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CCHA TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND
FERRIS STATE AT ALASKA FAIRBANKS
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2001-02 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
10/3	Waterloo (Ont.)#	W 5-1
10/12	at Wayne State	W 5-2
10/13	at Wayne State	W 5-0
10/20	at Michigan State*	L 0-2
10/26	Miami (Ohio)*	L 4-5
10/27	Miami (Ohio)*	L 2-3
11/2	Lake Superior State*	W 2-0
11/3	Lake Superior State*	W 6-2
11/9	at Notre Dame*	L 2-5
11/10	at Notre Dame*	T 3-3 OT
11/16	Alaska Fairbanks*	W 4-1
11/17	Alaska Fairbanks*	W 4-1
11/23	at Nebraska-Omaha*	W 7-2
11/24	at Nebraska-Omaha*	L 2-5
11/30	Michigan*	L 4-5
12/1	at Michigan*	L 1-6
12/14	Ohio State*	W 5-2
12/15	Ohio State*	W 3-2
12/28	Minnesota◆	L 2-3
12/29	Western Michigan◆	L 3-6
1/11	at Miami (Ohio)*	L 0-1
1/12	at Miami (Ohio)*	W 2-0
1/15	Michigan State*	L 2-3
1/25	Bemidji State	W 7-0
1/26	Bemidji State	L 5-7
2/1	at Northern Michigan*	L 4-6
2/2	at Northern Michigan*	W 4-1
2/8	Bowling Green State*	W 5-2
2/9	Bowling Green State*	W 6-3
2/15	at Ohio State*	L 2-5
2/16	at Ohio State*	L 3-4
2/22	at Western Michigan*	L 3-5
2/23	Western Michigan*	L 3-5
3/1	Michigan State*	W 3-2
3/2	at Michigan State*	L 0-2
3/8	at Alaska Fairbanks◆	11:05 p.m.
3/9	at Alaska Fairbanks◆	11:05 p.m.
3/10	at Alaska Fairbanks◆	7:05 p.m.
3/15	CCHA Tournament Quarterfinals◆	TBA
3/16	CCHA Tournament Semifinals◆	5:05/8:35 p.m.
3/17	CCHA Tournament Championship◆	7:35 p.m.
3/22-23	NCAA West Regional▲	TBA
3/23-24	NCAA East 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
 ◆ – CCHA Tournament First Round
 ◆ – Mariucci Classic (Minneapolis, Minn.)
 ◆ – Detroit, Mich. (Joe Louis Arena)
 ▶ – Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)
 ▲ – Ann Arbor, Mich. (Yost Ice Arena)
 ★ – St. Paul, Minn. (Xcel Center)

FERRIS STATE VISITS ALASKA FAIRBANKS IN CCHA TOURNAMENT PLAY

THIS WEEK: The Ferris State University men's ice hockey team, which is seeded ninth, opens Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) Tournament First-Round action this weekend (March 8-10) against number fourth-seed the University of Alaska Fairbanks Nanooks in Fairbanks, Alaska. The top six seeds earn the right to host a first-round, best-of-three series.

FACEOFF/ARENA: Friday & Saturday – 11:05 p.m. (EST) and Sunday (if necessary) – 7:05 p.m. (EST)/Carlson Center (4,324).

THE RECORDS: Ferris State is presently 15-18-1 overall and 12-15-1 in the CCHA as a result of splitting a regular-season finale league series with nationally-ranked Michigan State last weekend (March 1-2). The Bulldogs posted a 3-2 victory over the Spartans last Friday (March 1) at FSU's Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids. Michigan State rallied to register a 2-0 triumph in Saturday's (March 2) rematch at MSU's Munn Ice Arena in East Lansing, Mich. The Bulldogs are 5-11-1 on the road, 10-6-0 at home, and 0-1-0 at neutral sites this season. ← Ferris State registered a 13-20-5 overall record last season while finishing eighth place in the CCHA with a 9-15-4 league mark. FSU was 8-6-4 at home, 4-13-1 on the road, and 1-1-0 at neutral sites a season ago.

Alaska Fairbanks, which is ranked 12th nationally by *U.S. College Hockey Online* this week, has notched a 20-11-3 overall record and is 15-10-3 in the CCHA. The Nanooks gained a split in a two-game non-league set against Alaska-Anchorage last weekend (March 1-2) at UAA's Sullivan Arena in Anchorage, Alaska. UAF suffered a 4-2 loss in last Friday's (March 1) opening game before notching a 3-1 victory in Saturday's (March 2) regular-season finale. The Nanooks, who are 6-1-1 in their last eight appearances, are 11-5-2 at home and 9-6-1 on the road this season. ← Alaska Fairbanks compiled a 9-19-8 overall record in the 2000-01 season, which included a 7-14-7 CCHA mark (ninth place tie).

