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2010 COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL

GAME 1—COLORADO STATE



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2010 • 12:06 p.m. MDT • Invesco Field at Mile High, Denver, Colo.

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The Mtn. (Regional) | KOA-RADIO | CUBUFFS.COM (Live Stats)

QUICKLY SPEAKING ...



The **Colorado Buffaloes** (3-9, 2-6 Big 12 in 2009) will open their 121st season and 13th decade of intercollegiate football against the in-state rival **Colorado State Rams** (3-9, 0-8 MWC) in the annual **Cinch Jeans Rocky Mountain Showdown presented by Dr Pepper and Ultimate Electronics**; the game will kick off at 12:06 p.m. and will be televised regionally by The Mtn (locally, Ch. 411 on Comcast; the game will also be shown in HD—high definition—on Comcast channel 948). The Mtn is available on Ch. 616 on DirecTV ... The high temperature Saturday is expected to reach 90 or a shade higher; CU has had seven games where the temp was 90 or hotter at kickoff (just two in Colorado, both in Boulder and both with it 91 degrees at kickoff, the last time in 2001 against Fresno State) ... **Something's Got to Give:** CU enters the game with a three-game losing streak (losses by a combined 18 points), while CSU dropped its final nine a year ago (the last two of which by three total points) ... CU's returning players have started 313 career games; that's the second most since 1998 (the 2005 team had 314 starts from its returning group), so the Buffaloes are finally showing signs of growing up ... CU's first home game at Folsom Field isn't until the third game of the year, Sept. 18 against Hawai'i (**Alfred Williams Day**); in 2007, the first Folsom game also was in the third week of the season (versus Florida State, but fell on Sept. 15); calendar-wise,

it's the latest home opener since 1980, when CU hosted Indiana in game three on Sept. 27 ... Out of Colorado's allotment of 37,000 seats for the Showdown, about 4,100 remained at the close of business Monday ... The Buffs have sold 4,000 tickets for the following week's (Sept. 11) game at California ... For the first time since 1948, there is no printed CU media guide this year (mostly due to NCAA legislation and restrictions); there is an on-line version, however ... Visit CUBuffs.com/gameday as your one stop for everything, including live stats for all games.

DEPTH CHART ON PAGE 52; ROSTER ON PAGES 53-54

CU-CSU TV: The Mtn. (Regional) / James Bates (play-by-play) / Todd Christensen (color analyst) / Roger Bailey (sideline reporter) / P.T. Navarro (producer)

STAT OF THE WEEK

The Buffs enter the season with two notable streaks: **WR Scotty McKnight** has caught at least one pass in a school-record 36 straight regular season games, and when including the '07 Independence Bowl, he owns the NCAA active best of 37 consecutive games. And as a team, the Buffs have had one or more sacks in **20** straight games; in 2009, CU had a sack in every game over the course of a single season for the first time since 1996.

OBSURE NOTE OF THE WEEK

Senior SN **Joe Silipo** and true freshman SN **Ryan Iverson** are vying for the long and short snapping honors; it's possible they will split the chores come opening day. Regardless, whoever lines up at center on special teams first will become just the third player at Colorado to snap a ball for a punt or placement since 2001. **Greg Pace** handled all the chores from 2002-05, with **Justin Drescher** doing the same from 2006-09.

2010 COLORADO SCHEDULE & RESULTS (0-0, 0-0 BIG 12)

2009								
Date	CU*	Opponent	Opp*	TV	Result/Time	Record	Series	This-N-That
Sept. 4	NR	COLORADO STATE	NR	The Mtn.	12:06 pm	3-9	59-20-2	CSU jumps out to 20-3 halftime lead in '09; Buffs rally falls just short
Sept. 11		at California	FSN		1:30 pm	6-7	2- 2-0	Last meeting was 28 years ago to the day in 1982, Bill McCartney's game
SEPT. 18		HAWAII	FCS-C		2:30 pm	8-5	0- 1-0	First and only meeting was New Year's Day 1925... some 85 years ago
OCT. 2		GEORGIA (N)	FSN		5:00 pm	8-5	0- 1-0	Back end of '06 home-and-home series; CU led most of way but lost, 14-13
Oct. 9		+ at Missouri	TBA		TBA	8-5	31-40-3	The 75th meeting in the series could be the last if CU is Pac-10 bound in 2011
OCT. 16		+ BAYLOR (FW)	TBA		TBA	4-8	9- 6-0	Winning team has scored 34 or more points five straight games in series
OCT. 23		+ TEXAS TECH (HC)	TBA		TBA	9-4	5- 4-0	Buffs' 31-26 win in Lubbock ('07) the first time road team had won in series
Oct. 30		+ at Oklahoma	TBA		TBA	8-5	17-39-2	Last meeting in 2007 (Boulder) produced CU 27-24 upset win over No. 3 OU
Nov. 6		+ at Kansas	TBA		TBA	5-7	42-24-3	Series game No. 70: KU third school CU will have played 70 times (CSU, MU)
NOV. 13		+ IOWA STATE	TBA		TBA	7-6	48-15-1	Veterans & Hall of Fame Day/CU will induct 10 into its Athletic HOF
NOV. 20		+ KANSAS STATE	TBA		TBA	6-6	44-20-1	2009: Buffs take early 6-3 lead then sputter on offense; KSU 10 points off TO
Nov. 26		+ at Nebraska	ABC		1:30 pm	10-4	18-48-2	Final Big 12 regular season game for Big 10-bound Nebraska
Dec. 4		Big 12 Championship Game	ABC		6:00 pm			(Cowboys Stadium, Arlington Texas)

(All times mountain. KEY: + Big 12 Conference game; N—Night game; HC—Homecoming; FW—Family Weekend.)

MEDIA SERVICES

- Coach **Dan Hawkins** holds a **Tuesday press luncheon** in the Dal Ward Athletic Center, starting at 11:30 a.m. with lunch, followed by Hawkins beginning the interview session promptly at Noon. This year's dates: Sept. 7-14-28, Oct. 5-12-19-26, Nov. 2-9-16-22 (Monday)-30, Dec. TBA (bowl). NOTE that there is no organized press luncheon on Sept. 21 (bye week). The **press conference portion of the luncheon is streamed live** on www.CUBuffs.com (in the BuffsTV area); all press conferences on CUBuffs.com are free and thus do not require access codes.
- Hawkins can be heard Mondays (Aug. 31-Nov. 30) on the **Big 12 Teleconference Call** at 10:40 a.m. MT. All coaches participate; call the Big 12 office (469-524-1007) for access (media only—you must register). A teleconference replay is available after 3 p.m. MT the same day by phone (706/634-1618) or on www.Big12sports.com.
- **Video highlights** of CU football games are available anytime provided by the Big 12 Conference. Contact Bob Burda at the Big 12 office for approval and access (469/524-1007; bob@big12sports.com). Special requests can also be made through CU's **BuffVision** (Deric Swanson or Eric Pelloni: 303-735-3637).
- The **Colorado lockerroom** (home and road) is closed after games; following the customary 10-minute cooling off period, players will be made available (a list of players will be solicited immediately following the game; no cutoff to request players).
- Colorado's regular season **football practices** are closed to the general public (exception: those Sundays when the team does practice). The last 15 minutes of the Tuesday and Wednesday practices are open to the media and for any photography/video needs (just follow all parameters listed in CU's media policies). Thursday practices are closed to all except network TV personnel broadcasting the game.
- This year's standard **meeting/practice schedule** (mountain time, pre-time change): Sunday (3:15-4:00, 4:00-5:45); Monday (off); Tuesday (6:30-7:30/8:00-10:00), Wednesday (6:30-7:30/8:00-10:00), Thursday (6:30-7:30/8:15-10:00), Friday (9:00-10:00, afternoon/evening meetings).
- **Interviews** with Colorado players are allowed post-practice on Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays (the cutoff moves up to pre-Wednesday practice for Thursday/Friday games). Phone interviews with out-of-town media are allowed all four days in all time slots. Interviews on Mondays and later in the day on Tuesdays and Wednesdays are at the discretion of the player, as it being the standard player day off (no meetings/practice), CU can't arrange due to NCAA rules.
- **Collegepressbox.com** is the official media website for Big 12 football. Access and download weekly game notes, statistics, quotes, media guides and more for the conference and each member school throughout the season. Most FBS conferences are also accessible as well. Login information will be distributed to accredited media, and media members can also apply for a password by sending an e-mail to password@collegepressbox.com.
- **CU On-Line Photo Database.** The CU sports information service has an online photo database that allows registered members of the media instant access to print quality head shots of all CU coaches and student-athletes as well as action shots of key players. Registration is easy: for a login and password, simply log on to www.CUBuffs.com, select "Sports Information" from the "Athletic Department" menu located on the left navigation bar and follow the instructions.

THE BUFFALOES ON THE INTERNET

- Colorado has its information available to both the media and fans alike on the Internet. Visit the official CU site at www.CUBuffs.com for the latest information, releases, game notes, press conference broadcasts (free) and articles by former *Rocky Mountain News* sportswriter B.G. Brooks. Go to www.CUBuffs.com/media and click on Media Center: it will link you to everything you'll need to know about CU football. "BuffsTV" offers the opportunity to listen and/or watch live game action of several CU athletic teams. Breaking news with the program will be found here first every time and delivered in full without others editing out what they might deem unessential.
- **Audio.** University of Colorado football and basketball can now be heard for free on the Internet at either CUBuffs.com or KOA-Radio (or its sister station, KKZN/AM760 for basketball). Your links: www.CUBuffs.com, www.850koa.com, www.am760.net.

THE BUFFALOES ON THE AIRWAYS

- **KOA-Radio** in Denver (850 AM) originates the 8-station CU Football Network, with sports director **Mark Johnson** in his seventh year as the play-by-play voice of the Buffs. **Larry Zimmer** (analysis) is in his 37th season broadcasting Colorado football (he handled play-by-play from 1971-81 and 1985-2003). Former CU offensive tackle **Victor Rogers** (pre- and postgame shows/sidelines) is in his first year on the broadcast team. Other cities on the network in addition to KOA/Denver metro: Alamosa (KALQ, 94.5FM), Aspen (KFNO, 106.1 FM), Durango (KRSJ, 100.5 FM), Grand Junction (KTMM, 1340AM) and Salida (KSBV, 93.7FM).
- Wednesdays at 7 p.m. (Sept. 1-Nov. 24), the **Dan Hawkins Radio Show** originates from The Lazy Dog Sports Bar & Grill (1346 Pearl Street in Boulder), with Johnson and Zimmer hosting the program which airs on KOA (or AM760 if a conflict with Colorado Rockies baseball).
- **Satellite Radio:** Sirius-XM is the satellite home of the Buffaloes; the 2010 CU-Colorado State game (KOA broadcast) is on Sirius Channel 126.
- **FOX Sports Net Rocky Mountain** is the television home of the Buffaloes, as "The Buffalo Stampede" is broadcast in the six-state FSN area. The show airs a bit erratically in September due to Colorado Rockies baseball; the schedule: Sept. 2 (11:30 p.m.), Sept. 9 (7 p.m.), Sept. 16 (7 p.m.), Sept. 23 (6 p.m.), Sept. 30 (10 p.m.). Assistant AD and former CU QB **Charles Johnson** hosts the program; the show airs through the end of basketball season. It is also online at <http://buffalostampede.tv/>.

IMPORTANT ROSTER INFORMATION & UPDATES (Number changes, etc., from the on-line media guide)

Number Changes: None. **Position Changes:** None. **Quit:** None. **DUPE NUMBERS:** Those who appear below are the duped ones where both are likely to see action (at most of the others, **29** (Torres), **31** (Majors), **36** (Nabors), **41** (Smith), **44** (Kasa), **83** (Pericak) are likely the ones to play at the on-set of the season). CU jerseys **DO NOT** have name tags in 2010; Skin tone key: A—African-American, C—Caucasian, P—Polynesian:

Offense/Kicker

15 Jason Espinoza, WR (C)
20 Brian Lockridge, TB (A)
28 Quentin Hildreth, TB (A)

Defense/Kicker

15 Zach Grossnickle, PK/P (C)
20 Matt Meyer, S (C)
28 Jered Bell, DB (A)

Offense/Kicker

55 Max Tuioti-Mariner, OG (P)
59 David Bakhtiari, OT (C)
68 Shawn Daniels, OG/C (C)

Defense/Kicker (Specialist)

55 Josh Hartigan, ILB (A)
59 B.J. Beatty, OLB (C)
68 Joe Silipo, SN (C)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**Coaches/Staff**

Brian **CABRAL** (cuh-browl)
 Eric **KIESAU** (key-saw)
 ROMEO Bandison (row-may-oh)

Players

Tyler **AHLES** (alice)
 CORDARY Allen (Core-dairy)
 Matthew **BAHR** (bar)
 David **BAKHTIARI** (bock-T-are-E)
 B.J. **BEATTY** (bead-E)

Blake **BEHRENS** (bear-ens)
 JERED Bell (jair-red)
 Nate **BONSU** (bonn-sue)
 JALIL Brown (juh-leal)
 Kyle **CEFALO** (seff-el-low)
 JAVEN **CORREIA** (jah-vin core-ray-uh)
 KAIWA Crabb (kuh-E-vee)
 Ryan **DANNEWITZ** (dan-uh-wits)
 JARROD Darden (Jared)
 Dillan **FREIBERG** (fry-burg)

Eugene **GOREE** (gore-ray)
 Henley **GRIFFON** (griffin)
 MARQUEZ HERROD
 (mar-qwez hair-ed)
 Nick **KASA** (cah-suh; casa)
 Patrick **MAHNKE** (main-key)
 Josh **MOTEN** (moat-in)
 LILOA NOBRIGA (lie-low-ah,
 no-brigg-uh)
 Conrad **OBI** (oh-bee)

DEJI **OLATOYE** (day-ghee
 O-la-toy-ye)
 Will **PERICAK** (pre-check)
 MAKIRI Pugh (muh-keer-E)
 Joe **SILIPO** (sill-ipp-oh)
 Michael **SIPILI** (sih-pill-E)
 Kyle **SLAVIN** (slay-vinn)
 TERREL Smith (terr-L)
 Nate **SOLDER** (sold-er)
 SIONE **TAU** (see-own-E)

towe, as in now)
 Maxwell **TUIOTI**-Mariner
 (two-E-oh-T)
 CHIDERA **UZO-DIRIBE**
 (chee-derra u-zoh da-ree-bay)
 TERDEMA **USSERY**
 (ter-dee-muh us-er-E)
 Paul **VIGO** (vee-go)

1990 CONSENSUS NATIONAL CHAMPION TEAM TO BE HONORED

The Buffaloes will honor the 20th anniversary of the 1990 consensus national championship team this October 1-2, culminating with the introduction of the team at halftime of the CU-Georgia game (2:30 p.m. MDT start). A good many of the coaches and players are expected to return for the two-day extravaganza being planned. Now apparently, our use of the word “consensus” upsets a few folks around the country. But fact is fact; at the time nine (*) basic postseason polls were recognized as determining a unanimous or consensus national champion; Colorado topped six of those: *Associated Press, *FWAA (Football Writers Association of America), *National Football Foundation/College Football Hall of Fame (MacArthur Trophy), *USA Today-CNN, *Sporting News and *Football News; Georgia Tech won the *United Press International poll (by 1 point) and Miami, Fla., the *Sagarin and *New York Times computer ratings. In the NCAA Record book listing for 1990, it shows 19 different groups that declared a national champion; 11 voted outright for Colorado and three each for Georgia Tech and Miami; one (National Championship Foundation) split it between CU and Tech, and another (FACT, a computer ranking) voted for four, including Washington. Stats from that season later in these notes (pages 41-42).

ALFRED WILLIAMS DAY: On Sept. 18, CU's Folsom Field home opener, the Buffs will honor Alfred Williams, who will be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame this December; see page 40 of these notes for more information.

COLORADO TO MAKE MOVE TO PACIFIC-10 CONFERENCE NO LATER THAN 2012

To the surprise of many, in the wild conference realignment scenarios this past spring, Colorado was the first domino to fall when the Buffaloes officially accepted an invitation to join the Pacific-10 Conference on June 11. The CU Board of Regents voted 9-0 in favor of the move, which is scheduled to take place for the 2012-13 athletic season but could be accelerated a year ahead of time due to the other movements in realignment.

“This is an historic moment for the Conference, as the Pac-10 is poised for tremendous growth,” said Commissioner **Larry Scott**. “The University of Colorado is a great fit for the Conference both academically and athletically and we are incredibly excited to welcome Colorado to the Pac-10.”

“On behalf of The University of Colorado students, faculty, alumni and fans, we are proud to accept this invitation from the Pac-10 and join the most prestigious academic and athletic conference in the nation,” said **Phil DiStefano**, chancellor of CU-Boulder. “The University of Colorado is a perfect match — academically and athletically — with the Pac-10,” said University of Colorado President **Bruce Benson**, “our achievements and aspirations match those of the universities in the conference and we look forward to a productive relationship.”

Colorado played a vital role in the creation of the Big 12, something apparently forgotten by many in the South Division, both media and administration alike. CU chancellor **Jim Corbridge** and athletic director **Bill Marolt** were key participants, Marolt being one of the top AD's in the nation at the time, which was the spring and summer of 1994; the school received an invitation of December that same year to join the Pac-10, but the Regents voted 6-3 not to join on the advice of both Corbridge and Marolt because CU had played such a significant role in expanding the old Big 8 Conference to add the four Texas schools.

Marolt: “The Big 12 was created when CU was sitting in the chair of the Big 8. All of the decisions related to the conference and the television deals were done at meetings of all members of the 12 eventual schools. I was chair of the athletic directors and Jim was the same for the faculty reps. As you know the chair controls meetings and the agenda so both Jim and I were intimately involved. It's too bad Carl James is no longer alive because he would confirm our role and quiet the historical revisionists.”

PERCEPTION

Here's a quick fact when it comes to CU and Utah joining the Pac-10: the two will be travel partners, and most assume it won't be a cozy as the current five mates. Well, first of all, it's not like they travel together, the same teams will roll into Boulder and Salt Lake City the same weekends, and the other schools will host CU and Utah in one order or the other. The campus of CU and Utah are 356 miles apart; did you know Washington and Washington State's campuses are 252 miles apart? And the Arizona schools are separated by 102 miles; the others are all under 40, with USC and UCLA the closest. Bottom line is that CU and Utah are not really that far out of whack (Texas A&M and Texas Tech are further apart than the Buffs and the Utes by some 29 miles).

CAMP SCRIMMAGE HIGHLIGHTS

Statistics were released for just the first scrimmage, but over the course of the three full August scrums, here are some brief general highlights:

- **Passing Game.** CU completed 67.3 percent of its passes (bulk of snaps taken by **Tyler Hansen** and **Cody Hawkins**), averaging a healthy 8.3 yards per attempt (8.9 by Hansen/Hawkins), with a rating of 152.5. The quarterbacks found many players possible targets—26 different ones caught at least one pass in scrum action. And Hansen and Hawkins averaged being sacked just once every 37 pass plays.
- **Rushing Game.** The Buffs averaged 4.6 yards per rush in the scrums, 2.1 against the No. 1 defense and 6.8 against the others. **TB Rodney Stewart** averaged 6.2 per carry, and scored a touchdown once for almost every five carries (6 in 31).
- **Penalties.** All off-season, **Dan Hawkins** preached to his team that they've “got to clean up the little things,” including being much more disciplined when it comes to penalties (CU was flagged 107 times in 2009, though only 65 in 2008 so last year was really more of an aberration). In the three scrums, CU ran a total of 409 plays (340 from scrimmage, 69 special teams), and were flagged just 10 total times (five offense, four defense, one special teams). One penalty every 41 plays (or 34 from scrimmage) was definitely cleaning up this area that the coaches now hope transfer to game action. In the second (and longest scrimmage) of the fall, the first penalty didn't occur until the 77th play from scrimmage (91st including special teams).
- **Field Goals.** **Aric Goodman** claimed the top spot after the third scrimmage, in which his personal highlight was drilling, and we mean drilling, a **59-yard field** goal through Folsom Field's south uprights. The kick landed on the blacktop COLORADO and might have been good from 70 yards, which would have made former Buff and current Green Bay Packer Mason Crosby proud. Goodman was 7-of-8 in field goals in the three scrums, his average make from 39.4 yards and his only miss a 48-yard try that was blocked.

UP AND AT 'EM... EARLY

Colorado is practicing regularly in the morning for first time in recent memory (at least since the 1950s as far as anyone can recall). The team begins meetings at 6:30 a.m., and practices in the 8-10 a.m. range on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Now college kids aren't exactly known for being early risers, but the team has embraced the new schedule; also with an abundance of upperclassmen for the first time in the Hawkins Era, classes they need for graduation are offered more and more in the afternoon, and over the last couple of years, many players were missing practice or had to be excused early to attend an afternoon class they needed to complete their requirements.

YOUTH FINALLY SERVED?

Colorado's been one of the younger programs year-in and year-out during the Hawkins Era, but that's finally changing this fall. Here's a look at the class, by eligibility, of players in the season-opening two-deep for 24 positions — 11 offense, 11 defense, punter/placekicker — since 2006; adds to more than 48 due to going three deep at TB, WR and/or TE along with ties for second-team at season's start:

Season	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
2-Deep + Player Count	55	54	54	57	56
Percent Upperclassmen	60.0	40.7	44.4	52.6	58.9
SENIORS	12	10	12	15	16
JUNIORS	21	12	12	15	17
SOPHOMORES	10	23	14	10	11
FRESHMEN	12	9	16	17	12
True	4	3	7	10	5

Last year, Colorado had one of the younger teams in the country when combing through the season-ending standard offense/defense two-deeps. The Buffs had 23 freshmen, redshirt freshmen or sophomores in their final two-deep of the fall, including nine starters; the 23 tied for the 13th most nationally. Here's the list for those schools with a minimum 20 youngsters in their final 2009 two-deeps (redshirts included; no specialists):

School	2-Deep	Starters	School	2-Deep	Starters	School	2-Deep	Starters	School	2-Deep	Starters
Texas A&M	31	10	Miami, Fla.	26	8	Colorado	23	9	Mississippi State	21	9
Missouri	30	10	Wisconsin	26	7	Arizona State	23	8	Wyoming	21	9
Akron	29	10	Michigan	25	10	South Carolina	23	8	Central Michigan	21	6
SMU	28	13	Connecticut	24	11	Utah State	22	9	Louisiana Tech	20	14
Western Kentucky	27	14	Tulsa	24	10	Virginia Tech	22	7	Colorado State	20	6
Rice	27	11	New Mexico	24	9	UCLA	21	12			

COLORADO, OHIO STATE TO MEET IN 2011

When it comes to intersectional match-ups on the football field, Colorado and Ohio State are often in a league of their own. So it makes perfect sense that two will resume their brief but eventful series next year in Columbus. The schools jointly announced on August 24 that the Buffaloes will travel to Ohio Stadium on Sept. 24, 2011, to play the host Buckeyes; the facility is the fourth largest in the country with a seating capacity of 102,329. It will mark the fifth time the two schools will play in football, the third time in Columbus, as the previous two times represented the sixth and eighth largest crowds a Colorado football team has ever played before. OSU leads the series, 3-1.

"Colorado has always recognized the significance of playing marquee opponents in the non-conference portion of our football schedule," CU athletic director **Mike Bohn** said. "This is a tremendous opportunity on the national platform to schedule a game with Ohio State, which has been one of the nation's premier programs and whom we have a lot of respect for. We're looking forward to what will be CU's first trip to the 'Horseshoe' in 25 years."

The 1986 game was the last meeting between the two, with the host Buckeyes escaping with a 13-10 win on a field goal with 25 seconds left in the game. The first meeting in 1971, also in Columbus, was the site of one of CU's greatest road victories in its history. The Buffs, who had won at No. 9 Louisiana State two weeks earlier, rolled into Ohio State ranked No. 10 and defeated the No. 6 Buckeyes, 20-14. CU went on to finish 10-2 and as the No. 3 team in the nation that season.

The two also met in the 1977 Orange Bowl; after taking an early 10-0 lead, the Buffs were shut down the rest of the way by a tremendous Buckeye defense in losing, 27-10. The other game in the series was in 1985, when Ohio State visited Boulder and left with a 36-13 win; that game also is historical in the fact that the Buffs started that season with a 2-0 record, and fans were coming back on board after six straight losing seasons: that day, 7,611 people purchased tickets, which still ranks as the largest walk-up game day sale in school history and one of the largest for any sporting event in state history, only recently topped by the Colorado Rockies.

The game, coordinated by both athletic directors and their respective television partners, is a one-time affair with no return trip to Boulder. Ohio State will pay CU \$1.4 million for the visit, with the Buffs to earn additional dollars if the game is televised, which is highly likely.

Colorado opens the 2011 season at Hawai'i on Sept. 3, hosts California on Sept. 10 (if not in the Pac-10), is set to play Colorado State in Denver on Sept. 17, and has moved a home game against Fresno State to Oct. 8 to accommodate the trip to Columbus. The Buffaloes won't know its conference schedule until everything is sorted out in regards to the move to the Pac-10, which will occur no later than July 1, 2012. And because of the game in Honolulu, CU has the option of playing a 13th game.

INJURY UPDATE

The Buffs took a couple of hits in the first scrum but otherwise have had just the usual gamut of bumps and bruises in camp. The injury list as of Aug. 31:

Pos	Player	Injury	Notes	Status/Colorado State
WR	Dusty Ebner	ankle	suffered a fracture in the first fall scrimmage (Aug. 12)	OUT 5-6 WEEKS
CB	Vince Ewing	knee	suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament late in the first scrimmage (Aug. 12)	OUT/SEASON
OT	Jack Harris	shoulder	suffered a sprain in practice (Aug. 17)	OUT 5-6 WEEKS

HIPAA: The players listed above have signed waivers for their injury information to be released/discussed with the media.

NOTE: Injuries are reported in conjunction with the HIPAA laws. CU releases player name, body part (but no right or left ID's), the general nature and playing status when it comes to reporting injuries. Status will be listed as either OUT, DOUBTFUL, QUESTIONABLE, DAY-TO-DAY, PROBABLE or DEFINITE. Injuries will be updated in-game, postgame, the Sunday after the game, and for game notes at the end of the week.

PRESEASON HONORS

Here is the list of preseason honors afforded the 2010 Colorado Buffaloes:

PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA

WR SCOTTY MCKNIGHT (honorable mention: nationalchamps.net)
OG RYAN MILLER (honorable mention: College Football Insiders)
CB JIMMY SMITH (honorable mention: College Football Insiders)
OT NATE SOLDER (first-team: Playboy, Consensus Draft Services, The Kickoff; second-team: Lindy's Big 12 Football, Phil Steele's College Football; third-team: Athlon Sports, College Football Insiders; honorable mention: nationalchamps.net)

PRESEASON ALL-BIG 12 CONFERENCE

TE RYAN DEEHAN (first-team: SouthernCollegeSports.com; second-team: Phil Steele's College Football)
DE MARQUEZ HERROD (second-team: Lindy's Big 12 Football; third-team: Athlon Sports)
KR BRIAN LOCKRIDGE (fourth-team: Phil Steele's College Football)
WR SCOTTY MCKNIGHT (first-team: Sporting News; second-team: Athlon Sports, Lindy's Big 12 Football, Phil Steele's College Football)
OG RYAN MILLER (first-team: Big 12 Media, Phil Steele's College Football, Sporting News; third-team: Athlon Sports)
DT WILL PERICAK (fourth-team: Phil Steele's College Football)
CB JIMMY SMITH (third-team: Athlon Sports, Phil Steele's College Football)
OT NATE SOLDER (first-team: Athlon Sports, Big 12 Media, Blue Ribbon Yearbook, Lindy's Big 12 Football, Phil Steele's College Football, Sporting News, Yahoo! Sports)

BIG 12 NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

WR TONEY CLEMONS (Big 12 Media)

ALL-SPRING TEAM

WR TONEY CLEMONS (first-team: The Sporting News)

BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL AWARD LISTS**(WATCH, SEMIFINALIST, FINALIST)**

Biletnikoff Award (top receiver): **WR Scotty McKnight** (one of 51 on official watch list)
Lowe's Senior Class (top senior player, on/off field): **OT Nate Solder** (one of 30 official candidates)
Lombardi Award (top interior linemen/backer): **OT Nate Solder** (one of 87 on official watch list)
Outland Trophy (top interior linemen): **OG Ryan Miller, OT Nate Solder** (two of 63 on official watch list)
Rimington Award (top center): **C Keenan Stevens** (one of 37 on official fall watch list)
Thorpe Award (top defensive back): **CB Jimmy Smith** (one of 35 on official watch list)
Doak Walker Award (top running back): **TB Rodney Stewart** (one of 49 on official watch list)

NATIONAL TOP 100 PLAYER RATINGS

Rivals.com National Top 100: Nate Solder (No. 72)
Cornerback: Jalil Brown (No. 65, Phil Steele's College Football); Jimmy Smith (No. 40, Phil Steele's College Football)
Offensive Guard: Ryan Miller (No. 12, Phil Steele's College Football)
Offensive Tackle: Nate Solder (No. 3 Lindy's Big 12 Football; No. 7, Phil Steele's College Football)
Tight End: Ryan Deehan (No. 26, Phil Steele's College Football)
Wide Receiver: Scotty McKnight (No. 39, Phil Steele's College Football)

NATIONAL UNIT RATINGS

Offensive Line: No. 24 (Phil Steele's College Football)

PRESEASON TEAM RANKINGS

Publication	National	Big 12 North	Publication	National	Big 12 North
Phil Steele's College Football	No. 49	3rd	Rogers Poll	No. 76	5th
Collegefootballnews.com	No. 50	t-2nd	CBSsports.com	No. 96	6th
Rivals.com	No. 50	3rd	Blue Ribbon Yearbook	.....	3rd
Yahoo! Sports	No. 50	3rd	Southern College Sports	.....	3rd
The Kickoff	No. 51	4th	Football Outsiders	.....	4th
Athlon Sports	No. 65	4th	Gold Sheet Football Annual	.....	4th
College Football Poll.com	No. 69	t-3rd	Big 12 Media Summer Poll	.....	5th
Lindy's Big 12 Football	No. 71	6th	Game Plan Magazines	.....	5th
CompughterRankings.com	No. 73	5th	Sports Illustrated	.....	5th
The Sporting News	No. 74	4th			

SEASON OPENERS

Colorado is **75-40-5** in 120 season openers, with a 53-19-1 record in Boulder (36-18 at Folsom Field) and five wins in its last seven openers. The Buffs are 10-6 against intra-state rival Colorado State when the Rams have been the opposition in the season opener. Fourteen of those games have been since 1985, with this marking the 12th time in the last 14 seasons CU christens the year with CSU. The Buffs have opened a season just four times since 1997 at home, those coming in 2004, 2005 and 2009 against the Rams and in 2001 when the Buffs dropped a 24-22 decision to Fresno State in the Jim Thorpe Association Classic. Prior to that defeat and the five openers in Denver against CSU, the Buffs had won eight straight season openers at home and were 10-0-1 between 1988 and 1998. CU is 8-6 in openers since the formation of the Big 12 Conference in 1996.

- ➔ CU head coach **Dan Hawkins** is 9-5 in season openers in his career (2-2 at Colorado, 3-2 at Boise State, 4-1 at Willamette), with both losses while at Boise on the road at ranked Southeastern Conference schools (South Carolina in 2001 and Georgia in 2005).
- ➔ **CU-CSU** is one of the rare rivalry series played at the front end of the season; **Missouri-Illinois** recently has been played in the opening spot and will be again in 2010. **Kentucky-Louisville**, **Maryland-Navy**, **Notre Dame-Purdue** also fit the bill, as do former Southwest Conference rivalries **Texas-Rice** and **Texas Tech-SMU**.

SEASON OPENER BESTS

A quick look at some records in season openers by the Buffaloes:

Individual

Most Rushes: 30, on three occasions (*last: Charlie Davis vs. Cal, 1972*)
Most Rushing Yards: 217, Mike Pritchard vs. Tennessee, 1990
Most Rushing TDs: 4, Bobby Anderson vs. Tulsa, 1969
Most Pass Attempts: 50, Craig Ochs vs. Fresno State, 2001
Most Pass Completions: 31, Craig Ochs vs. Fresno State, 2001
Most Passing Yards: 409, Kordell Stewart vs. Colorado State, 1992
Most Passing TDs: 4, Kordell Stewart vs. Colorado State, 1992 and 4, Joel Klatt vs. Colorado State, 2003
Most Receptions: 10, Ed Reinhardt vs. Michigan State, 1984
 10, D.J. Hackett vs. Colorado State, 2003
Most Receiving Yards: 222, Walter Stanley vs. Texas Tech, 1981
Most Receiving TDs: 2, on several occasions (*last: McCoy vs. CSU, 2003*)
Most Total Offense: 430, Kordell Stewart vs. Colorado State, 1992
Most Tackles: 25, Brian Cabral vs. Stanford, 1977

Team

Most First Downs: 30, vs. NE Louisiana in 1994
Most Rushes: 79, vs. California in 1975
Most Rushing Yards: 446, vs. Fresno State in 1988
Most Pass Attempts: 51, vs. Fresno State in 2001
Most Pass Completions: 31, vs. Fresno State in 2001
Most Passing Yards: 409, vs. Colorado State in 1992
Most Total Plays: 94, vs. California in 1975
Most Total Offense: 649, vs. NE Louisiana in 1994
Least Total Offense Allowed: 90, by Colorado Mines in 1942
Most Points: 61, vs. Drake in 1954 (61-0)

OPENER TRENDS

Here's a quick look at some team statistical trends over the last 22 Colorado season openers (#—denotes in Denver; %—denotes at Anaheim):

Date	Opponent	Result	Attend.	Rank CU Opp	CU FD	Rushing att yds td	Passing a-c-i yds td	Tot Off no yds	Opp FD	Rushing att yds td	Passing a-c-i yds td	Tot Off no yds	TV
Sept. 10, 1988	FRESNO STATE	W 45-3	32,417	—	20	66 446 4	7- 3-0 62 2	73 508	11	27 97 0	33-16-2 80 0	60 177	KCNC (I)
Sept. 4, 1989	TEXAS (N)	W 27-6	47,269	14	—	16 55 290 2	13- 7-1 95 1	68 385	14	33 69 0	35-12-0 199 0	68 268	ESPN
Aug. 26, 1990	%—Tennessee	T 31-31	33,485	5 8	18	55 368 3	19- 5-3 68 0	74 436	27	36 135 2	55-33-3 368 2	91 503	NBC
Sept. 7, 1991	WYOMING (N)	W 30-13	52,155	12	—	17 44 167 3	24-12-0 151 1	68 318	19	35 67 0	41-19-1 198 1	76 265	ESPN
Sept. 5, 1992	COLORADO STATE	W 37-17	52,164	12	—	22 34 134 0	36-21-1 409 4	70 543	17	45 267 2	23-10-0 115 0	68 382	KCNC (I)
Sept. 4, 1993	TEXAS (N)	W 36-14	52,125	11	—	27 47 270 1	34-21-0 260 3	81 530	26	39 142 1	49-24-4 366 1	88 508	ESPN
Sept. 3, 1994	NORTHEAST LOUISIANA	W 48-13	48,114	8	—	30 45 407 6	24-18-1 242 1	69 649	21	37 64 0	37-25-0 255 1	74 319	KCNC (I)
Sept. 2, 1995	at Wisconsin (N)	W 43-7	79,015	14 21	21	43 229 1	25-18-0 278 3	68 507	18	41 122 1	26-14-2 175 0	67 297	ABC
Aug. 31, 1996	WASHINGTON STATE	W 37-19	51,481	5	—	23 46 192 1	40-22-1 278 3	86 470	9	21 5 1	33-13-1 163 1	54 168	ABC (r)
Sept. 6, 1997	COLORADO STATE	W 31-21	53,416	8 24	17	31 122 1	28-18-1 223 2	59 345	14	33 70 0	22-14-2 215 3	55 285	FSN (r)
Sept. 5, 1998	#—Colorado State (N)	W 42-14	76,036	— 15	23	35 147 1	32-21-0 257 3	67 404	19	38 78 1	28-13-0 124 1	66 202	ESPN
Sept. 4, 1999	#—Colorado State (N)	L 14-41	73,438	14	—	23 36 82 0	49-30-4 291 2	85 373	12	38 227 3	18-10-0 109 1	56 336	FSN
Sept. 2, 2000	#—Colorado State	L 24-28	67,466	23	—	29 45 224 2	39-25-0 308 1	84 532	17	28 65 0	30-19-2 327 4	58 392	ESPN2
Aug. 26, 2001	FRESNO STATE (N)	L 22-24	47,762	—	23	31 66 0	51-31-2 346 2	82 412	17	35 89 2	36-21-0 198 1	71 287	ESPN2
Aug. 31, 2002	#—Colorado State	L 14-19	75,531	7	—	19 48 170 1	27-14-1 199 0	75 369	17	38 152 3	24-11-1 168 0	62 320	ESPN2
Aug. 30, 2003	#—Colorado State (N)	W 42-35	76,219	— 23	17	43 102 2	34-21-0 402 4	77 504	24	39 246 2	40-18-1 339 3	79 585	ESPN
Sept. 4, 2004	COLORADO STATE (N)	W 27-24	54,954	—	20	45 255 2	25-13-1 117 0	70 372	23	28 44 1	42-29-1 403 2	70 447	FSN
Sept. 3, 2005	COLORADO STATE	W 31-28	54,972	—	19	29 113 3	33-22-1 283 0	62 396	21	34 95 1	43-28-4 291 3	77 386	TBS
Sept. 2, 2006	#—Colorado State	L 10-14	65,701	—	9	33 75 1	15- 9-0 71 0	48 146	16	34 15 1	23-20-0 233 1	57 248	CSTV
Sept. 1, 2007	#—Colorado State (OT)	W 31-28	68,133	—	18	28 129 1	32-18-1 201 2	60 330	25	56 157 1	27-20-1 229 3	83 386	FSN
Aug. 31, 2008	#—Colorado State	W 38-17	69,619	—	19	36 153 3	29-20-1 214 1	65 367	18	26 71 0	38-27-2 187 1	64 258	FSN
Sept. 6, 2009	COLORADO STATE (N)	L 17-23	53,168	—	13	21 29 1	40-24-1 222 1	61 251	14	45 168 1	17-10-2 208 1	62 376	FSN

OPENERS AN INDICATOR?

As stated previously, Colorado is **75-40-5** in season openers; but have they been foretelling of the season ahead? Take a look:

The **75** seasons CU has won its opener, the Buffs went on to post winning records **60** times (**80.0%**), with **14** losing seasons and one even;

The **40** seasons CU has lost its opener, the Buffs are one under .500: posting winning records **19** times and a losing mark **20** times (with one even);

The **5** seasons CU registered a tie in its opener, the Buffs had four winning records (including the 1990 national championship year), and one losing record.

The general belief, as mentioned by CU coach **Dan Hawkins**, is that if you win your opener, you go on to have a winning season 70 percent of the time; thus CU exceeds that expectation in all three situations.

HAWKINS, THE OPENER AND THE RED ZONE

In the four season openers under Dan Hawkins, the Buffaloes are 12-of-12 in the red zone (8 TDs, 4 FGs). That followed a five year stretch between 2001 and 2005 where Colorado was just 11-of-18 (9 TDs, 2 FG). CU opened the decade strong, going 4-of-4 (3 TDs, 1 FG) in the 2000 opener, a 28-24 loss to Colorado State. The Buffs were 4-of-4 last year inside-the-20 after going 4-of-4 in 2007 and 2-of-2 in 2006.

MEMORABLE CU OPENERS

Quite often, the first career start, or coming out party, is intertwined with making a season opener a memorable one. Perhaps the biggest example of this in Colorado history came in 1989, when sophomore **Darian Hagan** made his debut as CU's starting quarterback; he may or may not have won the job, but with senior **Sal Aunese** stricken with stomach cancer the previous March, Hagan was handed the keys to the CU offense. On the second play of the game, Hagan raced 75 yards on the option to the Texas 2, starting the Buffaloes on their way to a 27-6 win, the first triumph en route to an 11-0 record in the regular season. Hagan rushed for 116 yards and a touchdown, and passed for 95 yards and another score. Other memorable CU openers and/or game one performances include:

1913	Colorado 7, Wyoming	CU's first season opener outside the state, occurring in Laramie. The CU yearbook account stated that the "final tally probably would have been greater had not the Varsity been frequently penalized for off-side play."
1921	Colorado 10, Denver 7	Art Quinlan's 35-yard field goal gave CU an early 3-0 lead, though Denver, then known as the Ministers, rallied to take a 7-3 halftime lead. With less than seven minutes remaining, Quinlan and Walter Franklin teamed on a 40-yard TD pass.
1937	Colorado 14, Missouri 6	Erv Cheney scores both CU touchdowns, Byron White boots a still-CU record 83 yard punt, and for the first time in school history, there is a charge for parking on the Boulder campus (15 cents a game).
1953	Colorado 21, Washington 20	The Buffs, a two-touchdown underdog, win in Seattle as Homer Jenkins, in his first collegiate game, did it all in CU's single-wing offense to often fill in for an injured Carroll Hardy. Jenkins threw two TD passes to Gary Knafelc, while Emerson Wilson added 87 yards on the ground and a score.
1963	USC 14, Colorado 0	In Eddie Crowder's first game as head coach, CU opens for the only time in its history against the No. 1 team in the nation. The Buffs hold their own, limiting the Trojans to 230 yards on 75 plays (but have just 83 yards of its own).
1965	Colorado 0, Wisconsin 0	The Buffs and Badgers battle to a 0-0 tie in Madison, the third-to-last scoreless tie in Division I-A history as the two combine in "hot and sticky" conditions for just 496 yards of total offense.
1971	Colorado 31, LSU 21	Charlie Davis rushes for 174 yards and two TDs in win at No. 9 LSU, the catapult to a 10-2 season and No. 3 rank.
1977	Colorado 27, Stanford 21	Current associate head coach Brian Cabral goes nuts as he racks up 25 tackles in CU's win.
1979	Oregon 33, Colorado 19	The Buffs fall in the much ballyhooed first game for new head coach Chuck Fairbanks; it's also the first game televised by a fledgling sports network named ESPN that went on the air one day earlier.
1981	Colorado 45, Texas Tech 27	Walter Stanley hauled down five catches for a CU record 222 (it still stands today), as CU's first game after a 1-10 season in 1980 exorcises some demons. Randy Essington throws for 345 yards in the win.
1989	Colorado 27, Texas 6	In addition to Hagan's effort (see above) the CU defense stifled Texas in limiting the Longhorns to 268 yards.
1990	Colorado 31, Tennessee 31	Mike Pritchard subs for Eric Bieniemy at tailback and rushes for a CU season opener record of 217 yards as the Buffs open what would be their national championship season with a tie against Tennessee in Anaheim in the inaugural Disneyland Pigskin Classic.
1992	Colorado 37, Colorado St. 17	Kordell Stewart takes over from Darian Hagan and passes for 409 and 4 TDs in the win over the Rams.
1995	Colorado 43, Wisconsin 7	The NFL plucked off 10 CU '94 starters in the April draft, but new coach Rick Neuheisel readied the Buffs in fine fashion as CU drilled Wisconsin in Madison. Koy Detmer threw for 267 yards and three TDs as CU built a 26-7 halftime lead.
1998	Colorado 42, Colorado St. 14	Mike Moschetti throws for 257 yards and 3 TDs in his first CU game and the first contest between the two in-state rivals in Denver at the old Mile High Stadium.
2003	Colorado 42, Colorado St. 35	Joel Klatt comes in unsung and exits as the national player-of-the-week as he threw for 402 yards and 4 TDs in a 42-35 thriller over the Rams. CSU pulls even late, but Bobby Purify's 9-yard TD run wins it with :40 left.
2004	Colorado 27, Colorado St. 24	CU led the entire way, but CSU had a chance to steal it at the end; the Rams had a first-and-goal at the CU 1 with just under a minute left, but the Buffalo defense rose to the occasion and stuffed two plays, the last as time ran out, to seal the win. The Rams had fought back from 17-0 and 27-17 deficits.
2005	Colorado 31, Colorado St. 28	Mason Crosby drilled a 47-yard field goal with four seconds left to rally CU to the win. The Buffs trailed 21-10 early in the fourth quarter, having tied the game at 21 on a 48-yard Crosby kick with 2:32 left. CU turned an interception into the go-ahead touchdown, a 23-yard run by Hugh Charles, with 1:30 remaining, but CSU rallied with an 80-yard TD TD drive to tie the game with 36 ticks to go on the clock. Stephone Robinson returned the kickoff to the 40 and three plays later, the Buffs were in position for Crosby's winning kick, as the teams scored 20 points in just 152 seconds.
2007	Colorado 31, Colorado St. 28 (overtime)	It had to happen eventually, as the CU-CSU series had been oh so close but lacked an overtime affair. No longer; Kevin Eberhart's 22-yard field goal tied the game at 28 with 0:13 left and then made a 35-yard boot in the first OT to lead CU to the win. Cody Hawkins debuted at quarterback and completed 18-of-31 passes for 201 yards and two scores, with another frosh redshirt, Scotty McKnight catching eight of those for 106 yards and a TD. CU rallied from 11 down late in the third quarter and likely sealed the Rams' fate after Terrence Wheatley's end zone interception in OT.

MORE ON OPENERS

Colorado had won 20 straight openers when it has scored first (dating back to 1967 when it defeated Baylor 27-7) until 2006, when Montana State snapped the streak. The Buffs went up 3-0 on a 24-yard field goal by Mason Crosby, but soon found themselves in a dogfight and succumbed to the Bobcats, 19-10. MSU scored the last 13 points of the game as CU could never get untracked offensively. Otherwise, you have go back to 1966 to find the last time the Buffs scored first and lost an opener (CU scored its only points of the game on a field goal before succumbing to Miami, Fla., 24-3). The other 19 openers in that span? CU was 4-14-1 when the opponent scored first, with the wins coming in 1969 (a 35-14 win over Tulsa after falling behind 7-0), in 1995 (a 48-13 win over NE Louisiana after spotting NLU a 3-0 lead), in 2003 (the 42-35 conquest of CSU after the Rams jumped ahead 7-0) and in 2005 (CSU got the jump late in the first quarter by 7-0). The streak is now two after CU scored first in the last two games, including taking a 14-0 second quarter last year.

