



# Notes from the Nest...

## Game 27

### 2002 Northeast-10 Tournament First Round Franklin Pierce College at College of Saint Rose

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2002 • Campus Activities Center • 2 p.m.

#### 2001-02 Schedule/Results (15-11, 12-10 NE-10)

Date	Opponent	Time/Res
Nov. 16	vs. Longwood !	W 86-77
Nov. 17	at Clarion !	W 86-73
Nov. 20	at Saint Rose #	L 87-85
<b>NOV. 28</b>	<b>SOUTHERN CONN. #</b>	<b>W 76-69</b>
<b>DEC. 2</b>	<b>SOUTHERN N.H. #</b>	<b>L 86-65</b>
Dec. 5	at UMass Lowell #	L 74-51
<b>DEC. 8</b>	<b>SAINT ROSE #</b>	<b>W 75-69 (OT)</b>
Dec. 12	Saint Anselm #	L 84-66
Dec. 28	vs. Univ. of D.C. @	W 57-54
Dec. 29	at California (Pa.) @	L 74-69
<b>JAN. 3</b>	<b>PACE #</b>	<b>L 72-70</b>
<b>JAN. 5</b>	<b>LE MOYNE #</b>	<b>W 82-76</b>
<b>JAN. 8</b>	<b>SAINT MICHAEL'S #</b>	<b>W 78-67</b>
Jan. 12	at Southern Conn. #	W 82-50
Jan. 17	at Pace #	W 79-71
Jan. 19	at Le Moyne #	L 75-66
Jan. 21	at Saint Michael's #	L 89-79
<b>JAN 24</b>	<b>SAINT ANSELM #</b>	<b>W 71-64</b>
<b>JAN. 26</b>	<b>BRYANT #</b>	<b>W 69-59</b>
Jan. 30	at Assumption #	L 84-73
<b>FEB. 2</b>	<b>AMERICAN INT'L #</b>	<b>L 62-60</b>
Feb. 5	at Bentley #	W 84-79
<b>FEB. 9</b>	<b>STONEHILL #</b>	<b>W 69-61</b>
Feb. 12	at Merrimack #	W 80-77
Feb. 16	at Southern N.H. #	L 75-72
<b>FEB. 20</b>	<b>UMASS LOWELL #</b>	<b>W 79-73</b>

#### 2002 Northeast-10 Tournament

Feb. 23	at Saint Rose	2 p.m.
Feb. 25	at Assumption	7 p.m.
Feb. 28	Semifinals	6 p.m.
March 2	Championship	1 p.m.

**Home:** 8-3      **Road:** 5-8  
**Neutral:** 2-0  
**Day:** 6-3      **Night:** 9-8

#### Home Games in **BOLD**

! - Clarion KFC/Subway Classic (Clarion, Pa.)  
 @ - Holiday Inn/Food for the Hungry Tournament (California, Pa.)  
 # - Northeast-10 Conference Opponents

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**THE GAME:** Ninth-seeded Franklin Pierce College travels to Albany, N.Y., to face No. 8-seed College of Saint Rose in first round action of the 2002 Northeast-10 Conference Men's Basketball Tournament this afternoon. FPC is making its second-straight NE-10 Tournament appearance in as many years in the Conference. The Ravens are coming off a 79-73 win over UMass Lowell, ranked fourth in the Northeast Region on Wednesday night. Saint Rose has dropped three-of-five entering the Tournament, but posted a 93-79 win over Saint Michael's College to round out the regular season on Wednesday.

**SIMPLE MATH:** Franklin Pierce, Saint Rose and American International all finished their Northeast-10 schedules with identical 12-10 records. AIC was awarded the No. 7 seed with a 2-1 record against FPC and Saint Rose. Saint Rose earned the No. 8 seed with a 2-2 mark against the other two schools, while the Ravens drew the short straw by posting a 1-2 mark against Saint Rose and AIC.

