



# 2005 Weekly Game Notes

## FERRIS STATE FOOTBALL

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### BULLDOG BITES

➤ **HOME OPENERS:** The Bulldogs are 38-38-4 (.500) in home-opening contests dating back to 1920, which includes an 8-7-0 (.533) record since 1990. Ferris is 7-5-0 (.583) in its last 12 home openers to date after falling to Grand Valley State, 24-6, last season (8/28/04). FSU's last home-opening triumph was in 2002 (9/7) with a 33-21 non-conference decision over Hillsdale.

➤ **"TURN BACK THE CLOCK NIGHT" EVENT:** Ferris will focus on its storied tradition this Saturday (Sept. 3) night with "Turn Back The Clock Night" as part of its 2005 season home opener festivities. The event, which is being sponsored by WDEE 97.3 FM, Meijer, and Ferris State Alumni Relations, will feature a concert by Beatlemania Live! from 5 to 6:30 p.m. (EDT) preceded by the Party in The Dog Pound at 6:30 p.m. (EDT). The festivities commence with the traditional Pigskin Cookout from 4 to 7 p.m. (EDT). The annual fireworks display will conclude the day's events and is slated to begin 15 minutes upon the conclusion of the football game. Fans may purchase by contacting StarTicketsPlus at 1-800-585-3737 or at [www.starticketsplus.com](http://www.starticketsplus.com). Tickets may also be purchased by contacting the FSU Athletics Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888 or by going online at Ferris Athletics' Official website - [www.ferris.edu/sports](http://www.ferris.edu/sports).



➤ **A DIFFERENT TWIST:** As part of "Turn Back The Clock Night" event, the Ferris football team will wear throwback uniforms for this Saturday's contest. The maroon uniforms will feature gold numbers and gold pants.

➤ **BREWSTER NOW FOURTH:** Senior flanker **Carlton Brewster (Grand Rapids/Creston)** moved into fourth place among Ferris' all-time receiving yards leaders with three catches for 44 yards at Grand Valley State last Saturday (Aug. 27). Brewster has accumulated 2,307 receiving yards and 18 TD's on 177 receptions in 33 outings, which surpassed Andre Johnson's (1986-89) 2,276-career yards total. Brewster is presently 256 yards shy of tying Neal Mozdzier (1996-99; 2,563 yds.) for third place on the career charts. The wideout is also within 79 kickoff return yards of tying Terry Cooper (1993-96; 1,098 career yds.) for fourth place on the school's career leaders list. Brewster has 1,019 career yards on 58 returns (17.6 ypr.) in 33 career appearances.

➤ **IMPRESSIVE DEBUT:** Redshirt freshman defensive tackle **Jake Visser (Coopersville)** made his collegiate debut last Saturday at GVSU by totaling a game-high 14 tackles (eight solos). Visser was the team's Tomorrow's Team Defensive Player of the Year Award recipient in 2004.

### 2005 Ferris State Schedule

Aug. 27	at Grand Valley State*	L 10-30
<b>Sept. 3</b>	<b>Ashland*</b> ( <i>Turn Back The Clock Night</i> )	<b>7:05 p.m.</b>
Sept. 10	at Hillsdale*	7 p.m.
<b>Sept. 17</b>	<b>Indianapolis*</b> ( <i>Community Night</i> )	<b>7 p.m.</b>
<b>Sept. 24</b>	<b>Mercyhurst*</b> ( <i>Hall of Fame</i> )	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Oct. 1	at Findlay*	7 p.m.
Oct. 8	at North Dakota	2 p.m.
<b>Oct. 15</b>	<b>Northern Michigan*</b> ( <i>Homecoming &amp; Youth Day</i> )	<b>2 p.m.</b>
Oct. 22	at Michigan Tech*	1 p.m.
<b>Oct. 29</b>	<b>Northwood*</b> ( <i>Senior Day</i> )	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Nov. 5	at Saginaw Valley State*	12 p.m.