DEBUTS

Colorado has four true freshmen running backs on its 2010 roster, any or all of whom could see action in the season opener as redshirts are still being decided. There have been seven occasions where a player rushed for at least 100 yards in his first game as a running back for the Buffaloes, five doing so in the first game they ever took the field (see notations on two exceptions). Here are the 19 efforts of 50 yards or more by a running back in their first game in a CU uniform (note: freshmen were ineligible from 1953-1971; ^—at Anaheim; #—in Denver):

Player, Class	Opponent	Date	Att.	Yards	TD	Player, Class	Opponent	Date	Att.	Yards	TD
*Mike Pritchard, Sr.	^Tennessee	8/26/90	20	217	2	Ward Walsh, Soph.	OREGON	9/21/68	17	63	0
Charlie Davis, Soph.	at Louisiana State	9/11/71	20	174	2	Rashaan Salaam, Fr.	IOWA	9/29/92	5	61	0
*Bobby Anderson, Sr.	INDIANA	10/04/69	29	161	3	Lamont Warren, Fr.	MINNESOTA	9/21/91	10	61	2
Michael Simmons, Fr.-RS	OREGON	9/12/87	18	142	1	Don Hagin, Soph.	NEW MEXICO	9/25/48	12	56	1
John Bayuk, Soph.	DRAKE	9/18/54	16	124	2	Darrell Scott, Fr.	#Colorado State	8/31/08	11	54	1
Marcus Houston, Fr.	#Colorado State	9/02/00	18	100	1	William Harris, Soph.	at Wisconsin	9/18/65	13	55	0
Ron Rieger, Soph.	TULSA	9/20/69	23	100	1	Harry Narcisian, Soph.	at Iowa State	9/27/47	14	51	0
Robert Lee, Soph.	OREGON STATE	9/26/64	15	75	1	Kent Kahl, Fr.-RS	WYOMING	9/07/91	10	50	1
Herschell Troutman, Fr.	NE LOUISIANA	9/03/94	7	74	1	Mell Holliday, Sr.	MONTANA STATE	9/02/06	12	50	0
Terry Kunz, Jr.	at Louisiana State	9/14/74	11	63	1						

*—Pritchard played his only game at tailback in his career in the '90 season opener versus Tennessee, subbing for Eric Bieniemy; Anderson was a quarterback who was moved to tailback the third game of the '69 season.

FIRST PLAY OF THE YEAR

Here's a look at what has transpired on the first play of the season for Colorado, dating back to 1950 when play-by-plays are available:

Year	Opponent	Play	Personnel	Gain	Year	Opponent	Play	Personnel	Gain
1950	at Iowa State	Rush	Merwin Hodel	1	1980	at UCLA	Rush	Willie Beebe	1
1951	Colorado State	Rush	Merwin Hodel	8	1981	Texas Tech	Rush	Willie Beebe	4
1952	San Jose State	Rush	Zack Jordan	11	1982	California	Pass	Randy Essington	inc
1953	at Washington	Rush	Carroll Hardy	12	1983	at Michigan State	Pass	Steve Vogel to Loy Alexander	9
1954	Drake	Rush	Frank Bernardi	10	1984	Michigan State	Pass	Steve Vogel to Loy Alexander	21
1955	Arizona	Rush	John Bayuk	0	1985	Colorado State	Rush	Anthony Weatherspoon	3
1956	Oregon	Rush	Bud Morley	-1	1986	Colorado State	Rush	Mike Marquez	3
1957	at Washington	Pass	Bob Stransky	inc	1987	Oregon	Pass	Mark Hatcher to Drew Ferrando	15
1958	Kansas State	Rush	Howard Cook	-2	1988	Fresno State	Rush	Sal Aunese	8
1959	Washington	Pass	Gale Weidner	inc	1989	Texas	Rush	Eric Bieniemy	3
1960	at Baylor	Rush	Jerry Steffen	2	1990	*Tennessee	Rush	Mike Pritchard	2
1961	Oklahoma State	Rush	Ed Coleman	3	1991	Wyoming	Rush	Kent Kahl	2
1962	at Utah	Rush	Leon Mavity	2	1992	Colorado State	Pass	Kordell Stewart to Erik Mitchell	31
1963	Southern Cal	Rush	Bill Symons	2	1993	Texas	Rush	Lamont Warren	8
1964	at Southern Cal	Rush	George Reese	0	1994	NE Louisiana	Rush	Rashaan Salaam	1
1965	at Wisconsin	Rush	Bernie McCall	3	1995	at Wisconsin	Pass	Koy Detmer to Matt Lepsis	4
1966	Miami, Fla.	Rush	Dan Kelly	3	1996	Washington State	Rush	Herschell Troutman	-2
1967	Baylor	Rush	William Harris	7	1997	Colorado State	Pass	John Hessler to Phil Savoy	9
1968	Oregon	Rush	Bobby Anderson	1	1998	#Colorado State	Rush	Mike Moschetti	14
1969	Tulsa	Pass	Bobby Anderson	inc	1999	#Colorado State	Rush	Dwayne Cherrington	1
1970	at Indiana	Pass	Jim Bratten to Willie Nichols	11	2000	#Colorado State	Rush	Cortlen Johnson	12
1971	at LSU	Rush	Ken Johnson	9	2001	Fresno State	Rush	Chris Brown	1
1972	California	Rush	Charlie Davis	0	2002	#Colorado State	Rush	Chris Brown	3
1973	at LSU	Rush	Charlie Davis	0	2003	#Colorado State	Rush	Bobby Purify	2
1974	at LSU	Rush	Billy Waddy	2	2004	Colorado State	Rush	Bobby Purify	-1
1975	California	Rush	Terry Kunz	4	2005	Colorado State	Rush	Joel Klatt	-2
1976	at Texas Tech	Rush	Jim Kelleher	3	2006	Montana State	Pass	James Cox to Patrick Williams	42
1977	Stanford	Rush	James Mayberry	1	2007	Colorado State	Rush	Patrick Williams	24
1978	Oregon	Rush	Mike Koslowski	14	2008	Colorado State	Rush	Demetrius Sumler	0
1979	Oregon	Rush	Willie Beebe	2	2009	Colorado State	Rush	Darrell Scott	1

Since 1950, CU has averaged 5.5 yards on the first play from scrimmage. Of the 60 plays, CU has passed just 12 times (completing eight). CU has not scored on the first play from scrimmage in this time frame, and has just one turnover (lost fumble) on the first play of the year (in 1990; *—at Anaheim; #—in Denver). **NOTES:** CU did score the first time it touched the ball in the 1975 season opener. Mike McCoy returned a California punt 61 yards for a touchdown two minutes into the game. The last time Colorado scored on its first offensive play of any game was at Texas A&M on Sept. 28, 1996. Rae Carruth scored from 28 yards out on a reverse after CU recovered a fumble on the opening kickoff.

SIX-PACK OF QUESTIONS: S RAY POLK

A quick pick "Q&A" with sophomore safety **Ray Polk**:

If you could visit/vacation anywhere, where would you go? "Costa Rica."

Is there an NFL player you model your game after? "Nope."

What's your favorite sport to watch other than football? "Basketball"

What movie have you seen so many times that you know most of the lines? "Zoolander." (at right)

What is your favorite thing to do on a day off? "I just like to lie around and watch movies."

Why do you wear number 26? "I've had it since high school, but it doesn't really matter what number I have."



FIRST SCORE OF THE YEAR

Here's a list of Colorado's first score of the year, dating back to 1950 when play-by-plays are available (the time is amount remaining in the quarter specified):

Season	Opponent	Game	CU's First Score	Class	Time	(Qtr)
1950	Iowa State	1	Merwin Hodel 3 run	Jr.	7:30	2nd
1951	Colorado State	1	Woody Shelton 2 run	Jr.	1:15	1st
1952	San Jose State	1	Ralph Curtis 2 run	Sr.	2:03	1st
1953	Washington	1	Gary Knafelc 16 pass from Homer Jenkins	Sr./So.	1:56	1st
1954	Drake	1	Frank Bernardi 35 run	Sr.	5:52	1st
1955	Arizona	1	Homer Jenkins 3 run	Sr.	5:29	1st
1956	Kansas State	2	Gene Worden 5 run	Jr.	9:02	2nd
1957	Washington	1	Leroy Clark 11 run	Jr.	2:04	1st
1958	Kansas State	1	Homer Cook 10 run	Sr.	11:38	1st
1959	Washington	1	Gale Weidner 94 interception return	So.	3:27	2nd
1960	Kansas State	2	Gale Weidner 1 run	Jr.	9:14	1st
1961	Oklahoma State	1	Jerry Hillebrand 40 pass from Gale Weidner	Sr./Sr.	11:30	1st
1962	Utah	1	Bill Harris 97 kickoff return	Jr.	5:55	1st
1963	Oregon State	2	Bill Harris 7 pass from Frank Cesarek	Sr./Jr.	4:51	4th
1964	Oregon State	2	Robert Lee 5 run	Jr.	0:01	3rd
1965	Fresno State	2	Frank Rogers 31 FG	Sr.	9:09	1st
1966	Miami, Fla.	1	Dave Bartelt 23 FG	So.	3:33	1st
1967	Baylor	1	Bobby Anderson 7 run	So.	5:54	1st
1968	Oregon	1	Bobby Anderson 3 run	Jr.	10:09	2nd
1969	Tulsa	1	Ron Rieger 1 run	Jr.	0:34	1st
1970	Indiana	1	Marv Whitaker 9 pass from Jim Bratten	Sr./Sr.	1:29	1st
1971	Louisiana State	1	Willie Nichols 7 pass from Ken Johnson	Jr./So.	0:03	1st
1972	California	1	Charlie Davis 1 run	Jr.	10:49	1st
1973	Louisiana State	1	Larry Ferguson 37 run	Jr.	0:13	3rd
1974	Louisiana State	1	Terry Kunz 3 run	Jr.	14:19	4th
1975	California	1	Mike McCoy 61 punt return	Sr.	13:41	1st
1976	Texas Tech	1	Jim Kelleher 1 run	Sr.	6:52	3rd
1977	Stanford	1	Bob Niziolek 3 pass from Jeff Knappe	So./Jr.	8:13	1st
1978	Oregon	1	Pete Cyphers 1 run	Jr.	1:23	1st
1979	Oregon	1	Tom Field 30 FG	Fr.	5:49	1st
1980	UCLA	1	Lyndell Hawkins 10 lateral from Charles Davis (22 yards total)	Sr./Sr.	5:31	3rd
1981	Texas Tech	1	Walter Stanley 87 pass from Randy Essington	So./So.	9:28	1st
1982	California	1	Tom Field 30 FG	Jr.	0:00	2nd
1983	Michigan State	1	Loy Alexander 16 pass from Steve Vogel	So./Jr.	1:16	1st
1984	Michigan State	1	Ed Reinhardt 3 pass from Steve Vogel	So./Sr.	13:14	4th
1985	Colorado State	1	Larry Eckel 32 FG	Sr.	7:51	1st
1986	Colorado State	1	Mike Marquez 2 run	Jr.	0:29	4th
1987	Oregon	1	Michael Simmons 34 run	Fr.-RS	2:42	1st
1988	Fresno State	1	Mike Pritchard 35 pass from Sal Aunese	So./Jr.	10:40	1st
1989	Texas	1	Eric Bieniemy 1 run	Jr.	13:45	1st
1990	Tennessee	1	George Hemingway 1 run	Sr.	9:55	2nd
1991	Wyoming	1	Darian Hagan 3 run	Sr.	7:46	1st
1992	Colorado State	1	Michael Westbrook 48 pass from Kordell Stewart	Jr./So.	9:53	1st
1993	Texas	1	Charles E. Johnson 35 pass from Kordell Stewart	Sr./Jr.	4:22	1st
1994	NE Louisiana	1	Rashaan Salaam 1 run	Jr.	3:45	1st
1995	Wisconsin	1	Neil Voskeritchian 27 FG	Sr.	5:24	1st
1996	Washington State	1	Jason Lesley 31 FG	Sr.	6:20	1st
1997	Colorado State	1	Herchell Troutman 1 run	Sr.	9:52	1st
1998	Colorado State	1	Jeremy Aldrich 34 FG	Jr.	8:17	1st
1999	Colorado State	1	Roman Hollowell 43 pass from Mike Moschetti	So./Sr.	8:49	4th
2000	Colorado State	1	Marcus Houston 5 run	Fr.	9:41	2nd
2001	Fresno State	1	Roman Hollowell 77 punt return	Sr.	6:03	2nd
2002	Colorado State	1	Jeremy Bloom 75 punt return	Fr.	14:42	4th
2003	Colorado State	1	Bobby Purify 6 run	Sr.-4	13:53	2nd
2004	Colorado State	1	Bobby Purify 1 run	Sr.-5	10:26	1st
2005	Colorado State	1	Mason Crosby 32 FG	Jr.	12:22	2nd
2006	Montana State	1	Mason Crosby 24 FG	Sr.	10:39	1st
2007	Colorado State	1	Scotty McKnight 24 pass from Cody Hawkins	Fr.-RS/Fr.-RS	12:52	1st
2008	Colorado State	1	Scotty McKnight 35 pass from Cody Hawkins	Soph./Soph.	14:15	2nd
2009	Colorado State	2	Aric Goodman 54 FG	Jr.	2:50	2nd

THE SET-UP

Since the series resumed, offensive fireworks have often been the norm. In the 59 games prior to 1983, the losing team scored 10 or more points just eight times, and 20 or more points a single time. But in the 22 games following the quarter century dormancy, on just once occasion has the loser not scored double figures (in 1986, when CSU won 23-7 in Boulder). On nine occasions both have scored at least 20 and twice they both hit 30.

SERIES HISTORY—CU VS. COLORADO STATE

Colorado leads the all-time series by a **59-20-2** count, with Colorado State hanging on a year ago in Boulder for a 23-17 win (its first at Folsom Field since 1986). CU won rather easily the last time the two schools met in Denver ('08), 38-17, but the six games previous to the three-TD win were decided by just four more, or 25, points (all of which came down to the final minute, if not the final seconds). A 31-28 overtime win in 2007 was the first in the series that went into extra sessions, and overall, the Buffs have won five of the last seven in the series. The teams split the first go-round of games in Denver (1998-2003) with CU taking the next three 2-1 (2006-08) to own a 5-4 lead at the neutral site, where the next 10 games in the series will be played in the series. Colorado leads 31-9-1 in Boulder, and 23-7-1 in Fort Collins. This is the seventh straight game in the series where neither team is ranked, though between 1989 and 2003 at least one team was among the nation's top 25. CU coach **Dan Hawkins** is 2-2 against CSU, while CSU coach **Steve Fairchild** is 1-1 against Colorado.

SERIES DID YOU KNOW?—The 1910 game, listed for years as a 10-0 CSU win, was actually never played? CU refused to travel to Fort Collins to play because CSU had a player who had previously played professionally, which has never been disputed (whatever that meant in the pre-NFL days).

SERIES SIGNATURE ANNIVERSARY GAME— **25th.** In 1985, the Buffaloes won 23-10 in Boulder as CU has a successful debut of its version of the wishbone offense in the fourth-season opener under Bill McCartney. How successful was it? Colorado rushed for 358 yards, over half of its total (659) in all of the 1984 season.

SERIES FAST FACTS

CU Largest Margin of Victory —64, in 1893 (70-6)	CSU Most Points —49, in 1919 (modern: 41, in 1999)	Most Points, Both Teams —82, in 1996 (CU, 48-34).
CSU Largest Margin of Victory —42, in 1919 (49-7)		Fewest Points, Both Teams —0, in 1906 (0-0 tie).
Current Series Streak —1, by Colorado State	CU Fewest Points —0, 5 times (last: 1955).	
CU Most Points —70, in 1893 (modern: 61, in 1952)	CSU Fewest Points —0, 22 times (last: 1957).	

CU-COLORADO STATE BY THE NUMBERS

Here's a look at some numbers-related trivia in the Colorado-CSU series:

- 1-7** Colorado State's record against Colorado since 1983 when the Buffs are not their first opponent of the season;
- 10-6** Colorado's record against Colorado State when the Rams are their first opponent of the season;
- 10** Times in 81 games that both teams have scored at least 20 points (nine of the last 17);
- 12** The most games won by one team in a row in the series (Colorado, 1934 through 1947);
- 16** The number of years the game has been televised on a regional or national basis (including '09 on FSN);
- 16** The number of turnovers by Colorado in the nine Denver games (nine in its four losses);
- 17** The number of turnovers by Colorado State in the nine Denver games (seven in its four wins, 10 in its five losses);
- 25** The number of points the six games in the series between 2002 and 2007 were decided by;
- 28** Times in 81 games that both teams have scored at least 10 points;
- 81** The number of games in the series between the two, including 2009; CU has played no one else on more occasions, while Colorado State has played only Wyoming more (100 times);
- 3:04** The amount of time CU led the 2005 game (CSU led for 43:01 and the other 13:55 the teams were tied, at 0-0, 21-21 and 28-28; Colorado won 31-28);
- 34:07** The amount of time CSU led the 2006 game (CU led for 17:08 and the teams were tied for 8:45; Colorado State won, 14-10);
- 44:15** The amount of time CU led the 2008 game (the teams were tied for 15:45; CSU never led in CU's 38-17 win);
- 50:27** The amount of time CU led the 2004 game (the other 9:33 the teams were tied, at 0-0 and 17-17; Colorado won, 27-24).

CU-COLORADO STATE SERIES TRENDS

Here's a quick look at some team statistical trends over the last 15 games in the CU-CSU series (the two have played every year since 1995):

Date	Site	Result	Attend.	Rank	CU CSU	CU FD	Rushing att yds td	Passing a-c-i yds td	Tot Off no yds	CSU FD	Rushing att yds td	Passing a-c-i yds td	Tot Off no yds	TV
Sept. 9, 1995	Boulder (N)	W 42-14	52,848	10	—	21	45 200 4	28-19-0 261 1	73 461	20	29 25 0	52-22-3 306 2	81 331	ESPN
Sept. 7, 1996	Fort Collins (N)	W 48-34	36,371	5	—	33	47 281 4	42-31-0 364 2	89 645	17	25 81 1	29-16-1 312 2	54 393	ESPN2
Sept. 6, 1997	Boulder	W 31-21	53,416	8	24	17	31 122 1	28-18-1 223 2	59 345	14	33 70 0	22-14-2 215 3	55 285	FSN (r)
Sept. 5, 1998	Denver (N)	W 42-14	76,036	—	15	23	35 147 1	32-21-0 257 3	67 404	19	38 78 1	28-13-0 124 1	66 202	ESPN
Sept. 4, 1999	Denver (N)	L 14-41	73,438	14	—	23	36 82 0	49-30-4 291 2	85 373	12	38 227 3	18-10-0 109 1	56 336	FSN
Sept. 2, 2000	Denver	L 24-28	67,466	23	—	29	45 224 2	39-25-0 308 1	84 532	17	28 65 0	30-19-2 327 4	58 392	ESPN2
Sept. 1, 2001	Denver	W 41-14	75,022	—	24	21	54 315 3	19-15-0 95 0	73 410	18	29 108 0	40-18-4 186 2	69 294	ABC
Aug. 31, 2002	Denver	L 14-19	75,531	7	—	19	48 170 1	27-14-1 199 0	75 369	17	38 152 3	24-11-1 168 0	62 320	ESPN2
Aug. 30, 2003	Denver (N)	W 42-35	76,219	—	23	17	43 102 2	34-21-0 402 4	77 504	24	39 246 2	40-18-1 339 3	79 585	ESPN
Sept. 4, 2004	Boulder (N)	W 27-24	54,954	—	—	20	45 255 2	25-13-1 117 0	70 372	23	28 44 1	42-29-1 403 2	70 447	FSN
Sept. 3, 2005	Boulder	W 31-28	54,972	—	—	19	29 113 3	33-22-1 283 0	62 396	21	34 95 1	43-28-4 291 3	77 386	TBS
Sept. 2, 2006	Denver	L 10-14	65,701	—	—	9	33 75 1	15-9-0 71 0	48 146	16	34 15 1	23-20-0 233 1	57 248	CSTV
Sept. 1, 2007	Denver	(OT) W 31-28	68,133	—	—	18	28 129 1	32-18-1 201 2	60 330	25	56 157 1	27-20-1 229 3	83 386	FSN
Aug. 31, 2008	Denver (N)	W 38-17	69,619	—	—	19	36 153 3	29-20-1 214 1	65 367	18	26 71 0	38-27-2 187 1	64 258	FSN
Sept. 6, 2009	Boulder (N)	L 17-23	53,168	—	—	13	21 29 1	40-24-1 222 1	61 251	14	45 168 1	17-10-2 208 1	62 376	FSN

CONFERENCE CALL

- ➔ **Colorado** is **140-56-7** all-time versus Mountain West Conference schools (203 games), playing only members of its own Big 12 Conference more (504 games). In addition to the 59-20-2 record versus Colorado State, CU is 24-2-1 against Wyoming, 12-4 versus Air Force, 8-3-1 against BYU, 6-3 versus New Mexico, 1-0 against San Diego State, 30-24-3 against Utah and 23-2-1 versus Wyoming.
- ➔ **Colorado State** is **24-84-2** all-time versus Big 12 Conference schools: 20-59-2 vs. Colorado, 1-4 vs. Iowa State, 0-4 vs. Kansas, 1-5 vs. Kansas State, 1-1 vs. Missouri, 0-6 vs. Nebraska, 1-1 vs. Oklahoma State, 0-1 vs. Texas and 0-2 vs. Texas Tech.

QUARTERBACK DEBUTS

Colorado is **6-1** against Colorado State in its history when a Buff quarterback is making their debut as a starter; the only loss came in 2006 when CSU topped **Bernard Jackson** and the Buffs, 14-10. On five occasions, the match-up also came in the season opener, with **Mark Hatcher** (23-10, 1985), **Kordell Stewart** (37-17, 1992), **Mike Moschetti** (42-14, 1998), **Joel Klatt** (42-35, 2003) and **Cody Hawkins** (31-28, 2007, OT) all having quality games out of the gate. **Stewart** and **Klatt** had the top starts, both throwing for over 400 yards and four touchdowns. In fact, when combined, CU's throwers are 78-of-120 for 1,313 yards with 12 touchdowns and just one interception; that would work to an average passer rating of 188.24. Here are those games:

Year	Quarterback	Class	Site	Result	Rushing	Passing
1985	Mark Hatcher	So.	BOULDER	W 23-10	12- 62, 2 td	9- 3-0, 36, 0 td
1987	Sal Aunese	So.	Fort Collins	W 29-16	18- 83, 1 td	6- 4-0, 139, 1 td
1992	Kordell Stewart	So.	BOULDER	W 37-17	9- 21, 0 td	36-21-1, 409, 4 td
1998	Mike Moschetti	Jr.	Denver	W 42-14	5- 13, 0 td	32-21-0, 257, 3 td
2003	Joel Klatt	So.	Denver	W 42-35	14-(-10), 0 td	34-21-0, 402, 4 td
2006	Bernard Jackson	Jr.	Denver	L 10-14	18- 30, 1 td	13- 8-0, 70, 0 td
2007	Cody Hawkins	Fr.-RS	Denver (OT)	W 31-28	3- 2, 0 td	31-18-1, 201, 2 td

SERIES RECORDS

Some team and individual bests in the **Colorado-Colorado State** series:

TEAM**Most Points**

CU: 70, on Feb. 10, 1893
 CSU: 49, on Oct. 11, 1919

Fewest Points

CU: 0, on five occasions
 CSU: 0, on 22 occasions

Most First Downs

CU: 33, on Sept. 22, 1951
 CSU: 25, on Sept. 1, 2007

Fewest First Downs

CU: 9, on two occasions
 CSU: 6, on two occasions

Most Yards Rushing

CU: 452, on Sept. 9, 1989
 CSU: 267, on Sept. 5, 1992

Fewest Yards Rushing

CU: 71, on Sept. 9, 2006
 CSU: 25, on Sept. 9, 1995

Most Yards Passing

CU: 409, on Sept. 5, 1992
 CSU: 398, on Oct. 3, 1987

Fewest Yards Passing

CU: 25, on Nov. 22, 1958
 CSU: 19, on Nov. 28, 1953

Most Total Plays

CU: 89, on Sept. 7, 1996
 CSU: 81, on two occasions

Fewest Total Plays

CU: 48, on Sept. 9, 2006
 CSU: 45, on Nov. 22, 1958

Most Yards Total Offense

CU: 645, on Sept. 7, 1996
 CSU: 585, on Aug. 30, 2003

Fewest Yards Total Offense

CU: 148, on Nov. 26, 1955
 CSU: 84, on Nov. 9, 1957

INDIVIDUAL**Most Yards Rushing**

CU: 191, Bobby Purify, Sept. 1, 2001
 CSU: 190, Kevin McDougal, Sept. 4, 1999

Most Yards Passing

CU: 409, Kordell Stewart, Sept. 5, 1992
 CSU: 403, Justin Holland, Sept. 4, 2004

Most Receptions

CU: 10, D.J. Hackett, Aug. 30, 2003
 CSU: 10, on two occasions

Most Yards Receiving

CU: 192, Derek McCoy, Aug. 30, 2003
 CSU: 158, Johnny Walker, Sept. 9, 2006

BUFFALOES & RAMS ALL-TIME ACROSS THE BOARD

This Saturday's football game will be the **716th** time (documented) that Colorado and Colorado State will hook up in a head-to-head competition (games, matches or duals; tournaments or invitationals not included if other schools participated), with event No. 715 set for Aug. 31 on the volleyball floor. A look at how many times the two have met across the board and the results (*—records prior to 1947-48 not available; #—prior to 1946-47 not available):

Sport	CU	CSU	Ties	Sport	CU	CSU	Ties	Sport	CU	CSU	Ties
Baseball	86	35	1	*Men's Gymnastics	25	13		Women's Swimming	0	4	
Men's Basketball	88	34		Women's Gymnastics	5	2		Men's Tennis	57	2	
Women's Basketball	30	11		*Men's Indoor Track	13	1	1	Women's Tennis	25	0	
Football	59	20	2	Women's Indoor Track	1	1		Wrestling	19	32	1
*Men's Cross Country	2	1		*Men's Outdoor Track	22	9		Volleyball	11	21	
Women's Cross Country	1	0		Women's Outdoor Track	2	0		Totals	493	213	8
*Men's Golf	29	10	1	#Men's Swimming	18	17	2				

CU-COLORADO STATE THIS FALL: Volleyball, Aug. 31 (at Fort Collins); Men's Golf, Sept. 13 (Colorado Cup dual at Holyoke); Basketball (Dec. 8, men's and women's doubleheader in Boulder).

A CLOSER LOOK

CU leads the series by a **16-6** count since it was resumed in 1983 after a 25-year dormancy. The Buffs have outscored the Rams by 650-466 in those games; CU has held the lead in 19 games, CSU in 14 games, and in 11 of the 22 both teams owned a lead. Out of 1,320 minutes of game time, CU has led for **698:17** (53% of the time), CSU for 397:46 (30%). Colorado is 6-0 when rushing for 250 or more yards, and is 9-2 when holding the Rams under 100.

TALE OF THE TAPE

Here's a comparative look at **Colorado** and **Colorado State** in both general areas as well as several statistical categories in 2009 (NCAA/national rankings, if applicable, are in parenthesis):



Category	Colorado	Colorado State
Overall Record, 2009.....	3-9	3-9
Versus AP Ranked Teams (at time of game).....	1-2	0-2
Opponents 2009 Combined Record (SOS: NCAA, Sagarin)	70-63	(49) 63-60 (61)
Overall Record, 1989-current (last 21 seasons).....	156-97-4	(26) 140-113-1 (36)
Versus Ranked Teams.....	43-59-2	14-32-0
In Conference Play.....	99-59-3	(13) 92-68 (26)
Players On Roster/Players From Colorado.....	105/38	106/37
Starters from Colorado (out of 24, including P/PK).....	12	6
Two-Deep Performers from Colorado (including P/PK and ties)	21	14
Alumni On NFL Rosters (as of August 28)	18	16
Rushing Offense	87.9	(113) 144.3 (64)
Average Per Rush	2.8	4.2
Passing Offense.....	226.4	(45) 206.9 (76)
Completion Percentage	52.9	55.7
Average Per Attempt.....	5.7	7.6
Passing Efficiency.....	106.1	(111) 127.9 (62)
Total Offense	314.3	(104) 351.2 (79)
Average Per Play	4.4	5.7
Scoring Offense	22.3	(92) 21.7 (97)
Rushing Defense.....	161.2	(80) 152.1 (71)
Average Per Rush.....	4.1	4.2
Passing Defense.....	201.8	(34) 235.7 (87)
Completion Percentage	57.9	63.6
Average Per Attempt	7.2	7.4
Pass Efficiency Defense	131.5	(69) 140.8 (100)
Total Defense	363.0	(57) 387.8 (78)
Average Per Play.....	5.4	5.7
Scoring Defense	28.8	(88) 29.8 (93)
Third Down Conversion Offense.....	35.6	(89) 35.3 (93)
Third Down Conversion Defense.....	34.1	(21) 54.7 (120)
Quarterback Sacks By / Allowed.....	29 / 44	(32/117) 24 / 21 (53/52)
Net Punting	31.9	(113) 31.6 (116)
Punt Returns.....	3.3	(117) 8.3 (67)
Punt Return Yardage Defense.....	10.9	(87) 15.1 (116)
Kickoff Returns.....	23.9	(21) 23.0 (37)
Kickoff Return Yardage Defense	20.2	(27) 24.2 (103)
Turnovers / Turnovers Forced.....	31 / 25	(115/32) 19 / 19 (31/80)
Turnover Margin	-0.50	(97) 0.00 (60)
Red Zone Scoring Percentage (Offense)	80.0	(87) 82.4 (56)
Red Zone Scoring Percentage (Defense)	72.1	(7) 77.8 (26)
Time of Possession	30:03	(59) 29:50 (62)

IN COLORADO BUFFALO HISTORY: SEPTEMBER 4

Colorado is **3-1** all-time on **September 4**, having first played on the date in 1989; all four of the previous games on the date were night games and all have been in the state of Colorado (three in Boulder, one in Denver). A closer look: **1989**—Darian Hagan rushed for 116 yards, including a 75-yard run on the second play of the game to set-up CU's first touchdown en route to a 27-6 win over Texas. Hagan's run paved the way for a one-yard vault into the end zone by Eric Bieniemy (66 yards on the night), and his 5-yard TD pass to George Hemingway to end the quarter had the No. 14 Buffs in control, 14-0. The teams swapped two field goals apiece over the next 30 minutes until Hagan sealed the Longhorns' fate with a 4-yard run early in the fourth quarter. **1993**—Kordell Stewart passed for 246 yards and three touchdowns with Lamont Warren getting 110 on the ground and a score to lead the No. 11 Buffaloes to a 36-14 drubbing of Texas. Stewart opened the game with TD passes to Charles Johnson (35 yards) and Michael Westbrook (16) and the Buffs never looked back. The Buffs had near perfect balance on offense, with 270 yards rushing and 260 passing for a total of 530; Texas had 508 yards, but CU forced the 'Horns into six turnovers that led to 21 Buffalo points. **1999**—Kevin McDougal rushed for 190 yards and two touchdowns as Colorado State forced six CU turnovers in defeating the No. 14 Buffs in Denver, 41-14, the Rams' first win over Colorado since 1986 and spoiling Gary Barnett's debut as head coach of the Buffaloes. It was CU's first season-opening loss in 12 years; despite outgaining CSU 373-336 and owning a 23-12 edge in first downs, turnovers gave the Rams a short field most of the afternoon and a spectacular kicking game kept CU pinned deep in its own territory. **2004**—Colorado led for 50-plus minutes while CSU never had the lead, yet it appeared the Rams were going to steal this one in the final seconds until back-to-back goal-line stops enabled the Buffs to hang on and win, 27-24 in Boulder. After spiking the ball to stop the clock, one-time Buffalo Marcus Houston was stuffed for no gain by CU frosh linebacker Jordan Dizon. With CSU out of time outs, it went for all the marbles but a pitch to Tristan Walker was sniffed out by J.J. Billingsley and Lorenzo Sims, the two combining to throw him for a 2-yard loss as time ran out. CSU had rallied from 17-0 down to tie the game, but a 55-yard field goal by Mason Crosby and a 37-yard interception return by Brian Iwuh put the Buffs back up by 27-17 with 6:25 to play. Bobby Purify rushed for 189 yards and a touchdown to pace CU.

SEPTEMBER 4 COLORADO MVP: Darian Hagan. He had 211 yards of total offense (116 rush, 95 pass), running for one touchdown and throwing for another in CU's season-opening 27-6 win over Texas on Labor Day night in 1989.

THE LAST TIME: COLORADO STATE 23, COLORADO 17

SEPTEMBER 6, 2009 (FOLSOM FIELD, BOULDER)

BOULDER—Colorado State stunned Colorado for 20 first-half points and held on to defeat the Buffaloes 23-17 in just the second-ever Sunday night game at Folsom Field before a near-sellout crowd of 53,168 and a national television audience on FSN.

The Rams got things going from the opening gun, marching 80 yards to take a 7-0 lead on the game's first drive. CSU's Grant Stucker hit John Mosure on a 57-yard pass play to set up Mosure's one-yard run just over three minutes into the contest.

The Buffs had some glimpses of life in the first half but hit a wall when center Mike Iltis limped off the field. Cody Hawkins was then intercepted by Elijah-Blu Smith on a pass that caromed off of Scotty McKnight.

CSU converted the turnover into a 14-0 lead when Stucker found Mosure again, this time with a 14-yard scoring pass. The Rams converted on a pair of key third down plays on the drive, the second of which was the touchdown. CSU's big play mentality hit again when Stucker hooked up with Ryan Gardner for a 43-yard completion to the CU 4-yard line, setting up a Ben DeLine field goal to push the lead to 17-0 early in the second quarter.

The Buffs got on the scoreboard by getting a career-long 54-yard field goal from Aric Goodman to pull within 17-3. Ben Burney set up the score with an interception. CSU answered just before intermission by positioning DeLine for a 45-yard field with five seconds left that restored the Rams' 17-point lead at 20-3 at the break.

Hawkins opened the second half by completing a 44-yard bomb to Andre Simmons — his first CU catch — that set up the Buffs at the nine-yard line. From there, Brian Lockridge took a pitch right and went into the end zone untouched to cut the deficit to 20-10 less than two minutes into the second half.

Hawkins again found his passing touch on the next drive, moving the Buffs to the Rams' 18-yard line where McKnight caught a pass before a helmet-to-helmet hit jarred the ball loose. Initially called down by contact, the play was overturned and ruled a fumble (but later in the week after conference review, CU was told it should have been an incompletion).

CU's defense kept the Buffs in the game. After a pair of three-and-outs, Jeff Smart came up with a critical interception but the Buffs weren't able to take advantage before CSU got a 45-yard pass from Stucker to Rashaun Greer down to the Buffs 4-yard line. The CU defense held at that point and CSU got its final points of the game, leading 23-10 with 8:58 to play.

The Buffs got the ball back with less than four minutes remaining. McKnight, suffering from a concussion, came back in the game to draw a big pass interference penalty before catching a 3-yard touchdown pass from Hawkins two plays later, pulling CU to within 23-17 with 1:57 left to play.

But the Buffs had burned all three timeouts and when CSU's Dion Morton recovered the on-sides kick at midfield, the Rams were able to run out the clock.

This was the final game on either school's campus for a decade, as the schools announced earlier in the week a 10-year contract to move the game back to Denver's Invesco Field beginning in 2010.

Playing from behind, the Buffs managed just 68 yards from their four-horsed running back stable. Hawkins finished 24-of-40 for 222 yards and one touchdown with his favorite target being Riar Geer, who had six receptions for 65 yards. The Buffs were just 3-of-14 on third down and were out-gained by CSU 376-to-251 in total offense. Stewart led the Buffs ground game, picking up 38 yards on six carries.

Colorado State	14	6	0	3	—	23
COLORADO	0	3	7	7	—	17

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Colorado State — Mosure 1 run (DeLine kick)	0-7	11:47	1Q
Colorado State — Mosure 13 pass from Stucker (DeLine kick)	0-14	1:09	1Q
Colorado State — DeLine 29 FG	0-17	11:43	2Q
COLORADO — Goodman 54 FG	3-17	2:50	2Q
Colorado State — DeLine 45 FG	3-20	0:05	2Q
COLORADO — Lockridge 9 run (Goodman kick)	10-20	13:20	3Q
Colorado State — DeLine 18 FG	10-23	8:58	3Q
COLORADO — McKnight 2 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	17-23	1:57	4Q

Attendance: 53,168 Time: 3:23

Weather: 79 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 3 mph winds from the east

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	COLORADO ST.
First Downs.....	13	14
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	3-14 (2-3)	3-14 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards	21-29	45-168
Passing Yards	222	208
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	40-24-1	17-10-2
Total Offense.....	251	376
Return Yards	20	50
Punts: No-Average.....	6-43.3	5-44.2
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	1-1	1-0
Penalties/Yards	5/60	6/71
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	2-8	4-38
Time of Possession	27:04	32:56
Drives/Average Field Position	13/C33	13/CS31
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	2-2 (14)	4-4 (20)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Stewart 6-38, Sumler 8-20, Lockridge 1-9, Scott 1-1, C.Hawkins 4-minus 38, Team 1-minus 1. **Colorado State:** Mason 23-107, Mosure 11-44, Morton 2-27, Greer 1-3, Stucker 5-minus 4, Team 3-minus 9.

Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 40-24-1, 222, 1 td. **Colorado State:** Stucker 17-10-2, 208, 1 td.

Receiving—Colorado: Geer 6-65, McKnight 4-36, Deehan 3-20, Sumler 3-15, Espinoza 2-9, Devenny 2-7, Simmons 1-44, Scott 1-14, Stewart 1-7, Lockridge 1-5. **Colorado State:** Mosure 3-38, Mason 3-20, Greer 2-50, Morton 1-57, Gardner 1-43.

Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 6-43.3 (52 long, 2 In20). **Colorado State:** Kontodiakos 5-44.2 (51 long, 1In20).

Punt Returns—Colorado: Espinoza 4-10. **Colorado State:** Thomas 4-39. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Scott 5-138, Stengel 1-5. **Colorado State:** Morton 2-42.

Interceptions—Colorado: Smart 1-10, Burney 1-0. **Colorado State:** E.Smith 1-11.

Tackle Leaders—Colorado: J.Smith 9,3—12; Smart 6,3—9; Burton 3,5—8; C.Brown 6,1—7; Perkins 5,2—7; Polk 2,4—6; Mohler 4,0—4; Cunningham 2,2—4; Herrod 2,1—3; Stengel 2,1—3. **Colorado State:** Sisson 5,4—9; Wilkinson 7,1—8; Oppenheer 4,3—7; Kubiak 3,3—6; Williams 5,0—5; Thomas 4,0—4; Whittier 3,1—4; Miller 3,1—4.

Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Smart 1-7, C.Brown 1-1. **Colorado State:** Miller 1-10, Whittier 1-10, Morehead 1-9, Sisson 1-9.

Passes Broken Up—Colorado: J.Brown, West. **Colorado State:** Kawulok, Sisson, Thomas, Wilkinson, Williams.

GAME NOTES

TB Darrell Scott rushed for 1 yard on CU's first play of the year, the 48th time in the last 60 years that the Buffaloes called a rushing play to open the season ... **C Mike Iltis**, seeing his first career action, left the game midway through the first quarter with an ankle injury; his replacement, **Keenan Stevens**, had not played since 2007, when he saw the only snaps of his career (10) vs. Miami-Ohio ... **WR Scotty McKnight** extended his streak to 25 straight regular season games with at least one reception and also had his 10th career TD reception, the 13th player in CU history to catch at least 10 ... **TB Brian Lockridge's** 9-yard TD run in the third quarter was his second career score; it was his first trip to the end zone since a 43-yard run against Miami-Ohio on Sept. 22, 2007 ... CSU outgained CU by 265-63 in the first half, but the Buffs came out and reversed the trend in the third quarter (111-26); CSU was 3-of-4 on third down in the first quarter, then went 0-of-10 the rest of the game (though it snuck in a fourth down conversion along the way) ... This was CSU's first win in Boulder since dealing CU a 23-7 setback on the exact same date in the '86 opener ... The 12-yard pass from Cody Hawkins to Scotty McKnight on 4th-and-5 in the second quarter was CU's 12th consecutive conversion on fourth down dating back to the last five games of 2008; CU made its final 11 tries last year in finishing 18-of-25 for the season (the streak ended in the third quarter when Demetrius Sumler was stopped for no gain on a 4th-and-1).

LOOKING AHEAD: NO. 1 & NO. 2 TO MEET IN BOULDER

There have been 49 times when the Nos. 1 and 2 teams in the polls have met on the football field, the most recent being Alabama's 37-20 win over Texas last January 7 in the BCS Championship game (44 of the those meetings have matched the top two teams in the *Associated Press* poll). But on Saturday, October 2, the top two teams in a different AP poll will meet in Boulder: the wire service recently did a national survey among its college poll voters on who has the coolest mascots, and Colorado and Georgia owned the top two spots. CU's live buffalo, **Ralphie V**, came in ranked number one, while Georgia's live bulldog, **Uga VIII**, occupied the number two spot. Ralphie made the trip to Athens in 2006, when the host Bulldogs rallied for a 14-13 win; UGA is scheduled to visit Boulder for the sequel. The top dozen mascots as selected by the Associated Press:

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| 1. Colorado (Ralphie , live buffalo) | 7. Texas (<i>Bevo</i> , live longhorn steer) |
| 2. Georgia (<i>Uga</i> , live bulldog) | 8. West Virginia (<i>the mountaineer</i> , complete with buckskin suit and coonskin cap) |
| 3. Florida State (<i>Chief Osceola</i> & Appaloosa horse) | 9. Texas Tech (<i>masked rider on a black horse</i>) |
| 4. LSU (<i>Mike the Tiger</i> ; caged feline) | 10. Michigan State (<i>Sparty</i> , a costumed mascot) |
| 5. Auburn (<i>golden eagle swoops down pregame</i>) | 11. Notre Dame (<i>leprechaun</i>) |
| 6. Stanford (<i>student in a tree costume</i>) | 12. Oregon (<i>a fighting, costumed Donald Duck</i>) |

2010 COLORADO FOOTBALL LETTERMAN PICTURE

Colorado has **53** lettermen returning for 2010, including 27 on offense, 25 on defense and one specialist; the Buffs lost **22** lettermen off the 2009 squad (nine offense, 10 defense, three specialists) plus **two** more on defense from 2008. CU returns 15 starters from last season (8 offense, 7 defense) and loses seven (3 offense, 4 defense); several positions had multiple personnel shuttle in and out, so these numbers aren't truly reflective of the experience returning. The 2009 starters are listed in bold, and (*) denotes letters earned primarily on special teams. The breakdown:

OFFENSE

Position	Returning (27)	Lost (9)
WR (x)	Will Jefferson, *Cameron Ham, Kendrick Celestine (<i>from 2008</i>)	Markques Simas
WR (z)	Scotty McKnight , Jason Espinoza, Andre Simmons, Dustin Ebner, Anthony Wright	
LT	Nate Solder , *Ryan Dannewitz, Shawn Daniels (<i>from 2008</i>)	
LG	Ethan Adkins , Blake Behrens, *David Clark	
C	Keenan Stevens , Mike Iltis (<i>also OG</i>)	
RG	Ryan Miller , Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner (<i>from 2008</i>)	
RT	Bryce Givens , Matthew Bahr	
TE	Ryan Deehan, *Luke Walters	Riar Geer , Patrick Devenny, *Devin Shanahan
QB	Tyler Hansen , Cody Hawkins	
TB	Rodney Stewart , Brian Lockridge, *Corey Nabors	Demetrius Sumler, Darrell Scott, *Kevin Moyd
FB		Jake Behrens , *FB Trace Adams

DEFENSE

Position	Returning (25)	Lost (12)
DE	Marquez Herrod , Josh Hartigan	Lagrone Shields (<i>from 2008</i>)
DT	Curtis Cunningham , Nate Bonsu, Conrad Obi	Eric Lawson (<i>from 2008</i>)
NT	Will Pericak , Eugene Goree	Taj Kaynor, Tyler Sale
DE	Forrest West, Nick Kasa, David Goldberg	
MLB	Michael Sipili	Marcus Burton , Bryan Stengel
WLB	Jon Major	Jeff Smart , Shaun Mohler
SLB	B.J. Beatty , Tyler Ahles, Douglas Rippy, *Guy Sergeant	*Brandon Gouin
CB	Jalil Brown , *Jonathan Hawkins	Cha'pelle Brown (<i>nickel</i>)
SS	Patrick Mahnke, *Travis Sandersfeld, *Vince Ewing	Benjamin Burney
FS	Anthony Perkins , Ray Polk	*Bret Smith
CB	Jimmy Smith , *Arthur Jaffee	

SPECIALISTS

Position	Returning (1)	Lost (3)
P		Matthew DiLallo
PK	Aric Goodman	
SN		Justin Drescher , Austin Bisnow

MISCELLANEOUS STAT BOX (2009)

Game	Red Zone (Scores-Att; (TD/FG); Plays-Yds)			Avg./1st Down		2nd Down Efficiency		Plays (+/-)			Plus Territory (Plays-Yards)	
	Colorado	Opponent		Colo	Opp.	Colo	Opp.	Colorado	Opponent		Colorado	Opponent
Colorado State	2-2 (2/0) 4-19	4-4 (2/2) 11-36		5.4	7.7	4-19	6-21	39 17 5	42 11 9		24- 47	33-215
Toledo	6-6 (5/1) 15-42	1-1 (1/0) 2-14		4.9	9.6	8-29	6-22	47 35 5	51 10 5		44-176	31-175
Wyoming	4-4 (3/1) 9-43	0-2 (0/0) 3-(-8)		3.5	4.0	9-25	5-24	49 21 6	38 26 7		33-211	24- 39
West Virginia	0-0 (0/0) 0- 0	3-3 (3/0) 8-38		4.4	6.5	5-28	12-22	48 30 6	41 9 11		41-197	30-172
Texas	2-3 (2/0) 5- 5	2-3 (1/1) 8-12		2.4	5.6	4-19	6-22	29 17 11	48 11 6		19- 37	28-144
Kansas	5-5 (4/1) 7-37	4-6 (2/2) 15-44		4.5	7.1	5-20	4-22	45 16 7	44 24 8		27-137	39-210
Kansas State	1-2 (1/0) 8-22	4-5 (2/2) 16-50		2.2	5.1	8-24	6-21	42 20 6	42 9 9		18- 96	29-211
Missouri	2-3 (1/1) 8- 4	4-8 (2/2) 16-13		3.3	4.9	4-17	6-24	32 16 12	47 17 11		26- 64	35-168
Texas A&M	5-5 (3/2) 11-42	4-5 (3/1) 19-50		5.0	4.9	6-23	8-25	47 14 14	45 23 2		28-166	44-236
Iowa State	1-4 (0/1) 12-21	2-2 (1/1) 2-13		6.4	5.2	4-21	5-24	42 23 8	52 16 4		39-166	32-134
Oklahoma State	2-2 (2/0) 7-23	1-1 (0/1) 3- 3		4.4	6.4	5-23	8-23	42 20 9	49 19 5		25-135	30-179
Nebraska	2-5 (2/0) 8-(-9)	1-1 (1/0) 3-14		5.5	4.3	6-24	10-21	44 27 1	42 8 4		27-142	21-106

BUFFS' RISE IN LATE '80s RECALLED IN NEW FOOTBALL BOOK

Sports Illustrated senior writer **Tim Layden** has put out a magnificent book titled *Blood, Sweat and Chalk: The Ultimate Football Playbook: How The Great Coaches Built Today's Game*. It tells the tale of the great gridiron plays and formations, from the minds who were responsible for putting them to work. The stories are told through legendary coaches like the late Don Coryell (his last interview), Buddy Ryan, Urban Meyer, Mike Shanahan, Rex Ryan, Bobby Bowden, Joe Gibbs, Bill Walsh, Barry Switzer, Mouse Davis, Tom Osborne and many others.

