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OHIO STATE AT FERRIS STATE
DECEMBER 10, 2001

FERRIS RETURNS TO ACTION THIS WEEKEND ENTERTAINING OHIO STATE

DATE OPPONENT TIME/RESULT
10/3 Waterloo (Ont.)*# W 5-1
10/12 at Wayne State W 5-2
10/13 at Wayne State W 5-0
10/20 at Michigan State* L 0-2
10/26 Miami (Ohio)* L 4-5
10/27 Miami (Ohio)* L 2-3
11/2 Lake Superior State* W 2-0
11/3 Lake Superior State* W 6-2
11/9 at Notre Dame* L 2-5
11/10 at Notre Dame* T 3-3 OT
11/16 Alaska Fairbanks* W 4-1
11/17 Alaska Fairbanks* W 4-1
11/23 at Nebraska-Omaha* W 7-2
11/24 at Nebraska-Omaha* L 2-5
11/30 Michigan* L 4-5
12/1 at Michigan* L 1-6
12/14 Ohio State* 7:35 p.m.
12/15 Ohio State* 7:05 p.m.
12/28 Minnesota 8:05 p.m.
12/29 Providence/Western Michigan TBA
1/11 at Miami (Ohio)* 7:35 p.m.
1/12 at Miami (Ohio)* 7:35 p.m.
1/15 Michigan State* 7:35 p.m.
1/25 Bemidji State 7:35 p.m.
1/26 Bemidji State 7:05 p.m.
2/1 at Northern Michigan* 7:05 p.m.
2/2 at Northern Michigan* 7:05 p.m.
2/8 Bowling Green State 7:35 p.m.
2/9 Bowling Green State 7:05 p.m.
2/15 at Ohio State* 7:35 p.m.
2/16 at Ohio State* 7:05 p.m.
2/22 at Western Michigan* 7:05 p.m.
2/23 Western Michigan* 7:05 p.m.
3/1 Michigan State* 7:35 p.m.
3/2 at Michigan State* 7:05 p.m.
3/8-10 CCHA Tournament 1st Rd. TBA
3/15 CCHA Tournament Quarterfinals TBA
3/16 CCHA Tournament Semifinals 5:05/8:35 p.m.
3/17 CCHA Tournament Championship 7:35 p.m.
3/22-23 NCAA West Regional TBA
3/23-24 NCAA East 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
◆ – Mariucci Classic (Minneapolis, Minn.)
► – Detroit, Mich. (Joe Louis Arena)
▼ – Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)
▲ – Ann Arbor, Mich. (Yost Ice Area)
★ – St. Paul, Minn. (Xcel Center)

THE RECORDS: Ferris State is currently 7-7-1 overall and 5-7-1 in the CCHA after being idle last weekend. The Bulldogs suffered a pair of league setbacks to nationally-ranked Michigan two weeks ago (Nov. 30-Dec. 1) in a home-and-home series. Ferris lost a 5-4 decision to the Wolverines in the opener at FSU's Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids and then was dealt a 6-1 loss in the rematch at UM's Yost Ice Arena in Ann Arbor, Mich. FSU, which is midst a current three-game losing string, is presently 4-3-0 at home and 3-4-1 in away outings this campaign.

OHIO STATE, which was idle last weekend, is presently 9-4-1 overall and 6-3-1 in the CCHA. In its most recent action two weeks ago (Nov. 30-Dec. 1), OSU split a two-game league series with Miami (Ohio). The Buckeyes dropped a 1-0 overtime decision to the RedHawks in the series’ opener at OSU’s Value City Arena in Columbus, Ohio. The next evening, Ohio State recorded a 4-3 overtime triumph at MU’s Goggin Ice Arena in Oxford, Ohio. The Buckeyes, who have won six of their last eight contests to date, are 2-2-0 on the road, 6-2-1 at home and 1-0-0 at neutral sites this season.

Ohio State concluded the 2000-01 season at 17-18-2 overall, which included a 13-13-2 mark (seventh place) in the CCHA.

THE COACHES: Ferris State – Bob Daniels is currently in his 17th season as the Bulldogs’ head coach. Daniels is currently Ferris’ all-time leader in wins (103) and CCHA Tourney victories (five). He was also the first coach to win the CCHA’s exhibitions award three times (1978-80, 1979-80, 1980-81). Daniels is also Ferris’ all-time leader in winning percentage (.736). He was named the CCHA Coach of the Year in 1985, 1993, 1998 and 1999. Daniels has won the National Coach of the Year Award twice (1978-79, 1979-80) and was the recipient of the 1985-86 Jack Adams Award.

Ohio State – John Markell is in his seventh season at Ohio State. Markell, who was the Buckeyes’ assistant coach for eight seasons, went 141-184-32 (439) – 9-17-2 vs. Ohio State; Home–6-6-2; Away–3-10-0; Neutral–0-1-0. Ohio State – Markell (Bowling Green State, 1979), 7th season, 111-121-20 (.480) – 14-6-1 vs. Ferris State.

ABOUT OHIO STATE: The Buckeyes were paced offensively by sophomore center R.J. Umberger (6-8-14) and sophomore forward Scott May (6-6-12). Sophomore goaltender Mike Betz has played in all 14 contests this season, registering a 4-4-1 record with a 1.97 goals against average and a .930 save percentage.

SERIES INFORMATION: FSU/OSU dates 46-28-10
At Big Rapids: 18-18-3; At Columbus: 10-27-7
Neutral: 0-1-0
Goals For/Against: 286 (3.44 gp)/332 (3.9 gp)
First Meeting: OSU 9, FSU 6 (12/1/78)
Last Meeting: FSU 9, OSU 6 (12/1/00), Tie 1-1 OT (12/2/00)

Top FSU Scorer: Rob Collins (2-3-5, 9 GP)
Series Note: Ohio State is 10-2-1 in the last 13 outings versus Ferris State, which includes a 4-2-1 record in Big Rapids.

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6-2-0 this season when scoring four goals or more in a game and 1-6-1 when being held to less.

All (1-7-3 CCHA) following its initial 15 contests and went on to post a 13-20-5 overall mark (9-15-4).

A year ago, Ferris was 3-8-4 overall game of the season against Michigan with a two-point (both assists) game performance.

, who has compiled five points (0-5–5) in his last four outings, posted his third multi-point game. Ferris State is idle until Dec. 28-29 when the Bulldogs compete.

Michigan State is 2-1-0 with a 2.01 goals against average (7 allowed) and a .833 saves percentage (106).

B U L D D OG B ITES : Junior left wing Chris Kunitz (Regina, Sask.) ranks 18th among the school’s all-time goal-scoring leaders with 49 career markers in 90 games. He’s one goal away from tying Tom Rudrud (1979-83) and Ed Turner (1976-80) for 16th place.

Colorado College will be the featured speakers. Cost for the buffet luncheon is $8 per person. Contact Micki Lyons at (231) 591-2888 or lyonsm@ferris.edu for more information.

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