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### 2012 COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL

# GAME 4—WASHINGTON STATE



## BUFFS TO OPEN SECOND PAC-12 SEASON ON ROAD

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2012 • 2:05 p.m. MDT • Martin Stadium (33,522), Pullman, Wash.

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FX (National) | KOA-RADIO | CUBUFFS.COM (Live Stats)

### QUICKLY SPEAKING ...

The **Colorado Buffaloes** (0-3, 0-0 Pac-12) remain on the road and will play a second straight time in the Pacific Time Zone, heading northwest to take on the **Washington State Cougars** (2-1, 0-0 Pac-12) in a 2:05 p.m. MDT kickoff at Martin Stadium ... It will signify the start of CU's second season in the Pac-12; last year, WSU rallied to win in Boulder, 31-27, in what was CU's first-ever Pac-12 league game ... The game will be televised by FX with the same crew that did the Colorado State game; thus, it will be the fourth straight game with a CU alum on the broadcast team (**Joel Klatt**, '05, for CSU and WSU; **Jeremy Bloom**, '05, for Sac State; and **Lauren Gardner**, '07, for Fresno State) ... Colorado is 2-0 against the Cougars in the state of Washington, but this is the first time the game will be in Pullman; CU won in 1982 in Spokane and in 2004 in Seattle ... The 12-0 win over WSU on Sept. 18, 1982 was the first for head coach **Bill McCartney**, who went on to become CU's winningest coach of all-time (93-55-5) ... The two were scheduled to play in Pullman on Sept. 15, 2001, but the game was cancelled due to the tragic events four days earlier (9/11); the schools could not find a common date to reschedule, WSU filled the gap with Montana State but the Buffs did not find another opponent, not overly necessary after playing Fresno State in a "preseason" game, allowed at the time by the NCAA; the game was eventually made up in 2004 in Seattle ... Martin Stadium has FieldTurf; CU played last Saturday at Fresno State on the same surface: the Buffs had a rough go of it, falling behind quickly en route to a 69-14 setback to the Bulldogs; Washington State won a Friday night game on the road in Las Vegas, racing to a 28-10 second quarter lead en route to a 35-27 win over UNLV ... Visit **CUBuffs.com/gameday** as your one stop for everything, including our on-line media guide and live stats.

**DEPTH CHART ON PAGE 48; ROSTER ON PAGES 49-50**

CU-Washington State TV: FX / **Craig Bolerjack** (play-by-play) / **Joel Klatt** (color analyst) / **Petros Papadakis** (sideline reporter) / **Brad Zager** (producer)

### STAT OF THE WEEK

Straight from the "Spin" Department: At times, Colorado's defense did have its moments against Fresno State. The obvious problem were nine plays of 20 yards or longer that earned the Bulldogs 419 yards (or 46.6 per), including three long scores of 97, 94 and 60 yards. The other 58 plays netted 246 yards, just 4.2 yards per play; now obviously all the plays count but many times the Buffs made a good play or two on defense only to be burned by a long gainer. CU also had a season-high nine tackles for loss and Fresno was a pedestrian 4-of-11 on third down. Thus far in 2012, the opponent has 17 plays of 20 yards or longer, gaining **640** yards (37.6 per); the other 187 plays have netted **789** yards (4.2 per).

### OBSCURE NOTE OF THE WEEK

Not counting players who traveled who were injured and could not play, Colorado had 62 players available for game action at Fresno State — 59 played in the game. That's the second closest the Buffs have come to playing everyone suited up to play in a game. On Nov. 12, 1994, in a 51-26 win at Kansas, the Buffs dressed 60 players and 59 got onto the field. This could only really occur on the road in the regular season, as often the entire team dresses for home and bowl games. In-between 1994 and last Saturday, CU played 63 of 68 players at Iowa State in 2003 and at Oklahoma State in 2005.

## 2012 COLORADO SCHEDULE & RESULTS (0-3, 0-0 PAC-12)

Date	CU*	Opponent	Opp*	TV	Result/Time	2012 Record	Series	This-N-That or '11 rewind
Sept. 1	NR	Colorado State (Denver)	NR	FX	<b>L 17-22</b>	1-2	61-21-2	Rams rally to win with two fourth quarter field goals in defensive battle
SEPT. 8	NR	SACRAMENTO STATE	NR	P12N	<b>L 28-30</b>	2-1	0- 1-0	Buff's lose first game on last second field goal in regulation in 12 years
Sept. 15	NR	at Fresno State (N)	NR	CBS-SN	<b>L 14-69</b>	2-1	4- 2-0	Bulldogs jump to 35-0 1st Q lead; 102 degrees at kickoff ties warmest-ever for CU
Sept. 22	NR	+ at Washington State	NR	FX	<b>2:05 pm</b>	2-1	4- 3-0	Cougars scored two TDs down stretch (2:35, 1:10 left) to spoil CU's Pac-12 debut
SEPT. 29		+ UCLA (FW)		P12N	<b>4:00 pm</b>	3-0	2- 5-0	Emotional ties (Neuheisel, Embree's son Taylor) no longer in picture
OCT. 11		+ ARIZONA STATE (N)		ESPN	<b>7:00 pm</b>	2-1	0- 3-0	CU's season-high five turnovers derail any chance of CU upset in the desert
Oct. 20		+ at Southern California		TBA	<b>TBA</b>	2-1	0- 6-0	Barkley's 6 TD passes steal the show in CU's first-ever home Friday night game
Oct. 27		+ at Oregon		TBA	<b>TBA</b>	3-0	8- 8-0	Ducks race to 29-0 1Q lead; Smith's T for safety averts first home SO since '86
NOV. 3		+ STANFORD (HC)		TBA	<b>TBA</b>	3-0	3- 4-0	Cardinal visit Boulder for first time since 1990 when Bieniemy TD won game
Nov. 10		+ at Arizona		TBA	<b>TBA</b>	3-0	13- 1-0	Buff's win 48-29 in '11 to get into Pac-12 win column
NOV. 17		+ WASHINGTON		TBA	<b>TBA</b>	2-1	5- 6-1	UW scores five TDs on first five possessions, CU loses Rippy & Stewart to injury
NOV. 23		+ UTAH		FX or FOX	<b>1:00 pm</b>	2-1	31-24-3	Quick start, defensive stands help CU win Utah renewal after a 49-year dormancy
Nov. 30		Pac-12 Championship Game		FOX	<b>6:20 pm</b>			At campus site of division champion with the best record

(All times mountain. KEY: \*—AP rank at time of game; +—Pac-12 Conference game (Cal game is non-league; N—Night game; HC—Homecoming; FW—Family Weekend.)

**COLORADO FOOTBALL MEDIA SERVICES**

- Head coach **Jon Embree** holds a **Tuesday press luncheon**, but this year it will move around Boulder and be held at three locations: the Dal Ward Athletic Center Varsity Room (the usual site), a second floor ballroom at the Millennium Harvest House, and in the Glenn Miller Ballroom at the University Memorial Center (UMC). All will start at 11:30 a.m. with lunch (Embree starts promptly at Noon). This year's dates: Aug. 28 (DW); Sept. 4 (HH), 11 (DW), 18 (HH) and 25 (DW); Oct. 9 (UMC), 16 (HH), 23 (DW) and 30 (HH); Nov. 6 (DW), 13 (HH), 20 (UMC) and 27 (DW); Dec. TBA (bowl). The **press conference portion of the luncheon is streamed live** on [www.CUBuffs.com](http://www.CUBuffs.com) (in the BuffsTV area); press conferences on CUBuffs.com are free and do not require access codes. (**TV Pool Assignments:** KCNC 9/04, 9/25, 10/23, 11/13; KDVR 9/18, 10/16, 11/6, 11/27; KUSA 9/11, 10/9, 10/30, 11/20).
- Embree can be heard Tuesdays (Aug. 28-Nov. 20) on the **Pac-12 Teleconference Call** at 11:15 a.m. MT, with a taped replay available after 4 p.m. MT those afternoons. All coaches participate; for access numbers to the conference call and the replay, e-mail David Plati ([david.plati@colorado.edu](mailto:david.plati@colorado.edu)) with audio files available at [www.pac-12.org](http://www.pac-12.org).
- **Video highlights** of CU football games are available through the Pac-12 Network and Digital Xchange. There are several restrictions in place for the first time in 2012; please work with **Duane Lindberg** at the Pac-12 to coordinate your needs ([dlindberg@pac-12.org](mailto:dlindberg@pac-12.org)).
- The **Pac-12 Networks** are up and running; check with your local cable or satellite subscriber for more info, but Comcast and Time Warner are on board in Colorado and DISH Network is the league's satellite provider. In the Boulder-Denver area it can be found on Comcast 430 & 431 (840 HD).
- The **Colorado lockerroom** (home and road) is closed after games; following the customary 10-minute cooling off period, players will be available (a list will be solicited immediately following the game; no cutoff to request players).
- Colorado's regular season **football practices** are closed (media and general public). The first 20-25 minutes of the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday practices are open to the media for any photography/video needs (follow parameters listed in CU's media policies). Thursday practices are entirely closed (except network TV).
- This year's standard **meeting/practice schedule** (mountain time, pre-time change): **Sunday:** off; **Monday:** 3:30-5:00/5:15-5:45; **Tuesday:** 2:15-4:00/4:00-6:15; **Wednesday:** 2:15-4:00/4:00-5:45; **Thursday:** 2:00-3:30/3:45-5:15; **Friday** (3:00-4:00/4:00-5:00 walkthrough/evening meetings).
- **Interviews** with Colorado players are allowed pre- (12:45-2:00) and post-practice on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays (the cutoff moves up to Wednesday pre-practice for Friday games). Phone interviews with out-of-town media are allowed all three days in all time slots. Interviews on Sundays 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 Division I (FBS) football. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for all major conferences and their member schools. Login information will be distributed to accredited media or you can apply for a password by sending an e-mail to [password@collegepressbox.com](mailto:password@collegepressbox.com).
- **CU On-Line Photo Database.** The CU SID office 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](http://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](http://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](http://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.** 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 hoops). Links: [www.CUBuffs.com](http://www.CUBuffs.com), [www.850koa.com](http://www.850koa.com), [www.am760.net](http://www.am760.net).

**THE BUFFALOES ON THE AIRWAYS**

- **KOA-Radio** in Denver (850 AM) originates the 10-station CU Football Network, with sports director **Mark Johnson** in his ninth year as the play-by-play voice of the Buffs. **Larry Zimmer** (analysis) is in his 39th season broadcasting Colorado football (he handled play-by-play from 1971-81 and 1985-2003). Sideline duties will be split by KOA's **Andy Lindahl** (third year), KDVR-TV's and former Buff hoopster **Kami Carmann** (first year) and former Buff and NFL linebacker **Chad Brown** (first year). Other cities on the network in addition to KOA/Denver metro: Alamosa (KALQ/94.5FM), Aspen (KFNO/106.1 FM, which also serves Eagle, 96.7FM; Roaring Fork, 94.3FM and Old Snowmass, 93.9FM), Durango (KRSJ/100.5 FM), Grand Junction (KTMM/1340AM), Rifle (KNAM, 1490AM) and Steamboat Springs (KTYV/ 98.9FM). KOA has been the home to CU football for 68 of the last 71 years.
- Tuesdays at 7 p.m. (Aug. 28-Nov. 20), the **CU Coaches Radio Show** originates from The West End Tavern (926 Pearl Street, Boulder), with Johnson and Zimmer hosting the program which airs on KOA (or AM760 if a conflict with Colorado Rockies baseball or a presidential debate).
- **Satellite Radio:** Sirius-XM is the satellite home of the Pac-12 and the Buffaloes; the CU-Washington State game (WSU broadcast) will be on **Sirius Channel 92**.
- **The Pac-12 Mountain Network** is the television home of the Buffaloes; there is no longer a coaches show specific to CU; the conference will produce an hour show weekly in its place.

**ROSTER CHANGES / DUPE NUMBER IDENTIFICATIONS**

**Number Changes:** TB Josh Ford (now #29, was #42), OL Jeromy Irwin (now #76, was #73).

**DUPE NUMBERS:** Those who appear below are in dupe number where both are likely to see action; CU jerseys also have name tags. Skin tone key: A—African-American, C—Caucasian, P—Polynesian:

**Offense/Kicker**

4 Jordan Webb, QB (C)  
5 Connor Wood, QB (C)  
8 Nick Hirschman, QB (C)  
15 Vincent Hobbs, TE (A)  
21 D.D. Goodson (A)  
29 Josh Ford, TB (A)  
55 Gus Handler, C (C)  
83 Dustin Ebner, WR (C)

**Defense/Kicker**

4 Kyle Washington, ILB (A)  
5 Yuri Wright, CB (A)  
8 Darragh O'Neill, P (C)  
15 Zach Grossnickle, P (C)  
21 Jered Bell, DB (A)  
29 Harrison Hunt, DB (A)  
55 Josh Topou, DT (P)  
83 Will Pericak, DL (C)

**PRONUNCIATION GUIDE****Coaches/Staff**

Eric **BIENIEMY** (be-enemy)  
Brian **CABRAL** (guh-browl)  
**KANAVIS McGHEE**  
(kuh-nave-iss McGee)  
Rip **SCHERER** (share-er)  
Mike **TUIASOPO**  
(two-E-ah-suh-so-poe)

**Players**

**DONTA ABRON** (don-tay A-bron)  
David **BAKHTRIARI** (bock-T-are-E)  
**JERED** Bell (jair-red)  
Nate **BONSU** (bonn-sue)  
**KAIWA** Crabb (kuh-E-vee)  
Brady **DAIGH** (day)  
Ryan **DANNEWITZ** (dan-uh-wits)

**JARROD** Darden (Jared)  
**Nick KASA** (cah-suh; casa)  
Samson **KAFOVALU** (kof-ah-va-loo)  
**MARQUES** Mosley (mar-kease)  
Josh **MOTEN** (moat-in)  
**STEPHANE NEMBOT** (steff-on name-bot)

**DARRAGH** O'Neill (darr-uh)  
Will **PERICAK** (pre-check)  
Kyle **SLAVIN** (slay-vinn)  
**TERREL** Smith (terr-rell)  
Justin **SOLIS** (so-lease)  
Josh **TUPOU** (two-poe)  
K.T. **TU'UMALO** (to-oo-h-ma-low)

**CHIDERA UZO-DIRIBE**  
(chee-derra u-zoh da-ree-bay)  
Paul **VIGO** (vee-go)  
**De'JON** Wilson (day-zhon)

**GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS-**

Here are CU's starters for the 2012 season (**bold** indicates first career start; \*--first career start on offense):

OFFENSE	WR	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	QB	TB	FB
Colorado State	McCulloch	<b>Thomas</b>	Bakhtiari	Lewis	Handler	Munyer	Harris	<b>*Kasa</b>	<b>Webb</b>	T. Jones	<b>A. Wood</b>
Sacramento State	Ebner	Slavin (TE)	Bakhtiari	Lewis	Handler	Munyer	Harris	Kasa	Webb	<b>Powell</b>	A. Wood
Fresno State	McCulloch	<b>Spruce</b>	Bakhtiari	Lewis	<b>Cotner</b>	Munyer	Harris	Kasa	Webb	Powell	<b>Hobbs</b> (TE)
DEFENSE	LDE	DT	NT	RDE	MLB	WLB	SOLB	LCB	SS	FS	RCB
Colorado State	<b>Poston</b>	Pericak	<b>Bonsu</b>	Uzo-Diribe	Rippy	Webb	Major	<b>Crawley</b>	Smith	Polk	Henderson
Sacramento State	Pericak	Bonsu	<b>Tupou</b>	Uzo-Diribe	Washington	Mosley ( <b>N</b> )	Major	Crawley	Smith	Orms	<b>Wright</b>
Fresno State	Pericak	Tupou	Mosley ( <b>N</b> )	Uzo-Diribe	Major	Webb	Washington	Crawley	Smith	Orms	Wright

(**N**)—Nickel back. **CONSECUTIVE STARTS**—Pericak 40, Major 16, Bakhtiari 13. **CAREER STARTS**—Pericak 40, Polk 27, Bakhtiari 25, Major 23.

**PLAYER PARTICIPATION** (dressed/played): Colorado State 77/52; Sacramento State 71/58; Fresno State 62/59.

**INJURY UPDATE**

Here's a look at Colorado's injury report as of September 17 p.m. (note: injury reports are all the "rage" right now due to some issues at other conference schools; CU has produced an injury report weekly dating back to 1984, with few exceptions):

Pos	Player	Injury	Notes	Status/Washington State
C	Brad Cotner	toe	suffered "turf toe" on the fake stuff at Fresno State (Sept. 15)	QUESTIONABLE
TB	Tony Jones	ankle	suffered slight sprain against CSU (Sept. 1); aggravated since	DAY-TO-DAY
C	Gus Handler	ankle	suffered a sprain against Sacramento State (Sept. 8)	QUESTIONABLE
CB	Greg Henderson	ankle	suffered a sprain against Colorado State (Sept. 1), on the mend	QUESTIONABLE
FS	Marques Mosley	knee	suffered a slight sprain at Fresno State (Sept. 15)	DAY-TO-DAY
FS	Ray Polk	ankle	suffered a high sprain against Colorado State (Sept. 1); out of boot this week, starting rehab	OUT
WR	Paul Richardson	knee	suffered a torn ACL in practice (April 9); underwent surgery (Apr. 16), progressing nicely but out for the year	OUT
LB	Doug Rippy	knee	suffered a sprain (to the knee not operated on last year) against Sacramento State (Sept. 8)	QUESTIONABLE

**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 is listed as either OUT, DOUBTFUL, QUESTIONABLE, DAY-TO-DAY, PROBABLE or DEFINITE. Injuries will be updated in-game, postgame and the Sunday after the game.

**CAPTAINS**

Coach Jon Embree decided to select captains on a game-by-game basis this fall, and will do so by Thursday of each week. The 2012 captains:

<b>Colorado State</b>	OT	David Bakhtiari	DT	Will Pericak	FS	Ray Polk	QB	Jordan Webb
<b>Sacramento State</b>	C	Gus Handler	DE	Chidera Uzo-Diribe	ILB	Paul Vigo	ILB	Derrick Webb
<b>Fresno State</b>	OT	David Bakhtiari	DT	Will Pericak	FS	Ray Polk	ILB	Derrick Webb

**2012 SENIORS**

Two of this year's eight seniors have already earned their degrees, with five more scheduled to do so in December and the last of the eight on schedule in May (Nick Kasa—the only fourth year senior in the group). The 2012 senior class (\*—denotes fourth-year senior; TGD—targeted graduation date):

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Major	TGD
53	DANNEWITZ, Ryan	OL	6- 6	300	Sr.	3L	San Jacinto, Calif. (San Jacinto)	Psychology & Sociology	Graduated (May '12)
83	EBNER, Dustin	WR	6- 1	185	Sr.	2L	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	EPIO Biology & Ecology	Graduated (Dec. '11)
44	*KASA, Nick	TE	6- 6	260	Sr.	3L	Thornton, Colo. (Legacy)	Communication	May '13
31	MAJOR, Jon	OLB	6- 2	235	Sr.	3L	Parker, Colo. (Ponderosa)	Business/Finance & Marketing	December '12
83	PERICAK, Will	DL	6- 4	285	Sr.	3L	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder) S	Business/Finance	December '12
7	POLK, Ray	DB	6- 1	205	Sr.	3L	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	Political Science	December '12
70	RICHTER, Eric	OL	6- 3	310	Sr.	VR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Capistrano Valley/Saddleback College)	Sociology	December '12
3	RIPPY, Doug	ILB	6- 3	245	Sr.	3L	Columbus, Ohio (Trotwood-Madison)	History & Ethnic Studies	December '12

**GRADUATION REVIEW**

Over the last decade, Colorado has had **188** of its **210** seniors graduate; these are the 2001-2011 senior classes, including those players who received medicals. That translates to **89.5** percent, with one of the 11 non-grads still in school and looking to graduate within the next year, while four are in the NFL. Of the 26 seniors in 2011, 24 have graduated with one more on schedule to in December (two others already had undergraduate degrees); starting with the 2006 senior class, 110 of 122 have earned degrees (90.2%). 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.

**WR TONEY CLEMONS** (after the '11 win over Utah): "The best uniform I'll wear is that cap and gown."

**A FIRST ... TWICE**

When **Kenneth Crawley** and **Yuri Wright** both started at their respective cornerback positions against Sacramento State, it marked just the sixth time that two freshmen started at the same position in the same game – the fifth time by two true freshmen – the second time at cornerback, but the first time both were true freshmen. Explanation: on Oct. 4, 2003 at Baylor, **Sammy Joseph** and **Terrence Wheatley** started at the corners, but Joseph was a redshirt frosh. Now against Sac State, **Marquise Mosley** also started as the nickel back, marking the first time three freshmen, true or redshirt, have started in any group (secondary, linebacker, the lines, receiver, backfield) in Colorado history.