**SCOTT POWERS RAVENS PAST RIVER HAWKS:** Franklin Pierce saw a 22-point second-half lead evaporate, but held on for a 79-73 win over UMass Lowell, ranked fourth in the Northeast Region on Wednesday night. Senior forward **Kevin Scott** led the Ravens with 25 points, on eight-of-11 shooting from the floor and a perfect 8-8 effort at the free throw line, to go along with eight rebounds, two assists and two steals. Junior **V.J. Kwity** added 14 points (11 second half), aided by an 8-10 effort at the line, four rebounds, four assists and two steals. Sophomore **Derek Rodgerson** added 12 points, four assists and two steals, while senior **Alfonso Payne** totaled ten points (all first half), five rebounds and three assists. Junior **Tom Waterman** chipped in seven points, five assists and a career-high six steals. FPC led by 22 (48-26) with 15:54 to play after a 41-9 run during a 17-minute span sandwiched around halftime. UML trailed by 21 (60-39) with 9:50 to play, but cut the Ravens lead to a single point (67-66) with 90-seconds on the clock. FPC sealed the win by hitting its last ten free throw attempts in the final three minutes.

**ON THE BENCH:** Franklin Pierce Head Coach **David Chadbourne** is currently in his third season at the helm of the Franklin Pierce men's basketball team. He has led the Ravens to a 48-35 (.578) clip during that time. Chadbourne returned to the men's program in 1999 after serving as the head coach of the Ravens women's program for three years, leading them to back-to-back 20-win seasons and trips to the NCAA Tournament. He took over the women's helm after serving as assistant coach of the men's team for five years. Chadbourne was recently inducted into the Saint Joseph's (Maine) College Athletic Hall of Fame in November. Chadbourne is assisted by **Ken Ervin** and **Shaun Hoffman**.

**POSTSEASON RAVENS:** Franklin Pierce is making its 24th-straight postseason appearance this season dating back to 1977-78. FPC has earned its second-straight Northeast-10 Tournament appearance in as many years since joining the Conference. The Ravens have advanced to the semifinal round of their Conference tournament four-straight seasons. FPC's last NCAA Tournament appearance came in 1996.

**AGAINST THE GOLDEN KNIGHTS:** This afternoon marks the 13th meeting all-time between these two programs. Franklin Pierce leads the all-time series, 8-4, following a split of the regular season series between the two schools. Today marks the first postseason meeting between the two programs. FPC and Saint Rose each won its home games during the regular season series. Senior **Jason Bariteau** drained a three-pointer at the buzzer to lift the Golden Knights to an 87-85 win in Albany on November 20. After Saint Rose erased a nine-point deficit with 7:55 to play to force overtime, FPC scored the final seven points of the game in the extra period to post a 75-69 overtime win at the FPC Fieldhouse on December 8.

#### Probable Starters

**PG:** Tom Waterman (6.9 ppg, 4.8 apg, 2.0 spg)  
**SG:** Derek Rodgerson (13.5 ppg, .457 FG%, .425 3FG%)  
**SG:** V.J. Kwity (14.2 ppg, 5.0 rpg, .800 FT%)  
**SF:** Zvonko Ilic (6.7 ppg, 4.6 rpg)  
**PF:** Kevin Scott (15.3 ppg, 8.8 rpg, 1.7 bpg)

#### Key Players Off the Bench

**SG:** Jimmie Hunt (13.8 ppg, 3.4 rpg, .548 FG%)  
**SG:** Alfonso Payne (7.2 ppg, 3.3 rpg)  
**PG:** Allister Gall (2.0 ppg, .316 3FG%)  
**C:** Josh Steinberger (0.8 ppg, 1.0 rpg)

## Northeast-10 Standings

School	NE-10	Overall
*Assumption	18-4	22-4
Pace	17-5	20-6
UMass Lowell	16-6	19-7
Bentley	16-6	17-9
Southern New Hampshire	13-9	16-10
Saint Anselm	13-9	16-10
American International	12-10	14-12
<b>Saint Rose</b>	<b>12-10</b>	<b>15-11</b>
<b>Franklin Pierce</b>	<b>12-10</b>	<b>15-11</b>
Southern Conn	11-11	14-12
Le Moyne	7-15	11-15
Saint Michael's	7-15	11-15
Merrimack	5-17	6-20
Bryant	4-18	7-19
Stonehill	2-20	4-22

\* - Regular Season Champions

## NE-10 Tournament Schedule

### First Round

**Saturday, February 23, 2 p.m.**

Game 1: #12 Saint Michael's at #5 Southern N.H.