All times are Eastern and subject to change

Home games in **Bold**

\*GLIAC Game

### GAME 2 ▲ 2005 SEASON

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2005



**ASHLAND EAGLES (1-0, 0-0 GLIAC)**

at



**FERRIS STATE BULLDOGS (0-1, 0-1 GLIAC)**

**KICKOFF: 7:05 p.m. (EDT)**

**STADIUM/SURFACE:** Top Taggart Field (6,200) /Artificial Turf (AstroTurf 12)

**RADIO COVERAGE:** WYBR-FM (102.3) – Jason DaDay (Play-By-Play)

**INTERNET COVERAGE:** [www.ferris.edu/sports/bulldogwebcasts](http://www.ferris.edu/sports/bulldogwebcasts)

### GAME FACTS

➤ **LAST GAME:** Ferris State suffered a 30-10 season-opening Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) loss to nationally third-ranked Grand Valley State last Saturday (Aug. 27) night in front of a Lubbers Stadium record 14,557 fans in Allendale, Mich. The Bulldogs compiled a 6-5 overall record and placed fifth in the GLIAC with a 6-4 conference mark last season. Ferris was 2-3 at home and 4-2 on the road last fall.

Ashland started out the 2005 campaign with a 30-15 non-conference victory over St. Joseph's (Ind.) last Saturday (Aug. 27) evening before 1,100 spectators at SJC's Alumni Stadium in Rensselaer, Ind. Last season, the Eagles were 5-6 overall and tied for seventh place in the GLIAC with a 4-6 record. AU was 2-3 on the road and 3-3 at home a season ago.

➤ **THE COACHES: FERRIS STATE – Jeff Pierce** (Ferris State, 1979), 11th season, 66-45-0 (.595) – (5-3-0 vs. Ashland). Pierce has compiled a 34-19-0 (.642) coaching mark in home contests and is 24-16-0 (.600) in September encounters.

**ASHLAND – Lee Owens** (Bluffton, 1977), 2nd season, 6-6-0 (.500); Career: 11th season, 46-67-0 (.407) – (0-1-0 vs. Ferris State). Owens previously served as head coach at NCAA Division I Akron (Ohio) from 1995-2003 and guided the Zips to a share of the Mid-American Conference (MAC) East Division title in 2000.

➤ **HISTORIC MILESTONE:** Head coach **Jeff Pierce** became Ferris' all-time winningest coach last season (9/4) with the Bulldogs' 23-17 overtime win at Ashland. Pierce surpassed Keith Otterbein (1986-94; 60-39-3), who's currently in his fourth year as the head coach at Hillsdale, for top honors.

➤ **DID YOU KNOW?:** Ferris has registered a winning season in 11 of its last 16 campaigns and in six of **Jeff Pierce's** 10 years at the helm. The Bulldogs won five consecutive conference championships from 1992-96 and were co-champs with Northwood in the 1999 campaign.

➤ **UNDER THE LIGHTS:** Ferris is 30-40-4 (.432) in evening games going back to 1961. The Bulldogs are 11-19-2 (.375) on the road and 19-21-2 (.429) at home during that period. FSU is 2-5-0 all-time in night encounters against Ashland, which included a 0-3-0 home mark.



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## HEAD COACH JEFF PIERCE



Jeff Pierce is in his 11th year at Ferris State and owns the distinction of being the Bulldogs' all-time winningest coach. He reached the milestone a season ago (9/4) in Ferris' overtime win at Ashland. Under Pierce, FSU has won or shared three GLIAC titles (1995-96, 99) while earning consecutive (1995-96) NCAA-II Playoffs berths, including a semifinal-round appearance in 1995.

YEAR	SCHOOL	W	L	T	PCT.
1995	Ferris State	12	1	0	.923
1996	Ferris State	10	2	0	.833
1997	Ferris State	3	7	0	.300
1998	Ferris State	5	6	0	.454
1999	Ferris State	7	3	0	.700
2000	Ferris State	5	6	0	.454
2001	Ferris State	7	4	0	.636
2002	Ferris State	5	5	0	.500
2003	Ferris State	6	5	0	.545
2004	Ferris State	6	5	0	.545
2005	Ferris State	0	1	0	.000
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>66</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.595</b>

