**FERRIS STATE TO PLAY IN CONNECTICUT CLASSIC OVER HOLIDAY BREAK**

**This Week:** The nationally-ranked Ferris State University men's ice hockey team will be traveling to Storrs, Conn., this weekend (Dec. 29-30) to compete in the Connecticut (UConn) Classic. The Bulldogs will square off against the Alabama-Huntsville Chargers in Sunday's (Dec. 29) semifinal-round opener proceeded by host Connecticut taking on Findlay in the other semifinal contest. The consolation and championship games will be held Monday (Dec. 30).

The **Records:** Ferris State, which has been idle the last two-plus weeks, is 12-4-0 overall and 10-2-0 in the CCHA following a league home-and-home series split against Michigan State (Dec. 6-7). FSU suffered a 6-2 home loss to the Spartans in Friday's (Dec. 6) series opener at the Ewigleben (pronounced A-VAH-gle-vin) Ice Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. Ferris then posted a 5-3 triumph Saturday (Dec. 7) at MSU's Munn Ice Arena in East Lansing, Mich.

The Bulldogs are ranked among the top 10 in four national polls this week – eighth by U.S. College Hockey Online, ninth by both Inside College Hockey.com and National Hockey League.com, and 10th by USA Today/American Hockey Magazine. FSU is 7-3-0 at home and 5-1-0 on the road this campaign.

Ferris State has a 2-0-0 all-time series lead over Findlay as the two teams split a two-game non-league series from Bentley University men's ice hockey game (Dec. 6-7). UAH went 1-0-1 against Sacred Heart (Conn.) in a non-league series at USC's Milford Ice Pavilion in Fairfield, Conn. The Chargers skated to a 3-3 overtime tie with the Pioneers in the opener (Dec. 6) before claiming a 6-2 victory in the series' finale (Dec. 7). UAH, which has a current five-game unbeaten streak (3-0-2), is 3-0-1 at home and 2-7-1 in away outings this season.

**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; Notre); ▲ – Providence, R.I. (Dunkin Donuts Center); ◆ – Minneapolis, Minn. (Marucci Arena); ◊ – Ann Arbor, Mich. (Yost Ice Arena); ▲ – Buffalo, N.Y. (HSBC Arena)

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