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Ohio State at Ferris State

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2000-2001 Schedule/Results

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
10/7	Waterloo (Ont.)#	W 3-0
10/13	at St. Cloud State	L 1-3
10/14	at St. Cloud State	T 3-3 OT
10/20	Northern Michigan*	L 3-4 OT
10/21	Northern Michigan*	T 1-1 OT
10/27	at Nebraska Omaha*	L 4-7
10/28	at Nebraska Omaha*	L 3-7
11/3	Colgate	W 5-4
11/4	Colgate	W 3-1
11/10	at Michigan*	L 1-4
11/11	Michigan*	W 5-4
11/24	at Western Michigan*	L 1-3
11/25	at Western Michigan*	L 4-7
12/1	Ohio State*	7:05 p.m.
12/2	Ohio State*	7:05 p.m.
12/8	Michigan State*	7:05 p.m.
12/9	at Michigan State*	7:05 p.m.
12/15	Findlay	7:05 p.m.
12/16	Findlay	7:05 p.m.
12/29	Providence@	6:35 p.m.
12/30	Denver or Air Force@	6:05/9:05 p.m.
1/5	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
1/6	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
1/12	Miami (Ohio)*	7:05 p.m.
1/13	Miami (Ohio)*	7:05 p.m.
1/19	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
1/20	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
2/2	Alaska Fairbanks*	7:05 p.m.
2/3	Alaska Fairbanks*	7:05 p.m.
2/9	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/10	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/16	Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
2/17	Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
2/23	Nebraska Omaha*	7:05 p.m.
2/24	Nebraska Omaha*	7:05 p.m.
3/2	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/3	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/9-11	CCHA Tournament 1st Rd.	TBA
3/13	CCHA Tournament Play-In	TBA
3/16	CCHA Tournament Semifinals	TBA
3/17	CCHA Tournament Championship	7:35 p.m.
3/23-24	NCAA East Regional&	TBA
3/24-25	NCAA West Regional+	TBA
4/5	NCAA Frozen Four Semifinals^	TBA
4/7	NCAA Frozen Four Championships^	7 p.m.

All times Eastern; home games in bold

* - Central Collegiate Hockey Association game

- Exhibition

@ - Wells Fargo Denver (Colo.) Cup Tournament

& - Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)

+ - Grand Rapids, Mich. (Van Andel Arena)

^ - Albany, N.Y. (Pepsi Arena)

FSU Hosts Ohio State This Weekend; Plays Five of Next Six Games At Home

THIS WEEK: The Ferris State University men's ice hockey team, which plays five of its next six contests at home, entertains the Ohio State University Buckeyes this weekend (Dec. 1-2) in Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) action at Big Rapids, Mich.

FACEOFF/ARENA: Friday and Saturday - 7:05 p.m. (EST)/R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (2,457).

THE BROADCAST: This weekend's home series vs. Ohio State can be heard live on WBRN-AM (1460). Both games can be accessed through Ferris State's official athletics website at www.ferris.edu/htmls/sports then click on the BroadcastAMERICA.com icon.

FSU TICKET INFORMATION: Tickets for all 2000-2001 FSU home games are available by contacting the Ewigleben Arena Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888. Office hours are Monday thru Friday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST) and Saturday (home games only) - 12 to 5 p.m. (EST)

THE RECORDS: Ferris State is presently 3-7-2 overall and 1-6-1 in the CCHA as a result of dropping a road league series to nationally-ranked Western Michigan last weekend (Nov. 24-25) at WMU's Lawson Ice Arena in Kalamazoo, Mich. The Broncos claimed a 3-1 win in last Friday's (Nov. 24) series opener and then notched a 7-4 victory in Saturday's (Nov. 25) rematch between the teams. FSU sports a 3-1-1 home record to date this season. Ferris State registered a 21-16-2 overall record last season while finishing sixth for the second straight season in the CCHA with a 13-13-2 mark. The 20-plus season win total marked the first time since 1992-93 that the Bulldogs had won at least 20 games.

Ohio State has compiled a current 7-4-0 overall record, which includes a 5-3-0 mark in the CCHA. The Buckeyes, who host the Findlay (Ohio) Oilers in a home non-league contest this Tuesday (Nov. 28) at OSU's Value City Arena in Columbus, Ohio, split a home league series with Bowling Green State two weeks ago (Nov. 18-19). OSU dropped a 5-2 decision in the opener (Nov. 18) before posting a 5-4 triumph in the series' finale (Nov. 19). The Buckeyes have won three of their last four outings and are 4-2-0 in road games

this year.

HEAD COACH BOB DANIELS: Bob Daniels is in his ninth year at Ferris State this season, the longest tenure of any Bulldog hockey coach. The sixth head coach in the program's history, Daniels became FSU's winningest coach on March 4, 2000, in a 7-0 regular-season finale win at Western Michigan to surpass the program's inaugural coach Rick Duffett (1975-82; 119-83-7). In the last eight seasons, Daniels is tops among all-time FSU coaches in CCHA wins (89) and CCHA Tourney victories (five).

