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2002-03 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
10/5	Western Ontario#	W 9-5
10/11	St. Cloud State	7:35 p.m.
10/12	St. Cloud State	7:05 p.m.
10/18	Bowling Green State*	7:35 p.m.
10/19	Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
10/25	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
10/26	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
11/1	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
11/2	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
11/8	Wayne State	7:35 p.m.
11/9	Wayne State	7:05 p.m.
11/15	Western Michigan*	7:35 p.m.
11/16	at Western Michigan*	7:05 p.m.
11/22	Ohio State*	7:35 p.m.
11/23	Ohio State*	7:05 p.m.
12/6	Michigan State*	7:35 p.m.
12/7	at Michigan State*	7:05 p.m.
12/29	Alabama-Huntsville◆	2 p.m.
12/30	Connecticut or Findlay◆	2/5:15 p.m.
1/3	at Niagara	7:05 p.m.
1/4	at Niagara	7:05 p.m.
1/10	Notre Dame*	7:35 p.m.
1/11	Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
1/17	Northern Michigan*	7:35 p.m.
1/18	Northern Michigan*	7:05 p.m.
1/24	at Miami (Ohio)*	7:05 p.m.
1/25	at Miami (Ohio)*	7:05 p.m.
1/31	at Michigan*	7:35 p.m.
2/1	Michigan*	7:05 p.m.
2/7	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/8	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/15	Western Michigan*	7:05 p.m.
2/16	at Western Michigan*	4 p.m.
2/28	Nebraska-Omaha*	7:35 p.m.
3/1	Nebraska-Omaha*	7:05 p.m.
3/7	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/8	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/14-16	CCHA Tournament 1st Rd.	TBA
3/20	CCHA Tournament Quarterfinals◆	TBA
3/21	CCHA Super 6 Semifinals◆	5:05/8:35 p.m.
3/22	CCHA Super 6 Championships◆	7:35 p.m.
3/28-29	NCAA West Regional◆	TBA
3/28-29	NCAA Northeast Regional◆	TBA
3/29-30	NCAA East Regional◆	TBA
3/29-30	NCAA Midwest Regional◆	TBA
4/10	NCAA Frozen Four Semifinals★	TBA
4/12	NCAA Frozen Four Championships★	7 p.m.

All times Eastern; home games in **bold**

* - Central Collegiate Hockey Association game
- Exhibition

◆ - UConn Classic (Storrs, Conn.)

◆ - Detroit, Mich. (Joe Louis Arena)

◆ - Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)

◆ - Providence, R.I. (Dunkin' Donuts Center)

◆ - Minneapolis, Minn. (Mariucci Arena)

◆ - Ann Arbor, Mich. (Yost Ice Arena)

◆ - Buffalo, N.Y. (HSBC Arena)

FERRIS HOSTS HIGHLY-REGARDED ST. CLOUD STATE IN SEASON OPENER

THIS WEEK: The Ferris State University men's ice hockey team will officially begin its 25th season of NCAA Division I competition this weekend (Oct. 11-12) as the Bulldogs start off the 2002-03 campaign by hosting the nationally-ranked St. Cloud (Minn.) State University Huskies in a non-league series at Big Rapids, Mich.

FACEOFF/ARENA: Friday - 7:35 p.m. (EDT) & Saturday - 7:05 p.m. (EDT)/R.L. Ewigleben Ice (pronounced A-VAH-glave-in) Arena (2,493).

FSU TICKET INFORMATION: Tickets for all 2002-03 FSU home games are available by contacting the R.L. Ewigleben Arena Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888. Hours are Monday thru Friday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST) and Saturday (home games only) - 12 to 5 p.m.

THE RECORDS: Ferris State is 0-0 both overall and in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) to date. The Bulldogs skated to a 9-5 victory over Western Ontario last Saturday (Oct. 5) in exhibition action at FSU's Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids.

