



# Ferris State Women's Basketball



## NEWS & NOTES

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#### 2002-03 BASKETBALL



8-5 OVERALL, 3-3 GLIAC

#### This Week's Games:

Thursday, Jan. 16  
vs. Northwood\*  
6 p.m. (EST)  
Jim Wink Arena  
Big Rapids, Mich.

Saturday, Jan. 18  
at Grand Valley State\*  
6 p.m. (EST)  
GVSU Fieldhouse Arena  
Allendale, Mich.

All times are Eastern and subject to change  
\* Denotes GLIAC game

#### Last Week's Results:

Saturday, Jan. 11  
FSU 80, at Ashland 66\*  
Kates Gymnasium - Ashland, Ohio

### FSU Hosts Northwood, Visits GVSU This Week

**FSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL AT A GLANCE** - The Ferris State University women's basketball team will host the Northwood Timberwolves in Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) action this Thursday (Jan. 16) with tipoff slated for 6 p.m. (EST) at FSU's Jim Wink Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. The Bulldogs then visit the nationally-ranked Grand Valley State Lakers this Saturday (Jan. 18) for a 6 p.m. (EST) league encounter at the GVSU Fieldhouse Arena in Allendale, Mich. FSU, which is presently 8-5 overall and 3-3 in conference action, ranks 294th of 1,319 institutions (all levels) represented in the latest (Jan. 13) Dunkel Sports Research Index Women's Basketball Ratings.

**FERRIS WINS ROAD GAME** - Ferris State snapped a two-game losing skid with an 80-66 GLIAC win over the Ashland Eagles last Saturday (Jan. 11) at AU's Kates Gymnasium in Ashland, Ohio. Freshman guard **Erin Miller (Niles)** led the Bulldogs with a game-high 23 points and nine rebounds. Junior guard **Lucy DeMartin (Mason)** added 18 points while sophomore forward **Molly Potvin (Lansing/Catholic Central)** registered 10 points.

**LAST SEASON** - Ferris State finished the 2001-02 campaign with a 14-12 overall mark, including a fourth-place 10-8 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) North Division finish. The Bulldogs advanced to the GLIAC Tournament for the third consecutive season. Senior forward **Patti Larson (Kalkaska)** and **Molly Potvin** are Ferris' 2002-03 team captains. Ten letterwinners and three starters return this season.

**THE BULLDOG TRADITION** - The Ferris State women's basketball program has compiled a 331-370 (.472) all-time mark in its 28 previous campaigns. The Bulldogs won the GLIAC North Division crown, advanced to the NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional Tournament and recorded the nation's highest grade point average in 1999-2000. FSU, which also claimed GLIAC Tournament runner-up honors in 1999-00, has ranked among the nation's top 25 academic teams four consecutive seasons.

**FSU OPEN HOUSE** - The Mecosta County Area Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Ferris State University Athletics Department will hold a "Business After Hours" open house prior to this Thursday's women's basketball game from 5-6:30 p.m. (EST) at the Ewingleben Sports Complex Lobby area on the FSU campus. The open house, which is open to the public, provides a unique opportunity for those in the local and area communities to tour Ferris State's Jim Wink Arena and the Ewingleben Ice Arena. For more information, contact Assistant Athletics Director **Brian Kegler** at (231) 591-2970 or via email at [keglerb@ferris.edu](mailto:keglerb@ferris.edu).



**HOME SWEET HOME** - Ferris is presently 28-10 (.737) overall at Jim Wink Arena. The 2,400-seat facility replaced the Old Jim Wink Arena, which was converted into the current Student Recreation Center after the 1997-98 campaign. FSU, which won its first 14 games in the facility, is currently 6-2 (.750) in non-league outings and 22-8 (.733) in GLIAC play at the new Jim Wink Arena.

**HITTING THE ROAD AGAIN** - Ferris State is 115-86 (.572) overall since 1995-96 and sports a 67-56 (.545) record in road/neutral site contests during that span. The Bulldogs are 34-21 (.618) overall in road games under head coach **Tracey Fisk**, including a 22-17 (.564) record in conference play.

**HEAD COACH TRACEY FISK** - Fifth-year FSU head coach **Tracey Fisk** has a current career 78-45 (.634) coaching record at Ferris State. A 1996 graduate of Western Michigan, Fisk guided Ferris State to a 22-7 mark and the school's first NCAA-II Great Lakes Regional Tournament appearance during the 1999-00 campaign. Prior to FSU, Fisk spent three seasons as an assistant coach at Lake Michigan College (1994-97) and one season at the University of Indianapolis (1997-98).

**BIG DAY FOR MILLER** - **Erin Miller**, who has posted eight double-figure scoring games to date, totaled a personal career-high nine rebounds at Ashland. Miller presently ranks as FSU's third-leading scorer (12.3) this campaign and is shooting 45 percent (17-38) from three-point range. She has scored 10 points or more in five of her last seven games to date. The 5-7 Miller currently ranks tied for first among NCAA-II's leaders in single-game three-point field goal percentage (.857, 6-7, vs. Saint Joseph's, Ind. - 12/15).

