



FERRIS STATE VOLLEYBALL

"THE BULLDOG VOLLEYBALL TRADITION"

GLIAC CHAMPIONS!

"Bulldogs Capture 2004 Crown"

Ferris State captured its ninth Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Championship in 2004 as the Bulldogs defeated archrival Grand Valley State (Nov. 14) 3-0 in the championship match of the league's annual postseason tournament held at GVSU's Fieldhouse Arena in Allendale, Mich.

The Bulldogs, who were ranked among the top 20 teams in the CSTV/American Volleyball Coaches Association Division II National Poll during the 2004 season, knocked off the Lakers for the second time in 2004 with a convincing 30-27, 30-24 and 30-16 triumph in front of 625 fans. The tournament championship was the first for the Bulldogs in the league's 10th annual postseason event.



Ferris, which had previously claimed tournament runner-up accolades on three different occasions, also received the league's automatic berth into the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional Tournament. The national tournament appearance was FSU's 12th all-time berth.

Middle hitter Lauren Heine and outside hitter Karla Fairbanks were named to the GLIAC All-Tournament Team while Ashley Green was chosen as the all-tournament team most valuable player.

Fairbanks went on to attain 2004 American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Division II All-America Second-Team honors. She also concluded her career ranked third on Ferris' all-time chart with 1,649 career kills and was 53 digs away from becoming only the sixth player in school history to record both 1,000 career kills and 1,000 career digs.

A two-time (2003-04) All-GLIAC First Team honoree, Fairbanks placed second overall among the league leaders in kills (4.85 kpg) and third in aces (0.59 apg) as a senior. She was named GLIAC North Division Player of the Week four times in 2004 and garnered NCAA Division II Great Lakes Region All-Tournament Team recognition.

The Bulldogs compiled a 25-7 overall record during the 2004 campaign, including a second place 14-4 GLIAC North Division regular-season mark.

"I have made many lifetime friendships and will always cherish my time as a Ferris State volleyball player. My teammates were not only great players, but also great friends. Go Bulldogs!"
- Sheri Harris
1987-88, '96, '98

"I learned to build strong relationships during my time as a Bulldog student-athlete. Because of that, I interact easily today with a variety of different personalities in my career path."
- Lacey VandeStreek
1997-99

"I had the time of my life playing at Ferris State and could not imagine my life today without that experience. I learned things about myself that would not have been possible any other way."
- Morgan Buckner
1997-2000

"Ferris State volleyball was my home away from home. I learned a lot about teamwork, time management and what it's like to have 13 sisters. It was a rewarding experience."
- Erin Minnis
1998-2001

"It was a great experience playing volleyball at Ferris State. You really feel like you're welcome and there's a family-type atmosphere. I loved every minute."
- Alaina Olds
1999-02

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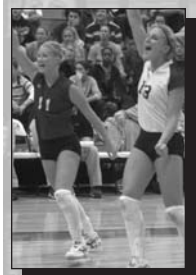
GLIAC Championships

- 2004
- 1990
- 1989
- 1987
- 1986
- 1985
- 1984
- 1983
- 1982

NCAA Tourney Appearances

- 2006
- 2005
- 2004
- 2002
- 1999
- 1992
- 1990
- 1989
- 1987
- 1986
- 1985
- 1984
- 1983
- 1982

BULLDOG VOLLEYBALL 2004: GLIAC Champions Again!



(Above) - FSU's Emily Clouse & Brittny Godlewski cheer another point.



(Above Right) - Danielle Baucher & Brittny Godlewski take part in the NCAA-II Tournament.



(Above) - FSU squad members pose for a photo with former Notre Dame football player "Rudy".



(Below) - The Bulldogs celebrate one of the final points in the GLIAC Championship match.



(Left) - The Bulldogs are introduced in a home match.



Featured in the background are Bulldog fans cheering on the squad at the 2004 NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional Tournament in Allendale, Mich.