Date	Opponent	Position	Starters	
Nov. 21, 1987	at Kansas State	OLB	Kanavis McGhee (Fr.), Alfred Williams (Fr.)	
Sept. 21, 1991	MINNESOTA	OG	Clint Moore (Fr.), Delyn Jackson (Fr.)	
Sept. 26, 1998	BAYLOR	OT	Erin Huizingh (Fr.-RS), Victor Rogers (Fr.-RS)	
Oct. 4, 2003	at Baylor	CB	Sammy Joseph (Fr.-RS), Terrence Wheatley (Fr.)	
Sept. 8, 2012	SACRAMENTO STATE	CB/N	Kenneth Crawley (Fr.), Marques Mosley (Fr.), Yuri Wright (Fr.)	<i>Mosley at nickel back</i>
Sept. 15, 2012	at Fresno State	CB/N	Kenneth Crawley (Fr.), Marques Mosley (Fr.), Yuri Wright (Fr.)	<i>Mosley at nickel back</i>
<b>Among a group</b>				
Sept. 29, 2007	OKLAHOMA	WR	Kevin Celestine (Fr.), Josh Smith (Fr.)	<i>CU opened in a four receiver set</i>
Oct. 13, 2007	at Kansas State	OL	Kai Maiava (Fr., OG), Ryan Miller (Fr., OT)	<i>Among the five O-linemen</i>

**POWELL POTPOURRI**

In his first career start, and second collegiate game, **FB/TB Christian Powell** rushed 28 times for 147 yards and three touchdowns in CU's 30-28 loss to Sacramento State. He also caught one pass for 13 yards and earned six first downs total. His three touchdowns tied the record for the most in a game by a freshmen (true or redshirt), matching **TB Herchell Troutman** at Texas on Oct. 1, 1994. He became the first freshman to rush for 100-plus yards since **TB Rodney Stewart** versus Kansas State in Boulder on Oct. 18, 2008 (29-141, 1 TD). The last fullback to gain 100 or more yards in a game was **Erich Kissick** against Missouri in Boulder on Nov. 7, 1987 (16-129, 1 TD). His 64-yard TD scamper in the first quarter was the fourth longest rush by a freshman in CU history. Here are the longest runs by a true freshmen in Buff annals:

**LONGEST RUSHES BY A FRESHMAN**

Yds	Player, Opponent, Date
76	Billy Waddy vs. Wisconsin at Madison, Sept. 22, 1973 (TD)
74	Lamont Warren vs. Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 23, 1991 (TD)
67	Carroll Hardy vs. Utah in Boulder, Nov. 10, 1951 (TD)
64	Christian Powell vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 2012 (TD)

★ His 147 yards were the eighth most ever by any running back in his starting debut in CU history, and the most since **TB Marcus Houston** galloped for 150 on 25 carries at Southern California on Sept. 9, 2000. The 28 carries were the second most, behind only the 29 times **TB Bobby Anderson** carried the ball against Indiana (for 161 yards and 3 touchdowns) on Oct. 4, 1969 (Anderson, a senior, was moved to tailback from quarterback earlier in the week). Powell and Anderson are the only players to score three touchdowns in their starting Buffalo debuts.

★ The 28 carries were the second most by a true freshman in CU annals, on the heels of TB Rodney Stewart setting the mark of 29 against Kansas State in Boulder on Oct. 18, 2008 (he gained 141 yards).

**CU FRESHMAN 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES (22)**

Yds (att-td)	Player	Opponent	Date
202 (24-2)	Billy Waddy	at Wisconsin	Sept. 22, 1973
168 (21-1)	Lamont Warren	at Iowa State	Nov. 23, 1991
166 (28-0)	Rodney Stewart	West Virginia	Sept. 18, 2008
150 (25-0)	Marcus Houston	at Southern Cal	Sept. 9, 2000
149 (32-1)	*Lee Rouson	Kansas State	Nov. 21, 1981
<b>147 (28-3)</b>	<b>Christian Powell</b>	<b>Sacramento State</b>	<b>Sept. 8, 2012</b>
142 (18-1)	*Michael Simmons	Oregon	Sept. 12, 1987
141 (29-1)	Rodney Stewart	Kansas State	Oct. 18, 2008
137 (15-1)	O.C. Oliver	at Kansas State	Nov. 22, 1986
137 (20-0)	Brian Calhoun	at Nebraska	Nov. 29, 2002
132 (34-2)	*Lee Rouson	Missouri	Nov. 7, 1981
125 (17-1)	Marcus Reliford	Kansas State	Nov. 19, 1988
122 (20-0)	Brian Calhoun	Oklahoma (at Houston)	Dec. 7, 2002
120 (25-0)	Derek Singleton	at Oklahoma State	Nov. 8, 1980
119 (14-1)	Eric Bieniemy	Stanford	Sept. 19, 1987
118 (26-1)	Lamont Warren	at Kansas State	Oct. 26, 1991
114 (12-1)	Marcus Reliford	at Missouri	Nov. 5, 1988
110 (10-0)	Lamont Warren	Missouri	Oct. 12, 1991
109 (21-0)	Derek Singleton	Kansas	Nov. 15, 1980
107 (11-2)	Carroll Hardy	at Nebraska	Nov. 17, 1951
107 (21-0)	Rodney Stewart	Florida State (at Jacksonville)	Sept. 27, 2008
100 (18-1)	Marcus Houston	Colorado State (Denver)	Sept. 2, 2000

**By Player (22)**— Stewart 3, Warren 3, Calhoun 2, Houston 2, Reliford 2, Rouson 2, Singleton 2, Bieniemy 1, Hardy 1, Oliver 1, Powell 1, Simmons 1, Waddy 1.

**CU FRESHMAN SEASON RUSHING (300-plus yards)**

Season	Player	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1991	Lamont Warren	157	<b>830</b>	5.3	7
1986	O.C. Oliver	136	<b>668</b>	4.9	6
1981	*Lee Rouson	159	<b>656</b>	4.1	6
2008	Rodney Stewart	132	<b>622</b>	4.7	2
1987	Eric Bieniemy	104	<b>508</b>	4.9	5
1951	Carroll Hardy	53	<b>423</b>	7.9	5
2008	Darrell Scott	87	<b>343</b>	3.9	1
2007	*Demetrius Sumler	100	<b>335</b>	3.4	4
2000	Marcus Houston	66	<b>332</b>	5.0	1
1987	*Michael Simmons	69	<b>332</b>	4.8	4
1991	*Kent Kahl	70	<b>301</b>	4.3	4

**TWO-FROSH RUSHING**

Season	Yards	Players
1991	1,131	Lamont Warren (830), Kent Kahl (301)
<b>2008</b>	<b>965</b>	<b>*—Rodney Stewart (622), Darrell Scott (343)</b>
1986	892	O.C. Oliver (668), Erich Kissick (224)
1987	840	Eric Bieniemy (508), Michael Simmons (332)
1981	834	Lee Rouson (656), Ron Brown (178)
2000	509	*—Marcus Houston (332), Bobby Purify (177)

(\*—true freshmen duos)



**HEARTBREAK AT THE START**

Colorado opened 2012 with two tough losses by a combined seven points; it's the fourth time that kind of heartbreak at the top of a season has happened in school history, and unfortunately for Jon Embree, he's been associated with all four years. In 2000, the Buffs opened 0-3 with the three setbacks by a combined 10 points and would go on and finish 3-8; in 1986, Embree's senior season, after a 23-7 loss to open the year against CSU, Colorado lost its next three by a combined eight points to fall to 0-4; that team rallied to finish second in the Big 8 and play in the Bluebonnet Bowl. Two years earlier (1984), an 0-2 start came by 10 total points, the latter at Oregon 27-20 when Embree's roommate, Ed Reinhardt, suffered a life-threatening brain injury.

**TRUE FRESHMEN ACTION**

Through the first three weeks of the season, Colorado is tied for fifth nationally with the most true freshmen played with 13. In 2011, Army and Texas played the most (18) while Colorado tied for seventh with 15 (numbers include several at most schools who appeared solely on special teams). Fast-forward to 2012, and three recent powers are tied atop the list with 15 (LSU, Ohio State, TCU), with Texas (14) and Colorado (13) again near the top of the list. There were 16 true frosh on the Buffs' depth chart entering the season seven offense and nine defense, with six of those also listed at punt and/or kickoff return). A look at the schools who have played the most true freshmen thus far in 2012 (offense, defense, punter/kicker/snapper only, no return men) in 2012:

LSU	15	<b>Colorado</b>	<b>13</b>	Mississippi	12	Florida State	10	Indiana	9	Minnesota	8
Ohio State	15	Georgia	13	UAB	12	USC	10	Notre Dame	9	Navy	8
TCU	15	Tulane	13	Alabama	11	Tennessee	10	Southern Miss	9	Texas A&M	8
Texas	14	Kentucky	12	Duke	10	Arizona	9	UCLA	9		
Akron	13	Maryland	12	Florida	10	Eastern Michigan	9	Virginia	9		

**Note:** The 15 true frosh on the season opening depth chart were the most in history for the Buffaloes, topping the 14 who appeared on it in 1992 (seven offense, seven defense; that was one of the highest ranked recruiting classes in school history). In 1984, there were 11 on the opening depth (seven offense, four defense), same as in 2008 (seven offense, three defense, one kicker); 10 made the initial depth in 2002 (five offense, five defense).

**HISTORY BACK-TO-BACK? YEP.**

In 2011, **Greg Henderson** started the season opener at right cornerback, joining **Victor Scott** (1980) as the only true freshmen in Colorado history to start a season opener at cornerback. This year, **Kenneth Crawley** ended fall camp No. 1 at left corner and made the start there against Colorado State, and thus became only the third true frosh to do so; he's played every snap so far on defense this season (137). Only five other players have even started at least one game at cornerback as true frosh: **Deon Figures** (1988), **Toray Elton Davis** (1994), **Damen Wheeler** (1996), **Terrence Wheatley** (2003) and **Cha'pelle Brown** (2006). Scott, Figures and Wheeler went on to play professionally, with Figures winning the 1992 Thorpe Award as the nation's best defensive back, while Brown is now on the CU staff as a graduate assistant.

**SENIOR COUNTS**

A lot of freshman can mean fewer seniors. Last year, Colorado had 28 seniors on its roster, 26 of whom played extensively either as starters, key second-team performers or on special teams; likely one of the higher numbers in the country. Things are a bit different for the Buffaloes in 2012: fast-forward ahead to this year and CU is tied for the second fewest seniors on its roster in Division I-A/FBS with eight (Rice has eight, but one's decided to redshirt). A closer look:

Rice	7	Louisville	10	Georgia Tech	12	Colorado State	14
Indiana	8	Clemson	11	Hawai'i	12	Memphis	14
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>8</b>	Florida Atlantic	11	Duke	13	Texas	14
Alabama	9	Middle Tennessee	11	Florida	13		
Marshall	9	North Texas	11	Tennessee	13		
Wisconsin	9	TCU	11	Wake Forest	13		

**FEWEST SENIORS SINCE 1995**

Last year, Colorado had its most seniors (28) since there were 30 on the roster in 1987; this fall, only eight players will be suiting up for the final time as Buffaloes—the fewest since seven did so in the 1995 season. It's the second smallest CU senior class since 1962 (the last 50 years), as only that 1995 team had fewer with seven (a rarity occurred that year: all seven CU seniors were invited to the Hula Bowl, likely the only time in college football history 100 percent of a school's senior class was in the same postseason all-star game).

<b>1982—13</b>	<b>1986—9</b>	<b>1989—14</b>	<b>1992—11</b>	<b>1995—7</b>	<b>1998—13</b>	<b>2001—26</b>	<b>2004—11</b>	<b>2007—17</b>	<b>2010—16</b>
<b>1983—25</b>	<b>1987—30</b>	<b>1990—24</b>	<b>1993—19</b>	<b>1996—18</b>	<b>1999—22</b>	<b>2002—23</b>	<b>2005—20</b>	<b>2008—17</b>	<b>2011—28</b>
<b>1984—22</b>	<b>1988—10</b>	<b>1991—13</b>	<b>1994—13</b>	<b>1997—22</b>	<b>2000—9</b>	<b>2003—21</b>	<b>2006—26</b>	<b>2009—16</b>	<b>2012—8</b>
<b>1985—16</b>									

★ In the program's most recent heyday, 1989-96, when CU sported the fourth best record in college football (78-15-4), the average number of seniors per team was **14.9**. The 1989 team that went 11-0 boasted just 14 seniors, and that 1995 team, minus 10 NFL draft selections in the first 71 picks, went 10-2 with just the seven seniors.

**THREE EARN SCHOLARSHIPS**

Three walk-ons were placed on scholarship, as Jon Embree made the announcement following the team's first practice on August 6; the families of juniors **TE Scott Fernandez**, **TB Josh Ford** and **FB Alex Wood** are now getting a huge break on tuition, room and board. All three are Colorado high school products and have logged extensive time as walk-ons in the program.

**QUARTERBACKING TWO DIVISION I SCHOOLS**

**Jon Embree** named **Jordan Webb** as CU's starting quarterback on August 16, just 10 days into camp, with one of the major reasons being his experience at Kansas where he started 19 games the last two seasons. Webb started two seasons at Kansas, and when it became apparent he wasn't going to fit into the scheme of KU's new coaching staff under Charlie Weis, he started to search for other options while working hard to graduate in a little over three years at Kansas (the NCAA allows players to transfer without penalty if they graduate and look to major in a subject that their undergraduate school does not offer); he arrived at CU in July and won the starting job. Webb will be one of eight quarterbacks who started games at a Division I school who will be doing so at another in 2012; below is a list of players since 1973 who started games (or will) at quarterback at two Division I/FBS schools:

Player	Original School	Second School	Player	Original School	Second School
Troy Aikman	Oklahoma (1985)	UCLA (1987-88)	Michael Machen	Kent State (2005-06)	Baylor (2007)
Brock Berlin	Florida (2000-01)	Miami, Fla. (2003-04)	Ryan Mallett	Michigan (2007)	Arkansas (2009-10)
Jon Beutjer	Iowa (2000)	Illinois (2002-04)	<b>Robert Marve</b>	<b>Miami, Fla. (2008)</b>	<b>Purdue (2010-12)</b>
Kevin Craft	San Diego State (2006)	UCLA (2008)	Jeremiah Masoli	Oregon (2008-09)	Mississippi (2010)
<b>Dayne Crist</b>	<b>Notre Dame (2010-11)</b>	<b>Kansas (2012)</b>	Ben Mauk	Wake Forest (2004-06)	Cincinnati (2008)
Joe Dailey	Nebraska (2003-04)	North Carolina (2006-07)	Mike McCoy	Long Beach State (1991)	Utah (1993-94)
Dominique Davis	Boston College (2008)	East Carolina (2010-11)	J.J. McDermott	New Mexico St. (2007-08)	SMU (2011)
Alan Evridge	Kansas State (2005)	Wisconsin (2007)	Dan McGwire	Iowa (1987)	San Diego St. (1989-90)
Kirby Freeman	Miami, Fla. (2004-07)	Baylor (2008)	Mitch Mustain	Arkansas (2006)	USC (2010)
Jeff George	Purdue (1986)	Illinois (1988-89)	<b>Riley Nelson</b>	<b>Utah State (2006)</b>	<b>BYU (2010-12)</b>
<b>Garrett Gilbert</b>	<b>Texas (2009-11)</b>	<b>SMU (2012)</b>	<b>Danny O'Brien</b>	<b>Maryland (2010-11)</b>	<b>Wisconsin (2012)</b>
Kent Graham	Notre Dame (1987-88)	Ohio State (1989-91)	Stephen Reaves	Michigan State (2004)	Southern Miss (2007)
<b>Cody Green</b>	<b>Nebraska (2009-10)</b>	<b>Tulsa (2012)</b>	Brent Schaeffer	Tennessee (2004)	Mississippi (2006)
Brett Hodges	Wake Forest (2007)	UCF (2009)	Steven Threet	Michigan (2008-09)	Arizona State (2010)
Bret Johnson	UCLA (1989)	Michigan State (1991-92)	Bobby Watters	SMU (1986)	Arizona (1987)
<b>Ryan Katz</b>	<b>Oregon State (2010-11)</b>	<b>San Diego State (2012)</b>	<b>Jordan Webb</b>	<b>Kansas (2010-11)</b>	<b>Colorado (2012)</b>
Sam Keller	Arizona State (2003-05)	Nebraska (2007)	Russell Wilson	N.C. State (2008-10)	Wisconsin (2011)

**YOUNG BUT NOT SO YOUNG**

It's been rare when Colorado hasn't had at least one senior starter on its offensive line, but it has now happened for the second time in four years after CU started three juniors and two sophomores the first two games of the season. In 2009 nine, all 12 games never saw a senior make a start on the O-line, largely due to CU having no senior offensive linemen on its roster (the first time in known CU history that had occurred). Otherwise, you have to go back to 1998, when two different units of non-seniors started a combined five games, with the last time that a senior did not start at least one game on the offensive line for an entire season back in 1982, **Bill McCartney's** first season as head coach (he had just one senior OL, **Mark Hasart**). A look at senior-less starting offensive lines since 1978, when records are available:

Season	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	Notes
<b>1982</b>	Derek Weisner, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Tim Howard, So.	Steve Heron, Jr.	John Firm, Jr.	started the '82 opener, Mac's 1st
	Derek Weisner, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Tim Howard, So.	John Firm, Jr.	started 2 games
	Derek Weisner, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Calvin Beaty, Jr.	John Firm, Jr.	started 1 game
	Randy Hogbin, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Calvin Beaty, Jr.	John Firm, Jr.	started 3 games
	Randy Hogbin, Jr.	Vince Rafferty, Jr.	Steve Heron, Jr.	Eric Coyle, Fr.	John Firm, Jr.	started 4 games
<b>1993</b>	Tony Berti, Jr.	Heath Irwin, So.	Bryan Stoltenberg, So.	Chad Hammond, So.	Derek West, Jr.	a—group started first seven games
<b>1998</b>	Shane Cook, Jr.	Brad Bedell, Jr.	Ryan Johanningmeier, Jr.	Chris Morgan, Jr.	Victor Rogers, Fr.-RS	started 2 games
	Ryan Johanningmeier, Jr.	Brad Bedell, Jr.	Andre Gurode, Fr.-RS	Chris Morgan, Jr.	Shane Cook, Jr.	started 3 games, incl. Aloha Bowl
<b>2009</b>	Nate Solder, Jr.	Ethan Adkins, Soph.	b—Mike Iltis, Soph.	Ryan Miller, Soph.	Bryce Givens, Fr.-RS	started 2 games
	Nate Solder, Jr.	Ethan Adkins, Soph.	Keenan Stevens, Jr.	Matt Bahr, Soph.	Ryan Miller, Soph.	started 3 games
	Nate Solder, Jr.	Ethan Adkins, Soph.	Keenan Stevens, Jr.	Blake Behrens, Soph.	Ryan Miller, Soph.	started 1 game
	Nate Solder, Jr.	Ethan Adkins, Soph.	Keenan Stevens, Jr.	Ryan Miller, Soph.	Bryce Givens, Fr.-RS	started 2 games
	Nate Solder, Jr.	Ethan Adkins, Soph.	Mike Iltis, Soph.	Blake Behrens, Soph.	Ryan Miller, Soph.	started 1 game
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	Nate Solder, Jr.	Mike Iltis, Soph.	Keenan Stevens, Jr.	Ryan Miller, Soph.	Bryce Givens, Fr.-RS	started 1 game
<b>2012</b>	David Bakhtiari, Jr.	Alexander Lewis, Soph.	Gus Handler, Jr.	Daniel Munyer, Soph.	Jack Harris, Jr.	started 2 games

a—Hammond suffered a season-ending back injury; b—was injured six plays into season opener and was replaced remainder of the way by Keenan Stevens, Jr.

**COACH AT COLORADO ... LAND A MEDIA GIG POST-CAREER**

With former CU head coach **Bill McCartney** (1982-94) set to host his own radio show on Fridays (debuts Aug. 31, 4-6 p.m., 102.3 FM in Denver), the last four CU head coaches all have media gigs. **Rick Neuheisel** (1995-98) is a studio host on the Pac-12 Network; **Gary Barnett** (1999-2005) is an analyst on Sports USA Radio with some other independent appearances; and **Dan Hawkins** (2006-10) is an analyst for ESPN and co-hosts a national radio show on SiriusXM with **Jack Arute**.

**MISCELLANEOUS STAT BOX (2012)**

(Coin Toss: O-offense; D-Defense; d-deferred/played defense first)

	Red Zone (Scores-Att; (TD/FG); Plays-Yds)				Avg./1st Down		2nd Down Eff.		Plays (+/0/-)			Plus Territory (Plays-Yards)			Coin
Game	Colorado		Opponent		Colo	Opp.	Colo	Opp.	Colorado	Opponent		Colorado	Opponent	Toss	
Colorado State	3-4	(2/1) 17-60	1-1	(0/1) 3- 2	7.2	4.3	4-22	2-20	41 23 6	42 15 8		28-111	24- 82	L (D)	
Sacramento State	3-3	(3/0) 9-19	5-5	(2/3) 15-44	6.4	6.1	5-20	8-22	41 15 7	53 14 5		28- 94	26-186	L (O)	
Fresno State	2-2	(2/0) 3-10	5-5	(5/0) 16-55	3.9	10.9	4-25	10-21	40 25 6	46 12 9		18- 72	36-233	W (d)	

**SERIES HISTORY—COLORADO vs. WASHINGTON STATE**

Colorado leads the all-time series with Washington State by a 4-3 count, as the Cougars won game seven in the series with two touchdowns in the last 155 seconds to rally from a 27-17 deficit for a 31-27 win. That was the first meeting in seven years between the two, as CU had won 20-12 in Seattle (at Qwest Field); that was a make-up contest from 2001 as the two were scheduled to play in Pullman on September 15, but the events of September 11 canceled the game. Thus, the order of a home-and-home series was switched, as the back end originally was the 2003 game in Boulder; when rescheduled, WSU officials decided to move the game to Seattle. The series between the pair began in 1981, with Washington State “stealing” a 14-10 win over the Buffaloes by scoring a pair of touchdowns in the final two minutes after two Buff punt mistakes. CU won the following year in Spokane, grabbing a 12-0 win on four Tom Field field goals. The next three games in the series were in Boulder, a 26-17 CU win in '87, a 37-19 Buff victory in '96 and WSU's 47-26 in 2003.

**SERIES DID YOU KNOW?**—The 12-0 win at Spokane in 1982 was the first of what would amount to 93 victories by CU's all-time winningest coach, Bill McCartney. It was the second game of his “Era,” which had opened the previous week with a 31-17 loss to California in Boulder.

**SERIES SIGNATURE ANNIVERSARY GAME — 25th.** In 1987, **Sal Aunese's** 22-yard touchdown run late in the fourth quarter salted the game away as Colorado held off a pair of late Washington State threats to defeat the Cougars, 26-17. CU held a 19-7 advantage at halftime on the strength of a **Mickey Pruitt** 18-yard interception return for a score and a 3-yard TD run by **J.J. Flannigan** but couldn't shake WSU. The Cougars pulled to within 19-17 early in the fourth on a 16-yard pass from Timm Rosenbach to Chris Leighton. But Aunese, who took over for an injured **Mark Hatcher** in the first quarter, steered the Buffaloes on the clinching TD drive and finished the game with 185 yards on 22 carries in CU's evolving wishbone offense. Pruitt was the national player of the week (Sports Illustrated), as he had two interceptions, 17 tackles (12 solo, two for losses including a sack) and three pass deflections.