In the chapter "Option Fever," former Colorado offensive coordinator **Gerry DiNardo** (1982-90) talks about meeting iconic Air Force coach **Fisher DeBerry** and his staff in February 1985 to investigate how the Falcons were able to successfully utilize the option. The Buffs installed the offense in spring practice that year and tweaked it till it worked, and worked it did. Here is an excerpt from the book's Chapter 5 ("Option Fever"):

... The transition was comically painful. DiNardo recalls a preseason gathering in Denver with a booster club. One of the gentlemen in the audience stood up and, having heard of the conversion to the wishbone, said to McCartney, "Please tell me the first play of the season isn't going to be a dive up the middle, because I don't think I can stand that."

McCartney let the question hang and then answered: "You might want to come for the second play."

With athletes recruited to play a passing game, the Buffaloes improved from 1-10 in '84 to 7-5 in '85 to 8-4 in '88, setting the stage for a two-year run at the national title. "The switch to the wishbone allowed us all to keep our jobs long enough to start recruiting players," says DiNardo. They did exactly that, picking up the quicksilver quarterback Darian Hagan, a classic, tough and slippery wishbone QB, and running backs Eric Bieniemy and J.J. Flannigan. In their prime the Buffaloes ran their option from an I-bone, with two backs directly behind the quarterback and the second (lead blocking) halfback offset to the side, which DiNardo felt gave him a better angle to throw a lead block on the corner.

Colorado won 11 straight before losing to Notre Dame in the Orange Bowl following the '89 season and beat the Irish a year later, 10-9, to earn a piece of the title with Georgia Tech. "Not only did we stop a very bad slide, but we won a national championship," says DiNardo. "Which was pretty good."

SOLDER EARNING MOST PRESEASON ACCOLADES SINCE MASON CROSBY

Senior offensive tackle **Nate Solder** is earning the most preseason accolades by any Colorado Buffalo since **PK Mason Crosby** in 2006, capped by his being named to the prestigious *Playboy* Preseason All-America Team. Solder making the team marks the 24th time the magazine has honored a Colorado Buffalo on its preseason team, and he is the 23rd player to be so honored. The last offensive linemen to be selected from CU was guard Ryan Johanningmeier in 1999, with the last offensive tackle being Mark VanderPoel in 1990, CU's consensus national champion season. Crosby was a member of the *Playboy* preseason team in both 2005 and 2006. He's the lone Buffalo and one of just a handful of players in the nation to be named to the team twice.

"Nate embodies everything that is great about a college student-athlete," head coach **Dan Hawkins** said. "He is a great student, a great player and a great representative of both the University of Colorado and college athletics."

He graduated with a Biology degree this past May and is now taking postgraduate classes in integrative physiology. Solder was an Academic All-District team member last fall in addition to garnering first-team All-Big 12 honors by the league coaches. "While I am happy to get all this recognition, I'm not an individual awards guy," Solder said. "But I am truly excited and honored to be a member of the *Playboy* preseason team, I know how time-honored it is and this is a nice gift for all the hard work over the last several years."

Solder has been raking in the preseason accolades, making several first- or second-team All-America teams by various preseason publications. Rivals.com ranked him as the No. 72 overall player for all positions, and he is on the watch lists for both the Lombardi Award and Outland Trophy, the latter with teammate **Ryan Miller**, a junior guard.

ESPN.com ranked him as the No. 5 "freak" in the nation as far as conditioning is concerned; with less than 7 percent body fat on his frame, he power-cleans 415 pounds (for three reps), hang-cleans 473 (also three reps), owns a 4.88 time in the 40 and a 32-inch vertical jump.

CABRAL CELEBRATES 300TH GAME AS A BUFFALO, TURNS EYE TO ... 400?

Associate head coach and long-time linebacker coach **Brian Cabral** celebrated his 300th game as Colorado Buffalo in 2009, and did it in style in CU's thrilling 35-34 win over Texas A&M (finishing the year with 303). He wore his famous trademark lava lava wrap in CU colors for the game (the Buffs are 4-2 when he dons the garb). A former inside linebacker for the Buffs, he originally was a middle guard until suffering an elbow injury midway through his freshman year ('74) before switching to linebacker in a career that spanned 46 games from 1974-77. He has coached in 257 since joining the coaching staff as a graduate assistant in 1989. He had a 9-year career in the National Football League (1978-86) and then worked two years as GA for Purdue before making his way back to Boulder. Cabral finished his CU career as the Buffs' all-time leading tackler with 297; he is still tied for 16th on the all-time list. He has coached eight of the players who have passed him on the list: **Matt Russell**, **Greg Biekert**, **Jordon Dizon**, **Ted Johnson**, **Chad Brown**, **Michael Jones**, **Thaddeus Washington** and **Jashon Sykes**, with a ninth, senior **Jeff Smart**, finishing just six behind his total with 291.

RED ZONE DEFENSE SEVENTH IN THE NCAA

In 2009, Colorado's defense stiffened when the opponent cracked the Buffalo 20, as CU allowed just 30 scores, and only 18 touchdowns, once the enemy penetrated the so-called red zone. That's an overall percentage of 73.2, seventh in the NCAA for 2009, and a touchdown percentage of 43.9. Nebraska led the nation (64.0%; 16 of 25 scores), followed by Iowa State, Alabama, Mississippi, Penn State, Navy and then the Buffaloes.

CU STARTED FEWEST UPPERCLASSMEN IN RECENT MEMORY

In 2009, upperclassmen — juniors and seniors — started just 55.7 percent of CU's 12 games; that's the lowest figure in the last 26 years, besting the previous low of 58.3 percent in 2003 (precise information is available back to 1999 and rough data eye-balled back to 1984). Of the 264 starts, 57 have been by seniors, 90 by juniors, 89 by sophomores and 28 by freshmen (24 redshirt/4 true).

SURPRISE, SURPRISE

Colorado was among the national leaders in forcing "three-and-outs," when the opponent is held to three plays then punting (or less if forcing a turnover or if stopped on fourth down without earning a first). The Buffs forced 53 in 12 games, 11th best in the nation. A closer look at the 2009 national numbers:

School	G	3 & Outs	Avg.	School	G	3 & Outs	Avg.	School	G	3 & Outs	Avg.
TCU	13	84	6.46	Nebraska	14	72	5.14	Vanderbilt	12	50	4.17
Alabama	14	80	5.71	North Carolina	13	66	5.07	Tennessee	13	53	4.07
Ohio State	13	73	5.61	Clemson	14	66	4.71	Arkansas	13	53	4.07
Oklahoma	13	72	5.53	Colorado	12	53	4.42	South Carolina	13	53	4.07
Mississippi	13	72	5.53	Mississippi State	12	51	4.25				
Texas	14	77	5.50	Arizona	13	55	4.23				
Florida	14	72	5.14	Utah	13	55	4.23				

KICKIN' IT ... WELL, RETURNIN' IT

How good was CU's kickoff return unit been in 2009? Aside from averaging **23.9** yards per return (which includes four short kicks to the up-backs), the Buffs averaged their own 31 after opponent kickoffs. The unit has been so potent that it wasn't until the 26th kickoff of the year that the Buffs started a drive inside-their-own 25 (the 21, at Texas). The opponent had 70 kickoffs, pinning CU inside-the-25 just 23 times and inside-the-20 only 12 times. By contrast, CU kicked off 51 times, with the enemy starting 34 times inside their 25, including 10 times inside-the-20, and just six times at the 30 or better.

➔ Colorado started 55 drives at or inside its own 20, but managed to score just three times (FG/Texas A&M, TD/Iowa State, TD/Nebraska) on those possessions; opponents started 51 in the same situation, but worked to 13 scores (11 touchdowns, two field goals, or 83 points).

HANSEN QUICKLY MOVING UP CHARTS

Through his sophomore season (nine career starts), **QB Tyler Hansen** is already 16th in school history in true rushing yards by a quarterback. When adjusting for sack yardage to be thrown out of the equation, he has 106 true rushes for 640 yards, a healthy 6.04 average per rush. That last figure at present is topped by just two previous quarterbacks: Kordell Stewart averaged 7.04 yards per true rushing attempt (1991-94) and Bernard Jackson figured to 6.21 every time he carried the ball. It's obviously early in Tyler's career, but it will be interesting to watch.

CU Career Quarterback Rushing (Adjusted)

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Gross Att-Yards	Sacked/Yds Lost	Adjusted Att	Adjusted Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Darian Hagan (1988-91).....	489-2,007	42/264	447	2,271	5.08	27
2	Byron White (1935-37).....	342-1,864	?	342	1,864	5.45	22
3	*Bob Anderson (1967-69).....	390-1,580	24/162	366	1,742	4.76	20
4	Kordell Stewart (1991-94).....	302-1,289	55/451	247	1,740	7.04	15
5	Mark Hatcher (1984-87).....	375-1,470	16/ 95	359	1,565	4.36	16
6	David Williams (1973-75).....	276- 959	32/251	244	1,210	4.96	12
7	Sal Aunese (1987-88).....	235-1,009	18/102	217	1,111	5.12	14
8	Ken Johnson (1971-73).....	274- 727	32/264	242	991	4.10	8
9	Bill Solomon (1977-79).....	287- 509	63/447	224	956	4.27	10
10	Harry Narcisian (1947-49).....	227- 894	?	227	894	3.94	8
11	Bernard Jackson (2004-06).....	164- 690	28/155	136	845	6.21	7
12	Bernie McCall (1964-66).....	289- 725	14/120	275	845	3.07	6
13	Jim Bratten (1968-70).....	220- 724	17/105	203	829	4.08	4
14	Zack Jordan (1950-52).....	227- 748	?	227	748	3.30	7
15	Dan Kelly (1965-67).....	168- 590	14/112	154	702	4.56	7
16	Tyler Hansen (2008).....	147- 322	41/318	106	640	6.04	1

(*—Anderson switched to tailback in the third game of the 1969 season.)

Top Quarterback Rushing Games

Yds (att-td)	Player	Opponent	Date
207 (26-0)	Bobby Anderson	at Oklahoma State	Nov. 9, 1968
185 (28-3)	Bobby Anderson	Oklahoma	Oct. 26, 1968
185 (22-1)	Sal Aunese	Washington State	Sept. 26, 1987
173 (17-2)	Mark Hatcher	at Oregon	Sept. 13, 1986
163 (24-4)	Bobby Anderson	Tulsa	Sept. 20, 1969
156 (29-3)	Dan Kelly	at Iowa State	Oct. 15, 1966
156 (28-3)	Darian Hagan	at Kansas State	Nov. 18, 1989
151 (25-3)	Mark Hatcher	Missouri	Oct. 12, 1985
144 (8-2)	David Williams	at Nebraska	Oct. 25, 1975
143 (7-1)	Kordell Stewart	#Notre Dame	Jan. 2, 1995
134 (16-2)	Bill Solomon	Northwestern	Sept. 30, 1978
127 (19-3)	Sal Aunese	at Iowa State	Oct. 31, 1987
127 (22-3)	Kordell Stewart	Kansas State	Oct. 22, 1994
119 (12-1)	Mark Hatcher	Kansas State	Nov. 23, 1985
118 (17-2)	Darian Hagan	Kansas	Oct. 21, 1989

(38 games total with a quarterback rushing for 100-plus yards)

FIRST DOWN STRUGGLES

Colorado averaged 4.43 yards on first down, which until late in the year stood to be its lowest figure since 1979, when it averaged 3.5 per first down play; improvement on the down late in the year increased the figure by almost half a yard (still the lowest since a 4.3 mark on 2003). CU averaged five or more yards a pop on first down just four times, but did so the last three games of the season (5.0 against Texas A&M, 6.4 at Iowa State and 5.0 versus Nebraska), and has been held under four yards five times. The last time that CU averaged its least yards on first down happened in 1992, when CU earned 4.4 yards on first down, followed by 6.2 (second), 6.4 (third) and 8.8 (fourth). The Buffs were 9-1-1 that regular season.

THIRD DOWN DEFENSE

Colorado was solid defensively on third down, as the enemy converted at just **34.1** percent on the year (**58-of-170**); within those numbers were **26-of-89** (29.2%) at Folsom Field; **3-of-22** (13.6%) inside the Buff 20; and **13-of-28** on 3rd-&-2 or less and **28-of-59** on 3rd-&-4 or less, distances teams usually click around 60 percent or better. There was still a feast or famine factor, as opponents gained **913** yards on 58 makes (**15.7** per), but gained just a net **15** on the 112 misses (**0.1**). Colorado was 21st in the nation in third down defense, spending all season in the top 25 and much of it in the top 15; only No. 2 Texas (7-of-14) converted at 50 percent or better against CU in 2009.

McKNIGHT ON VERGE OF HISTORY

Junior **Scotty McKnight** has caught a pass in every game he has played in as a Colorado Buffalo—36 regular season plus the one bowl game for a total of 37. He shattered the previous school record for the most consecutive games with at least one reception, 27, set by **Charles E. Johnson** between 1991 and 1993 (*CU records do not include bowl games; if it did, McKnight also topped Johnson's 29 straight*). That was his first foray into the record books in 2009.

NCAA BEST: Nationally, McKnight enters the year with the nation's longest streak of games played with at least one reception (he ended '09 tied for the ninth longest); here's the list as compiled by the Central Michigan SID office (these include postseason): **Scotty McKnight, Colorado 37**; Dwayne Harris, East Carolina 31; Jock Sanders, West Virginia 28; Greg Salas, Hawai'i 27; Tyson Carrier, Houston 27; Damaris Johnson, Tulsa 27; Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma 25; six tied with 24.

He cracked the top 10 at Colorado in both all-time receptions and all-time receiving yards early in 2009, and continued to zoom up both charts; he's now second in catches, just two behind Michael Westbrook, seventh in receiving yards and tied for fifth in touchdown receptions. A closer look:

All-Time Receptions

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Michael Westbrook (1991-94)	167	2,548	15.3	19
2	Scotty McKnight (2007-09)	165	1,900	11.5	15
3	Phil Savoy (1994-97)	152	2,176	14.3	14
4	Javon Green (1997-2000)	136	2,031	14.9	17
5	Rae Carruth (1992-96)	135	2,540	18.8	20
6	Derek McCoy (2000-03)	134	2,038	15.2	20

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McKnight finished the '09 season with **76** receptions for **893** yards; those numbers tied for second and seventh for a single-season at CU. His 56-yard TD catch to close the Nebraska game (and CU's season) was the longest pass reception of his career (previous long was 40 his freshman year).

RECORD WATCH

The list of records set or in reach early in 2010; *NOTE: CU did not adopt the NCAA 2002 policy of adding bowl game statistics in its season or career numbers.*

ACTIVE MAJOR RECORD HOLDERS (3)

Most Touchdown Passes, Career —46, Cody Hawkins, 2007-09.	RECORD
Most Interceptions Thrown, Career —36, Cody Hawkins, 2007-09.	RECORD
Most Consecutive Games With At Least One Reception —36, Scotty McKnight (Sept. 1, 2007 to current)	RECORD

MAJOR RECORDS WITHIN REACH (4)

Most Receptions, Career —165, Scotty McKnight, 2007-09. <i>Record: 167, Michael Westbrook, 1991-94</i>	NEEDS 3
Most Receiving Yards, Career —1,900, Scotty McKnight, 2007-09. <i>Record: 2,548, Michael Westbrook, 1991-94</i>	NEEDS 649
Most Touchdown Passes, Duo, Career —11, Cody Hawkins to Scotty McKnight, 2007-09 <i>Record: 12, Koy Detmer to Rae Carruth, 1992-96</i>	NEED 2
Most Touchdowns Responsible For, Career —53, Cody Hawkins (46 pass, 7 rush) <i>Record: 54, Darian Hagan, 1988-91 (27 rush, 27 pass)</i>	NEED 2

TRUE FROSH WATCH

Three true freshmen played in the 2009 opener as expected against Colorado State, but none started the game. **DT Nate Bonsu**, **WR Will Jefferson** and **DE Forrest West** all played against Colorado State, and had they started, were in line to become the first player at their respective position in Buff annals to ever start the season opener. So we are back again to visit this area, and should any true freshman start this year against the Rams, they again would make history. Here are the six known true freshmen in CU history thrown in the fray from play one:

TB Billy Waddy, 1973 (at Louisiana State); **CB Victor Scott** and **OLB Scott Hardison**, 1980 (at UCLA); **HB Eric Bieniemy**, 1987 (vs. Oregon); **OG Clint Moore**, 1991 (vs. Wyoming) and **ILB Jordon Dizon**, 2004 (vs. Colorado State).

Freshman (true or redshirt) have accounted for 123 starts over the last two seasons, with the 95 over the 2007-08 seasons the most in any two-year period in CU history; the count in 2009 was 28 starts (by four different players).

IN THE POLLS

Colorado has not been ranked in any *Associated Press* (media) or *USA Today Coaches* poll since November 6, 2005, when the Buffs peaked at No. 21 in the coaches' ballot (No. 22 in the AP and Harris Interactive), but dropped out after a Nov. 12 loss at Iowa State. CU was ranked three times in 2005, reaching No. 18 in the BCS Standings at one point (Nov. 6) and had returned to the polls after a 25-month hiatus on October 9. Dating back to the 1989 preseason, CU has been ranked in **185** of the last **336** polls (AP; 56%), which includes a tremendous run of 143 consecutive between 1989 and 1997 (the 10th longest streak of all-time). CU has been ranked **293** times in its history, the 23rd most all-time (Michigan State in 22nd with 303, Pittsburgh is 24th with 287). Since 1989, CU has played the fifth most ranked teams in the nation (104), trailing only Florida (114), Florida State (106) and Michigan and Ohio State (both 105).

COLORADO IN THE POLLS – 2010 WEEKLY

A weekly look at where Colorado has placed weekly in each of the four major polls in 2009 (RV—denotes received votes; number is place outside top 25):

Poll	PS	9/06	9/12	9/19	9/26	10/03	10/10	10/17	10/24	10/31	11/07	11/14	11/21	11/28	12/05	Final
<i>Associated Press</i>	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
<i>USA Today Coaches</i>	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Harris Interactive																
BCS Standings																

43 WINS OVER RANKED TEAMS 10TH BEST SINCE '89

CU's 43 wins over *Associated Press* ranked teams since the start of the 1989 season are the 10th most in the nation in this time frame (21 seasons). Florida State has the most with 70, followed by Florida (68), Michigan (60), Ohio State (60), Miami, Fla. (54), Southern Cal (53), Tennessee (52), Alabama (46), Texas (45), **Colorado (43)**, Penn State (43), Oklahoma (42), LSU (41), Georgia (40) and Notre Dame (40); as for the Big 12, after CU, UT and OU, the next schools on this list are Nebraska (39), Texas A&M (29) and Texas Tech (23). All-time, Colorado's 66 wins over ranked teams are the 23rd most in history. (AP polls used for these figures because the coaches' poll omits teams on probation, but AP still ranks those teams.)

- Colorado's last three wins over ranked teams came against No. 17 Kansas this year (34-30), No. 21 West Virginia in 2008 (17-14 in OT) and No. 3 Oklahoma in 2007 (27-24), its last over a top 10/top 5 team. CU has lost 10 straight road games against ranked opponents, with the last win at UCLA 31-17 in 2002.

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

Here's where the Buffs ranked statistically in select categories in the Big 12 and the NCAA in 2009:

TEAM																	
B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat						
11th	113th	RUSHING OFFENSE	87.9	9th	80th	RUSHING DEFENSE	161.2	12th	117th	PUNT RETURNS.....	3.3						
8th	45th	PASSING OFFENSE.....	226.4	4th	34th	PASSING DEFENSE.....	201.8	5th	21st	KICKOFF RETURNS	23.9						
12th	104th	TOTAL OFFENSE.....	314.3	7th	57th	TOTAL DEFENSE.....	376.3	12th	113th	NET PUNTING	31.9						
10th	92nd	SCORING OFFENSE.....	22.2	11th	88th	SCORING DEFENSE.....	28.8	12th	97th	TURNOVER MARGIN	-0.50						
INDIVIDUAL (Top 25 in conference)																	
Rushing		Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Markques Simas..... 12th 88th 58.5			Interceptions		Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm					
Rodney Stewart		5th	65th	73.1	Punting			Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	Jalil Brown..... 20th 0.17						
Total Offense		Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Matt DiLallo..... 9th 86th 38.6			Benjamin Burney		20th	0.17					
Rodney Stewart		16th	73.1	Punt Returns			Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	Anthony Perkins..... 20th 0.17						
All-Purpose		Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Jason Espinoza..... 12th 64th 3.1			Jimmy Smith.....		20th	0.17					
Rodney Stewart		17th	79.0	Kickoff Returns			Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	Passes Defended		Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm		
Scotty McKnight.....		20th	77.3	Brian Lockridge..... 5th 73rd 23.3			Jalil Brown.....		2nd	2nd	1.42	Fumble Recoveries		Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Brian Lockridge		25th	65.6	Scoring			Big 12	NCAA	Pts/Gm	Three tied with			6th	61st	0.17	
Receptions		Big 12	NCAA	No./Gm	Aric Goodman			19th	5.08	QB Sacks.....		Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm		
Scotty McKnight.....		6th	24th	6.3	Rodney Stewart.....			22nd	4.91	Marquez Herrod.....			11th	68th	0.50	
Markques Simas.....		14th	94th	4.3	Kick Scoring			Big 12	NCAA	Pts/Gm	Tackles / Tackles For Loss						
Riar Geer		28th	3.0	Aric Goodman			9th	5.08	CU uses coaches' video; numbers don't match						
Receiving Yards		Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Field Goals			Big 12	NCAA	FG/Gm							
Scotty McKnight.....		6th	38th	74.4	Aric Goodman			10th	91st	0.83							

USUALLY IN 'EM

Colorado's usually been in those games it's lost over the last 21 seasons, as of the 99 losses, 46 have been by eight points or less. Missouri, Nebraska and Texas (six times), Kansas State and Oklahoma (four) and Kansas and Florida State (three times) are the only ones who have handled the Buffs by nine or more points more than twice since 1989. CU has really been dominated from the start only 10 times in this stretch (1992 at Nebraska, 1997 at Michigan, 1999 vs. CSU, 2002 vs. USC, 2004 in the Big 12 title game with Oklahoma, twice in 2005, both against Texas, Missouri (2008) and Toledo and Missouri this year. K-State ('00), Texas ('01 & '04), WSU ('03), Florida State ('03), Oklahoma State ('04), Miami and Nebraska ('05) and Texas ('08) put the game out of reach in the third quarter.

CLOSE CALLS USUALLY GOING CU'S WAY

Colorado was 2-3 in 2009 and is **18-13** dating back to the start of the 2003 season when the final margin has been seven or fewer points. These "close calls" include a **9-11** record in the Dan Hawkins Era. Starting with a 22-19 come-from-behind win at Oklahoma State in 2001, which helped propel Colorado to the Big 12 title, the Buffaloes are **22-15** in seven-point or less decisions the last nine seasons.

CAREER CHART WATCH

Here's where several Buffs ranked on some of CU's all-time statistical charts through all 12 games of the 2009 season (*Note: Colorado does not count bowl stats into career totals to protect past history*):

- ⇒ **PK ARIC GOODMAN** is 35th in scoring (**106** points) and is 15th in field goals made (**15**);
- ⇒ **QB TYLER HANSEN** is 20th in passing yards (**1,720**) and is 16th in adjusted quarterback rushing (**640**);
- ⇒ **QB CODY HAWKINS** is third in passing yards (**5,862**), is second in completions (**543**), is second in attempts (**983**), is first in touchdown passes (**46**), is first in interceptions (**36**) and is fourth in total offense (**5,735**);
- ⇒ **DE MARQUEZ HERROD** is 31st in quarterback sacks (**10**);
- ⇒ **WR SCOTTY MCKNIGHT** is second in receptions (**165**), is seventh in receiving yards (**1,900**), is tied for fifth in receiving touchdowns (**15**) and is tied for 44th in scoring (**96**);
- ⇒ **TB RODNEY STEWART** is 30th in rushing yards (**1,426**) and is tied for 76th in scoring (**66** points);

CAPITAL RETURNS

CU's success often correlates directly with if it owns a hefty margin in return yards, as was the case in the 2001, 2002 and 2004 seasons—when the Buffs won the Big 12 North. The Buffs had advantages of **854-417** (2001), **803-607** (2002) and **574-499** (2004) in return yards, which includes all return yardage other than those on kickoffs. In the Hawkins Era, in 2006, the opponent had the upper hand at **390-277**, but in 2007 (**677-408**) and 2008 (**518-323**) CU had hefty edges; opponents had a rare **631-267** command in 2009. And the Buffs have **46** return and/or non-offensive touchdowns over the last 11 seasons (42 regular season, four bowl game), the 15th most in the nation for this span. The overall list through all games of 2009:

School	99	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	Total	School	99	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	Total
Virginia Tech	8	6	7	7	11	6	7	5	10	5	4	76	North Carolina State	3	3	4	9	10	5	2	4	3	3	1	47
Texas	6	8	6	7	9	2	7	8	5	5	11	74	COLORADO	8	4	7	8	1	6	3	1	3	3	2	46
Kansas State	9	5	2	12	6	4	5	9	7	8	5	72	Alabama	4	4	2	4	7	3	2	6	1	9	4	46
Miami, Fla.	3	13	12	5	9	10	3	1	1	3	4	64	Notre Dame	4	6	4	9	3	3	5	4	3	4	1	46
Oklahoma	4	7	6	9	9	3	3	5	7	3	4	60	Southern California	9	4	8	1	8	3	5	2	0	3	3	46
Florida State	7	4	5	6	6	3	5	6	5	6	6	59	Michigan State	9	0	5	3	7	3	4	4	5	2	3	45
Fresno State	5	5	3	6	4	6	7	4	5	7	4	54	Boston College	8	3	1	3	1	5	2	6	4	8	1	42
California	8	3	1	8	3	2	4	8	5	7	3	52	TCU	6	3	4	6	3	1	3	3	5	2	6	42
Boise State	3	4	3	4	4	7	8	4	3	5	6	51	Hawaii	0	1	7	5	3	8	0	5	9	3	0	41
Louisville	6	4	5	7	3	6	4	4	3	6	2	50	Texas Tech	3	7	8	6	3	2	3	2	1	4	2	41
Ohio State	1	8	3	3	5	6	6	5	4	4	5	50	San Jose State	5	7	1	7	5	4	3	1	3	4	0	40
East Carolina	7	5	6	5	4	3	0	4	2	6	6	48	LSU	4	1	1	4	9	4	5	4	2	2	4	40
Nebraska	7	7	6	7	4	2	4	0	3	4	4	48	Wake Forest	1	2	2	3	6	5	3	3	10	3	1	39

2009 LEADERS: Texas 11, Ohio 9, Rutgers 8, Clemson 7, Air Force 7, Houston 7, Mississippi St. 7, North Carolina 7, Southern Miss 7, eight with 6.

1,000 / 1,000 FOR THE FOURTH TIME

For the fourth time in school history, the Buffs had a pair of 1,000-yard passers on the same team in the same season. On two occasions, injuries played a factor (1995, 2001), and for the other two, the starter was replaced (multiple times in 1984). A look at the four times in CU history this has occurred:

Season	Quarterbacks (Yards)	2-Man Total
1984	Steve Vogel (1,432), Craig Keenan (1,012)	2,444
1995	John Hessler (2,136), Koy Detmer (1,101)	3,237
2001	Bobby Pesavento (1,234), Craig Ochs (1,220)	2,454
2009	Tyler Hansen (1,440), Cody Hawkins (1,277)	2,667

2009 BIG 12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

North Division (-8)						conference-----						overall-----						
School (AP/Coaches)	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up (2010)							
Nebraska (#14/#14).....	6	2	.750	150	105	10	4	.714	352	146	S	4	WESTERN KENTUCKY					
Missouri.....	4	4	.500	217	233	8	5	.615	377	330	S	4	Illinois (at St. Louis)					
Kansas State.....	4	4	.500	182	216	6	6	.500	276	280	S	4	UCLA					
Iowa State.....	3	5	.375	151	195	7	6	.538	267	284	S	4	NORTHERN ILLINOIS					
COLORADO.....	2	6	.250	164	234	3	9	.250	267	346	S	4	Colorado State (in Denver)					
Kansas.....	1	7	.125	191	287	5	7	.417	353	341	S	4	NORTH DAKOTA STATE					
South Division (+8)						conference-----						overall-----						
School (AP/Coaches)	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up (2010)							
Texas (#2/#2).....	8	0	1.000	317	145	13	1	.929	550	234	S	4	at Rice					
Oklahoma State (RV/#25).....	6	2	.750	206	176	9	4	.692	369	282	S	4	WASHINGTON STATE					
Texas Tech (#21/#23).....	5	3	.625	271	181	9	4	.692	481	292	S	4	SMU					
Oklahoma (RV/RV).....	5	3	.625	231	127	8	5	.615	404	189	S	4	UTAH STATE					
Texas A & M.....	3	5	.375	253	290	6	7	.462	427	436	S	4	STEPHEN F. AUSTIN					
Baylor.....	1	7	.126	104	248	4	8	.333	249	327	S	4	at TCU					

STEWART CLIMBING THE RUSHING CHARTS

Sophomore **TB Rodney Stewart** returned to action in the Wyoming game after missing the Toledo contest due to an aggravated hamstring strain and has basically been CU's go-to-back since (197 attempts compared to 36 by the other three tailbacks combined). Stewart ran for 132 yards and two touchdowns, with almost half of his yards (64) coming post-contact against the Cowboys. He followed that up with his fifth career 100-yard game, rambling for 105 at West Virginia (49 post-contact). He had 108 yards and two scores against Kansas, including a 13-yard run for the go-ahead points where he dragged a defender the last five yards; 62 of those were post-contact. He enjoyed another 100-yard day (20-118-2 TD) in the win over Texas A&M and closed with a 110-yard day against Nebraska's vaunted rushing defense, which had been allowing 99 yards per game and less than three yards per carry.

- ◆ Overall, **367** of his **804** yards came after he was first hit by a defender (45.6 percent).
- ◆ He had three multiple rushing TD games in 2009, the most since Chris Brown had six in 2002 (and five in '01).
- ◆ Stewart now has eight career 100-yard rushing games (four this season); that's tied for the 14th most in school history. Ahead of him: Eric *Bieniemy 22*, *Chris Brown 14*, *Rashaan Salaam 14*, *Charlie Davis 13*, *Bobby Anderson 11*, *James Mayberry 11*, *Hugh Charles 10*, *Merwin Hodel 10*, *Cortlen Johnson 10*, *Bobby Purify 10*, *Darian Hagan 9*, *Tony Reed 9*, *Lamont Warren 9*, **Rodney Stewart 8**, *John Bayuk 7*, *J.J. Flannigan 7*, *Byron White 7*.
- ◆ He became the 49th player in Colorado history to record at least 1,000 career rushing yards, going over the plateau in the Kansas game. He reached the number in his 14th game, becoming the 12th to reach the mark as a sophomore. He has recorded the second most career yards by a player at CU entering his junior year:

MOST YARDS RUSHING, FRESHMAN & SOPHOMORE SEASONS (*—denotes quarterback; all 1,000 yard rushers)

Player	Seasons	Yards	Player	Seasons	Yards	Player	Seasons	Yards
Eric Bieniemy	1987-88	1,751	Billy Waddy	1973-74	1,316	Lee Rouson	1981-82	1,077
Rodney Stewart	2008-09	1,426	*Darian Hagan	1988-89	1,179	Herchell Troutman	1994-95	1,070
Charlie Davis	1971	1,386	Brian Calhoun	2002-03	1,108	Cortlen Johnson	1998-99	1,010
Lamont Warren	1991-92	1,342	Bobby Purify	2000-01	1,093	Rashaan Salaam	1992-93	1,002

CHART-MANIA

The below charts offer a look at what Colorado has accomplished over the 24 football seasons between 1985 through 2008 (*includes bowls; list includes only those schools who have been members of Division I-A all 24 seasons*):

1989-2009)

Rk	School	W	L	T	PCT.
1	Florida (SEC)	134	31	0	.812
2	Ohio State (Big Ten)	128	37	3	.771
3	BYU (WAC/MWC)	123	38	1	.762
4	Texas (SWC/Big 12)	124	40	0	.756
5	Nebraska (Big 8/12)	119	41	1	.742
6	Michigan (Big Ten)	122	44	2	.732
7	Tennessee (SEC)	119	45	1	.724
8	Southern Cal (Pac-10)	115	53	3	.681
9	Oklahoma (Big 8/12)	108	51	2	.677
10	Toledo (MAC)	108	55	0	.663
11	Alabama (SEC)	108	57	0	.655
12	Texas A & M (SWC/Big 12)	102	60	2	.628
13	Colorado (Big 8/12)	99	59	3	.624
14	Auburn (SEC)	98	64	3	.603
14	Georgia (SEC)	99	65	1	.603
16	Oregon (Pac-10)	103	68	0	.602
17	Miami, Ohio (MAC)	99	65	4	.601

Note: The above includes records for only those schools that have been members of conferences (or Div. I-A) since **1989** and does not include league championship games.

COLORADO/ALL-BLACK UNIFORMS (21-18-1)

Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result
1987	Nebraska	L 7-24	2003	Oklahoma	L 20-34
1988	Oklahoma	L 14-17		Nebraska	L 22-31
1990	Iowa State	W 28-12	2004	Colorado State	W 27-24
1991	Missouri	W 55-7		Texas	L 7-31
1992	Oklahoma	T 24-24		Kansas State	W 38-31
1993	Nebraska	L 17-21	2005	Nebraska	L 3-30
1994	Oklahoma State	W 17-3	2006	Texas Tech	W 30-6
1995	Missouri	W 21-0		Kansas State	L 21-34
	a—Oregon	W 38-6		Iowa State	W 33-16
1996	Texas	W 28-24	2007	c—Colorado St. (OT)	W 31-28
	Kansas State	W 12-0		Florida State	L 6-16
1997	Kansas	W 42-6		Nebraska	W 65-51
	Missouri	L 31-41	2008	c—Colorado State	W 38-17
1998	Kansas State	L 9-16		West Virginia (OT)	W 17-14
1999	Nebraska (OT)	L 30-33		Texas	L 14-38
2000	Iowa State	L 27-35		Oklahoma State	L 17-30
2001	Nebraska	W 62-36	2009	Colorado State	L 17-23
2002	Kansas State	W 35-31		Nebraska	L 20-28
	Baylor	W 34-0			
	Texas Tech	W 37-13			
	Iowa State	W 41-27			
	b—Oklahoma	L 7-29			

a—Cotton Bowl; b—Big 12 Championship at Houston; c—in Denver.

BUFFS AGAINST THE BEST

Here's a look at how CU has fared all-time against nationally ranked teams (*Associated Press* poll):

Games	All-Time Record	1989-09 Record	Dan Hawkins Record	Coach With The Most Wins
versus Top 5.....	12-50-2	8-17-1	1-2	5 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 10.....	25-86-3	14-30-2	1-4	8 / Eddie Crowder & Bill McCartney
versus Top 15.....	37-108-3	20-40-2	1-9	10 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 25.....	69-140-3	43-59-2	3-13	20 / Bill McCartney

CU, Nebraska and Texas have been the saving grace for the Big 12: the 14-year old league owns a **37-82** record against ranked non-conference opponents (including bowls) since its inception in 1996, and the Buffs own nine of those wins. CU is **9-12** against ranked non-Big 12 foes; Nebraska is 8-7, Texas 7-6, Missouri 3-5, Oklahoma 3-6, Kansas State 2-5, Kansas 1-3, Baylor 1-5, Oklahoma State 1-6, Iowa State 1-8, Texas Tech 1-10 and Texas A&M 0-9. CU has played 21 of the 119 games, with Nebraska next with 15 followed by Texas (13).

COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2009

- **8** The number of rushing yards by Kansas, the fewest against Colorado since 1999 (Oklahoma, -11).
- 2** The number of times a player had two blocked kicks in the same game in CU history, with **ILB Doug Rippy** blocking two punts at Toledo on 9/11.
- 2** One-thousand yard passers in Cody Hawkins and Tyler Hansen, the fourth time in school history two players have thrown for 1,000 the same year.
- 3-of-22** The opponents' combined efforts on third down inside-the-CU 20 (or **13.6** percent).
- 6** The school record number of regular season night games CU played in 2009, including WVU and OSU on ESPN Thursday Night Football.
- 7** The number of kicks (6 field goal/1 PAT) by **PK Aric Goodman** that have hit the upright in his CU career (out of **19** misses).
- 8-3** Dan Hawkins' record following a bye week, which CU has enjoyed following the 24-0 win over Wyoming on September 19.
- 11** The number of national or regional regular season TV games CU played in 2009 (including seven national).
- 12** Colorado ran its streak to 12 consecutive makes on fourth down tries in the CSU game before finally being stopped (school record).
- 12-12** Colorado was 2-of-2 in the red zone against CSU, thus are now 12-of-12 (8 TDs) when cracking the 20 in Dan Hawkins' four season openers.
- 15** The number of players who had at least one reception for Colorado, tied for the 11th most in the nation.
- 15th** The anniversary of perhaps college football's play of the century: "The Catch" at Michigan on Sept. 24, 1994.
- 21** The number of consecutive third down conversions CSU & Wyoming missed at Folsom Field, where opponents were **26-of-89** (29.2%) in 2009.
- 23** The number of times out of **70** opponent kickoffs CU had to start a drive inside-their-own 25 (**33%**).
- 24** The margin of victory over Wyoming was the third highest in the Dan Hawkins' Era and the most since a 42-0 win over Miami-Ohio in 2007.
- 24** Points scored by CU in the second quarter against Kansas, its most in any quarter since 2003 (28 in the second in a 42-35 win over CSU).
- 32-41** Colorado was 32-of-41 in the red zone overall in 2009 (25 touchdowns).
- 34** (of **51**) The number of kickoffs by **PK Aric Goodman** that had the opponent beginning drives inside their own 25-yard line (**67%**).
- 36** The number of career interceptions thrown by **QB Cody Hawkins**, a school record.
- 38** The number of rushing yards Texas (46) and Kansas (-8) combined for on 47 attempts in back-to-back games (40 for 90 yards minus sacks).
- 44-10** Points CU has been outscored by in the final two minutes of the first half (as compared to a **21-14** CU edge in the second half's final two).
- 46** The number of career touchdown passes by **QB Cody Hawkins**, a school record.
- 84-62** The margin CU outscored the opponent in the third quarter, after being outscored **103-55** in 2008.
- 84.6** The career conversion percentage on 3rd/4th-&-1 runs by **TB Rodney Stewart** (**11-of-13**; 9-of-9 before Missouri stopped him twice on Oct. 31).
- 123** The number of freshmen who have started games for CU over the last two-plus seasons (the **95** in 2007-08 is a 2-year school historical high).
- 142** The number of plays by the opponent that gained 10 or more yards in 2009.
- 146** The number of plays by Colorado that gained 10 or more yards in 2009.
- 155** The number of yards CU was outgained by in the first and third quarters combined, compared to **728** in 2008.
- 217** The number of yards Colorado limited Nebraska to on offense, a Husker low against the Buffs since totaling 31 in 1961.
- 282** The length in yards of CU's four touchdown drives in the Texas A&M game (69, 79, 73, 61).
- 290** The number of all-purpose yards **TB Darrell Scott** had against Toledo, including a CU record **204** on eight kickoff returns.
- 302** The number of plays by the opponent that gained five or more yards in 2009.
- 320** The number of plays by Colorado that gained five or more yards in 2009.
- 403** The number of yards Colorado's offense had against Nebraska, as season-high against the nation's No. 9 regular season defense.
- 1,137** The number of games Colorado has played in its history (120th season of intercollegiate football).
- 1,329** The number of yards the opponent gained on the **663** plays they collectively ran that did not gain double digits (**2.00** per).
- 3,027** The number of yards the opponent gained on the **142** plays they collectively ran that gained 10 or more yards (**21.3** per).

REVERSAL OF FORTUNE, IN A GOOD WAY

Colorado lost **121** games due to injury or illness in 2008, with all but **11** of those **121** by players who figured in either the two-deep or prominently on special teams. The Buffs were a bit shorthanded as Hawkins & Staff continued to rebuild the CU roster, with 20 on the inactive roster by season's end (11 injured, five ineligible, four transfers), not including 16 freshmen ticketed for a redshirt season. It was an entirely different story in 2009, as CU for the most part escaped a barrage of serious injury (**49** total games missed due to maladies). Below are the worst regular seasons for injuries/illness for the CU program over the last 20 years, with 2009 thrown in for comparison's sake (KEY: GL—Games lost to injury; GL/2—Games lost by 2-deep players; MG—"Man games" as defined by as the total number of games if all players NOT ticketed to redshirt played every game; Pct. Lost – percentage of man games lost, knowing that in actuality, the number is higher as third-team players and reserves don't see that much action; 2/MG—2-deep man games, or starting 22 positions plus backups):

Season	G	GL	MG	Pct. Lost	GL/2	2/MG	Pct. Lost	Season	G	GL	MG	Pct. Lost	GL/2	2/MG	Pct. Lost
2009	12	49	972	5.0	43	528	8.1	2002	13	139	1118	12.4	80	572	14.0
2008	12	121	1008	12.0	110	528	20.8	2003	12	74	876	8.4	58	528	11.0
1998	11	101	864	11.7	89	484	18.4	1997	11	51	770	6.6	41	484	8.5
2000	11	101	880	11.5	82	484	16.9								

Dating back to 1987, only seven times has CU lost over five percent of its "man game" count due to injury (1995-97-98-2000-02-03-08).

1,000 / 1,000 FOR THE FOURTH TIME

For the fourth time in school history, the Buffs had a pair of 1,000-yard passers on the same team in the same season. On two occasions, injuries played a factor (1995, 2001), and for the other two, the starter was replaced (multiple times in 1984). A look at the four times in CU history this has occurred:

Season	Quarterbacks (Yards)	2-Man Total
1984	Steve Vogel (1,432), Craig Keenan (1,012)	2,444
1995	John Hessler (2,136), Koy Detmer (1,101)	3,237
2001	Bobby Pesavento (1,234), Craig Ochs (1,220)	2,454
2009	Tyler Hansen (1,440), Cody Hawkins (1,277)	2,667

HANSEN JUST THE ELEVENTH

When he appeared late in the first quarter against Kansas State last season (Oct. 18, 2008), **QB Tyler Hansen** became just the 11th true freshman to see action in a game for Colorado since 1972, the year freshmen were once again eligible to play. Hansen was ticketed to redshirt in 2009, but the wraps came off that in the Texas game (fifth of the season) and he was promoted to starter for the following game. It's still possible another true freshman could very well join the below list at some point this season (CU's has three quarterbacks who are all true frosh). Here's a look at the group Hansen joined and how they fared; game number indicates how far into the season the player made his debut (Colorado is 9-2 in games when a true frosh made his Buffalo debut):

Quarterback	Season	Game	FIRST GAME	Passing-----					Rushing-----			SEASON Passing-----					Rushing-----			
		No.	Opponent	Att	Com	Int	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	G-GS	Att	Com	Int	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD
Larry Lillo.....	1977	9	at Iowa State (W)	1- 1	0		4	0	6	8	0	1- 0	1- 1	0		4	0	6	8	0
Charlie Davis.....	1978	1	OREGON (W)	2- 0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5- 0	15- 6	0		87	0	34	118	1
Randy Essington.....	1980	1	at UCLA (L)	7- 6	0		62	0	0	0	0	6- 2	80- 43	4		453	2	18	-45	1
Marc Walters.....	1986	6	IOWA STATE (W)	2- 0	0	0	0	0	7	47	0	5- 1	13- 7	0		167	1	35	177	2
Darian Hagan.....	1988	1	FRESNO STATE (W)	1- 0	0	0	0	0	4	85	1	5- 0	6- 2	1		33	0	32	175	2
Vance Joseph.....	1990	7	IOWA STATE (W)	1- 0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	4- 0	7- 5	0		80	1	13	55	0
Kordell Stewart.....	1991	3	MINNESOTA (W)	1- 1	0		2	0	8	73	1	2- 0	2- 1	0		2	0	18	144	1
Koy Detmer.....	1992	3	at Minnesota (W)	18-11	0		184	2	2	8	0	7- 2	117- 67	10		962	8	7	- 5	0
Craig Ochs.....	2000	4	KANSAS STATE (L)	24-15	1		208	1	9	38	1	8- 7	245-145	7		1778	7	62	106	4
Joel Klatt.....	2002	7	at Baylor (W)	3- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3- 0	3- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tyler Hansen.....	2008	7	KANSAS STATE (W)	14- 7	1		71	1	16	89	0	5- 3	65- 34	4		280	1	63	261	0

The most interesting of the above might be the first listed; in 1977, CU traveled three quarterbacks to Ames, and the first two, Jeff Knappe and Pete Cyphers, both went down with injuries and Lillo took over for the last 11:40 of the game and helped preserve a 12-7 Colorado win. It was the only action of his career at quarterback as he redshirted in 1978, and then played free safety his sophomore through senior seasons. NOTE: In 1984, Mark Hatcher was originally a quarterback but was moved to tailback where he saw action for seven games; he returned to quarterback in 1985 in CU's switch to the wishbone offense.

And in 1986, Bill McCartney opened up the competition at quarterback after the fifth game of the year, and true frosh Marc Walters (father of current Buff Ryan) appeared for the first time in game seven (Nebraska), and started the season finale at Kansas State when CU needed the win to secure a Bluebonnet Bowl bid.