HEAD COACH BOB DANIELS: The sixth coach in the program's history, Daniels became FSU's winningest coach following a 7-0 regular-season finale (3/4/00) win at Western Michigan to surpass the program's inaugural coach Rick Duffett (1975-82; 119-83-7). Daniels is first among Ferris' all-time coaches in CCHA wins

(110) and CCHA Tourney victories (five).

THE COACHES: Ferris State – **Bob Daniels** (Michigan State, 1982), 10th season, 149-195-32 (.439) – (16-9-1 vs. Alaska Fairbanks; Away–6-8-1; Home–10-1-0; Neutral–0-0-0).
Alaska Fairbanks – Guy Gadowsky (Colorado College, 1989), 3rd season, 35-55-14 (.404) – (1-7-0 vs. Ferris State).

ABOUT ALASKA FAIRBANKS: The Nanooks are led offensively by senior center Bobby Andrews (13-22–35), who's among 13 individuals with double-figure point totals. Sophomore forward Ryan Campbell (15-18–33) and sophomore left wing Cam Keith (13-20–33) are other top point getters. In goal are sophomore Preston McKay (12-6-1, 2.90 GAA, .905sv%) and junior Lance Mayes (8-5-2, 2.66 GAA, .907sv%).

IN THE CCHA TOURNAMENT: FSU has compiled a 10-36-3 all-time CCHA Tourney mark, which includes a 9-31-3 first-round record. The Bulldogs are 2-0-0 all-time versus Alaska Fairbanks in CCHA Tournament action after registering a quarterfinal-round sweep (3/12-13/93) in Big Rapids – 8-6 and 7-2.

SERIES INFORMATION: FSU leads 20-10-1
At Fairbanks: 6-8-1; **At Big Rapids:** 12-2-0;
Neutral: 2-0-0

Goals For/Against: 136 (4.39 gpg.)/93 (3.00 gpg.)
First Meeting: FSU 8, UAF 4* (1/11/85)
Last Meeting: FSU 4, UAF 1* (11/17/01)
Current Win Streak: FSU 5 (1/20/01-11/17/01)
Longest Win Streak: FSU 6 (12/14/97-2/12/00)
 UAF 2 (Twice)

Last Season: UAF 3, FSU 1 (1/19/01), FSU 3, UAF 2 (1/20/01); FSU 2, UAF 1* (2/2/01), FSU 4, UAF 1* (2/3/01)

This Season: FSU 4, UAF 1* (11/16/01); FSU 4, UAF 1* (11/17/01)

Top FSU Scorer: Rob Collins (5-4–9, 11 GP)
Series Notes: FSU has won 11 of the last 12 contests, including the last five to date.

* – Denotes home game

MONTH	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	TOTAL
OCTOBER	3-1-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-1-0
NOVEMBER	3-0-0	0-2-0	1-0-0	4-2-0
DECEMBER	0-0-0	1-1-0	1-0-0	2-1-0
JANUARY	4-1-0	1-3-0	0-0-0	5-4-0
FEBRUARY	2-0-0	2-2-1	0-0-0	4-2-1
MARCH	0-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0
TOTALS	12-2-0	6-8-1	2-0-0	20-10-1

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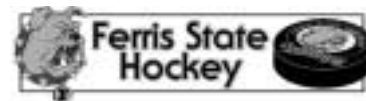
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2001-02 CCHA STANDINGS



	CONFERENCE							OVERALL				
	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	W	L	T	GF	GA
1. Michigan	28	19	5	4	42	97	56	22	9	5	127	85
2. Michigan State	28	18	6	4	40	87	47	24	7	5	117	62
3. Northern Michigan	28	16	10	2	34	86	69	23	11	2	122	92
4. Alaska Fairbanks	28	15	10	3	33	91	85	20	11	3	119	98
5. Nebraska-Omaha	28	13	11	4	30	72	64	20	14	4	107	96
6. Western Michigan	28	13	12	3	29	92	92	19	13	4	120	112
7. Ohio State	28	12	12	4	28	71	81	17	15	4	96	102
8. Notre Dame	28	12	12	4	28	95	86	14	15	5	110	105
9. Ferris State	28	12	15	1	25	86	83	15	18	1	113	101
10. Miami (Ohio)	28	9	17	2	20	68	88	12	20	2	86	112
11. Bowling Green State	28	7	18	3	17	78	104	9	23	6	98	137
12. Lake Superior State	28	4	22	2	10	38	106	7	25	2	55	121

