CLINT EASTWOOD DRIVES COACH POSTAL

Randall's Island—Mr. Dirty Harry himself made an appearance at the DEMONS GATORS game today at Randalls Island. The fans were treated to **The Good, the Bad and the Ugly,** by The GATORS. So close to Manhattan Psychiatric Center the GATORS again witnessed the midseason return of **Old Yeller** as Coach went all ***Eddie Antar*** when The GATORS could not do the basics like throw and catch the ball..*INSAAAANE!!!* The Good: GATORS scored 14 runs. The Bad: 6 counted for The DEMONS. The UGLY: What is going on with that beard, Coach? Having already beaten The DEMONS in preseason The Gators were confident this matchup would go about the same. The DEMONS again led early. So with the men in white coats standing by with a size 48 long straight jacket, The GATORS did enough right, in the last inning to rally and defeat The DEMONS 8-6.

The Wrap-Up—With LHP **Rufus Knuppel** unavailable this weekend, The GATORS had to go even deeper into their bullpen. RHP **Bodee Bacal** was given the start and did a terrific job despite some suspect defense behind him. In the top of the first Bacal recorded two strikeouts for outs 1 and 3. These were sandwiched around a putout by SS **Josh Lee** on a pop-up. So even with some of the aforementioned unsteady defense The GATORS only spotted The DEMONS a three run lead.
Bottom of the inning Lee gets on via the base on balls and steals second. **Max Rievman** executes the first of three consecutive sacrifices. Rievman doing his job perfectly as the number 2 hitter as each sacrifice directly contributed to an important GATORS run. Rievman gives himself up as Lee gets down to third. Playing the small ball game well **Nolan Beatty** singles home Lee for the only GATORS run in the inning. After one complete DEMONS lead 3-1.

Top second and RHP Bacal retires the first two batters on strikeouts. RHP Bacal having reached his max pitch count, gives way to first year GATOR RHP **Josh Luo.** RHP Luo seeing his first action this season in relief got the benefit of a caught stealing as C Beatty gunned down the runner at second, throwing a strike to SS Lee covering who made the tag for out number three. But The DEMONS did get another run and now lead 4-1.
GATORS turn. **Dean Hauser** reaches on a walk and steals two bases to put himself on third. Luo draws a walk and is followed by **Harlan Auerbach** who gets the third consecutive walk and the bases are loaded. Lee singles and scores Hauser as Luo and Auerbach each move up. Rievman gets an RBI on a sacrifice fly as Luo tags up and scores from third and Auerbach alertly goes in to 3B. **Christopher John** singles

and plates Auerbach and Lee to give The GATORS the lead 5-4. Beatty comes to the plate with John at second after a steal. Beatty singles again and scores John, hustling all the way from second base to give the GATORS a 6-4 lead at the end of 2.

Surely now with the lead the pitching and defense would start to put this one in the rear view mirror. But somehow The GATORS could no longer do the simplest thing like throw the ball and catch the ball and gave The DEMONS another 2 cheap runs. RHP Luo was still pitching just fine recording the first and last outs again by strikeouts. 2B **Gideon Glick** snagged a grounder and threw to 1B Beatty for the other out. But Coach nearly swallowed his clipboard watching his GATORS make like ***Mackey Sasser*** and ***Steve Sax***. The GATORS treated every throw as if ***Phil Niekro*** had thrown it, and these are just balls back to the pitcher. Can anyone say Point of Emphasis?
Bottom third. The DEMONS go to their bullpen for their closer RHP **Parker Goodman.** Goodman comes out throwing heat and gets the first two GATORS on strikeouts. Luo gets on for The GATORS with a base on balls. Glick singles and there is nothing else, GATORS DEMONS all tied at six.

Top four and again its time for ***Metallica,*** **Enter Sandman.** Even though not a save situation, The GATORS go to their closer, RHP Lee. With no more Tums in sight Coach wants to end all this foolishness. RHP Lee does his part striking out the first two DEMONS easily. When Demon **Jeremy Rosenbluth** tried to bunt his way on, an alert Lee pounced on the ball and threw to 1B Beatty for The GATORS one and only 1-2-3 inning.
With the clock now ticking down The GATORS would have to score now or hope for another quick inning to bat again. With one out Lee reaches on a single and steals second. Rievman again gives himself up to the right side to move Lee, the go ahead run to third base. John at the plate and the clock on the border of "do we play another inning" is down to his last strike. John delivers a tremendous line drive to left field to push Lee across and give the GATORS the late lead. Beatty having a big day is now at the plate. Beatty singles to put runners on the corners and it looks as if time will run out on The DEMONS. Things go from bad to worse for the DEMONS as RHP Goodman pulls himself from the game with an arm issue. The GATORS take advantage as Bacal walks to load the bases for **Jack Zgodny.** Zgodny walks and gets an RBI as John crosses the plate with run number 8. The DEMONS fate is sealed as the GATORS win 8-6 in 4.

Notes

- The Disabled List again featured some GATORS as **Cameron Drew** and **Isamu Sims** joined the aforementioned (have I used that word twice already?) Knuppel as unavailables.
- Seen at the game Former GATORS father and son – **John** and **Brett Beaman**.