AND JUST THE FIFTH Hansen started the next game at Missouri on October 25, becoming just the fifth true freshman to start a game at quarterback for the Buffaloes (and just the eighth freshman overall when three redshirts are included). Here's how he compared with the four before him:

TRUE FRESHMAN STARTING QB DEBUTS

Date	Quarterback	Opponent	Result	Statistics
Oct. 18, 1980	Randy Essington	at Missouri	L 7-45	Rushing: 4-(-19), 0 td Passing: 22-11-1, 58, 0 td (57.2 rating)
Nov. 22, 1986	Marc Walters	at Kansas State	W 49-3	Rushing: 18- 88, 2 td Passing: 4-4-0, 111, 1 td (415.6 rating)
Oct. 17, 1992	Koy Detmer	OKLAHOMA	T 24-24	Rushing: 9-(-22), 0 td Passing: 50-33-5, 418, 2 td (129.4 rating)
Oct. 7, 2000	Craig Ochs	at Texas A&M	W 26-19	Rushing: 6-6, 1 td Passing: 25-15-0, 239, 1 td (153.5 rating)
Oct. 25, 2008	Tyler Hansen	at Missouri	L 0-58	Rushing: 16-30, 0 td Passing: 16-12-0, 72, 0 td (112.8 rating)

HAWKINS RISE UP THE CHARTS ON HOLD

QB Cody Hawkins was one of 16 freshman starting quarterbacks in the nation in 2007 (8 at BCS schools), and threw for 2,693 yards, just the fifth 2,500-yard season in school history (the total tied for the third most a season at CU). He set all the major passing and total offense records for a true freshman, and also set a record for attempts in a season by any class. Hawkins placed high on the other single season lists as well, such as attempts, completions and total offense. His 19 touchdown passes were the fourth most in a single season (record: 22, Koy Detmer in 1996), while his 15 interceptions tied for the second most in a single year (record: 16, John Hessler in 1997, followed by 15, Joel Klatt 2004). The interception count was a bit skewed—seven were by deflection. As is sometimes the case after a solid freshman year, a sophomore slump set in to a degree, and he was replaced as CU's starter six games into the 2009 season (CU was **11-16** when he started).

- He is in the top 5 in every major passing category, including first in TD passes (**46**), second in attempts (**983**) and completions (**543**) and third in yards (**5,862**).
- **Red Zone.** He has a **34-to-5** career ratio of touchdowns to interceptions in the red zone (**7-to-2** in 2009 after **11-to-2** in 2008; one pick this year was costly, as CU was trying to capitalize on a Texas turnover and retake the lead in the third quarter; instead, UT's Earl Thomas returned it 92 yards for a score).
- **The 40-On-In.** Once the Buffs reach the opponent's 40-yard line, Hawkins was fairly deadly last season. He completed 55-of-91 passes for 564 yards, with 16 touchdowns and three interceptions. That worked out to a passer rating of **163.91** from the opponent 40- on-in for CU's sophomore signal caller. (*In rallying CU to the win over Iowa State, he was 10-of-12 for 81 yards and 4 TDs, a rating of 250.03.*) In 2009, he is 46-of-86 for 451 yards (9 TD/4 INT; 122.7).
- He had his career game when it came to passer rating with a figure of **179.95** in the 28-24 come-from-behind win over Iowa State. But looking inside the numbers, once CU crossed midfield, he was even more deadly: he completed 11 of 13 passes for 91 yards and four touchdowns, which worked to a rating of **244.96** (and it was even higher from the 40-on-in, at 250.03).
- Speaking of ratings, his career rating is a modest **113.1**; however, he has been hurried/pressured **174** times, **15** of which were intercepted, both numbers being rather high due to playing behind a young and/or patchwork offensive line at times. His rating when the opponent is not credited with a pressure? **142.3**.

DID YOU KNOW

Here's a little known fact: Oklahoma won every Big 7 title between 1948 and 1959; in the 1960's, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma all won Big Eight titles. In the 1970's, Colorado, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State won or shared crowns, and in the 1980s, CU, NU and OU earned titles. In the 1990s, Colorado or Nebraska won the final six Big 8 championships, with Nebraska, Texas and Texas A&M claiming the top spot in newly formed Big 12 between 1996-99. In the 2000s, Colorado, Kansas State, Oklahoma and Texas have won Big 12 titles. Where's this leading? CU is the only school from the old Big 8 to have won at least one title in each of the last five decades, joined only by Texas in doing the same. Nationally, the only other schools to join CU and Texas in winning at least one conference title in the 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and 00s are Michigan and Ohio State (Big 10), Southern Cal and Washington (Pac 8/10) and Alabama (SEC). Kudos to Buff fan Stuart Whitehair for that last pearl of a note!

THE BUFFALOES IN THE BIG 12

The Big 12 Conference has concluded 14 seasons; the Buffaloes are tied for the fourth most division titles won with four, trailing only Oklahoma's seven and Nebraska's and Texas' five; seven of the schools in the conference have won a division title. A closer look:

➔ **Big 12 Division Titles:** Oklahoma 7, Nebraska 5, Texas 5, **Colorado 4**, Kansas State 3, Texas A & M 2, Missouri 2.

➔ **Big 12 Championship Game Records:** Oklahoma 6-1, Texas 3-2, Nebraska 2-3, Texas A & M 1-1, Kansas State 1-2, **Colorado 1-3**, Missouri 0-2.

CU vs. THE BIG 12 NORTH: Colorado owns the second best record in intra-division competition going back to the start of the 2001 season against Big 12 North Division rivals, as the Buffaloes are **25-20**; other records: Nebraska is 29-16, Missouri 24-21, Kansas State 23-22, Kansas 19-26 and Iowa State 15-30. Colorado is **16-7** at home in this stretch versus the North, the only losses to NU (2003, 2005, 2009), MU (2007, 2009), KSU (2006) and KU (2007).

ROAD-SWEET-ROAD: BUFFS 18TH BEST IN ENEMY STADIUMS SINCE '88

Though not so much as of late (2-19 since '05), the Buffaloes have enjoyed a lot of success on the road over the last 22 seasons. CU has been victorious 59 of the last 109 times in enemy stadiums with a **59-49-1** overall road record (a 54.6 winning percentage) since the start of the 1988 season. That stands 18th nationally and fourth among Big 12 Conference teams in this span; only 13 schools have won 60 percent of their away games in this time frame (and just two over 70 percent). The Buffaloes own a **48-33-1** mark in their last 82 road conference games (Big 8 & Big 12—with most of the losses at Nebraska (seven), Kansas State (five) and Missouri (four), with just one at Baylor and Oklahoma State; the tie was at K-State in 1993). CU is **23-33** on the Big 12 road since 1996 (**0-4** in 2009), though have struggled since 2005 with a **2-14** mark. The chart to the right does not include neutral site games and includes games of December 12:

ON THE ROAD (1988-2009)

School	G	W	L	T	Pct.
Ohio State	103	73	28	2	.718
Miami, Fla.	115	82	33	0	.713
Florida State	106	74	32	0	.698
Florida	89	61	27	1	.691
Tennessee	102	68	32	2	.676
Nebraska	106	70	33	3	.675
Georgia	92	61	30	1	.668
Michigan	105	68	34	3	.662
Texas	105	69	36	0	.657
Southern Cal	121	77	42	2	.645
Alabama	100	64	36	0	.640
West Virginia	118	73	45	0	.619
Notre Dame	104	63	39	2	.615
Penn State	106	63	42	1	.599
18. COLORADO	109	59	49	1	.546

26TH BEST IN THE NATION SINCE 1989

Colorado has the nation's 26th best record over the last 21 seasons, or since the start of 1989, CU has posted a **156-97-4** record. From opening 1-0 in '89, through the 10th game of the 2005 season, the Buffs owned one of the top 10 overall records in the nation (**247 consecutive weeks**). The best Division I-A records from the start of 1989 through all games of 2009 (includes only those teams who were FBS members the entire 21 seasons):

Rk	School	G	W	L	T	Pct.	vs. AP Ranked Teams		2009
							G	W-L-T	
1	Florida	267	209	57	1	.785	115	68-46-1	13-1
2	Florida State	264	204	59	1	.775	106	70-35-1	7-6
3	Ohio State	262	201	58	3	.773	105	60-42-3	11-2
4	Nebraska	264	201	62	1	.763	79	39-39-1	10-4
5	Miami, Fla.	256	195	61	0	.762	94	54-40-0	9-4
6	Tennessee	262	192	67	3	.739	100	52-45-3	7-6
7	Texas	260	189	69	2	.731	88	45-41-2	13-1
8	Michigan	257	183	71	3	.718	105	60-43-2	5-7
9	Penn State	258	182	75	1	.707	90	43-47-0	11-2
10	Virginia Tech	259	182	75	2	.707	72	35-36-1	10-3
11	Southern Cal	260	179	77	4	.696	95	53-41-1	9-4
12	Oklahoma	260	178	79	3	.690	88	42-45-1	8-5
13	Georgia	256	176	79	1	.689	94	40-53-1	8-5
14	Alabama	262	180	81	1	.689	94	46-47-1	14-0
15	Brigham Young	264	177	85	2	.674	43	13-29-1	11-2
16	Auburn	254	169	82	3	.671	83	34-48-1	7-6
17	Notre Dame	256	166	88	2	.652	93	40-51-2	6-6
18	Oregon	254	164	90	0	.646	76	33-43-0	10-3
19	Texas A & M	258	165	91	2	.643	80	29-50-1	6-7
20	West Virginia	253	159	91	3	.634	59	20-37-2	9-4
21	Kansas State	254	159	94	1	.628	61	19-41-1	6-6
22	Clemson	255	158	96	1	.622	75	29-46-0	9-5
23	Wisconsin	258	158	96	4	.62016	73	24-48-1	9-3
24	LSU	254	157	96	1	.62001	98	41-57-0	9-4
25	Toledo	246	151	92	3	.6199	12	5- 7-0	5-7
26	COLORADO	257	156	97	4	.615	104	43-59-2	3-9
27	Fresno State	261	159	100	2	.613	N/A	.....	8-5
28	TCU	247	149	97	1	.605	33	12-21-0	12-1
29	Georgia Tech	256	154	101	1	.604	84	33-51-0	11-3
30	Air Force	257	154	102	1	.601	32	5-27-0	8-5
30	Virginia	256	153	102	1	.600	83	28-54-1	3-9
32	Southern Miss	249	145	103	1	.584	46	9-37-0	7-6
33	Boston College	255	147	106	2	.580	72	24-48-0	8-5
34	UCLA	250	139	110	1	.558	89	35-53-1	7-6
34	Washington	250	139	110	1	.558	94	37-56-1	5-7
36	Colorado State	254	140	113	1	.553	46	14-32-0	3-9

HEAD COACH DAN HAWKINS

Dan Hawkins has completed four seasons as head coach of the University of Colorado football program, and his ninth overall as a FBS/Division I-A head coach and 15th as a collegiate head coach. He owns a **16-33** record at Colorado, along with a **69-44** record in the Division I-A ranks (53-11 at Boise State) and an overall career mark of **108-56-111** including five years at NAIA Willamette (Ore.) College. In his final year at Willamette (1997), his team posted a 13-1 record, falling in the NAIA Championship game, before he moved on to Boise State where he was assistant head coach under Dirk Koetter for three seasons. At BSU, he coached the tight ends and special teams while coordinating recruiting; when Koetter left BSU for Arizona State after the 2000 season, Hawkins was promoted to head coach. He took the Broncos to four bowl games in five years, with his 2004 team compiling an 11-0 regular season mark and ascending to No. 10 in the national polls; in the most anticipated non-BCS bowl game to date, Boise State dropped a thriller to No. 7 Louisville, 44-40. In the modern history of Division I-A football, only three coaches won more games in their first five seasons than Hawkins (53, bested by Bob Pruett, Marshall; Bob Stoops, Oklahoma; and Pete Carroll, USC). **Hawk's Handiwork:**



	Overall	Home	Road	Neutral	2nd Half	Ranked	Unranked	Non-league	Big 12	Bowls
Hawkins at Colorado	16-33	12-12	2-19	2- 2	7-17	3-13	13-20	6-11	10-22	0-1
Career (NCAA I-A)	69-44	43-14	23-27	3- 3	36-21	5-18	64-26	22-19	11-22	2-3

- ♦ **COLORADO STREAKS:** 2-game plus wins, 2-game plus losses: **2, 11**. 3-game plus wins, 3-game plus losses: **2, 5**. 4-game plus wins, 4-game plus losses: **0, 2**. 5-game plus wins, 5-game plus losses: **0, 1**. Longest winning streak: 3, in 2007 & 2008. Longest losing streak: 6, in 2006.
- ♦ **Hawkins & Bye Weeks.** Hawkins is **8-3** in games following bye weeks, not including bowls (2-3 at Colorado, 6-0 at Boise State). At Colorado, the 2-3 mark includes a 1-2 mark against Nebraska, and a split with West Virginia in 2008 and 2009.
- ♦ **Hawkins** has been a head coach for **165** games (108-56-1), with that record and 65.8 winning percentage the 15th best in the nation for active coaches with five or more seasons coached.
- ♦ In 15 seasons as a head coach, Hawkins' teams have been shutout just once, coming in his 149th game at the hands of Missouri (58-0). He had never dropped more than two games in a row in the same season (which happened just three times) until his first season at CU and won at least eight games seven times (10-plus four times).



- ♦ **Hawkins** tells his players: "You're in America, you're going to college, you live in Colorado. You have it better than 90 percent of the people in the world."
- ♦ Hawkins has used the term "conflama" when referring to some people's desire for conflict and drama (the reason someone like Jerry Springer and that lot is even on the air). He references it when people on the outside of a program choose to look at the negative without choosing to understand why something may very well be the way it is.
- ♦ Hawk on depth charts: "To be honest, we really don't pay too much attention to depth charts, we run a lot of personnel in and out of there at several positions. For example, I view the defensive line like hockey; they're playing in shifts as we want them fresh." As a

result, especially on offense at receiver, tight end and in the backfield, CU utilizes different "groupings" as opposed to following a depth chart.

- ♦ Hawk on the vertical passing game: "I love the long pass. As I've come along in this game, I've learned you've got to pound it and launch it."
- ♦ Hawkins believes the four most important positions on a football team are the offensive and defensive lines, quarterback and cornerback.
- ♦ Hawk's philosophy on big wins, like CU's 27-24 over No. 3 OU in 2007: "You enjoy it on Saturday, but come Sunday, it's in the vapor trail."
- ♦ One of his beliefs is, "Once is a mistake; twice is a behavior." He applies it to football, whether for things on or off the field, and to life.
- ♦ Hawk's response about potential for disaster after the 0-3 start in 2006: "There's always potential. When you get in your car and get out on the freeway, there's potential for disaster. I knew when I left Boise State there was potential for disaster. That doesn't scare me... there's also the potential for greatness. So you can hide behind the shadow if you want, but that's not living."
- ♦ Versus **Ron Thulin** on Hawkins' optimism: "His glass isn't half-full, it's overflowing. He's not going to change. He said they are going to keep fighting and doing the little things every day. I think everyone on our crew was ready to put on a football helmet after talking to this man yesterday. He is excitable and he cares." Chimed in analyst
- ♦ As with many coaches, at the end of practice, the team will run for turnovers, mistakes, missed field goals, etc. One day in 2006 after **PK Mason Crosby** missed a kick within his range, Hawk felt a little bad as he wondered to himself, "How many coaches are making their kids run for a missed 64-yard field goal?" He also often has fun, sending linemen on post-patters, with linebackers as the quarterbacks, and sometimes he even includes media in attendance in a drill.
- ♦ **Hawkins** is not a voter in the Division I-A coaches poll coordinated by *USA Today/ESPN*; coaches are now selected by a random draw; the CU head coach had voted every season from 1987-2009, so this snaps the streak.
- ♦ **CONTRACT.** In 2008 (Oct. 7), Hawkins' contract was extended through the 2012 season. Hawkins was named the 23rd head football coach in Colorado history on December 16, 2005, and originally signed a five-year, \$4.25 million contract that was effective January 1, 2006, through December 31, 2010, not including incentive compensation (see below). The new contract was effective as of July 1, 2008 and runs through January 31, 2013, with the guaranteed compensation package includes base salary (\$174,720); radio, television and public appearances (\$514,500); sponsorship support (\$210,000); and football camps (\$52,500) for a total of \$951,720, prior to performance incentives. Those incentives includes academic progress toward graduation of football program athletes; meeting performance objectives in the area of player welfare and development; development of football program outreach; participation in the Big 12 Conference championship game; league and national titles and bowl participation and wins; and competitive success (e.g., if named conference or national coach of the year).
- ♦ **IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING HIS CONTRACT:** A *Boulder Camera* story in August about Hawkins asking for a contract extension was severely embellished; it was nothing more than gossip, with no sources quoted, of course. In a private coaches meeting months ago, when pressed by CU fundraising officials, Hawk, after not really answering the first two times he was asked what they could do to help his program, he answered the third time about how a contract extension would show recruits stability and continuity; he certainly didn't demand one, or even ask for one, he simply answered a question. Unfortunately, SID officials controlled some of the damage nationwide but not all of it, and this was nothing more than a disservice to Hawkins and CU athletics in general. We ask that stories like this be checked out with the SID office before being regurgitated. Most of you know our up front rep, we'll be honest with you. Thank you.

HEAD COACH DAN HAWKINS CONTINUED**Dan Hawkins Year-By-Year Coaching Record**

Season	School	Overall						Conference						Finish/Conf.
		W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	Opp	
1993	Willamette.....	5	4	0	.556	293	281	3	2	0	.600	179	143	t-2nd / Mt. Hood
1994	Willamette.....	6	3	0	.667	218	214	4	1	0	.800	111	108	2nd / Mt. Hood
1995	Willamette.....	6	2	1	.722	314	171	4	0	1	.900	195	103	t-1st / Mt. Hood
1996	Willamette.....	9	2	0	.818	374	246	5	0	0	1.000	158	100	1st / NWC (a)
1997	Willamette.....	13	1	0	.929	470	187	5	0	0	1.000	200	47	1st / NWC (b)
2001	Boise State.....	8	4	-	.667	411	280	6	2	-	.750	307	184	t-2nd / WAC
2002	Boise State.....	12	1	-	.923	593	240	8	0	-	1.000	409	111	1st / WAC
2003	Boise State.....	13	1	-	.929	602	239	8	0	-	1.000	375	143	1st / WAC
2004	Boise State.....	11	1	-	.917	587	308	8	0	-	1.000	401	196	1st / WAC
2005	Boise State.....	9	4	-	.692	469	317	7	1	-	.875	339	178	t-1st / WAC
2006	Colorado.....	2	10	-	.167	196	267	2	6	-	.250	160	199	5th / Big 12 North
2007	Colorado.....	6	7	-	.462	355	383	4	4	-	.500	238	276	3rd / Big 12 North
2008	Colorado.....	5	7	-	.417	242	351	2	6	-	.250	135	257	t-4th / Big 12 North
2009	Colorado.....	3	9	-	.250	267	346	2	6	-	.250	164	234	5th / Big 12 North
2010	Colorado.....	0	0	-	.000	0	0	0	0	-	.000	0	0	
Colorado Totals.....		16	33	-	.327	1060	1347	10	22	-	.313	697	966	
Division I-A Totals.....		69	44	-	.611	3722	2731	47	25	-	.653	2528	1778	
Career Totals.....		108	56	1	.658	5391	3830	68	28	1	.706	3371	2279	

KEY: (a)—NAIA National Quarterfinalist; (b)—NAIA National Runner-up.

COLORADO SUPERLATIVES UNDER HAWKINS

The home (listed first) and road bests in the Dan Hawkins Era at Colorado (2006-present):

MOST FIRST DOWNS33 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
25 at Toledo Sept. 11, 2009**MOST RUSHING YARDS**359 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
217 at Texas Tech Oct. 27, 2007**MOST PASSING YARDS**306 FLORIDA STATE Sept. 15, 2007
356 at Toledo Sept. 11, 2009**MOST OFFENSIVE PLAYS**93 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
87 at Toledo Sept. 11, 2009**MOST TOTAL OFFENSE**634 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
451 at Toledo Sept. 11, 2009**MOST POINTS**65 NEBRASKA Nov. 23, 2007
43 at Baylor Oct. 6, 2007**MOST TIME OF POSSESSION**40:24 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
34:22 at Texas A&M Nov. 1, 2008**LONGEST SCORING DRIVE (TD; Yards)**95 IOWA STATE Nov. 11, 2007
98 at Texas A&M Nov. 1, 2008**FEWEST FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED**6 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
14 at Kansas Oct. 28, 2006
14 at Kansas State Oct. 24, 2009**FEWEST RUSHING YARDS ALLOWED**-8 KANSAS Oct. 17, 2009
15 CSU (in Denver) Sept. 9, 2006**FEWEST PASSING YARDS ALLOWED**43 WEST VIRGINIA Sept. 18, 2008
80 at Kansas State Oct. 24, 2009**FEWEST OFFENSIVE PLAYS ALLOWED**46 OKLAHOMA Sept. 29, 2007
56 at Georgia Sept. 23, 2006**LEAST TOTAL OFFENSE ALLOWED**139 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
248 CSU (in Denver) Sept. 9, 2006**FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED**0 MIAMI-OHIO Sept. 22, 2007
0 WYOMING Sept. 19, 2009
14 at Georgia Sept. 23, 2006**HIGHEST PUNTING AVERAGE (3+)**51.8 BAYLOR (4 punts) Oct. 7, 2006
45.6 at Kansas (7 punts) Oct. 11, 2007**MOST TURNOVERS FORCED**5 TEXAS TECH Oct. 14, 2006
4 on three occasions**DAN HAWKINS VS. THE NATION (I-A/FBS ONLY)**

School	W	L	Pts	Opp
Alabama.....	0	1	24	30
Arizona State.....	0	2	17	54
Arkansas.....	0	1	14	41
Baylor.....	1	1	74	57
Boston College.....	0	1	21	27
Bowling Green.....	1	0	48	20
Brigham Young.....	2	0	78	39
California.....	0	0	0	0
Central Michigan.....	1	0	26	10
Colorado State.....	2	2	96	82
Eastern Washington.....	1	0	31	24
Florida State.....	0	2	27	55

School	W	L	Pts	Opp
Fresno State.....	4	1	173	111
Georgia.....	0	2	26	62
Hawaii.....	5	0	244	124
Idaho.....	5	0	242	86
Idaho State.....	1	0	62	0
Iowa State.....	3	2	133	104
Kansas.....	1	3	77	99
Kansas State.....	1	3	61	114
Louisiana Tech.....	4	1	206	122
Louisville.....	0	1	40	44
Miami-OHIO.....	1	0	42	0
Missouri.....	0	4	40	177

School	W	L	Pts	Opp
Montana State.....	0	1	10	19
Nebraska.....	1	3	130	156
Nevada.....	5	0	256	52
New Mexico State.....	1	0	56	6
Oklahoma.....	1	1	30	48
Oklahoma State.....	0	2	45	61
Oregon State.....	1	2	104	90
Portland State.....	1	0	21	14
Rice.....	1	1	63	52
San Jose State.....	5	0	272	98
SMU.....	2	0	83	23
South Carolina.....	0	1	13	32

School	W	L	Pts	Opp
TCU.....	1	0	34	31
Texas.....	0	2	28	76
Texas A & M.....	1	1	52	58
Texas Tech.....	2	0	61	32
Toledo.....	0	1	38	54
Tulsa.....	4	0	165	96
Utah State.....	2	0	108	59
UTEP.....	4	0	198	72
Washington State.....	0	1	20	41
West Virginia.....	1	1	41	49
Wyoming.....	3	0	92	30
Totals.....	69	44	3722	2731

DAN HAWKINS / SITUATIONAL (I-A/FBS ONLY)

Category	W	L
Overall.....	69	44
At Colorado.....	16	33
At Boise State.....	53	11
Home.....	43	14
Boulder.....	12	12
Boise.....	31	2
Road.....	23	27
At Colorado.....	2	19
Neutral.....	3	3
Bowl Games.....	2	3
Day Games.....	41	27
Night Games.....	28	17
Shutouts.....	3	1

Category	W	L
Scoring 50+ Points.....	20	0
Scoring 20+ Points.....	67	17
Scoring <20 Points.....	2	27
Allowing <20 Points.....	36	6
Ranked Teams.....	5	18
Top 5 (0-0 vs. No. 1).....	1	2
Top 10.....	1	6
Unranked Teams.....	64	26
As A Ranked Team.....	16	2
Conference Games.....	47	25
Home.....	28	8
Big 12 Games.....	10	22
Home.....	8	8

Category	W	L
Non-Conference.....	22	19
At Colorado.....	6	11
7-Point Games Or Closer.....	19	16
Overtime.....	3	1
1 OT.....	2	0
2 OT.....	1	0
3 OT.....	0	1
August.....	2	0
September.....	18	16
October.....	26	13
November.....	20	12
December.....	3	3
January.....	0	0

Category	W	L
Sunday.....	1	2
Monday.....	0	0
Tuesday.....	2	0
Wednesday.....	1	1
Thursday.....	2	3
Friday.....	6	5
Saturday.....	57	33
Eastern Time Zone.....	0	6
Central Time Zone.....	10	19
Mountain Time Zone.....	50	16
Pacific Time Zone.....	6	3
Hawaii-Aleutian Time Zone.....	3	0

See Trends III for more Hawk numbers

HAWKINS ERA POINT DIFFERENTIAL

Margin	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	42	45	58	Total	
Won	2	0	3	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	—	16
Lost	1	0	3	1	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	0	2	1	1	2	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	—	33

HAWKINS AMONG THE BEST

Dan Hawkins has one of the top records among all-active Division I-A (FBS) coaches. He owns the 18th best winning percentage (minimum 100 games); a closer look through games of 2009:

Coach, School	W	L	T	Pct.
Urban Meyer, Florida.....	96	18	0	.842
Bobby Hauck, UNLV.....	80	17	0	.825
Bob Stoops, Oklahoma.....	117	29	0	.801
Mark Richt, Georgia.....	90	27	0	.769
Gary Patterson, TCU.....	85	28	0	.752
Joe Paterno, Penn State.....	394	129	3	.752
Brian Kelly, Notre Dame.....	171	57	2	.748
Jim Tressel, Ohio State.....	229	78	2	.744
Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech.....	126	46	0	.733
Steve Spurrier, South Carolina.....	177	68	2	.721
Nick Saban, Alabama.....	124	50	1	.711
Les Miles, LSU.....	79	36	0	.687
Chris Ault, Nevada.....	206	95	1	.684
Mack Brown, Texas.....	214	101	1	.679
Dennis Erickson, Arizona State.....	167	83	1	.667
Larry Blakeney, Troy.....	153	77	1	.665
Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech.....	229	115	4	.664
Dan Hawkins, Colorado.....	108	56	1	.658
Jeff Tedford, California.....	67	35	0	.657
Bill Snyder, Kansas State.....	142	74	1	.657
Butch Davis, North Carolina.....	71	38	0	.651

THE CLASS OF '06

In 2006, 10 programs hired new head coaches, including Colorado (with Northwestern being the 11th to do so when head coach Randy Walker passed away unexpectedly in July '06). Here's a look at what coaches make up the "class of 2006" and their record through games of 2009 (*—denotes first college head coaching job):

Coach, School	W	L	Pct.
*Chris Peterson, Boise State.....	49	4	.925
*Bret Bielema, Wisconsin.....	38	14	.731
*Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern.....	27	23	.540
*Rick Stockstill, Middle Tennessee.....	27	23	.540
*Al Golden, Temple.....	18	30	.375
Dan Hawkins, Colorado.....	16	33	.327
No longer with same program:			
Todd Graham, Rice.....	7	6	.538
*Ron Prince, Kansas State.....	17	20	.459
*Turner Gill, Buffalo.....	20	30	.400
Dennis Erickson, Idaho.....	4	8	.333
*Chuck Long, San Diego State.....	9	27	.250

HAWKINS THE 10TH TO COACH FIVE YEARS AT COLORADO

Dan Hawkins will become the 10th head coach out of 23 overall in CU history to coach at least five seasons this fall. The nine coaches who previously reached year number five generally had winning teams, with six posting winning records, a seventh going .500 with a bowl loss and two others under .500. The fifth year being the "charm" happened on two occasions: the 1967 Buffaloes under **Eddie Crowder** went 9-2, and were ranked as high as No. 3 in the nation after 5-0 start, and capped the season with a 31-21 win in the Bluebonnet Bowl over Miami, Fla.; the 1986 team under **Bill McCartney** opened 0-4, the last three of those losses by a combined 10 points, but then rebounded to go 6-1 in Big 8 play, toppling No. 3 Nebraska on the way and played for the league title against Oklahoma but fell, 28-0. A look at the 10 who spent at least five years at the helm of the Buffs (*—denotes final season):

Head Coach	Season	Record	First 4 Yrs	Head Coach	Season	Record	First 4 Yrs	Head Coach	Season	Record	First 4 Yrs
Fred Folsom	1899	7-2	21-6	Dal Ward	1952	6-2-2	18-18-1	Gary Barnett	2003	5-7	29-20
Myron Witham	1924	8-1-1	21-6-3	Eddie Crowder	1967	9-2	17-21-2	Dan Hawkins	2010	?	16-33
*Bunny Oakes	1939	5-3	20-12-1	*Bill Mallory	1978	6-5	29-16-1				
*Jim Yeager	1947	4-5	20-12-1	Bill McCartney	1986	6-6	14-30-1				

SIX DOUBLE-DIGIT COMEBACKS IN HAWKINS ERA

Colorado rallied from 11 down, 21-10, to tie the game at 21 in the third quarter against Texas A&M on Nov. 7, only to see the Aggies score 10 quick points to open the fourth quarter to go back up, 31-21. But the Buffaloes persevered; CU pulled back to within 31-28 on a 7-yard run by **TB Demetrius Sumler** with 7:14 left, and then took the lead 35-34 on a 22-yard pass from **QB Tyler Hansen** to **TE Patrick Devenny** with 2:04 left. The Buffs then held on defense to secure the win, the sixth double-digit comeback in Dan Hawkins' four years as head coach. Five have taken place

in Boulder, with the sixth, the first one, in Denver against Colorado State. A closer look:

Trailed By	Time, Qtr.	Final	Opponent (Date)
10 (21-31)	11:01, 4Q	35-34	TEXAS A&M (Nov. 7, 2009)
11 (13-24)	9:14, 4Q	28-24	IOWA STATE (Nov. 8, 2008)
14 (7-21)	7:29, 2Q	31-24	EASTERN WASHINGTON (Sept. 6, 2008)
11 (24-35)	0:23, 2Q	65-51	NEBRASKA (Nov. 23, 2007)
17 (7-24)	12:23, 3Q	27-24	OKLAHOMA (Sept. 29, 2007)
11 (17-28)	10:05, 3Q	31-28	OT; Colorado State (Sept. 1, 2007)

COACHES ON GAME DAY

The coaching staff is split between the sidelines and the press box. Upstairs are offensive coordinator **Eric Kiesau**, defensive coordinator **Ron Collins**, wide receiver coach **Robert Prince**, secondary coach **Ashley Ambrose** and graduate assistants **Ben Steele** and **Bert Watts**. Head coach **Dan Hawkins** wears a headset on the sideline, along with linebackers coach **Brian Cabral**, offensive line coach **Denver Johnson**, running backs coach **Darian Hagan**, defensive line coach **Romeo Bandison** and special teams/tight ends coach **Kent Riddle**. Plays are generally shuttled in from substituting players.

OLD-TIMER

Associate head coach and linebacker coach **Brian Cabral** has taken his place among legendary assistant coaches who have spent time at Colorado. Now in his 21st full-time season (303 games), he is now the longest tenured assistant coach in Colorado all sports history. A closer look at the top eight in football:

ASSISTANT COACH LONGEVITY: 1. Brian Cabral 20 (1990-current); 2. Frank Potts 18 (1927-39, 1941-43, 1946-47) and Frank Prentup 18 (1941-58); 4. Dan Stavely 15 (1958, 1963-76); 5. Chet Franklin 12 (1963-74), Mike Hankwitz 12 (1985-94, 2004-05) and Alva Noggle 12 (1920-31); 8. Marshall Wells 11 (1948-58).

Cabral ranks 12th on the list of active coaches for continuous full-time service at the same school in the nation; 10th among all assistant coaches. The entire national list:

ACTIVE COACHES WITH LONGEST CONTINUOUS SERVICE AT SAME SCHOOL (entering 2010)

Name	School	Current Position	2010 Season	Name	School	Current Position	2010 Season
Joe Paterno	Penn State	Head Coach	45th	a-Dick Anderson	Penn State	Guards & Centers	21st
Billy Hite	Virginia Tech	Assoc. Head Coach/Running Backs	33rd	Brian Cabral	Colorado	Linebackers	21st
Tom Bradley	Penn State	Def. Coordinator/Cornerbacks	31st	Larry Blakeney	Troy	Head Coach	20th
Bill Kirelawich	West Virginia	Defensive Line	31st	20+ Years Combined, Multiple Stints/Same School (Years of stints)			
Gary Campbell	Oregon	Running Backs	28th	b-Chris Ault	Nevada	Head Coach/AD (see note)	35th
Lance Reynolds	BYU	Asst. Head Coach/Running Backs	28th	Steve Greatwood	Oregon	Offensive Line (1982-94, 2000-10)	24th
Mo Latimore	Kansas State	Defensive Line	27th	Pete Perot	Louisiana Tech	Offensive Line (1986-96, 2000-10)	22nd
Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech	Head Coach	24th	c-Ken Wilson	Nevada	Assoc. HC/Associate AD (see note)	22nd
Bud Foster	Virginia Tech	Def. Coordinator/Linebackers	24th	Ron Brown	Nebraska	Tight Ends (1987-2003, 2008-10)	20th
Bill Kenney	Penn State	Tackles & Tight Ends	22nd				

(a-his second stint at PSU; also on staff 1973-83, so 32nd year overall; b-three stints as head coach, 1976-92, 1994-95, 2004-present; but was AD from 1986-2004; c-two stints as assistant coach, 1976-92, 2004-present; was an associate AD 1999-2003.)

Versus' **Ron Thulin** said about Cabral: "He's one of the great individuals. Besides being an outstanding football coach he has been the barometer for this football program for the last two decades. He teaches a lot more than just football to these players and that's why Dan Hawkins kept him on the staff. He's one of the best in the business."

EXPERIENCE

Colorado's 2010 coaching staff is again youthful (average age of **44.1**), yet experienced. The 10 full-time coaches who comprised the Colorado coaching staff have coached a collective **97** seasons in Division I-A and have combined to coach in **1,173** games (with a record of **651-511-11, .560**). The aggregate age of the 10 is 441 years through July 1; associate head coach **Brian Cabral** (54) is the elder statesman, followed by **Denver Johnson** (51), the only two over 50. Five of the coaches are 40 or older, including head coach **Dan Hawkins** (49), and two under, with offensive coordinator **Eric Kiesau** the youngest (37). Kiesau is the 27th youngest coordinator in the Division I-A/FBS ranks, the 19th most youthful on the offensive side (15th with full-title); a closer look:

YOUNGEST COORDINATORS (as of August 31, 2010)

Name	School	Position	Birthdate	Age	Name	School	Position	Birthdate	Age
Lincoln Riley	East Carolina	Offensive	Sept. 5, 1983	26	Matt Rhule	Temple	Offensive	Jan. 31, 1975	35
Paul Nichols	Toledo	Co-Defensive	Jan. 25, 1981	29	Derek Frazier	Fresno State	Offensive-Run	Feb. 8, 1974	36
Neal Brown	Texas Tech	Offensive	March 11, 1980	30	William Inge	Buffalo	Defense	Dec. 17, 1973	36
Marcus Arroyo	Wyoming	Offensive	Jan. 30, 1980	30	Jeremy Rowell	Troy	Defensive	Nov. 21, 1973	36
Matt Campbell	Toledo	Offensive	Nov. 29, 1979	30	Joe Moorhead	Connecticut	Offensive	Nov. 2, 1973	36
Bill Napier	Clemson	Offensive	July 21, 1979	31	Mark Helfrich	Oregon	Offensive	Oct. 28, 1973	36
Nick Rolovich	Hawai'i	Offensive	private	31	Mike Bobo	Georgia	Offensive	private	36
Jeff Grady	Fresno State	Offensive	March 3, 1979	31	James Coley	Florida State	Offensive	April 14, 1973	37
Seth Littrell	Arizona	Co-Offensive	private	32	Andy Buh	Nevada	Defensive	private	37
Steve Farmer	Louisiana-Monroe	Offensive	Oct. 3, 1976	33	Bob Diaco	Notre Dame	Defensive	private	37
Dave Aranda	Hawai'i	Defensive	private	33	Eric Kiesau	Colorado	Offensive	Nov. 24, 1972	37
Justin Fuente	TCU	Co-Offensive	July, 1976	34	Aaron Roderick	Utah	Co-Offensive	private	37
Kirby Smart	Alabama	Defensive	Dec. 23, 1975	34	Payam Sadaat	Army	Co-Defensive	private	37
Brian Harsin	Boise State	Offensive	private	34	Tyrone Nix	Mississippi	Defensive	Sept. 30, 1972	37
Cameron Norcross	Nevada	Offensive-run	private	34	<i>(Seven others entered 2010 at the age of 38)</i>				
Kalani Sitake	Utah	Defensive	private	34					

IN-SEASON BIRTHDAYS

Here's the list of those coaches and players who have birthdays to celebrate during the 2010 season, including camp (*—denotes on a game day):

Aug. 10 Liloa Nobriga (20)	Sept. 20 Jordan Marquez (19)	Oct. 17 Denver Johnson (52)	Dec. 6 Tyler Ahles (22)
Aug. 24 Justin Castor (19)	Sept. 25 Jashon Sykes (31)	Oct. 24 Trea' Jones (19)	Dec. 6 Blake Behrens (22)
Aug. 26 Justin Torres (19)	Sept. 27 Luke Walters (24)	Oct. 24 Kirk Poston (19)	Dec. 6 Tyler Hansen (21)
Aug. 29 Terrel Smith (18)	Sept. 30 David Bakhtiari (19)	Nov. 3 Forrest West (20)	Dec. 8 Kirk Jones (26)
Aug. ... Josh Hartigan (21)	Oct. 1 Derrick Webb (20)	Nov. 4 Dillan Freiberg (19)	Dec. 14 Cordary Allen (19)
Aug. 31 Bert Watts (31)	Oct. 2 *David Clark (22)	Nov. 5 Nick Kasa (20)	Dec. 14 Chip Marks (43)
Aug. 31 Kyle Slavin (19)	Oct. 2 *Marcus Kirkwood (22)	Nov. 10 Dan Hawkins (50)	Dec. 15 Matt Meyer (22)
Sept. 1 Eugene Goree (21)	Oct. 7 Lowell Williams (19)	Nov. 13 *Douglas Rippey (21)	Dec. 15 Paul Vigo (21)
Sept. 5 Matt Allen (19)	Oct. 7 Keenan Canty (18)	Nov. 17 Miguel Rueda (39)	Dec. 19 Vince Ewing (21)
Sept. 8 Jean Onaga	Oct. 11 Toney Clemons (22)	Nov. 18 Jarrod Darden (20)	Dec. 21 Conrad Obi (22)
Sept. 9 Zach Grossnickle (20)	Oct. 14 Jalil Brown (23)	Nov. 23 Josh Moten (19)	Dec. 30 Will Pericak (21)
Sept. 17 Ashley Ambrose	Oct. 14 Mile Iltis (22)	Nov. 24 Eric Kiesau (38)	Jan. 3 Rodney Stewart (21)
Sept. 20 Travon Patterson (22)	Oct. 14 Dwayne Thornton (20)	Nov. 28 Ethan Adkins (22)	Jan. 6 Max Tuioti-Mariner (21)

QUARTERBACK BATTLES OVER THE LAST TWO DECADES

The competition for the starting quarterback the last two years was really just the seventh real battle in the last 19 years at Colorado, though the fourth time in the last eight seasons (the other times the incumbent was either entrenched or had little competition); this was the first time the same pair dueled it out close for two seasons. **Cody Hawkins** topped **Tyler Hansen** in 2009, with Hawkins pulling ahead a bit the second half of camp with the plan to redshirt Hansen if possible (that was scrubbed when Hansen played the fourth quarter at Texas and then assumed the starting role the following week, leading CU to a 34-30 win over Kansas); Hawkins also beat out **Nick Nelson** and **Matt Ballenger** for the nod in 2007. In 2010, Hansen had a slight edge after spring ball and then distanced himself a bit from Hawkins in fall camp. There was a three-way competition for the job in 2006 among **James Cox**, the initial winner, **Bernard Jackson** (who would start games two through 12) and **Brian White** (who quit after the first game). The last time had been in 2003, when walk-on **Joel Klatt** earned the nod; in 2000, the competition between **Zac Colvin** and **Bobby Pesavento** raged from the start of spring ball to the final week of August camp. Colvin was named the opening game starter but four weeks into the season, freshman **Craig Ochs** came in during the second quarter of the Kansas State game and did not relinquish the role the remainder of the season. In 1998, the first real battle in six years, juniors **Mike Moschetti** and **Jeremy Weisinger** and sophomore **Adam Bledsoe** duked it out for the starting role. Moschetti won the job and Weisinger subsequently transferred to Texas A & M, where he became a free safety. Moschetti was the first junior college transfer to start a game at quarterback for Colorado since 1976, when **Jeff Austin** started the first three games of the year. Back in 1992, it was a four-way battle between a hero off the bench in junior **Vance Joseph**, an unknown sophomore named **Kordell Stewart**, the younger brother of a Heisman winner, **Koy Detmer**, and a transfer from Illinois, **Duke Tobin**. Stewart emerged as the winner and held the reins for three years, with Detmer the heir in 1995. **John Hessler**, of course, subbed for an injured Detmer most of that season and assumed control his senior year (1997). **Darian Hagan** had piloted the ship from 1989-91, taking over for the dying Sal Aunese after he was diagnosed with stomach cancer in March 1989.

AND MORE— In looking back at CU history, the Buffs have usually had a capable backup quarterback that became a household name. As far back as 1971, when 5-foot-7 **Joe Duenas** subbed for an injured **Ken Johnson** to lead CU to a 56-13 win over Wyoming in the second game of the season, Colorado second-team signal callers have made names for themselves. Two years later, **David Williams** and **Clyde Crutchmer** dueled for starting honors; in 1976, Austin replaced **Jeff Knapple** on occasion after Knapple wrestled the starting job away from him; in 1979, **Charlie Davis** and **Bill Solomon** battled back and forth; in the early 1980s, **Steve Vogel** and **Randy Essington** alternated as starters for three years, with Vogel emerging as CU's all-time passing leader at the time. In the last 1980s, there was the run of **Sal Aunese** replacing **Mark Hatcher**, Hagan replacing Aunese, **Charles Johnson** and Joseph both subbing for an injured Hagan on occasion; Stewart replacing Hagan, and he himself being replaced by Detmer and Tobin due to injuries; and of course, Hessler subbing for Detmer after Detmer replaced Stewart. Perhaps the best examples of this came in the 1991 Orange Bowl, when Johnson replaced an injured Hagan in the second half and earned MVP honors in leading CU to a 10-9 win over Notre Dame which paved the way for Colorado to be named the consensus national champion, and in 2001, when **Bobby Pesavento** took over the second half of the year for an injured **Craig Ochs**, and he helped lead the Buffs to their first Big 12 Conference title. That run included Pesavento steering the Buffs to wins over No. 2 Nebraska and No. 3 Texas. And in 2002, **Robert Hodge** has had to replace Ochs, after Ochs suffered the third concussion of his CU career and eventually left the team.