### PIERCE'S RECORD BREAKDOWN

YEAR	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	GLIAC	NON-CONF.	PLAYOFFS
1995	7-0	5-1	0-0	10-0	2-1	2-1
1996	5-1	5-1	0-0	9-1	1-1	1-1
1997	1-5	2-2	0-0	3-7	0-0	0-0
1998	3-2	2-4	0-0	5-5	0-1	0-0
1999	3-1	4-2	0-0	7-2	0-1	0-0
2000	2-3	3-3	0-0	5-5	0-1	0-0
2001	4-1	3-3	0-0	7-3	0-1	0-0
2002	4-1	1-4	0-0	4-5	1-0	0-0
2003	3-2	3-3	0-0	5-5	1-0	0-0
2004	2-3	4-2	0-0	6-4	0-1	0-0
2005	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>34-19</b>	<b>32-26</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>61-38</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>3-2</b>

### ALL-TIME SERIES INFORMATION

- Ashland has a 10-7-0 lead over Ferris State in a series dating back to 1967 in which the Eagles won the first seven meetings.
- The Bulldogs have won seven of the last 10 outings, including the last three contests to date.
- Seven of the last 17 meetings have been determined by eight points or less and the Bulldogs sport a 4-3-0 mark in such encounters.
- The Bulldogs are averaging 23.3 points (70 total) to Ashland's 11.7 (35 total) for a +11.6 points differential in the last three games.
- Ferris State is 4-3-0 in contests decided by 10 points or less and 3-7-0 in games decided between 11 and 30 points.
- In the last five meetings at Big Rapids, Ferris is averaging 25.8 points per game (129 total) while Ashland has averaged 24.0 points (120 total) during that period.

### ASHLAND LEADS SERIES 10-7-0

**FSU SCORING AVERAGE:** 16.4 (279 points)  
**AU SCORING AVERAGE:** 20.8 (354 points)  
**SCORING DIFFERENTIAL:** +4.4 (AU)  
**LAST MEETING:** FSU 23, @AU 17 OT (9/4/04)  
**LAST MEETING AT FSU:** FSU 30, AU 8 (11/9/02)  
**AT BIG RAPIDS:** AU leads 5-3-0  
**AT ASHLAND:** AU leads 5-4-0  
**CURRENT SERIES WIN STREAK:** 3 (FSU 11/9/02 – 9/4/04)  
**LONGEST SERIES WIN STREAK:** 7 (AU 10/7/67 – 9/12/92)  
**MOST POINTS IN A FSU WIN:** 30 (@FSU 30, AU 8 – 11/9/02)  
**MOST POINTS IN A AU WIN:** 59 (@AU 59, FSU 37 – 10/17/98)  
**MOST DECISIVE SCORE:** FSU 26 (26-0 – 8/29/96); AU 28 (35-7\* – 9/14/91)  
**MOST POINTS SCORED BY FSU:** 37 (@AU 59, FSU 37 – 10/17/98)  
 \* – Denotes FSU home game

### FERRIS STATE-ASHLAND SERIES RESULTS

DATE	RESULT	SITE	8/29/96	FSU 26-0♦	A
10/7/67	AU 21-7♦	H	8/28/97	AU 26-7♦	H
10/4/69	AU 20-0♦	A	10/17/98	AU 59-37	H
9/14/74	AU 28-10♦	H	10/16/99	AU 26-22	A
9/13/75	AU 34-10♦	A	<b>11/9/02</b>	<b>FSU 30-8</b>	<b>H</b>
9/8/90	AU 22-20	A	<b>11/8/03</b>	<b>FSU 17-10</b>	<b>A</b>
9/14/91	AU 35-7	H	<b>9/4/04</b>	<b>FSU 23-17▲♦</b>	<b>A</b>
9/12/92	AU 15-7	A			
<b>9/11/93</b>	<b>FSU 20-6</b>	<b>H</b>	▲ – Overtime		
<b>9/10/94</b>	<b>FSU 16-14</b>	<b>A</b>	AU leads 10-7-0		
<b>9/9/95</b>	<b>FSU 20-13</b>	<b>H</b>	FSU wins in bold		
			♦ – Denotes night game		

- **BULLDOGS AT HOME:** Ferris State is 75-52-2 (.589) at Top Taggart Field since 1980 and sports a 61-41-2 (.596) conference home ledger during that span. The Bulldogs are 54-25-2 (.679) overall since 1990, which includes a 48-22-2 (.681) league record.
- **CAREER HIGH:** Junior free safety **Nick Beaudry's** (Goodells/Marysville) nine tackles (three solos) at Grand Valley marked a personal career best, eclipsing his previous high of eight stops against the Lakers last fall (8/28). He has compiled 47 tackles (27 solos) in 18 career appearances to date.

