

SPORTS



SENATHLETES

Who is...  
Ben Erickson

The 17-year-old International Falls High School senior ran this season on the Bronco boys cross country team.

**Birthday:**  
May 25, 1997

**Future plans:**  
College somewhere in Minnesota

**What’s on TV:**  
White Collar

**Favorite music:**  
Country

**Favorite movie:**  
Fast and Furious

**What do you drive:**  
2007 Ford Fusion

**Favorite Web site:**  
Twitter

**Favorite meal:**  
Steak and potatoes

**Worst habit:**  
Procrastination

**Biggest pet peeve:**  
Drivers who don’t pay attention

**Talent I’d most like to have:**  
Play guitar

**Favorite athlete to watch:**  
Matt Cullen

**Favorite team as a kid:**  
Minnesota Wild

**Favorite city to visit:**  
Twin Cities

**Favorite attribute about yourself:**  
My height

**Least favorite attribute:**  
Impatience

**Favorite holiday:**  
Christmas

**Your hero:**  
My Dad

**Top three things on your bucket list:**  
Skydiving.  
Alaskan hunting trip.  
Spectator at a Winter Olympics.

**Favorite memory about your high school career:**  
Lending my car to a classmate.

**Favorite thing to do that has nothing to do with sports:**  
Snowmobiling

**Dream job:**  
Something outdoors in Minnesota

ICE ARENA SCHEDULE 11/3-11/9

Date	Time	Location	Comments
11-3	2:15pm-3:40pm	Kerry Park Arena	RRCC Women's Hockey Practice
11-3	4:00pm-6:20pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Girls Hockey Practice
11-3	4:10pm-5:10pm	Kerry Park Arena	Mighty Mite Practice
11-3	5:20pm-6:20pm	Kerry Park Arena	Squirt Practice
11-3	6:30pm-7:45pm	Kerry Park Arena	Pee Wee Practice
11-3	6:30pm-8:00pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Boys Hockey Captain's Practice
11-3	8:00pm-9:15pm	Kerry Park Arena	Bantam Practice
11-4	6:10am-8:10am	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Seniors
11-4	2:30pm-3:40pm	Bronco Arena	RRCC Women's Hockey Practice
11-4	4:00pm-6:20pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Girls Hockey Practice
11-4	4:10pm-5:10pm	Kerry Park Arena	Mini Mite Practice
11-4	5:10pm-6:10pm	Kerry Park Arena	Squirt Practice
11-4	6:20pm-7:30pm	Kerry Park Arena	Pee Wee Practice
11-4	6:30pm-7:45pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 8 & Junior Privates
11-4	7:45pm-9:00pm	Kerry Park Arena	Bantam Practice
11-4	8:00pm-9:30pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Boys Hockey Captain's Practice
11-5	6:10am-8:10am	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Seniors
11-5	2:30pm-3:40pm	Bronco Arena	RRCC Women's Hockey Practice
11-5	4:00pm-6:20pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Girls Hockey Practice
11-5	4:10pm-5:10pm	Kerry Park Arena	Mighty Mite Practice
11-5	5:20pm-6:20pm	Kerry Park Arena	Squirt Practice
11-5	6:30pm-7:40pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Boys Hockey Captain's Practice
11-5	6:30pm-7:30pm	Kerry Park Arena	Pee Wee Practice
11-5	7:40pm-8:45pm	Kerry Park Arena	Bantam Practice
11-5	7:50pm-8:50pm	Bronco Arena	Fort Salmon Kings vs. RRCC Men
11-5	9:00pm-10:00pm	Bronco Arena	Border Bar vs. Team Bruyere
11-5	9:00pm-10:00pm	Kerry Park Arena	Kantor Elect. vs. Camp Kooch Roasters
11-6	6:10am-8:10am	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Seniors
11-6	2:30pm-3:40pm	Bronco Arena	RRCC Women's Hockey Practice
11-6	4:00pm-6:20pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Girls Hockey Practice
11-6	4:10pm-5:10pm	Kerry Park Arena	Mini Mite Practice
11-6	5:10pm-6:10pm	Kerry Park Arena	Squirt Practice
11-6	6:20pm-7:30pm	Kerry Park Arena	Pee Wee Practice
11-6	6:30pm-7:45pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 8 & Junior Privates
11-6	7:45pm-9:00pm	Kerry Park Arena	Bantam Practice
11-6	8:00pm-9:30pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Boys Hockey Captain's Practice
11-7	6:45am-7:45am	Bronco Arena	Bronco Girls Hockey Practice
11-7	2:15pm-3:40pm	Kerry Park Arena	RRCC Women's Hockey Practice
11-7	4:00pm-5:20pm	Bronco Arena	Bronco Boys Hockey Captain's Practice
11-7	4:10pm-5:10pm	Kerry Park Arena	Mighty Mite Practice
11-7	5:20pm-6:20pm	Kerry Park Arena	Squirt Practice
11-7	5:30pm-6:00pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Snow Plow Sam
11-7	6:00pm-6:45pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 1-3
11-7	6:30pm-7:45pm	Kerry Park Arena	Pee Wee Practice
11-7	6:45pm-7:30pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 4-8
11-7	7:30pm-8:30pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Junior Group
11-7	8:00pm-9:15pm	Kerry Park Arena	Bantam Practice
11-7	8:30pm-9:30pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Seniors
11-8	9:00am-9:45am	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 4-8
11-8	9:45am-11:00am	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 1-7 Privates
11-8	11:00am-11:45am	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 1-3
11-8	12:15pm-2:15pm	Bronco Arena	Open Family Skating
11-8	2:30pm-3:30pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Junior Group
11-8	3:30pm-4:00pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Snow Plow Sam
11-8	4:00pm-5:30pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Synchro
11-8	5:45pm-7:15pm	Bronco Arena	Open Adult Hockey
11-9	12:00pm-1:15pm	Bronco Arena	Open Family Skating
11-9	1:15pm-2:00pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 4-8
11-9	2:00pm-3:00pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 1-7 Privates
11-9	3:00pm-3:45pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Basic 1-3
11-9	3:45pm-4:15pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Snow Plow Sam
11-9	4:15pm-5:15pm	Bronco Arena	Figure Skating: Junior Group
11-9	5:30pm-6:45pm	Bronco Arena	Open Adult Hockey

