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Findlay 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	7:05 p.m.
12/16	Findlay	7:05 p.m.
12/29	Providence◆	6:35 p.m.
12/30	Denver or Air Force◆	6:05/9:05 p.m.
1/5	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
1/6	at Notre Dame*	7:05 p.m.
1/12	Miami (Ohio)*	7:05 p.m.
1/13	Miami (Ohio)*	7:05 p.m.
1/19	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
1/20	at Alaska Fairbanks*	11:05 p.m.
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 pm
3/23-24	NCAAEast Regional◆	TBA
3/24-25	NCAAWest 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)

BULLDOGS ENTERTAIN FINDLAY THIS WEEKEND IN TWO-GAME HOME SET

THIS WEEK: The Ferris State University men's ice hockey team will play a non-league two-game home series against the University of Findlay (Ohio) Oilers this weekend (Dec. 15-16) at Big Rapids, Mich. Both contests represent the final home appearance for the Bulldogs' in the 2000 portion of their 2000-2001 season schedule.

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

THE BROADCAST: This weekend's home series versus Findlay can be heard live on WBRN-AM (1460). Both games can be accessed through Ferris State's official athletics website at www.ferris.edu/htmls/sports then click on the **BroadcastAMERICA.com** icon.

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 presently sports a 3-9-4 overall and 1-8-3 in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) after going 0-1-1 against top-ranked Michigan State in last weekend's (Dec. 8-9) CCHA home-and-home series with the Spartans. The Bulldogs played to a 0-0 overtime deadlock with MSU last Friday (Dec. 8) at FSU's R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids before suffering a 4-1 setback on Saturday (Dec. 9) at MSU's Munn Ice Arena in East Lansing, Mich. Ferris is 3-2-3 in home contests this campaign to date.

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.

Findlay, which was idle last weekend, is presently 5-2-1 overall and 4-1-1 (first-place tie) in College Hockey America (CHA). The Oilers captured a pair of exhibition victories two weeks ago (Dec. 1 and 3) in Canada. UF posted a 3-1 triumph over the University of Toronto (Dec. 1) and then skated to a 4-1 win against Royal Military College. The Oilers had their four-game unbeaten streak snapped in a

10-0 loss to Ohio State (Nov. 28) at OSU's Value City Arena in Columbus, Ohio. UF sports a current 2-2-0 mark in road contests this year.

Findlay registered a 11-20-0 overall record last season, including a fifth-place 4-14-0 mark in the CHA.

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, 124-166-30 (.434) – (0-0-0 vs. Findlay).

Findlay – Craig Barnett (Plattsburgh State, 1989), 6th season, 81-58-9 (.578) – (0-0-0 vs. Ferris State).

COACH DANIELS ON THIS WEEKEND: "I was pleased with how we played in last weekend's series versus Michigan State. To post a shutout against the nation's top-ranked team is a credit to our guys displaying a total team effort. We're making progress and have an opportunity to keep improving this weekend. I really don't know a lot about Findlay other than they're one of the top teams in their league. With that said, we're looking forward to starting a rivalry against a new opponent."

THE SERIES: The two teams will meet for the first-time ever this weekend.

ABOUT FINDLAY: The Oilers are paced in scoring by freshman left wing Aaron Weegar (3-10-13) and junior defenseman Brant Somerville (4-7-11). Junior right wing Andy Croak (7-3-10) along with junior center Darryl Somerville (3-7-10) are the other UF skaters to record double figures in points this season. Freshman Kevin Fines (2-1-1, 3.96 GAA, .893sv%) and sophomore Jamie Vandespyker (2-1-0, 2.30, .926) have been the Oilers' primary goaltenders this season.

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2000-2001 CCHA STANDINGS



	GP	CONFERENCE					GF	GA	W	OVERALL				
		W	L	T	Pts	L				T	GF	GA		
1. Michigan State	13	9	1	3	21	38	16	12	1	4	53	25		
2. Michigan	11	7	3	1	15	45	24	13	3	3	78	42		
Miami (Ohio)	12	7	4	1	15	43	33	10	6	2	61	54		
4. Western Michigan	13	6	1	2	14	46	30	11	2	2	73	47		
Northern Michigan	14	5	5	4	14	37	40	9	5	5	64	50		
6. Ohio State	10	6	3	1	13	32	25	9	4	1	49	30		
7. Lake Superior State	15	6	9	0	12	36	53	9	11	0	51	68		
Alaska Fairbanks	14	4	6	4	12	37	50	4	8	4	40	56		
9. Nebraska Omaha	12	5	6	1	11	38	41	8	9	1	50	53		
10. Bowling Green State	14	3	7	4	10	39	42	3	9	4	39	47		
11. Ferris State	12	1	8	3	5	25	48	3	9	4	37	59		
12. Notre Dame	10	1	7	2	4	18	32	3	11	3	39	61		

RESULTS LAST WEEK

Friday, December 8

Michigan State 1, at Ferris State 1 OT*

Nebraska Omaha 3, at Bowling Green State 1*
at Alaska Fairbanks 4, Lake Superior State 1*
Miami (Ohio) 5, at Notre Dame 2*
at Michigan 5, St. Lawrence 1
Northern Michigan 4, at Michigan Tech 1