THE COACHES: Ferris State - Bob Daniels (Michigan State, 1982), 9th season, 124-164-28 (.437) - (9-16-1 vs. Ohio State; Home-6-5-1; Away-3-10-0; Neutral-0-1-0).

Ohio State - John Markell (Bowling Green State, 1979), 6th season, 92-103-17 (.474) - (13-6-0 vs. Ferris State).

COACH DANIELS ON THIS WEEKEND: "We're at a point right now where we're trying to find some consistency in our game. We obviously know every league point is important and we must start winning some league games right now. Ohio State has a very talented team so we better be ready to come and play."

THE SERIES: Ferris State and Ohio State will square off for the 83rd and 84th meeting this weekend with OSU having a 45-28-9 series advantage. The two teams split last season's (Feb. 18-19) series at Big Rapids with the Buckeyes posting a 2-1 victory in the opener before Ferris came back to register a 4-3 triumph in the finale. The Bulldogs are 18-17-2 at home, 10-27-7 on the road and 0-1-0 at neutral sites versus OSU. FSU's top career points leaders are Kevin Swider and Rob Collins (2-3-5). Phil Osaer (1-1-0, 1.16 GAA, .943sv%) and Vince Owen (1-7-0, 3.83, .867) have been in goal against the Buckeyes.

ABOUT OHIO STATE: The Buckeyes are led offensively by senior forward Jean-Francois Dufour (6-5-11) and freshman center R.J. Umberger (4-5-9). Frosh goaltender Mike Betz, who ranks 16th this week among the nation's top netminders, has compiled a 7-4-0 record in net to go along with a 2.32 goals against average and a .923 saves percentage. OSU ranks 16th nationally penalty killing (85.2%) and 18th in scoring defense (2.55).

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2000-2001 CCHA STANDINGS



	CONFERENCE					OVERALL						
	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	W	L	T	GF	GA
1. Michigan State	9	7	1	1	15	28	11	9	1	2	37	18
2. Northern Michigan	12	5	4	3	13	33	32	7	4	4	51	39
3. Michigan	9	6	3	0	12	37	20	10	3	2	59	35
Western Michigan	7	5	0	2	12	39	21	10	1	2	66	38
5. Ohio State	8	5	3	0	10	25	23	7	4	0	32	28
6. Miami (Ohio)	8	4	3	1	9	25	23	7	5	2	43	44
Alaska Fairbanks	10	3	4	3	9	27	37	3	6	3	30	43
8. Bowling Green State	10	2	5	3	7	27	31	2	7	3	27	36
9. Nebraska Omaha	8	3	5	0	6	26	30	6	8	0	38	42
Lake Superior State	11	3	8	0	6	24	44	6	10	0	39	59
11. Notre Dame	6	1	3	2	4	13	17	3	7	3	34	46
12. Ferris State	8	1	6	1	3	22	37	3	7	2	34	48

RESULTS LAST WEEK

Tuesday, November 21

at Michigan State 5, Lake Superior State 0*

Thursday, November 23

College Hockey Showcase

Michigan 3, at Wisconsin 2

Friday, November 24

at Western Michigan 3, Ferris State 1*

at Alaska Fairbanks 2, Bowling Green State 2 OT*

at Miami (Ohio) 3, Lake Superior State 2*

Northern Michigan 3, at Notre Dame 1*

at Merrimack 2, Nebraska Omaha 0

College Hockey Showcase

Michigan State 3, at Minnesota 2

Saturday, November 25

at Western Michigan 7, Ferris State 4*

at Alaska Fairbanks 3, Bowling Green State 2*

at Miami (Ohio) 6, Lake Superior State 2*

at Merrimack 2, Nebraska Omaha 1

Northern Michigan 3, at Notre Dame 3 OT*

College Hockey Showcase

Michigan 4, at Minnesota 1

Sunday, November 26

College Hockey Showcase

Michigan State 6, at Wisconsin 2

GAMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday, November 28

Findlay at Ohio State, 7:35 p.m.

Friday, December 1

Ohio State at Ferris State*, 7:05 p.m.

Alaska Fairbanks at Nebraska Omaha*, 8:05 p.m.

Notre Dame at Lake Superior State*

Miami (Ohio) at Western Michigan*

Michigan at Northern Michigan*

Michigan State at Bowling Green State*

Saturday, December 2

Ohio State at Ferris State*, 7:05 p.m.

Alaska Fairbanks at Nebraska Omaha*, 8:05 p.m.

Notre Dame at Lake Superior State*

Miami (Ohio) at Western Michigan*

Michigan at Northern Michigan*

Michigan State at Bowling Green State*

All times are Eastern

* - CCHA Game

BULLDOGS OF THE GAME: After each contest, one Ferris State player will be named Bulldog of the Game by the FSU coaching staff. Below is a compilation of the recipients to date.