How did the Hansen and Hawkins compare in the six main scrimmages each year (three each in the spring and fall)? Pretty darn close; take a look:

2009 Quarterback	PASSING								RUSHING				
	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating		Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
Cody Hawkins	118-75- 1	63.6	1,001	11	50	11/60	163.89		7	27	3.9	0	15
Tyler Hansen	88-53- 1	60.2	746	7	70t	16/99	155.41		19	123	6.5	1	23

2010 Quarterback	PASSING								RUSHING				
	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating		Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
Cody Hawkins	153- 96- 1	62.7	1053	11	64t	6/29	142.97		6	29	4.8	0	7
Tyler Hansen	156-107- 5	68.6	1168	11	59t	8/43	150.83		24	124	5.2	1	32t

THE VERTICAL GAME

Dan Hawkins noted that one thing missing from CU's offense his first season in 2006 that was prevalent of his past offenses at Boise State was the vertical passing game. "By the end of the season, we'd always be up in the 70s or 80s in the number of pass plays over 20 yards," he said. He was definitely on mark with his assessment. In 2006, CU had just **35** total, **18** rushing and **17** passing, the Buffs' fewest overall 20-yard plays since 2000 (38) as well as pass plays of 20 yards or more since 2002 (23, also the last time CU had a quarterback quit the team after the season began). Colorado did have 18 rushing plays of 20 yards or more, and while not an overly large number, it was its most since 2002 and higher than nine of the totals in the 13 season snapshot below. In 2007, CU had 58 plays of 20 yards or longer (66 percent more than in 2006, more than doubling the pass play count). But in **2008**, the Buffs went the other direction, with just 40 plays of 20 yards or more, reflective of the troubles CU had on offense when it comes to consistency; the number did spike up a bit to 44 total for **2009**. Here's a look at CU's 20-plus plays in recent memory, going back to 1994, when CU had a high of 76 plays over 20-yards, almost equal in nature (37 rush, 39 pass):

Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass
1994	76	37	39	1998	40	11	29	2002	58	35	23	2006	35	18	17
1995	61	11	50	1999	57	12	45	2003	47	5	42	2007	58	18	40
1996	64	12	52	2000	38	8	30	2004	48	13	35	2008	40	8	32
1997	46	9	37	2001	58	21	37	2005	54	16	38	2009	44	7	37

TRENDS

1985-2009

Since 1985, when the Buffs returned to their traditional winning ways after six frustrating years, Colorado is **184-116-4**; in these 304 games spanning 25 seasons, CU has posted the following records (including bowls):

♦ with 400-plus yards total offense	106-20-2	♦ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	87-19-1
♦ with 500-plus yards total offense	52- 5-0	♦ when leading at halftime	148-21-2
♦ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	71- 8-1	♦ when leading after three quarters (146-14-3 in last 163)	151-16-3
♦ when punting three or fewer times	67-16-1	♦ when scoring 24 or more points	150-24-2
♦ with zero turnovers (133-34-2 with two or fewer)	33-10-2	♦ when held to 13 points or less	3-44-0
♦ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	107-19-1	♦ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	14- 0-0
♦ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	93-13-1	♦ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	100-21-2

TRENDS II

1989-2009

Since 1989, when the Buffs became a regular in the national rankings, Colorado has posted the nation's 26th best overall record at **156-97-4**. Here are some trends during this time frame (257 games over 21 seasons, including bowls):

➤ when running more plays than the opponent	87-38-3	➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	79- 5-1
➤ with 400-plus yards total offense (47-5 with 500-plus)	92-20-2	➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards	53- 2-1
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	103- 8-1	➤ when rushing for 300-plus yards	31- 0-1
➤ when leading in possession time (54-68-1 when not)	102-29-3	➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	34- 2-0
➤ when making 20-plus first downs	99-33-1	➤ when passing for 200-plus yards	84-46-2
➤ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	57- 7-1	➤ when passing for 300-plus yards (10-0-1 400-plus)	25-14-1
➤ when scoring first (86-24-1 the last 111 times)	97-27-1	➤ when passing for more yards than rushing	79-81-2
➤ with zero turnovers (116-59-2 with two or fewer)	27-10-2	➤ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	82-21-2
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	83-12-1	➤ when holding edge in field position	123-27-1
➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	77-13-1	➤ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	13- 0-0
➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	65-14-1	➤ when out-rushing the opponent	126-14-3
➤ when average field position is CU 30+ (26-3 40+)	113-43-2	➤ when owning the edge in return yards	116-36-2
➤ when play selection is 50 percent rushing calls	129-31-2		

TRENDS III

HAWKINS

Some trends of Colorado coach **Dan Hawkins** both overall and at his former school, Boise State; totals are for **113** games including bowls (**69-44**; the Broncos were 53-11 under his guidance in five seasons):

Category	At CU	Overall	Category	At CU	Overall
➤ when scoring 20 or more points (2-27 when not)	14-11	67-17	➤ when leading after three (11-35 trailing, 3-2 tied)	10- 4	55- 5
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	11- 3	58- 5	➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	8- 5	40- 8
➤ when scoring 40 or more points	3- 0	38- 2	➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards offense	4- 7	28- 8
➤ when scoring 50 or more points	1- 0	20- 0	➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	6- 1	38- 1
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	7- 4	36- 4	➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards (7-0 300-plus)	3- 1	25- 1
➤ in games decided by 7 points or less	9-11	19-16	➤ when rushing for more yards than passing	7- 6	25- 7
➤ with two or fewer turnovers (10-2 with zero)	13-20	51-28	➤ with a 100-yard rusher	10- 6	37- 6
➤ when turnover margin was plus or even	11-18	50-25	➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	3- 0	28- 0
➤ when scoring first (23-27 when not)	10-13	46-16	➤ with 400-plus yards total offense (46-3 last 49)	6- 4	50- 6
➤ when leading at halftime	11- 7	54-10	➤ with 500-plus yards total offense (6-0 with 600-plus)	2- 0	25- 1
➤ when trailing at halftime (4-1 when tied)	5-24	11-32			

TURNOVERS ARE INDEED COSTLY

Dan Hawkins, as with most head coaches, believes that when it comes to turnovers, that they are one of the single most important factors in winning or losing ball games. He has penalties and rewards daily in the practice dependent on the number of turnovers committed or forced. Former CU coach **Gary Barnett** drilled home to his teams the importance of taking care of the football, which he learned from the legendary **Bill McCartney**. Statistics back up the argument, as the below shows that it is definitely better to take than to give over the last 21 seasons, in which CU owns the nation's 26th best overall record:

	Turnovers Committed	Turnovers Forced	+/-	Scoring Off Turnovers PF	PA	+/-
156 WINS	261	389	+ 128	1,292	530	+762
HAWKINS ERA (16 WINS)	26	32	+ 6	94	74	+ 20
97 LOSSES (& 4 TIES)	249	168	- 81	401	771	-370
HAWKINS ERA (33 LOSSES)	72	57	- 15	139	189	- 50
21-SEASON TOTALS (257 Games)	510	557	+ 47	1,693	1,301	+392
HAWKINS ERA (49 Games)	98	89	- 9	233	263	- 30

TWO-MINUTE WARNING

Colorado has scored **135** times in **210** tries, including **23** game winning or tying scores, when the offense has gone into the “two-minute offense” drill since 1988; that’s 64 percent of the time. The Buffs were **9-of-14** in the drill in 2009, highlighted by the game winning score against Texas A&M; other scores included a TD against CSU, two late TDs at Toledo, a late six at West Virginia, a first half field goal versus Missouri, a late TD at Iowa State, a first half TD at Oklahoma State and a late six as time ran out against Nebraska (*Cody Hawkins was 5-of-7, Tyler Hansen 4-of-7 leading the drill*). In 2008, CU was **5-of-10**, highlighted by scoring a TD with urgency to tie the game with Eastern Washington scoring twice in the last 9:14 to rally and defeat Iowa State. CU was **9-of-12** in 2007, utilizing the drill to score field goals at the end of each half against CSU, a fourth quarter TD against Florida State (and nearly a second one), once for six before the half versus Miami, for the game winning field goal, though a bit less rushed, against Oklahoma, and twice in the final stages at Iowa State (scoring a TD a nearly the tying field goal), a first half TD against Nebraska and two TDs against Alabama in the Independence Bowl (one in each half); the Buffs were **2-of-6** in 2006. Thus, in the **Dan Hawkins** Era, CU is **24-of-41** in the drill (**58.5** percent). One of the most prolific years in the drill was 1994, when CU was 7-of-8; that included two scores in the final two minutes at Michigan, including that certain play of the decade. Between 1988 and 1994, Colorado was an amazing **61-of-81** in the two-minute offense, with 44 touchdowns. The chart showing CU’s scores:

2-Min. Offense/Scores	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Totals	Pct.
Total.....	10-13	11-11	11-14	8-12	6-12	8-11	7-8	5-8	4-6	6-11	3-5	6-13	6-10	5-9	1-4	5-8	4-5	4-9	2-6	9-12	5-10	9-14	135-210	64.3
First Half.....	6-7	10-10	6-7	4-5	4-9	6-7	4-4	4-6	4-6	1-3	2-3	5-8	4-5	4-7	1-2	2-4	2-2	3-5	2-4	4-5	1-2	2-4	81-115	70.4
TDs/FGs.....	4/2	7/3	2/4	3/1	2/2	5/1	3/1	3/1	3/1	0/1	0/2	2/3	2/2	4/0	1/0	2/0	1/1	3/0	0/2	3/1	0/1	1/1	51/30	
Second Half.....	4-6	1-1	5-7	4-7	2-3	2-4	3-4	1-2	0-0	5-8	1-2	1-5	2-5	1-2	0-2	3-4	2-3	1-3	0-2	5-7	4-8	7-10	54-95	56.8
TDs/FGs.....	4/0	1/0	4/1	4/0	1/1	2/0	2/1	1/0	0/0	5/0	0/1	1/0	1/1	1/0	0/0	2/1	2/0	0/1	0/0	4/2	4/0	7/0	45/9	
Winning/Tying Scores	2	0	2	2	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	2	2	1	23	

SAFELY AHEAD

The Buffs have been a virtual lock to win once they have a lead of two or more scores (nine-plus points) over the past 34 seasons. Since 1976 (game 1), CU has protected a two-score lead **213** of **234** times, losing 18 and tying three when it blew the lead. A closer look (*—Disneyland Pigskin Classic at Anaheim):

Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result	Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result
11/19/09	at Oklahoma State	11 (21-10; 3rd Quarter)	L, 28-31	09/02/00	Colorado State (Den)	10 (24-14; 3rd Quarter)	L, 24-28
10/10/09	at Texas	11 (14-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 14-38	10/23/93	at Kansas State	9 (9- 0; 2nd Quarter)	T, 16-16
11/28/08	at Nebraska	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 31-40	09/18/93	at Stanford	10 (37-27; 4th Quarter)	L, 37-41
11/10/07	at Iowa State	21 (21- 0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 28-31	09/15/90	at Illinois	14 (17- 3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 22-23
09/08/07	at Arizona State	14 (14- 0; 2nd Quarter)	L, 14-33	08/26/90	*Tennessee	14 (31-17; 4th Quarter)	T, 31-31
10/28/06	at Kansas	9 (9- 0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 15-20	09/27/86	ARIZONA	9 (21-12; 4th Quarter)	L, 21-24
09/23/06	at Georgia	13 (13- 0; 4th Quarter)	L, 13-14	11/03/84	KANSAS	11 (27-16; 4th Quarter)	L, 27-28
10/23/04	at Texas A&M	12 (19- 7; 3rd Quarter)	L, 26-29 OT	10/16/82	at Oklahoma State	13 (13- 0; 1st Quarter)	T, 25-25
11/01/03	at Texas Tech	14 (14- 0; 1st Quarter)	L, 21-26	09/19/81	WASHINGTON STATE	10 (10- 0; 4th Quarter)	L, 10-14
10/04/03	at Baylor	9 (23-14, 3rd Quarter)	L, 30-42	10/10/79	OKLAHOMA STATE	20 (20- 0; 4th Quarter)	L, 20-21
11/11/00	Iowa State	11 (20- 9; 2nd Quarter)	L, 27-35				

Colorado has lost only 21 games (and was tied twice) dating back to 1980 when leading by *any* margin at any point in the fourth quarter or overtime. The most recent losses were at Oklahoma State this year (led 21-17 and 28-24) and in 2008 (at Nebraska, when the Huskers scored 10 points in the final 1:43). In conference play, only Kansas (1984, 2006), Nebraska (1984, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2008), Oklahoma State (1997), Texas A&M (2004), Baylor (2006) and Oklahoma State (2009) have rallied in the fourth to topple CU in this span. The ties came against Tennessee in 1990 (31-31, after leading 31-17) and Kansas State in 1993 (16-16 after taking a late 16-13 lead).

➤ Colorado has won **97** of its last **109** games in which it at any point has held a two-score lead—and **24** of the last **32**. A 2003 loss to Baylor snapped a 26-game winning streak in such situations on the road, and an overall streak of 49 consecutive wins between 1993 and 1999 was snapped in 2000 (to CSU; Iowa State also did it later that year).

In this same span, **Colorado has rallied to win 34 games and tie two others dating back to 1981 after once trailing at some point in the fourth quarter** (not including coming from 27-3 down against Nebraska in 1999 before losing in OT). The most recent wins of this variety came this year against Texas A&M (won 35-34 after trailing 31-21 with 11:01 remaining) and last year versus Iowa State (won 28-24 after trailing 24-13 with 9:14 left) and Eastern Washington (won 31-24 after being down 24-17). In 2007 CU rallied from 28-17 down in the third and 28-25 in the fourth to defeat CSU 31-28 in overtime) and Oklahoma (down 24-7 late in the third, eventually tying the fourth largest comeback in school history in winning 27-24).

DOMINATION

Colorado has only **37** losses to unranked teams since dropping the 1987 season opener to Oregon. On several occasions, teams used the win over the Buffs to gain national notoriety and/or move into the rankings following the win. The Buffs are **96-37-2** in their last 135 games against (AP) unranked teams, along with a record of **127-39-2** in the last 168. The Buffs are **166-97-4** in regular season games since the start of the 1986 Big Eight Conference season (8-9 in bowls); **114-69-3** in Big 8/12 games (including four league title games) and **52-28-1** in non-conference regular season action.

LITTLE KNOWN RARITY

In CU history, the Buffaloes have had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same game on **29** occasions (and are **22-7** in games when this occurs). It’s happened nine times this decade, twice in 2009 (versus Texas A&M: **TB Rodney Stewart** 118 yards, **WR Markques Simas** 135; and against Nebraska: Stewart 110 yards, **WR Scotty McKnight** 114, Simas 108). The previous time was at Baylor in 2007 (**TB High Charles** 109 yards, and **WR Josh Smith** 103). That was the first time since 2004, when it occurred three times, as it did in 2001, including the first time the same player had 100 yards in both in the same game: **TB Cortlen Johnson** at Iowa State (172 rushing and 105 receiving); Johnson and **TE Daniel Graham** did it against Missouri, Graham and **TB’s Chris Brown** and **Bobby Purify** all did it against Nebraska. A closer look at this unique list can be found on page 34 of the 2008 CU History & Records supplement.

CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED CHART

Listed below are the career games played/started, including bowls, for the players on the 2010 Colorado Buffaloes. The players on this year's opening roster collectively had played in **878** games, with **313** starts entering the season. Recent past numbers entering a season have been **847** games played/**236** started (2009), **817/277** (2008), **853/251** (2007), **1,053/295** (2006), **1,080/314** (2005), **761/182** (2004), **845/239** (2003), **883/278** (2002), **694/223** (2000) and **790/229** (1999). The list (includes bowls):

Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS
ADKINS	14	9	DARDEN	0	0	HAWKINS, C.	33	28	MUNYER	0	0	SMITH, J.	35	15
AHLES	20	2	DEEHAN	24	11	HAWKINS, J.	14	0	NABORS	31	1	SMITH, T	0	0
ALLEN, C.	0	0	EBNER	8	1	HERROD	36	15	NOBRIGA	0	0	SOLDER	37	28
ALLEN, M.	0	0	ESPINOZA	13	3	HILDRETH	0	0	O'CONNOR	0	0	STEVENS	12	9
BAHR	17	11	EWING	6	0	HIRSCHMAN	0	0	OBI	16	0	STEWART	20	8
BAKHITIARI	0	0	FERNANDEZ	0	0	ILTIS	7	4	OLATOYE	0	0	TAU	0	0
BEATTY	22	10	FREIBERG	0	0	IVERSON	0	0	ORMS	0	0	THORNTON	0	0
BEHRENS	17	16	GIVENS	8	7	JAFFEE	13	0	PATTERSON	0	0	TORRES	0	0
BELL	0	0	GOLDBERG	3	0	JEFFERSON	12	4	PERICAK	12	12	TUIOTI-MARINER	3	2
BONSU	12	0	GOODMAN	23	—	JONES, To.	0	0	PERKINS	24	13	TURBOW	0	0
BROWN	37	16	GOREE	21	0	JONES, Tr.	0	0	POLK	11	3	USSERY	0	0
CANTY	0	0	GORMAN	0	0	KASA	4	0	POOLE	0	0	UZO-DIRIBE	0	0
CASTOR	0	0	GREER	0	0	KIRKWOOD	0	—	POREMBIA	2	0	VIGO	1	0
CEFALO	0	0	GRIFFON	0	0	LOCKRIDGE	21	2	POSTON	0	0	WALTERS	6	0
CELESTINE	14	2	GROSSNICKLE	0	—	MAHNKE	23	3	RICHARDSON	0	0	WEBB	0	0
CLARK	8	0	HAM	11	0	MAJOR	7	0	RICHTER	0	0	WEST	12	0
CLEMONS	0	0	HANDLER	0	0	MARQUEZ	0	0	RIPPY	5	1	WILLIAMS	0	0
CONTE	0	0	HANSEN	13	9	McKNIGHT	37	25	SANDERSFELD	24	0	WOOD	0	0
CRABB	0	0	HARRINGTON	0	0	MEYER	0	0	SILIPO	0	0	TEAM	878	313
CUNNINGHAM	24	12	HARRIS	0	0	MILLER	26	23	SIMMONS	12	1	2009 Final	1540	500
DANIELS	3	0	HARTIGAN	24	0	MOBLEY	0	0	SIPILI	30	7			
DANNEWITZ	10	0				MOTEN	0	0	SLAVIN	0	0			

LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START: WR Will Jefferson (2009); TE Ryan Deehan, FS Patrick Mahnke, TB Darrell Scott, TB Rodney Stewart, OG Max Tuioti-Mariner (2008); TB Brian Lockridge, OG Kai Maiava, OT Ryan Miller, WR Josh Smith (2007); CB Cha'pelle Brown, ILB Michael Sipili (2006); Maurice Lucas (2005); ILB Jordon Dizon (2004); ILB Walter Boye-Doe, CB Terrence Wheatley, S Dominique Brooks, OG Brian Daniels, DB Lorenzo Sims (2003).

LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT QUARTERBACK: Tyler Hansen (2008), Craig Ochs (2000), Koy Detmer (1992). **IN A SEASON OPENER:** Has not occurred.

LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT RUNNING BACK: Darrell Scott (2008), Rodney Stewart (2008), Brian Lockridge (2007), Brian Calhoun (2002), Marcus Houston (2000). **IN A SEASON OPENER:** Kent Kahl (1991).

LAST REDSHIRT FRESHMEN TO START: WR Dustin Ebner, T Bryce Givens, OT Will Pericak, SS Ray Polk, OLB Douglas Rippy (2009); OT Matt Bahr, OG Blake Behrens, S Anthony Perkins (2008); QB Cody Hawkins, WR Scotty McKnight, OG Wes Palazzi, TE Nate Solder, TB Demetrius Sumler (2007); OT Paul Backowski, TE Riar Geer, OG Devin Head (2006).

LAST PLAYERS TO START FOR THE FIRST TIME AS A SENIOR: TB Kevin Moyd, OLB Bryan Stengel (2009); WR Steve Melton (2008), TE Joe Sanders (2007); Paul Creighton, TE Dan Goettsch, C Bryce MacMartin, TB Mell Holliday, WR Nick Holz (2006); WR Mike Duren, OG Terrance Barreau (2004); WR D.J. Hackett (2003).

STARTING STREAKS

OT Nate Solder has made the most consecutive starts on the team with 24, or every game since the start of the 2008 season. **CB Jimmy Smith** is next, as he has made 15 in a row, and he's followed by **DT Curtis Cunningham**, **DE Marquez Herrod** and **NT Will Pericak** all with 12. A reminder of what **Dan Hawkins** thinks of depth charts: he prefers the term contributors, so whatever play they want to run to open a game could feature virtually anyone that fits a particular play or scheme and affect a player's so-called starting streak if he's not in a particular package.

EIGHTEEN PLAYERS MADE FIRST CAREER STARTS IN 2009

Eighteen players made their first career starts in 2009, eight in the season opener against CSU (four offense/four defense): **OLB B.J. Beatty**, **DT Curtis Cunningham**, **DT Will Pericak** and **SS Ray Polk** started the game on defense, while **OG Ethan Adkins**, **WR Jason Espinoza**, **OT Bryce Givens** and **C Mike Iltis** lined up for the first play on offense. Polk replaced Patrick Mahnke, who suffered a sprained ankle in the previous Friday's practice. And Pericak became the first freshman, true or redshirt, to start a season opener at defensive tackle in CU history. Two others followed at Toledo, as **ILB Bryan Stengel** and **OLB Doug Rippy** were in on the defense's first play. **WR Markques Simas** (Wyoming), **C Keenan Stevens** (West Virginia), **WR Will Jefferson** (Kansas), **WR Dustin Ebner** (Texas A&M) followed suit, and **OLB Tyler Ahles**, **TB Kevin Moyd** and **TB Corey Nabors** all did at Iowa State. **WR Andre Simmons** (Oklahoma State) was No. 18. Over the last 25 seasons, CU has had as few as six players (1994) and as many as 29 (1984, 15 on offense) make their first career starts in a single year. The high on a single side of the ball came in 1998, when 17 of 27 new starters were on offense. The annual numbers of first-time starters since 1984:

ANNUAL FIRST-TIME STARTERS: 1984 (29), 1985 (9), 1986 (15), 1987 (14), 1988 (16), 1989 (7), 1990 (16), 1991 (23), 1992 (15), 1993 (7), 1994 (6), 1995 (11), 1996 (8), 1997 (14), 1998 (27), 1999 (14), 2000 (16), 2001 (12), 2002 (16), 2003 (20), 2004 (12), 2005 (11), 2006 (24), 2007 (18), 2008 (15), **2009 (18)**.

TWENTY-TWO SEE FIRST CU ACTION IN 2009

Twelve players saw their first collegiate action in the 2009 season opener against Colorado State (19 did so in 2008), though 10 of the 12 saw significant action from scrimmage as opposed to special teams. Three true freshmen were among the 11, **DT Nate Bonsu**, **WR Will Jefferson** and **DE Forrest West**. Two others played for the first time at Toledo, four their first time versus Wyoming and heralded true frosh **DE Nick Kasa** at West Virginia. Here's the breakdown by class of those players seeing their first CU action in 2009 (*—mainly special teams duty):

TRUE FRESHMEN (4): DT Nate Bonsu, WR Will Jefferson, DE Nick Kasa, DE Forrest West

REDSHIRT FRESHMEN (9): OL *Ryan Dannewitz, WR Dustin Ebner, CB *Vince Ewing, OT Bryce Givens, ILB Jon Major, DT Will Pericak, S Ray Polk,

OLB Douglas Rippy, OLB *Guy Sergeant **SOPHOMORES (6):** OL *David Clark, DE David Goldberg, OLB *Brandon Gouin, C Mike Iltis, WR Ryan Maxwell, WR Markques Simas.

JUNIORS (1): WR Andre Simmons.

SENIORS (2): FB *Trace Adams, TE *Luke Walters.

Recent counts of players seeing their first action at Colorado by season: **30** (2008), **28** (2007), **19** (2006), **16** (2005), **24** (2004) and **24** (2003).

2010 PARTICIPATION CHART

The participation chart for the 2009 Colorado Buffaloes; KEY: **S**—started; **✓**—played; **DNP**—dressed, but did not play; **INJ**—injured; **(—)**—denotes did not dress; **SSP**—suspended; ******—saw first action as a Buffalo in 2010:

Player	CSU	CAL	HAW	UGA	MU	BU	TTU	OU	KU	ISU	KSU	NU
ADKINS												
AHLES												
ALLEN, C.												
ALLEN, M.												
BAHR												
BAKHTIARI												
BEATTY												
BEHRENS												
BELL												
BONSU												
BROWN												
CANTY												
CASTOR												
CEFALO												
CELESTINE												
CLARK												
CLEMONS												
CONTE												
CRABB												
CUNNINGHAM												
DANIELS												
DANNEWITZ												
DARDEN												
DEEHAN												
EBNER												
ESPINOZA												
FERNANDEZ												
FREIBERG												
GIVENS												
GOLDBERG												
GOODMAN												
GOREE												
GORMAN												
GREER												
GRIFFON												
GROSSNICKLE												
HAM												
HANDLER												
HANSEN												
HARRINGTON												
HARRIS												
HARTIGAN												
HAWKINS, C.												
HAWKINS, J.												
HERROD												
HICKS												
HILDRETH												
HIRSCHMAN												
ILTIS												
IVERSON												
JAFFEE												
JEFFERSON												
JONES, To.												
JONES, Tr.												

Player	CSU	CAL	HAW	UGA	MU	BU	TTU	OU	KU	ISU	KSU	NU
KASA												
KIRKWOOD												
LOCKRIDGE												
MAHNKE												
MAJOR												
MARQUEZ												
McKNIGHT												
MEYER												
MILLER												
MOBLEY												
MOTEN												
MUNYER												
NABORS												
NOBRIGA												
O'CONNOR												
OBI												
OLATOYE												
ORMS												
PATTERSON												
PERICAK												
PERKINS												
POLK												
POOLE												
POREMBIA												
POSTON												
RICHARDSON												
RICHTER												
RIPPY												
SANDERSFELD												
SILIPO												
SIMMONS												
SIPILI												
SLAVIN												
SMITH, J.												
SMITH, T.												
SOLDER												
STEVENS												
STEWART												
TAU												
THORNTON												
TORRES												
TUIOTI-MARINER												
TURBOW												
USSERY												
UZO-DIRIBE												
VIGO												
WALTERS												
WEBB												
WEST												
WILLIAMS												
WOOD												
DRESSED												
PLAYED												

Inactive For 2010: Evans (injured).

EXPERIENCE ANALYSIS

The percentage of upperclassmen starting games slowly dropped from nearly 80 percent in 2005 to just under 56 percent in 2009, but that number will likely head back in the other direction this year due to Dan Hawkins having his most experienced team in his five years at the school. Early on in his tenure, over the course of the 2007 and 2008 seasons, 95 freshmen made starts, the most in any two-year period in school history (the old mark, on two occasions, was only 54, last occurring in 1999-2000). In 2004, seniors started the fewest percentage of games (25.1) since the 1995 team (which had only seven seniors), while 38.8 percent of the starts were made by underclassmen; that's when the current cycle of youth really started. It's historically a cyclical pattern, showing up in breakdown of the starters over the course of the season. A year-by-year look at starts by class since 1999:

Season	G	SR	JR	SO	FR (RS-True)	UpperCl%	Fr-Pct.
1999	12	115	42	86	21 (20-1)	59.5	8.0
2000	11	55	116	38	33 (15-18)	70.7	13.6
2001	13	102	95	83	7 (0-7)	68.9	2.4
2002	14	155	130	14	9 (0-9)	92.5	2.9
2003	12	105	49	78	32 (14-18)	58.3	12.1
2004	13	72	103	100	11 (0-11)	61.2	3.8

Season	G	SR	JR	SO	FR (RS-True)	UpperCl%	Fr-Pct.
2005	13	116	112	48	10 (4-6)	79.7	3.5
2006	12	92	84	71	17 (11-6)	66.7	6.4
2007	13	89	106	38	53 (29-24)	68.2	18.5
2008	12	106	54	63	41 (24-17)	60.6	15.5
2009	12	57	90	89	28 (24-4)	55.7	10.6
2010	0	0	0	0	0 (0-0)	0.0	0.0

FOLSOM FIELD CAPACITY ADJUSTMENT

Folsom Field's official capacity is now 53,613, as school officials have removed 137 seats over the last few years from the fourth rows of the three flatiron club levels, all of which had obstructed views. The capacity had been listed as 53,750 since the east side stadium expansion in 2003.

THE PRIMO TWENTY-FOUR

Colorado is one of just 24 schools in I-A/FBS history to be able to make the claim of winning (or sharing) a national championship and also having a Heisman Trophy winner. The criteria for national championship consideration included those crowned by the *Associated Press*, the coaches and the BCS; 30 total schools at one point in the past have been able to claim the throne. This prestigious short list (Alabama is the latest to join, doing so in 2009):

School	National Championships	Heisman Trophies	School	National Championships	Heisman Trophies
Alabama	1961-64-65-73-78-79-92	2009	Nebraska	1970-71-94-95-97	1972-83-2001
Army	1944-45	1945-46-58	Notre Dame	1943-46-47-49-66-73-77-88	1943-47-49-53-56-64-87
Auburn	1957	1971-85	Ohio State	1942-54-57-68-2002	1944-50-55-74-75-95-2006
Brigham Young	1984	1990	Oklahoma	1950-55-56-74-75-85-2000	1952-69-78-2003-08
Colorado	1990	1994	Penn State	1982-86	1973
Florida	1996-2006-08	1966-96-2007	Pittsburgh	1937-76	1976
Florida State	1993-99	1993-2000	Syracuse	1959	1961
Georgia	1980	1942-82	Texas	1963-69-70-2005	1977-98
Louisiana State	1958-2003	1959	Texas A& M	1939	1957
Miami, Fla.	1983-87-89-91-2001	1986-92	TCU	1938	1938
Michigan	1948-97	1940-91-97	UCLA	1954	1967
Minnesota	1936-40-60	1941	USC	1962-67-72-74-78-2003-04	1965-68-79-81-2002-04-05

Schools with national championships and no Heisman winner are Michigan State (2), Tennessee (2) and Clemson, Georgia Tech, Maryland and Washington (all 1).

GRADUATION STAT(US)

Three of CU's 17 seniors in 2010 earned their degrees prior to the season: **TB Corey Nabors** (Psychology, graduated on August 13), **OT Nate Solder** (Biology, graduated last May) and **TE Luke Walters** (Environmental Studies, graduated last December); all three are taking course work toward a second major. Ten are on schedule to graduate in December: **OLB B.J. Beatty** (Ethnic Studies), **CB Jalil Brown** (Sociology/Business Management), **PK Aric Goodman** (Business/Operation & Information Management), **S Cameron Ham** (double in Business & Economics), **QB Cody Hawkins** (Humanities), **DE Marquez Herrod** (double in Psychology and Business Management), **WR Scotty McKnight** (Sociology), **WR Travon Patterson** (Sociology), **Joe Silipo** (English) and **CB Jimmy Smith** (Sociology). Three are targeting next May: **S Matt Meyer** (Communication), **ILB Michael Sipili** (Ethnic Studies) and **C Keenan Stevens** (Anthropology). The 16th senior, **WR Andre Simmons** (Ethnic Studies), is slated for May 2012.

► **NOTE:** Including the 2009 seniors, over the last eight years (2002-09), CU has had 146 of its 166 seniors, including medicals, graduate; that translates to 88.0 percent (with one of the 20 non-grads still in school and looking to graduate within the next year, while six are in the NFL). NCAA numbers will not match these (it doesn't allow a school to count transfers who graduate, but it does count against a school if it had a player transfer; it also does not count walk-ons). It's one of the reasons the numbers are skewed to be lower than they really are, especially at tougher academic schools like Colorado. **Hawkins Era:** 69 of the 79 seniors who completed their eligibility have graduated (87.3 percent).

AROUND THE NATION

Colorado gets most of its players from primarily three states: Colorado, California and Texas (68 percent of the entire roster—72 of 106 players). The roll call of state producers for the Buffs: Colorado 38, California 28, Texas 6, Hawai'i 4, Arizona 3, Florida 3, New Jersey 3, Ohio 3, Idaho 2, Louisiana 2, North Carolina 2, Pennsylvania 2, Tennessee 2, Alabama 1, Connecticut 1, Georgia 1, Illinois 1, Nevada 1 and South Carolina 1. That's 19 states total along with the District of Columbia (1) and Canada (1) that has produced the make-up of this year's team.

FOUR SENIORS SERVING AS 2010 CAPTAINS

The University of Colorado football squad selected its captains on August 22, and after the ballots were counted, four seniors were selected by their Buffalo teammates, head coach Dan Hawkins announced. The 2010 captains are cornerback **Jalil Brown**, quarterback **Cody Hawkins**, wide receiver **Scotty McKnight** and offensive tackle **Nate Solder**.

All four are fifth-year seniors and three-year lettermen, with Brown, McKnight and Solder atop their respective positions on the depth chart; Hawkins is second at quarterback but has started 28 games in is CU career. The veteran foursome combined has played in 144 games, with 97 starts among them.

"It was great to see a number of players receive votes," Hawkins said, noting that all players and not just seniors were eligible to be selected. "Scotty, Cody, Jalil and Nate clearly stuck out in the majority of our team's minds as people they respected as players, students and people. These captains have the ability to both reach out and build up others and carry a firm stance when needed. They are a fine example of our program's foundation of "Excellence with Class."

Brown is a 6-foot-1, 205-pound cornerback from Phoenix, Ariz.; Hawkins a 5-11, 190, and prepped at Boise (Idaho) Bishop Kelly; McKnight is 5-11, 185 who hails from Coto de Caza, Calif.; and Solder, 6-9, 315, is from the small Colorado mountain town of Buena Vista.

McKnight is on the verge of becoming CU's all-time leading receiver in terms on receptions, as his 165 trail Michael Westbrook by just two. Hawkins already owns several school records, most notably career touchdown passes (46) and is in the top five of most passing and total offense marks.

Solder, a preseason All-American by several entities, including the prestigious *Playboy* team, is the first captain from Buena Vista – but then again, he's the first CU player from there. Brown was among the nation's leaders last season in passes defended with 17 (15 broken up and two interceptions); he also led the Buffs in special team points as a freshman and sophomore.

STAT SHOTS

Here are some interesting statistical bullets about Colorado football:

- ➔ **30+.** In its history, Colorado is **296-13-1** when scoring 30 or more points, along with records of **210-4** with 35-plus points and **194-3** with 36-plus, **171-2** with 38-plus and **109-0** with 43 or more tallies. The four losses with 35 more points came to Air Force (58-35 in 1968), Oklahoma (82-42 in 1980), Stanford (41-37 in 1993) and Toledo (54-38 this year). Colorado has played **1,137** games in its history, and has registered final point totals of every number between 0 and 70 except 68 (and of course 1), and has hit 75 and 109 above that mark.
- ➔ Colorado is **100-59-3** in its last **162** league games, and has the 12th fewest conference losses in the nation since 1989 for schools that have been league members for that time period. Within this record is a 25-game span in which CU did not lose a conference game, the fourth longest streak all-time in the Big Eight (1958-1995). Colorado was 23-0-2 during that run.
- ➔ Colorado has scored 30 or more points in **112** of its last **257** games, posting a **103-8-1** record. The most recent losses were to Toledo this year (54-38) and at Nebraska to close 2008 (40-31). The Buffs have scored at least three touchdowns in **173** of these **257** games dating to the start of 1989, going **134-37-2** (CU is **22-60-2** when held to two or fewer touchdowns).
- ➔ CU has allowed **442** touchdowns in the **845** times that the enemy has cracked its 20 dating back to 1988; the other **403** times has yielded **212** field goals as well as **191** non-scores. In this time frame, that works to the opponent coming away with nothing 24% of the time when penetrating the CU 20, and three points or less 48% of the time, solid defensive numbers.
 - ➔ Under Dan Hawkins, the opponent has penetrated the CU red zone **170** times, with **98** touchdowns, **44** field goals and **28** non-scores.
- ➔ Since the middle of the 1998 season, the Buffalo "D" has rose to the occasion when the opponent has started a drive inside CU territory. Going back to the last six games in 1998 to the present, CU has allowed just **110** touchdowns out of **279** drives started on the CU side of the 50 (and just **167** scores overall, meaning **112** non-scores). Over the last six seasons, CU's allowed just **126** scores (85 TD/41 FG) in **201** drives started from the 50 on into CU territory (17 scores out of 26 times in 2009, and just 8 TDs).
- ➔ CU has topped 400 yards of total offense in **55** of its last **154** contests (thrice in 2009; 10 times in the Hawkins Era), as CU has made a habit of it since the start of the 1993 season. In **208** games in this span, CU has gained 400 or more yards **91** times (44 percent). The Buffaloes also have topped the 500-plus yard mark in **43** of the **207** games since the '93 season opener (21%)... and note that CU has played **83** ranked teams in this span.
- ➔ For years, the mark of a strong CU team was that the Buffaloes routinely averaged six or more yards on first down. The last time the Buffs averaged six or more for a season was in 2001, their Big 12 Championship year. Colorado did it six times between 1989 and 1997, including a team record best of **7.2** in both 1989 and 1994.
 - ➔ Colorado averaged **5.3** per first down play in 2007, but was inconsistent, gaining five or more yards just 149 times in 382 tries while being held to two yards or fewer 173 times. The average was **5.5** in Hawkins' first year. That dipped to a modest **4.4** yards in 2008; since 1966, CU has averaged less than 4.3 just six times (last in 1984) and less than 4.1 just once—3.5 in 1979
 - ➔ In 2009, the Buffs' struggles on first down continued, as CU averaged **4.43** yards on first down, **4.2** rushing and **4.7** passing; the number was flirting with being under 4.0 until the Buffs finished the season with three straight games averaging five yards or more (after doing it once the first 9 games).
- ➔ Dating back to the fifth game of the 1999 season, an OT win over Missouri, the Buffs have **46** scores by return in the last **134** games (two in 2009, with season highs of eight in 1999 and 2002). Since the '95 opener and including postseason, CU has **67** scores by return in **183** games (59 regular season, seven bowl), or two every five games.
- ➔ **200/200.** Colorado has accomplished the 200 "double-double," that is 200 yards both rushing and passing **13** times in the last **133** games (and **34** times in the last **206**, dating to 1993). CU averaged over 200 in each for the season in both 1993 and 1994 (the first times ever at CU), as well as in 2001 (228.5/205.9). The Buffs are **34-2** since 1989 when they have reached the 200 plateaus in both. *Prior to '93, CU had accomplished the feat only 19 times in its first 929 games in its history.*
- ➔ **Grass.** Colorado is **68-59-1** in its last **128** games on grass, dating back to the 1985 season (**64-53** in the last **117**, including a **39-27** mark at home since Folsom Field converted back to grass in 1999).
- ➔ **Artificial Turf.** Colorado is **92-40-3** in its last **135** games on non-grass fields dating back to 1989, including a **59-30-3** mark in conference games. CU was 0-5 on the fake stuff in 2009; the Buffs are **2-13** on it under Hawkins.
- ➔ CU quarterbacks have traditionally taken care of the football, as Buff slingers have thrown **209** interceptions in **6,522** attempts since the start of the 1993 season, an interception rate of just **3.20** percent (or one every **31.2** passes).
- ➔ The Buffs have been a bit of an enigma on **third down** defensively dating back to 2003. In 2003, while opponents converted at an ordinary 34.6 percent clip (56-of-162), it's what they accomplished on the ones they made. Opponents gained 966 yards on those 56 makes, or an average of **17.3** per play; otherwise, CU allowed just 61 yards on the other 106 plays, or just 0.6 per. In 2004, opponents were 92-of-205 (44.9%), but gained 1,300 yards on the 92 conversions (**14.1** per). In 2005, that number was down a bit to **10.2** on the 73 conversions, but jumped to **12.0** in 2006 (**1,022** yards on the **85** conversions).
 - ➔ The trend continued in '07, as opponents had **838** yards on 60 makes (**14.0** per), and just 130 on 113 misses (1.1). In '08, opponents had **643** yards on its' 66 makes (**9.7** per), and just 78 on the 102 misses (**0.8**)
 - ➔ In 2009, opponents had **913** yards on its' 58 makes (**15.7** per), and just **15** on the **112** misses (**0.1**).
- ➔ **Second Down Conversions.** In the fifth year of tracking this statistic, trends basically show great success in converting on second down in wins as opposed to losses, whereas often on third down it doesn't seem to translate as much (2009 numbers on page 6 of the stat sheet; 2008 shown below to prove trend):

Second Down:
 2008 WINS (5)—Colorado: 41-of-125, 32.8%; Opponent 29-of-111, 26.1%.
 2008 LOSSES (7)—Colorado: 41-of-155, 26.5%; Opponent 68-of-166, 41.0%.

Third Down:
 2008 WINS (5)—Colorado: 35-of-77, 45.5%; Opponent 23-of-73, 31.5%.
 2008 LOSSES (7)—Colorado: 33-of-104, 31.7%; Opponent 43-of-95, 45.3%.
- ➔ **Third Down & 36 Inches.** Under Hawkins, CU is **46-of-60** on 3rd-&-1 (76.7%), including **8-of-12** in 2009. Colorado was **12-of-13** on 3rd-&-1 plays in 2006, and was a bit subpar in 2007 (**11-of-17**) before rallying to go **15-of-18** in 2008.
- ➔ **No Turns Or Sacks.** Dating back to 1972, Colorado is **14-0** in games when not allowing a sack or committing a turnover. The latest occurrence of this was in 2007—twice, in the 65-51 throttling of Nebraska and in the 31-26 win at Texas Tech. It also happened twice in 2005, when CU did it in a three-game span (in a 41-20 conquest of Texas A & M and a 44-13 win over Kansas). Those were the first times since 2001, when CU also did it twice (San Jose State and Nebraska). In these 14 games, the Buffs have outscored the opponent by **570-284**, with only three games decided by less than 17 points (a 21-16 win at Iowa State in 1993 and the two 2007 games).
- ➔ Colorado rarely folds when the opponent is faced with a 3rd-and-20 or longer. Since Miami, Fla., converted on a 3rd-and-20 in its 35-29 win in Boulder in 1993, opponents are just **4-of-92** on 3rd-and-20 or more (**0-of last-1**; Kansas converted on a 3rd-&-29 in 2009). The Buff defense had stopped the opponent 51 straight times until UCLA converted a 3rd-and-30 in 2003, and then 30 straight times before KU made good in '09. The CU offense is **8-of-90** when it's faced with 3rd-and-20 plus in the same span.
- ➔ Under Dan Hawkins, the Buffs have scored in **123** of **196** quarters (63 percent) and **4** of **5** overtime periods. All told, dating back to 1993, CU has scored in **592** of **848** quarters (70%). Those numbers include **25** of **48** quarters in 2008 (after **35** of **52** quarters in 2007).

NFL SCOUT WATCH

Colorado has 17 seniors on its roster in 2010, including its most professional prospects in quite some time. History has proven that most, if not all, NFL teams pass through Boulder every season for a game or practice(s). In 2009, 57 scouts from 22 teams witnessed the Buffs in person; so far in 2010, 19 teams have sent scouts to camp practices: Atlanta, Arizona, Baltimore, Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Green Bay, Houston, Kansas City, Miami, New England, New Orleans, N.Y. Giants, N.Y. Jets, Oakland, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, San Diego, San Francisco, Tampa Bay and Tennessee. Dating back to 2000, all 32 teams have seen multiple CU games in person (419 scouts in the decade-long period).

"OUTSIDE THE NINE DOTS"

Some out of the ordinary records by the Buffs in some unique situations:

- ❑ Colorado is 85-51 in its last 136 games against teams who were not undefeated at the time of the game;
- ❑ Colorado is 74-27 against teams with three or more losses dating back to the 1985 season;
- ❑ Colorado is 66-31-1 in its last 98 games against schools that include the word "State" (dating to 1986);
- ❑ Colorado is 525-245-25 all-time in games played in the Mountain Time Zone (Colorado, Arizona, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming)

FOURTEEN TO THE HOUSE ON THE FIRST TRY WHEN IT COMES TO THEFTS & SCORES

CU players have a penchant to return their first career interceptions for touchdowns, as since 1992, 14 Buffaloes have scored after stealing their first college pass. The latest was in 2007, when redshirt frosh **CB Jimmy Smith**, as his 31-yard return of a Joe Ganz pass cut Nebraska's lead over CU to 35-31 early in the second half and was the impetus to a 65-51 comeback win. The one previous was the most spectacular of the lot: **ILB Marcus Burton** returned a pick 99 yards at Oklahoma State in 2005, preserving CU's shutout in the waning seconds of the game. Three did it in 2004: **OLB Brian Iwuh** did it off the bat when he made his first career pick and returned it 37 yards for what proved to be the winning touchdown against Colorado State in the season opener; a week later, he was injured early against Washington State, and his sub, **Joe Sanders**, plucked off a ball and raced 51 yards for six, snapping a 3-3 deadlock in the process. Against Texas, **CB Terrence Wheatley** plucked one off and race 37 yards for six with his first theft. Two did it in 2001: **S Medford Moorer** picked off his first career pass and returned it 64 yards for a touchdown against Texas in the Big 12 Championship game, while **CB Donald Strickland** returned his first career pick 31 yards for a touchdown just one minute into the CSU game. Frosh redshirt **CB Phil Jackson** did it in 2000, as he returned his first career INT 28 yards for a TD against Washington. **SS Rashidi Barnes** had his first one in CU's win over CSU in 1997, returning it 26 yards for a score, rallying the Buffs into a 14-14 tie early in the second half. Barnes was the fourth Buff in a 14-game span to return a first career pick for a TD—**Marcus Washington** had a 95-yard theft for a score in the '96 Cotton Bowl against Oregon; **Vili Maumau** had a 33-yard interception for six (and a Hula dance) at Colorado State in 1996; and **Nick Ziegler** stole one for a 31-yard score against Washington in the '96 Holiday Bowl. **Ben Kelly** didn't do with an interception, but he did take his first career punt return back for a TD (against Utah State). In 1992, **Dwayne Davis** returned one 31 yards for a TD in a 21-20 win at Minnesota to start this amazing run.

BUFFALO DINOSAURS

Through 2009, the longtime radio voice of the Buffs, **Larry Zimmer**, has called 456 CU games in his career, including 193 in a row (he's only missed three bowl games, two due to contracts forbidding teams to originate broadcasts, and three regular season games due to travel conflicts); his 400th at CU was also the 1,000 of his professional career. In 2009, he was honored as the 15th recipient of the Chris Schenkel Award, which recognizes those who have enjoyed a long and distinguished career broadcasting college football at a single institution. Other dinosaurs: **SID Dave Plati** has worked 358 including the last 316 (dating to the '83 finale), while facilities man **John Krueger** has worked 305 in all (a string of 144 straight ended in 2008). **Brian Cabral** is the football staffer with the most "Buff" experience, as he has now coached in 257 in a row as an assistant coach; including his playing days (46 games), he has been a part of 303 CU games (celebrating No. 300 with the 35-34 win over Texas A&M). The late **Fred Casotti**, the school's longtime SID and associate AD between 1952-87, witnessed 477 CU football games in person prior to his passing in 2001; included within that was a string of 268 in a row at one time at Folsom Field. Senior associate AD **Jon Burianek**, who retired in June 2006, is next as he worked 432 CU football games, including a closing run of 415 in a row (229 of which were at home; he'd seen 453 all told at the time he left CU). And the late **F.M. "Dutch" Westerberg** is the all-timer; he saw every CU home game (394 of 'em) from 1921 until 1999, when he passed away at the age of 94.

CONFERENCE CHARTS

A look at how Big 12 teams stack up in some categories since the league's birth in 1996 (TV appearance totals are for the year with all selections made):

On The Big 12 Road

School	W	L	Pct.
Texas	37	12	.755
Oklahoma	32	17	.653
Nebraska	31	24	.564
Kansas State	26	29	.473
Texas A&M	26	30	.464
Texas Tech	23	31	.426
Colorado	23	33	.411
Missouri	20	34	.370
Oklahoma State	20	35	.364
Iowa State	12	44	.214
Kansas	11	44	.200
Baylor	3	53	.054

Does not include neutral site games
OU-UT, OSU-TT, NU-OSU, KU-MU,
ISU-KSU or BU-TT through the years.

