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No. 15 Simon Fraser loses 16-6 to No. 3 Arizona State

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Simon Fraser University Men's Lacrosse

Event: Men's Lacrosse

Site: Arizona State University Soccer Field, Tempe, AZ

Score: #15 Simon Fraser University 6, #3 Arizona State University 16

Record: SFU (5-7, 1-0 PNCLL), ASU (9-3, 2-0 SLC)

Next SFU Game: Sunday, April 17, 2011, 1:00pm MST - vs. #21 University of Arizona – Tucson, AZ (Laxcat Coliseum)

TEMPE, AZ (Friday, April 15, 2011) – No. 15 Simon Fraser struggled to battle back from an early 7-0 deficit, losing 16-6 to No. 3 Arizona State in a regular season rematch of the 2010 MCLA Semi-Finals. Freshmen Calvin Craig (Coquitlam, BC / Gleneagle Secondary) – 3g and sophomore Eric Ransom (Sherwood Park, AB / Bev Facey High School) – 1g, 2a, led SFU with 3 points each in what was the Clan's lowest offensive output of the season and only the second time in 2011 that they have been held under double digits.

Arizona State controlled most of the first quarter when a late 3:00 minute unreleasable stick penalty to the Sun Devils gave SFU new hope at 4-0. With penalty time carrying over to the second quarter, the Clan would be unable to capitalize on the man advantage, instead giving up a goal shorthanded as 5th year senior Ryan Westfall (Danville, CA / Monte Vista HS) scored his third of the game to push the ASU lead to five. Arizona State would score twice more in the second quarter to race out to a 7-0 lead before Fraser was finally able to solve a strong Sun Devil Defense to make it 7-1 at the intermission.

Arizona State continued to set the pace in the second half scoring the first two goals of the third quarter to reset the score to 9-1 until Craig registered his second of the game to get Fraser back on the board at 9-2. The Clan would begin to find some rhythm offensively as the two teams continued to trade goals back and forth until they finished the quarter at a score of 12-4.

Clan sophomore Colton Dow (Coquitlam, BC / Heritage Woods Secondary) opened the fourth quarter scoring with his only goal of the contest to make it 12-5. Arizona State would then go on a four goal run before Ransom completed the scoring for a 16-6 final.

Freshman goaltender Darren Zwack (Sherwood Park, AB / Archbishop Jordan High School) made only his second start in net for the Clan, and first versus a ranked opponent, making several quality stops to finish the day with 14 saves. Sophomore standout Dylan Westfall (Danville, CA / Monte Vista HS) was impressive in the ASU net backstopping the Sun Devils for just over 57:00 minutes, before giving way to back-up Christian DeLuca who made 1 save in limited action over the final 2:24.



SFU attackman #22 Calvin Craig leans on his defender in an attempt to break the ASU defense; Craig scored 3 of the Clan's 6 goals in the loss.

Simon Fraser will travel two hours south to Tucson, AZ on their day off to wrap up their trip to the Copper State with a game versus No. 21 University of Arizona on Sunday, April 17. Arizona State will now have six days off before also facing in-state rival Arizona in their final game of the regular season.

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SIMON FRASER (5-7) 0-1-3-2/6
ARIZONA STATE (9-3) 4-3-5-4/16

GOALS: SFU: Craig-3, Dow, Koesdibyo, Ransom. **ASU (Unofficial):** Quinn-6, R. Westfall-4, Clark-2, Nelson-2, DeFranco, Schall.

ASSISTS: SFU: Ransom-2, Koesdibyo. **ASU (Unofficial):** Westfall-3, Nelson, Quinn, Schall.

NOTES

- SFU picked-up 33 ground balls in the loss. Senior defenseman Nathan Clare (Ladner, BC / Vancouver College) led the Clan with 10, while freshman goaltender Darren Zwack scooped up 6.
- Freshman Max Weselowski did all of the work at the face-off 'X' for the Clan finishing 14 of 25 (56%).

QUOTES

SFU Co-Head Coach Brent Hoskins

On Arizona State: "We knew how dangerous Arizona State could be offensively and in transition but were really impressed with how well they played defensively tonight. They got great goaltending from Dylan Westfall but the defense really limited our chances which prevented us from going on any runs and really ever being in the game."

SFU Co-Head Coach Jeff Cathrea

On Simon Fraser: "We really hit a stalemate offensively tonight and didn't do a good enough job in transition to give ourselves the time of possession that we needed to find any kind of a rhythm. Zwack made some big stops but ASU was able to wear us down defensively which ultimately dug us too deep of a hole. We did have a better second half but know that our overall execution has to be much improved if we want to compete with top teams."

ABOUT SIMON FRASER MEN'S LACROSSE

Simon Fraser University men's lacrosse is entering its sixteenth season in 2011 and competes in the Men's Collegiate Lacrosse Association (MCLA). The Clan have captured a record eight PNCLL Conference Titles (1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2008 and 2009) and are tied for fifth all-time with ten MCLA National Championship tournament appearances, placing 2nd in 1999 and most recently playing in the 2010 MCLA Semi-Finals after reaching the Quarterfinals in 2008 and 2009. The Clan are proudly sponsored by Harrow Sports and Onyx Lacrosse / Riddell Helmets.

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