Saturday, December 9

at Michigan State 4, Ferris State 1*

at Bowling Green State 7, Nebraska Omaha 2*
Lake Superior State 5, at Alaska Fairbanks 2*
Miami (Ohio) 4, at Notre Dame 1*
at Michigan 6, St. Lawrence 2
at Northern Michigan 5, Michigan Tech 2

UPCOMING GAMES

Tuesday, December 12

BULLDOG BITES: Ferris State's 0-0 overtime tie against Michigan State last Friday (Dec. 8) represented the first scoreless tie in the FSU program's history . . . The Bulldogs have played in five overtime contests this season while registering a 0-1-4 record in those outings . . . Six of FSU's eight opponents this campaign are teams ranked in last week's *USA Today/America Hockey Magazine* top 15 (or also receiving votes). The Bulldogs are 1-7-4 versus those teams . . . Senior center **Kevin Swider (Livonia)** is three goals away from moving into a three-

way tie for 15th place with Tom Rudrud (1979-83) and Ed Turner (1976-80) on Ferris State's all-time goal-scoring list. Swider has totaled 47 career goals in 126 contests . . . Junior goal-tender **Phil Osaer (Livonia)** has posted a 1.58 goals against average (five goals allowed) and a .931 save percentage (67 total saves) in his last three appearances in net. Prior to those three games, Osaer registered a 4.21 goals against average (11 goals allowed) and a .866 save percentage (71 total saves) in his initial three outings this season . . . The Bulldogs snapped their five-game power-play scoring slump (0-for-25) in Saturday's game at Michigan State, going one-for-five in extra-skater situations. FSU started out this season scoring at least one power play goal in 10 straight contests (13-of-53) . . . Sophomore center **Scott Markowsky (Prince Albert, Sask.)** has voluntarily left the program and won't be returning in the 2001 winter semester. Markowsky had two points (0-2-2) in 13 contests this season . . . Ferris ranks second nationally among the NCAA Division I leaders in most penalty minutes (24.75 avg.) while **Kevin Swider** is tied for seventh place in power play goals (six total) . . . Senior netminder **Vince Owen (Thompson, Man.)**, who totaled 2,155 career saves in 96 contests, is 10 shy of tying Craig Lisko (1990-94; 2,165) for third place on the school's all-time goalie saves chart . . . FSU is 2-1-1 in nonleague contests this season after going 7-1-0 in nonleague action a year ago . . . The Bulldogs are 3-1-2 when leading after two periods this season.

LAST WEEK: The following are FSU's game summaries from last weekend's league series versus Michigan State.

US-NTDPU-18 at Michigan#

Thursday, December 14

Ohio State at Western Michigan*

Friday, December 15

Findlay at Ferris State, 7:05 p.m.

Ohio State at Western Michigan*

Saturday, December 16

Findlay at Ferris State, 7:05 p.m.

Tuesday, December 19

Notre Dame at Nebraska Omaha*, 8:05 p.m.

Wednesday, December 20

Notre Dame at Nebraska Omaha*, 8:05 p.m.

All times are Eastern * - CCHAGame
- Exhibition

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		
Dec. 16 vs. Findlay		
Dec. 29 vs. Providence		
Dec. 30 vs. Air Force/Denver		
Jan. 5 at N. Dame		
Jan. 6 at N. Dame		
Jan. 12 at Miami		
Jan. 13 at Miami		
Jan. 19 at UAF		
Jan. 20 at UAF		
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		

December 8, 2000 - at R.L. Ewigleben Ice Arena (2,450)

Michigan State	0	0	0	0	--	0
Ferris State	0	0	0	0	--	0

Penalties: MS 8-16, FS 10-20

Power Plays: MS 0-7, FS 0-5

Saves: MS-Miller (9-3-8-1-21); 65:00

FS-Osaer (5-3-7-1-16); 65:00

Referee-Brent Rutherford
Asst. Refs-Vida, Philo

December 9, 2000 - at Munn Ice Arena (6,698)

Ferris State	0	1	0	--	1
Michigan State	0	2	2	--	4

2nd: FS-Dube (2) (Meyer, Collins); PPG; 10:55

MS-Bogle (3) (Jackson); 11:38

MS-Liles (4) (Maloney, Dolyny); PPG; 18:13

3rd: MS-Nail (5) (Bogle, Jackson); PPG; 8:25

MS-Maloney (8) (Liles, Goodenow); 17:31

Penalties: FS 12-24, MS 6-12

Power Plays: FS 1-5, MS 2-10

Saves: FS-Osaer (10-7-2-19); 60:00

MS-Miller (4-5-7-16); 60:00

Referee-Brent Rutherford
Asst. Refs-Vida, Philo

UP NEXT: Following its home series with Findlay this weekend, Ferris State is idle until Dec. 29-30 when the Bulldogs compete in the Wells Fargo Denver Cup Tournament at Denver University's Magness Arena in Denver, Colo. FSU will skate against the Providence Friars in first-round action on Friday, Dec. 29, at 6:35 p.m. (EST). The consolation and championship games will be held Saturday, Dec. 30, at 6:05 p.m. and 9:05 p.m. (EST), respectively. Host Denver, Providence and Air Force along with Ferris State comprise the four-team tourney field.