**CU-WASHINGTON STATE AT-A-GLANCE / SERIES TRENDS**

Colorado leads the all-time series between the two schools by a 4-3 count (2-3 in Boulder, 1-0 in Seattle, 1-0 in Spokane): A game-by-game look:

Date	Site	Result	Attend.	Rank	CU	Rushing	Passing	Tot Off	WSU	Rushing	Passing	Tot Off	TV
				CU	WSU	FD	att yds td	a-c-i yds td	FD	att yds td	a-c-i yds td	no yds	
Sept. 19, 1981	Boulder	L 10-14	35,277	—	—	23	57 205 1	24-14-1 154 0	81 359	14	47 220 1	12- 4-0 39 0	59 259
Sept. 18, 1982	Spokane	W 12- 0	30,923	—	—	16	58 241 0	15- 2-0 20 0	73 261	14	43 107 0	27- 9-1 75 0	70 182 KWGN (I)
Sept. 26, 1987	Boulder	W 26-17	43,527	—	—	21	70 425 2	5- 1-0 30 0	75 455	22	34 79 0	52-28-2 264 2	86 343
Aug. 31, 1996	Boulder	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. 13, 2003	Boulder	L 26-47	48,146	17	—	21	34 97 0	55-32-2 348 3	48 61	16	33 153 1	33-17-1 310 3	66 463 PPV
Sept. 11, 2004	Seattle	W 20-12	56,188	—	—	7	37 47 0	24-12-1 78 0	61 125	20	40 15 1	52-19-1 387 1	92 402 ABC
Oct. 1, 2011	Boulder	L 27-31	51,928	—	—	20	38 161 1	24-15-1 175 2	62 336	28	27 79 1	49-32-1 376 3	76 455 FCS (P)

**CU INDIVIDUAL HIGHS**

**Most Yards Rushing:** 185, Sal Aunese, Sept. 26, 1987

**Most Yards Passing:** 254, Koy Detmer, Aug. 31, 1996

**Most Receptions:** 11, Derek McCoy, Sept. 13, 2003

**Most Yards Receiving:** 131, Derek McCoy, Sept. 13, 2003

**WASHINGTON STATE NOTES**

**Washington State** is 2-1 after opening with a 30-6 loss to BYU and then rebounding for a 24-20 win at home against Eastern Washington and then traveling to Las Vegas and beating UNLV 35-27 on Friday night this past week. Washington State is a pass heavy team, so far averaging 284.7 yards per game through the air compared to just 62.0 on the ground. Jeff Tuel started the season and completed 70.4 percent of his passes with 400 yards and two touchdowns before being hurt against Eastern Washington. Connor Halliday relieved him and has played solid in his absence, completing 55.4 percent of his passes with 454 yards and 4 touchdowns. Tuel and Halliday have found 14 different receivers in the first three games of the season, with the focus on three: Isiah Myers (16 receptions, 153 yards, 3 touchdowns), Marquess Wilson (13-218-2) and Gabe Marks (12-219-1). Carl Winston is the Cougars leading rusher averaging just 44.0 yards per game but he is averaging 4.7 yards per carry with 1 touchdown on the young season. Defensively, WSU is solid against the run and struggles against the pass. The Cougars give up just 107.0 yards on the ground and 344.3 yards per game through the air. Travis Long has been impressive with 20 tackles through three games with 4 sacks, which leads the Pac-12 and is eighth nationally, and two quarterback hurries. Darryl Monroe is averaging 7.0 tackles per game and forced two fumbles early in the season.

- ➔ Washington State coach **Mike Leach** is in his first season in Pullman, but he is no stranger to playing the Buffaloes, as he spent the previous 11 seasons in the Big 12, one season as the offensive coordinator at Oklahoma in 1999 and 10 seasons as the head coach at Texas Tech (2000-09). Leach has faced the Buffs five times as an assistant and head coach in those 11 years and CU owns a 4-1 record. The Buffs beat Oklahoma in Boulder in 1999, 38-24, and then beat Texas Tech in Boulder in 2002 (37-13) and 2006 (30-6) and split two games in Lubbock, losing 26-21 in 2003 and winning in 2007, 31-26, which was CU's last win on the road before winning at Utah to close out last season. Prior to his Big 12 days, Leach has been an offensive coordinator setting records at every stop, including Kentucky (1997-98), Valdosta State (1992-96) and Iowa Wesleyan (1989-91). He coached defense on season, mentoring the linebackers at the College of the Desert in 1988 one year after his coaching career began as an offensive line coach at Cal Poly in 1987.
- ➔ In last week's 35-27 win at UNLV on Friday night, back-up QB Connor Halliday completed 26-of-45 passes for 378 yards and 4 touchdowns, all in the first half as the Cougars built a 28-20 lead at the half. He threw two interceptions and was sacked twice. His favorite targets were Gabe Marks, who caught 6 passes for 126 yards and 1 touchdown, Marquess Wilson, who had 5 for 110 and a pair of touchdowns, including an 81 yard scamper, and Isiah Myers, who had 5 catches for 45 yards and a touchdown. The Cougars jumped out to a 14-0 lead with Halliday strikes to Wilson and Myers and then UNLV countered with a touchdown before the end of the first quarter. After Halliday hit Marks to take a 21-7 lead, UNLV had a field goal and then there were 14 points scored in a span of just 13 seconds, as Halliday hit Wilson on the 81 yard bomb, only to be countered by a 75-yard strike for UNLV on the next offensive play to make the game 28-17 and UNLV converted on a field goal as time expired in the first half. The third quarter was scoreless and WSU opened the fourth with a quick touchdown, a 3-yard run from Leon Brooks, to make it 35-20. UNLV countered with a touchdown pass with just 1:44 left to make it an 8-point game and then stalled on the final drive at the WSU 42.

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**TALE OF THE TAPE**

Here's a comparative look at **Colorado** and **Washington State** in both general areas as well as several statistical categories in 2012 through games of September 15 (NCAA/national rankings, if applicable, are in parenthesis):



Category	Colorado	Washington State
Overall Record, 2012.....	0-3	2-1
Streak .....	Lost 3	Won 2
Versus AP Ranked Teams (at time of game) .....	0-0	0-0
Pac-12 Record .....	0-0	0-0
Alumni On NFL Rosters (as of September 15) .....	13	9
Rushing Offense.....	107.0 (104)	62.0 (117)
Average Per Rush .....	3.0	2.8
Passing Offense .....	182.7 (104)	284.7 (28)
Completion Percentage .....	47.9	63.8
Average Per Attempt .....	5.7	6.7
Passing Efficiency .....	101.3 (114)	128.0 (76)
Total Offense .....	289.7 (113)	346.7 (98)
Average Per Play .....	4.3	5.4
Scoring Offense.....	19.7 (105)	21.7 (97)
Rushing Defense .....	190.7 (94)	107.3 (30)
Average Per Rush.....	4.9	3.1
Passing Defense.....	289.0 (104)	344.3 (117)
Completion Percentage.....	67.8	60.3
Average Per Attempt .....	7.4	7.3
Pass Efficiency Defense .....	160.2 (109)	136.3 (86)
Total Defense .....	479.7 (106)	451.7 (96)
Average Per Play.....	7.1	5.5
Scoring Defense.....	40.3 (112)	25.7 (72)
Third Down Conversion Offense .....	33.3 (98)	36.4 (84)
Third Down Conversion Defense.....	35.9 (52)	49.1 (106)
Fourth Down Conversion Offense .....	60.0 (38)	75.0 (17)
Fourth Down Conversion Defense.....	33.3 (34)	60.0 (86)
Quarterback Sacks By / Allowed.....	6 / 12 (55/115)	8 / 8 (27/93)
Net Punting .....	44.3 (21)	42.5 (35)
Punt Returns .....	7.4 (68)	12.8 (38)
Punt Return Yardage Defense .....	12.3 (93)	6.3 (53)
Kickoff Returns .....	20.3 (63)	18.5 (85)
Kickoff Return Yardage Defense .....	25.6 (110)	16.4 (18)
Turnovers / Turnovers Forced.....	6 / 3 (76/93)	6 / 3 (76/93)
Turnover Margin .....	- 1.00 (94)	-1.00 (94)
Red Zone Scoring Percentage (Offense) .....	88.9 (32)	75.0 (82)
Red Zone Scoring Percentage (Defense) .....	100.0 (108)	83.3 (75)
Time of Possession.....	29:13 (72)	26:55 (100)

**CU-WASHINGTON STATE BY THE NUMBERS**

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

- 5** The number of rushing yards Washington State had in the 1996 game;
- 15** The rushing yards by the Cougars in 2004 (on **40** attempts; totals included eight CU sacks for **65** yards in losses);
- 33-13-1** The passing line for WSU then-sophomore Ryan Leaf in the '96 game (**163** yards);
- 33-20-0** The passing line for CU senior Koy Detmer in the '96 game (**254** yards);
- 35** The number of possessions by both teams in the 2003 game (CU **18**, WSU **17**);
- 37** The number of possessions by both teams in the 2004 game (CU **18**, WSU **19**);
- 89** The most plays run by Colorado in the series, in WSU's 47-26 win in 2003 (for 445 yards);
- 92** The most plays run by Washington State in the series, in CU's 20-12 win in 2004 (for 402 yards);
- 125** The amount of total offense for Colorado in the 2004 game (**47** rush, **78** pass), the second fewest in winning a game in school history;
- 138** The combined length of the four field goals Tom Field made in the '82 game (**31**, **39**, **44** and **24**);
- 167** The number of combined points scored in the previous five games of the series (or **33.4** per);
- 185** Rushing yards in '87 by CU quarterback Sal Aunese after replacing an injured Mark Hatcher late in the first quarter;
- 756** The number of miles between Boulder, Colorado, and Pullman, Washington;
- 2945** The difference in elevation between Boulder (**5,345**) and Pullman (**2,400**).



**GAME 5****WASHINGTON STATE 31, COLORADO 27****OCTOBER 1, 2011****FOLSOM FIELD, BOULDER**

**BOULDER** — Washington State quarterback Marshall Lobbestael had his favorite, and the nation's leading receiver, Marquess Wilson held under wraps until the pair connected on a 63-yard touchdown pass with 1:10 remaining in the game to rally the Cougars to a 31-27 win over host Colorado in the Buffaloes' Pac-12 Conference debut.

The Buffs appeared to have put the game away with a 78-yard scoring drive that gave them a 10-point lead (27-17) with 5:11 to play. But Lobbestael, who completed 32-of-49 passes for 376 yards, brought WSU back by throwing two of his three TD passes in the final 2:35.

The scoring pass to Wilson, who entered the game averaging 143 receiving yards per game, came after a mix-up in the injury-riddled CU secondary. Wilson almost stopped and then used his speed to get wide open behind freshman cornerback Greg Henderson and senior safety Anthony Perkins.

CU rediscovered its running game, but that timely find was futile. Rodney Stewart rushed 26 times for 132 yards, breaking the 100-yard barrier for the 15th time in his career. Buffs quarterback Tyler Hansen completed 15-of-23 passes for 175 yards and two TDs, with one interception.

The Buffs (1-4 overall, 0-1 Pac-12) led 13-10 at halftime on the strength of Will Oliver's 48-yard field goal on the final play. He also kicked a 48-yarder late in the first quarter for CU's first points and had an earlier 29-yard attempt blocked.

After the field goal block, WSU (3-1, 1-0) responded immediately, driving 81 yards in 15 plays. Carl Winston scored on a 2-yard run to put the Cougars up 7-0 with 3:57 left in the first quarter.

After Oliver's 48-yarder trimmed the deficit to 7-3, the Buffs stopped the Cougars on fourth-and-one at the CU 40. Hansen and his offense then took advantage of a pair of major penalties and cruised 56 yards for the Buffs' go-ahead touchdown — a 9-yard pass from Hansen to Paul Richardson.

Lobbestael and his group then capitalized on a rare Hansen interception — his pass was tipped by tight end Ryan Deehan and picked by safety Deonne Buchanan, who returned it 29 yards to the CU 38.

With 21 seconds left in the half, the Cougars had to settle for a 28-yard Furney field goal that tied the score (10-10). After a short kickoff returned to the CU 48 by Evan Harrington, Hansen and Deehan teamed for a 21-yard completion, bringing on Oliver with 5 seconds before intermission, where he gave the Buffs their 13-10 halftime lead.

To open the second half, Hansen engineered a nine-play, 79-yard drive. CU had first-and-goal at the WSU 8-yard line, and two plays later Hansen tossed another fade to the left corner — this time to Toney Clemons for a 4-yard score to give the Buffs a 10-point (20-10) cushion.

Lobbestael responded again and drove his team 80 yards in five minutes, completing the journey with an 11-yard scoring pass to fullback Jared Byers to pull WSU to within three (20-17).

That score held until the Buffs took over with 11:18 remaining in the game. CU drove 78 yards for the TD that gave them a 10-point lead at 27-17.

Lobbestael then engineered a 77-yard drive, capped with an 18-yard touchdown pass to Isaiah Barton to bring WSU back to within three points (27-24).

The Buffs did pick up one first down trying to run the final 2:30 off the clock, but then were forced to punt and pinned WSU at its 9-yard line. Lobbestael proved to be too much, completing 4-of-5 passes on the final drive, the last of which was the 63-yarder that proved to be the game winner.

The Buffs did have one final shot, but on the first play of their final drive, Richardson fumbled at the WSU 38 after Hansen hit him over the middle. It was the sophomore's first career fumble after 70 touches.

Washington State.....	7	3	7	14	—	31
COLORADO .....	3	10	7	7	—	27

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Washington State—Winston 2 run (Furney kick)	0-7	3:57	1Q
COLORADO — Oliver 48 FG	3-7	0:44	1Q
COLORADO — Richardson 9 pass from Hansen (Oliver kick)	10-7	9:16	2Q
Washington State—Furney 28 FG	10-10	0:21	2Q
COLORADO — Oliver 48 FG	13-10	0:00	2Q
COLORADO — Clemons 4 pass from Hansen (Oliver kick)	20-10	10:01	3Q
Washington State—Byers 11 pass from Lobbestael (Furney kick)	20-17	6:27	3Q
COLORADO — Stewart 1 run (Oliver kick)	27-17	5:11	4Q
Washington State—Barton 19 pass from Lobbestael (Furney kick)	27-24	2:35	4Q
Washington State—Wilson 63 pass from Lobbestael (Furney kick)	27-31	1:10	4Q

**Attendance:** 51,928    **Time:** 3:12

**Weather:** 82 degrees, clear skies, 5 mph winds from the southeast

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	WASH. STATE
First Downs.....	20	28
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	7-12 (0-0)	7-13 (0-2)
Rushes—Net Yards .....	38-161	27-79
Passing Yards .....	175	376
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	24-15-1	49-32-1
Total Offense .....	336	455
Return Yards .....	51	41
Punts: No-Average .....	3-49.0	3-40.3
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	2-1	2-0
Penalties/Yards .....	10/90	10/125
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	3-20	3-18
Time of Possession .....	32:12	27:48
Drives/Average Field Position .....	11/C33	11/WS28
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	3-4 (21)	4-4 (24)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Stewart 26-132, Jones 3-21, Hansen 9-8. **Washington State:** Winston 10-47, Galvin 6-27, Mitzi 4-17, Mason 1-2, Lobbestael 4-minus 10, Team 2-minus 4.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hansen 23-15-1, 175, 2 td; Team 1-0-0, 0. **Washington State:** Lobbestael 49-32-1, 376, 3 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** Richardson 7-76, Clemons 3-19, Stewart 1-34, Deehan 1-21, Gray 1-14, Harrington 1-9, Jones 1-2. **Washington State:** Karstetter 9-105, Barton 7-68, Wilson 6-121, Ratliff 4-36, Winston 4-35, Byers 1-11, Williams 1-0.

**Punting—Colorado:** O'Neill 3-49.0 (57 long, 1 In20). **Washington State:** Wagner 3-40.3 (41 long, 1 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** Stewart 1-minus 1. **Washington State:** Brooks 2-12. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Stewart 5-113, Harrington 1-19. **Washington State:** Barton 3-66.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Perkins 7,3—10; Major 7,2—9; Rippey 4,2—6; Polk 3,3—6; Espinoza 4,1—5; Henderson 4,1—5; Lockridge 4,1—5; Pericak 3,2—5; Smith 3,0—3; Mahnke 2,1—3; Moten 2,1—3; Cunningham 1,2—3. **Washington State:** Hoffman-Ellis 12,2—14; Long 6,2—8; Locker 7,0—7; Bucannon 4,1—5; Mizell 2,2—4; Toomer 3,0—3; Horton 3,0—3.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Lockridge 1-9, Major 1-7, Uzo-Diribe 1-4. **Washington State:** Hoffman-Ellis 2-16, Mayes 1-2.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Polk 1-52. **Washington State:** Bucannon 1-29. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Cunningham, Major, Perkins. **Washington State:** Horton, Simmons.

**GAME NOTES**

Colorado led for 37:45 of the game, just a few minutes under the time it held leads in the first four games combined ... Colorado now leads the series 4-3, but WSU leads 3-2 in Boulder ... Colorado is now 16-4 in games played on Parent's/Family Weekend and 12-4 at home since mid-1984 when losing by 20 or more points the previous week on the road (CU fell 37-17 at Ohio State last Saturday) ... Colorado dropped to 78-38-2 in conference openers (51-15-1 at home) and to 5-3 in "new" conference openers.

CU's three first half scores were a season-high (1 TD/2 FG); the 13 points were second to the CSU game where the Buffs led 14-7 at halftime ... Colorado ran 62 plays in the game, the fourth time in five the Buffs ran 66 or fewer (exception: 82 vs. Cal). CU is averaging just 64.6 offensive plays per game for the season ... **TE Kyle Slavin** started the game, which was also served as his first collegiate snap ... **TB** turned **CB Brian Lockridge** played his first game on defense, and the first stat he recorded was a 9-yard quarterback sack in the second quarter ... **WR** turned **CB Jason Espinoza** saw his first career action on defense and in fact, started the game at left cornerback.

**IN COLORADO BUFFALO HISTORY: SEPTEMBER 22**

Colorado is 6-5 all-time on **September 22**, as there are several significant games, both good and bad, on the date in Buffalo history. But the main “event” so-to-speak on the date didn’t take place with the clock running; see the 1990 entry in this brief look at some select Sept. 22 games in Colorado history: **1917**—CU couldn’t lose, as the Varsity bested the Alumni 6-0 in the season opener; alumni games counted in team records for schools who played them early last century. **1951**—The Buffs defeat Colorado A&M, 28-13, as after the Aggies pulled to within 14-13 midway in the fourth quarter, Carroll Hardy’s 12-yard touchdown run capped a 14-play, 80-yard drive to put CU up 21-13. A Ron Johnson interception return to the A&M 1 set up a short Merwin Hodel TD run to ice the game. **1962**—In the first game of Bud Davis’ only season as CU head coach, Utah deals Colorado a 37-21 loss in Salt Lake City; **1973**—A thriller in Madison, as the Buffs topple Wisconsin, 28-25. Freshman TB Billy Waddy sets a record that stands to this day, as he rushes for 202 yards and two scores, including the game winning 17-yard run with 2:26 left. CU had built a 21-7 lead only to see Wisconsin race back to take a 25-21 edge with 7:26 left. Waddy also scored on a 76-yard run and threw a 14-yard touchdown pass to Dave Logan. Rick Stearns had 20 tackles to lead the CU defense. **1979**—In what would become known in inner circles as the “Drake Wake,” the Bulldogs came into Boulder and beat the Buffs, 13-9, in the third game of the Coach Chuck Fairbanks Era at CU. **1984**—Still reeling from the life-threatening brain injury to Ed Reinhardt the previous week, the Buffs are not in the right frame of mind and barely show up in a 55-14 loss in South Bend to Gerry Faust’s Notre Dame Fighting Irish. **1990**—Eric Bieniemy ran for 99 yards and three touchdowns, including the go-ahead score as CU rallied from 22-14 down in early in the fourth quarter to defeat No. 22 Texas, 29-22. It was the first of what would be a season-ending 10 straight wins that propelled the Buffaloes to the national championship. **2001**—In the first game after the events of 9/11, many games around the country were sluggish, and it was no exception in Boulder that day when CU bested Kansas, 27-16. TB Chris Brown ran for 140 yards, the last 40 on a game-clinching touchdown run as CU scored the last 14 points to emerge with the W. **2007**—Cody Hawkins threw for two touchdowns and ran for a third but was only one of many starts on both sides of the ball in a 42-0 thrashing of Miami, Ohio. The Buffs outgained the RedHawks 634-139m including a 359-44 edge in rushing: Hugh Charles had 123 of those, with Demetrius Sumler running for 92 and Brian Lockridge 90; all three scored a touchdown.

**SEPTEMBER 22 COLORADO MVP:** Any other day it would have easily been Billy Waddy, but the MVP this day is **TB Eric Bieniemy**. Not so much for his on the field accomplishments, which we still solid, but for his leadership. Read in his own words what coach **Bill McCartney** had to say about what transpired after the end of the third quarter:

**SEPTEMBER 22 FLASHBACK WITH BILL MCCARTNEY:** When the book, *Colorado Football Vault* was being researched, coach **Bill McCartney** gave this first-hand account of what many refer to as the key point in the 1990 season when the Buffs pulled together to rally from a disappointing 1-1-1 start to reel off 10 straight wins. Colorado rallied to defeat Texas, 29-22, on a steamy night in Austin. Here’s what he recalled:

“We were in Austin and were trailing Texas late in the third quarter (19-14). They were marching with the ball and about to score another touchdown, which would have put us behind by two scores. Eric Bieniemy had huddled the offense together on the sidelines, which was a sight to see because here he is, 5-foot-6 and 190 pounds at the time, and he has these huge lineman around him he’s trying to fire up; Bieniemy, this fireball, challenging the offense. Then we got a break and the quarter ended. Texas took off running to the other end of the field, and the crowd rose to their feet, especially on the other end because they thought they were going to see them score a touchdown.

“And then something happened that I had never seen before and never since. Our defensive guys starting walking slowly to the other end, but our offense walked on to the field and intercepted them at our own 20. So there were 22 guys on the field, and the offense, at Bieniemy’s urging, was challenging the defense to hold them. Well, then the defense charged down to the other end of the field and then held them to a field goal. The offense got the ball back, marched down and scored right away. Then we held them on defense to three plays and out for the first time in the game, got the ball back, and then drove for the go-ahead and winning score. The significance of this story is that one guy can make a difference. The morale is to the physical as is four is to one. One guy like that can change things, and our entire season turned around because of this one kid being ignited and sparking and inspiring the others.”

