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SJR State softball routs South Georgia in doubleheader sweep

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St. Johns River State College's softball team found a team that cured its ills on Saturday.

The Vikings ended a five-game losing streak by taking down South Georgia State in decisive manner, winning 17-0 in the first game before taking the nightcap, 11-3.

"We worked on timing a lot," Vikings coach Marti Littlefield said after the Vikings improved to 7-13.

"Mostly, though, we did a lot of hitting drills. We did a lot of reps in field drills. And they looked good."

The Vikings were playing a Lady Hawks team that suited up just 10 players for the twinbill in Douglas, Ga.

In the opener, Breanna Cefaliello set the tone with a three-run home run in the first inning, then Madison McAllister crushed a grand slam in a nine-run second inning that saw the Vikings up 13-0. McAllister finished

3-for-3 with three runs scored and four RBI, while Kaylee Anthony was 3-for-3 with two runs and four RBI. Palatka High product Kendall Moody was 2-for-4 with three runs scored and two RBI, and Breanna Holley finished 2-for-2 with a run and an RBI. Getting one hit each was Ashley Kirkbride, Brianna Clapper, Cali Madonna, Janelle Pagan and Cefaliello.

Winning pitcher Syhia Marks went the distance on a two-hitter,

walking none and striking out five.

The second game saw McAllister continue her hot hitting, going 3-for-5 with three RBI, while Moody finished 2-for-4 with two runs and an RBI, Anthony was 2-for-4 with a run and two RBI, Holley finished 2-for-4 with two runs and an RBI and Pagan ended up 2-for-2 with a run scored. Cefaliello had a hit and a run.

Amanda Jessel went three innings for the win, walking two, striking out two and allowing four hits.