DATE/OPP.	PLAYER	NOTES
Oct. 13 at SCSU	Kevin Swider	1-0-1
Oct. 14 at SCSU	Rob Collins	2-0-2
Oct. 20 vs. NMU	Kevin Swider	1-1-2
Oct. 21 vs. NMU	Chris Kunitz	1-0-1
Oct. 27 at UNO	Josh Bowers	2-0-2
Oct. 28 at UNO	Phil Meyer	1-0-1
Nov. 3 vs. Colgate	Kevin Swider	2-1-3
Nov. 4 vs. Colgate	Scott Lewis	1-0-1
Nov. 10 at Michigan	Chris Kunitz	1-0-1
Nov. 11 vs. Michigan	Rob Collins	1-1-2
Nov. 24 at WMU	Phil Osaer	16 saves
Nov. 25 at WMU	Josh Bowers	1-1-2
Dec. 1 vs. OSU		
Dec. 2 vs. OSU		
Dec. 8 vs. MSU		
Dec. 9 at MSU		
Dec. 15 vs. Findlay		
Dec. 16 vs. Findlay		
Dec. 29 vs. Providence		
Dec. 30 vs. Air Force/Denver		
Jan. 5 at N. Dame		
Jan. 6 at N. Dame		
Jan. 12 at Miami		
Jan. 13 at Miami		
Jan. 19 at UAF		
Jan. 20 at UAF		
Feb. 2 vs. UAF		
Feb. 3 vs. UAF		
Feb. 9 at LSSU		
Feb. 10 at LSSU		
Feb. 16 vs. BGSU		
Feb. 17 vs. BGSU		
Feb. 23 vs. UNO		
Feb. 24 vs. UNO		
Mar. 2 at BGSU		

BULLDOG BITES: Senior center **Kevin Swider (Livonia)**, who has recorded 106 career points (46-60-106) in 122 outings, is 14 points shy of moving into a 17th-place tie with Dean Cowling



(1985-89; 51-69-120) on the school's all-time scoring list.

Junior goaltender **Phil Osaer (Livonia)** returned to action last Friday at Western Michigan, recording 16 saves in a 3-1 loss. The contest represented Osaer's first since suffering an injury at St. Cloud State (10/14) in the

Bulldogs' regular-season opening series. . . Senior netminder **Vince Owen (Thompson, Man.)** is 19 saves away from tying Craig Lisko (1990-94; 2,165 career saves) for third place on FSU's career saves list. Owen has totaled 2,146 career saves in 95 contests. . . FSU's top forward line of sophomore left wing **Chris Kunitz (Regina, Sask.)**, **Swider** and junior right wing **Rob Collins (Kitchener, Ont.)** have accounted for 42.7% (35-of-82) of the Bulldogs' total points production this season. The trio have compiled 52.9% (18-of-34) of the team's goal scoring this campaign. . . The Bulldogs are 3-1-1 this season when leading after two periods and 0-5-0 when trailing.

LAST WEEK: The following are FSU's game summaries from last weekend's league road series at Western Michigan.

November 24, 2000 - at Lawson Ice Arena (2,310)

Ferris State	1	0	0	--	1
Western Michigan	0	2	1	--	3

1st: FS-Lightfoot (1) (Unassisted); SHG; 7:46

2nd: WM-Bishai (6) (Cousineau, Campbell); PPG; 0:15

WM-Bishai (7) (Rymsha, Gove); 13:17

3rd: WM-Rumble (4) (Unassisted); 15:22

Penalties: FS 10-20, WM 9-18

Power Plays: FS 0-6, WM 1-6

Saves: FS-Osaer (5-8-3-16); 59:07

WM-Reynaert (10-6-9-25); 60:00

Referee-Stephen McInchak

Asst. Refs-Friedman, Vida

November 25, 2000 - at Lawson Ice Arena (2,236)

Ferris State	3	1	0	--	4
Western Michigan	2	2	3	--	7

1st: FS-Lewandowski (2) (Bowers, Smith); 0:52

WM-Cousineau (1) (Bishai, Rymsha); 5:49

WM-Gove (14) (Bishai, Campbell); PPG; 11:01

FS-Milam (1) (Lewis, Lightfoot); 13:44

FS-Bowers (4) (Milam, Lewandowski); 19:33

2nd: FS-Collins (6) (Kunitz); 0:36

WM-Bishai (8) (Rymsha, Campbell); PPG; 3:19

WM-Campbell (10) (Bishai, Cousineau); SHG; 11:03

3rd: WM-Lattery (6) (Crane, Rumble); 0:15

WM-Drake (1) (Kline, Mills); 8:29

WM-Gove (15) (Campbell, Cousineau); PPG; 9:48

Penalties: FS 7-17, WM 7-14

Power Plays: FS 0-7, WM 3-7

Saves: FS-Owen (7-9-8-24); 60:00

WM-Reynaert (10-4-6-20); 60:00

Referee-Stephen McInchak

Asst. Refs-Friedman, Vida

UP NEXT: Ferris State takes on the nationally-ranked Michigan State Spartans next weekend, Dec. 8-9, in a home-and-home series. FSU hosts the Spartans on Friday, Dec. 8, at FSU's Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. Starting time is slated for 7:05 p.m. (EST). On Saturday, Dec. 9, the Bulldogs travel to East Lansing, Mich., for a 7:05 p.m. (EST) rematch with Michigan State at MSU's Munn Ice Arena.