Game 2: #11 Le Moyne at #6 Saint Anselm

Game 3: #10 Southern Conn. at #7 American Int'l

Game 4: #9 Franklin Pierce at #8 Saint Rose

### Quarterfinals

**Monday, February 25, 7 p.m.**

Game 5: Game 4 winner at #1 Assumption

Game 6: Game 3 winner at #2 Pace

Game 7: Game 2 winner at #3 UMass Lowell

Game 8: Game 1 winner at #4 Bentley

### Semifinals

**Thursday, February 28, 6 p.m. (at higher seeds)**

Game 9: Game 5 winner vs. Game 8 winner

Game 10: Game 6 winner vs. Game 7 winner

### Championship

**Saturday, March 2, 1 p.m. (Higher seed)**

Game 9 winner vs. Game 10 winner

## Ravens against the field

Team	2001-02	All-time
<b>Assumption:</b>	0-1	7-6
<b>Pace:</b>	1-1	4-3
<b>UMass Lowell:</b>	1-1	19-11
<b>Bentley:</b>	1-0	5-2
<b>Southern N.H.:</b>	0-2	14-50
<b>Saint Anselm:</b>	1-1	10-18
<b>American Int'l:</b>	0-1	8-4
<b>Saint Rose:</b>	1-1	8-4
<b>Southern Conn.:</b>	2-0	19-13
<b>Le Moyne:</b>	1-1	13-3
<b>Saint Michael's:</b>	1-1	1-5

## Last Season...

Franklin Pierce took advantage of poor free-throw shooting by American International in the final minute and Donald Johnson scored an acrobatic layup with six-seconds to play to post a 73-72 victory in first round action of the 2001 NE-10 Tournament at the FPC Fieldhouse.

**Kevin Scott** totaled 24 points, eight rebounds and two blocks for FPC, while **Derek Rodgeron** added 14 points and two steals.

**FRANKLIN PIERCE VS. SAINT ROSE - INSIDE THE NUMBERS:** In the two regular season meetings between the two teams, Franklin Pierce senior **Kevin Scott** averaged 19.5 points, shooting 55.9-percent (19-34), 11.0 rebounds (5.0 offensive rebounds), 2.0 blocks and 1.5 steals per game. Sophomore **Jimmie Hunt** averaged 17.5 points, shooting 68.2% (15-22) from the field, and 4.5 rebounds against Saint Rose, while junior **V.J. Kwity** averaged 13.0 points, 8.0 rebounds and 4.0 assists. Golden Knights junior **Phil Sellers** averaged 14.5 points, 6.5 rebounds and 2.0 blocks in the two games, while sophomore **Jessie Cort** posted 10.5 points, 7.5 boards, 3.0 assists and 1.5 steals in the two contests. Senior point guard **Matt Fryer** averaged 9.5 assists and 4.0 steals.

**MORE INSIDE THE NUMBERS:** Franklin Pierce shot 50.4-percent (68-135) from the field in its two games against Saint Rose this season, while the Golden Knights shot 40% (56-140). Saint Rose connected on 70.6% (24-34) of its free throw attempts in the series compared to 40.9% (9-22) for FPC. The Ravens out rebounded Saint Rose by an average 45.5 to 37.5 per contest. FPC averaged 80 points in the series compared to 73 points for CSR.