**GAME REPLAYS** The CU-WSU game will be condensed and featured as part of the **Pac-12 Network’s** “Football in 60” series and will air Sunday at 7 p.m., Monday at 2 a.m. and 9 a.m., Tuesday at 5 a.m. and 8 p.m., Wednesday at 7 a.m. and Friday at 3 a.m. and 9 a.m. (all times mountain).

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**THREE HEADED MONSTER**

The Buffs used three quarterbacks in the Fresno State game, though all had their struggles. Here are their individual lines:

<b>DRIVE ENGINEERING</b> Quarterback	Drives	Drives Ended By.....										Points	Pts./	Quarterback		Directing Offense		
	Started	TD	FG	FGA	PNT	DWN	TRN	SAF	CLK	RPL	Yielded	Drive	Drive Efficiency*	Plays	Yards	Avg.		
JORDAN WEBB .....	6	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	7	1.17	16.7%	20.0%	21	92	4.38	
CONNOR WOOD.....	8	0	0	0	6	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.0%	0.0%	26	79	3.04	
NICK HIRSCHMAN .....	4	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	7	1.75	25.0%	33.3%	24	112	4.67	

\*—second number is the percentage the QB has put his team in position to score, allowing for missed field goals and minus drives ended by the clock.

**CAREER CHART WATCH**

Here's where several returning Buffs rank on some of CU's all-time statistical charts through two games of the 2012 season (*Note: Colorado does not count bowl stats into career totals to protect past history, thus career number will differ from NCAA*):

- ⇒ **TB TONY JONES** is 108th in rushing yards (**342**);
- ⇒ **OLB JON MAJOR** is 78th in total tackles (**183**);
- ⇒ **DE CHIDERA UZO-DIRIBE** is 23rd in quarterback sacks (**12**);
- ⇒ **PK WILL OLIVER** is 72nd in scoring and 18th in kick scoring (**73** points);
- ⇒ **DT WILL PERICAK** is 94th in total tackles (**165**);
- ⇒ **FS RAY POLK** is 65th in total tackles (**195**);
- ⇒ **TE PAUL RICHARDSON** is 25th in receptions (**73**), 21st in receiving yards (**1,069**), is tied for ninth in touchdown receptions (**11**) and is 63rd in scoring (**80** points).

**GETTING ATTENTION**

Colorado signed nine defensive linemen in its 2012 recruiting class (six tackles, three ends), its most ever in surpassing seven in the 1993 and 2005 classes; two of the seven are grayshirting and will enroll in January. **Jon Embree** was asked at media day about the potential impact of the group in camp as compared to other times in CU history (he didn't know, who really would?). So we went to the archives and analyzed every recruiting class since 1979 to see which class produced the most multi-year starters in the defensive front seven. Several classes had two or even three who were regular starters, but the bell cow, not surprisingly was the '87 class which produced three All-Americans, **Kanavis McGhee**, **Joel Steed** and **Alfred Williams**.

**THE VERTICAL GAME**

CU, as in the case with most teams, often is most dangerous on offense when the unit can strike for the big play both via the rush and pass. 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	1999	57	12	45	2004	48	13	35	2009	44	7	37
1995	61	11	50	2000	38	8	30	2005	54	16	38	2010	43	11	32
1996	64	12	52	2001	58	21	37	2006	35	18	17	2011	56	14	42
1997	46	9	37	2002	58	35	23	2007	58	18	40	2012	7	1	6
1998	40	11	29	2003	47	5	42	2008	40	8	32				

**COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2012**

- 3:27:33** The average length of CU's three games in 2012 (**3:23**, **3:24**, **3:35**).
- 4** The number of interceptions CU quarterbacks threw at Fresno State, the most in a game since 1999 (4 vs. Colorado State in Denver).
- 8** The number of freshmen Colorado started at Fresno State, tied for its most in history (**6** true/**2** redshirt).
- 10%** The conversion rate for Colorado State on second down (the Rams were just 2-of-20 picking up a first down on second down).
- 13** The number of true freshmen the Buffs have played in 2012 (**9** in the season opener against Colorado State).
- 13** The number of first-time starters in 2012 for Colorado (**7** offense/**6** defense).
- 20-21** Colorado was 3-of-4 in the red zone against CSU, thus is now 20-of-21 (13 TDs) when cracking the 20 in the last seven season openers; the Buffs ran the streak to 19 before CSU stopped the Buffs on a 4th-&-goal from the 1.
- 25-of-82** The opponents' combined efforts on third down inside-the-CU 20 (or **30.5** percent) in the last 36 games (dating to 2008).
- 26** The number of games played in less than three hours since 1990 (out of **271** games; includes four in 2011).
- 27** The number of games CU has allowed at least one touchdown pass (current; school record).
- 35.0** The third down efficiency of opponents against Colorado in the state's borders since the '09 opener (**97-of-277**).
- 45** The number of games CU has had at least one sack in out of the last **48**; it include runs of 25, 11 and 9 in a row).
- 52** The number of opponent PAT kicks made between blocks by Colorado **DT Will Pericak** between 2011 and 2012.
- 94, 97** The length of first quarter scrimmage plays for TDs by Fresno State (the first time CU had an opponent have two 80-plus plays in the same game).
- 199** The number of opponent PAT kicks made between blocks by Colorado between 2005 and 2011 (ended by **DT Will Pericak**).

**COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2011**

- 6** The number of consecutive field goals **PK Will Oliver** made to open his career, second best in school history (record: 7) before one was blocked.
- 6** The number of punts inside-the-20 that **P Darragh O'Neill** had against Oregon to go with four inside-the-10, both school records.
- 9/7** The number of punts in plus territory by **P Darragh O'Neill** and the number of which he placed inside-the-20.
- 10** The number of overtime games in Colorado history, as the loss to Cal was the first CU game extended into extra time since 2008 (WVU).
- 13** The number of players who returned kickoffs for CU in 2011 (record is 14 in 1956, followed by 13 in 1949-1951-1953-1959 and now 2011).
- 17** The number of yards allowed in the first quarter by Utah, the season low by an opponent for a single quarter in 2011.
- 23** The consecutive number of games that Colorado had lost on the road before ending the year with a 17-14 win at Utah.
- 25.8** The average length of **WR Toney Clemons'** 11 career receiving TDs (44, 11, 4, 21, 37, 10, 15 & 20 this year, 73, 26, 23 in 2010 for **284** total yards).
- 37.2** The average length of the 11 field goals freshman **PK Will Oliver** made in his freshman season (**409** total yards).
- C47** The average starting field position for Ohio State on its 12 possessions against the Buffs (seven in CU territory, three others at the OS40, 40, 34).
- 185** The number of yards gained in the first quarter at Utah, the season high for a single quarter.

**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. The Buffs had the 10th longest streak of all-time, as from the 1989 preseason poll through the first five weeks of 1997, CU had a tremendous run of 143 consecutive weeks in the AP poll. CU has been ranked **293** times in its history, the 26th most all-time (Iowa is 23rd with 297, Pittsburgh is 25th with 292).

**COLORADO IN THE POLLS – 2012 WEEKLY**

A weekly look at where Colorado has placed weekly in each of the four major polls in 2012 (RV—denotes received votes; number is place outside top 25):

Poll	PS	9/04	9/09	9/16	9/23	9/30	10/07	10/14	10/21	10/28	11/04	11/11	11/18	11/25	12/02	Final
<i>Associated Press</i>	---	---	---	---												
<i>USA Today Coaches</i>	---	---	---	---												
Harris Interactive				---												
BCS Standings																

**43 WINS OVER RANKED TEAMS 13TH BEST SINCE '89**

CU's 43 wins over *Associated Press* ranked teams since the start of the 1989 season are the 13th most in the nation in this time frame (23-plus seasons). Florida State has the most with 71, followed by Florida (69), Ohio State (64), Michigan (62), Miami, Fla. (56), Alabama (55), Southern Cal (55), LSU (53), Tennessee (52), Oklahoma (49), Texas (46), Penn State (44), **Colorado (43)**, Auburn (43), Nebraska (43), Notre Dame (43) and Georgia (42); as for the Pac-12, after USC and CU, the next schools on the list are Oregon (39), UCLA (39) and Washington (39). All-time, Colorado's 66 wins over ranked teams are the 23rd most in history. **Since 1989, CU has played the sixth most ranked teams in the nation (111), trailing only Florida (125), LSU (114), Michigan (114), Ohio State (114) and Florida State (113).** (AP polls used for these figures because the coaches' poll omits teams on probation, but AP does not.)

- Colorado's last three wins over ranked teams came against No. 17 Kansas in 2009 (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 eight straight against ranked teams (last win: 34-30 over Kansas in 2009); the Buffs have lost 18 straight road games against ranked opponents, with the last win a 31-17 over UCLA at the Rose Bowl in 2002.

**CU'S 132 WINS OVER BCS TEAMS RANKS 19TH**

Looking inside the above numbers, Colorado's 132 wins over BCS teams rank as the 19th most nationally over the last 23-plus years (or since the start of the 1989 season). A closer look through games of September 15:

Rk	School	Wins	Rk	School	Wins	Rk	School	Wins	Rk	School	Wins
1	Florida State	191	7	Miami-Fla.	164	13	Alabama	145	19	Colorado	132
2	Ohio State	190	8	Texas	162	14	Virginia Tech	142	20	Virginia	130
3	Florida	186	9	Oklahoma	158	15	Oregon	140	21	Auburn	129
4	Nebraska	176	9	Penn State	158	15	Notre Dame	140	22	LSU	127
4	Southern California	176	11	Tennessee	155	17	Georgia Tech	139	22	Texas A&M	127
6	Michigan	168	12	Georgia	153	18	Clemson	136	24	Washington	125

**STATISTICALLY SPEAKING**

Here's where the Buffs rank statistically in select categories in the Pac-12 and the NCAA through games of September 15:

TEAM											
Pac12	NCAA	Category	Stat	Pac12	NCAA	Category	Stat	Pac12	NCAA	Category	Stat
10th	104th	RUSHING OFFENSE .....	107.0	11th	94th	RUSHING DEFENSE .....	190.7	9th	68th	PUNT RETURNS .....	7.4
12th	104th	PASSING OFFENSE.....	182.7	11th	104th	PASSING DEFENSE.....	289.0	7th	69th	KICKOFF RETURNS .....	20.3
12th	113th	TOTAL OFFENSE.....	289.7	12th	106th	TOTAL DEFENSE.....	479.7	2nd	21st	NET PUNTING .....	40.3
11th	105th	SCORING OFFENSE.....	19.7	12th	112th	SCORING DEFENSE.....	40.3	11th	94th	TURNOVER MARGIN .....	-1.00
INDIVIDUAL (Top 25 in conference)											
Rushing	Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Receiving Yards	Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Kick Scoring	Pac-12	NCAA	Pts/Gm
Christian Powell .....	7th	92nd	66.3	Nelson Spruce .....	20th	.....	43.6	Will Oliver .....	10th	76th	3.7
Passing Efficiency	Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Tyler McCulloch .....	22nd	.....	42.3	Tackles For Loss	Pac-12	NCAA	Pts/Gm
Jordan Webb .....	10th	98th	108.3	Punting	Pac-12	NCAA	Avg.	Chidera Uzo-Diribe ...	5th	27th	1.67
Total Offense	Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Darragh O'Neill .....	5th	22nd	44.3	Interceptions	Pac-12	NCAA	Total
Jordan Webb .....	11th	.....	126.3	Punt Returns	Pac-12	NCAA	Avg.	Marques Mosley .....	9th	69th	0.33
Christian Powell .....	17th	.....	66.3	Kenneth Crawley .....	7th	44th	9.0	QB Sacks	Pac-12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
All-Purpose	Pac-12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Kickoff Returns	Pac-12	NCAA	Avg.	Chidera Uzo-Diribe ...	2nd	18th	1.00
Christian Powell .....	22nd	.....	72.3	Marques Mosley .....	4th	49th	22.7	Jon Major .....	20th	.....	0.33
Receptions	Pac-12	NCAA	No./Gm	Donta Abron .....	8th	95th	15.0	Derrick Webb .....	20th	.....	0.33
Nelson Spruce .....	15th	.....	4.3	Scoring	Pac-12	NCAA	Pts/Gm	Tackles / Tackles For Loss			
				Christian Powell .....	16th	.....	6.0	CU uses coaches' video; numbers don't match			



**HEAD COACH JON EMBREE**

**Jon Embree** is in his second season as head coach of the University of Colorado football program, his first as a head coach on any level of football. He is the 24th full-time head coach in CU history (26th overall) and just the third alum ever at the reins; he owns a record of **3-13** at Colorado. Though his first head coaching job, the list of head coaches he's worked under is most impressive: **Bill McCartney** (Colorado), **Rick Neuheisel** (CU), **Gary Barnett** (CU), **Karl Dorrell** (UCLA), **Herm Edwards** (Kansas City, NFL) and **Mike Shanahan** (Washington, NFL), not to mention the countless coordinators and assistant coaches he had worked closely with. A four-year letterman at tight end under McCartney at Colorado (1983-86), he was the Lee Willard Award winner as the team's most outstanding freshman in '83, and earned first-team All-Big 8 honors as a sophomore when he set single season school records for receptions (51) and yards (680). He then became the consummate team player his final two years, as after CU switched to the wishbone on offense, his primary role became that of a blocker. He played in two bowl games (1985 Freedom, 1986 Bluebonnet) and has coached as an assistant in 12 bowl games (9 CU, 3 UCLA). **Embree's Essentials:**



	Overall	Home	Road	Neutral	2nd Half	Ranked	Unranked	Non-league	Pac-12	Bowls
<b>Embree at Colorado / Career.....</b>	<b>3-13</b>	<b>1-5</b>	<b>1-7</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>0-4</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>1-6</b>	<b>2-7</b>	<b>0-0</b>

**COLORADO STREAKS:** 2-game plus wins, 2-game plus losses: **0, 3**. 3-game plus wins, 3-game plus losses: **0, 2**. 4-game plus wins, 4-game plus losses: **0, 1**. 5-game plus wins, 5-game plus losses: **0, 1**. 6-game plus wins, 6-game plus losses: **0, 1**. Longest winning streak: **1**. Longest losing streak: **7**.

- ◆ Embree, 46, has been a part of **195** Colorado Buffalo games with a **109-83-2** record: previously, he logged **121** as a full-time assistant coach (81-39-1), **12** as a volunteer coach (8-3-1) and **46** as a player (17-27; he missed the ninth and 10th games of his freshman season in 1983 with mono).
- ◆ **The Third Alum.** Embree is just Colorado's third head football coach and the first in nearly 50 years who also graduated from the school, as he earned his degree in Communication in 1988. The last was **Bud Davis** ('51), who coached for one season (1962) to steady the waters after the Sonny Grandelius era, with the only other, **Harry Heller**, also coaching just one year, leading CU to an 8-1 record in 1894; Heller was an 1885 graduate.
- ◆ In addition to the head coaches he learned from above, he also cited Chan Galey, who was Kansas City's offensive coordinator in 2008; he said he learned "how flexible you need to be. If players don't fit your scheme, you'd better find something to fit your players."
- ◆ Embree adorned the cover of this past June's *Colorado Avid Golfer*, posing for the photo with his former coach and mentor, **Bill McCartney**. The two had played golf together just one time prior to the shoot, which took place in April and includes an interview during a round of golf.
- ◆ **Subconscious Tradition.** Coaches develop their own signature "whistle blow" to signify that practice has ended and to call the team together to summarize things, make announcements, etc. Embree's consists of six tweets (the whistle kind), the first and last consisting of three notes before a pause with four short ones in the middle. It's the exact same one that McCartney used for 13 seasons at CU, but he didn't realize it until he was told that it matched Mac's, well, to the tweet. When McCartney was informed that Embree was using his whistle sonata, he just laughed, admitting that it was the same one that the late **Bo Schembachler** used when Mac was an assistant at Michigan. Mac said he didn't realize that he was using Bo's either until after he established it at CU: "It's distinct and stands out from regular whistle blows, so that's why I must have subconsciously started using it." And the same goes for Embree.
- ◆ **Embree philosophy:** *"There are a million excuses of why you can't do something... find the one reason you can."*
- ◆ Embree became just the fourth African-American head coach in Pac-12 Conference football history when he was named to the CU position (with Stanford's David Shaw the fifth when he was promoted a month later): Dennis Green was the first when he coached Stanford (1989-91), followed by Ty Willingham, also at Stanford (1995-2001), and then former Colorado assistant Karl Dorrell at UCLA (2003-07); Willingham also was the head coach at Washington (2004-08). Nationally, Embree is one of seven African-American head coaches among the 66 BCS schools and one of the 16 at the 120 Football Bowl Subdivision programs.
- ◆ After his professional career was cut short due to an elbow injury (he had Tommy John surgery), in the spring of 1991, he was ready job to accept a job in television: KCNC in Denver, where he had interned as a student, was working to place him in a smaller market with the eventual plan to return him to Colorado (as he says of what could have been, "This is Jon Embree reporting live from the pig races in Nowheresville."). But McCartney called and offered him a volunteer position to help coach the tight ends that spring, which was right after CU was the consensus '90 national champion. "He didn't ask me, he told me," Embree said. So he thought he'd try it out in the spring, and his very first day, he knew it was his calling. "At the end of the (first) day, Mac asked me, 'What do you think?' I told him I was all in, this is for me, I love it. What I didn't say to him is, 'I want your job.'" Fast-forward 20 years, he has exactly that.
- ◆ While at UCLA, Embree coached the wide receivers and one his players was **Josh Roenicke** ... the same Josh Roenicke who is now a relief pitcher with the Colorado Rockies. Roenicke walked on both the football and baseball teams at UCLA and his scheduled permitted him to attend the '11 CU-CSU game.
- ◆ Embree's return to Boulder has it much easier for him to procure his favorite pizza: since the mid-1990s, he's had a pie named for him at **Pasta Jay's** just off the Pearl Street Mall. The "**Pizza Embo**" includes pesto, pepperoni and meatballs and sells for \$11.99 (small), \$13.99 (medium) and \$15.99 (large). Jay, a huge Buffalo donor and fan, also has menu items for others in athletics at CU, including the "**Cabral Pizza**" (Alfredo sauce, capocollo and pineapple, for linebacker coach Brian Cabral), The "**Hagan Option**" named for CU's 1989-91 quarterback, Darian Hagan (three entrée items and sides), and the "**Alfredo Williams**" for CU's Hall of Fame linebacker Alfred Williams (chicken cutlet baked in Alfredo sauce, served over fettuccine).
- ◆ Jon and his wife **Natalyn** vacationed in Africa this past summer (2012), as Embree won the trip when he was on the staff of the Washington Redskins. Included in their eight days there was a tradition safari as the couple visited three countries in all.
- ◆ **Embree** voted in the 2011 Division I-A coaches poll coordinated by *USA Today/ESPN*; coaches are now selected by a random draw and he was not drawn for 2012. CU's head coach voted every season from 1987-2009, thus CU has had a vote for the 24 of the last 26 seasons.
- ◆ **CONTRACT.** Embree was officially named CU's 24th full-time head coach on Dec. 6, 2010, and signed a 5-year contract worth \$3.7 million overall, not including incentives to coach the Buffaloes, with the contract dates officially running from March 1, 2011 through January 11, 2016.

**HEAD COACH JON EMBREE CONTINUED****Jon Embree Year-By-Year Coaching Record**

Season	School	Overall		Pct.	Pts	Opp	Pac-12 Conference		Pct.	Pts	Opp	Finish/Conf.
		W	L				W	L				
2011	Colorado.....	3	10	.231	257	475	2	7	.222	162	354	t-5th/Pac-12 South
2012	Colorado.....	0	3	.000	59	121	0	0	.000	0	0	.....
<b>Colorado/Career Totals.....</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>.188</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>.222</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>354</b>	
As an assistant at Colorado (10 seasons, 1993-2002) .....		81-39-1		8 bowl games (6-2; 3 New Year's Day, 1-2); 89-42-2 (0-1 in bowls) including his volunteer year in 1991								
As an assistant at UCLA (3 seasons, 2003-05).....		22-15		2 bowl games (2-0)								
As an assistant at Kansas City (NFL, 3 seasons, 2006-08) .....		15-34		1 playoff appearance (0-1)								
As an assistant at Washington (NFL, 1 season, 2010).....		6-10										

**PERHAPS A COLLEGE FOOTBALL FIRST?**

There's no real way to research this, but **Jon Embree** might be the first collegiate head coach to coach against three schools in his first season that he selected his alma mater over. Back in January 1983, when Embree, along with a dozen other top prospects in Colorado, listened to the pitch from then CU-head coach **Bill McCartney**, he was one of a dozen players who bought into McCartney's vision for the program. The high school All-American from Englewood's Cherry Creek High School then committed and signed with the Buffs, in the end selecting Colorado over Ohio State, Southern California and UCLA, all of whom are opponents on his first schedule as a head coach. All three schools defeated CU, gaining some slight measure of revenge against Embree.

**TRIVIA** Who were the other Colorado high school seniors who joined Embree in that benchmark 1983 recruiting class? Here's the entire class that is credited with helping turn the Buff fortunes around by 1985: **Dave DeLine** (PK, Mullen), **Jon Embree** (TE, Cherry Creek), **Jeff Glenn** (OL, Pomona), **Barry Helton** (QB/P, Simla), **Curt Koch** (DL, Littleton), **Eric McCarty** (FB, Boulder), **Ed Reinhardt** (TE, Heritage), **Sam Smith** (TB, Aurora Hinkley), **David Tate** (WR/CB, Mullen), **Rick Wheeler** (QB, Cherry Creek) and **Troy Wolf** (WR/TE, Arvada). Two others walked on: **Tom Gebhardt** (CB, Boulder) and **Mike Marquez** (RB/CB, Pomona).

