

Wainright Shuts Down Eagles on Senior Day

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Senior Caitlin Wainright held Georgia Southern scoreless to give Appalachian State University softball a 3-2 victory on Senior Day Sunday afternoon at Sywassink/Lloyd Family Stadium. Mountaineers

(18-21, 8-11 SoCon) gave the Eagles (31-16, 16-2 SoCon) their second conference setback of the season. Wainright threw four and two thirds scoreless innings and only allowed two hits and two walks with two strikeouts. The Greenville, N.C. native ended the weekend with out giving up a run and only allowing five hits to the first-place Eagles.

GSU's Brooke Red suffered her first loss of the season (10-1) and gave up three runs on four hits in three and a third innings. Appalachian State didn't waste anytime to jump out an early lead. Freshman Sarah Warnock led off the Apps first inning with a double to center field and moved to third on a sacrifice bunt by senior Megan Rembielak. Junior Meghan Smith blasted a two-run home run to give the Mountaineers a 2-0 lead.

Georgia Southern scored two runs of its own in the third inning on a two-run home run by Marie Fogle. ASU's Riley Carter day ended after the home run in the two and a third innings of work and was relieved by Wainright. For the second straight day Allie Cashion led off an inning with a solo home run and her solo bomb in the bottom of the fourth gave Appalachian a 3-2 lead.

The Eagles gave the Mountaineers a scare in the top of the seventh when Hanna Ennis ripped a two-out double off the right field fence but Wainright put the game away the very next batter to earn her fifth win of the season. Smith and Warnock lead the Mountaineers' offense with a pair of hits apiece and seniors Rembielak and Michelle Lighton each recorded a hit in their final regular season game at Sywassink/Lloyd Stadium.

The Mountaineers return to action on Wednesday when they travel to Tennessee Tech for non-conference doubleheader at 3 p.m.

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