RESULTS LAST WEEK

Monday, February 25

at Ohio State 4, Miami (Ohio) 1*

Thursday, February 28

at Nebraska-Omaha 4, Minnesota State, Mankato 2

Friday, March 1

at Ferris State 3, Michigan State 2*

at Notre Dame 4, Bowling Green State 3*
at Northern Michigan 3, Lake Superior State 1*
at Michigan 4, Western Michigan 2*
at Alaska-Anchorage 4, Alaska Fairbanks 2
at Miami (Ohio) 3, Ohio State 1*

Saturday, March 2

at Michigan State 2, Ferris State 0*

at Notre Dame 4, Bowling Green State 1*
Northern Michigan 5, at Lake Superior State 1*
Michigan 6, at Western Michigan 2*
at Minnesota State, Mankato 4, Nebraska-Omaha 3
Alaska Fairbanks 3, at Alaska-Anchorage 1

GAMES THIS WEEK

Friday, March 8

#9 Ferris State at #4 Alaska Fairbanks, 11:05 p.m.
#12 Lake Superior State at #1 Michigan, 7:35 p.m.
#11 Bowling Green State at #2 Michigan State
#10 Miami (Ohio) at #3 Northern Michigan
#8 Notre Dame at #5 Nebraska-Omaha, 8:05 p.m.
#7 Ohio State at #6 Western Michigan

Saturday, March 9

#9 Ferris State at #4 Alaska Fairbanks, 11:05 p.m.
#12 Lake Superior State at #1 Michigan
#11 Bowling Green State at #2 Michigan State
#10 Miami (Ohio) at #3 Northern Michigan
#8 Notre Dame at #5 Nebraska-Omaha, 8:05 p.m.
#7 Ohio State at #6 Western Michigan

Sunday, March 10 (Game Three, if necessary)

#9 Ferris State at #4 Alaska Fairbanks, 7:05 p.m.
#12 Lake Superior State at #1 Michigan, 7:35 p.m.

CCHA Game

All starting times are Eastern and 7:05 p.m. unless noted

BULLDOGS OF THE GAME: After each contest, a Ferris State player will be selected the Bulldog of the Game. Below is a compilation of the recipients to date.

DATE/OPP.	PLAYER	NOTES
Oct. 12 at Wayne St.	Rob Collins	1-2-3
Oct. 13 at Wayne St.	John DeCaro	23 saves
Oct. 20 at Mich. St.	Mike Brown	38 saves
Oct. 26 vs. Miami	Chris Kunitz	2-1-3, +2
Oct. 27 vs. Miami	Kristian Schroder	0-1-1, +2
Nov. 2 vs. LSSU	Rob Collins	2-0-2, +2
Nov. 3 vs. LSSU	Rob Collins	2-3-5, +5
Nov. 9 at N. Dame	Chris Kunitz	1-0-1, +1
Nov. 10 at N. Dame	Chris Kunitz	1-1-2, +1
Nov. 16 vs. UAF	Simon Mangos	2-0-2, +2
Nov. 17 vs. UAF	Chris Kunitz	2-1-3, +2
Nov. 23 at UNO	Chris Kunitz	2-1-3, +1
Nov. 24 at UNO	Jeff Legue	0-2-2
Nov. 30 vs. Michigan	Derek Nesbitt	2-0-2, +1
Dec. 1 at Michigan	Phil Lewandowski	1-0-1
Dec. 14 vs. Ohio St.	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2, +1
Dec. 15 vs. Ohio St.	Rob Collins	0-3-3, +1
Dec. 28 at Minnesota	Derrick McIver	1-1-2, +2
Dec. 29 vs. WMU	Jeff Legue	1-1-2
Jan. 11 at Miami	Mike Brown	32 saves
Jan. 12 at Miami	Chris Kunitz	1-1-2, +1
Jan. 15 vs. MSU	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2
Jan. 25 vs. Bemidji St.	Mike Brown	22 saves
Jan. 26 vs. Bemidji St.	Trevor Large	2-0-2, +1
Feb. 1 at NMU	Rob Collins	1-1-2, +1
Feb. 2 at NMU	Mike Brown	31 saves
Feb. 8 vs. BGSU	Phil Lewandowski	2-0-2, +2
Feb. 9 vs. BGSU	Jason Basile	2-0-2, +1
Feb. 15 at Ohio St.	Derek Nesbitt	1-1-2
Feb. 16 at Ohio St.	Matt York	1-0-1, +1
Feb. 22 at WMU	Rob Collins	1-1-2, +2
Feb. 23 vs. WMU	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2
Mar. 1 vs. MSU	Phil Lewandowski	1-0-1, +1
Mar. 2 at MSU	Mike Brown	27 saves
Mar. 8 at UAF		
Mar. 9 at UAF		
Mar. 10 at UAF		

All times are Eastern * - CCHA Game
▲ - Championship ▼ - Third-Place Game
◆ - CCHA Tournament First Round