**COLORADO SUPERLATIVES UNDER JON EMBREE**

The home (listed first) and road bests in the Jon Embree Era at Colorado (beginning in 2011):

MOST FIRST DOWNS			MOST TOTAL OFFENSE			FEWEST FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED			LEAST TOTAL OFFENSE ALLOWED		
27	ARIZONA	Nov. 12, 2011	582	CALIFORNIA	Sept. 10, 2011	22	CALIFORNIA	Sept. 10, 2011	370	CALIFORNIA	Sept. 10, 2011
22	at Arizona State	Oct. 29, 2011	420	at Arizona State	Oct. 29, 2011	14	at Utah	Nov. 25, 2011	274	at Utah	Nov. 25, 2011
MOST RUSHING YARDS			MOST POINTS			FEWEST RUSHING YARDS ALLOWED			FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED		
273	ARIZONA	Nov. 12, 2011	48	ARIZONA	Nov. 12, 2011	60	ARIZONA	Nov. 12, 2011	29	ARIZONA	Nov. 12, 2011
110	at Fresno State	Sept. 15, 2012	24	at Washington	Oct. 15, 2011	89	at Utah	Nov. 25, 2011	14	at Utah	Nov. 25, 2011
MOST PASSING YARDS			MOST TIME OF POSSESSION			FEWEST PASSING YARDS ALLOWED			HIGHEST PUNTING AVERAGE (3+)		
474	CALIFORNIA	Sept. 10, 2011	36:57	OREGON	Oct. 22, 2011	156	OREGON	Oct. 22, 2011	49.0	WASHINGTON ST.	Oct. 1, 2011
337	at Arizona State	Oct. 29, 2011	33:11	at Arizona State	Oct. 29, 2011	110	at Ohio State	Sept. 24, 2011	44.9	at Hawai'i (7 punts)	Sept. 3, 2011
MOST OFFENSIVE PLAYS			LONGEST SCORING DRIVE (TD; Yards)			FEWEST OFFENSIVE PLAYS ALLOWED			MOST TURNOVERS FORCED		
82	CALIFORNIA	Sept. 10, 2011	86	CALIFORNIA	Sept. 10, 2011	67	CALIFORNIA	Sept. 10, 2011	4	ARIZONA	Nov. 12, 2011
74	at Arizona State	Oct. 29, 2011	91	at Ohio State	Sept. 24, 2011	58	at Utah	Nov. 25, 2011	2	on 2 occasions	

**JON EMBREE VERSUS THE NATION**

School	W	L	Pts	Opp	School	W	L	Pts	Opp	School	W	L	Pts	Opp
Arizona.....	1	0	48	29	Ohio State.....	0	1	17	37	UCLA.....	0	1	6	45
Arizona State.....	0	1	14	48	Oregon.....	0	1	2	45	Utah.....	1	0	17	14
California.....	0	1	33	36	Sacramento State.....	0	1	28	30	Washington.....	0	1	24	52
Colorado State.....	1	1	45	36	Southern California..	0	1	17	42	Washington State.....	0	1	27	31
Fresno State.....	0	1	14	69	Stanford.....	0	1	7	48	<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>596</b>
Hawai'i.....	0	1	17	34										

**JON EMBREE / SITUATIONAL (I-A/FBS ONLY)**

Category	W	L	Category	W	L	Category	W	L	Category	W	L
Overall .....	3	13	Ranked Teams (AP).....	0	4	Overtime .....	0	1	Sunday.....	0	0
Home.....	1	5	Top 5 (0-0 vs. No. 1).....	0	0	1 OT.....	0	1	Monday.....	0	0
Road.....	1	7	Top 10.....	0	2	2 OT.....	0	0	Tuesday.....	0	0
Neutral.....	1	1	Unranked Teams.....	3	9	3 OT.....	0	0	Wednesday.....	0	0
Bowl Games.....	0	0	As A Ranked Team.....	0	0	August.....	0	0	Thursday.....	0	0
Day Games.....	3	11	Pac-12 Conference Games.....	2	7	September.....	1	6	Friday.....	1	1
Night Games.....	0	2	Home.....	1	3	October.....	0	5	Saturday.....	2	12
Shutouts.....	0	0	Road.....	1	4	November.....	2	2	Eastern Time Zone.....	0	1
Scoring 50+ Points.....	0	0	Non-Conference.....	1	6	December.....	0	0	Central Time Zone.....	0	0
Scoring 20+ Points.....	2	4	7-Point Games Or Closer.....	1	4	January.....	0	0	Mountain Time Zone.....	3	6
Scoring <20 Points.....	1	9							Pacific Time Zone.....	0	5
Allowing <20 Points.....	2	0							Hawaii-Aleutian Time Zone.....	0	1

**POINT DIFFERENTIAL**

Point Differential	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	34	39	41	43	55	Total	
Margin	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	3
Lost	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	—	13

**THE CLASS OF '11**

In 2011, 23 programs including Colorado hired new head coaches, 12 of whom were first-time head coaches on the collegiate level (Ohio State was a late addition after Jim Tressel resigned). Here's a look at what coaches make up the "class of 2011" and their records through games of September 15 (\*—denotes first college head coaching job):

<b>Coach, School</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct.</b>
*David Shaw, Stanford .....	14	2	.875
Brady Hoke, Michigan .....	13	3	.813
*Dana Holgorsen, West Virginia .....	12	3	.800
*Dave Doeren, Northern Illinois .....	13	4	.765
Mark Hudspeth, Louisiana-Lafayette .....	11	5	.688
*Steve Addazio, Temple .....	10	5	.667
*Bill Blankenship, Tulsa .....	10	6	.625
Rocky Long, San Diego State .....	10	6	.625
*Will Muschamp, Florida .....	10	6	.625
Al Golden, Miami-Florida .....	8	7	.533
Pete Lembo, Ball State .....	8	7	.533
Paul Pasqualoni, Connecticut .....	7	8	.467

<b>Coach, School</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Pct.</b>
*James Franklin, Vanderbilt .....	7	9	.438
*Darrell Hazell, Kent State .....	6	8	.429
Jerry Kill, Minnesota .....	6	9	.400
Dan McCarney, North Texas .....	6	9	.400
*Don Treadwell, Miami-Ohio .....	5	10	.333
Randy Edsall, Maryland .....	4	11	.267
*Kevin Wilson, Indiana .....	3	12	.200
<b>*Jon Embree, Colorado .....</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>.188</b>
<b>no longer with team:</b>			
Hugh Freeze, Arkansas State .....	10	3	.769
Todd Graham, Pittsburgh .....	6	6	.500
*Luke Fickell, Ohio State .....	6	7	.462

**THAT POUND 'EM MENTALITY**

**Jon Embree** and **Eric Bieniemy** aren't shy about going running the ball on third/fourth-&-1; in 1989, Bieniemy's junior year at CU, the Buffs were **30-of-30** on 3rd-&-1, all running plays; then as assistant coaches in 2001-02, the pair watched Chris Brown and Bobby Purify to go **33-of-41** on 3rd/4th-&-1.

**COACHES ON GAME DAY**

The coaching staff, as always, is split between the sidelines and the press box. Head coach **Jon Embree** wears a headset on the sideline, along with defensive coordinator **Greg Brown**, special teams coach **J.D. Brookhart**, defensive ends coach **Kanavis McGhee**, receivers coach **Bobby Kennedy**, offensive line coach **Steve Marshall**, defensive line coach **Mike Tuiasosopo** and graduate assistants **T.C. McCartney** and **Jeff Smart**. Offensive coordinator **Eric Bieniemy**, assistant head coach/quarterbacks coach **Rip Scherer** and linebackers coach **Brian Cabral** are upstairs in the press box with the other grad assistants and technical interns. Plays are sent in a variety of ways, mainly through signals or shuttled in from substituting players.

**COORDINATOR ALUMS NOT SO COMMON, EITHER**

As stated above, **Jon Embree** is just the third alum to be named head coach at Colorado; however, when it comes to coordinators, since the position came into vogue in the 1960s, no CU alum has ever served in the capacity until now. **Eric Bieniemy**, CU's all-time leading rusher with 3,940 yards in his career that spanned from 1987-90, was named offensive coordinator/running backs coach the same day Embree was hired — Dec. 6, 2010. He is just the second minority coach to serve in a coordinator capacity for CU, joining **Karl Dorrell**, who was the offensive coordinator under **Rick Neuheisel** from 1995-98.

**Bieniemy philosophy** (picked up in the NFL): *"You either adapt or die. The dinosaurs couldn't figure it out, and look what happened to them."*

**STAFF STABILITY**

For just the second time since 1988, the entire Buffalo coaching staff will return intact; the last time a first-time CU head coach's staff were all in tow for a second season it's been even longer—Bill Mallory's 1974 group. Perhaps with so many young players in the program, now more than ever is consistency in the coaching ranks a welcome non-change. Nationally, just 16 programs did not undergo at least one change, led by Oregon's full-time staff which is returning for a fourth year. Four schools have the same staff for a third straight year, and the other 11 for the second season in a row. The list:

**4**—Oregon; **3**—Florida State, Georgia, Louisiana Tech, Virginia; **2**—BYU, **Colorado**, UL-Lafayette, Miami-Fla., Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Northwestern, San Diego State, Texas, Virginia Tech.

**NFL EXPERIENCE**

Colorado's staff also has plenty of experience both playing and coaching in the National Football League, with 63 total seasons (38 coached, 25 played). Eight of the 10 coaches either played or coached in the NFL (two did both). The 63 combined NFL years by Colorado coaches ranks first among all 120 schools in the FBS. Here's a look at the 10 full-time staff members connections to "the league":

<b>Coach</b>	<b>Played</b>	<b>Coached</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Coach</b>	<b>Played</b>	<b>Coached</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Coach</b>	<b>Played</b>	<b>Coached</b>	<b>Total</b>
HC Jon Embree	2	4	<b>6</b>	TE J.D. Brookhart	0	2	<b>2</b>	DL Kanavis McGhee	5	0	<b>5</b>
AHC Rip Scherer	0	6	<b>6</b>	LB Brian Cabral	9	0	<b>9</b>	DL Mike Tuiasosopo	0	0*	<b>0</b>
OC Eric Bieniemy	9	5	<b>14</b>	WR Bobby Kennedy	0	0	<b>0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>63</b>
DC Greg Brown	0	15	<b>15</b>	OL Steve Marshall	0	6	<b>6</b>	*—served two NFL Minority Internships.			

CU's **Greg Brown** ranks fourth in NFL coaching experience with 15 years, trailing Monte Kiffin, USC, 26; Dale Lindsey, NMSU, 20; and Charlie Weis, Kansas, 16. In addition, Colorado's strength and conditioning coach, Malcolm Blacken, has 15 years of NFL experience with Detroit and Washington.

**OTHER BUFF ALUMNI IN THE FBS COACHING RANKS:** Brad Bedell, OL, New Mexico State ('99); Cedric Cormier, WR, UNLV ('01); Rich Fisher, WR, Nebraska ('92); Rod Perry, DB, Oregon State ('75); Steve Stripling, DL, Cincinnati ('76). **IN THE FCS:** Ty Gregorak, DC/LB, Montana ('99). **AND DOWN I-25 AT CSU-PUEBLO:** Paul Creighton, DL ('03), Bernard Jackson, WR ('06), Donnell Leomiti, DB ('95), Chris Symington, OL ('87).

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

Long-time linebacker coach **Brian Cabral** celebrated his 300th game as Colorado Buffaloe in 2009, and did it in style in CU's thrilling 35-34 win over Texas A&M (he now has been involved in 331). He wore his famous trademark lava lava wrap in CU colors for the game; overall, the Buffs are 6-4 when he dons the garb, which he wants to avoid wearing twice in any season as noted the second game has been a loss on three occasions). After two weeks of speculation, he did wear it for CU's 2011 season opener in his native Hawai'i; he referred to it all along as a game decision but didn't want to take any attention away from the new staff, who all urged him to wear it. He first donned a lava lava for CU's 51-43 win over

Oregon in the 1998 Aloha Bowl, wearing a red and blue wrap to honor the family of the late Sal Aunese (CU's starting quarterback who passed away from stomach cancer in 1989). Then at the urging of then-head coach Dan Hawkins, Cabral debuted his personalized wrap with CU colors in 2007 against No. 3 Oklahoma; down 24-7, the Buffs rallied for a 27-24 win.

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, Jordan Dizon, Ted Johnson, Chad Brown, Michael Jones, Thaddaeus Washington** and **Jashon Sykes**, with a ninth, senior **Jeff Smart**, finishing just six behind his total with 291.

**CABRAL & THE LAVA LAVA (6-4)**

Date	Opponent	Result
Dec. 25, 1998	Oregon (Aloha Bowl)	W 51-43
Sept. 29, 2007	OKLAHOMA	W 27-24
Nov. 23, 2007	NEBRASKA	W 65-51
Sept. 18, 2008	WEST VIRGINIA (OT)	W 17-14
Nov. 15, 2008	OKLAHOMA STATE	L 17-30
Nov. 7, 2009	TEXAS A&M	W 35-34
Nov. 27, 2009	NEBRASKA	L 20-28
Oct. 2, 2010	GEORGIA	W 29-27
Sept. 3, 2011	at Hawai'i	L 17-34
Nov. 4, 2011	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	L 17-42

**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 22nd season (330 games), he is 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 23 (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 is sixth on the list of active coaches for continuous full-time service at the same school in the nation; fifth among all assistant coaches. The entire national list:

**ACTIVE COACHES WITH LONGEST CONTINUOUS FULL-TIME SERVICE AT SAME SCHOOL (entering 2012)**

Name	School	Current Position	2012 Season	20-Plus Years Combined, Multiple Stints/Same School (Years of Stints)
Gary Campbell	Oregon	Running Backs	30th	<b>Name</b> <b>School</b> <b>Current Position</b> <b>2012 Season</b>
Lance Reynolds	BYU	Asst. Head Coach/Running Backs	30th	a-Chris Ault Nevada Head Coach/AD (see note) 37th
Mo Latimore	Kansas State	Defensive Line	29th	Steve Greatwood Oregon Offensive Line (1982-94, 2000-12) 26th
Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech	Head Coach	26th	Pete Perot Louisiana Tech Offensive Line (1986-96, 2000-12) 24th
Bud Foster	Virginia Tech	Def. Coordinator/Linebackers	26th	b-Ken Wilson Nevada Assoc. HC/Associate AD (see note) 23rd
<b>Brian Cabral</b>	<b>Colorado</b>	<b>Linebackers</b>	<b>23rd</b>	Ron Brown Nebraska Running Backs (1987-03, 2008-12) 22nd
Larry Blakeney	Troy	Head Coach	22nd	

(a—three stints as head coach, 1976-92, 1994-95, 2004-present; but was AD from 1986-2004; b—two stints as assistant coach, 1976-92, 2004-present; was an associate AD 1999-2003.)

**2012 RULE CHANGES**

The Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) on February 28 approved several rule changes for football, beginning this fall. The major ones:

- Teams will return to kicking off at the 35-yard line instead of the 30 (this was last in effect in 2006). Also, players on the kicking team can't line up for the play behind the 30-yard line, which is intended to limit the running start kicking teams used to have during the play.
- Touchbacks on free kicks will be moved to the 25-yard line instead of the 20 to encourage more touchbacks. Touchbacks on other plays (for example, punts that go into the end zone, or fumbles that go out of the end zone) will remain at the 20-yard line.
- If a player loses his helmet (other than as the result of a foul by the opponent, such as a facemask), it will be treated like an injury and the player must leave the game and is not allowed to participate for the next play. Current injury timeout rules guard against using this rule to gain an advantage from stopping the clock. Additionally, if a player loses his helmet, he must not continue to participate in the play, in order to protect him from injury.
- Players are now prohibited from leaping over blockers in an attempt to block a punt. Receiving-team players trying to jump over a shield-blocking scheme has become popular for teams in punt formation. Receiving-team players try to defeat this scheme by rushing into the backfield to block a punt. In some cases, these players are contacted and end up flipping in the air and landing on their head or shoulders.



**TRENDS****1985-2012**

Since 1985, when the Buffs returned to their traditional winning ways after six frustrating years, Colorado is **192-136-4**; in these 332 games spanning 27-plus seasons, CU has posted the following records (including bowls):

◆ with 400-plus yards total offense	109-23-2	◆ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	91-20-1
◆ with 500-plus yards total offense	53- 6-0	◆ when leading at halftime	154-26-2
◆ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	75-10-1	◆ when leading after three quarters (154-17-3 in last 174)	159-20-3
◆ when punting three or fewer times	67-20-1	◆ when scoring 24 or more points	157-2
◆ with zero turnovers (141-48-2 with two or fewer)	35-16-2	◆ when held to 13 points or less	3-50-0
◆ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	112-19-1	◆ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	14- 1-0
◆ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	99-14-1	◆ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	107-24-2

**TRENDS II****1989-2012**

Since 1989, when the Buffs became a regular in the national rankings for the next 16 seasons, Colorado has posted an overall record at **164-117-4**. Here are some trends during this time frame (285 games over 23-plus seasons, including bowls):

➤ when running more plays than the opponent	94-48-3	➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	83- 5-1
➤ with 400-plus yards total offense (48-6 with 500-plus)	95-23-2	➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards	56- 2-1
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	107-10-1	➤ when rushing for 300-plus yards	31- 0-1
➤ when leading in possession time (54-78-1 when not)	110-39-3	➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	37- 2-0
➤ when making 20-plus first downs	104-41-1	➤ when passing for 200-plus yards	89-58-2
➤ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	61- 9-1	➤ when passing for 300-plus yards (10-1-1 400-plus)	25-18-1
➤ when scoring first	102-33-1	➤ when passing for more yards than rushing	83-101-2
➤ with zero turnovers (124-72-2 with two or fewer)	29-16-2	➤ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	89-24-2
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	87-13-1	➤ when holding edge in field position	125-33-1
➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	83-14-1	➤ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	13- 1-0
➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	69-15-1	➤ when out-rushing the opponent	134-16-3
➤ when average field position is CU 30+ (26-3 40+)	117-48-2	➤ when owning the edge in return yards	117-43-2
➤ when play selection is 50 percent rushing calls	136-37-2		

**TRENDS III****EMBREE ERA (2011)**

**Jon Embree** took over the Buffalo program for the 2011 season (**3-13** record); so it's obviously early but we'll chart his numbers in below categories:

**Category**

➤ when scoring 20 or more points (1-9 when not)	2- 4
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	1- 1
➤ when scoring 40 or more points	1- 0
➤ when scoring 50 or more points	0- 0
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	2- 0
➤ in games decided by 7 points or less	1- 4
➤ with two or fewer turnovers (1-4 with zero)	3-10
➤ when turnover margin was plus or even	2- 6
➤ when scoring first (1-10 when not)	2- 3
➤ when leading at halftime	3- 3
➤ when trailing at halftime (0-0 when tied)	0-11

**Category**

➤ when leading after three (0-11 trailing, 0-0 tied)	3- 2
➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	3- 1
➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards offense	2- 1
➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	1- 0
➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards (0-0 300-plus)	1- 0
➤ when rushing for more yards than passing	1- 1
➤ with a 100-yard rusher	1- 1
➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	1- 0
➤ when passing for 200-plus yards	3- 8
➤ with 400-plus yards total offense	1- 2
➤ with 500-plus yards total offense (0-0 with 600-plus)	1-1

**TURNOVERS ARE INDEED COSTLY**

Most head coaches believe that when it comes to turnovers, they are one of the single most important factors in winning or losing ball games. Statistics back up the argument, as the below shows that it is definitely better to take than to give over the last 23-plus seasons. A closer look:

	Turnovers Committed	Turnovers Forced	+/-	Scoring Off Turnovers PF	PA	+/-
164 WINS	270	407	+ 137	1,326	551	+775
EMBREE ERA (3 WINS)	4	6	+ 2	14	7	+ 7
117 LOSSES (& 4 TIES)	285	191	- 94	447	928	-481
EMBREE ERA (13 LOSSES)	21	12	- 9	23	76	- 53
<b>24-SEASON TOTALS (285 Games)</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>+ 43</b>	<b>1,773</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>+294</b>
EMBREE ERA (16 GAMES)	25	18	- 7	37	83	- 46

**BYE ... IDLE ... OFF**

Whatever your pleasure in calling a week off after the season has begun, Colorado is now **21-15** since 1985 right around the time bye weeks started to come into vogue (the only other season that featured an open weekend between 1967 and 1985 was in 1979). Only seven non-conference games had a break prior, including both West Virginia games in 2008 and 2009; CU has won all five home non-league games after bye in this time frame: Stanford (1990), Wisconsin (1994), Wyoming (1997), WVU (2008) and Georgia (2010); the two losses both came on the road, at Miami-Fla. (2005) and at West Virginia (2009).

**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 two other streaks remain:

➤ CU has scored in **148** straight games at home (last shutout: a 28-0 loss to Oklahoma on Nov. 15, 1986), and has scored in **143** 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 **285** games (all the way back to 1963).

➤ CU has been shutout just nine times in its last **518** games (dating to October 5, 1968), but only five schools have administered them: Oklahoma (three times), Missouri (twice, the last two), Nebraska (twice), Louisiana State and Michigan.

