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ALASKA FAIRBANKS AT FERRIS STATE
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2000-2001 Schedule/Results

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
10/7	Waterloo (Ont.)#	W 3-0
10/13	at St. Cloud State	L 1-3
10/14	at St. Cloud State	T 3-3 OT
10/20	Northern Michigan*	L 3-4 OT
10/21	Northern Michigan*	T 1-1 OT
10/27	at Nebraska Omaha*	L 4-7
10/28	at Nebraska Omaha*	L 3-7
11/3	Colgate	W 5-4
11/4	Colgate	W 3-1
11/10	at Michigan*	L 1-4
11/11	Michigan*	W 5-4
11/24	at Western Michigan*	L 1-3
11/25	at Western Michigan*	L 4-7
12/1	Ohio State*	L 1-6
12/2	Ohio State*	T 1-1 OT
12/8	Michigan State*	T 0-0 OT
12/9	at Michigan State*	L 1-4
12/15	Findlay	W 5-0
12/16	Findlay	L 2-3
12/29	Providence◆	L 2-4
12/30	Air Force◆	W 3-2
1/5	at Notre Dame*	W 4-2
1/6	at Notre Dame*	W 3-2 OT
1/12	Miami (Ohio)*	W 5-3
1/13	Miami (Ohio)*	L 0-1
1/19	at Alaska Fairbanks*	L 1-3
1/20	at Alaska Fairbanks*	W 3-2
2/2	Alaska Fairbanks*	7:05 p.m.
2/3	Alaska Fairbanks*	7:05 p.m.
2/9	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/10	at Lake Superior State*	7:05 p.m.
2/16	Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
2/17	Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
2/23	Nebraska Omaha*	7:05 p.m.
2/24	Nebraska Omaha*	7:05 p.m.
3/2	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/3	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/9-11	CCHATournament 1st Rd.	TBA
3/13	CCHATournament Play-In	TBA
3/16	CCHATournament Semifinals	TBA
3/17	CCHA Tournament Championship	7:35 p.m.
3/23-24	NCAAEast Regional◆	TBA
3/24-25	NCAA West 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

◆ – Wells Fargo Denver (Colo.) Cup Tournament

◆ – Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)

▲ – Grand Rapids, Mich. (Van Andel Arena)

★ – Albany, N.Y. (Pepsi Arena)

FSU RESUMES ITS CCHA SERIES WITH ALASKA FAIRBANKS THIS WEEKEND

THIS WEEK: The Ferris State University men's ice hockey team, which was idle last weekend, returns to the ice this weekend (Feb. 2-3) as the Bulldogs host the University of Alaska Fairbanks Nanooks in a two-game Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) series in Big Rapids, Mich.

FACEOFF/ARENA: Friday and Saturday – 7:05 p.m. (EST)/R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (2,450).

THE BROADCAST: This weekend's home series against Alaska Fairbanks can be heard live on WBRN-AM (1460).

FSU TICKET INFORMATION: Tickets for all 2000-2001 FSU home games are available by contacting the Ewigleben Arena Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888. Office hours are Monday thru Friday – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST) and Saturday (home games only) – 12 to 5 p.m. (EST)

THE RECORDS: Ferris State is presently 9-13-4 overall and 5-10-3 in the CCHA after splitting a league road series with Alaska Fairbanks two weeks ago (Jan. 19-20) at UAF's Carlson Center in Fairbanks, Alaska. The Bulldogs suffered a 3-1 loss in the series' opening game (Jan. 19), but bounced back to notch a 3-2 win in the finale (Jan. 20). Ferris has currently won five of its last seven outings and is 5-4-3 in home encounters to date this season.

Ferris State registered a 21-16-2 overall record last season while finishing sixth for the second straight season in the CCHA with a 13-13-2 mark. The 20-plus season win total marked the first time since 1992-93 that the Bulldogs had won at least 20 games.

Alaska Fairbanks improved to 8-10-6 overall and 6-8-6 in the CCHA after picking up three league points in last weekend's (Jan. 26-27) home series against Nebraska Omaha at Fairbanks, Alaska. The Nanooks skated to a 3-3 overtime deadlock in last Friday's (Jan. 26) opener before recording a 3-2 victory on Saturday (Jan. 27). UAF, which is 4-2-2 in its last eight contests, sports a 2-6-3 road mark (2-5-3 CCHA) this campaign.

HEAD COACH BOB DANIELS: Bob Daniels is in his ninth year at Ferris State this season, the longest tenure of any Bulldog hockey coach. The sixth head coach in the program's history,

Daniels became FSU's winningest coach on March 4, 2000, in a 7-0 regular-season finale win at Western Michigan to surpass the program's inaugural coach Rick Duffett (1975-82; 119-83-7). In the last eight seasons, Daniels is tops among all-time FSU coaches in CCHA wins (89) and CCHATourney victories (five).

THE COACHES: Ferris State – Bob Daniels (Michigan State, 1982), 9th season, 130-170-30 (.439) – (12-9-1 vs. Alaska Fairbanks; Home-6-1-0; Away-6-8-1).