**GREAT SCOTT!:** Senior power forward **Kevin Scott** is one of the top frontcourt players in Franklin Pierce history. The Mississauga, Ontario, native leads the Ravens, averaging 15.3 points (15th in the NE-10), 8.8 rebounds (2nd) and 1.6 blocks (2nd). His .522 (164-314) shooting percentage ranks sixth in the Conference and he ranks seventh with 2.5 offensive boards per contest. Scott has led the Ravens in rebounding in 20 of their 26 games played and in scoring ten times this season. His team-high ten double-doubles this year ranks second among NE-10 leaders.

**TOURNAMENT TERROR:** **Kevin Scott** will look to replicate the magic of the 2001 Northeast-10 Tournament when he averaged 25.3 points, 9.3 rebounds and 2.0 blocks in three postseason games. He netted a career-high 37 points, on 16-of-22 shooting from the floor, and grabbed ten rebounds (six offensive) and three blocks in the Ravens quarterfinal round upset of Saint Anselm College.

**HE'S THE V.J!:** Junior **V.J. Kwity** has played a valuable role in the Ravens success this season. One of the most versatile players in the Conference, he is capable of lining up in three different positions. The Torrance, Calif., native is averaging 14.2 points, 5.0 rebounds, 2.4 assists and 1.4 steals this season. His .800 (100-125) free throw shooting percentage ranks ninth among NE-10 leaders. Kwity netted a career-high 34 points at Saint Michael's on January 21.

**THE MAINE CONNECTION:** Head Coach **David Chadbourne** has generated a pipeline from the State of Maine during his coaching career at Franklin Pierce. Three members of this year's team hail from the Pine Tree State. Sophomore shooting guard **Derek Rodgeron** (Newburgh/Hampden Academy) and junior point guard **Tom Waterman** (Bangor/Bangor) are both Maine natives, while sophomore swingman **Jimmie Hunt** attended Mount Ararat High School. Chadbourne, a native of Wells, Maine, who enjoyed a Hall of Fame career at Saint Joseph's College in Windham also recruited John L'Heureux (Old Town), who is the sixth all-time rebounder at FPC, while an assistant coach.

**IT'S HUNTING SEASON AGAIN!:** Franklin Pierce is happy to have sophomore swingman **Jimmie Hunt** back after missing over a month (12 games) with a stress fracture in his foot. The Utica, N.Y., native was leading the Ravens in scoring with 15.6 points, on 54.7-percent (47-86) shooting from the field (42.1% from three-point range), to go along with 4.6 rebounds per game. In the six games since his return, FPC is 4-2 and he is averaging 11.3 points, on 55% (22-40) shooting from the field and 40.9% (9-22) from long distance in 22.5 minutes per game off the bench. For the year, he is averaging 14.8 points, on 54.8% (69-126) shooting from the field, and 3.4 rebounds.

**HOUSE OF PAYNE:** Senior guard **Alfonso Payne** has flourished in his role as an offensive spark off the bench for Franklin Pierce this season. The Boston, Mass., native is averaging 7.2 points and 3.3 rebounds in 15.8 minutes per game. He netted a career-high 19 points, on six-of-10 shooting from the field, in 21 minutes of action during FPC's upset of then first-place Pace University in New York City on January 18. Payne totaled 18 points in 18 minutes to help lead the Ravens past Saint Michael's on January 8. He has reached double-digits in scoring in three-straight games and is shooting 66.7-percent (8-12) from three-point range in that span.

**TOUGH AS NAILS:** Junior point guard **Tom Waterman**, a transfer from the University of Maine, has filled in nicely at point guard for Franklin Pierce after four-year starter Donald Johnson graduated following last season. One of the toughest players to ever man the point at FPC, Waterman is averaging 4.8 assists (6th in the NE-10), 2.0 steals (9th) and 6.9 points to go along with 3.5 rebounds per game. The Bangor, Maine, native also ranks tenth in the Conference in assist/turnover ratio. Waterman snared a career-high six steals in Wednesday's win over UMass Lowell. He has dished a career-best 11 assists on two occasions this season in wins over Clarion and Southern Connecticut. His 16-point, 11-assist outing against a nationally-ranked Clarion squad marked his first career double-double as he also earned All-Tournament team honors at the Clarion KFC/Subway Classic in November.