### LAST MEETING AT ASHLAND, OHIO

SEPTEMBER 4, 2004 ● AT COMMUNITY STADIUM (3,700)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Ferris State	0	7	0	10	6	23
Ashland	0	7	3	7	0	17

### SCORING SUMMARY

**2ND QUARTER**  
 8:13 AU: Antwan Hart 1 run (Austin Wellock kick)  
 0:51 FS: Carlton Brewster 13 pass from Tom Marsan (Justin Rudy kick)

**3RD QUARTER**  
 9:45 AU: Austin Wellock 22 field goal

**4TH QUARTER**  
 12:08 FS: Justin Rudy 31 field goal  
 9:51 AU: Antwan Hart 13 run (Austin Wellock kick)  
 5:32 FS: Carlton Brewster 6 pass from Ryan Kaul (Justin Rudy kick)

**OVERTIME**  
 15:00 FS: Andrew Terry 1 run (Justin Rudy kick failed)

### TEAM STATS

	BULLDOGS	EAGLES
First Downs	25	17
Rushes-Yds	32-17	41-231
Passing Yards	353	203
Att/Comp/Int	60/31/2	39/19/3
Total Net Yards	370	434
Punts/Avg	10/36.6	5/38.4
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	2/1
Penalties-Yds	7-54	6-62

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**Rushing**  
 FS: Andrew Terry - 19/30 yds  
 AU: Antwan Hart - 22/159 yds

**Passing**  
 FS: Ryan Kaul - 33/15/0, 177 yds, 1 TD  
 AU: Nick Strance - 39/19/3, 2-3 yds, 0 TD

**Receiving**  
 FS: Carlton Brewster - 15/195 yds, 2 TDs  
 AU: Michael Hull - 4/73 yds

**NOTES:** Senior tailback Andrew Terry scored from a yard out in overtime to give the Bulldogs a dramatic overtime win and also make head coach Jeff Pierce the school's all-time winningest coach. Redshirt frosh cornerback LaMar Williams intercepted AU quarterback Nick Strance's pass in the corner of the end zone on a fourth-and-goal play from the 19-yard line to seal the win. Ferris forced a regulation tie with just over five minutes left as quarterback Ryan Kaul tossed a six-yard TD pass to flanker Carlton Brewster to complete a 14-play, 70-yard scoring drive. Ferris had one last opportunity in regulation to go ahead as Jim Skodak intercepted an Eagles' pass at the FSU 29-yard line but the Bulldogs were unable to get past the 50-yard line as time expired. Carlton Brewster tied a GLIAC single-game record with 15 catches. Linebackers Mike Klobucher and Kevin Myers led the way defensively with 16 and 15 tackles, respectively. Starting quarterback Tom Marsan was 16-of-27 in passing for 176 yards.

### MORE BULLDOG BITES

- **PRESEASON ALL-AMERICAN:** Senior flanker **Carlton Brewster** (Grand Rapids/Creston) has been named a 2005 preseason All-American by various gridiron publications and online services. Brewster, who was a 2004 honorable mention All-America selection by *Don Hansen's Football Gazette* and *D2Football.com*, has been tabbed a preseason All-American by *Lindy's* magazine, *Hansen's Football Gazette*, *www.CollegeSportsReport.com*, and *D2Football.com*. He earned All-GLIAC First-Team honors and was Ferris' Most Valuable Offensive Skill Player after making a career-high 81 receptions for 1,230 yards and eight TD's in 11 games last fall. His season receiving yards total represented the third-highest total among the Bulldogs' all-time leaders. Among the 2004 NCAA-II leaders, Brewster ranked sixth in receptions (7.4 rpg.), eighth in receiving yards (111.8 ypg.), and 23rd in all-purpose yards (150.0 ypg.).
- **TEAM CAPTAINS:** The team captains for the 2005 season are senior guard **Jeff Williams** (West Branch/Ogemaw Heights) and senior quarterback **Ryan Kaul** (Clarkston) on offense while senior cornerback **Jim Skodak** (Lennon/Corunna) and junior middle linebacker **Mike Klobucher** (Grand Haven/North Muskegon) will captain the defense. Williams was also an offensive captain last season.
- **ZEROING IN ON 200:** **Mike Klobucher**, a 2004 honorable mention All-GLIAC selection, is four tackles shy of attaining 200 career stops. He has produced 196 career tackles (116 solos) in 23 outings to date. Klobucher's team-best 134 stops last season ranked 18th best among FSU's all-time single-season leaders.
- **BACK TO FORM:** Sophomore outside linebacker **Nick Maeder** (Lake/Beal City), who suffered a season-ending injury in last year's opener versus Grand Valley State (8/29), compile a career-best 11 tackles (four solos) at GVSU. His previous high was seven stops against Northwood in the 2003 campaign (10/4).