◆ Last season, Ferris State compiled a 15-20-1 overall record and placed ninth in the CCHA with a 12-15-1 league mark. FSU was 10-6-0 at home, 5-13-1 on the road, and 0-1-0 at neutral sites a season ago.

St. Cloud State will open its 2002-03 campaign this weekend (Oct. 11-12) at Ferris State. The Huskies are ranked ninth in the 2002-03 preseason *USA Today/AHM* poll and were tabbed 11th by *U.S. College Hockey Online* (USCHO) in their preseason poll. ◆ SCSU completed the 2001-02 season with a 29-11-2 overall record and compiled a 19-7-2 mark in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA). The Huskies placed second in the final WCHA regular-season standings behind champion Denver and made their third consecutive NCAA Division I Tournament appearance. SCSU suffered a 4-2 setback to Michigan at the 2002 NCAA-I West Regional (March 22) in Ann Arbor, Mich., and concluded the season ranked eighth nationally in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* Poll.

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 presently 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), 11th season, 149-197-32 (.436) - (0-1-1 vs. St. Cloud State - Away-0-1-1). **St. Cloud State - Craig Dahl** (Pacific Lutheran, 1976), 16th season, 289-254-40 (.530); Career - 22nd season, 365-341-42 (.516) - (2-2-2 vs. Ferris State). Dahl, who's the only coach at SCSU since moving to the NCAA Division I level in 1987-88, has taken the Huskies to the NCAA Postseason Tournament four times (1989, 2000, 2001 and 2002).

ABOUT ST. CLOUD STATE: The Huskies return eight of their top 10 points leaders from a season ago led by senior forward Ryan Malone (24-25-49), junior forward Matt Hendricks (19-20-39) and senior forward Joe Motzko (9-30-39). Senior Jake Moreland (8-5-0, 2.43 GAA, .916sv%) is the lone returnee at goaltender.

SERIES INFORMATION: Tied at 2-2-2

At Big Rapids: 1-0-1; **At St. Cloud:** 1-2-1;

Goals For/Against: 20 (3.33 gpg.)/20 (3.33 gpg.)

First Meeting: FSU 5, SCSU 3 (12/18/87)

Last Meeting: FSU 3, SCSU 3 OT (10/14/01)

Longest Win Streak: FSU 1 (12/18/87 & 12/10/88); SCSU 1 (12/19/87 & 10/13/00)

Last Season: No Meetings

Top FSU Scorer: Chris Kunitz (0-2-2, 2 GP);

Phil Lewandowski (0-2-2, 2 GP)

Series Note: The last time SCSU opened a season against FSU, the Huskies went on to capture the WCHA Final Five title and record a school-best 31 victories in the 2001-02 campaign.

* - Denotes home game

MONTH	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	TOTAL
OCTOBER	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-1-1
NOVEMBER	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
DECEMBER	1-0-1	1-1-0	0-0-0	2-1-1
JANUARY	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
FEBRUARY	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
MARCH	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TOTALS	1-0-1	1-2-1	0-0-0	2-2-2

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2002-03 CCHA STANDINGS



	CONFERENCE					OVERALL						
	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	W	L	T	GF	GA
1. Miami (Ohio)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	14	2
2. Bowling Green State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	5	3
3. Northern Michigan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	1
4. Alaska Fairbanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ferris State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lake Superior State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Michigan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Michigan State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nebraska-Omaha	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Notre Dame	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohio State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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. 11 vs. SCSU		
Oct. 12 vs. SCSU		
Oct. 18 vs. BGSU		
Oct. 19 vs. BGSU		
Oct. 25 at N. Dame		
Oct. 26 at N. Dame		
Nov. 1 at UAF		
Nov. 2 at UAF		
Nov. 8 vs. Wayne St.		
Nov. 9 vs. Wayne St.		
Nov. 15 vs. WMU		
Nov. 16 at WMU		
Nov. 22 vs. Ohio St.		
Nov. 23 vs. Ohio St.		
Dec. 6 vs. MSU		
Dec. 7 at MSU		
Dec. 29 vs. UAH		
Dec. 30 vs. TBA		
Jan. 3 at Niagara		
Jan. 4 at Niagara		
Jan. 10 vs. N. Dame		
Jan. 11 vs. N. Dame		
Jan. 17 vs. NMU		
Jan. 18 vs. NMU		
Jan. 24 at Miami		
Jan. 25 at Miami		
Jan. 31 at Michigan		
Feb. 1 vs. Michigan		
Feb. 7 at LSSU		
Feb. 8 at LSSU		
Feb. 15 vs. WMU		
Feb. 16 at WMU		
Feb. 28 vs. UNO		
Mar. 1 vs. UNO		
Mar. 7 at BGSU		
Mar. 8 at BGSU		