Inter-Division (North vs. South)

School	W	L	Pct.
Nebraska	23	19	.548
Colorado	22	20	.524
Kansas State	22	20	.524
Missouri	21	21	.500
Iowa State	9	33	.214
Kansas	8	34	.190

Inter-Division (South vs. North)

School	W	L	Pct.
Texas	35	7	.833
Oklahoma	31	11	.738
Texas Tech	24	17	.585
Texas A&M	24	18	.571
Oklahoma State	22	20	.524
Baylor	10	32	.238

(does not include title games)

2009 Network TV Appearances

School	Tot	ABC	FSN	ESPN	Oth
Kansas	12	5	2	0	5
Texas	12	6	3	2	1
Colorado	11	1	3	4	3
Oklahoma	11	5	5	1	0
Nebraska	10	6	1	2	1
Oklahoma State	10	4	3	2	1
Kansas State	9	0	2	1	6
Texas Tech	9	4	3	1	1
Missouri	8	2	1	4	1
Baylor	7	2	2	0	3
Iowa State	5	1	2	0	2
Texas A&M	6	0	1	3	2

Does not include pay-per-view; does
include other packages (Versus, FCS,
etc).

vs. Ranked Non-League Teams

(AP, since 1990; by games played)

School	G	W	L	T	Pct.
Colorado	28	14	13	1	.518
Texas	23	8	13	2	.364
Oklahoma	16	7	9	0	.438
Nebraska	15	8	7	0	.533
Texas Tech	13	0	13	0	.000
Texas A&M	12	4	8	0	.333
Baylor	11	2	9	0	.182
Missouri	10	2	8	0	.200
Iowa State	9	1	8	0	.111
Oklahoma State	7	1	6	0	.143
Kansas	7	0	7	0	.000
Kansas State	4	1	3	0	.333

(regular season; does not include
bowls)

PLAYING ON SUNDAY: IN-THE-PROS

There are **18** former Colorado Buffaloes on National Football League rosters as of last Saturday (August 28); there were 22 on the rosters at the end of the 2009 season (23 in 2008). CU has continually been one of the top 20 producers for the last 22 years of NFL talent, and at one time in the late 1970's had the most active players (47) of any school in the nation. The last time Colorado was in the top 10 in players produced was in 2002, coming in 10th — though with the same number (29) as were playing in 2006 when it was 19th. CU led the Big 12 in this area in the first four years of the conference's existence, was second in 2002 and 2003, and was third seven other seasons (including 2004 through 2007). Nationally, CU was in the top four from 1996-99 (third in '09, fourth the other three years). The active list (♣—denotes one-time Buffalo who finished at another school; **i**—denotes on injured reserve; **wi**—waived-injured status; club still owns rights but player does not count against roster maximum; **p**—practice squad):

Player	Pos.	Team	Exp.
Justin Bannan	DT	Denver Broncos	8
Tyler Brayton	DT	Carolina Panthers	7
Mason Crosby	PK	Green Bay Packers	3
i —Jordon Dizon	ILB	Detroit Lions	2
Riar Geer	TE	Denver Broncos	R
Daniel Graham	TE	Denver Broncos	8
Andre Gurode	OG	Dallas Cowboys	8
Brian Iwuh	OLB	Chicago Bears	4
Brad Jones	OLB	Green Bay Packers	1
i —Joe Klopfenstein	TE	Buffalo Bills	4
Michael Lewis	SS	San Francisco 49ers	8
Maurice Lucas	DE	Atlanta Falcons	R2
Tyler Polumbus	OT	Detroit Lions	2
Donald Strickland	CB	San Diego Chargers	7
♣—David Veikune	DT	Cleveland Browns	1
Lawrence Vickers	RB	Cleveland Browns	4
Terrence Wheatley	CB	New England Patriots	2
Patrick Williams	WR	Green Bay Packers	1

Waived In Camp/In-Season

Player	Pos.	Team	Exp.
Daniel Sanders	OL	Baltimore Ravens	R

COACHES

Name	Pos.	Team	Tie To Colorado
Greg Biekert	Def. Asst.	Oakland	Player, 1989-92
Eric Bieniemy	RB	Minnesota	Player, 1987-90 & AC
Tom Cable	HC	Oakland	Asst. Coach, 1998-99
Jim Caldwell	HC	Indianapolis	Asst. Coach, 1982-84
Karl Dorrell	WR	Miami	Asst. Coach, 1992-98
Jon Embree	TE	Washington	Player, 1983-86 & AC
David Gibbs	DB	Houston	Player, 1987-90
Vance Joseph	DB	San Francisco	Player, 1990-94
Chris Morgan	OL Asst.	Oakland	Player, 1996-99
Rod Perry	DB	Indianapolis	Player, 1973-74
Vernon Stephens	Str/Cond	San Diego	Asst. S&C Coach, 2003-06

DIRECTORS OF COLLEGE SCOUTING

Name	Team	Tie To Colorado
Matt Russell	Denver	Player, 1992-96/Butkus Award

BY TEAM (12 of 32)— Denver 3, Green Bay 3, Cleveland 2, Detroit 2, Atlanta 1, Buffalo 1, Carolina 1, Chicago 1, Dallas 1, New England 1, San Diego 1, San Francisco 1.

CANADA & ELSEWHERE: Three former Buffs are making livings north of the border in the Canadian Football League, as **C Marwan Hage** is in his seventh year with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, **TB Hugh Charles** is in his third year with the Saskatchewan Rough Riders and **OG Edwin Harrison** is in his first year with the Calgary Stampeders. **TE Tyson DeVree** is with Hartford in the UFL.

COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL COACHES: Six former Buffaloes are serving as high school head coaches in the state; the six who head prep programs: **Dave Logan** (Mullen), **Mike Marquez** (Northglenn), **Bill Mondt** (Eaton), **Tom Tesone** (Bishop Machebeuf), **Ron Woolfork** (Overland) and **Scott Yates** (Kent Denver).

ALL-TIME CU PRO NOTE: How good was CU's 1994 offense? Ten of the 11 starters were drafted into the NFL (Tony Berti, Rae Carruth, Christian Fauria, Heath Irwin, Chris Naeole, Rashaan Salaam, Kordell Stewart, Bryan Stoltzberg, Derek West and Michael Westbrook), with the 11th signing as a free agent (Lepis). All played, and three remain on NFL rosters some 11 years later. And six of the '94 defensive starters wound up playing professionally as well.

➔ CU has had **257** players drafted into the NFL; that's 20th all-time, and fourth among Big 12 schools behind Oklahoma (339), Nebraska (331) and Texas (316); Notre Dame leads with 462, one more than second place USC. OU is fourth, NU sixth and UT ninth; Texas A&M is right being CU in 21st with 255.

O-LINEMEN PIPELINE?

In recent times, CU has been a solid conduit to the National Football League when it has come to linebackers, encroaching a bit on the title justifiably thrown Penn State's direction. However, some research has indicated CU may very well be the place to go if an offensive lineman wants to take it to the next level. Dating back to the 1991 NFL draft, or the '87 recruiting class, 22 of 29 players who started at least two years on the Buff offensive line were either drafted or signed as free agents. The list is impressive (with three others who started just one season):

Full Years				Full Years			
Player	Pos	As A Starter	NFL (Round or FA)	Player	Pos	As A Starter	NFL (Round or FA)
Daniel Sanders	G/C	(3) 2006-08	St. Louis (FA)	Ryan Johanningmeier	G/T	(3) 1997-98-99	Atlanta (FA)
Edwin Harrison	G/T	(3) 2005-07	Kansas City (FA)	Melvin Thomas	G/T	(3) 1995-96-97	Philadelphia (7)
Tyler Polumbus	T	(3) 2005-07	Denver (FA)	Chris Naeole	G	(3) 1994-95-96	New Orleans (1)
Brian Daniels	G	(4) 2003-06	Minnesota (FA)	Heath Irwin	G	(3) 1993-94-95	New England (4)
Mark Fenton	C	(3) 2004-06	Denver (FA)	Bryan Stoltzberg	C	(4) 1992-93-94-95	San Diego (6)
Clint O'Neal	T	(2) 2004-05	Washington (FA)	Derek West	T	(3) 1992-93-94	Indianapolis (5)
Sam Wilder	T	(2) 2003-04	Dallas (FA)	Tony Berti	T	(2) 1993-94	San Diego (6)
Marwan Hage	G/C	(3) 2001-02-03	Jacksonville (FA)	Jay Leeuwenburg	C	(3) 1989-90-91	Kansas City (9)
Wayne Lucier	G/C	(2) 2001-02	N.Y. Giants (7)	Mark VanderPoel	T	(3) 1988-89-90	Indianapolis (4)
Justin Bates	T/G	(3) 2000-01-02	Dallas (7)	Joe Garten	G	(4) 1987-88-89-90	Green Bay (6)
Andre Gurode	G/C	(3) 1999-00-01	Dallas (2)	One-Year Starters:			
Victor Rogers	T	(3) 1999-00-01	Detroit (7)	Tom Ashworth	T	(1) 2000	New England (FA)
Brad Bedell	G	(2) 1998-99	Cleveland (6)	Ben Nichols	G	(1) 1998	Atlanta (FA)
Shane Cook	T	(2) 1998-99	New Orleans (FA)	Ariel Solomon	T	(1) 1990	Pittsburgh (10)

STEVENS THE LATEST IN LONG LINE OF WALK-ONS TO RISE TO FIRST-TEAM

After the NCAA started reducing the number of scholarships from 95 to 85 (completed in 1992), more and more players have had to make their bones starting as walk-ons. Here's a short list (28 count) of some of the standout former and current walk-ons who rose to first-team status at Colorado:

Player	Pos	First Season	Letters	Notes
Willie Beebe	FB	1978	4L	Solid blocker who scored nine career touchdowns as a bruiser near the goal line
Kyle Rappold	NT	1985	3L	Known as the "trash compactor" for his stature, the Fort Lewis transfer clogged the run
Jeff Campbell	WR/KR	1986	4L	Earned scholarship second day of freshman camp; played five years in the NFL
Ken Culbertson	PK	1986	3L	Scored 98 points in CU's 11-0 run in '89 season, making 59-59 PAT and 11-17 FG
David Gibbs	CB	1986	4L	Solid corner and special teams performer, now coaching with NFL Kansas City Chiefs
Mark Henry	WR	1987	3L	Big play guy with 18 career catches for 416 yards, or 23.1 per catch
Robbie James	WR	1987	1L	Threw TD pass on third down FG fake at Oklahoma State to lead CU to 16-12 win in 1991
Charles Johnson	QB	1987	2L	Often subbed for an injured Darian Hagan, earning Orange Bowl MVP honors in '91 vs. Notre Dame
Chris O'Donnell	LB/SN	1987	4L	Solid as a rock at long snapper on special teams all four years
Keith Miller	FB	1992	2L	From tiny Ovid, Colo., he was a solid blocking back. Now an opera singer with the MET.
Ryan Black	SS	1993	4L	Led team in tackles as a junior in 1996 with 154 (78 solo)
Ryan Sutter	FS	1993	3L	CU's all-time special team points leader, led Buffs in tackles (170, 98 solo) in 1997
Neil Voskeritchian	PK	1993	2L	Won the starting placekicker job in 1994, finished career ninth in scoring at CU (161 points)
Nick Pietsch	P	1996	4L	Led CU in punting in 1997-98-99, finished with a career average of 39.9
Beau Williams	TE	1998	2L	Primarily a blocking tight end, played a big role on CU's 2001 Big 12 title team
D.J. Hackett	WR	2001	2L	Walked on after CS-Northridge dropped football; led CU in receiving in '03, four-year NFL veteran
Tom Hubbard	FS	2001	2L	Defensive MVP of the 2004 Houston Bowl with two interceptions
Evan Judge	WR	2001	4L	Caught 69 balls for 903 yards to finish in top 20 in receiving yards
John Torp	P	2001	3L	Finished second for the '05 ray Guy Awa rd; set a school records with 205 punts, 65 inside the 20
Paul Creighton	TE	2002	4L	Also saw action at FB, he primarily was a
Greg Pace	SN	2002	4L	Took over all special team snapping chores early as a freshman and handled through senior year
Joel Klatt	QB	2003	3L	Former infielder in Padres organization went on to set 44 CU passing and total offense records
Cody Crawford	WR	2004	3L	Has cracked the school's all-time lists in catches and yards
Jeff Smart	ILB	2005	3L	Earned a scholarship 3 games into the 2007 season, first LB to do so under Cabral; second most tackles by a WO
Scotty McKnight	WR	2006	3L	First freshman wide receiver to ever lead CU in receiving (43-488, 4 TD), approaching top 10 in catches and yards
Aric Goodman	PK	2008	2L	In his first season, he was awarded a scholarship after making the game-winning FG versus West Virginia
Jason Espinoza	WR	2008	1L	Suffered two breaks to his collarbone in '08, playing briefly in-between; co-first team WR in '09
Keenan Stevens	C	2009	1L	Pressed into duty in the season opener due to injury, he soon became a fixture and started 10 games

SCORING STREAKS

The Buffs scored in a school record **242** consecutive games until Missouri ended the streak on October 25, 2008; it was first shutout loss since November 12, 1988 by Nebraska in Lincoln (7-0). The Buffs had scored in **94** consecutive road games (**123** including neutral sites) as well as in **153** straight league games, all **103** in Big 12 play, including the four title games, and their final 50 in Big Eight competition, dating back to the '88 shutout at Nebraska. But several other streaks remain:

- CU has scored in **136** straight games at home (last shutout: a 28-0 loss to Oklahoma on Nov. 15, 1986), and has scored in **132** straight games against non-conference opponents (last shutout: a 44-0 loss at home to LSU on September 15, 1979). The home shutout losses to Oklahoma in '86 and LSU in '79 are the only two times CU has not scored at Folsom Field over the course of the last **275** games (all the way back to 1963).
- CU has been shutout just eight times in its last **490** games (dating to October 5, 1968), but only five schools have administered them: Oklahoma (three times), Nebraska (twice), Louisiana State, Michigan and Missouri.
- **Big 12 Conference Consecutive Game Scoring Streaks (through 2009):** Nebraska 178, Kansas State 164, Texas Tech 154, Oklahoma 147, Missouri 90, Kansas 88, Iowa State 76, Texas A&M 76, Texas 73, Baylor 34, **Colorado 15**, Oklahoma State 1. CU is the last team to shutout Kansas State (12-0 in 1996).

2010 TEAM MAKE-UP

The 106 players listed on the roster on August 31 broke down into 17 seniors, 32 juniors, 14 sophomores and 43 freshmen (including 16 redshirt frosh). An expanded breakdown:

Lettermen Returning: 53 (27 offense, 25 defense, 1 specialist)

Lettermen Lost: 24 (9 offense, 12 defense, 3 specialists)

Starters Returning (15)—Offense 8: OG Ethan Adkins (9/9), OT Bryce Givens (7/7), QB Tyler Hansen (9/7), WR Scotty McKnight (25/11), OG Ryan Miller (23/12), OT Nate Solder (28/12), C Keenan Stevens (9/9), TB Rodney Stewart (8/3). **Defense 7:** OLB B.J. Beatty (10/10), CB Jalil Brown (16/10), DT Curtis Cunningham (12/12), DE Marquez Herrod (15/12), DT Will Pericak (12/12), FS Anthony Perkins (13/9), CB Jimmy Smith (15/12).
[Career/2009 starts in parenthesis; calculated by those with six-plus starts in 2009 or by who played the majority of snaps at a position.]

Others Returning With Significant Starting Experience (11; min. 3 career starts)— OT Matt Bahr (11/3), OG Blake Behrens (16/4), TE Ryan Deehan (11/5), WR Jason Espinoza (3/3), QB Cody Hawkins (28/5), OG/C Mike Iltis (4/4), WR Will Jefferson (4/4), SS Patrick Mahne (3/2), FS Ray Polk (3/3), ILB Michael Sipili (7/3).

Others Returning With Significant Position Game Experience (12; two or fewer career starts)— OLB Tyler Ahles, WR Kendrick Celestine, WR Dustin Ebner, DT Eugene Goree, DE Josh Hartigan, TB Brian Lockridge, ILB Jon Major, S Travis Sandersfeld, WR Andre Simmons, OG Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner, DE Forrest West, WR Anthony Wright.

Starters Lost (7)—Offense 3: FB Jake Behrens (7/2), TE Riar Geer (36/11), WR Markques Simas (9/9). **Defense 4:** CB Cha'pelle Brown (36/24), SS Benjamin Burney (26/10), ILB Marcus Burton (8/7), ILB Jeff Smart (33/11).

Others Lost With Significant Starting/Playing Experience (5)— TE Patrick Devenny, ILB Shaun Mohler, TBs Kevin Moyd, Darrell Scott & Demetrius Sumler.

Specialists Returning (1)— PK Aric Goodman.

Specialists Lost (3)— SN Austin Bisnow, P Matt DiLallo, SN Justin Drescher.

HISTORICALLY

Colorado is in its second century of intercollegiate football, as the Buffaloes will begin their 120th season of competition having played **1,137** games with an all-time record of **666-435-36**. CU currently stands 17th on the all-time win list and is 23rd in all-time winning percentage (.602; 21st for those schools with at least 50 seasons in Division I-A). Only Texas, Oklahoma and Nebraska from the Big 12 rank ahead of CU on each list, and only 12 Division I schools have played more seasons of intercollegiate football than Colorado. In Boulder, the Buffs are **292-144-10** in 86 seasons on the “hilltop” (Folsom Field). Against Big 12 opposition, CU is **253-228-13** against the other 11 members of the conference, formed in 1996.

MONTHLY TAB

Dating back to 1989, the Buffs are **52-28-1** in their last **81** November games (**46-17** in November against all-comers aside from Nebraska, going 6-11-1 against NU in turkey month). CU is **49-26** in its last **75** September games, a pretty decent record considering the quality of non-conference schedule CU annually plays, and is **4-2-1** in August games in its history. The Buffs are **50-33-2** in their last **85** October games and is **5-7** in December games since 1993, including bowls.

2010 ANNIVERSARIES

The annual listing of what happened years ago, or anniversaries of 5, 10 and 25-year increments:

- 1905** Due to a disagreement with the powers-that-be with the Colorado Football Association, Colorado pulls out of the league for the 1905 season, only to rejoin a year later. Thus, 105 is the last year in CU football history it competed as an independent (going 8-1 and outscoring the foe 359-28).
- 1910** The 100th anniversary of the second of three 6-0 teams in a row while establishing the school's all-time winning streak of 21 games between 1908 and 1912. It's the first year of the Rocky Mountain Faculty Athletic Conference (RMAC), and the Buffs allow a single field goal all year in outscoring the opponent 119-3.
- 1920** (Nov. 25) CU closes a 4-1-2 season with a 40-7 win at Oklahoma State, the program's most decisive win outside of the state's borders in 21 seasons of competition and one that wouldn't be bested until a 48-7 win at Brigham Young in 1934 (sans a 43-0 win over an Hawaiian All-Star team in 1924).
- 1935** **Kayo Lam** becomes the first player in CU history to rush for 1,000 yards (1,043 in nine games), and CU wins its first outright conference title in 11 seasons by going 5-1 in RMAC play, sealing the title with a 14-0 win at Denver on Thanksgiving Day.
- 1940** (Oct. 26) In a 62-0 win over Wyoming in Boulder, 10 different players score for the Buffaloes—still a record to this day. Seven different players score touchdowns (**Paul McClung** and **Leo Stasica** scored two), while three others tack on the conversions.
- 1950** Though it's Colorado's third year as a member of the Big 7 Conference, Oklahoma finally appears as a conference opponent for the first time. The Sooners win a tough 27-18 battle in Boulder, the first of many over the course of the decade where CU was a thorn in the side of an Oklahoma team that was in the midst of a 47-0-1 run in conference play (the lone tie a 21-21 affair with the Buffs in 1952).
- 1955** After a 34-13 win at Kansas State, the Buffs improve to 4-0 and vault to No. 14 in the nation prior to their annual showdown with Oklahoma; the following week in Norman, the No. 3 Sooners topple the Buffs, 56-21 in CU's first game as a ranked team against a ranked opponent.
- 1960** (Oct. 29) After going 0-9-1 in the previous decade against Oklahoma, the Buffs start off the new one with a 7-0 win over the Sooners in Boulder; the schools would split the 10 games in the 1960s with five wins apiece. When coupled with a 19-6 win over Nebraska the previous week, it's the first time CU defeats NU and OU in the same calendar year.
- 1965** After three straight 2-8 seasons after the program was ravaged by NCAA sanctions, **Eddie Crowder's** third team goes 6-2-2; the season opener at Wisconsin (Sept. 18) is the last 0-0 tie in Colorado history and one of the last in college football.
- 1970** (Sept. 26) No. 4 Penn State visits Boulder riding a 31-game unbeaten streak, but the No. 18 Buffaloes end the Nittany Lions impressive run with a 41-13 win before a national televised audience on ABC. The Buffs jump 10 spots in the AP poll to No. 8 (still the school best for improvement from one week to the next), and **Phil Irwin** becomes the first CU football player to grace the cover of *Sports Illustrated* the following week (and the jinx holds true as CU loses 21-20 at Kansas State). On Nov. 21, the Buffs close the regular season with a 49-19 blowout of No. 10 Air Force in the Springs.
- 1975** (Oct. 4) The Buffs almost knocked off No. 1 Oklahoma in Norman, but did knock the Sooners from No. 1 to No. 2 in the polls. CU pulled to within the eventual final score of 21-20 with 1:19 left, but elected to go for the tie against OU, which was riding a 32-game unbeaten streak at the time. The extra point kick sailed off to the left. Coach **Bill Mallory** went for the tie on the belief that a tie could give CU the conference championship later in the year. The Buffs finished the season with a 9-3 mark, finishing third in the Big 8.
- 1980** (Oct. 4) A total of 63 school, conference and national records are set in Oklahoma's 82-42 win over the Buffaloes in Boulder. It was one of 10 losses on the year for CU, which recorded its worst record (1-10) in 91 seasons of intercollegiate football.
- 1985** CU earns a bowl invitation for the first time since 1976, and wins the NCAA Most Improved Team Award (+5½ games over the 1-10 record in 1984). In a bold move, the Buffs switch from a passing oriented offense to the wishbone, the end result being CU's first winning season since 1978 (7-5) after going 14-51-1 the previous six seasons.
- 1990** Colorado clinches its first national championship in football with a 10-9 win over Notre Dame in the Orange Bowl, the second team to do so when playing what was deemed the nation's toughest schedule. Wins over Stanford, Texas, Washington, Oklahoma and Nebraska (the latter two back-to-back for the second straight year) highlighted CU's 11 wins. **Alfred Williams** wins the Butkus Award, becoming the first player in CU history to win one of college football's major postseason trophies. And unbeknownst to all involved at the time, CU gets a fifth down at Missouri to score the winning touchdown as time expired. In actuality, Colorado had two second downs when the marker and scoreboard did not change.
- 1995** CU overcomes 10 players drafted into the NFL (seven in the first 71 picks) to have a 10-win season, with all seven seniors invited to play in the Hula Bowl, **Rick Neuheisel** wins his debut as head coach with a 43-7 drubbing of Wisconsin on the road, the only CU head coach to win his first game since 1932. **QB Koy Detmer** is lost for the season with a knee injury early on, but **John Hessler** fills in and leads CU to a 10-2 mark and a Cotton Bowl win over Oregon.
- 2000** (Oct. 28) **QB Craig Ochs** becomes the first player in Colorado history to rush for a touchdown, throw for a touchdown and catch a touchdown pass in CU's 37-21 win over Oklahoma State. The lone instance in CU history was the 16th time in NCAA history at the time that this trifecta occurred.
- 2005** Colorado reappeared in the national rankings after a 25-month drought, but the Buffaloes couldn't remain there after a 7-2 start, losing their final four games of the year. CU did win the Big 12 North Division and appear in the league championship game for the fourth time in five years (a feat matched by no other team in either division). **PK Mason Crosby** was the runner-up for the Lou Groza Award, becoming CU's first-ever first-team All-American placekicker, and **P John Torp** finished second in the balloting for the Ray Guy Award.

BIG 12 BOWL AGREEMENTS

Here's the Big 12 Conference bowl lineup; the league is guaranteed a spot in the Dallas Football Classic for the 2010 and '12 seasons; and the Eagle Bank Bowl in 2013. The conference will provide a team to either bowl in 2011 if the conference/team under contract that season is unable to supply an opponent. For 2011 the Dallas Football Classic has agreements with the Big Ten and Conference USA to provide teams; while the Eagle Bank Bowl is partnered with the ACC and Navy:

Tostitos Fiesta Bowl and/or BCS National Championship

AT&T Cotton (SEC)

Valero Alamo (Pac-10)

Insight (Big Ten)

Bridgepoint Education Holiday (Pac-10)

Texas (Big Ten)

New Era Pinstripe Bowl (Big East)

Dallas Football Classic/Eagle Bank (Big Ten/ACC)

OVERTIME

Colorado is 5-4 all-time in overtime games; the Buffs became the 84th team in Division I-A to play an overtime game when it played its first ever extra session affair against Missouri in 1999. Here's a chart summarizing the Buffs in overtime (*—denotes in Denver):

Date	Opponent	Score	Regulation	Coin Toss	Choice	----Total Yards----		Notes
						Offense	Defense	
10-09-99	MISSOURI	W 46-39	39-39	Missouri	Defense	25	13	Ends with Kelly INT
11-26-99	NEBRASKA	L 30-33	27-27	Nebraska	Defense	9	25	CU trailed 27-3 early in 4th
11-09-02	at Missouri	W 42-35	35-35	Missouri	Defense	25	18	Ends with Mossioni FR
12-28-02	Wisconsin	L 28-31	28-28	Wisconsin	Defense	-2	5	Alamo Bowl
10-11-03	KANSAS	W 50-47	44-44	Colorado	Defense	25	7	Calhoun 3-25 rushing in OT
10-23-04	at Texas A & M	L 26-29	26-26	Colorado	Defense	14	33	First CU turnover in OT ends it
10-07-06	BAYLOR	L 31-34 (3 OT)	17-17	Colorado	Defense	42	72	Ends in 3OT on Baylor INT
9-01-07	*Colorado State	W 31-28	28-28	Colorado	Defense	7	16	Eberhart kicks GWFG after Wheatley INT
9-18-08	WEST VIRGINIA	W 17-14 (OT)	14-14	Colorado	Defense	18	19	Goodman kicks GWFG after WVU miss

All-Time Overtime Wins: Missouri 9-3, Tennessee 8-1, Northwestern 8-2, N.C. State 8-4, Oregon 8-4, UCLA 7-1, Arkansas 7-2, Hawai'i 7-2, Texas A&M 7-4, LSU 7-5, South Florida 6-0, Buffalo 6-3, Central Michigan 6-4, Cincinnati 6-4, Mississippi 6-5, Pittsburgh 6-6; T16. **Colorado 5-4** (with Auburn, UL-Monroe, Navy, Nebraska, Syracuse & TCU)

RANKED "UNDEFEATEDS" FALL AT FOLSOM

Eleven ranked, undefeated teams have lost their "0" in the loss column at Folsom Field since 1989. The last was Kansas this year, as the Jayhawks (5-0) hit town ranked No. 17 and lost 34-30. In 2007, Oklahoma (4-0) rolled in ranked No. 3 and left with a 27-24 setback; in 2002, Kansas State came to Boulder ranked No. 13 at 4-0 and lost, 35-31. Two bit the dust in 2001: Nebraska (11-0, No. 1 in the BCS and No. 2 in the polls) dropped a 62-36 game to the Buffs, as did Texas A & M (5-0, No. 20), 31-21. In 1998, No. 22 Texas Tech (6-0) fell to CU 19-17; in 1995, No. 3 Texas A&M (2-0) lost, 29-21; in 1994, No. 10 Wisconsin (2-0) was crushed, 55-17; and in 1990, No. 12 Washington (3-0) left a 20-14 loser. In 1989, No. 10 Illinois (2-0) lost 38-7 and No. 3 Nebraska (8-0) fell, 27-21.

STREAKING

Colorado has active multiple win streaks going against 12 Division I-A schools. The list: **5**—Air Force; **4**—San Jose State; **3**—Minnesota, Utah State, Wyoming; **2**—California, Iowa, Louisiana-Monroe, Notre Dame, Oregon State, Texas Tech and UCLA. CU's longest current losing streak is to Southern Cal and Texas (5), followed by LSU and Missouri (4) and Florida State and Michigan State (3 each).

THE BUFFS & COLLEGE FOOTBALL HARDWARE

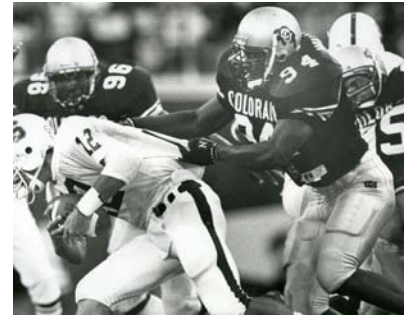
Colorado is in an elite group when it comes to claiming college football's prestigious trophies dating back to the 1990 season. A proliferation of awards has emerged since the late 1980s, and the Buffs are near the top of the list when it comes to collecting these statues. CU has had seven different players win nine trophies over the last 20 seasons, which is the 11th most nationally when it comes to trophies. But when it comes to different players who have been honored, only Ohio State (12), Oklahoma (10), Miami, Fla. (9), Nebraska (9), Texas (9) and Florida State (8) top the Buffs' seven. The postseason "hardware" includes the Heisman Trophy and the Lombardi, Maxwell, Walter Camp, Butkus, Thorpe, O'Brien, Ubitas, Groza, Biletnikoff, Doak Walker, Nagurski, Bednarik, Mackey, Tatupu (defunct), Ray Guy, Rimington, Lott and Hendricks (on-field player awards only—for example, if the Draddy was included, CU would have one more on each list; so players only, no coaches, and no Disney Spirit, Orange Bowl Courage and ARA Sportsmanship awards). The list of schools that have had winners between 1990 and 2009 (players only; LSU and Michigan players split the 2004 Rimington Award and thus were both compensated for in the trophy count):

School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies	School	Players	Trophies
Ohio State	12	21	Wisconsin	4	7	Arizona State	2	4	Oregon State	2	2	Hawai'i	1	1
Texas	9	20	Iowa	6	6	Arkansas	2	4	Stanford	2	2	Kentucky	1	1
Oklahoma	10	17	Arizona	5	6	Northwestern	1	4	Texas A&M	2	2	Louisiana Tech	1	1
Miami, Fla.	9	17	Notre Dame	5	6	Georgia Tech	3	3	Virginia	2	2	Marshall	1	1
Florida State	8	16	Louisiana State	3	6	Kansas State	3	3	Wake Forest	2	2	Michigan State	1	1
Nebraska	9	14	Texas Tech	5	5	Purdue	3	3	Baylor	1	2	N.C. State	1	1
Florida	7	14	UCLA	5	5	Pittsburgh	2	3	Maryland	1	2	Oklahoma State	1	1
Michigan	7	14	Tennessee	3	5	Virginia Tech	2	3	North Carolina	1	2	Rutgers	1	1
Penn State	7	13	Brigham Young	2	5	Washington	2	3	Auburn	1	1	Tulane	1	1
USC	6	11	Louisville	3	4	California	2	2	Boston College	1	1	Washington State	1	1
COLORADO	7	9	Minnesota	3	4	Illinois	2	2	Cincinnati	1	1	West Virginia	1	1
Alabama	7	7	Mississippi	3	4	Memphis	2	2	Colorado State	1	1	Wyoming	1	1
Georgia	4	7	TCU	3	4	Missouri	2	2	Fresno State	1	1			

WILLIAMS TO BECOME FIFTH BUFFALO TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME

Alfred Williams, one of the key figures in the University of Colorado football team's rise to national prominence in the late 1980s, will become the fifth Buffalo to be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame, the National Football Foundation announced May 27. Williams, 41, who still resides in the metro Denver area (Centennial) will be the second youngest Colorado player to go into the Hall. He is a member of a very impressive overall class, as he will be inducted with 13 others, including two coaches, this December in New York City. Williams is the third youngest player of the newest dozen who will be enshrined. They will be inducted at the 53rd annual awards dinner at the famed Waldorf Astoria on December 7 and the group will officially be enshrined in the Hall in the summer of 2011. **CU will honor him at its home opener on September 18 against Hawai'i in what is being billed as Alfred Williams Day.**

This was the third year Williams was on the national ballot, which usually numbers around 75 candidates (77 this year), as he first appeared in 2008. Two other Buffaloes were also on the ballot, former head coach **Bill McCartney** and tailback **Eric Bieniemy**; both were candidates for the first time and automatically advance to subsequent national ballots for the next decade. The minimum requirement for players is first-team All-America mention at least one season.



"I am so proud and honored by this, but it's a tribute to my teammates and coaches," Williams said. "I was honestly speechless when I found out. A lot of people deserve to go into the College Football Hall of Fame but they select so few, so I am both humble and proud to represent all my teammates as the first to go in from our national championship team. Hopefully there will be others, including Coach Mac. I'm so proud of all the guys I played with over the years at CU, they were my family. Everyone knows how I feel about the University of Colorado and my love for the school."

Williams was a member of one of the most decorated recruiting classes in CU history, as the 1987 group added to the foundation for McCartney's teams to take things up a notch to eventually win three straight Big Eight Conference titles from 1989-91 and the consensus national championship in 1990. Williams was a standout player all four of his seasons, first playing as a true freshman in 1987 and culminating with his selection as a unanimous All-American and the Butkus Award winner as the nation's top linebacker as a senior in 1990. He was a consensus All-American as junior in 1989 when he was one of four finalists for the Lombardi Award along with teammate and childhood friend, **Kanavis McGhee**.

Williams' Butkus Award was the first major trophy honoring an individual won by a Colorado player. During his career, CU was 37-10-1, including a 22-6 mark in Big Eight games (22-2-1 and 14-0, respectively, his junior and senior seasons when he was a unanimous All-Big Eight performer and two-time league defensive player-of-the-year).

Williams finished his career with 263 tackles (180 solo), the 10th most at the time in school history (still 23rd overall). His 59 tackles for loss and 35 quarterback sacks are both still school bests, along with the 303 and 242 yards lost, respectively, for each category. He had at least one sack in 28 of 48 career games (including a streak of 10 straight games to open 1990), and led the Big Eight Conference in sacks as a junior (10½) and senior (12½). He also had 53 quarterback hurries (second all-time), 42 third down stops (third) and 25 passes broken up (11th). He was the recipient of CU's Dave Jones Award as the team's defensive MVP his junior and senior years. He was second-team All-Big Eight as a sophomore, a season in which he had one of his best "monster" games. In a 24-21 win at Iowa, he had seven tackles, four for losses including two sacks, a forced fumble, a recovery, a pass deflection and a blocked punt.

He was inducted into CU's Athletic Hall of Fame in 2008, the seventh class to receive the distinction; his jersey number – 94 – was honored in the first group recognized in 1998. He was selected as an honorable mention performer on CU's All-Century Team (1890-1989), voted on the team by fans and alumni midway through his junior season.

Byron "Whizzer" White and **Joe Romig** were the first two Buffaloes to enter the Hall, inducted in 1952 and 1984, respectively, and followed by the **Anderson** brothers, with **Dick** inducted in 1993 and **Bobby** in 2006. White was a back and Romig a guard/linebacker in the old platoon days, while Dick Anderson was a safety and Bobby a tailback.

Williams is thus the second fastest to be inducted into the Hall, exactly 20 years since he last suited up for the Buffaloes; White was inducted 15 years after his collegiate playing days. Williams will also be the first African-American from CU inducted into the Hall, and is one of just a handful who has won a national championship and a Super Bowl playing for a school and then a pro team in the same state. CU won the consensus national championship in 1990, and the Denver Broncos won the Super Bowl following the 1997 and 1998 seasons.

After his playing days in the NFL, he co-founded At Light Speed, a communications data center, with former CU teammate Charles S. Johnson. He then made his foray into radio and television work, handling color commentary on the Altitude Network for area games and appearing on several guest panels. He is currently a radio personality, co-hosting a daily talk show on KKFN (104.3 fm). He has been a volunteer Pop Warner coach for the last 11 years, and is a past board member of the American Red Cross.

McCartney was asked what comes to mind when he hears Alfred's name.

"Potential. Extraordinary potential. The sky's the limit. How high is up. He had it all," McCartney said. "He could run, he could jump, he was instinctive, smart. He was light on his feet. He was unrelenting, persevering. It was just a matter of how much he wanted to put into it because he had the whole package. He had native strength; he was wiry, he was explosive even though he'll readily admit that he didn't wear out the weight room. The great ones are instinctive; he just had a sense about him. He basically knew before they snapped the ball if they were running, throwing or coming at you with the option, and you can't coach that. He was the type of guy who played his best games in the big games. When he was physically and emotionally prepared, he was dominant. When we needed him most, he came up big. Alfred would stand out today, guys like him don't come along very often. He's as talented as anyone Colorado has ever had, and I'm proud of him for receiving this recognition."

Williams went on to play nine years in the NFL, and after stints with Cincinnati and San Francisco, finished his career with the Denver Broncos where in addition to playing for two Super Bowl champion teams, he earned All-Pro honors at defensive end in 1996. The Bengals drafted him in the first round of the 1991 draft, making him the 18th pick overall. He would play in 128 NFL games in his career, racking up 59½ quarterback sacks.

How special is induction and enshrinement into the College Hall of Fame? Prior to this class, of the 4.72 million people who have played college football since 1869, only 870 players and 188 coaches have been selected for the Hall.

He was born November 6, 1968 in Houston, and was a sociology major at Colorado. He earned a host of All-America honors as a senior at Houston's Jesse Jones High School, when he had 123 tackles, 18 quarterback sacks and 33 tackles for loss. He was an accomplished basketball player, averaging 24 points and 10 rebounds as a senior. He also threw the discus in track.

CU TO RECOGNIZE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF 1990 CONSENSUS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Colorado will have a reunion of its 1990 consensus national championship team the weekend of the Georgia game (Sept. 30-Oct. 2), marking the 20th anniversary of CU's consensus national title and 1990 Big 8 Conference crown. All members of the team (players, coaches, staff) have been invited back for the game. The Buffs played the nation's toughest schedule that season in going 11-1-1, as well as 7-0 for a second straight year in league play.

Date	Opponent	Result	Attend.	Rank CU Opp	CU FD	Rushing att yds td	Passing a-c-i yds td	Tot Off no yds	Opp FD	Rushing att yds td	Passing a-c-i yds td	Tot Off no yds	TV
A 26	%Tennessee	T 31-31	33,485	5 8	18	55 368 3	19- 5-3 68 0	74 436	27	36 135 2	55-33-3 368 2	91 503	NBC
S 6	STANFORD (N)	W 21-17	50,669	6 —	18	55 253 3	18- 9-1 179 0	73 432	10	34 75 2	29-18-1 155 0	63 230	ESPN
S 15	at Illinois	L 22-23	64,351	9 21	11	42 178 1	16- 6-0 95 1	58 273	19	41 114 1	29-23-1 222 2	70 336	ABC
S 22	at Texas (N)	W 29-22	77,273	20 22	19	53 239 3	12- 7-0 160 1	65 399	21	44 141 1	28-15-1 153 1	72 294	ESPN
S 29	WASHINGTON	W 20-14	52,868	20 12	22	56 183 2	15- 8-1 179 0	71 362	17	32 122 1	34-16-3 190 1	66 312	PSN (r)
O 6	*at Missouri	W 33-31	46,856	12 —	16	53 330 3	18-10-0 151 1	71 481	18	27 87 1	34-19-1 326 3	61 413	KCNC (l)
O 13	*IOWA STATE	W 28-12	51,861	14 —	25	58 362 2	18-10-0 122 2	76 484	14	37 82 0	21-13-0 137 1	58 219	KCNC (l)
O 20	*at Kansas	W 41-10	40,000	14 —	21	52 328 3	12- 6-0 135 1	64 463	14	44 74 0	20-13-1 136 1	64 210	KCNC (l)
O 27	*OKLAHOMA	W 32-23	51,967	10 22	22	50 280 2	19- 8-0 180 2	69 460	17	49 174 2	22-11-1 221 1	71 395	CBS
N 3	*at Nebraska	W 27-12	76,464	9 2	15	54 166 4	12- 6-1 143 0	66 309	9	55 163 0	12- 2-1 69 1	67 232	ESPN
N 10	*OKLAHOMA STATE	W 41-22	51,873	4 —	21	47 207 1	24-12-2 237 4	71 444	19	40 143 1	33-15-3 219 2	73 362	KCNC (l)
N 17	*KANSAS STATE	W 64- 3	51,136	2 —	28	54 360 6	22-11-1 274 2	76 634	12	35 60 0	32-11-2 145 0	67 205	KCNC (l)
J 1	#Notre Dame (N)	W 10- 9	77,062	1 5	19	54 186 1	19- 9-0 109 0	73 295	18	35 123 1	31-13-3 141 0	66 264	NBC

%—Disneyland Pigskin Classic at Anaheim, Calif.; #—Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla.

Head Coach: Bill McCartney. **Assistant Coaches:** Gerry DiNardo (OC/TE), Mike Hankwitz (DC/DB), Gary Barnett (QB/FB), Mike Barry (OL), Brian Cabral (ILB), Don Frease (WR), Oliver Lucas (RB), Bob Simmons (OLB), Ron Vanderlinden (DL).

Usual Lineup: Offense (I-bone)—WR Mike Pritchard/Rico Smith, LT Ariel Solomon, LG Joe Garten, C Jay Leeuwenburg, RG Russ Heasley/Bryan Campbell, RT Mark VanderPoel, TE Jon Boman/Sean Brown, QB Darian Hagan/Charles Johnson, FB George Hemingway, WB Michael Simmons, TB Eric Bieniemy. **Defense (3-4)**—OLB Alfred Williams, LT Leonard Renfro/Marcellous Elder, NT Joel Steed, RT Garry Howe, OLB Kanavis McGhee, ILB Greg Biekert, ILB Chad Brown/Terry Johnson, LC Dave McCloughan, SS Tim James, FS Greg Thomas, RC Deon Figures. **Specialists**—PK Jim Harper, P Tom Rouen.

Notes: Colorado clinched its first national championship in football with the Orange Bowl win over Notre Dame. Alfred Williams wins the Butkus Award, becoming the first player in CU history to win one of college football's major postseason trophies. And unbeknownst to all involved at the time, CU gets a fifth down at Missouri to score the winning touchdown as time expired. In actuality, Colorado had two second downs when the marker and scoreboard did not change (and when factoring in reality, CU spiked the ball to stop the clock on what it thought was third down, and never would have called that play on fourth down).

--The turning point of the season, according to those on the team who will tell you, came in game four at Texas; down 19-14 entering the fourth quarter, with the Longhorns inside the CU 10 and poised to score a touchdown, the offense met the defense on the field prior to the start of the quarter and engaged in a pep talk. CU held UT to a field goal and came back with the final 15 points of the game to win, 29-22.

--The following week at home against No. 12 Washington and leading 20-14, the Huskies drove deep in CU territory; but a Deon Figures interception in the end zone with just under a minute remaining ended the threat and sealed the win. Figures also intercepted a pass at the end of CU's 10-9 win over Notre Dame in the Orange Bowl, the pick coming in the final 10 seconds and kept the Irish out of field goal range; he ran out the clock and CU won the consensus title.

1990 TEAM STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS	Colorado	Opponents
FIRST DOWNS	236	197
by rushing	155	82
by passing	76	106
by penalty	5	9
FIRST DOWN PLAYS / Average	363/6.5	340/4.6
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	92-188	57-180
percentage	48.9	31.7
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	7-11	13-24
percentage	63.6	54.2
RUSHING ATTEMPTS	629	474
yards gained	3597	1774
yards lost	343	404
NET RUSHING YARDS	3254	1370
average per rush	5.2	2.9
average per game	271.2	114.2
PASSING ATTEMPTS	205	349
passes completed	98	189
had intercepted	9	18
completion percentage	47.8	54.2
NET PASSING YARDS	1923	2341
average per attempt	9.4	6.7
average per completion	19.6	12.4
average per game	160.3	195.1
QB's sacked/yards lost	24/144	41/231
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	834	823
TOTAL NET YARDS	5177	3711
AVERAGE GAIN PER PLAY	6.2	4.5
AVERAGE PER GAME	431.4	309.3
FUMBLES-LOST	39-17	27-8
PENALTIES/YARDS	64/593	61/437
TURNOVERS (Margin: 0/0.00)	26	26

	Colorado	Opponents
TOTAL RETURN YARDS	864	254
Punt Returns: No-Yards	40-595	18-173
Interceptions: No-Yards	18-245	9-81
Misc. (Fum/Blk. FG) Returns	1-14	0-0
KICKOFF RETURNS: No-Yards	29-499	41-765
average per return	17.2	18.7
PUNTS/Average	55/40.3	72/43.8
DEFENSIVE/tackles for loss	106-391	79-298
quarterback sacks/yards	41/231	24/144
quarterback hurries	85	28
passes broken up	48	25
forced fumbles	16	16
BLOCKED KICKS (Special Teams)	4	5
TIME OF POSSESSION (Avg.)	30:36	29:24
TIMES PENETRATED OPP. 20	38	37
scores/td,fg	31/23,8	28/21,7
TOUCHDOWNS	49	26
by rushing	33	11
by passing	14	15
by return	2	0
PAT Kicks	44-44	15-23
2-Pt. PAT	0-5	1-5
Field Goals	15-23	14-21
Safeties	3	0
TOTAL POINTS	389	220
average per game	32.4	18.3

SCORE/QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	—	Total
COLORADO	72	89	105	123	—	389
Opponents	78	42	36	64	—	220

1990 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING

Player	G	Att	Gain	Loss	NET	Avg.	TD	Long
E. Bieniemy	11	288	1713	85	1628	5.7	17	69t
M. Pritchard	12	29	450	5	445	15.3	5	78t
D. Hagan	12	138	639	197	442	3.2	5	37
G. Hemingway	12	73	330	5	325	4.5	2	33
C. Snowden	7	18	121	0	121	6.7	0	39
J. Hill	11	15	92	1	91	6.1	0	20
M. Simmons	12	14	63	0	63	4.5	0	12
V. Joseph	4	13	55	0	55	4.2	0	16
C.S. Johnson	12	28	74	37	37	1.3	2	18
C.E. Johnson	6	1	26	0	26	26.0	1	26t
D. Arterberry	5	7	25	2	23	3.3	0	9
O.C. Oliver	4	2	9	0	9	4.5	1	8t
M. Freeman	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0
R. Yago	1	1	0	6	-6	-6.0	0	-6

RECEIVING

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
M. Pritchard	12	28	733	26.2	6	70t
G. Hemingway	12	14	217	15.5	2	38t
E. Bieniemy	11	13	159	12.2	0	41
R. Smith	12	12	358	29.0	1	85t
J. Boman	10	9	97	10.7	0	30
S. Brown	12	7	86	12.3	2	16
M. Simmons	12	4	87	21.8	2	32t
M. Henry	11	2	54	27.0	1	39t
J. Hill	11	2	34	17.0	0	22
C. Snowden	7	2	21	10.5	0	14
D. Brown	12	2	11	5.5	0	7
D. Hagan	12	1	25	25.0	0	25
P. Rose	12	1	24	24.0	0	24
A. Williams	12	1	17	17.0	0	17

SCORING

Player	G	Touchdowns -----				2Pt.		FG-A	PTS
		Tot	Ru	Re	Rt	PAT	EP-A		
E. Bieniemy	11	17	17	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	102
J. Harper	12	0	0	0	0	0-0	41-41	14-22	83
M. Pritchard	12	11	5	6	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	66
D. Hagan	12	5	5	0	0	0-4	0-0	0-0	30
G. Hemingway	12	4	2	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	24
S. Brown	12	2	0	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
C.S. Johnson	12	2	2	0	0	0-1	0-0	0-0	12
D. McCloughan	12	2	0	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
M. Simmons	12	2	0	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	12
P. Blottiaux	12	0	0	0	0	0-0	3-3	1-1	6
M. Henry	12	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
C.E. Johnson	6	1	1	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
O.C. Oliver	4	1	1	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6
R. Smith	12	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6

PASSING

Player	G	Att-Com-Int			Pct.	Yards	-avg. per-		TD	Long	Sacked	TOTAL OFFENSE		
		Att	Com	Int			att.	comp.				Att.	Yds	Avg.
D. Hagan	12	163-	75-	8	46.0	1538	9.4	20.5	11	85t	20/130	301	1980	6.6
C.S. Johnson	12	32-	15-	1	46.9	241	7.5	16.1	2	70t	4/14	60	278	4.6
V. Joseph	4	7-	5-	0	71.4	80	11.4	16.0	1	39t	0/ 0	20	135	6.8
M. Pritchard	12	1-	1-	0	100.0	25	25.0	25.0	0	25	0/ 0	30	470	15.7
T. Rouen	12	1-	1-	0	100.0	24	24.0	24.0	0	24	0/ 0	1	24	24.0
E. Bieniemy	12	1-	1-	0	100.0	15	15.0	15.0	0	15	0/ 0	289	1643	5.7

NCAA Ratings: Hagan 137.7, Johnson 114.2.

