statistical Leaders

- At Bats: Dalton Guthrie (282)
- Runs Scored: Richie Martin (63)
- Hits: Buddy Reed (86)
- Doubles: Harrison Bader (16)
- Triples: Buddy Reed (5)
- Home Runs: JJ Schwarz (16)
- Runs Batted In: JJ Schwarz (16)
- Slugging Percentage: JJ Schwarz (0.629)
- Bases on Balls: Richie Martin (35)
- Hit by Pitch: Richie Martin (16)
- On-base Percentage: Richie Martin (0.408)
- Sacrifice Flies: JJ Schwarz (6)
- Sacrifice Hits: Richie Martin (7)
- Stolen Bases: Richie Martin (10)
- Putouts: Peter Alonso (329)
- Assists: Richie Martin (190)
- Earned Run Average: Taylor Lewis (1.33)
- Wins: Logan Shore (11)
- Appearances: Taylor Lewis (31)
- Games Started: Logan Shore (19)
- Complete Games: Logan Shore (2)
- Saves: Taylor Lewis (7)
- Innings Pitched: Logan Shore (112.1)
- Hits Allowed: Logan Shore (97)
- Earned Runs Allowed: Logan Shore (34)
- Bases on Balls: A.J. Puk (35)
- Allowed Strikeouts: A.J. Puk (104)
- Opponent B.A.: A.J. Puk (210)

Sighnes

- Trophy Bacon: Tampa, Fla.
- Hunter Bowling: Lake Worth, Fla.
- Michael Byrne: Orlando, Fla.
- Eddy Demurias: Miami, Fla.
- MacGregor Hines: College Station, Texas
- Jonathan India: Coral Springs, Fla.
- Jackson Kowar: Weddington, N.C.
- Deacon Liput: Oviedo, Fla.
- Nelson Maldonado: Tampa, Fla.
- Blake Reese: Tallahassee, Fla.
- Daniel Reyes: Miami Springs, Fla.
- Brady Singer: Leesburg, Fla.
- Thomas Szapucki: Palm Beach, Fla.
- Tyler Tucker: Tampa, Fla.
- Jake Woodford: Tampa, Fla.

Schedule & Results

Overall: 52-18 Home: 33-6 Away: 11-8
Neutral: 8-4 SEC (4th): 19-11

- Feb. 19: vs. Rhode Island W, 3-1
- Feb. 15: vs. Rhode Island (SEC +) W, 6-1
- Feb. 18: at USF W, 13-3
- Feb. 21: at Miami (FL) (SEC) L, 2-7
- Feb. 24: vs. FAU (Jupiter) W, 10-8
- Feb. 27: vs. Stony Brook W, 1-0
- Feb. 28: vs. Stony Brook W, 14-3
- Mar. 1: vs. Stony Brook W, 6-2
- Mar. 3: vs. UCF L, 3-4
- Mar. 4: vs. UCF (SEC +) W, 10-2
- Mar. 6: vs. Maine (SEC +) W, 5-0
- Mar. 7: vs. Maine (SEC +) W, 6-1
- Mar. 8: vs. Maine (SEC +) W, 5-3
- Mar. 9: vs. Maine (SEC +) W, 8-0
- Mar. 11: vs. Fairleigh Dickinson W, 6-1
- Mar. 15: vs. Tennessee (SEC +) W, 9-4
- Mar. 17: vs. Florida State (SEC) W, 14-8
- Mar. 18: vs. Ole Miss (SEC +) L, 1-4
- Mar. 21: vs. Ole Miss (SEC +) W, 8-4
- Mar. 24: vs. Stetson W, 9-6
- Mar. 25: vs. Alabama (SEC) L, 12-9 (10)
- Mar. 27: vs. Alabama (SEC +) W, 8-1
- Mar. 29: vs. Alabama (SEC +) W, 7-4
- Mar. 31: vs. Florida State (Jacksonville) L, 3-8
- Apr. 3: vs. Missouri (SEC +) W, 5-1
- Apr. 4: vs. Missouri (SEC +) L, 1-10
- Apr. 5: vs. Missouri (SEC +) W, 7-2
- Apr. 7: vs. Stetson (SEC +) W, 22-2
- Apr. 10: vs. South Carolina (SEC +) W, 14-3
- Apr. 11: vs. South Carolina (SEC) W, 12-5
- Apr. 14: vs. Florida State (ESPN3) L, 3-4 (12)
- Apr. 17: vs. Mississippi State (SEC +) W, 6-3
- Apr. 18: vs. Mississippi State (SEC) W, 2-1
- Apr. 21: vs. Bethune-Cookman W, 2-1
- Apr. 24: vs. Kentucky (SEC +) L, 0-3
- Apr. 25: vs. Kentucky (SEC +) L, 6-7
- Apr. 26: vs. Kentucky (SEC +) L, 10-1
- May 1: vs. Georgia (SEC +) L, 1-11
- May 2: vs. Georgia (ESPNU) W, 3-2
- May 3: vs. Georgia (SEC) W, 7-4
- May 5: vs. USF W, 5-1
- May 7: vs. Vanderbilt (ESPNU) L, 0-2
- May 8: vs. Vanderbilt (SEC) W, 7-3
- May 9: vs. Vanderbilt (SEC) W, 9-7 (10)
- May 14: vs. Auburn (SEC +) W, 1-4
- May 15: vs. Auburn (SEC +) W, 4-3
- May 16: vs. Auburn (SEC +) W, 3-1
- May 20: vs. Arkansas (SEC) L, 6-7
- May 23: vs. LSU (SEC) W, 2-1
- May 24: vs. Vanderbilt (ESPNU) W, 7-3
- May 29: vs. Florida A&M (SEC) W, 19-0
- May 31: FAU (SEC) W, 2-1
- June 6: vs. Florida State (ESPNU) W, 11-4
- June 15: vs. Virginia (ESPNU) L, 0-1
- June 17: vs. Miami (FL) (ESPNU) W, 10-2
- June 19: vs. Virginia (ESPNU) W, 10-5
- June 20: vs. Virginia (ESPNU) L, 4-5

*SEC Game; +SEC Network in Round; SEC Network in Regular Season; ESPNU/ESPN3/ESPN/ESPN2/ESPN3/ESPN+; ESPNU Family of Networks; @-SEC Tournament (Hoover, Ala.); %=NCAA Gainesville Regional; *-=NCAA Gainesville Super Regional; $=NCAA College World Series (Omaha, NE)