Alaska Fairbanks – Guy Gadowsky (Colorado College, 1989), 2nd season, 14-35-9 (.319) – (1-3-0 vs. Ferris State).

COACH DANIELS ON THIS WEEKEND: "The guys are anxious to get back into action after having last week off. We're expecting a highly-competitive series with Alaska Fairbanks and I believe our fans will see a much-improved (UAF) team from their last appearance here two years ago. Both teams are playing well in the second half of the season and I expect the games will be close and hard fought as they were two weeks ago in Fairbanks."

THE SERIES: Ferris State's two-game series against Alaska Fairbanks represents the 28th and 29th meetings between the teams. FSU has a 16-10-1 lead in a series dating back to the 1984-85 season. Ferris is 8-2-0 at home, 6-8-1 on the road and 2-0-0 at neutral sites versus the Nanooks. The Bulldogs have won eight of the last 10 contests, including seven of the last eight. FSU has a current five-game home win streak after a 4-1 win in the last game (1/12/99) played at Big Rapids. Ferris swept a home series earlier in the 1998-99 season (10/30-31/98) – winning 8-3 and 5-2.

ABOUT ALASKA FAIRBANKS: The Nanooks have eight players with double-digit point totals led by senior right wing Jim Lawrence (14-12-26). Junior center Bobby Andrews (7-13-20) and sophomore center Blaine Bablitz (6-14-20) along with junior defenseman Daniel Carriere (5-10-15) are other top UAF point leaders. Freshman Preston McKay (5-4-3, 2.44 GAA, .921 sv%) and sophomore Lance Mayes (3-6-2, 3.34 GAA, .885 sv%) have both received action in net this season.

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2000-2001 CCHA STANDINGS



	CONFERENCE					OVERALL						
	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	W	L	T	GF	GA
1. Michigan State	19	14	2	3	31	54	21	21	2	4	85	33
2. Michigan	19	13	4	2	28	81	37	19	6	4	122	70
3. Western Michigan	19	9	5	5	23	70	66	16	6	5	107	84
4. Nebraska Omaha	20	10	8	2	22	61	63	15	11	2	81	78
5. Miami (Ohio)	18	10	7	1	21	60	48	13	11	2	79	77
6. Ohio State	18	9	7	2	20	56	50	12	10	2	84	68
Northern Michigan	20	7	7	6	20	57	54	11	8	7	86	68
8. Alaska Fairbanks	20	6	8	6	18	52	66	8	10	6	68	74
9. Ferris State	18	5	10	3	13	41	61	9	13	4	65	81
10. Lake Superior State	20	6	14	0	12	37	67	10	17	0	60	89
11. Bowling Green State	18	3	11	4	10	47	61	8	14	4	73	80
Notre Dame	19	3	12	4	10	41	63	6	19	5	73	115

RESULTS LAST WEEK

Tuesday, January 23

at Michigan State 3, Lake Superior State 0*
at Michigan 9, Notre Dame 0*

Thursday, January 25

at Northern Michigan 7, Western Michigan 1*

Friday, January 26

at Alaska Fairbanks 3, Nebraska Omaha 3 OT*
at Miami (Ohio) 4, Bowling Green State 2*
at Northern Michigan 1, Western Michigan 1 OT*

Saturday, January 27

at Alaska Fairbanks 3, Nebraska Omaha 2*
at Miami (Ohio) 9, Bowling Green State 2*
Michigan 4, Michigan State 3 OT*
at Yale 8, Notre Dame 2

Sunday, January 28

Notre Dame 4, at Yale 3

GAMES THIS WEEK

Friday, February 2

Alaska Fairbanks at Ferris State*, 7:05 p.m.
Lake Superior State at Bowling Green State*
Michigan State at Northern Michigan*
Notre Dame at Ohio State*, 7:35 p.m.
Western Michigan at Miami (Ohio)*, 7:35 p.m.
Michigan at Nebraska Omaha*, 8:05 p.m.

Saturday, February 3

Alaska Fairbanks at Ferris State*, 7:05 p.m.
Lake Superior State at Bowling Green State*
Michigan State at Northern Michigan*
Notre Dame at Ohio State*
Western Michigan at Miami (Ohio)*, 7:35 p.m.
Michigan at Nebraska Omaha*, 8:05 p.m.

All times are Eastern * - CCHA game
♦ - Joe Louis Arena (Detroit, Mich.)

BULLDOGS OF THE GAME: After each contest, one Ferris State player will be named Bulldog of the Game by the FSU coaching staff. Below is a compilation of the recipients to date.