PUNTING

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	In 20	had 50+	Net blk	Net Avg.
T. Rouen	12	54	2204	40.8	65	13	11	1	37.6
Team	12	1	14	14.0	14	0	0	0	14.0

PUNT RETURNS

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
D. McCloughan	12	32	524	16.4	2	90t
R. Smith	12	7	77	11.0	0	23
M. Pritchard	12	1	-6	-6.0	0	-6

KICKOFF RETURNS

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
M. Pritchard	12	16	331	20.7	0	36
E. Bieniemy	12	2	31	15.5	0	27
D. Davis	12	7	89	12.7	0	34
C.E. Johnson	6	1	23	23.0	0	23
D. McCloughan	12	1	22	22.0	0	22
R. Hutchins	12	1	3	3.0	0	3
Team	12	1	0	0.0	0	0

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
T. James	12	6	57	9.5	0	25
D. McCloughan	12	4	75	18.8	0	32
P. Rose	6	2	61	30.5	0	36
D. Gibbs	9	2	38	19.0	0	22
G. Thomas	12	2	17	8.5	0	17
D. Figures	12	2	7	3.5	0	7

FIELD GOALS

Player	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Total	Long
J. Harper	0-0	3-4	5-7	4-6	2-5	14-22	54
P. Blottiaux	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	1- 1	47
Opponents	0-0	7-9	1-3	6-8	0-1	14-21	47

TACKLE LEADERS

Player	G	UT	AT	—	Tot	TFL	OBS	PBU
G. Biekert	12	105	45	—	150	11-20	0- 0	7
C. Brown	10	72	34	—	106	6-12	0- 0	1
G. Howe	12	60	36	—	96	22-81	10-60	2
K. McGhee	12	55	39	—	94	14-53	2½-16	4
A. Williams	12	55	33	—	88	21-104	12½-76	6
D. Figures	12	67	18	—	85	3- 7	0- 0	7
T. James	12	53	15	—	68	2- 8	0- 0	2
J. Steed	12	43	21	—	64	12-55	7½-47	1
G. Thomas	12	35	21	—	56	0- 0	0- 0	7
D. McCloughan	12	36	11	—	47	0- 0	0- 0	5
L. Renfro	10	24	21	—	45	4- 5	1½- 1	1
M. Elder	11	16	14	—	30	1- 3	0- 0	0
T. Johnson	7	18	10	—	28	0- 0	0- 0	0
E. Hamilton	12	17	10	—	27	3-14	1- 8	1

2009 SNAPSHOT: FOUR OUT OF FIVE PLAYS — WE'RE THE '85 BEARS

After 12 games it is what it is as the saying goes, but one of the most all-time perplexing stats to ever come across these pages showed that the Buff defense was likely to shut you down four times in five in 2009. Much like *four out of five dentists recommend*... well, maybe not. But take for example the Missouri game: the Tigers gained 341 yards on 19 plays, and had 59 yards on the other 56. That was practically the case for every game in 2009: on the season, the opponent picked up 3,027 of its 4,356 yards on 142 plays, averaging 21.3 yards for those plays; the other 663 plays netted 1,329, or 2.00 per try; it all meant that 17.6 percent of opponent plays gained 69 percent of the yardage.

➡ Colorado was fairly stout in goal-to-go defense; the opponent had 21 G-T-G's and had just 12 touchdowns (16 scores overall) on 48 plays (or scoring a TD once every four plays).

➡ Opponents started 29 drives in CU territory, but had just eight touchdowns (and 18 scores overall) to show for it.

INSIDE-THE-POLL NUMBERS

Colorado has been ranked 12 times in the last 22 seasons in the *Associated Press* preseason football poll (just missing three of those occasions, No. 27 in 2001 and No. 32 in both 2003 and 2005). CU had appeared in every AP preseason ballot between 1989 and 1997, ranked in the top 15 each year, before not gaining mention in the '98 poll following a 5-6 season. The Buffs reappeared in the '99 poll at No. 15, and rose to No. 14 prior to the season-opening loss to CSU. Only CU, Florida, Florida State, Michigan and Nebraska have been ranked 15th or higher at least 11 times in these 15 years, and CU is one of only 18 teams to be ranked in as many as 12 of the last 22 preseason polls. **Number of times ranked in the *Associated Press* Preseason Poll, 1989-2010:** Ohio State 22, Florida State 21, Florida 19, Michigan 19, Tennessee 19, Miami, Fla. 18, Nebraska 18, Oklahoma 18, Penn State 18, Texas 18, Notre Dame 15, Alabama 15, Auburn 15, Georgia 14, LSU 14, Virginia Tech 14, **Colorado 12**, Oregon 12.

COLORADO'S TOP PRESEASON RANKINGS (AP & Coaches polls, only)**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Season	Rank	Record	Finish
1972	No. 2	8-4-0	No. 16
1990	No. 5	11-1-1	No. 1
1996	No. 5	10-2-0	No. 8
2002	No. 7	9-5-0	No. 20
1994	No. 8	11-1-0	No. 3
1997	No. 8	5-6-0	NR
1967	No. 10	9-2-0	No. 14

COACHES (UPI, USA Today/CNN, ESPN)

Season	Rank	Record	Finish
1972	No. 2	8-4-0	No. 14
1990	No. 5	11-1-1	No. 2
1996	No. 5	10-2-0	No. 8
2002	No. 6	9-5-0	No. 21
1994	No. 7	11-1-0	No. 3
1997	No. 7	5-6-0	NR
1991	No. 10	8-3-1	No. 20

Associated Press Poll

MOST TOP 5 FINISHES (1989-2009): Florida St. 12, Miami 8, USC 7, Ohio St. 7, Texas 6, Florida 5, Nebraska 5, Oklahoma 5, **COLORADO 4**, Alabama 4, Tennessee 4, Notre Dame 3

MOST TOP 10 FINISHES (1989-2009): Florida 13, Florida St. 12, Miami 9, Michigan 9, Ohio State 9, Alabama 8, Nebraska 8, Tennessee 8, USC 8, Oklahoma 7, Virginia Tech 7, Texas 7, Penn State 7, **COLORADO 6**, LSU 5, Notre Dame 5

LONG STAY

Colorado was one of only two teams to be ranked in every poll (both the *Associated Press* and Coaches, be it UPI or USA Today/CNN-ESPN) from the 1989 preseason through Oct. 4, 1997 (143 AP polls, 138 coaches). Only Nebraska could also make that claim (CU was second only to the Huskers, as Nebraska had been ranked in 265 straight polls when CU hit the 143 mark). The 143 consecutive polls still ranks as the seventh longest all-time in college football history. In this span, NU held the top spot 16 times and CU seven, with NU winning two national titles and Colorado one.

Associated Press Poll / All-Time Appearances (1936-2009; out of 1,005 polls)

1. Ohio State 769; 2. Michigan 757; 3. Notre Dame 712; 4. USC 689; 5. Oklahoma 688; 6. Texas 672; 7. Nebraska 654; 8. Alabama 645; 9. Penn State 578; 10. Tennessee 564; 11. Florida 517; 12. LSU 483; 13. Auburn 480; 13. Georgia 480; 15. UCLA 478; 16. Florida State 452; 17. Miami, Fla. 441; 18. Washington 389; 19. Arkansas 375; 20. Texas A&M 366; 21. Clemson 312; 22. Michigan State 303; **23. Colorado 293**; 24. Pittsburgh 291; 25. Georgia Tech 286; 26. Iowa 284; 27. Wisconsin 265; 28. Arizona State 246; 29. Mississippi 240; 30. Virginia Tech 240.

...AND THE RETURN

CU was out of the polls for an 11-week period once departing after 143 weeks ('97-'98), but came back with a vengeance. When Colorado reappeared in both the AP and USAT/ESPN polls at No. 16 on Sept. 6, 1998 it marked the third highest debut in a poll since the AP ballot expanded to 25 teams in 1989. CU went from receiving votes to No. 16, the second highest CU has ever debuted after not being ranked in the preseason; back in 1971, the Buffs went into Baton Rouge and defeated No. 9 LSU, 31-21. CU appeared at No. 8 in the UPI-Coaches poll and at No. 12 on the AP ballot.

18 OUT OF 22

Colorado defeated at least one top 25 team for 12 consecutive seasons between 1988 and 1999, behind only Florida State for the latter half of the span. Colorado didn't go down easy when the streak ended in 2000, losing to five ranked teams by a combined 45 points (3, 3, 23, 14 and 2). The Buffs started a new streak in 2001, doing so with purpose as they tied the school record for most ranked teams defeated in a single season with five. CU then defeated two ranked teams in both 2002 and 2003 to make it 15 out of 16 years with at least one win over a ranked opponent, but the smaller run ended as the Buffs went 0-4 in both 2004 and 2005 and 0-5 in 2006. CU snapped that streak with a 27-24 win over No. 3 Oklahoma in 2007, and with the 17-14 overtime win over No. 21 West Virginia in 2008 and the 34-30 verdict over No. 17 Kansas in 2009, it's now **18 out of 22** years defeating at least one ranked program. CU defeated at least three ranked teams in six of those 12 years, including five twice (1990, 1995). The Buffs have defeated at least two in nine of the last 15 years (and three ranked foes five of those seasons).

TV LAND

Colorado has had **169** of its last **245** games dating back to 1990 broadcast nationally or regionally (69 percent), including the first nine games this season and 11 overall. Since 1996, when the Big 12 began, and not including pay-per-view, **132** of CU's **172** games have been either nationally or regionally televised, which is an impressive 76.7 percent (the second most in the Big 12 Conference in this time frame). In addition, CU has had **31** of its last **37** non-conference games televised on a national or regional basis (tops in the Big 12). **ANNUAL TV APPEARANCES SINCE INCEPTION OF THE BIG 12 (132):** 1996 (10), 1997 (10), 1998 (9), 1999 (9), 2000 (7), 2001 (10), 2002 (12), 2003 (7), 2004 (9), 2005 (10), 2006 (7), 2007 (11), 2008 (10), 2009 (11).

CARRYING THE TV TORCH

Colorado and Texas started carrying the torch in the 1990s when it came to scheduling regular season games against traditionally ranked opponents, games most likely to be selected for TV and making the two hits of league revenue that come with it. It's starting to get a bit better, but CU and UT still blaze the trail. Here are the counts (and records) since 1990 when it comes to playing ranked non-league teams (*not including bowls*): **Colorado 28** (14-13-1), Texas 23 (8-13-2), Oklahoma 16 (7-9), Nebraska 15 (8-7), Texas A&M 12 (4-8), Texas Tech 13 (0-13), Baylor 11 (2-9), Missouri 10 (2-8), Iowa State 9 (1-8), Oklahoma State 7 (1-6), Kansas 7 (0-7) and Kansas State 4 (1-3).

BUFF BLEMISHES

Colorado has a history of inflicting blemishes on some of the teams who have traditionally fared well at home. The top five home records last decade (1990-99) belonged to Florida State (55-1-1), Nebraska (62-3), Florida (57-4), Texas A & M (55-4-1) and Kansas State (57-5-1). That's a combined 287-17-3; but of those 20 losses or ties, CU was responsible for five of them. CU won at Nebraska in 1990, at Texas A & M in 1996, and was 2-2-1 at Kansas State in the 90s. The Buffs also snapped the Aggies 22-game home winning streak—started late in 1996, after losses to CU then Texas Tech. In 2001, CU won at Kansas State, snapping a 58-game home winning streak by the Wildcats against unranked teams, and was only the second KSU home loss in a 29-game span. CU almost added Georgia to this list in 2006, but fell 14-13 after leading 13-0 entering the fourth quarter.

18 OF 25

The Buffs have 18 winning (regular) seasons in the last 25 years (1985-2009), matched only by a handful of schools across the nation (6-6 records do not count). The exceptions came in 1997, 2000, 2003, 2007, 2008 and 2009; in 1986, CU was 6-5 in the regular season but finished 6-6 after losing to Baylor in the Bluebonnet Bowl. CU has been invited to bowls in 18 of these 25 seasons, staying home in only 1987, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2008 and now this year (the first time CU isn't going to a bowl over a two-year span since an eight year drought from 1977-84).

OFFENSE & DEFENSE

Who will be next? Next, as in who will play on both offense and defense in the same game. In 2008, **Eugene Goree** was on-call to do so, as the redshirt frosh was both a DT and an OG during the second half of the season; he did appear on both sides of the ball but not in the same game. Through the years, there have been a few players who wind up playing on both sides of the ball in the same game: **DT John Guydon** was the latest to do so, seeing action on defense (13 snaps at tackle) and offense (3 snaps at guard) at Texas on October 15, 2005; it was the first time it happened for a complete series with no gimmicks or special situations since **WR Michael Westbrook** played a series at safety against Baylor in 1993. **DE James Garee** also trotted in on offense in 2005, catching a pass as an end at Miami. **DT Sam Wilder** had been the last before 2005, as he caught a 9-yard pass against Kansas State in 2002. **DT Justin Bannan**, did the same, catching a 12-yard TD pass on his only play at Missouri in 2000. **CB Ben Kelly** tried tailback in 1999 at Texas Tech; he finished with three yards on one carry (a nice 5-yard run was wiped out by a penalty). Between 1994 and 2005, several Buffs played on both sides of the ball, as offensive linemen often played on the goal line or short yardage defense units—**OG Heath Irwin**, **OG Clint Moore**, **OG Chris Naeole**, **OT Melvin Thomas** and **OG Brad Bedell** all did it at one time or another between 1993 and 1998. In 1990, **OLBs Alfred Williams** and **Kanavis McGhee** played some tight end in a 64-3 win over Kansas State (Williams caught a pass for 17 yards, McGhee didn't catch the one thrown his way). The last offensive skill player to swing over and try some defense was Westbrook (four snaps at strong safety) against Baylor in 1993.

WHY CU AND NOT UC?

A question often asked of many former Big Eight schools: Why is it the University of Colorado, but the moniker is CU and not UC? (The same applies at Kansas—KU, Missouri—MU, Nebraska—NU and Oklahoma—OU). "Midwestern casualness," said CU historian, the late Fred Casotti. It has always been this way at Colorado, for whatever reason, and at the other four—but seemingly nowhere else in the USA (except for Tulsa, but its midwest, too). In the 1950s, there was a concerted effort to eliminate the use of "CU" on the Boulder campus, both as a symbol and in speech, but Casotti said that no one would buy into it. "Nobody would change," he said. "It's easier to say than U of C, UC sounds like slang or something (as in 'you see'), and it was traditional. By trying to eliminate it, they reinforced it."

HISTORY OF THE "COLORADO"

As in the south end zone, that is. In 1967, the stadium was lowered when the track was removed, and that area remained basically a dirt hill. Former long-time senior associate A.D. **Jon Burianek** said that we tried to grow grass and bushes there, but none took. The first artificial field was installed during the summer of 1971, and that area was then covered with asphalt and the large, block COLORADO was painted on it, then in all-white block lettering. Trim was later added, and at one time, when blue was one of the school colors, the end zone as well was painted blue instead of the familiar black.

SPRING GAME ATTENDANCE

Former CU head coach **Bill McCartney** has challenged the 1,500-plus in attendance at CU's last two annual recruiting luncheons in Denver to help fill Folsom Field for the spring game. While filling Folsom didn't happen, the 17,800 in attendance in 2008 did set a spring record, with the third most attending in 2009. CU has now had five occasions where 10,000 or more fans attend its final spring scrimmage/game. The previous mark stood for 19 years, a crowd of 13,642 in 1989 when many came out to honor **Sal Aunese**, the CU quarterback stricken with stomach cancer the previous month. The next two games drew 11,336 and 10,382 respectively. The national average worked to **12,996** in 2008 and 14,407 in 2009. Below are the top CU spring game crowds in the school's history (#—first team Varsity and Alumni were on the same team and wore black jerseys):

Year	Score	Attendance	Notes
2008	Black 28, Gold 17	17,800	A record crowd come out in answer to coaches Hawk and Mac's challenge to fill Folsom
1989	#White 38, Black 35	13,642	A then-record crowd for the spring game showed up to honor Sal Aunese, who fighting stomach cancer
2009	Black 17, Gold 10	11,700	Third largest spring crowd despite going up against a Nuggets playoff game and the NFL Draft
1990	#White 27, Black 25	11,336	Coming of an 11-1 season, CU was in everyone's top five entering 1990
1991	#Black 21, White 17	10,382	Fans braved 49 degree weather with 17 mph winds and saw the late John Zisch ('48) score on a 53 yard run
1992	#Black 44, White 7	9,617	Perfect weather (61 degrees, sunny) come out after CU signs its top recruiting class in history
2010	Gold 37, Black 27	9,100	Teams are determined by the players drafting themselves

In Hawk's first two years, the spring game attracted **6,400** (2006, cloudy skies, temperature in the low 50s, very windy) and **5,800** last year (perfect weather, 60 degrees, clear skies, just a bit windy at times).

2010 OPPONENT SCHEDULES & RESULTS

Here's a look at the 2010 schedules and results for the teams on CU's regular season schedule:

COLORADO STATE (0-0)

S 4 **Colorado** (*Denver*)
 S 11 at Nevada
 S 18 at Miami-Ohio
 S 25 IDAHO
 O 2 + TEXAS CHRISTIAN
 O 9 + at Air Force
 O 16 + NEVADA-LAS VEGAS
 O 23 + at Utah
 O 30 + NEW MEXICO
 N 6 + at San Diego State
 N 13 + BRIGHAM YOUNG
 N 20 + at Wyoming

GEORGIA (0-0)

S 4 LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE
 S 11 ► at South Carolina
 S 18 ► ARKANSAS
 S 25 ► at Mississippi State
 O 2 **at Colorado**
 O 9 ► TENNESSEE
 O 16 ► VANDERBILT
 O 23 ► at Kentucky
 O 30 ► FLORIDA
 N 6 IDAHO STATE
 N 13 ► at Auburn
 N 27 GEORGIA TECH

TEXAS TECH (0-0)

S 5 SOUTHERN METHODIST
 S 11 at New Mexico
 S 18 ♦ TEXAS
 O 2 ♦ at Iowa State
 O 9 ♦ Baylor (*at Dallas*)
 O 16 ♦ OKLAHOMA STATE
 O 23 ♦ **at Colorado**
 O 30 ♦ at Texas A & M
 N 6 ♦ MISSOURI
 N 13 ♦ at Oklahoma
 N 20 WEBER STATE
 N 27 HOUSTON

IOWA STATE (0-0)

S 2 NORTHERN ILLINOIS
 S 11 at Iowa
 S 18 ♦ Kansas State (*at Kansas City*)
 S 25 NORTHERN IOWA
 O 2 ♦ TEXAS TECH
 O 9 UTAH
 O 16 ♦ at Oklahoma
 O 23 ♦ at Texas
 O 30 ♦ KANSAS
 N 6 ♦ NEBRASKA
 N 13 ♦ **at Colorado**
 N 20 ♦ MISSOURI

CALIFORNIA (0-0)

S 4 UC-DAVIS
 S 11 **COLORADO**
 S 17 at Nevada
 S 25 † at Arizona
 O 9 † UCLA
 O 16 † at Southern California
 O 23 † ARIZONA STATE
 O 30 † at Oregon State
 N 6 † at Washington State
 N 13 † OREGON
 N 20 † STANFORD
 N 27 † WASHINGTON

MISSOURI (0-0)

S 4 Illinois (*at St. Louis*)
 S 11 McNEESE STATE
 S 18 SAN DIEGO STATE
 S 25 MIAMI-OHIO
 O 9 ♦ **COLORADO**
 O 16 ♦ at Texas A & M
 O 23 ♦ OKLAHOMA
 O 30 ♦ at Nebraska
 N 6 ♦ at Texas Tech
 N 13 ♦ KANSAS STATE
 N 20 ♦ at Iowa State
 N 27 ♦ Kansas (*at Kansas City*)

OKLAHOMA (0-0)

S 4 UTAH STATE
 S 11 FLORIDA STATE
 S 18 AIR FORCE
 S 25 at Cincinnati
 O 2 ♦ Texas (*at Dallas*)
 O 16 ♦ IOWA STATE
 O 23 ♦ at Missouri
 O 30 ♦ **COLORADO**
 N 6 ♦ at Texas A & M
 N 13 ♦ TEXAS TECH
 N 20 ♦ at Baylor
 N 27 ♦ at Oklahoma State

KANSAS STATE (0-0)

S 4 UCLA
 S 11 MISSOURI STATE
 S 18 ♦ Iowa State (*at Kansas City*)
 S 25 CENTRAL FLORIDA
 O 7 ♦ NEBRASKA
 O 14 ♦ at Kansas
 O 23 ♦ at Baylor
 O 30 ♦ OKLAHOMA STATE
 N 6 ♦ TEXAS
 N 13 ♦ at Missouri
 N 20 ♦ **at Colorado**
 N 27 at North Texas

HAWAII (0-0)

S 2 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
 S 11 at Army
 S 18 **at Colorado**
 S 25 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN
 O 2 □ LOUISIANA TECH
 O 9 □ at Fresno State
 O 16 □ NEVADA
 O 23 □ at Utah State
 O 30 □ IDAHO
 N 6 □ at Boise State
 N 20 □ SAN JOSE STATE
 N 27 □ at New Mexico State
 D 4 NEVADA-LAS VEGAS

BAYLOR (0-0)

S 4 SAM HOUSTON STATE
 S 11 BUFFALO
 S 18 at Texas Christian
 S 25 at Rice
 O 2 ♦ KANSAS
 O 9 ♦ Texas Tech (*at Dallas*)
 O 16 ♦ **at Colorado**
 O 23 ♦ KANSAS STATE
 O 30 ♦ at Texas
 N 6 ♦ at Oklahoma State
 N 13 ♦ TEXAS A & M
 N 20 ♦ OKLAHOMA

KANSAS (0-0)

S 4 NORTH DAKOTA STATE
 S 11 GEORGIA TECH
 S 17 at Southern Miss
 S 25 NEW MEXICO STATE
 O 2 ♦ at Baylor
 O 14 ♦ KANSAS STATE
 O 23 ♦ TEXAS A & M
 O 30 ♦ at Iowa State
 N 6 ♦ **COLORADO**
 N 13 ♦ at Nebraska
 N 20 ♦ OKLAHOMA STATE
 N 27 ♦ Missouri (*at Kansas City*)

NEBRASKA (0-0)

S 4 WESTERN KENTUCKY
 S 11 IDAHO
 S 18 at Washington
 S 25 SOUTH DAKOTA STATE
 O 7 ♦ at Kansas State
 O 16 ♦ TEXAS
 O 23 ♦ at Oklahoma State
 O 30 ♦ MISSOURI
 N 6 ♦ at Iowa State
 N 13 ♦ KANSAS
 N 20 ♦ at Texas A & M
 N 26 ♦ **COLORADO**

KEY: ♦—Big 12 Conference game; +—Mountain West Conference game; †—Pacific-10 Conference game; ►—Southeastern Conference game; □—Western Athletic Conference game.

OPPONENTS IN 2010

Colorado's 12 opponents this year combined for a 82-71 (53.6%) record in 2009, with seven teams earning bowl invitations and Nebraska the lone 10-game winner last year (10-3). CU will play California for the first time since 1982 (Bill McCartney's first game as head coach) and Hawaii for the second time ever (the first was a UH 13-0 win on New Year's Day in 1925). Georgia makes its first visit ever to Boulder, and CU swaps in Baylor, Oklahoma and Texas Tech for Oklahoma State, Texas and Texas A&M from the Big 12 South Division. Colorado's 2009 opponents had a very similar mark, combining for an 82-70 record in 2008 (53.9%), with two teams winning double figure games and three others all going 9-4.

CU FOOTBALL STILL SECOND MOST POPULAR PER-GAME SELL IN STATE

The final home attendance figure for 2009 was 300,527, an average of 50,088 per game, marking the 15th straight season that Colorado football was the second largest draw in the state behind the NFL Denver Broncos (and the 33rd time in the last 35 years). The fledgling Colorado Rockies took over the second spot the two years they played at old Mile High Stadium, averaging in the mid-to-upper 50s in 1993 and 1994. The Broncos wrestled the state's top spot away from the Buffs permanently in 1975 after first doing so in 1969, with six years of see-sawing in-between (CU had been the state attendance leader since Folsom Field was built in 1924). CU continues to have the second largest public season ticket base in the state with 22,020 public in 2009, along with another 12,500 student holders.

COMPOSITE 2010 BIG 12 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**Week One (Sept. 4)**

(Sept. 2) Northern Illinois at Iowa State	6:00 p.m.
Colorado vs. Colorado State (Mtn; in Denver)	12:00 p.m.
Missouri vs. Illinois (FSN; at St. Louis)	10:30 a.m.
UCLA at Kansas State (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
Texas at Rice (ESPN)	1:30 p.m.
North Dakota State at Kansas	5:00 p.m.
Sam Houston State at Baylor	5:00 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin at Texas A&M	5:00 p.m.
Washington State at Oklahoma State (FSN)	5:00 p.m.
Utah State at Oklahoma	5:00 p.m.
Western Kentucky at Nebraska	5:00 p.m.
(Sept. 5) SMU at Texas Tech	1:30 p.m.

Week Two (Sept. 11)

Colorado at California (FSN)	1:30 p.m.
Georgia Tech at Kansas (FSN)	10:00 a.m.
Idaho at Nebraska	10:30 a.m.
Iowa State at Iowa (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
Florida State at Oklahoma (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
Wyoming at Texas (FSN)	5:00 p.m.
Buffalo at Baylor	5:00 p.m.
Louisiana Tech at Texas A&M	5:00 p.m.
McNeese State at Missouri	5:00 p.m.
Troy at Oklahoma State	5:05 p.m.
Missouri State at Kansas State	5:10 p.m.
Texas Tech at New Mexico (The Mtn.)	6:00 p.m.

Week Three (Sept. 18)

(Sept. 17) Kansas at Southern Miss (ESPN)	6:00 p.m.
Hawai'i at Colorado (FCS)	1:30 p.m.
*Iowa State vs. Kansas State (FSN; at K.C.)	10:00 a.m.
*Texas at Texas Tech (ABC)	6:00 p.m.
Air Force at Oklahoma (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
Nebraska at Washington (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
Baylor at TCU (Versus)	2:30 p.m.
Florida International at Texas A&M	5:00 p.m.
San Diego State at Missouri	5:00 p.m.
Tulsa at Oklahoma State	5:00 p.m.

Week Four (Sept. 25)

UCLA at Texas (ABC)	1:30/6:00 p.m.
Miami-Ohio at Missouri	12:00 p.m.
New Mexico State at Kansas	5:00 p.m.
Northern Iowa at Iowa State	5:00 p.m.
New Mexico State at Kansas	5:00 p.m.
Baylor at Rice	6:00 p.m.
Oklahoma at Cincinnati (ABC)	TBA
South Dakota State at Nebraska	TBA

Week Five (Oct. 2)

(Sept. 30) Texas A&M at Okla. State (ESPN)	5:30 p.m.
Georgia at Colorado (FSN)	5:00 p.m.
*Oklahoma vs. Texas (at Dallas; ABC)	1:30 p.m.
Kansas at Baylor	TBA
Texas Tech at Iowa State	TBA

Week Six (Oct. 9)

(Oct. 7) *Nebraska at Kansas State (ESPN)	5:30 p.m.
* Colorado at Missouri	TBA
*Baylor vs. Texas Tech (at Dallas)	TBA
Arkansas vs. Texas A&M (at Arlington)	TBA
Utah at Iowa State	TBA

Week Seven (Oct. 16)

(Oct. 14) *Kansas State at Kansas (FSN)	5:30 p.m.
*Baylor at Colorado	TBA
*Iowa State at Oklahoma	TBA
*Missouri at Texas A&M	TBA
*Oklahoma State at Texas Tech	TBA
*Texas at Nebraska	TBA

Week Eight (Oct. 23)

*Texas Tech at Colorado	TBA
*Iowa State at Texas	TBA
*Kansas State at Baylor	TBA
*Nebraska at Oklahoma State	TBA
*Oklahoma at Missouri	TBA
*Texas A&M at Kansas	TBA

Week Nine (Oct. 30)

* Colorado at Oklahoma	TBA
*Baylor at Texas	TBA
*Kansas at Iowa State	TBA
*Missouri at Nebraska	TBA
*Oklahoma State at Kansas State	TBA
*Texas Tech at Texas A&M	TBA

Week Ten (Nov. 6)

* Colorado at Kansas	TBA
*Baylor at Oklahoma State	TBA
*Missouri at Texas Tech	TBA
*Nebraska at Iowa State	TBA
*Oklahoma at Texas A&M	TBA
*Oklahoma State at Texas	TBA

Week Eleven (Nov. 13)

*Iowa State at Colorado	TBA
*Kansas at Nebraska	TBA
*Kansas State at Nebraska	TBA
*Oklahoma State at Texas	TBA
*Texas A&M at Baylor	TBA
*Texas Tech at Oklahoma	TBA

Week Twelve (Nov. 20)

*Kansas State at Colorado	TBA
*Missouri at Iowa State	TBA
*Nebraska at Texas A&M	TBA
*Oklahoma at Baylor	TBA
*Oklahoma State at Kansas	TBA
Florida Atlantic at Texas	TBA
Weber State at Texas Tech	TBA

Week Thirteen (Nov. 28)

(Nov. 25) *Texas A&M at Texas (ESPN)	6:00 p.m.
(Nov. 26) * Colorado at Nebraska (ABC)	1:30 p.m.
*Kansas vs. Missouri (FSN; at Kansas City)	10:30 a.m.
*Oklahoma at Oklahoma State (ABC)	1:30/6:00 p.m.
Houston at Texas Tech	TBA
Kansas State at North Texas	TBA

Week Fourteen (Dec. 4)

Big 12 Championship Game (ABC; at Arlington) 6:00 p.m.

All times listed are MDT/MST. *—denotes Big 12 Conference game. Television selections Sept. 25 and beyond are made on 12 days notice by the Big 12 television partners (ABC/ESPN, Fox Sports Network, Versus); ABC also has an option of utilizing a 6-day selection process three times annually. ABC's standard afternoon regional telecast window is at 1:30 p.m. MT in addition to a number of prime-time windows (6 p.m. MT; those games will be selected from the Big 12, ACC, Big East, Big 10 or Pac 10). FSN provides national coverage via its lineup of 11 regional cable systems in both the morning (10 or 10:30 a.m. MT) and prime time (4:30 or 5 p.m. MT) windows, and on occasion may move a game into the afternoon window (1:30 p.m. MT) should ABC opt to pass on a telecast in that time slot. In all, FSN will televise 25 games during the 2010 season with projected late morning windows on Sept. 4-11-18, Oct. 2-9-16-23-30 and Nov. 6-13-20-27. FSN is scheduled to carry games in prime time on Oct. 2 (CU-Georgia)-9-14-16-23-30 and Nov. 6-13-20. In addition, the Big 12 has entered into an agreement to allow institutions to authorize telecast of games on Fox College Sports (FCS) and pay-per-view in available windows.

2009 QUICK SUMMARY

It was one of those seasons where a team never fully recovered from a disastrous start. Opening 2009 on a Sunday against in-state rival Colorado State, the Buffs fell behind 20-3 before pulling to within 23-17 by game's end, and then on four days rest, one being a travel day, lost 54-38 at Toledo on a Friday night, a substitute game for what was supposed to be a road trip to Miami-Ohio. Toledo opened that game up on a 30-3 tear, meaning the Buffs were outscored from the get-go in the two 50-6, though came back in latter stages to outscore both, 49-27. After blanking an outmanned Wyoming team 24-0, the Buffs played well at West Virginia, succumbing 35-24 after WVU pulled away with two fourth quarter TDs. A 38-14 loss at No. 2 Texas was a bit deceiving; CU led 14-3 late in the first half and led the Longhorns for longer than any other team in 2009 aside from Alabama in the BCS title game, but three return scores rallied UT to the win. CU zoomed to a 24-3 lead against Kansas the following week, and wound up holding on for a 34-30 win thanks to two late PBUs in the end zone. A 20-6 loss at Kansas State followed, and then another poor start (down 33-0) came after that in a 36-17 loss to the Tigers. It was CU's turn to rally, coming back from 31-21 in the fourth quarter to defeat Texas A&M, 35-34, CU's bowl hopes still alive with a 3-6 record. An uninspired 17-10 loss at Iowa State the next week eliminated CU from bowl contention, but you wouldn't know it the following week. CU led No. 15 Oklahoma State 21-10 in the third quarter, but the Cowboys rallied twice down the stretch in front of the home crowd for a 31-28 win. The year ended with a 28-20 home loss to Nebraska, despite CU putting the most yards (403) on the vaunted Husker defense while limiting NU to just 217, but turnovers did the Buffaloes in. At 3-9, Colorado stayed home during the bowl season for just the seventh time since 1984.

ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS

RUSHING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Net
1	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	699	3,940	5.63	41	
2	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	486	3,057	6.29	33	
3	Bobby Purify (2000-04)	595	3,016	5.07	20	
4	Charlie Davis (1971-73)	538	2,958	5.50	24	
5	Chris Brown (2001-02)	465	2,690	5.78	34	
6	Hugh Charles (2004-07)	517	2,659	5.14	15	
7	James Mayberry (1975-78)	546	2,544	4.66	25	
8	Herchell Troutman (1994-97)	568	2,487	4.38	21	
9	Bob Anderson (1967-69)	568	2,367	4.17	34	
10	Lee Rouson (1981-84)	581	2,296	3.95	10	

20	Bob Stransky (1955-57)	328	1,868	5.70	21	
21	Byron White (1935-37)	342	1,864	5.45	22	
22	Eddie Dove (1956-58)	239	1,612	6.74	15	
23	William Harris (1965-67)	330	1,585	4.80	4	
24	Terry Kunz (1974-75)	312	1,575	5.05	17	
25	Ward Walsh (1968-70)	334	1,565	4.69	8	
26	Billy Waddy (1973-76)	298	1,537	5.16	12	
27	Bill Harris (1961-63)	309	1,486	4.81	10	
28	Mark Hatcher (1984-87)	375	1,470	3.92	16	
29	Howard Cook (1956-58)	301	1,463	4.86	14	
30	Rodney Stewart (2008-10)	330	1,426	4.32	11	

PASSING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	Rating
1	Joel Klatt (2002-05)	1095-666-33	60.8	7,375	44	124.63
2	Kordell Stewart (1991-94)	785-456-19	58.1	6,481	33	136.47
3	Cody Hawkins (2007-10)	983-543-36	55.2	5,862	46	113.45
4	Koy Detmer (1992-96)	594-350-25	58.9	5,390	40	148.95
5	Mike Moschetti (1998-99)	607-366-19	60.3	4,797	33	138.36
6	John Hessler (1994-97)	627-347-26	55.3	4,788	34	129.09
7	Steve Vogel (1981-84)	688-309-33	44.9	3,912	27	96.03
8	Darian Hagan (1988-91)	424-213-19	50.2	3,801	27	137.59
9	Craig Ochs (2000-02)	453-265-15	58.5	3,325	16	125.19
10	Gale Weidner (1959-61)	480-218-32	45.4	3,033	18	97.76
11	Randy Essington (1980-82)	496-247-26	49.8	2,773	10	92.95
12	David Williams (1973-75)	366-198-19	54.1	2,449	13	111.64
13	Bernie McCall (1964-66)	361-177-28	49.0	2,332	4	91.44
14	Zack Jordan (1950-52)	311-159-22	51.1	2,287	13	113.93
15	Bobby Anderson (1967-69)	375-188-21	50.1	2,198	9	96.09
16	Ken Johnson (1971-73)	348-148-19	42.5	2,175	13	96.44
17	Bill Solomon (1977-79)	343-168-22	49.0	2,115	13	100.47
18	Jeff Knappe (1976-77)	316-139-23	44.0	2,107	7	92.75
19	Tyler Hansen (2008-10)	311-175-9	56.3	1,911	9	111.64
20	Bobby Pesavento (2000-01)	211-128-4	60.7	1,770	11	144.53

RECEIVING (Receptions)

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	*—tight end
1	Michael Westbrook (1991-94)	167	2,548	15.3	19	
2	Scotty McKnight (2007-10)	165	1,900	11.5	15	
2	Phil Savoy (1994-97)	152	2,176	14.3	14	
4	Javon Green (1997-2000)	136	2,031	14.9	17	
5	Rae Carruth (1992-96)	135	2,540	18.8	20	

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1	Michael Westbrook (1991-94)	167	2,548	15.3	19	
2	Rae Carruth (1992-96)	135	2,540	18.8	20	
3	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93)	127	2,447	19.3	15	
4	Phil Savoy (1994-97)	152	2,176	14.3	14	
5	Derek McCoy (2000-03)	134	2,038	15.2	20	
6	Javon Green (1997-2000)	136	2,031	14.9	17	
7	Scotty McKnight (2007-10)	165	1,900	11.5	15	
8	*Daniel Graham (1998-2001)	106	1,543	14.6	11	

TOTAL OFFENSE

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Pass	Total	TDR
1	Kordell Stewart (1991-94)	1,289	6,481	7,770	48
2	Joel Klatt (2002-05)	—130	7,375	7,245	47
3	Darian Hagan (1988-91)	2,007	3,801	5,808	54
4	Cody Hawkins (2007-10)	—127	5,862	5,735	53
4	Koy Detmer (1992-96)	—31	5,390	5,359	43
6	John Hessler (1994-97)	276	4,788	5,064	44
7	Mike Moschetti (1998-99)	70	4,797	4,867	40
8	Bobby Anderson (1967-69)	2,367	2,198	4,565	43

9	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	3,940	63	4,003	42
10	Craig Ochs (2000-02)	205	3,325	3,530	20
15	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	3,057	0	3,057	33
20	Hugh Charles (2004-07)	2,659	0	2,659	15
25	Sal Aunese (1987-88)	1,009	1,526	2,535	19
26	Herchell Troutman (1994-97)	2,487	0	2,487	21
27	Bob Stransky (1955-57)	1,868	587	2,455	25
28	Randy Essington (1980-82)	—327	2,773	2,446	11
29	Jeff Knappe (1976-77)	332	2,107	2,439	15
30	Lamont Warren (1991-93)	2,242	131	2,373	25
31	Lee Rouson (1981-84)	2,296	—2	2,294	10
32	Tyler Hansen (2008-10)	322	1,911	2,233	10

YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Rec	Total
1	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	3,940	380	4,320
2	Bobby Purify (2000-04)	3,016	508	3,524
3	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	3,057	412	3,469
4	Herchell Troutman (1994-97)	2,487	725	3,212
5	Hugh Charles (2004-07)	2,659	552	3,211
6	Charlie Davis (1971-73)	2,958	131	3,089
7	Lee Rouson (1981-84)	2,296	699	2,995
8	Cortlen Johnson (1998-2001)	2,199	691	2,890
9	Chris Brown (2001-02)	2,690	76	2,766
10	Rae Carruth (1992-96)	196	2,540	2,736
15	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93)	82	2,447	2,529
20	J.J. Flannigan (1987-89)	2,096	64	2,160
21	Byron White (1935-37)	1,864	234	2,098
22	Darian Hagan (1988-91)	2,007	53	2,060
23	Carroll Hardy (1951-54)	1,999	38	2,037
24	Javon Green (1997-2000)	4	2,031	2,035
25	Billy Waddy (1973-76)	1,537	475	2,012
---	Scotty McKnight (2007-10)	4	1,900	1,904

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Rec	KOR	PR	Total
1	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	3,940	380	31	0	4,351
2	Hugh Charles (2004-07)	2,659	552	411	0	3,622
3	Byron White (1935-37)	1,864	234	506	973	3,577
4	Herchell Troutman (1994-97)	2,487	725	240	91	3,543
5	Bobby Purify (2000-04)	3,016	508	0	0	3,524
6	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	3,057	412	13	0	3,482
7	Charlie Davis (1971-73)	2,958	131	75	0	3,164
8	Carroll Hardy (1951-54)	1,999	38	853	225	3,115
9	Kayo Lam (1933-35)	2,140	111	331	530	3,112
10	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93)	82	2,447	217	261	3,007
11	Lee Rouson (1981-84)	2,296	699	0	0	2,995
12	James Mayberry (1975-78)	2,548	171	265	0	2,984
13	Rae Carruth (1992-96)	196	2,540	200	9	2,945
14	Merwin Hodel (1949-51)	2,102	540	255	13	2,910
15	Cortlen Johnson (1998-2001)	2,199	691	0	0	2,890
16	Billy Waddy (1973-76)	1,537	475	849	26	2,887
17	Michael Westbrook (1991-94)	84	2,548	226	0	2,858
18	Chris Brown (2001-02)	2,690	76	0	0	2,766
19	Bob Stransky (1955-57)	1,868	37	459	396	2,760
20	Bobby Anderson (1967-69)	2,367	68	209	56	2,700
21	Lamont Warren (1991-93)	2,242	432	0	0	2,674
22	Mike Pritchard (1987-90)	585	1,241	693	—6	2,513
23	Cliff Branch (1970-71)	354	665	755	733	2,507
24	Roman Hollowell (1998-2001)	137	680	914	752	2,483
25	Bill Symons (1962-64)	734	537	1,051	153	2,475
26	Josh Smith (2007-08)	66	838	1,276	292	2,472
27	Bill Harris (1961-63)	1,486	235	556	134	2,411
28	Howard Cook (1956-58)	1,463	99	373	459	2,394
29	Darian Hagan (1988-91)	2,007	53	0	287	2,347
30	Eddie Dove (1956-58)	1,612	270	250	146	2,278
31	J.J. Flannigan (1987-89)	2,096	64	68	0	2,228
32	Ben Kelly (1997-99)	3	9	1,798	395	2,205
33	Walter Stanley (1980-81)	399	490	1,172	138	2,199
34	Phil Savoy (1994-97)	13	2,176	0	0	2,189
35	Tony Reed (1975-76)	1,932	234	0	0	2,166
36	William Harris (1965-67)	1,585	253	320	0	2,158
37	Jeff Campbell (1986-89)	439	802	0	904	2,145
38	Ron Brown (1981-85)	751	1,217	128	0	2,096
39	John Bayuk (1954-56)	1,943	55	55	3	2,056
40	Javon Green (1997-2000)	4	2,031	0	0	2,035
--	Scotty McKnight (2007-10)	4	1,900	21	36	1,961
--	Rodney Stewart (2008-10)	1,426	108	0	0	1,534

ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS, CONTINUED

SCORING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	TD	2Pt	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	PTS
1	Mason Crosby (2003-06)	0	0-0	109-117	66-88	307
2	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90)	42	1-1	0-0	0-0	254
3	Jeremy Aldrich (1996-99)	0	0-0	87-95	48-64	231
4	Bobby Anderson (1967-69)	35	1-2	0-0	0-0	212
5	Chris Brown (2001-02)	34	0-0	0-0	0-0	204
6	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94)	33	0-0	0-0	0-0	198
7	Tom Field (1979-83)	0	0-0	82-86	36-55	190
8	Byron White (1935-37)	24	0-0	30-32	1-2	177
9	Mervin Hodel (1949-51)	28	0-0	0-0	0-0	168
10	J.J. Flannigan (1987-89)	27	0-0	0-0	0-0	162
10	Darian Hagan (1988-91)	27	0-4	0-0	0-0	162
15	Ken Culbertson (1986-89)	0	0-0	85-87	23-41	154
20	Bob Stransky (1955-57)	21	0-0	12-22	0-0	138
20	Lamont Warren (1991-93)	23	0-0	0-0	0-0	138
22	Jim Harper (1990-91)	0	0-0	71-74	22-35	137
23	Roger Williams (1950-52)	12	0-0	61-81	1-1	136
24	Rae Carruth (1992-96)	22	0-0	0-0	0-0	132
24	Cortlen Johnson (1998-2001)	22	0-0	0-0	0-0	132
26	Terry Kunz (1972-75)	21	0-0	0-0	0-0	126
26	Bobby Purify (2000-04)	21	0-0	0-0	0-0	126
28	Derek McCoy (2000-03)	20	4-0	0-0	0-0	124
29	Fred Lima (1972-73)	0	0-0	59-62	21-45	122
30	Jim Kelleher (1973-76)	20	0-0	0-0	0-0	120
31	Michael Westbrook (1991-94)	19	1-0	0-0	0-0	116
32	Mitch Berger (1991-93)	0	0-1	54-56	19-32	111
33	Pete Dadiotis (1976-78)	0	0-0	61-64	16-26	109
33	Dave DeLine (1984-87)	0	0-0	49-50	20-35	109
35	Aric Goodman (2008-10)	0	0-0	61-63	15-32	106
36	Tom Mackenzie (1974-75)	0	0-0	62-68	14-28	104
36	Javon Green (1997-2000)	17	1-0	0-0	0-0	104
38	Jeremy Flores (2000-01)	0	0-0	43-45	20-26	103
39	Howard Cook (1956-58)	14	0-0	15-26	1-2	102
39	Wilmer Cooks (1965-67)	17	0-0	0-0	0-0	102
39	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93)	17	0-0	0-0	0-0	102
39	Hugh Charles (2004-07)	17	0-0	0-0	0-0	102
43	Cliff Branch (1970-71)	16	1-1	0-0	0-0	98
44	Eddie Dove (1956-58)	16	0-0	0-0	0-0	96
44	Billy Waddy (1973-76)	16	0-1	0-0	0-0	96
44	Mark Hatcher (1984-87)	16	0-0	0-0	0-0	96
44	Scotty McKnight (2007-10)	16	0-0	0-0	0-0	96
50	Kevin Eberhart (2003-07)	0	0-0	39-40	16-26	87
62	Woody Shelton (1950-52)	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	78
68	Kayo Lam (1933-35)	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	72
68	Erv Cheney (1934-37)	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	72
68	Marcus Stiggers (1996-99)	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	72
76	Rodney Stewart (2008-10)	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	66