**TWO-MINUTE WARNING**

Colorado has scored **140** times in **229** tries, including **24** game winning or tying scores, when the offense has gone into the "two-minute offense" drill since 1988; that's 62 percent of the time including **0-of-2** this year. CU was **3-of-8** in 2011: field goals versus Cal (end of regulation) and Washington State (first half); and a first half TD vs. CSU and were **2-of-9** in the drill in 2010 (scoring first half TDs at Kansas and versus Kansas State). 2009 was a good year for the drill (**9-of-14**) which included the game winning score against Texas A&M (*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. 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	1988-1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Totals
Total.....	32-38	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	2-9	3-8	0-2	140-229
First Half.....	22-24	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	2-5	2-5	0-1	85-125
TDs/FGs.....	13/9	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	2/0	1/1	0/0	54/31
Second Half.....	10-14	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	0-4	1-3	0-1	55-104
TDs/FGs.....	9/1	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	0/0	0/1	0/0	45/10
Winning/Tying Scores	4	2	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	24

**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 36-plus seasons. Since the 1976 opener, CU has protected a two-score lead **221** of **247** times, losing 23 and tying three when it blew the lead; unfortunately, two of those times has occurred in the 2012 season. A closer look (\*—Disneyland Pigskin Classic at Anaheim):

Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result	Date	Opponent	CU Lead (when)	Result
09/08/12	SACRAMENTO STATE	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 28-30	11/01/03	at Texas Tech	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 21-26
09/01/12	Colorado State (Den)	11 (14-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 17-22	10/04/03	at Baylor	9 (23-14; 3rd Quarter)	L, 30-42
10/01/10	WASHINGTON STATE	10 (27-17; 4th Quarter)	L, 27-31	11/11/00	Iowa State	11 (20-9; 2nd Quarter)	L, 27-35
11/06/10	at Kansas	28 (45-17; 4th Quarter)	L, 45-52	09/02/00	Colorado State (Den)	10 (24-14; 3rd Quarter)	L, 24-28
10/23/10	TEXAS TECH	10 (24-14; end 3rd Qtr)	L, 24-27	10/23/93	at Kansas State	9 (9-0; 2nd Quarter)	T, 16-16
11/19/09	at Oklahoma State	11 (21-10; 3rd Quarter)	L, 28-31	09/18/93	at Stanford	10 (37-27; 4th Quarter)	L, 37-41
10/10/09	at Texas	11 (14-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 14-38	09/15/90	at Illinois	14 (17-3; 2nd Quarter)	L, 22-23
11/28/08	at Nebraska	14 (14-0; 1st Quarter)	L, 31-40	08/26/90	*Tennessee	14 (31-17; 4th Quarter)	T, 31-31
11/10/07	at Iowa State	21 (21-0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 28-31	09/27/86	ARIZONA	9 (21-12; 4th Quarter)	L, 21-24
09/08/07	at Arizona State	14 (14-0; 2nd Quarter)	L, 14-33	11/03/84	KANSAS	11 (27-16; 4th Quarter)	L, 27-28
10/28/06	at Kansas	9 (9-0; 3rd Quarter)	L, 15-20	10/16/82	at Oklahoma State	13 (13-0; 1st Quarter)	T, 25-25
09/23/06	at Georgia	13 (13-0; 4th Quarter)	L, 13-14	09/19/81	WASHINGTON STATE	10 (10-0; 4th Quarter)	L, 10-14
10/23/04	at Texas A&M	12 (19-7; 3rd Quarter)	L, 26-29 OT	10/10/79	OKLAHOMA STATE	20 (20-0; 4th Quarter)	L, 20-21

Colorado has lost only 27 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 this year to Sacramento State (led 28-24 entering the quarter and lost on a field goal at the gun) and to CSU (led 17-16 with 13:27 remaining); and to Washington State (led 27-17 early in the fourth) and California (led 27-23 early in fourth) both in Boulder in 2011. 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 **105** of its last **123** games in which it at any point has held a two-score lead. 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 from 1993 to 1999 was snapped by CSU in 2000. 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 last year against Texas A&M (won 35-34 after trailing 31-21 with 11:01 remaining) and in 2008 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).

**CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED CHART**

Listed below are the career games played/started, including bowls, for the players on the 2012 Colorado Buffaloes. The players on the 2012 opening roster collectively had played in **674** games, with **223** starts entering the season, making this easily CU's youngest/most inexperienced team in quite some time. Recent past numbers entering a season have been **890** games played/**303** started (2011), **877/313** (2010), **847/236** (2009), **817/277** (2008), **853/251** (2007), **1,053/295** (2006) and **1,080/314** (2005). The list through September 3:

Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS
ABRON	3	0	EATON	0	0	JARVIS	0	0	PARKER	12	1	TUPOU	3	2
ARCHULETA	3	0	EBNER	16	2	JONES, C.	0	0	PAYNE	0	0	TURBOW	0	0
AVRIA	0	0	FERNANDEZ	17	1	JONES, T.	15	3	PERICAK	40	40	TUSO	0	0
BAGBY	0	0	FORD	14	0	KAFVALU	1	0	POLK	35	27	UZO-DIRIBE	28	10
BAKHTIARI	26	25	GOODSON	7	2	KASA	29	4	POSTON	4	1	VIGO	13	1
BELL	15	1	GORMAN	13	0	KELLEY	0	0	POWELL	3	2	WALKER	0	0
BONSU	22	2	GREER	8	0	LaMAR	0	0	RASMUSSEN	0	0	WASHINGTON	12	5
BRISCO	0	0	GROSSNICKLE	14	—	LEWIS	15	6	RAY	0	0	WEBB, D.	28	9
CALDWELL	0	0	HALL	2	0	MAJOR	30	23	RICHARDSON	21	13	WEBB, J.	3	3
CANTY	15	2	HANDLER	15	12	McCULLOCH	16	4	RICHTER	4	0	WILHELM	0	0
CARVER	0	0	HARRINGTON	0	0	MOSLEY	3	2	RIPPY	26	9	WILLIAMS	12	0
CASTOR	16	—	HARRIS	5	5	MOTEN	9	1	SCHROCK	0	0	WILSON	0	0
COTNER	1	1	HENDERSON	14	13	MUNYER	10	6	SLAVIN	10	2	WOOD, A.	4	2
CRABB	13	0	HENINGTON	3	0	MUSTOE	1	0	SMITH, J.	0	0	WOOD, C.	2	0
CRAWLEY	3	3	HIRSCHMAN	6	1	MURPHY	0	0	SMITH, T.	22	15	WRIGHT	3	2
CREER	5	0	HISS	0	0	NEMBOT	3	0	SOLIS	2	0	YATES	2	0
CROWDER	0	0	HOBBS	3	1	NICHOLS	0	0	SPRUCE	3	1	TEAM	843	289
DAIGH	15	0	HUNT	0	0	NORGARD	0	0	STEWART	0	0	2011 Final	1616	589
DANNEWITZ	37	11	HUNTER	0	0	O'NEILL	16	—	STUART	0	0			
DARDEN	2	0	IRWIN, J.	1	0	OLIVER	15	—	THOMAS	3	1			
DILLON	0	0	IRWIN, S.	0	0	ORMS	10	9	THORNTON	24	3			
DORMAN	0	0	IVERSON	28	0	PAPILION	0	0	TU'UMALO	9	0			

**LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START:** CB Kenneth Crawley, TE Vincent Hobbs, S Marques Mosley, TB Christian Powell, WR Gerald Thomas, DT Josh Topou, CB Yuri Wright (2012); DB D.D. Goodson, CB Greg Henderson, OL Alexander Lewis, WR Tyler McCulloch, OLB Juda Parker; S Kyle Washington (2011), SS Jered Bell, WR Paul Richardson, SS Terrel Smith, DE Chidera Uzo-Diribe (2010), WR Will Jefferson (2009); TE Ryan Deehan, FS Patrick Mahnke, TB Darrell Scott, TB Rodney Stewart, OG Max Tuioti-Mariner (2008).

**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:** Christian Powell (2012); 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:** C Brad Cotner, WR Nelson Spruce (2012); QB Nick Hirschman, TB Tony Jones, CB Josh Moten, C Daniel Munyer, TE Kyle Slavin (2011); OT David Bakhtiari, UB Scott Fernandez, ILB Liloa Nobriga, S Parker Orms, TE DaVaughn Thornton, CB Paul Vigo, ILB Derrick Webb, DE Forrest West (2010); WR Dustin Ebner, OT Bryce Givens, OT Will Pericak, FS Ray Polk, OLB Doug Ripsey (2009); OT Matt Bahr, OG Blake Behrens, S Anthony Perkins (2008)).

**LAST PLAYERS TO START FOR THE FIRST TIME AS A SENIOR:** OLB David Goldberg, WR Logan Gray, FB Evan Harrington, DT Conrad Obi, DE Tony Poremba, OG Sione Tau (2011); TE Luke Walters (2010); 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).

**STARTING STREAKS**

Through three games in 2012, **DT Will Pericak** has made the most consecutive starts on the team with 40; next in line are **OLB Jon Major** (16) and **OT David Bakhtiari** (13). No other player on the team has a streak any longer than three, as no one else dates back to ending 2011 with a start.

**THIRTEEN MAKE FIRST CAREER STARTS TO DATE THIS FALL**

Six players made their first career starts in a Colorado uniform in the season opener versus Colorado State: **NT Nate Bonsu**, **CB Kenneth Crawley**, **DE Kirk Poston**, **WR Gerald Thomas**, **QB Jordan Webb** (though he had 19 starts with Kansas) and **FB Alex Wood**. Four more did so in game two against Sacramento State: **DB Marques Mosley** (at nickel), **FB Christian Powell** (at TB), **DT Josh Topou** and **CB Yuri Wright** and three others at Fresno State: **C Brad Cotner**, **TE Vincent Hobbs** and **WR Nelson Spruce**. Crawley joined **Greg Henderson** (last year) as the only true freshmen to start at cornerback in a season opener since **Victor Scott** in 1980, while Thomas was the first true frosh to start a season opener for CU at wide receiver since 1972 when freshmen once again became eligible to play. Crawley and Thomas also became just the eighth and ninth true freshmen in CU history to have started from scrimmage in the opening game of the season; here are those who were thrown into the fray from play one from scrimmage: **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); **ILB Jordon Dizon**, 2004 (vs. Colorado State); **CB Greg Henderson**, 2011 (vs. Hawai'i); **CB Kenneth Crawley** and **WR Gerald Thomas**, 2012 (vs. Colorado State). Add a 10th for the first play of the game/season on special teams (kickoff coverage team): **PK Kevin Eberhart** (2003, kicked off vs. Colorado State in Denver).

**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), 2010 (21), 2011 (21), **2012 (13)**.

**22 HAVE SEEN FIRST CU ACTION IN 2012**

A total of 13 players tasted their first action in a CU uniform against CSU in the 2012 season opener, with five more doing so against Sacramento State and then four more at Fresno State. Here's the breakdown by class of those players who have seen their first CU action in 2012 (\*—mainly special teams duty):

**TRUE FRESHMEN (13):** TB Donta Abron, CB Kenneth Crawley, CB Jeffrey Hall, DT Tyler Henington, TE Vincent Hobbs, OG Jeromy Irwin, DT Samson Kafovalu, S Marques Mosley, FB Christian Powell, DT Justin Solis, WR Gerald Thomas, DT Josh Topou, CB Yuri Wright.

**REDSHIRT FRESHMEN (7):** DB \*Isaac Archuleta, C Brad Cotner, DT Samson Kafovalu, OL Marc Mustoe, OT Stephane Nembot, WR Nelson Spruce, DB \*Richard Yates.

**SOPHOMORES (1):** QB Connor Wood.

**JUNIORS (1):** QB Jordan Webb.

Recent counts seeing their first action at Colorado: **33** (2011), **26** (2010), **22** (2009), **30** (2008), **28** (2007), **19** (2006), **16** (2005), **24** (2004 and 2003).

**2012 PARTICIPATION CHART**

The participation chart for the 2012 Colorado Buffaloes; KEY: **S**—started; **✓**—played; **DNP**—dressed, but did not play; **INJ**—injured/illness; **SSP**—suspended; (—) denotes did not dress; \*—saw first action as a Buffalo in 2012:

Player	CSU	SST	FST	WSU	UCLA	ASU	USC	ORESTAN	UA	UW	UTA
*ABRON	✓	✓	✓								
*ARCHULETA	✓	✓	✓								
ARVIA	—	—	—								
BAGBY	—	—	—								
BAKHTIARI	S	S	S								
BELL	✓	✓	✓								
BONSU	S	S	✓								
BRISCO	—	—	—								
CANTY	✓	✓	✓								
CARVER	—	—	—								
CASTOR	✓	✓	✓								
*COTNER	DNP	DNP	S								
CRABB	—	—	—								
*CRAWLEY	S	S	S								
CREER	✓	✓	✓								
CROWDER	DNP	—	—								
DAIGH	✓	✓	✓								
DANNEWITZ	DNP	✓	✓								
DARDEN	DNP	—	—								
DILLON	INJ	INJ	INJ								
DORMAN	—	—	—								
EATON	—	DNP	—								
EBNER	✓	S	✓								
FERNANDEZ	✓	✓	✓								
FORD	DNP	✓	✓								
GOODSON	✓	✓	✓								
GORMAN	✓	INJ	INJ								
GREER III	✓	✓	✓								
GROSSNICKLE	DNP	✓	✓								
*HALL	DNP	✓	✓								
HANDLER	S	S	INJ								
HARRINGTON	—	—	—								
HARRIS	S	S	S								
HENDERSON	S	INJ	INJ								
*HENINGTON	✓	✓	✓								
HIRSCHMAN	DNP	DNP	✓								
HISS	—	—	—								
*HOBBS	✓	✓	S								
HUNT	—	—	—								
HUNTER	DNP	DNP	—								
*IRWIN, J.	DNP	DNP	✓								
IRWIN, S.	—	—	—								
IVERSON	✓	✓	✓								
JARVIS	—	—	—								
JONES, C.	DNP	DNP	—								
JONES, T.	S	✓	INJ								
*KAFOVALU	DNP	DNP	✓								
KASA	S	S	S								
KELLEY	—	—	DNP								
LaMAR	DNP	DNP	DNP								
LEWIS	S	S	S								
MAJOR	S	S	S								
McCULLOCH	S	✓	S								

Player	CSU	SST	FST	WSU	UCLA	ASU	USC	ORESTAN	UA	UW	UTA
*MOSLEY	✓	S	S								
MOTEN	DNP	✓	✓								
MUNYER	S	S	S								
*MUSTOE	DNP	DNP	✓								
*NEMBOT	✓	✓	✓								
NICHOLS	DNP	—	—								
NORGARD	—	—	—								
O'NEILL	✓	✓	✓								
OLIVER	✓	✓	✓								
ORMS	✓	S	S								
PAPALION	DNP	—	—								
PARKER	✓	✓	✓								
PAYNE	—	—	—								
PERICAK	S	S	S								
POLK	S	INJ	INJ								
POSTON	S	✓	—								
*POWELL	✓	S	S								
RASMUSSEN	DNP	—	—								
RAY	—	—	—								
RICHTER	✓	✓	✓								
RIPPY	S	✓	INJ								
SCHROCK	DNP	DNP	DNP								
SLAVIN	✓	S	✓								
SMITH	S	S	S								
*SOLIS	DNP	✓	✓								
*SPRUCE	✓	✓	S								
STEWART	—	—	—								
STUART	DNP	DNP	—								
*THOMAS	S	✓	✓								
THORNTON	SSP	SSP	✓								
TU'UMALO	—	✓	—								
*TUPOU	✓	S	S								
TURBOW	DNP	DNP	—								
TUSO	DNP	—	—								
UZO-DIRIBE	S	S	S								
VIGO	✓	✓	✓								
WALKER	—	—	—								
WASHINGTON	✓	S	S								
WEBB, D.	S	✓	S								
*WEBB, J.	S	S	S								
WILHELM	—	—	—								
WILLIAMS	✓	✓	✓								
WILSON	—	—	—								
WOOD, A.	S	S	✓								
*WOOD, C.	DNP	✓	✓								
*WRIGHT	✓	S	S								
*YATES II	DNP	✓	✓								
<b>DRESSED</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>62</b>								
<b>PLAYED</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>59</b>								

Inactive For 2012: Murphy (transfer), Richardson (injured).  
Quit (did not dress): none.

**EXPERIENCE ANALYSIS**

A look at annual fluctuations in the percentage of upperclassmen starting games over the last decade or so at Colorado; in 2010, juniors and seniors made the most starts since 2005. 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. A year-by-year glance 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
2005	13	116	112	48	10 (4-6)	79.7	3.5

Season	G	SR	JR	SO	FR (RS-True)	UpperCl%	Fr-Pct.
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	12	82	111	37	34 (22-12)	73.1	12.9
2011	13	141	55	57	33 (10-23)	68.5	11.5
<b>2012</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15 (2-13)</b>	<b>56.1</b>	<b>22.7</b>



**HISTORICALLY**

Colorado is in its second century of intercollegiate football, as the Buffaloes are in their 123rd season of competition having played **1,164** games with an all-time record of **674-455-36**. CU currently stands 21st on the all-time win list and is 28th in all-time winning percentage (.595; those schools with at least 50 seasons in Division I-A). Only 12 Division I schools have played more seasons of intercollegiate football than Colorado; Washington is the only Pac-12 school that matches CU's total of 123, with only USC having won more games (781) and USC, Washington and Arizona State the Pac-12 schools owning higher winning percentages than the Buffs. In Boulder, the Buffs are **297-151-10** in 88-plus seasons on the "hilltop" (Folsom Field).

**OVERTIME**

Colorado is **5-5** 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):

----Total Yards----								
Date	Opponent	Score	Regulation	Coin Toss	Choice	Offense	Defense	Notes
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 Mossoni 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	14-14	Colorado	Defense	18	19	Goodman kicks GWFG after WVU miss
9-10-11	CALIFORNIA	L 33-36	30-30	California	Defense	20	45	CU drives to CA4 but drive stalled

**COMEBACK BUFFS**

Colorado has won only 24 games over the last six-plus seasons, but in nine of those games, the Buffs rallied from 10 or more points down, including three in 2010. The Buffaloes spotted Hawai'i a 10-0 halftime lead, but a strong third quarter, including two short **TB Rodney Stewart** touchdown runs, did UH in as the Buffaloes outscored the Warriors 31-3 in the second half. In the next game, CU took an early 14-3 lead against Georgia, but the Bulldogs responded with 21 straight points to go up 24-14; Colorado countered with a 15-3 run to rally and win, 29-27. Later in the year, the Buffs were down early 14-3 against Kansas State, but stormed back with 27 unanswered points and take control of the game. Eight have taken place in Boulder, with the ninth (the first one) in Denver against Colorado State.

**COLORADO COMEBACKS**

Trailed By	Time, Qtr.	Final	Opponent (Date)
11 ( 3-14)	3:47, 1Q	44-36	KANSAS STATE (Nov. 20, 2010)
10 (14-24)	10:40, 3Q	29-27	GEORGIA (Oct. 2, 2010)
10 ( 0-10)	0:00, 2Q	31-13	HAWAII (Sept. 18, 2010)
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)

**LITTLE KNOWN RARITY**

In CU history, the Buffaloes have had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same game on **32** occasions (and are **24-8** in games when this occurs). The last time it happened was against Arizona in 2011, when **TB Rodney Stewart** rushed for 181 yards and **WR Toney Clemons** had 115 receiving yards. It happened twice in 2010, both times with Stewart (175, 123) and **WR Paul Richardson** (141, 121) eclipsing 100 yards in back-to-back games against Kansas and Iowa State, and two times in 2009 (versus Texas A&M: Stewart 118 yards, **WR Markques Simas** 135; and against Nebraska: Stewart 110 yards, **WR Scotty McKnight** 114, Simas 108). In 2001, the first time the same player had 100 yards in both in the same game at Colorado occurred when **TB Cortlen Johnson** had 172 rushing and 105 receiving at Iowa State. *A closer look at this unique list can be found on page 158 of the 2012 CU Information Guide & Record Book supplement.*

**FOLSOM FIELD CAPACITY SNAPSHOT**

Folsom Field's official capacity is 53,613, expanded last in 2003 when 1,903 club seats and 41 suites were added in the east side stadium expansion. Folsom is tied for the 18th oldest venue among the 120 NCAA Division I-A/FBS stadiums. It is the fourth oldest stadium in the Pac-12 Conference, as only Husky Stadium (Washington, 1920), Rose Bowl Stadium (UCLA, 1922) and Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum (USC, 1923) are older.

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

The final home attendance figure for 2011 was 251,777, an average of 50,355 for five home games, marking the 17th straight season that Colorado football was the second largest draw per game in the state behind the NFL Denver Broncos (and the 35th time in the last 37 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 and overall season ticket base in the state (CU's season ticket count in 2011 was 24,471 public and 35,304 overall when adding in student holders, as those tickets are purchased, just at a discounted rate).

**BUFFS AGAINST THE BEST**

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

<b>Games</b>	<b>All-Time Record</b>	<b>1989-2011 Record</b>	<b>Jon Embree Record</b>	<b>Coach With The Most Wins</b>
versus Top 5.....	12-50-2	8-18-1	0-1	5 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 10.....	25-86-3	14-32-2	0-2	8 / Eddie Crowder & Bill McCartney
versus Top 15.....	37-110-3	20-44-2	0-2	10 / Bill McCartney
versus Top 25.....	69-145-3	43-66-2	0-4	20 / Bill McCartney

CU played 21 ranked non-conference opponents (including bowls) as a member of the Big 12, going 9-12, the most wins over non-Big 12 ranked foes in that period of the conference; Nebraska was next in both games (15) and wins (8), followed by Texas (13, 7). Now in the Pac-12, the Buffaloes are now among similar company when it comes to scheduling, as most Big 12 schools had a reputation for taking it easy in non-conference play (sans Oklahoma).

**"OUTSIDE THE NINE DOTS"**

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

- ❑ Colorado is **91-65** in its last **156** games against teams who were not undefeated at the time of the game;
- ❑ Colorado is **79-30** against teams with three or more losses dating back to the 1985 season;
- ❑ Colorado is **70-37-1** in its last **108** games against schools that include the word "State" (dating to 1986);
- ❑ Colorado is **533-253-25** 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 games of September 15, the longtime radio voice of the Buffs, **Larry Zimmer**, has called 484 CU games in his career, including 219 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. At their current school, only Morry Mannies, Ball State (545) and Bob Robertson, Washington State (510) have called more games. In 2009, Zim 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. **Brian Cabral** is the football staffer with the most "Buff" experience, as he has now coached in 285 in a row on the coaching staff (three as the interim head coach); including his playing days (46 games), he has been a part of 331 CU games. Other dinosaurs: SID **Dave Plati** has worked 386 overall including the last 344 (dating to the '83 finale), while facilities man **John Krueger** has worked 320 in all (a string of 144 straight ended in 2008). 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; the long-time season ticket holder saw *every* CU home game (394 of 'em) from 1921 until 1999, when he passed away at the age of 94.

**NFL SCOUT WATCH**

Colorado has eight seniors on its roster in 2012, and if history is any kind of indication, they'll get plenty of looks from scouts all around the National Football League. Scouts/player personnel types pass through Boulder every season for a game and/or practice(s), with almost half the league already doing so in 2012. Eight teams have had their scouts witness the Buffs in person at games this year: Baltimore, Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, New England, New Orleans, St. Louis and San Francisco. The last two years, all **32** teams sent scouts to either camp practices or games, and many have already logged time in Boulder during camp; **556** scouts have attended Colorado games (home/road/neutral) dating back to 2000.

