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### Cyclones Trounce St. Cloud State in 9-1 Win

*Iowa State earns second series sweep in as many weekends in young season*

**Sept. 24, 2011 – Ames, Iowa** – After splitting a home series against St. Cloud State opening weekend of the 2010-11 season, the Cyclones avenged their loss to the Huskies from last season with a dominating 9-1 victory that gave Iowa State the series sweep and a four-game winning streak to start the 2011-12 season.

The Cyclones established an early lead with a goal by **Jon Feavel (North Pole, Alaska – Fairbanks Ice Dogs/NAHL)** 53 seconds into the game when the sophomore roofed a centering feed out of the corner by **Chris Cucullu (Anchorage, Alaska – Nelson Leafs/KIJHL)** from the top of the crease and over St. Cloud netminder Luke Marchiafava, but the game remained close until midway through the first period.

St. Cloud State tied the game 8:37 into the first period when Matthew J. Johnson put home a loose puck on the power play on a rebound from a Mike Gabbert point shot through a number of screens that Cyclone goaltender **Peter Alexander (Vancouver, British Columbia – Winkler Flyers)** was quick enough to get his toe on for the initial save, despite not seeing it until it was right on him. Iowa State answered less than a minute later, though, when **Dominic Toigo (Delta, British Columbia – South Delta Ice Hawks/PIJHL)** scored a power play goal on a slap shot from the point at 9:33, giving the Cyclones' the team's first power play goal of the season. The Cyclones tallied against just 53 seconds later when **David Kurbatsky (San Ramon, Cali. – Owatonna Express/NAHL)** used his smooth cruising speed to beat St. Cloud defenseman Justin Friese wide and then drove the net and swept a backhand shot that deflected off of **Joe Bueltel (Louisville, Col. – Dubuque Fighting Saints/USHL)** at the far post and past Marchiafava, which gave Bueltel his first Cyclone Hockey goal and Iowa State three goals on its first four shots.

The Huskies pulled Marchiafava and put in Patrick Bergan after the Cyclones' goal at 10:26, and Bergan played well, but the Cyclones continued to pull away and take control of the game more and more as it progressed. Bergan and the Huskies kept the Cyclones in check with a 3-1 lead until just after midway in the second period when **Shawn Crawford (Winnipeg, Manitoba – OCN Blizzard/MJHL)** picked up a drop pass off the boards by **Mike Dopko (Makwa, Saskatchewan – Nanaimo Clippers/BCHL)** in the neutral zone, skated into the offensive zone, and fired a laser-beam slap shot from just inside the blue line that beat Bergan top shelf blocker side at 12:46 of the second period. Iowa State extended its lead to 5-1 just over five minutes later when **Jake Rombach (North Richland Hills, Tex. – Winkler Flyers/MJHL)** skated in on St. Cloud's Gabbert, passed back to **Brandon Clark (Spokane, Wash. – Trail Smoke Eaters/BCHL)**, which opened up Gabbert, and Clark quickly fed it back to Rombach, who continued driving to the net and scored top shelf on the backhand at 17:54 of the second period.

The Cyclones poured it on in the third period and fired 24 shots on goal, converting on four. **J.P. Kacsak (Springfield, Va. – North Bay Trappers/NOJHL)** scored Iowa State's first goal of the fourth period when he took a pass from Crawford, skated into the offensive zone, and fired an ultra-quick snap shot from above the hash marks that beat Bergan top shelf at 7:26 of the third period. **Derek Kohles (Johnston, Iowa – Dubuque Thunderbirds/CSHL)** scored his first goal of the season and gave the Cyclones the 7-1 lead just over three minutes later at 10:32 of the period when he converted on the power play from above the hash marks, blocker side, on a long-distance feed from **Justin Wilkinson (Prince Albert, Saskatchewan – Kindersley Klippers/SJHL)**. Feavel scored his second goal of the game and the Cyclones' eighth goal of the game 12:48 into the third period when he scored on a breakaway after taking advantage of a missed pass between St. Cloud's Matthew V. Johnson and Gabbert in the neutral zone, and **James Buttermore (Stillwater, Minn. – Winkler Flyers/MJHL)** tallied Iowa

State's final goal of the game with 5:52 left in the period when he scored on a one-timer from the face-off circle with the two-man advantage on a smooth pass across the slot by Rombach.

The game almost looked like it'd explode in some fireworks late when Matthew J. Johnson was called for holding with 15 seconds left in the game and then looked to fight Bueltel, but Bueltel maintained his cool, Johnson received a game misconduct, and the Cyclones were able to run down the clock after the ensuing face-off, sweep the Huskies, and move to 4-0-0-0 for the season.

The Cyclones return to the ice next weekend with a home series Hall of Fame/Alumni Weekend against the University Oklahoma September 30 and October 1 at 7:30 both nights. Season tickets are still available. Group-rate discounts and benefits start with groups as low as 15 people. Contact Cyclone Hockey at 294.6164 for more information.

NOTES: Jon Feavel's three-point night extended his team scoring lead to 8 points (6-2-8) in 4 games. James Buttermore, Shawn Crawford, and Jake Rombach also had multi-point nights, each tallying a goal and an assist. Peter Alexander's 24-save performance moves him to 2-0-0-0 on the season with a 1.50 goals-against average and a .940 save percentage. Alexander is the only Iowa State goaltender to have played in more than one game (two). By firing 47 shots in net against the Huskies tonight, the Cyclones have fired 46 shots on net or more in each of the team's first four games of the season (46, 56, 49, 47).

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#### GAME SUMMARY

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	FINAL
IOWA STATE	3	2	4	9
OPPONENT	1	0	0	1

First Period – Scoring: ISU, Feavel (Cucullu ), 0:53; SCSU, Matthew J. Johnson (Gabbert, Friese), 8:37; ISU, D. Toigo (Feavel), 9:33 (pp); ISU, Bueltel (Bennett), 10:26. Penalties: ISU, Feavel (elbowing), 4:04; ISU, Crawford (roughing), 6:38; SCSU, Ticha (roughing), 9:16; SCSU, Friese (high-sticking), 11:44; SCSU, Friese (roughing), 11:44; SCSU, Richardson (slashing), 12:06).

Second Period – Scoring: ISU, Crawford (Dopko), 12:46; ISU, Rombach (Clark), 17:54. Penalties: SCSU, Friese (face-masking), 10:57 (major); SCSU, Friese (game misconduct), 10:57; ISU, Rooney (interference), 19:19.

Third Period – Scoring: ISU, Kasczak (Crawford, Buttermore), 7:26; ISU, Kohles (Wilkinson, Wilhelmi), 10:32 (pp); ISU, Feavel (unassisted), 12:45; ISU, Buttermore (Rombach, Helanto), 14:08 (pp). Penalties: SCSU, Orton (hooking), 8:49; SCSU, Matthew V. Johnson (slashing), 12:45; SCSU, Richardson (roughing), 13:27; SCSU, Matthew V. Johnson (holding), 19:45; SCSU, Matthew V. Johnson (game misconduct), 19:45.

SHOTS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	TOTAL
IOWA STATE	15	12	24	51
ST CLOUD STATE	12	7	6	25

GOALTENDERS (SV/SH)	1	2	3	TOTAL
ISU, Alexander (60:00)	11/12	7/7	6/6	24/25
SCSU, Marchiafava (10:26)	1/4	0/0	0/0	1/4
SCSU, Bergan (49:34)	11/11	10/12	20/24	41/47

**POWER PLAY:** ISU 3-9; SCSU 1-4

**PENALTIES:** ISU 4-8; SCSU 11-41