KICK SCORING

Rk	Player (Seasons)	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	PTS
1	Mason Crosby (2003-06)	109-117	66-88	307
2	Jeremy Aldrich (1996-99)	87-95	48-64	231
3	Tom Field (1979-83)	82-86	36-55	190
4	Neil Voskeritchian (1994-95)	95-96	22-34	161
5	Ken Culbertson (1986-89)	85-87	23-41	154
6	Dave Haney (1968-70)	86-92	21-35	149
7	Jim Harper (1990-91)	71-74	22-35	137
8	Fred Lima (1972-73)	59-62	21-45	122
9	Mitch Berger (1991-93)	54-56	19-32	111
10	Pete Dadiotis (1976-78)	61-64	16-26	109
10	Dave DeLine (1984-87)	49-50	20-35	109
12	Aric Goodman (2008-10)	61-63	15-32	106

KICKOFF RETURNS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Ben Kelly (1997-99)	64	1,798	28.1	3
2	Terrence Wheatley (2003-07)	56	1,350	24.1	0
3	Josh Smith (2007-08)	50	1,276	25.5	1
4	M.J. Nelson (1986-89)	51	1,198	23.5	0
5	Walter Stanley (1980-81)	49	1,172	23.9	1
6	Bill Symons (1962-64)	43	1,051	24.4	1
7	Roman Hollowell (1998-2001)	44	914	20.8	0
8	Stephone Robinson (2004-07)	49	867	17.7	0
9	Carroll Hardy (1951-54)	31	853	27.5	0
10	Billy Waddy (1973-76)	32	849	26.5	2
11	Howard Ballage (1976-78)	30	764	25.5	2

12	Cliff Branch (1970-71)	30	755	25.2	2
13	Brian Lockridge (2007-10)	30	699	23.3	1
14	Mike Pritchard (1987-90)	30	693	23.1	0
15	Jeremy Bloom (2002-03)	25	627	25.1	1

TACKLES

Rk	Player (Position, Seasons)	UT	AT	—	TOT
1	Barry Remington (LB, 1982-86)	245	248	—	493
2	Matt Russell (LB, 1993-96)	282	164	—	446
3	Greg Biekert (LB, 1989-92)	280	161	—	441
4	Jordon Dizon (LB, 2004-07)	293	147	—	440
5	Ted Johnson (LB, 1991-94)	253	156	—	409
10	Michael Lewis (DB, 1998-2001)	225	111	—	336
16	Brian Cabral (LB, 1974-77)	120	177	—	297
20	Hannibal Navies (LB, 1995-98)	182	92	—	274
25	Phil Irvin (LB, 1968-70)	88	170	—	258
---	Jalil Brown (DB, 2007-10)	85	36	—	121
---	Anthony Perkins (DB, 2008-10)	69	49	—	118
---	Jimmy Smith (DB, 2007-10)	89	24	—	113

QUARTERBACK SACKS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards
1	Alfred Williams (1987-90)	35	242
2	Ron Woolfork (1990-93)	33	241
3	Greg Jones (1992-96)	25	158
4	Laval Short (1976-79)	24½	192
5	Abraham Wright (2004-06)	21	151
6	Herb Orvis (1969-71)	20	182
6	Dan McMillen (1982-85)	20	135
8	Bill Brundige (1967-69)	19	151
8	Curt Koch (1984-87)	19	119
8	Leonard Renfro (1989-92)	19	97
31	Marquez Herrod (2007-10)	10	69

INTERCEPTIONS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	John Stearns (1970-72)	16	339	21.2	0
2	Chris Hudson (1991-94)	15	204	13.6	2
3	Dick Anderson (1965-67)	14	151	10.8	0
3	Terrence Wheatley (2003-07)	14	154	11.0	2
5	Tim James (1987-90)	13	120	9.2	0
9	Four tied with	10	....	....	..
---	Jalil Brown (2007-10)	3	90	30.0	0
---	Jimmy Smith (2007-10)	3	41	13.3	1

PASS DEFLECTIONS

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.
1	Marcus Washington (1995-97)	42
2	Damen Wheeler (1996-99)	39
3	Ben Kelly (1997-99)	34
4	Donald Strickland (1999-2002)	33
4	Lorenzo Sims (2003-06)	33
10	Deon Figures (1988-92)	27
15	Ryan Walters (2005-08)	20
19	Jalil Brown (2007-10)	19
32	Jimmy Smith (2007-10)	16

SPECIAL TEAMS TACKLES

Rk	Player (Seasons)	UT	AT	—	Total
1	Ryan Sutter (1994-97)	32	32	—	64
2	Darren Fisk (1995-97)	25	23	—	48
3	Ryan Black (1994-97)	21	19	—	40
4	Paul Rose (1987-90)	14	25	—	39
5	Andy Peeke (1998-2001)	26	5	—	31
6	Hannibal Navies (1995-98)	15	13	—	28
7	Greg Lindsey (1990-93)	23	4	—	27
8	Rashidi Barnes (1996-99)	11	15	—	26
9	Ben Kelly (1997-99)	20	5	—	25
9	Brandon Southward (1995-98)	9	16	—	25
11	Greg Biekert (1989-92)	14	10	—	24
11	Dave Brown (1987-90)	18	6	—	24
11	John Minardi (1998-2001)	15	9	—	24
14	Terry Washington (2005-06)	18	4	—	22
15	Jalil Brown (2007-10)	16	5	—	21
---	Travis Sandersfeld (2008-10)	11	5	—	16

THE LAST TIME

INDIVIDUAL

Kickoff Return For A Touchdown	Colorado:	Brian Lockridge vs. Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 19, 2009 (98 yards).
	Opponent:	Cyrus Gray, Texas A&M in Boulder, Nov. 7, 2009 (99 yards).
Punt Return For A Touchdown	Colorado:	Stephone Robinson vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2005 (81 yards).
	Opponent:	Niles Paul, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009 (59 yards).
Interception Return For A Touchdown	Colorado:	Benjamin Burney vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009 (78 yards).
	Opponent:	Matt O'Hanlon, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009 (20 yards).
Fumble Return/Recovery For A Touchdown	Colorado:	Jimmy Smith vs. Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008 (58 yards).
	Opponent:	Steve Paris, Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 12, 2005 (66 yards).
Blocked Punt Return For A Touchdown	Colorado:	Lawrence Vickers vs. Washington State at Seattle, Sept. 11, 2004 (0 yards).
	Opponent:	Ben Wells, Texas at Austin, Oct. 10, 2009 (3 yards).
Blocked Field Goal Return For A Touchdown	Colorado:	Has not occurred.
	Opponent:	Has not occurred.
Blocked Punt	Colorado:	Doug Rippy vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009 (<i>two blocks</i>).
	Opponent:	Marquise Goodwin, Texas at Austin, Oct. 10, 2009 (<i>picked up by Ben Wells for a 3-yard touchdown</i>).
Blocked PAT Kick	Colorado:	James Garee vs. Clemson in Orlando, Dec. 27, 2005 (<i>Champs Sports Bowl</i>).
	Opponent:	Nate Frere, Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008.
Blocked Field Goal	Colorado:	Conrad Obi vs. Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 19, 2009.
	Opponent:	Ian Campbell, Kansas State in Boulder, Oct. 18, 2008.
Offensive Lineman To Score A Touchdown	Colorado:	Heath Irwin vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Oct. 28, 1995 (recovered fumble in end zone).
	Opponent:	Has not occurred.
Defensive Two-Point Conversion	Colorado:	Greg Biekert vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 2, 1991.
	Opponent:	Has not occurred.
300 Yards Total Offense	Colorado:	308, Tyler Hansen vs. Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 14, 2009 (<i>258 pass, 50 rush</i>).
	Opponent:	353, Todd Reesing, Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2009 (<i>401 pass, -48 rush</i>).
400 Yards Total Offense	Colorado:	424, Joel Klatt vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 11, 2003.
	Opponent:	428, Aaron Opelt, Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009 (<i>319 pass, 109 rush</i>).
100 Yards Rushing	Colorado:	110, Rodney Stewart vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009 (<i>21 carries</i>).
	Opponent:	100, Rex Burkhead, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009 (<i>18 carries</i>).
200 Yards Rushing	Colorado:	211, Chris Brown vs. Missouri at Columbia, Nov. 9, 2002.
	Opponent:	220, Noel Devine, West Virginia at Morgantown, Oct. 1, 2009 (<i>20 carries</i>).
300 Yards Rushing	Colorado:	309, Chris Brown vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002.
	Opponent:	Has not occurred (record is 268).
Three Touchdowns Rushing	Colorado:	3, Hugh Charles vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
	Opponent:	3, Jake Sharp, Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 11, 2008.
Four Touchdowns Rushing	Colorado:	4, Lawrence Vickers vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 5, 2005.
	Opponent:	4, Ricky Williams, Texas at Austin, Oct. 25, 1997.
Two 100-Yard Rushers	Colorado:	Chris Brown (25-127) and Bobby Purify (20-174) vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 16, 2002.
	Opponent:	Dajuane Collins (20-160) and Aaron Opelt (8-109), Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
Three 100-Yard Rushers	Colorado:	Jon Keyworth (18-124), Paul Arendt (23-116) and Ward Walsh (15-101), vs. Air Force at USAFA, Nov. 21, 1970.
	Opponent:	David Overstreet (18-258), Darrell Shepard (3-151) and George Rhymes (9-110), Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 4, 1980.
300 Yards Passing	Colorado:	356, Cody Hawkins vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
	Opponent:	401, Todd Reesing, Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2009.
400 Yards Passing	Colorado:	419, Joel Klatt vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 11, 2003.
	Opponent:	401, Todd Reesing, Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2009.
Three Touchdowns Passing	Colorado:	3, Tyler Hansen vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009.
	Opponent:	4, Aaron Opelt, vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
Four Touchdowns Passing	Colorado:	4, Cody Hawkins vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
	Opponent:	4, Aaron Opelt, vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
Five Touchdowns Passing	Colorado:	5, Koy Detmer vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 9, 1996.
	Opponent:	5, Chase Daniel, Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008.
Three Interceptions Thrown	Colorado:	3, Tyler Hansen vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009.
	Opponent:	3, Joe Ganz, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
Four Interceptions Thrown	Colorado:	4, John Hessler vs. Michigan at Ann Arbor, Sept. 13, 1997.
	Opponent:	4, Graham Harrell, Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
10 Receptions	Colorado:	11, Markques Simas vs. Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 19, 2009 (<i>tied school record</i>).
	Opponent:	11, Kerry Meier, Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2009.
100 Yards Receiving	Colorado:	114, Scotty McKnight (<i>7 receptions</i>) and 108, Markques Simas (<i>6 receptions</i>) vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009.
	Opponent:	100, Ryan Tannehill, Texas A&M in Boulder, Nov. 7, 2009 (<i>9 receptions</i>).
200 Yards Receiving	Colorado:	222, Rae Carruth vs. Missouri at Columbia, Nov. 2, 1996 (<i>7 receptions</i>).
	Opponent:	208, Albert Connell, Texas A&M at College Station, Sept. 28, 1996 (<i>18 receptions</i>).
Two Touchdowns Receiving	Colorado:	2, Scotty McKnight vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2008.
	Opponent:	2, Danario Alexander, Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009.
Three Touchdowns Receiving	Colorado:	3, Rae Carruth vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 9, 1996.
	Opponent:	3, Maurice Purify, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
Two 100-Yard Receivers	Colorado:	Scotty McKnight (7-114) and Markques Simas (6-108) vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009.
	Opponent:	Dezmon Briscoe (8-154) and Kerry Meier (11-103), Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2009.
100-Yard Rusher & Receiver	Colorado:	Rodney Stewart (20-118 rushing) & Markques Simas (7-135 receiving) vs. Texas A&M in Boulder, Nov. 7, 2009.
	Opponent:	Dajuane Collins (20-160)/Aaron Opelt (8-109) & Eric Page (3-138, receiving), Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
100-Yard Rusher & Receiver (<i>same player</i>)	Colorado:	Cortlen Johnson (27-172 rushing; 6-105 receiving), vs. Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 10, 2001.
	Opponent:	Has not occurred.

The Last Time, continued...

Four Touchdowns In A Game	Colorado:	4, Lawrence Vickers vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 5, 2005 (4 rush).
	Opponent:	4, Ricky Williams, Texas at Austin, Oct. 25, 1997 (4 rush).
Four Field Goals In A Game	Colorado:	5, Kevin Eberhart vs. Baylor at Waco, Oct. 6, 2007.
	Opponent:	4, Alex Henery, Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008.
50-Yard Field Goal	Colorado:	54, Aric Goodman vs. Colorado State in Boulder, Sept. 6, 2009.
	Opponent:	50, Alex Steigerwalk, Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
Two Interceptions In A Game	Colorado:	3, Terrence Wheatley vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	Opponent:	2, Emmanuel Lamur, Kansas State at Manhattan, Oct. 24, 2009.
Three Interceptions In A Game	Colorado:	3, Terrence Wheatley vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	Opponent:	3, Steve Smith, Oregon at Tempe (Fiesta Bowl), Jan. 1, 2002.
Four Interceptions In A Game	Colorado:	Has not occurred.
	Opponent:	4, Frank Nelson, Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 2, 1946.
Three Quarterback Sacks In A Game	Colorado:	3 (for 26 yards), Abraham Wright vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 9, 2006.
	Opponent:	3 (for 27 yards), Aldon Smith, Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009.
Four Quarterback Sacks In A Game	Colorado:	4½ (for 46), Ron Woolfork vs. Iowa in Boulder, Sept. 26, 1992.
	Opponent:	4 (for 24), Kelly Quinn, Michigan State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 1984.

TEAM

Shut Out (Defensive)	Colorado:	Game: 24-0, vs. Wyoming in Boulder, Sept. 19, 2009. Through 3rd Qtr: 24-0, vs. Wyoming in Boulder, Sept. 19, 2009. At Half: 17-0, vs. Wyoming in Boulder, Sept. 19, 2009.
	Opponent:	Game: 0-58, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008. Through 3rd Qtr: 0-58, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 25, 2008. At Half: 0-10, by Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008.
Safety	Colorado:	vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2005 (ball thrown out of end zone after bad snap on punt try).
	Opponent:	by Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009 (Tyler Hansen sacked in end zone).
Held To No Offensive Touchdowns	Colorado:	by Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 21, 2006.
	Opponent:	vs. Wyoming in Boulder, Sept. 19, 2009.
30 First Downs In A Game	Colorado:	33, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	Opponent:	32, by Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003.
Held Under 10 First Downs	Colorado:	7, by Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 3, 2007.
	Opponent:	6 vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
500 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado:	634, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	Opponent:	624, by Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
600 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado:	634, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	Opponent:	624, by Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
Held Under 200 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado:	176, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009 (-14 rush, 190 pass).
	Opponent:	139, by Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007 (44 rush, 95 pass).
Held Under 100 Yards Total Offense In A Game	Colorado:	46, vs. Oklahoma at Kansas City, Dec. 4, 2004 (<i>Big 12 Championship</i>).
	Opponent:	74, by Baylor at Waco, Nov. 13, 1999.
300 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado:	359, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	Opponent:	305, by Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009.
400 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado:	427, vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002.
	Opponent:	419, by Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 28, 1987.
500 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado:	502, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 11, 2000.
	Opponent:	516, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 6, 1984.
Held Under 100 Yards Rushing In A Game	Colorado:	13, vs. Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 19, 2009 (22 attempts).
	Opponent:	-8, by Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2009 (22 attempts).
400 Yards Passing In A Game	Colorado:	401, vs. Texas A&M in Boulder, Oct. 8, 2005.
	Opponent:	431, Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 17, 2009.
500 Yards Passing In A Game	Colorado:	533, vs. NE Louisiana in Boulder, Sept. 16, 1995.
	Opponent:	523, by Fresno State at Honolulu, Dec. 25, 1993 (<i>Aloha Bowl</i>).
Held Under 100 Yards Passing In A Game	Colorado:	85, vs. Texas at Austin, Oct. 10, 2009.
	Opponent:	73, by Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009.
Averaged Over Eight Yards Per Play	Colorado:	8.14, vs. North Texas in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2004 (72-586).
	Opponent:	9.45, by Toledo in Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009 (66-624).
Held Under Three Yards Per Play	Colorado:	2.93, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009 (60-176).
	Opponent:	2.84, by Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007 (49-139).
Four Interception Game	Colorado:	4, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	Opponent:	4, by Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 4, 1999.
Five Interception Game	Colorado:	5, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003.
	Opponent:	5, by Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 17, 1992.
Forced Five Lost Opponent Fumbles	Colorado:	5, vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 26, 1999.
	Opponent:	5, by Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 8, 1980.
Forced Six Lost Opponent Fumbles	Colorado:	6, vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Oct. 22, 1983.
	Opponent:	6, by Nebraska at Lincoln, Oct. 25, 1975.
Forty-Minute Time of Possession Game	Colorado:	40:24, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	Opponent:	42:20, by Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 1, 1997.
Turnover-Free Game	Colorado:	vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 23, 2007.
	Opponent:	by Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 8, 2008.
Did Not Punt	Colorado:	vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 19, 1994.
	Opponent:	by Nebraska at Lincoln, Nov. 22, 1983.
Recovered Own Onside Kick	Colorado:	vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009 (Jeff Smart); 0-of-last 2.
	Opponent:	by Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 1, 2007 (Jermaine Walters); 0-of-last-4.

CAREER SINGLE GAME BESTS

Here are the single-game career bests for those current players who have regularly appeared in games:

TYLER AHLES, OLB

Total Tackles—7, at Kansas State, 10/24/09
Solo Tackles—3, twice (last: at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09)
QB Sacks—1, at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09
Third Down Stops—1, twice (last: at Oklahoma St., 11/19/09)

B.J. BEATTY, OLB

Total Tackles—7, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09
Solo Tackles—4, twice (last: at West Virginia, 10/01/09)
QB Sacks—2, vs. Wyoming, 9/19/09
Third Down Stops—1, 9 times (last: vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09)

NATE BONSU, DT

Total Tackles—5, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09
Solo Tackles—4, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09
QB Sacks—N/A
Third Down Stops—1, at Texas, 10/10/09

JALIL BROWN, FS

Total Tackles—15, vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09
Solo Tackles—10, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08
Interceptions—1, thrice (last: vs. Kansas, 10/17/09)
Pass Deflections—4, at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09

KYLE CEFALO, WR

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

TONEY CLEMONS, WR

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

CURTIS CUNNINGHAM, DT

Total Tackles—6, at West Virginia, 10/01/09
Solo Tackles—3, thrice (last: at Kansas State, 10/24/09)
QB Sacks—1, twice (at Kansas State, 10/24/09)
Interceptions—1, vs. Florida State, 9/27/08
Passes Broken Up—2, vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09)

RYAN DEEHAN, TE

Receptions—3, twice (last: at Kansas State, 10/24/09)
Receiving Yards—34, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Long Reception—34, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Receiving TDs—1, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08

JASON ESPINOZA, WR

Receptions—8, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Receiving Yards—109, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Receiving TDs—1, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Long Reception—27, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Punt Return Yards—16, at Texas, 10/10/09

ARIC GOODMAN, PK (at Colorado)

Field Goals Attempted—4, at West Virginia, 10/01/09
Field Goals Made—2, twice (last: vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09)
Long Field Goal—54, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09
Long Field Goal Attempt—57, at West Virginia, 10/01/09
PAT Attempts—5, twice (last: at Toledo, 9/11/09)
PAT Made—5, twice (last: at Toled21o, 9/11/09)

At Wyoming:

Long Field Goal—52, vs. San Diego State, 11/04/06 (home)

ZACH GROSSNICKLE, P

Punts—N/A
Average (min. 5 punts)—N/A
Long Punt—N/A
50-Plus—N/A
Inside-the-20—N/A

JOSH HARTIGAN, DES

Total Tackles—N/A
Solo Tackles—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A
Interceptions—N/A
QB Hurries—N/A

CODY HAWKINS, QB

Pass Attempts—64, at Toledo, 9/11/09 (school record)
Pass Completions—34, vs. Florida State, 9/15/07
Passing Yards—356, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Long Pass—65, at Baylor, 10/06/07
TD Passes—4, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08; at Toledo, 9/11/09
Interceptions—3, four times (last: at West Virginia, 10/1/09)

Rating—180.0, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08
Rushing Attempts—11, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08
Rushing Yards—26, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08
Long Rush—19, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08

TYLER HANSEN, QB

Pass Attempts—44, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09
Pass Completions—23, at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09
Passing Yards—271, vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09
TD Passes—3, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09
Long Pass—58, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09
Interceptions—3, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09
Rating—140.8, vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09
Rushing Attempts—20, vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09
Rushing Yards—86, twice (last: at Texas A&M, 11/01/08)
Long Rush—31, vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09

MARQUEZ HERROD, DE

Total Tackles—7, vs. Wyoming, 9/19/09
Solo Tackles—4, vs. Wyoming, 9/19/09
QB Sacks—2, twice (last: vs. Kansas, 10/17/09)
Third Down Stops—2, thrice (last: at Iowa State, 11/14/09)
QB Hurries—2, thrice (last: vs. Kansas, 10/17/09)

QUENTIN HILDRETH, TB

Rushing Attempts—N/A
Rushing Yards—N/A
Long Run—N/A
Rushing TDs—N/A

WILL JEFFERSON, WR

Receptions—2, at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09
Receiving Yards—13, at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09
Receiving TDs—N/A
Long Reception—11, vs. Kansas, 10/17/09

BRIAN LOCKRIDGE, TB

Rushing Attempts—14, vs. Miami-Ohio, 9/22/07
Rushing Yards—90, vs. Miami-Ohio, 9/22/07
Long Run—47, at Iowa State, 11/10/07
Rushing TDs—1, twice (last: vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09)

NICK KASA, DL

Total Tackles—1, on two occasions (last: at Texas, 10/10/09)
Solo Tackles—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A
Interceptions—N/A
QB Hurries—N/A

JON MAJOR, S

Total Tackles—N/A
Solo Tackles—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A
Interceptions—N/A
QB Hurries—N/A

PATRICK MAHNKE, S

Total Tackles—9, at Nebraska, 11/28/08
Solo Tackles—4, at Nebraska, 11/28/08
QB Sacks—1, at Nebraska, 11/28/08
Third Down Stops—1, twice (last: at Nebraska, 11/28/08)
Interceptions—N/A
Pass Deflections—2, vs. Oklahoma State, 11/15/08

SCOTTY MCKNIGHT, WR

Receptions—11, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Receiving Yards—114, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Long Reception—56, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09 (TD)
Receiving TDs—2, twice (last: vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09)

PARKER ORMS, S

Total Tackles—N/A
Solo Tackles—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A
Interceptions—N/A
QB Hurries—N/A

TRAVON PATTERSON, WR

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

WILL PERICAK, DT

Total Tackles—8, at Iowa State, 11/14/09
Solo Tackles—5, at Iowa State, 11/14/09
QB Sacks—1, thrice (last: vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09)
Third Down Stops—2, at Iowa State, 11/14/09

ANTHONY PERKINS, S

Total Tackles—14, at Iowa State, 11/14/09
Solo Tackles—10, at Iowa State, 11/14/09
Third Down Stops—3, vs. Missouri, 10/31/09
Interceptions—1, twice (last: at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09)
Pass Deflections—1, thrice (last: at Oklahoma State, 11/19/09)

RAY POLK, FS

Total Tackles—15, at Kansas State, 10/24/09
Solo Tackles—9, at Kansas State, 10/24/09
Pass Deflections—N/A
Interceptions—N/A

PAUL RICHARDSON, WR

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

DOUGLAS RIPPY, OLB

Total Tackles—3, at Toledo, 9/11/09
Solo Tackles—1, vs. Wyoming, 9/19/09
QB Sacks—1, vs. Wyoming, 9/19/09

ANDRE SIMMONS, WR

Receptions—1, twice (last: vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09)
Receiving Yards—44, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09
Receiving TDs—N/A
Long Reception—44, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09

MICHAEL SIPILLI, ILB

Total Tackles—10, vs. Missouri, 10/31/09
Solo Tackles—6, at Nebraska, 11/24/06
Pass Deflections—1, twice
QB Sacks—N/A
QB Hurries—2, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08

JIMMY SMITH, CB

Total Tackles—12, vs. Colorado State, 9/06/09
Solo Tackles—10, at Nebraska, 11/28/08
Third Down Stops—2, twice (last: vs. Kansas, 10/17/09)
Interceptions—1, twice (last: at Iowa State, 11/14/09)
Pass Deflections—4, vs. Iowa State, 11/08/08

RODNEY STEWART, TB

Rushing Attempts—32, vs. Wyoming, 9/19/09
Rushing Yards—166, vs. West Virginia, 9/18/08
Long Run—36, at West Virginia, 10/01/09 (TD)
Rushing TDs—2, thrice (last: vs. Texas A&M, 11/07/09)
Receptions—3, vs. West Virginia, 9/18/08
Receiving Yards—19, vs. Eastern Washington, 9/06/08
Long Reception—17, at Kansas State, 10/24/09
Receiving TDs—N/A

DaVAUGHN THORTNON, TE

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

JUSTIN TORRES, TB

Rushing Attempts—N/A
Rushing Yards—N/A
Long Run—N/A
Rushing TDs—N/A

CHIDERA UZO-DIRIBE, DE

Total Tackles—N/A
Solo Tackles—N/A
Third Down Stops—N/A
Interceptions—N/A
QB Hurries—N/A

LUKE WALTERS, TE

Receptions—N/A
Receiving Yards—N/A
Long Reception—N/A
Receiving TDs—N/A

DEPTH CHART

A note about CU's depth: in-season, depth charts reflect change and generally do not announce it unless there are long-term injuries; also, the coaches often use "groupings" at certain positions (i.e. receiver-tight end-tailback-fullback), and often a group enters the game to run a play that does not match the depth.

OFFENSE

(Multiple)

WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING (X)

- 17 Toney Clemons, 6-2, 210, Jr. **AND**
 16 Will Jefferson, 5-11, 190, Soph.*
 1 Andre Simmons, 6-2, 200, Sr.*

WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING (Z)

- 2 Travon Patterson, 5-9, 175, Sr.-5* **AND**
 80 Paul Richardson, 6-1, 175, Fr.
 47 Kendrick Celestine, 5-11, 180, Jr.*

WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING (H)

- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 185, Sr.-5***
 35 Kyle Cefalo, 5-10, 175, Jr.
 15 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 175, Jr.**

LEFT TACKLE

- 78 Nate Solder, 6-9, 315, Sr.-5***
 53 Ryan Dannewitz, 6-6, 300, Soph.*

LEFT GUARD

- 63 Ethan Adkins, 6-4, 315, Jr.*
 64 Mike Iltis, 6-3, 290, Jr.*
 70 Eric Richter, 6-3, 310, Jr.

CENTER

- 56 Keenan Stevens, 6-2, 290, Sr.-5*
 68 Shawn Daniels, 6-3, 275, Jr.*
 76 Gus Handler, 6-2, 290, Fr.-RS

RIGHT GUARD

- 73 Ryan Miller, 6-8, 310, Jr.**
 66 Blake Behrens, 6-3, 295, Jr.**
 60 David Clark, 6-4, 300, Jr.*

RIGHT TACKLE

- 59 David Bakhtiari, 6-4, 290, Fr.-RS
 77 Bryce Givens, 6-6, 275, Soph.*
 79 Sione Tau, 6-5, 350, Jr.

TIGHT END GROUPING

- 34 Ryan Deehan, 6-5, 245, Jr.**
 81 Luke Walters, 6-3, 240, Sr.-6* **AND**
 85 DaVaughn Thornton, 6-4, 225, Fr.-RS
 84 Alex Wood, 6-2, 245, Fr.-RS

QUARTERBACK

- 9 Tyler Hansen, 6-1, 205, Jr.**
 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Sr.-5***
 8 Nick Hirschman, 6-3, 225, Fr.

TAILBACK GROUPING

- 5 Rodney Stewart, 5-6, 175, Jr.**
 20 Brian Lockridge, 5-7, 185, Jr.**
 28 Quentin Hildreth, 5-8, 185, Fr.-RS
 29 Justin Torres, 6-0, 215, Fr.
 36 Corey Nabors, 5-9, 195, Sr.-5***

UTILITY BACK (when utilized; TE, FB, HB, TB)

- 43 Matthew Bahr, 6-4, 290, Jr.**
 99 Scott Fernandez, 6-3, 275, Fr.-RS

DEFENSE

(4-3 Base/Multiple)

LEFT DEFENSIVE END

- 55 Josh Hartigan, 6-1, 225, Jr.**
 92 Forrest West, 6-1, 260, Soph.*
 95 Tony Poremba, 6-1, 240, Jr.

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

- 50 Curtis Cunningham, 6-1, 280, Jr.**
 98 Eugene Goree, 6-1, 310, Jr.**

NOSE TACKLE

- 83 Will Pericak, 6-4, 280, Soph.*
 93 Conrad Obi, 6-3, 295, Jr.**
 94 Nate Bonsu, DT, 6-1, 290, Soph.*

RIGHT DEFENSIVE END

- 90 Marquez Herrod, 6-2, 280, Sr.-5***
 44 Nick Kasa, 6-6, 275, Soph.*
 96 Chidera Uzo-Diribe, 6-3, 230, Fr.

MIKE (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 10 Michael Sipili, 6-1, 245, Sr.-5***
 51 Douglas Rippey, 6-2, 230, Soph.* **OR**
 56 Derrick Webb, 6-0, 220, Fr.-RS

WILL (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 31 Jon Major, 6-1, 225, Soph.*
 12 Patrick Mahnke, 6-1, 205, Jr.**
 49 Evan Harrington, 5-11, 220, Jr.

SAM (OUTSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 58 Tyler Ahles, 6-2, 245, Jr.**
 59 B.J. Beatty, 6-2, 235, Sr.-5**
 62 David Goldberg, 6-1, 250, Jr.* **OR**
 48 Liloa Nobriga, 6-2, 215, Fr.-RS

LEFT CORNERBACK

- 23 Jilil Brown, 6-1, 205, Sr.-5***
 28 Jered Bell, 6-0, 185, Fr.
 39 Josh Moten, 6-0, 195, Fr.

FREE SAFETY

- 26 Ray Polk, 6-1, 210, Soph.*
 30 Parker Orms, 5-11, 190, Fr.-RS (N #1)
 19 Travis Sandersfeld, 6-0, 205, Jr.**
 41 Terrel Smith, 5-8, 180, Fr.

STRONG SAFETY

- 46 Anthony Perkins, 5-10, 200, Jr.**
 25 Deji Olatoye, 6-1, 195, Fr.-RS
 22 Arthur Jaffee, 5-11, 210, Jr.*

RIGHT CORNERBACK

- 3 Jimmy Smith, 6-2, 205, Sr.-5***
 32 Paul Vigo, 6-1, 190, Fr.-RS
 18 Jonathan Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Jr.** (N #2)

SPECIALISTS

PUNTER

- 15 Zach Grossnickle, 6-2, 190, Fr.-RS
 14 Dillan Freiberg, 5-8, 145, Fr. (L)

PLACEKICKER / KICKOFF

- 13 Aric Goodman, 5-10, 195, Sr.-5** (#1 KO)
 40 Justin Castor, 6-3, 190, Fr. **OR**
 38 Marcus Kirkwood, 6-6, 220, Jr. (L)

PUNT RETURN

- 2 Travon Patterson, 5-9, 175, Sr.-5*
 17 Toney Clemons, 6-2, 210, Jr.

KICKOFF RETURN

- 20 Brian Lockridge, 5-7, 185, Jr.**
 22 Arthur Jaffee, 5-11, 210, Jr.*
 2 Travon Patterson, 5-9, 175, Sr.-5*
 23 Jilil Brown, 6-1, 205, Sr.-5***

HOLDER (PINNER)

- 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Sr.-5***
 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 185, Sr.-5***

SHORT SNAPPER

- 68 Joe Silipo, 6-2, 250, Sr.-5
 69 Ryan Iverson, 6-0, 205, Fr.

LONG SNAPPER

- 69 Ryan Iverson, 6-0, 205, Fr. **OR**
 68 Joe Silipo, 6-2, 250, Sr.-5

OUT FOR EXTENDED TIME

- 83 WR Dustin Ebner, 6-1, 180, Soph.* (*leg*)
 27 *—S Vince Ewing, 6-0, 195, Soph.* (*knee*)
 75 LT Jack Harris, 6-5, 290, Fr.-RS (*shoulder*)
 *—denotes out for season.

(L)—throws or kicks left-handed/footed.

Seniors (17): Listing with a (-5) indicates fifth-year senior (14); there is (1) sixth year (-6); the others (2) are a fourth-year seniors.

GROUPING — indicates all listed could play and order of listing is not that significant.

AND—indicates those listed both play & rotate (basically co-first/second/third team status);

OR—indicates first- or second-team status at that spot up for grabs.

*—denotes number of letters earned through 2009; *Injured players listed in italics (status questionable or doubtful—not out for extended time; probables listed as normal).*

CAPTAINS:

- 23 Jilil Brown, CB 21 Scott McKnight, WR
 7 Cody Hawkins, QB 78 Nate Solder, OT

(N—denotes nickel back)

COLORADO FOOTBALL / ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

The Colorado alphabetical roster, including up-to-date heights and weights through fall camp (*as of August 30 a.m.*):

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
63	ADKINS, Ethan	OL	6- 4	315	Jr.	1L	Castle Rock, Colo. (Douglas County)	S 2/2
58	AHLES, Tyler	OLB	6- 2	245	Jr.	2L	San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon)	S 2/2
33	ALLEN, Cordary	TB	6- 1	220	Fr.	HS	Phenix City, Ala. (Central)	S 5/4
41	ALLEN, Matt	TE	6- 0	230	Fr.	HS	Littleton, Colo. (Mullen)	WO 4/4
43	BAHR, Matthew	TE	6- 4	290	Jr.	2L	Dove Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 2/2
59	BAKHTIARI, David	OL	6- 4	290	Fr.	RS	Burlingame, Calif. (Junipero Serra)	S 4/4
59	BEATTY, B.J.	OLB	6- 2	235	Sr.	2L	Kaaawa, Hawai'i (Kahuku)	S 1/1
66	BEHRENS, Blake	OL	6- 3	295	Jr.	2L	Phoenix, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 2/2
28	BELL, Jered	DB	6- 0	185	Fr.	HS	Ontario, Calif. (Colony)	S 5/4
94	BONSU, Nate	DT	6- 1	290	So.	1L	Allen, Texas (Allen)	S 4/3
23	BROWN, Jalil	CB	6- 1	205	Sr.	3L	Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain)	S 1/1
31	CANTY, Keenan	WR	5- 9	160	Fr.	HS	New Orleans, La. (Edna Karr)	S 5/4
40	CASTOR, Justin	PK/P	6- 3	190	Fr.	HS	Golden, Colo. (Arvada West)	S 5/4
35	CEFALO, Kyle	WR	5-10	175	Jr.	TR	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly/Oregon State/Wenatchee CC)	WO 2/2
47	CELESTINE, Kendrick	WR	5-11	180	Jr.	1L	Mamou, La. (Mamou)	S 2/2
60	CLARK, David	OL	6- 4	300	Jr.	1L	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen)	WO 2/2
17	CLEMONS, Toney	WR	6- 2	210	Jr.	TR	New Kensington, Pa. (Valley/Michigan)	S 2/2
89	CONTE, Mario	WR	5-10	175	Fr.	RS	Lakewood, Colo. (Mullen)	WO 4/4
54	CRABB, Kaiwi	OL	6- 3	285	Fr.	HS	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Punahou)	S 5/4
50	CUNNINGHAM, Curtis	DT	6- 1	280	Jr.	2L	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 3/2
68	DANIELS, Shawn	OL	6- 3	275	Jr.	1L	Evergreen, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 2/2
53	DANNEWITZ, Ryan	OL	6- 6	300	So.	1L	San Jacinto, Calif. (San Jacinto)	S 3/3
82	DARDEN, Jarrod	WR	6- 4	210	Fr.	RS	Keller, Texas (Central)	S 4/4
34	DEEHAN, Ryan	TE	6- 5	245	Jr.	2L	Poway, Calif. (Poway)	S 3/2
83	EBNER, Dustin	WR	6- 1	180	So.	1L	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	WO 3/3
15	ESPINOZA, Jason	WR	5- 8	175	Jr.	2L	Alamosa, Colo. (Alamosa)	S 2/2
99	FERNANDEZ, Scott	TE	6- 3	275	Fr.	RS	Broomfield, Colo. (Legacy)	WO 4/4
14	FREIBERG, Dillan	PK/P	5- 8	145	Fr.	HS	Newport Beach, Calif. (Newport Harbor)	WO 5/4
77	GIVENS, Bryce	OL	6- 6	275	So.	1L	Castle Rock, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 3/3
62	GOLDBERG, David	OLB	6- 1	250	Jr.	1L	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen/Penn State)	WO 2/2
13	GOODMAN, Aric	PK	5-10	195	Sr.	2L	Cherry Hills Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Wyoming)	S 1/1
98	GOREE, Eugene	DT	6- 1	310	Jr.	2L	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Riverdale)	S 2/2
14	GORMAN, Justin	QB	6- 0	200	Fr.	HS	Manheim, Pa. (Manheim Central)	WO 5/4
54	GREER, Gage	LB	6- 1	225	Fr.	HS	Liberty Hill, Texas (Liberty Hill/Boulder Fairview)	WO 5/4
87	GRIFFON, Henley	TE	6- 3	225	Fr.	HS	Apopka, Fla. (Apopka)	S 5/4
15	GROSSNICKLE, Zach	P/PK	6- 2	190	Fr.	RS	Denver, Colo. (East)	S 4/4
37	HAM, Cameron	S	6- 1	205	Sr.	2L	Haxtun, Colo. (Haxtun)	WO 1/1
76	HANDLER, Gus	OL	6- 2	290	Fr.	RS	Barrington, Ill. (Barrington)	S 4/4
9	HANSEN, Tyler	QB	6- 1	205	Jr.	2L	Murrieta, Calif. (Chaparral)	S 3/2
49	HARRINGTON, Evan	LB	5-11	220	Jr.	JC	Washington, D.C. (Bowie, Md./College of the Canyons)	S 3/2
75	HARRIS, Jack	OL	6- 5	290	Fr.	RS	Parker, Colo. (Chaparral)	S 4/4
55	HARTIGAN, Josh	DE	6- 1	225	Jr.	2L	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Northeast)	S 2/2
7	HAWKINS, Cody	QB	5-11	190	Sr.	3L	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly)	S 1/1
18	HAWKINS, Jonathan	CB	5-11	190	Jr.	2L	Perris, Calif. (Rancho Verde)	S 2/2
90	HERROD, Marquez	DE	6- 2	280	Sr.	3L	Escondido, Calif. (San Pasqual)	S 1/1
28	HILDRETH, Quentin	TB	5- 8	185	Fr.	RS	Aurora, Colo. (Denver East)	WO 4/4
8	HIRSCHMAN, Nick	QB	6- 3	225	Fr.	HS	Los Gatos, Calif. (Los Gatos)	S 5/4
64	ILTIS, Mike	OL	6- 3	290	Jr.	1L	Sarasota, Fla. (Riverview)	S 2/2
69	IVERSON, Ryan	LS	6- 0	205	Fr.	HS	Newport Beach, Calif. (Newport Harbor)	WO 5/4
22	JAFFEE, Arthur	CB	5-11	210	Jr.	1L	Boulder, Colo. (Fairview)	WO 2/2
16	JEFFERSON, Will	WR	5-11	190	So.	1L	Moreno Valley, Calif. (Vista del Lago)	S 4/3
26	JONES, Tony	TB	5- 7	180	Fr.	HS	Paterson, N.J. (Don Bosco Prep)	S 5/4
27	JONES, Trea'	TB	5-10	190	Fr.	HS	Wake Forest, N.C. (Rolesville)	S 5/4
44	KASA, Nick	DE	6- 6	275	So.	1L	Thornton, Colo. (Legacy)	S 4/3
38	KIRKWOOD, Marcus	PK	6- 6	220	Jr.	VR	Arvada, Colo. (Faith Christian/Concordia)	WO 2/2
20	LOCKRIDGE, Brian	TB	5- 7	185	Jr.	2L	Trabuco Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 2/2
12	MAHNKE, Patrick	ILB	6- 1	205	Jr.	2L	Parker, Colo. (Mountain Vista)	S 3/2
31	MAJOR, Jon	ILB	6- 1	225	So.	1L	Parker, Colo. (Ponderosa)	S 3/3
36	MARQUEZ, Jordan	DB	6- 0	180	Fr.	HS	Arvada, Colo. (Arvada West)	WO 5/4
21	McKNIGHT, Scotty	WR	5-11	185	Sr.	3L	Coto de Caza, Calif. (Tesoro)	S 1/1
20	MEYER, Matt	S	5- 9	190	Sr.	VR	Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Santa Margarita)	WO 2/2
73	MILLER, Ryan	OL	6- 8	310	Jr.	3L	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 2/2
44	MOBLEY, Harold	TE	6- 4	230	Fr.	HS	Corona, Calif. (Roosevelt)	S 5/4
39	MOTEN, Josh	CB	6- 0	195	Fr.	HS	Carson, Calif. (Narbonne)	S 5/4

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No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
52	MUNYER, Daniel	OL	6- 2	280	Fr.	HS	Tarzana, Calif. (Notre Dame)	S 5/4
36	NABORS, Corey	TB	5- 9	195	Sr.	3L	Aurora, Colo. (Rangeview)	S 1/1
48	NOBRIGA, Liloa	OLB	6- 2	215	Fr.	RS	Summerlin, Nev. (Palo Verde)	S 4/4
99	O'CONNOR, Michael	OLB	5-11	225	So.	TR	Englewood, Colo. (Englewood/Fort Lewis)	WO 2/2
93	OBI, Conrad	DT	6- 3	295	Jr.	2L	Grayson, Ga. (Grayson)	S 2/2
25	OLATOYE, Deji	DB	6- 1	195	Fr.	RS	Dublin, Ohio (Dublin Scioto)	S 4/4
30	ORMS, Parker	S	5-11	190	Fr.	RS	Wheat Ridge, Colo. (Wheat Ridge)	S 4/4
2	PATTERSON, Travon	WR	5- 9	175	Sr.	TR	Long Beach, Calif. (Long Beach Poly/Southern California)	S 1/1
83	PERICAK, Will	DT	6- 4	280	So.	1L	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 3/3
46	PERKINS, Anthony	S	5-10	200	Jr.	2L	Northglenn, Colo. (Northglenn)	S 2/2
26	POLK, Ray	S	6- 1	210	So.	1L	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 3/3
97	POOLE, Dakota	DL	6- 5	255	Fr.	HS	Kelowna, B.C. CANADA (Kelowna Secondary)	S 5/4
95	POREMB, Tony	DE	6- 1	240	Jr.	VR	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	WO 2/2
91	POSTON, Kirk	DL	6- 1	260	Fr.	HS	Houston, Texas (St. Pius X)	S 5/4
80	RICHARDSON, Paul	WR	6- 1	175	Fr.	HS	Gardena, Calif. (Serra)	S 5/4
70	RICHTER, Eric	OG	6- 3	310	Jr.	JC	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Capistrano Valley/Saddleback College)	S 3/2
51	RIPPY, Douglas	ILB	6- 2	230	So.	1L	Columbus, Ohio (Trotwood-Madison)	S 3/3
19	SANDERSFELD, Travis	S	6- 0	205	Jr.	2L	Limon, Colo. (Limon)	S 2/2
68	SILIPO, Joe	SN	6- 2	250	Sr.	VR	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Northern Colorado)	WO 1/1
1	SIMMONS, Andre	WR	6- 2	200	Sr.	1L	Blackville, S.C. (Blackville-Hilda/Independence CC)	S 2/1
10	SIPILI, Michael	ILB	6- 1	245	Sr.	3L	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	S 1/1
88	SLAVIN, Kyle	TE	6- 4	235	Fr.	HS	Littleton, Colo. (Chatfield)	S 5/4
3	SMITH, Jimmy	CB	6- 2	205	Sr.	3L	Colton, Calif. (Colton)	S 1/1
41	SMITH, Terrel	DB	5- 8	180	Fr.	HS	Paterson, N.J. (Passaic County Tech)	S 5/4
78	SOLDER, Nate	OT	6- 9	315	Sr.	3L	Buena Vista, Colo. (Buena Vista)	S 1/1
56	STEVENS, Keenan	C	6- 2	290	Sr.	1L	Monument, Colo. (Lewis-Palmer)	S 1/1
5	STEWART, Rodney	TB	5- 6	175	Jr.	2L	Westerville, Ohio (Brookhaven)	S 3/2
79	TAU, Sione	OL	6- 5	350	Jr.	VR	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	S 2/2
85	THORNTON, DaVaughn	TE	6- 4	225	Fr.	RS	Denver, Colo. (East)	S 4/4
29	TORRES, Justin "J.T."	TB	6- 0	215	Fr.	HS	La Mirada, Calif. (La Mirada)	S 5/4
55	TUIOTI-MARINER, Maxwell	OG	6- 3	310	So.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Corona)	S 3/3
86	TURBOW, Alex	WR	6- 1	205	Fr.	HS	San Luis Obispo, Calif. (San Luis Obispo)	WO 4/4
29	USSERY, Terdema	S	6- 3	225	Fr.	RS	Dallas, Texas (St. Mark's School of Texas)	S 4/4
96	UZO-DIRIBE, Chidera	DE	6- 3	230	Fr.	HS	Corona, Calif. (Corona)	S 5/4
32	VIGO, Paul	CB	6- 1	190	Fr.	RS	New Brunswick, N.J. (New Brunswick)	S 4/4
81	WALTERS, Luke	TE	6- 3	240	Sr.	1L	Lakewood, Colo. (ThunderRidge/New Mexico)	S 1/1
56	WEBB, Derrick	ILB	6- 0	220	Fr.	RS	Memphis, Tenn. (Whitehaven)	S 4/4
92	WEST, Forrest	DE	6- 1	260	So.	1L	Canton, Conn. (Salisbury School)	S 4/3
45	WILLIAMS, Lowell	LB	6- 1	200	Fr.	HS	Missouri City, Texas (Marshall)	S 5/4
84	WOOD, Alex	TE	6- 2	245	Fr.	RS	Steamboat Springs, Colo. (Steamboat Springs)	WO 4/4

Heights and weights recorded as of August 17, 2010. **EXPERIENCE KEY:** #L—indicates number of letters earned through 2009; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2009; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer. **STATUS KEY:** S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock as of start of 2010 season, i.e., 2/1: two years available to play one in eligibility.

Inactive Roster Players (Injured/Ineligible)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Reason	Status
27	EWING, Vince	S	6- 0	195	So.	1L	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad)	Injured (knee)	S 3/3
16	PUGH, Makiri	S	5-11	200	Jr.	TR	Charlotte, N.C. (Independence/Georgia)	Transfer	S 3/2