All times are Eastern
▲ – Championship

* – CCHA Game
▼ – Third-Place Game

RESULTS LAST WEEK

Tuesday, October 1

at Bowling Green State 5, Windsor 2#

Friday, October 4

Bowling Green State 4, Niagara 1*

Miami (Ohio) 12, Air Force 1*

at Lake Superior State 4, Western Ontario 1#

at Notre Dame 8, Toronto 1#

Ohio State 6, Waterloo 2#

Saturday, October 5

at Ferris State 9, Western Ontario 5#

Miami (Ohio) 2, Bowling Green State 1*

Northern Michigan 4, at Michigan Tech 1

at Michigan State 4, USA Under-18 3#

at Alaska Fairbanks 4, Mount Royal 0#

at Western Michigan 12, Waterloo 0#

at Michigan 8, Toronto 1#

Sunday, October 6

at Nebraska-Omaha 6, Manitoba 0#

GAMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday, October 8

Western Ontario at Michigan State#

Friday, October 11

St. Cloud State at Ferris State, 7:35 p.m.

Western Michigan at Bowling Green State*

Notre Dame at Minnesota-Duluth, 8:05 p.m.

Alaska Fairbanks at Alaska-Anchorage, 11:05 p.m.

St. Lawrence at Miami (Ohio), 7:35 p.m.

Michigan State vs. Denver*, 5:05 p.m.

Nebraska-Omaha vs. Colgate*, 8:05 p.m.

Quinnipiac vs. Lake Superior State*, 4 p.m.

Northern Michigan vs. Boston Univ.*, 4 p.m.

Michigan vs. Niagara†, 8:05 p.m.

Saturday, October 12

St. Cloud State at Ferris State, 7:05 p.m.

Bowling Green State at Western Michigan*, 8:05 p.m.

Notre Dame at Minnesota-Duluth, 8:05 p.m.

Alaska Fairbanks at Alaska-Anchorage, 11:05 p.m.

St. Lawrence at Miami (Ohio), 7:35 p.m.

Ohio State vs. Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.

Black Bear Classic consolation/championship*, 4/7 p.m.

Maverick Stampede*, 6:05/9:05 p.m.

Ice Breaker*, 5/8:35 p.m.

Xerox Showcase†, 5:05/8:05 p.m.

* – CCHA # – Exhibition – Xcel Center (St. Paul, Minn.)

♦ – Lefty McFadden Invitational (Dayton, Ohio)

★ – Black Bear Classic (Orono, Maine)

‡ – Maverick Stampede (Omaha, Neb.)

✱ – Ice Breaker (Madison, Wis.)

† – Xerox Showcase (Buffalo, N.Y.)