# Ferris State Football

## 2005 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

### Game 1 ♦ at Grand Valley State

Aug. 27, 2005 ▲ Lubbers Stadium (14,557)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Ferris State	7	0	3	0	10
#3 Grand Valley State	3	17	10	0	30

### SCORING SUMMARY

#### 1st Quarter

5:53 GV: Greene 37 FG

3:05 FS: Mombo 6 fumble recovery (Eichler kick)

#### 2nd Quarter

12:09 GV: Fowler 33 pass from C. Finnerty (Greene kick)

7:17 GV: Greene 28 FG

0:19 GV: C. Finnerty 2 run (Greene kick)

#### 3rd Quarter

12:11 GV: Langston 15 pass from C. Finnerty (Greene kick)

10:11 FS: Eichler 23 FG

6:29 GV: Greene 34 FG

### TEAM STATS

	Bulldogs	Lakers
First Downs	13	21
Rushes-Yds	31-98	53-189
Passing Yards	104	211
Att/Comp/Int	31/10/2	24/14/1
Total Net Yards	202	400
Punts/Avg	8/37.8	5/38.0
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	2/2
Penalties-Yds	2-30	7-60
Possession Time	22:24	37:36

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

#### Rushing

FS: Ryan Kaul - 16/47 yds

GV: Astin Martin - 19/116 yds

#### Passing

FS: Ryan Kaul - 31/10/2, 104 yds

GV: Cullen Finnerty - 23/13/1, 203 yds, 2 TD

#### Receiving

FS: Carlton Brewster - 3/44 yds, Lawrence Conner - 3/21 yds

GV: Brandon Langston - 4/75 yds, 1 TD

#### Receiving

FS: Levi Slager - 8/302, 37.8 avg., 1 Inside 20

GV: Matt Regnery - 5/190, 38.0 avg., 5 Inside 20

#### Defensive

FS: Jake Visser - 14 tackles (eight solo), 0.5 TFL for 1 yd.; Nick Maeder - 11 tackles (four solo)

GV: Brandon Carr - 9 tackles (six solo), 1.0 TFL for 1 yd., 1 interception for 18 yds.; Anthony Adams - 7 tackles (three solo), 0.5 TFL for 5 yds., 1 sack for five yds.

**NOTES:** A Lubbers Stadium record crowd of 14,557 fans watched Grand Valley State tally 24 straight points midway through the season-opening contest to notch the victory. GVSU kicker Scott Greene connected on all three of his field goal attempts while quarterback Cullen Finnerty passed for two TDs and ran for another as the hosts outgained Ferris by a 400 to 202-yards margin in total offense. The Bulldogs only lead of the contest came late in the opening quarter when a long snap on a GVSU punt attempt sailed over punter Matt Regnery's head and was picked up near the goal line where junior cornerback Lenald Mombo proceeded to block Regnery's attempt and recovered the ball before dashing six yards for the TD to give Ferris a 6-3. Junior kicker Josh Eichler split the uprights on the point after attempt as the Bulldogs held a 7-3 advantage. GVSU controlled the game from rest of the way with 17 straight second-quarter points. A 23-yard field goal by Eichler early in the third quarter capped off an eight-play, 57-yard Ferris scoring drive.