DATE/OPP.	PLAYER	NOTES
Oct. 13 at SCSU	Kevin Swider	1-0-1
Oct. 14 at SCSU	Rob Collins	2-0-2
Oct. 20 vs. NMU	Kevin Swider	1-1-2
Oct. 21 vs. NMU	Chris Kunitz	1-0-1
Oct. 27 at UNO	Josh Bowers	2-0-2
Oct. 28 at UNO	Phil Meyer	1-0-1
Nov. 3 vs. Colgate	Kevin Swider	2-1-3
Nov. 4 vs. Colgate	Scott Lewis	1-0-1
Nov. 10 at Michigan	Chris Kunitz	1-0-1
Nov. 11 vs. Michigan	Rob Collins	1-1-2
Nov. 24 at WMU	Phil Osaer	16 saves
Nov. 25 at WMU	Josh Bowers	1-1-2
Dec. 1 vs. Ohio St.	Josh Bowers	1-0-1
Dec. 2 vs. Ohio St.	Phil Osaer	32 saves
Dec. 8 vs. Mich. St.	Phil Osaer	16 saves
Dec. 9 at Mich. St.	Jim Dube	1-0-1
Dec. 15 vs. Findlay	Phil Osaer	13 saves
Dec. 16 vs. Findlay	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2
Dec. 29 vs. Providence	Kevin Swider	1-0-1
Dec. 30 vs. Air Force	Rob Collins	1-1-2
Jan. 5 at N. Dame	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2
Jan. 6 at N. Dame	Phil Osaer	24 saves
Jan. 12 at Miami	Chris Kunitz	1-2-3
Jan. 13 at Miami	Phil Osaer	25 saves
Jan. 19 at UAF	Troy Milam	1-0-1
Jan. 20 at UAF	Phil Osaer	25 saves
Feb. 2 vs. UAF		
Feb. 3 vs. UAF		
Feb. 9 at LSSU		
Feb. 10 at LSSU		
Feb. 16 vs. BGSU		
Feb. 17 vs. BGSU		
Feb. 23 vs. UNO		
Feb. 24 vs. UNO		
Mar. 2 at BGSU		
Mar. 3 at BGSU		

BULLDOG BITES: Ferris State's top three scorers this season – senior center **Kevin Swider (Livonia)**, sophomore left wing **Chris Kunitz (Regina, Sask.)** and junior right wing-center **Rob Collins (Kitchener, Ont.)** have accounted for 44.9% (70-of-156) of the team's point production and 53.8% (35-of-65) of the goal scoring to date . . . **Swider's** nine career game-winning goals is one shy of tying the school's career mark of 10 set by Steve Banonis (1977-81), Randy Strong (1978-82), Paul Cook (1979-83) and Paul Lowden (1983-87) . . . Four of sophomore defenseman **Troy Milam's (Lake Orion)** seven points to date this season are goals . . . FSU is 5-1-0 when scoring at least two goals in the third period and 4-12-4 when

being held to less than two goals . . . Junior goaltender **Phil Osaer (Livonia)** is 4-2-0 in his last six appearances while notching a 2.00 goals against average (12 goals allowed) and a .916 save percentage



(131 saves) in that stretch . . . Junior defenseman-right wing **Jason Basile (West Bloomfield)** snapped a personal 18-game scoreless streak with an assist against Alaska Fairbanks (1/20). He hadn't registered a point since Nov. 3 against Colgate (1-1-2) . . . Junior defenseman-left wing **Christian Schroder (Malmo, Sweden)**

returned to the ice at Alaska Fairbanks (1/20) after being sidelined the last 18 games due to an injury suffered against Colgate (11/4) and responded with his first point (assist) of the season in eight contests . . . The Bulldogs are 6-3-0 when taking less penalties than their opponents and 3-7-3 when being assessed more infractions . . . Ferris is 31-46-6 overall (.409) in February since 1990, which includes a 12-23-4 (.359) home ledger. FSU was 4-2-0 last year in February.

Two WEEKS Ag α The following are FSU's game summaries from its league road series versus Alaska Fairbanks.

January 19, 2001 – at Carlson Center (2,926)

Ferris State	0	0	1	--	1
Alaska Fairbanks	2	0	1	--	3

1st: AF-Keith (3) (Bablitz); 5:18
AF-Campbell (2) (Larranaga, Keith); PPG; 18:02

3rd: FS-Milam (3) (D. McIver); PPG; 12:35

Penalties: FS-5-10, AF 4-8

Saves: FS-Osaer (10-6-2-18); 58:55
AF-McKay (6-11-6-23); 60:00

Power Plays: FS 1-4, AF 1-5

Referee-Jon Gosger
Asst. Refs-R. King, Redick

January 20, 2001 – at Carlson Center (4,138)

Ferris State	0	0	3	--	3
Alaska Fairbanks	1	0	1	--	2

1st: AF-Keith (4) (Bablitz, Lawrence); :17

3rd: FS-Swider (12) (Basile); 3:23
FS-Milam (4) (Schroder, Bowers); 4:33
FS-Lewis (3) (Swider); PPG; 7:55
AF-Reinheller (8) (Larranaga); 16:27

Penalties: FS-8-16, AF 10-20

Saves: FS-Osaer (8-11-6-25); 60:00
AF-McKay (8-11-6-25); 58:55

Power Plays: FS 1-8, AF 0-6

Referee-Jon Gosger
Asst. Refs-Norum, Redick

UP NEXT: Ferris State is on the road in CCHA play next weekend, Feb. 9-10, as the Bulldogs square off against the Lake Superior State Lakers in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. Opening faceoff for both games is scheduled for 7:05 p.m. (EST) at LSSU's Clarence "Taffy" Abel Arena. The two-game set represents the first and only regular-season meeting between the teams this campaign.