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

BULLDOG BITES: The Bulldogs return 77.6% (228-294) of last season's points production and 85.5% (100-117) of their goal-scoring output . . . FSU is 51-69-9 all-time in games played in October. The Bulldogs' best start was in 1983-84 when Ferris was 7-1-0 in the month. Last season, FSU posted a 2-3-0 October mark after beginning the campaign (10/12-13) with a non-league series road sweep of Wayne State, 5-2 and 5-0 . . . Ferris is 10-13-4 (.444) all-time versus Minnesota colleges, which includes a 6-3-1 home ledger . . . With their 9-5 exhibition win against Western Ontario last Saturday (10/5), the Bulldogs are now 21-2-0 all-time against Canadian competition (21-1-0 at home). The last time FSU tallied at least nine goals in a contest was in the 1999-00 season when the Bulldogs garnered a 14-2 exhibition home triumph over Waterloo, Ont. (10/1/99) . . . Senior left wing **Chris Kunitz (Regina, Sask.)** is five goals away from tying Randy Strong (1978-82) for ninth place on FSU's all-time goal-scoring list. The assistant captain has accumulated 64 career lamp-lighters in 110 games . . . Freshman center **Greg Rallo (Gurnee, Ill.)** was named the 2001-02 USA Hockey Junior Player of the Year and is the third award recipient to play at Ferris, joining Jason Blake (1994-95) and Brian McCullough (1995-96).

ALL-AMERICA CANDIDATE: **Chris Kunitz** is being promoted as a 2002-03 candidate for All-America honors. Kunitz earned All-CCHA First-Team honors last season as a result of scoring a league-high 25 goals. He totaled a career-high 38 points on a career-best 28 goals and 10 assists in 35 games. A two-time CCHA Offensive Player-of-the-Week selection last winter, Kunitz ranked fourth nationally in goals (0.80 gpg) and tied for fourth in game-winning goals (six).

NEW COACH ON BOARD: **Derek Lalonde**, who has spent the last two seasons (2000-02) as an assistant coach at Hamilton College in Clinton, N.Y., is the newest member of the FSU coaching staff. He played collegiately as a goaltender (1990-95) at SUNY-Cortland State University. Lalonde replaces former Ferris goalie and assistant coach Jeff Blashill, who accepted a similar position at Miami (Ohio) University.

MOST RECENT SUMMARIES:

Exhibition Game ♦ vs. Western Ontario October 5, 2002 – at Ewingleben Ice Arena (1,240)

	1	2	3	FINAL
Western Ontario	1	3	1	5
Ferris State	4	3	2	9

- 1st:** FSU-Mike Kinnie (Kevin Caudill, Carter Thomson); 2:37
 FSU-Troy Milam (Jeff Legue, Chris Kunitz); PPG; 7:37
 FSU-Brett Smith (unassisted); 11:41
 FSU-Phil Lewandowski (Derek Nesbitt, Greg Rallo); 13:07
 UWO-Shawn Thompson (unassisted); PPG; 19:58
- 2nd:** FSU-Derek Nesbitt (Jeff Legue, Derrick McIver); PPG; 7:03
 UWO-Justin Davis (unassisted); PPG; 10:48
 FSU-Phil Lewandowski (Greg Rallo, Derek Nesbitt); 11:35
 FSU-Kevin Caudill (Mike Kinnie); 13:20
 UWO-Ryan Held (unassisted); 16:52
 UWO-Joe Talbot (unassisted); 18:43
- 3rd:** FSU-Chris Kunitz (unassisted); SHG; 2:49
 UWO-Ryan Held (Chris Haskett); PPG; 3:48
 FSU-Derrick McIver (unassisted); 4:25

Shots On Goal: UWO 7-14-15-36, FSU 18-11-13-42
Penalties: UWO 8-16, FSU 12-24 **Power Plays:** UWO 4-7, FSU 2-3
Saves: UWO-Mike D'Alessandro, L (9-x-9); 13:07
 Mike Boyce (5-8-11-24); 46:53
 FSU-Mike Brown, W (6-5-x-11); 28:57
 John DeCaro (x-6-14-20); 31:03

Officials: Referee-Matt Shegos; Asst. Refs-Chris Davis, Ken Sergott

UP NEXT: Ferris continues its homestand, Oct. 18-19, as the Bulldogs open CCHA play against the Bowling Green State University Falcons at the Ewingleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. Opening faceoff for Friday (Oct. 18) is 7:35 p.m. (EDT) while Saturday's (Oct. 19) series finale will start at 7:05 p.m.