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RESULTS LAST WEEK
Friday, January 2
Ferris State 7, Alaska Fairbanks 5*

Saturday, January 3
Alaska Fairbanks 4, Ferris State 0**
Northern Michigan 6, at Michigan State 5 OT**

Sunday, January 4
Ferris State 7, Alaska Fairbanks 5*

Wednesday, January 7
Ferris State at Nebraska-Omaha, 8:05 p.m.

BULLDOGS OF THE GAME:
Senior center Brett Smith (Guelph, Ont.) has a team-high seven points (3-4–7) in 10 road encounters this season. . . Sophomore right wing Nick Scheible’s (Big Rapids) six points (4-2-6) in 15 contests this campaign exceed his season total of four points (1-3-4) in 16 outings a season ago . . . In its last nine games, Ferris has outscored its opponents 36-23 which includes 16-4-2 (4-2-6) in 15 contests this campaign.

Senior center Mark Bomersback (Rochester, Alta.) has seven points (3-4–7) in his previous 13 contests. . . Eight (3-5–8) of sophomore right wing Brett Smith’s (Guelph, Ont.) points (5-2–7) in his last seven games after garnering five points (2-3–5) in 3/21 . . . Frosh left wing Giovanni Flammini (Lakeville, Conn.) is the nation’s second-highest undefeated streak going into Saturday’s contest.

GAME 19 ◆ vs. Alaska Fairbanks
January 2, 2004 – at Ewigleben Ice Arena (1,598)

Game 20 ◆ vs. Alaska Fairbanks
January 3, 2004 – at Ewigleben Ice Arena (1,744)

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BULLDOGS OF THE GAME: After each contest, a Ferris State player will be selected the Bulldog of the Game. Below is a compilation of the recipients to date.

DATE/OPP. PLAYER NOTES
Oct. 10 at WMU Greg Rallo 1-1-2, +2
Oct. 11 vs. NMU Nick Scheible 1-0-1, +1
Oct. 17 at Colgate Brett Smith 1-1-2, +2
Oct. 18 at Colgate Jeff Legue 2-0-2, +1
Oct. 24 at UAF Mike Brown 34 saves
Oct. 25 at UAF Brett Smith 1-0-1
Oct. 31 at MSU Derrick McIver 0-0-0
Nov. 1 vs. MSU Derek Nesbitt 0-1-1
Nov. 7 vs. Michigan Brett Smith 1-1-2, +1
Nov. 8 at Michigan Greg Rallo 1-0-1
Nov. 21 vs. UNO Giovanni Flammini 0-1-1, +1
Nov. 22 vs. UNO Mike Brown 36 saves
Nov. 28 vs. Niagara Derrick McIver 1-0-1, +1
Nov. 29 vs. Niagara Mike Kinnie 3-0-3, +2
Dec. 5 at BGSU Mike Brown 27 saves
Dec. 6 at BGSU Brett Smith 0-3-3, +2
Dec. 27 vs. UM-Lowell Simon Mangos 0-3-3, +3
Dec. 28 at Wisconsin Mike Brown 38 saves
Jan. 2 vs. UAF Nick Scheible 2-1-3, +2
Jan. 3 vs. UAF Zac Pearson 0-0-0
Jan. 7 at UNO
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Jan. 16 vs. Miami
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Jan. 23 vs. Miami
Jan. 24 vs. Findlay
Jan. 30 vs. UNO
Jan. 31 at WMU
Feb. 6 vs. Ohio St.
Feb. 7 vs. Ohio St.
Feb. 13 at N. Dame
Feb. 14 at N. Dame
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All times are Eastern
* – CCHA Game
# – Exhibition Game

Most Recent Summaries:

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**Average Height**: 6 feet, 0 inches  
**Average Weight**: 183.0 pounds  
**Average Age**: 21.3 years

**Head Coach**: Bob Daniels  
**Associate Head Coach**: Drew Famulak  
**Assistant Coach**: Derek Lalone  
**Volunteer Asst. Coach**: Tim Blashill  
**Equipment Manager**: Ben Mumah, E.M.,C.  
**Athletics Trainer**: Tim Glover, ATC