BULLDOG BITES: Senior center **Rob Collins' (Kitchener, Ont.)** 48 points (15-33-48) in 34 games this season represents the most by a Bulldog since 1999-00 when Brian McCullough registered 48 points (24-24-48) in 39 outings . . . **Collins** and junior left wing **Chris Kunitz (Regina, Sask.)** have combined for 86 points which is the most by two FSU players since 1990-91 when John DePourcq (15-48-63) and Rod Taylor (41-15-56) posted a combined 119 points. Kunitz has garnered 38 points (28-10-38) in 34 games this campaign . . . Freshman goaltender **Mike Brown**

(**Calgary, Alta.**) picked up his first collegiate assist last Friday versus Michigan State which was the first assist by a Bulldog netminder since 2/17/01 when Phil Osaer had one in Ferris' 3-0 win against Bowling Green State . . . Sophomore right wing **Trevor Large (Brampton, Ont.)** has compiled 11 points (4-7-11) in 34 outings this season after totaling three points (2-1-3) in 27 outings last year . . . The Bulldogs have scored 27 more goals this season (113) in 34 contests than a campaign ago (86). Ferris recorded 20 more second-period goals this campaign (40) compared to last season (20) . . . In NCAA team rankings through games of March 3, FSU ranks 18th in scoring margin (0.35). Individually, **Rob Collins** is listed tied for second in shorthanded goals (five), tied for third in assists (0.97) and is sixth in points (1.41). **Chris Kunitz** ranks tied for second in game-winning goals (six), third in goals (0.82), tied for fourth in shorthanded goals (four) and tied for 13th in power-play goals (nine). **Mike Brown** is 18th in save percentage (.915) . . . FSU's four double-digit goal scorers - **Kunitz** (28), **Collins** (15), junior left wing **Phil Lewandowski** (13) and sophomore right wing **Derrick McIver** (10) have combined for 58.4% (66-113) of the squad's overall goal scoring . . . Ferris' 3-2 victory over Michigan State Friday ended a 15-home game winless streak against the Spartans that dated back to 11/30/90 (4-2 win).

MOST RECENT SUMMARIES:

GAME 33 ◆ vs. Michigan State March 1, 2002 - at R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (2,450)

	1	2	3	FINAL
Michigan State	1	1	0	2
Ferris State	0	2	1	3

1st: MSU-Brian Maloney (17) (John-Michael Liles); PPG 17:13

2nd: MSU-Ash Goldie (7) (Brian Maloney); 7:06

FSU-Derrick McIver (10) (Jeff Legue); 8:01
FSU-Troy Milam (4) (Mike Brown); PPG; 12:37
3rd: FSU-Phil Lewandowski (13) (Trevor Large); 8:04
Shots On Goal: MSU 9-8-11-28, FSU 5-11-11-27
Penalties: MSU 10-20, FSU 15-38 **Power Plays:** MSU 1-10, FSU 1-6
Saves: MSU-Ryan Miller, L (22-7-5) (5-9-10-24); 59:36
FSU-Mike Brown, W (10-10-0) (8-7-11-26); 60:00
Officials: Referee-Steve Piotrowski; Asst. Refs-Kevin Langseth, John Philo

GAME 34 ◆ at Michigan State March 2, 2002 - at Munn Ice Arena (6,983)

	1	2	3	FINAL
Ferris State	0	0	0	0
Michigan State	0	0	2	2

3rd: MSU-Joe Goodenow (11) (Jim Slater, John-Michael Liles); PPG; 5:13
MSU-Ash Goldie (8) (Kevin Estrada, Mike Lalonde); 11:47
Shots On Goal: FSU 4-7-5-16, MSU 10-11-9-30
Penalties: FSU 9-21, FSU 7-14 **Power Plays:** FSU 0-6, MSU 1-7
Saves: FSU-Mike Brown, L (10-11-0) (10-11-7-28); 59:15
MSU-Ryan Miller, W (23-7-5) (4-7-5-16); 60:00
Officials: Referee-Kevin Hall; Asst. Refs-Butch Friedman, Kevin Langseth

UP NEXT: Following this weekend, the six first-round tourney winners will advance to Joe Louis Arena in Detroit, Mich. The top two remaining seeds will receive byes to Saturday's, March 16, semifinal round with faceoffs scheduled for 2 (EST) and 5:30 p.m. (EST). The remaining four teams will square off Friday, March 15, in quarterfinal-round action. Game times for those contests are slated for 4 p.m. (EST) and 7:30 p.m. (EST). The CCHA Championship contest will be held Sunday, March 17, at 3 p.m. (EST) with the winner receiving an automatic bid to the NCAA Championship Tournament.