**DEMARTIN AMONG THE LEADERS** - **Lucy DeMartin** presently has scored 883 career points and needs 43 more to move into an 11th-place tie with **Tianna Kirkland** (926; 1997-01) on FSU's career scoring leaders list. DeMartin, who has scored 10 points or more in 18 consecutive games dating back to last season, presently has scored 20 points or more in six of her last 12 outings. She ranks seventh (.347; 52-150) among Ferris' career three-point field goal percentage leaders to date and needs seven more treys to tie **Ann Rienstra** (59; 1986-89) for 11th place on the school's all-time made three-point field goal chart. DeMartin, who currently ranks sixth (.789; 213-270) on the school's career free throw percentage chart, presently has 199 career assists and needs 18 more to tie **Ann Rienstra** (217; 1986-89) for 10th place among FSU's career leaders. She has 105 career steals to date and is 20 short of matching **Jill Thayer's** (125; 1994-98) 10th-place career total. The 5-9 DeMartin is 13 made free throws away from tying **Kirkland** (226; 1997-01) for ninth place.

#### 2002-03 QUICK FACTS

<b>Location:</b>	Big Rapids, Mich.
<b>Founded:</b>	1884
<b>Enrollment:</b>	11,074
<b>Nickname:</b>	Bulldogs
<b>Colors:</b>	Crimson & Gold
<b>Affiliation:</b>	NCAA Division II
<b>Conference:</b>	Great Lakes Intercollegiate
<b>President:</b>	Dr. William A. Sederburg
<b>Athletics Director:</b>	Tom Kirinovic
<b>Asst. Athletics Director:</b>	Brian Kegler
<b>Head Trainer:</b>	Dave Lucey, ATC
<b>Assistant Trainer:</b>	Tim Glover, ATC
<b>Assistant Trainer:</b>	Mike Blackburn, ATC
<b>Equip. Manager:</b>	Ben Mumah, E.M.,C.
<b>Asst. Equip. Mgr:</b>	John Whitford, E.M.,C.
<b>Athletic Dep. Office:</b>	(231) 591-2860
<b>Athletic Dep. Fax:</b>	(231) 591-2869
<b>Head Coach:</b>	Tracey Fisk
<b>Alma Mater/Year:</b>	Western Michigan/1996
<b>Record at FSU/Year:</b>	78-45/5th
<b>Career Record/Years:</b>	Same
<b>Office Phone:</b>	(231) 591-2878
<b>Assistant Coach:</b>	Justin Rees
<b>Office Phone:</b>	(231) 591-2867
<b>Home Court:</b>	Jim Wink Arena
<b>Capacity:</b>	2,400
<b>2001-02 Overall Record:</b>	14-12
<b>2001-02 Conf. Record/Finish:</b>	10-8/4th
<b>All-Time Record:</b>	331-370 (.472)
<b>Letterwinners Ret./Lost:</b>	10/4

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BULLDOG BITES

Junior forward/center Bridget Horwitz (Auburn, Ind./DeKalb) is averaging 20.1 points and 9.0 rebounds in her eight road/neutral site appearances to date .....

The Bulldogs' top three season scoring leaders (Lucy DeMartin, Horwitz, & Erin Miller) have accounted for 633 of the squad's 955 total points (66%) this season .....

THE STATUS OF HORWITZ - Bridget Horwitz is listed as questionable for this Thursday's contest after missing last Saturday's game due to an infection. A 2001-02 All-GLIAC Second-Team pick, Horwitz currently has an active 20-game double-figure scoring streak dating back to last season.

AGAINST THE OPPONENTS - Ferris State will open GLIAC North Division play versus Northwood and Grand Valley State this week.

Northwood: Ferris holds a 31-12 series' advantage and has won 13 consecutive contests entering this Thursday's 44th meeting. FSU head coach Tracey Fisk currently has a 8-0 career coaching mark against the Timberwolves and led the Bulldogs to a 68-63 in the last meeting (2/9/02) between the teams at Big Rapids, Mich.

Grand Valley State: The Lakers maintain a 41-18 advantage heading into this Saturday's 60th series meeting. However, FSU has won three straight games and beat GVSU 70-64 in the team's last meeting (2/11/02) held at Allendale, Mich.

TICKET PRICES - Individual game tickets to all FSU home basketball games can be obtained at the door or by calling the Bulldog ticket office at (231) 591-2888. Adult tickets are \$5 and student tickets are \$3.

LOOKING AHEAD - Ferris will battle the Saginaw Valley State Cardinals Thursday, Jan. 23, at SVSU's James E. O'Neill Arena in University Center, Mich. Tipoff for the league encounter is slated for 6 p.m. (EST). The Bulldogs will then visit the Lake Superior State Lakers Saturday, Jan. 25, for a 1 p.m. (EST) conference contest in LSSU's Bud Cooper Gymnasium at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

2002-03 BULLDOG RECORDS

Record: 8-5 overall
GLIAC: 3-3 in league play
Home: 2-2 at Jim Wink Arena
Road: 5-2 away from home
Neutral: 1-1 on neutral floors

2002-03 Season Trends

Table with 2 columns: SITUATION and FSU RECORD. Lists various performance metrics and their corresponding records, such as 'At home 2-2', 'Shoot over 50% from floor 1-0', etc.

2002-03 FSU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

Roster table with columns: No., Name, Pos., Ht., Yr., Exp., Hometown/High School (College). Lists players like Kari Searles, Erin Miller, Kara Gallert, etc.

Head Coach: Tracey Fisk, fifth year (Western Michigan, 1996)
Assistant Coach: Justin Rees (Barry, 1997)
Volunteer Assistant: Travis Park

Student Manager: Nicole Bridges

HS - High School T - Transfer (C) - Captain