**FSU’s Record When...**
- Playing at home.....................-5-3-1
- Playing on the road..................3-6-1
- Playing at neutral site...............1-0-0
- On Olympic-sized ice................2-2-0
- On regulation-sized ice.............-7-7-2
- Game 1 of a weeked series...........-4-5-1
- Game 2 of a weekend series..........-5-4-1
- Game 1 of a CCHA weekend series....-3-4-0
- Game 2 of a CCHA weekend series....-2-4-1
- Games following a winning...........3-4-2
- Games following a loss.............-4-4-0
- Games following a tie..............2-0-0
- The margin of victory is one goal...-2-0-0
- The margin of victory is two goals...-3-0-0
- The margin of victory is three or more goals...-4-0-0
- In overtime games........................1-0-1
- In games decided by one goal........-2-1-0
- In games decided by two goals........3-4-0
- In games decided by three or more goals...-4-4-0
- Scoring first..........................5-3-2
- The opponent scores first...........4-6-0
- Leading after one period.............3-3-1
- Tied after one period................-2-4-0
- Leading after two periods...........-7-2-0
- Tied after two periods...............-1-5-1
- Tied after two periods..............-1-2-1
- Outshooting their opponent.........-3-1-3
- Being outshot by an opponent........2-6-0
- Shots on goal are even............-0-0-1
- With fewer than 20 shots on goal...-0-1-0
- With 20-29 shots on goal............-3-5-1
- With 30-39 shots on goal............-3-2-0
- With 40 or more shots on goal......-3-1-1
- Scoring a power-play goal..........5-3-0
- Not scoring a power-play goal......-4-6-2
- Allowing a power-play goal.........-6-7-2
- Not allowing a power-play goal.....-3-2-0
- Scoring a short-handed goal........-1-1-0
- Allowing a short-handed goal........-1-0-0
- When FSU goalie makes fewer than 30 saves...-6-5-2
- When FSU goalie makes 30-39 saves....-3-4-0
- When FSU goalie makes 40-49 saves....-0-0-0
- When taking less penalties than opp...-2-2-2
- When taking more penalties than opp.--6-7-0
- When penalties are equal...........1-0-0
- Playing in TV games..................2-3-0
- When Jeff Legue gets a point........-8-2-0
- When Jeff Legue scores a goal.......-4-0-0
- Versus CCHA Teams...................5-8-1
- Versus WCHA Teams...................1-0-0
- Versus CCHAA Teams..................1-1-0
- Versus Hockey East Teams............1-0-0
- Versus ECAC Teams...................1-0-0
- When wearing white jerseys.........2-5-2
- When wearing dark jerseys..........-7-4-0

**2003-04 Month-By-Month Record...**
**Home**
- October 1-0-0
- November 2-0-1
- December 0-0-0
- January 1-1-0
- February 0-0-0
- March 0-0-0

**Away**
- November 0-0-0
- December 0-0-0
- January 1-1-0
- February 0-0-0
- March 0-0-0

**Neutral**
- December 1-0-0
- January 1-1-0
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**Total**
- November 3-2-1
- December 2-2-2
- January 1-1-0
- February 0-0-0
- March 0-0-0

**2003-04 Cluster Standings...**
- Under the CCHA’s “rivalry pairing” cluster scheduling format, Ferris State, whose rivalry partner is Western Michigan, joins Nebraska-Omaha and Alaska Fairbanks for the 2003-04 campaign. Following are the standings in FSU’s scheduling cluster:

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1. Alaska Fairbanks | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 10
2. Ferris State | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 8
3. Western Michigan | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5
4. Nebraska-Omaha | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3

**The 2003-04 season marks the fourth year of the Perani Cup Three Stars, which is awarded following each CCHA regular-season game. Players from each school earn points throughout the season each time they’re named a “star of the game” (5 points for 1st star, 3 points for 2nd star, and 1 point for 3rd star). At the end of the season, the CCHA will crown a Perani Cup champion and honor individual winners from each school. Following is the 2003-04 Perani Cup standings for Ferris State:**

**NAME** | **1ST** | **2ND** | **3RD** | **Pts**
---|---|---|---|---
Brett Smith | 2 | 3 | 4 | 16
Mike Brown | 1 | 2 | 3 | 11
Nick Scheible | 2 | 1 | 1 | 10
Derek Nesbitt | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7
Giovanni Flamminio | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6

**2003-04 Top Streaks...**

**PLAYER** | **GAMES** | **G-A-P** | **STREAK**
---|---|---|---
None | None | None | None

**2003-04 NCAA Statistics...**

Following is where Ferris State ranks as a team and individually among the 2003-04 NCAA I statistical leaders through games of 12/14/03:

**INDIVIDUAL**

**NAME** | **Category** | **Rank** | **No.** | **Points**
---|---|---|---|---
Brett Smith | Game Winning Goals | 4th | 4 | 30

**NEXT OPPONENT**: Ferris State returns home to begin a four-game homestand, starting next weekend, Jan. 16-17, versus the Miami (Ohio) Red Hawks in a Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) series. Starting time for the series’ opener is set for 7:35 p.m. (EST) at FSU’s Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. The series’ finale is scheduled to commence at 7:05 p.m. (EST). The series represents the only regular-season meeting between the two teams during the 2003-04 campaign.