VIKINGS

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The Vikings’ quarterback situation is far clearer. Rookie Teddy Bridgewater will make his fifth start after he completed 24 of 42 passes for 241 yards and a touchdown in last week’s

19-13 overtime win over Tampa Bay.

Minnesota’s defense stood tall in the victory. The Buccaneers were held to 225 yards, and rookie linebacker Anthony Barr’s 27-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown won it in OT.

“Hopefully this week it doesn’t have to be that ex-

citing,” Bridgewater said. “Hopefully, we can get it done in the four quarters of regulation.”

Zimmer expects a tougher test from Gruden and an offense that ranks seventh in the NFL with 391.9 yards per game.

“He did a great job when he was in Cincinnati with

me, he did a great job with the young quarterbacks, he did a great job with the offense and the skill guys, especially,” Zimmer said. “He’s very innovative, changes a lot from week to week from what they do, tries to use the players to the best of their abilities.”

Washington’s top weapon

has been DeSean Jackson, who has excelled in Griffin’s absence. Since Week 2, Jackson has gone over 100 yards receiving in four of six games, and he caught six passes for 136 yards against the Cowboys.

Jackson set a career high with 10 receptions and had the second-most yards in his

career with 195 against the Vikings last year while playing for Philadelphia.

These teams will be meeting for the fifth consecutive season, with the Vikings winning three of the previous four matchups. Griffin threw for 281 yards and three touchdowns in a 34-27 loss at the Metrodome last year.

Griffen giving Minnesota all of its money’s worth

EDEN PRAIRIE (AP) — The Minnesota Vikings needed another productive pass rusher, and there were plenty of top-tier options available as free agency approached.

They decided to stay with the guy they had already developed, and the gamble of handing over a market-setting contract to Everson Griffen looks like a smart move right now. He is third in the NFL in sacks, with eight in eight games. He also is third in the league with 13 1/2 quarterback knockdowns, according to STATS.

“His sacks are what everybody sees, but he’s playing good football in general. Three downs, he’s playing awesome. He made some plays that guys simply can’t make,” linebacker Chad Greenway said.

Linebacker Anthony Barr stole the show with his forced fumble, recovery and touchdown return on the first play in overtime of last Sunday’s win at Tampa Bay, but Griffen made a highlight film by himself.

■ In the first quarter, he put pressure on Buccaneers quarterback Mike Glennon on consecutive incomplete passes to help force a punt.

■ In the second quarter, he stayed in proper position during a reverse by Robert Herron before darting forward to bring down the wide receiver with one



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From left, Vikings defensive end Everson Griffen (97) rushes a pass by Buccaneers quarterback Mike Glennon (8) in Sunday’s game at Tampa.

arm for no gain. Later, Griffen sacked Glennon for a 5-yard loss to prompt another punt.

■ In the third quarter, he fought off a block during a screen pass to Doug Martin and tackled the running

back 3 yards behind the line of scrimmage. Griffen charged into the backfield on the next play, just missing another sack and a potential safety on another third-down incompleton by Glennon.