**PLAYING ON SUNDAY: IN-THE-PROS**

There are **13** former Colorado Buffaloes on National Football League rosters as of September 17; there were 15 on the rosters at the end of the 2011 season (18 at the end of 2010 and 22 in 2009). CU has continually been one of the top 20 producers for the last 23 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 either led (five times) or was among the top four schools in the Big 12 Conference its entire time as a member of the league. Nationally, CU was in the top four from 1996-99 (third in '09, fourth the other three years). The active list (KEY: **Exp.**—denotes number of years in the league; **†**—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	10
Jalil Brown	CB	Kansas City Chiefs	1
<b>p</b> —Toney Clemons	WR	Pittsburgh Steelers	R
Mason Crosby	PK	Green Bay Packers	5
Justin Drescher	LS	New Orleans Saints	2
Daniel Graham	TE	New Orleans Saints	10
Brad Jones	OLB	Green Bay Packers	3
Ryan Miller	OG	Cleveland Browns	R
Tyler Polumbus	OT	Washington Redskins	4
Jimmy Smith	CB	Baltimore Ravens	1
Nate Solder	OT	New England Patriots	1
Lawrence Vickers	RB	Dallas Cowboys	6
<b>i</b> —Terrence Wheatley	CB	Tennessee Titans	3

**Waived In Camp/In-Season**

Player	Pos.	Team	Exp.
Tyler Hansen	QB	Cincinnati Bengals	R
Scotty McKnight	WR	New York Jets	1
Conrad Obi	DT	Atlanta Falcons	R
Anthony Perkins	S	Denver Broncos	R
Patrick Williams	WR	Baltimore Ravens	2

**COACHES**

Name	Pos.	Team	Tie To Colorado
Tom Cable	OL/AHC	Seattle	Asst. Coach, 1998-99
Moses Cabrera	Str/Cond	New England	Asst. S&C Coach, 2010
Jim Caldwell	QB	Baltimore	Asst. Coach, 1982-84
Karl Dorrell	QB	Houston	Asst. Coach, 1992-98
Ted Gilmore	WR	Oakland	Asst. Coach, 2003-04
Nick Holz	Off Asst.	Oakland	Player, 2003-06
William Inge	DL Asst.	Buffalo	Asst. Coach, 2005
Vance Joseph	DB	Houston	Player, 1990-94
Chris Morgan	OL Asst.	Washington	Player, 1996-99
Jim Ryan	Off Asst.	Houston	KOA Analyst, 1995-2000
Vernon Stephens	Str/Cond	San Diego	Asst. S&C Coach, 2003-06
Bert Watts	Off Asst.	Denver	Technical Intern, 2010-11

**PLAYER PERSONNEL**

Name	Team	Tie To Colorado
Dave McCloughan	Oakland (Asst.)	Player, 1987-90
Matt Russell	Denver (Dir.)	Player, 1992-96/Butkus Award

**CANUCKS:** Three former Buffs are making livings north of the border in the Canadian Football League, as **C Marwan Hage** is in his ninth year with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, **TB Hugh Charles** is in his second with the Edmonton Eskimos (after three-plus with the Saskatchewan Rough Riders) and **OG Edwin Harrison** is in his third with the Calgary Stampeders.

**COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL COACHES:** Five former Buffaloes are serving as high school head coaches in the state; the six who head prep programs: **Dave Logan** (Cherry Creek), **Mike Marquez** (Northglenn), **Bill Mondt** (Eaton), **Tom Tesone** (Bishop Machebeuf) 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, 26 of 34 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)
Ryan Miller	G	(5) 2007-11	Cleveland (50)	Shane Cook	T	(2) 1998-99	New Orleans (FA)
Nate Solder	T	(3) 2008-10	New England (1)	Ryan Johanningmeier	G/T	(3) 1997-98-99	Atlanta (FA)
Daniel Sanders	G/C	(3) 2006-08	St. Louis (FA)	Melvin Thomas	G/T	(3) 1995-96-97	Philadelphia (7)
Edwin Harrison	G/T	(3) 2005-07	Kansas City (FA)	Chris Naeole	G	(3) 1994-95-96	New Orleans (1)
Tyler Polumbus	T	(3) 2005-07	Denver (FA)	Heath Irwin	G	(3) 1993-94-95	New England (4)
Brian Daniels	G	(4) 2003-06	Minnesota (FA)	Bryan Stoltzberg	C	(4) 1992-93-94-95	San Diego (6)
Mark Fenton	C	(3) 2004-06	Denver (FA)	Derek West	T	(3) 1992-93-94	Indianapolis (5)
Clint O'Neal	T	(2) 2004-05	Washington (FA)	Tony Berti	T	(2) 1993-94	San Diego (6)
Sam Wilder	T	(2) 2003-04	Dallas (FA)	Jay Leeuwenburg	C	(3) 1989-90-91	Kansas City (9)
Marwan Hage	G/C	(3) 2001-02-03	Jacksonville (FA)	Mark VanderPoel	T	(3) 1988-89-90	Indianapolis (4)
Wayne Lucier	G/C	(2) 2001-02	N.Y. Giants (7)	Joe Garten	G	(4) 1987-88-89-90	Green Bay (6)
Justin Bates	T/G	(3) 2000-01-02	Dallas (7)	<b>One-Year Starters:</b>			
Andre Gurode	G/C	(3) 1999-00-01	Dallas (2)	Tom Ashworth	T	(1) 2000	New England (FA)
Victor Rogers	T	(3) 1999-00-01	Detroit (7)	Ben Nichols	G	(1) 1998	Atlanta (FA)
Brad Bedell	G	(2) 1998-99	Cleveland (6)	Ariel Solomon	T	(1) 1990	Pittsburgh (10)

**O'NEILL, WOOD THE LATEST IN LONG LINE OF WALK-ONS TO RISE TO FIRST-TEAM**

After the NCAA reduced 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 (32 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 Award; 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	4L	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	4L	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	3L	In his first season, he was awarded a scholarship after making the game-winning FG versus West Virginia
Jason Espinoza	WR	2008	2L	Suffered two breaks to his collarbone in '08, playing briefly in-between; co-first team WR in '09
Keenan Stevens	C	2009	2L	Pressed into duty in the season opener due to injury, he soon became a fixture and started 10 games
Travis Sandersfeld	DB (N)	2010	4L	One of the CU's top perennial special teams performers, he emerged as the starting nickel back for 5 games in 2010
David Goldberg	DE	2011	3L	Coaches cited how hard he worked daily in practice and assumed a starting spot midway through his senior year
Darragh O'Neill	P	2011	1L	Had more punts (74) than any other freshman at CU, with his 42.3 average second best by a frosh in the NCAA
Alex Wood	FB	2012	VR	Hybrid tight end/fullback worked exceptionally hard and could be the first player from Steamboat to start in decades.

**2012 TEAM MAKE-UP**

The 104 players listed on the roster on September 7 broke down into 8 seniors, 21 juniors, 29 sophomores (one transfer) and 46 freshmen (34 true and 12 redshirt). An expanded breakdown:

**Lettermen Returning: 45 (20 offense, 20 defense, 5 specialists)**

**Lettermen Lost: 30 (15 offense, 14 defense, 1 specialist)**

*Career/2011 starts in parenthesis; calculated by those with six-plus starts in 2011 or by who played the majority of snaps at a position.]*

**Starters Returning (10)—Offense 4:** OT David Bakhtiari (22/11), OT Ryan Dannewitz (11/11), C Gus Handler (10/10), WR Paul Richardson (13/9).

**Defense 6:** CB Greg Henderson (12/12), OLB Jon Major (20/13), DT Will Pericak (37/13), FS Ray Polk (26/11), ILB Douglas Rippey (8/8), ILB Derrick Webb (7/6).

**Others Returning With Significant Starting Experience (7; min. 3 career starts)—** OT Alexander Lewis (3/3), C Daniel Munyer (3/3), DB Parker Orms (6/6), SS Terrel Smith (6/0), WR DaVaughn Thornton (3/3), DE Chidera Uzo-Diribe (7/6), DB Kyle Washington (3/3).

**Others Returning With Significant Position Game Experience (15; two or fewer career starts)—** DT Nate Bonsu, WR Keenan Canty, ILB Brady Daigh, WR Dustin Ebner, TE Scott Fernandez, TB Josh Ford, OT Jack Harris, TB Tony Jones, TE Nick Kasa, WR Tyler McCulloch, DL Juda Parker.

**Starters Lost (12)—Offense 7:** OG Ethan Adkins (33/13), TE Matt Bahr (22/7), WR Toney Clemons (18/10), TE Ryan Deehan (31/13), QB Tyler Hansen (28/19), OG Ryan Miller (48/13), TB Rodney Stewart (28/20). **Defense 5:** DT Curtis Cunningham (30/6), DE David Goldberg (8/8), DE Josh Hartigan (19/10), SS Anthony Perkins (27/9), DB Travis Sandersfeld (12/7).

**Others Lost With Significant Starting/Playing Experience (10)—** FB/OLB Tyler Ahles, WR Kyle Cefalo, WR/CB Jason Espinosa, WR Logan Gray, FB Evan

**Specialists Returning (5)—** PK Justin Castor, P Zach Grossnickle, SN Ryan Iverson, P Darragh O'Neill, PK Will Oliver. **Lost (1)—** P Mark Brundage.

**Scholarship Players (80)—** Seniors 8, Juniors 19, Sophomores 23, Redshirt Freshmen 6, Freshmen 24.

**Overall Roster (104)—** Seniors 8, Juniors 21, Sophomores 29, Redshirt Freshmen 12, Freshmen 34.

**AROUND THE NATION**

Colorado has traditionally stocked its rosters primarily with players from three states: Colorado, California and Texas (73 percent of the entire roster—active and inactive—as of September 7: 75 of 104 players). The roll call of state producers for the Buffaloes: California 34, Colorado 29, Texas 12, Hawai'i 4, Louisiana 4, New Jersey 3, Arizona 2, Kansas 2, Missouri 2, Ohio 2, Illinois 1, Iowa 1, New Mexico 1, New York 1, Pennsylvania 1, Tennessee 1. That's 16 states total along with the District of Columbia (4) that has produced the make-up of this year's team.

➔ **AROUND THE WORLD:** Four Buffaloes were born outside of the United States: **OL Alex Kelley** (Madrid, Spain; his parents were living there working as missionaries), **DL Stephane Nembot** (Douala, Cameroon), **P Darragh O'Neill** (Cork, Ireland) and **CB Yuri Wright** (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines in the Caribbean).



## STAT SHOTS

Here are some interesting statistical bullets about Colorado football:

- ➔ **30+.** In its history, Colorado is **300-15-1** when scoring 30 or more points (the last loss the 36-33 OT setback to Cal), along with records of **212-5** with 35-plus points and **196-4** with 36-plus, **173-3** with 38-plus and **111-1** 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), Toledo (54-38 in 2009) and Kansas (52-45 this year). CU has played **1,165** games in its history, registering point totals of every number between 0 and 70 except 1 (duh!) and 68, and has hit 75 and 109 above that mark.
- ➔ Colorado is **104-72-3** in its last **179** league games, and has the 21st 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 **118** of its last **285** games, posting a **107-10-1** record; the Buffs have scored at least three touchdowns in **186** of these games dating to the start of 1989; in this time frame, CU is **23-73-2** when held to two or fewer touchdowns.
- ➔ 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.
  - ➔ In the Hawkins Era (2006-10), CU averaged **5.5** per first down play in 2006, followed by **5.3** (2007), **4.4** (2008 and 2009) and **4.5** in 2010. 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 2011, the Buffs continued to struggle in the 4's, averaging **4.8** yards on first down for 13. Against CSU, the Buffs averaged **7.2** yards a crack on first down, their best since a **7.2** average against Nebraska in the 2008 finale, and also averaged a healthy **6.8** versus USC and **6.0** at Utah.
  - ➔ CU was in second-and-long much too often in 2011; **133** times out of **277** second down plays, the Buffs were faced with 2nd-and-10 or **longer** (48 percent of the time). CU earned first downs on first down **67** times (compared to **98** by the opponent).
  - ➔ In three games in **2012**, the Buffs are averaging 4.9 yards on first down, though that is a bit skewed early on by a 64-yard touchdown run by Christian Powell against Sac State; otherwise, the number drops nearly a full yard to 4.1. That is one of the only two gains of 20 yards or longer on 86 first down plays this season.
- ➔ Dating back to the fifth game of the 1999 season, an OT win over Missouri, the Buffs have **48** scores by return, or non-offensive scores, in the last **162** games (season highs of eight in 1999 and 2002). Since the '95 opener and including postseason, CU has **69** scores by return in **211** games (62 regular season, seven bowl).
- ➔ **200/200.** Colorado has accomplished the 200 "double-double," that is 200 yards both rushing and passing **16** times in the last **161** games (and **37** times in the last **236**, 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 **43-2** since 1981 when they have reached the 200 plateaus in both and **51-5** overall. *Prior to '93, CU had accomplished the feat only 19 times in its first 929 games in its history.*
- ➔ **Grass.** Colorado is **71-65** in its last **136** games on grass, including a **44-36** mark at home, dating back to the 1999 season when Folsom Field converted back to grass.
- ➔ **Artificial Turf.** Colorado is **93-48-3** in its last **144** games on non-grass fields dating back to 1989, including a **60-34-3** mark in conference games. CU was 1-3 on the fake stuff in 2011 and is 0-1 in 2012.
- ➔ The Buffs have been a bit of an enigma on **third down** defensively dating back to 2003. That year, while opponents converted at an ordinary 34.6 percent clip (56-of-162), it's what they accomplished on the ones they made, gaining 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 73 conversions, but jumped to **12.0** in 2006 (**1,022** yards on **85** conversions). 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**). In 2010, the foe had 66 makes, gaining **814** yards (12.3 per) conversion; it had 7 yards on the other 95 tries (**0.07**). In 2011, opponents gained **1,000** yards on 73 makes (**13.7** per), with eight TDs (that averaged **18.0** yards per) and just **146** yards on the 83 misses (**1.6**).
- ➔ **No Turns Or Sacks.** Dating back to 1972, Colorado is **14-1** in games when not allowing a sack or committing a turnover, losing for the first time against Cal in 2011 (36-33 in OT). The previous last two occurrences of this were in 2007—twice, in the 65-51 throttling of Nebraska and in the 31-26 win at Texas Tech. In these 15 games, the Buffs have outscored the opponent by **633-320**, with only four games decided by less than 17 points (Cal in 2011, a 21-16 win at Iowa State in 1993 and the two 2007 games).
- ➔ In 2009, one of the most all-time perplexing stats to *never* come across these pages showed that the Buff defense was likely to shut you down four times in five. But that fifth time was one of the reasons CU went 3-9: example—Missouri gained 341 yards on 19 plays, and had 59 yards on its 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 added up to 17.6 percent of opponent plays gaining 69 percent of the yardage.
  - ➔ As Lee Corso would say, in 2010, not so fast, my friend; CU allowed 50 plays over 20 yards, totaling **1,633** yards; basically 6.2 percent of the plays producing 34 percent of the yards.
  - ➔ In 2011, opponents had **75** plays of 20-plus yards that have collectively gained **2,191** yards (**29.2** per); the other **793** gained **3,520** (4.4); thus 8.6 percent of the plays gained 38.4 percent of the yards.
  - ➔ Thus far in 2012, the opponent has 17 plays of 20 yards or longer, gaining **640** yards (37.6 per); the other 187 plays netted **789** yards (4.2 per).
- ➔ Colorado had slow starts in its first nine games in 2011, finally starting strong against USC and Arizona; but then UCLA put a 21-0 drubbing on. The Buffs were outscored **142-34** in the first quarter (and **196-63** in the first 22:30, or quarter-in-a-half). Opponents had a hefty **1,737-952** edge in first quarter offense (and **2,301-1,344** in the first quarter-and-a-half).
  - ➔ In the season finale 17-14 win at Utah, CU turned the table and outgained the Utes 185-17 in the first quarter, it's most dominant quarter of the season.
- ➔ In 2011, opponents started 47 drives inside or at their 20, but had 20 scores (17 TD/3 FG), or 128 points. By contrast, CU had 65 such drives (35 inside its 20), and just 18 scores (15 TD/3 FG), or 112 points—though had four 80 yard or longer drives against Arizona, the most in a game in eight seasons, and two in the season finale win at Utah.
- ➔ 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 **5-of-105** on 3rd-and-20 or more. 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 (and 11 before Stanford and Andrew Luck did it in '11). The CU offense is **9-of-105** when it's faced with 3rd-and-20 plus in the same span.
- ➔ Dating back to 1993, CU has scored in **668** of **968** quarters (69%). Those numbers included **35** of **52** quarters in 2011 (7 of 12 this year).

## 2012 ANNIVERSARIES

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

- 1892** (*Feb. 10, 1893*) This result was tacked on to the 1892 season: Colorado A&M challenged the University of Colorado to a game ... Oops, CU wins big in Fort Collins, 70-6, with it enabling the Silver & Gold to finish with their first winning record (3-2) in year three of their history.
- 1897** Every school has years like this and the NCAA counts the wins: in a 7-1 season, CU is 3-0 against DPL school (East, West, Manual), topples Mines, an Athletic Club from Littleton and the infamous Denver Wheel Club, though did beat Colorado College before ending the season with a loss to the Denver A.C.
- 1902** **Fred Folsom** coaches the Buffs to a 5-1 mark, including an 11-6 win over Colorado A&M; there's no available account of the game, but this was in the span of 1898 through 1903 where both touchdowns and field goals were worth five points and a PAT one, so CU had at least one TD/PAT... or three safeties.
- 1907** The 105th anniversary of the weirdest score in CU's football history: on Thanksgiving Day, Mines beats CU in Denver, 5-4 (field goals were back at 4 points, so it was either one of those or two safeties).
- 1912** Colorado A&M beats CU, 21-0, six months to the day of the Titanic setting sail; Colorado takes it out on Wyoming a week later, winning 75-0 in Boulder.
- 1917** After leading CU to a 1-5-1 mark in his first year, **Bob Evans**, the successor to **Fred Folsom**, pilots the team to a 6-2 mark and then leaves the profession.
- 1922** CU travels by train to Kansas where it succumbs, 39-6, then travels back for a Thanksgiving Day game just five days later and manages to beat Mines, 16-0.
- 1927** (Oct. 8) At the same time the '27 Yankees defeat Pittsburgh, 4-3, to win the World Series and finish 114-44 on the year, CU falls at Montana State, 12-6.
- 1932** **William Saunders** takes over the coaching reins from **Myron Witham** (who went 63-26-7 from 1920-31), and CU goes 2-4 in his first season.
- 1937** **Byron White** is named CU's first All-American in football, captivating the nation with his feats leading CU to an 8-0 regular season record and its first bowl game (Cotton Bowl, where Rice defeats CU, 28-14). White led the nation in rushing, scoring and all-purpose yards.
- 1942** The Buffs go 7-2, tie for the Mountain States title with Utah (though losing 13-0 to the Utes) in the last season before World War II brings the sport to a near standstill with many CU players, as was the case nationwide, enlisting to fight; many returned to play and graduate later in the decade.
- 1947** CU's last year in the Mountain States, as the Buffs announced earlier in the summer they were joining the Big 6/Missouri Valley Conference (to make it the Big 7); CU goes 3-3 in league play, but loses the season finale on Thanksgiving at Denver, 26-20, before the largest crowd in the series (28,063).
- 1952** (Sept. 27) The only blemish on Oklahoma's incredible 63-0-1 record in Big Seven and Eight conference play between 1947-1958 came on this day in Boulder: CU's **Zack Jordan** was a one-man wrecking crew for the Buffaloes in a 21-21 tie with the No. 4 Sooners. He scored on runs of 10 and 6 yards and caught a 16-yard touchdown pass from Lee Venzke with 11:50 remaining to put CU ahead, 21-14; OU tied it on a Billy Vessels 1-yard run with 1:51 left and the PAT; Frank Bernardi broke free for a 22-yard run to the Sooner 21 on the game's last play, as time ran out before CU had a chance to win it.
- 1957** **Bob Stransky** earned All-America honors, finishing second in the nation in rushing with 1,097 yards (CU led the nation with 322.4 yards per game); an Interesting year: CU opens 3-1-1 but isn't ranked until it falls in game six at Oklahoma, 14-13; edged at home by Missouri 9-6, CU falls out of the rankings but doesn't reappear despite closing with three blowout wins at Colorado State (20-0) and Nebraska (27-0), and over Iowa State at home (38-21).
- 1962** Devastated by NCAA penalties, Bud Davis ('51) takes over for Sonny Grandelius as head coach for just the '62 season to right the program; the team didn't know he was a one-year wonder until he told them the morning of the last game, and the Buffs go out and upset Air Force, 34-10, to end a 2-8 year.
- 1967** Eddie Crowder coaches the Buffs back into the postseason, where CU defeated Miami, Fla., in the Bluebonnet Bowl, 31-21, to finish 9-2. CU was 5-2 in Big 8 play, finishing second to Oklahoma (the Sooners won the head-to-head matchup 23-0 in Norman a week after Oklahoma State tripped up the Buffs in Boulder, 10-7). The **Anderson** brothers paced CU, senior **Dick** being named an All-American at safety (sixth nationally with seven interceptions) with sophomore **Bobby** passing for 733 yards and rushing for 625 more.
- 1972** (Sept. 30) Thirty-five years ago, some had Colorado pegged to be a national champion contender, but a stunning 38-6 loss at Oklahoma State sidetracked the dream; Oklahoma rolled into town ranked No. 2, but behind **Gary Campbell** and **Jon Keyworth**, the Buffaloes pull off a 20-14 upset. The latter, played on October 22, drew a then-record 52,022 in attendance for any sporting event in the state of Colorado. The Buffs climb back to No. 7 after the win but back-to-back losses to Missouri and No. 3 Nebraska drop CU back into the teens in the rankings, with the 33-10 loss to Huskers played before 52,128, breaking the state mark set just two weeks earlier versus Oklahoma (Mile High wasn't expanded over 50,000 until 1976).
- 1977** (Oct. 1) Colorado's last trip to the Northeast results in a 31-0 whitewash of Army at West Point; CU will finally return to the area on Sept. 6, 2014, playing the University of Massachusetts in Foxboro (home of the NFL New England Patriots).
- 1982** (Sept. 11) **Bill McCartney** makes his coaching debut for the Buffaloes, but California wins a rain-soaked game in Boulder, 31-17, to spoil it; he gets in the win column the next Saturday (Sept. 18) with a 12-0 win against Washington State in Spokane. McCartney took over the program on June 9 after **Chuck Fairbanks** resigned on June 1 to become head coach of the New Jersey Generals of the fledgling USFL.
- 1987** (Oct. 3) **Sal Aunese** makes his starting quarterback debut at Colorado State; in leading CU to a 29-16 win, he rushes 18 times for 83 yards a touchdown and completes 4-of-6 passes for 139 yards and a score. That was a 316.3 quarterback rating for the game (still third best in CU history for a game with five or more attempts). The Buffs rolled to a 26-0 lead early in the second quarter and coasted from there.
- 1992** (Oct. 17) **Mitch Berger's** 53-yard field goal at the gun completes a furious Colorado rally as the Buffs tie Oklahoma, 24-24, in Boulder; it extends CU's unbeaten streak in Big Eight play to 24 games; the streak would reach 25 (23-0-2) before coming to an end with a loss two weeks later at Nebraska.
- 1997** Following a 33-29 loss at Oklahoma State, CU drops out of the polls for the first time since the 1988 season; it ends a 143-consecutive week run being ranked, the eighth longest streak of all-time (at the time). The Buffs lose two family members in the offseason, linebacker **Tyronee Bussey** on January 3 to leukemia and assistant coach (running backs) **Ben Gregory** on April 10 to a heart attack.
- 2002** **TB Chris Brown** rushes for 1,744 yards, third in the nation, but his Heisman hopes are dashed by a late season ankle injury that forced him to miss the better part of three games. **WR Jeremy Bloom** makes his CU debut in style, returning a punt 75 yards for a touchdown the first time he touches the ball as a collegian in the season-opener against Colorado State. CU opens 9-3 in defending its Big 12 North Division title, but drops the league title game to Oklahoma and the Alamo Bowl to Wisconsin to finish 9-5, with the 14 games the most in a single season in school history.
- 2007** The last season the Buffaloes went to a bowl game (Independence); CU defeated both Oklahoma and Nebraska in the same season for a record fifth time (1960-61-89-90-2007); CU rallied from 17 down in the third quarter to beat No. 3 Oklahoma, 27-24 (on a 45-yard **Kevin Eberhart** field goal as time expired) and beat Nebraska in a wild affair, 65-51, qualifying for the postseason with the win.

**COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS ALL-TIME HISTORIC**

- 5+ 1** The number of CU players enshrined in the College Football Hall of Fame (White, Romig, D. Anderson, B. Anderson, Williams; John Wooten will join them this December)
- 14-1** Colorado's record in games since 1972 when not committing a turnover or allowing a quarterback sack.
- 16** The number of career interceptions by CU's all-time leader, **S John Stearns** (1970-72).
- 24-8** Colorado's record in games in its history when it has had a 100-yard rusher and a 100-yard receiver in the same game.
- 24** The number of national championships CU has won in its athletic history: 18 skiing, 5 cross country (3 men's/2 women's), 1 football.
- 30** The number of tackles by **LB Jeff Geiser** against Kansas State on Nov. 24, 1973, CU's single game record (5 solo, 25 assists).
- 35** The number of career quarterback sacks by CU's all-time leader, **OLB Alfred Williams** (1987-90).
- 41-30** Colorado's all-time record in games decided by one (26-17) or two (15-13) points.
- 51-11** Colorado's record in games against unranked teams in the month of November, dating back to 1989.
- 60** The length of the school record field goal **PK Mason Crosby** made against Iowa State in 2004.
- 62-36** The final score of CU's 2001 win over BCS No. 1 Nebraska, which earned the Buffs the Big 12 North title.
- 64** The length of the pass from **QB Kordell Stewart** to **WR Michael Westbrook** (via **WR Blake Anderson** tip), known as "The Catch" at Michigan.
- 66** The number of wins Colorado has over teams ranked in the Associated Press weekly polls (23rd most all-time; **43** since 1989, 13th most).
- 67** The length of **TB Charlie Davis'** TD run against Oklahoma State on Nov. 13, 1971, one that put him over the 1,000-yard mark for the season.
- 67** The length of **TB Rashaan Salaam's** TD run against Iowa State on Nov. 19, 1994, one that put him over the 2,000-yard mark for the season.
- 72** The number of yards that 64-yard pass was in the air, thrown from the CU 32 to four yards deep in the end zone to rally CU to a 27-26 win.
- 78-15-4** Colorado's record in games from 1989-96, the nation's fourth best overall record in the nation during that time frame.
- 93** The number of wins by Bill McCartney, CU's all-time winningest coach (93-55-5, 1982-94).
- 194** The number of national or regional regular season games CU has had on television since 1990, one of the top 10 figures in the nation.
- 198, 6** The number of rushing yards and touchdowns, respectively, by **TB Chris Brown** against Nebraska on Nov. 23, 2001 in CU's 62-36 win.
- 212-5** Colorado's all-time record in games when it has scored 35 or more points (**300-15-1** with 30 or more points, with **111-1** with 43 or more).
- 215** The number of career receptions by CU's all-time reception leader, **WR Scotty McKnight** (2007-10).
- 229** The number of players from CU who have played in the National Football League, a top 20 figure nationally.
- 242** The number of consecutive games Colorado scored in between 1988 and 2008, the ninth-longest all-time in Division I football.
- 284** The number of receiving yards by **WR Paul Richardson** (vs. California, Sept. 10, 2011), breaking the old mark of **222** first set by **WR Walter Stanley** (vs. Texas Tech, Sept. 12, 1981) and then matched by **WR Rae Carruth** (at Missouri, Nov. 2, 1996).
- 293** The number of times Colorado has been ranked in the Associated Press weekly poll (23rd most all-time).
- 297** The number of wins Colorado has at Folsom Field since it opened on Oct. 1, 1924 (297-146-10).
- 307** The number of career points by CU's all-time scoring leader, **PK Mason Crosby** (2003-06).
- 342** The number of rushing yards by **TB Charlie Davis** against Oklahoma State on Nov. 13, 1971, CU's single-game rushing record.
- 362** The number of all-purpose yards by **TB Rashaan Salaam** at Texas on Oct. 1, 1994, CU's single-game record (317 rushing, 45 receiving).
- 465** The number of passing yards by **QB Mike Moschetti** against San Jose State on Sept. 11, 1999, CU's single-game passing record.
- 484** The number of games long-time announcer **Larry Zimmer** has called on the radio for the Buffaloes, the most by anyone in CU history.
- 493** The number of career tackles by CU's all-time leading tackler, **ILB Barry Remington** (1982-86).
- 533** The number of passing yards against Northeast Louisiana on Sept. 16, 1995, CU's single-game record.
- 551** The number of rushing yards at Arizona on Oct. 11, 1958, CU's single-game record.
- 674** The number of wins Colorado has in its history (21st most all-time).
- 767** The number of yards of total offense against San Jose State on Sept. 11, 1999, CU's single-game record.
- 1,149** The number of receiving yards by **WR Charles Johnson** in 1992, CU's single-season record.
- 1,165** The number of games Colorado has played in its history (123rd season of intercollegiate football).
- 2,055** The number of rushing yards **TB Rashaan Salaam** had in 1994 (the fourth at the time with a 2,000-yard season), on his way to the Heisman.
- 2,548** The number of career yards by CU's all-time receiving leader, **WR Michael Westbrook** (1991-94).
- 3,156** The number of passing yards by **QB Koy Detmer** in 1996, CU's single-season record.
- 3,940** The number of career yards by CU's all-time rushing leader, **TB Eric Bieniemy** (1987-90).
- 5,345** The elevation in feet of CU's Folsom Field (field level), the third highest stadium elevation in the FBS (behind Wyoming and Air Force).
- 7,409** The number of career yards by CU's all-time passing leader, **QB Cody Hawkins** (2007-10).
- 7,770** The number of career yards by CU's all-time total offense leader, **QB Kordell Stewart** (1991-94).

**MONTHLY TAB**

Dating back to 1989, Colorado is **52-32** in its last **84** September games, a pretty decent record considering the quality of non-conference schedule CU almost annually plays. The Buffs are **51-41-2** in their last **94** October games and **56-32-1** in its last **89** November games (**50-20** against all-comers aside from Nebraska, going 6-12-1 against NU in turkey month, and **51-11** against unranked teams). CU is **5-7** in December games since 1993, including bowls, and is **4-2-1** in August games in its history.

**PAC-12 BOWL AGREEMENTS**

Colorado is looking at a different road when it comes to bowl games with it now being a member of the Pac-12 Conference, with a much more western flavor. Here's the conference's lineup for the 2011 bowl season:

- # 1 Rose Bowl (Jan. 1) and/or BCS National Championship (Jan. 7)
- # 2 Valero Alamo (Dec. 29 vs. Big 12)
- # 3 Bridgepoint Education Holiday (Dec. 27 vs. Big 12)
- # 4 Sun (Dec. 31 vs. ACC)

- # 5 Las Vegas (Dec. 22 vs. Mountain West)
- # 6 Kraft Fight Hunger (Dec. 29 vs. Navy or At-Large)
- # 7 New Mexico Bowl (Dec. 15 vs. Mountain West)

**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 nine Division I-A schools. The list: 5—Air Force; 4—San Jose State; 3—Minnesota, Utah State, Wyoming; 2—Iowa, Louisiana-Monroe, Notre Dame and Oregon State. CU's longest current losing streaks are to Southern Cal (6), Missouri and Texas (5), LSU and Ohio State (4) and then Arizona State, California, Florida State, Michigan State, Nebraska, Stanford and Washington (3 each).

**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, with Auburn doing it again in 2010):

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	1957-2010	1971-85-2010	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).

**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 22 seasons (1990-2011), which is tied for the 13th most nationally when it comes to trophies (though CU ranks 10th in the number of *different* players who have been honored). The below postseason "hardware" count 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, no "fad" awards around for a year or two, and no Disney Spirit, Orange Bowl Courage and ARA Sportsmanship awards). The list of schools that have had winners between 1990 and 2011 (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	Georgia	4	7	Texas A&M	4	4	Washington	2	3	Kentucky	1	1
Texas	9	20	Iowa	6	6	Louisville	3	4	California	2	2	Marshall	1	1
Oklahoma	10	17	Arizona	5	6	Minnesota	3	4	Louisiana Tech	2	2	Michigan State	1	1
Miami, Fla.	9	17	Notre Dame	5	6	Mississippi	3	4	Memphis	2	2	N.C. State	1	1
Florida State	8	16	Auburn	3	6	Arizona State	2	4	Missouri	2	2	Oregon	1	1
Florida	8	15	Texas Tech	5	5	Baylor	2	4	Oregon State	2	2	Rutgers	1	1
Michigan	8	15	UCLA	5	5	Northwestern	1	4	Virginia	2	2	Tulane	1	1
Nebraska	9	14	TCU	4	5	Georgia Tech	3	3	Wake Forest	2	2	Washington State	1	1
Penn State	7	13	Arkansas	3	5	Illinois	3	3	Maryland	1	2	West Virginia	1	1
USC	6	11	Stanford	3	5	Kansas State	3	3	North Carolina	1	2	Wyoming	1	1
Wisconsin	7	10	Tennessee	3	5	Purdue	3	3	Cincinnati	1	1			
Louisiana State	6	10	Boston College	2	5	Clemson	2	3	Colorado State	1	1			
Alabama	9	9	Brigham Young	2	5	Pittsburgh	2	3	Fresno State	1	1			
COLORADO	7	9	Oklahoma State	4	4	Virginia Tech	2	3	Hawai'i	1	1			



**TOP 12 FOR 2012**

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of the University of Colorado's first All-American in football, Byron "Whizzer" White, KOA and CUBuffs.com conducted a fan competition to select 12 of the best players since White to wear the Buffalo uniform. Candidates were broken down into six groups, and fans selected two from each to "share the spotlight." Thus two players from the following areas were voted on to come up with a dozen Buffaloes since 1937 who have excelled at their positions: offensive skill (quarterback, tailback and receiver), offensive line (tackle, guard, center and tight end), defensive line (end, tackle, nose guard), linebacker (inside/outside), defensive back and specialists. For a player to be listed in a group, he must have been named a first- or second team All-American, earned multiple first-team All-Conference honors, had a distinguished NFL career, or be at or very near the top on CU's all-time statistical lists. Voting concluded on August 28; groupings below (winners marked with \*\* and in bold, announced weekly and in no particular order):

**OFFENSIVE SKILL (QB, RB, FB, TB, WR)**

Bobby Anderson	QB/TB	1967-69
John Bayuk	FB	1954-56
Frank Bernardi	HB	1951-54
Eric Bieniemy	TB	1987-90
Chris Brown	TB	2001-02
Rae Carruth	WR	1992-96
Hugh Charles	TB	2004-07
Charlie Davis	TB	1971-73
Koy Detmer	QB	1992-96
Boyd Dowler	QB/WR	1957-59
Carroll Hardy	HB	1951-54
Darian Hagan	QB	1988-91
Cody Hawkins	QB	2007-10
Charles E. Johnson	WR	1990-93
Joel Klatt	QB	2002-05
Dave Logan	WR	1972-75
Bo Matthews	FB	1971-73
Scotty McKnight	WR	2007-10
Emery Moorehead	WR	1973-76
Mike Pritchard	WR	1987-90
Bobby Purify	TB	2000-04
Tony Reed	RB	1975-76
Rashaan Salaam	TB	1992-94
Bob Stransky	RB	1955-57
Kordell Stewart	QB	1991-94
Rodney Stewart	TB	2008-11
Bill Waddy	TB	1973-76
Lamont Warren	TB	1991-93
Gale Weidner	QB	1959-61
Michael Westbrook	WR	1991-94

**OFFENSIVE LINE (OT, G, C, TE)**

Brad Bedell	OG	1998-99
Don Branby	E	1949-52
Pete Brock	C	1973-75
Stan Brock	OT	1976-79
J.V. Cain	TE	1971-73
Jon Embree	TE	1983-86
Christian Fauria	TE	1991-94
Joe Garten	OG	1987-90
Andre Gurode	OG	1998-01
Daniel Graham	TE	1998-01
Don Hasselbeck	TE	1973-76
Jerry Hillebrand	E	1959-61
Heath Irwin	OG	1993-96

Gary Knafelc	E	1951-53
Mark Koncar	OT	1973-75
Matt Lepsis	TE	1992-96
Jay Leeuwenburg	C	1988-91
Wayne Lucier	C/OG	2001-02
Matt Miller	OT	1975-78
Ryan Miller	OG	2007-11
Mike Montler	OG	1966-68
Chris Naeole	OG	1993-96
Don Popplewell	C	1968-70
Victor Rogers	OT	1998-01
Joe Romig	OG/LB	1959-61
Nate Solder	OT	2007-10
Bryan Stoltenberg	C	1992-95
Kirk Tracy	OG	1965-67
Mark Vander Poel	OT	1987-90
Leon White	C/OG	1974-77
John Wooten	OG	1956-58
Jake Zumbach	OT	1970-72

**DEFENSIVE LINE (DE, DT, NT)**

Troy Archer	DT	1974-75
Justin Bannan	DT	1998-01
Tyler Brayton	DT	1999-02
Bill Brundige	DE	1967-69
Shannon Clavelle	DT	1992-94
Sam Harris	DE	1964-66
Kerry Hicks	DT	1992-95
Garry Howe	DT	1989-90
Ryan Olson	DT	1994-97
Herb Orvis	DE	1969-71
Whitney Paul	DE	1973-75
Kyle Rappold	NT	1985-87
Leonard Renfro	DT	1990-92
Laval Short	DT	1976-79
Joel Steed	NT	1988-91
Arthur Walker	DT	1986-89

**LINEBACKER (ILB, OLB)**

Greg Biekert	ILB	1989-92
Chad Brown	OLB	1989-92
Brian Cabral	ILB	1974-77
Jordan Dizon	ILB	2004-07
Ted Johnson	ILB	1991-94
Michael Jones	ILB	1986-89
Bud Magrum	ILB	1971-72

Eric McCarty	ILB	1984-87
Kanavis McGhee	OLB	1987-90
Barry Remington	ILB	1982-86
Matt Russell	ILB	1993-96
Jashon Sykes	ILB	1998-01
Alfred Williams	OLB	1987-90
Ron Woolfork	OLB	1990-93

**DEFENSIVE BACK (CB/S/DB)**

Dick Anderson	S	1965-67
Ronnie Bradford	CB	1989-92
Tom Brookshier	CB	1950-52
Cullen Bryant	CB	1970-72
<b>**Deon Figures (Week 4)</b>	<b>CB</b>	<b>1988-92</b>
<b>**Mark Haynes (Week 3)</b>	<b>CB</b>	<b>1976-79</b>
Chris Hudson	CB	1991-94
Hale Irwin	S	1964-66
Tim James	S	1987-90
Michael Lewis	S	1998-01
Dave McCloughan	CB	1987-90
Mike McCoy	DB	1974-75
Pat Murphy	DB	1968-70
Mickey Pruitt	S	1984-87
Steve Rosga	S	1993-96
Victor Scott	CB	1980-83
John Stearns	S	1970-72
Terrence Wheatley	CB	2003-07
Damen Wheeler	CB	1996-99

**SPECIALISTS (P, PK, KR)**

Jeremy Aldrich	PK	1996-99
Mitch Berger	P/PK	1991-93
Cliff Branch	WR/KR	1970-71
Jeff Campbell	WR/KR	1986-89
<b>**Mason Crosby (Week 2)</b>	<b>PK</b>	<b>2003-06</b>
Keith English	P	1985-88
Charlie Greer	CB/KR	1965-67
Barry Helton	P	1984-87
Roman Hollowell	WR/KR	1998-01
Zack Jordan	P	1950-52
Ben Kelly	CB/KR	1997-99
Mark Mariscal	P/PK	1998-02
<b>**Tom Rouen (Week 1)</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>1989-90</b>
John Torp	P	2002-05
Neil Voskeritchian	PK	1994-95

**REUNIONS IN 2012**

There are no specific team reunions planned this fall (the most celebrated Buff team on a 5- or 10- year anniversary hit would be the 1937 one that won the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference some 75 years ago, but there are few if any surviving team members). However, for the UCLA game on Sept. 29, there will be the first alumni gathering for an entire decade, as CU is inviting all football players from the 1970s to return for a weekend of activities. The '71 team finished No. 3 in the country, the '72 team opened with a No. 2 national ranking, the '75 narrowly lost to No. 1 Oklahoma in Norman (21-20), and the '76 team were tri-champions of the Big 8 but earned the nod to play in the Orange Bowl. In the 10 National Football League drafts from 1971-80, a total of 68 Colorado players were drafted (plus three more each in '81 and '82 who also played in the 70s). By the end of the decade, Colorado has more active players in the NFL (47) than any other school. Coach **Eddie Crowder** (1963-73) has passed, but **Bill Mallory** (1974-78) has already committed to returning; no word yet from **Chuck Fairbanks** (1979-81). The Buffaloes were 67-46-1 for the decade.

The UCLA game will also serve as the centerpiece of the annual Living Legends weekend, which honors all athletes who lettered for the first time 50 years ago.

**DOZEN TO BE INDUCTED INTO CU ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

The ninth class that will be inducted into the University of Colorado Athletic Hall of Fame this November 15 will include 12 Golden Buffalo luminaries with an impressive list of accomplishments equal to or even surpassing any of the eight classes previously inducted since **Byron “Whizzer” White** was the first and sole inductee in 1998. The dozen include the school’s first and only Heisman Trophy winner and a Butkus Award recipient among five football lettermen, the Buffaloes’ first and only two-time basketball All-American, a U.S. Open golf champion, a track performer who at one time set 10 world records, several NCAA champions, a Norwegian ski jumper that opened the floodgates for Scandinavians to attend CU, several with Olympic glory and the “Voice of the Buffs.”

The 2012 class will be the largest-ever inducted into the Hall, as the dozen will join 47 individuals and the entire 1959 ski team who have been enshrined to date. Every decade between the 1930s and 1990s with the exception of the 1960s are represented in this class. All inductees were nominated by their peers in the Alumni C-Club or by members of the selection committee; over 60 names originally submitted were pared to 25 finalists and then voted on by the seven-member committee that produced one of the deepest classes in CU Athletic HOF history. The group will be inducted in the Hall of Fame Thursday night, November 15 and will be introduced at halftime of the CU-Washington football game on the ensuing Saturday. The 2012 class:

➤ **Frank Bernardi, Football/Baseball (1952-55)**

He was selected not only for his football and baseball accomplishments, but for his heavy involvement in the Alumni C-Club for over 50 years. He rushed for 1,235 yards in his career, fifth-most by a Buff at the time, with his 6.33 average per carry still the fifth-best number by any of the school’s 49 players who have gained 1,000 career yards.

➤ **Alan Culpepper, Cross Country & Track (1992-96)**

A seven-time All-American in the three disciplines, he was the 1996 NCAA outdoor champion in the 5,000-meter run, in which he still holds the school record. He has enjoyed a stellar professional career, including participation in two Olympic games and becoming a seven-time U.S. champion.

➤ **Mary Decker-Slaney, Cross Country & Track (1977-79)**

The first star in any women’s varsity sport at Colorado, she basically established CU’s record book in numerous events and was a six-time All-American before turning professional following her sophomore year. In 1982 alone, she set six world records and at one time or another set world marks in 10 different events. A two-time Olympian, she won the coveted Sullivan Award as the top amateur athlete in the United States for 1982.

➤ **Boyd Dowler, Football (1956-58)**

Playing in the famed single-wing offense under Dal Ward, Dowler earned honorable mention All-American and first-team All-Big 7 honors as a senior in 1958. He caught 41 passes for 628 yards and 6 touchdowns in his CU career, big numbers for a primarily rushing offense at the time; in 1989, he was selected as a member of CU’s All-Century Football Team. Green Bay selected him in the third round in the 1959 NFL Draft, and he went on to be named the Rookie-of-the-Year and to the league’s all-decade team for the 1960s as he played a major role in Green Bay’s 1960s dynasty, leading the team in receiving seven seasons as the Packers won five NFL titles and posted victories in Super Bowls I and II.

➤ **Joe Garten, Football (1987-90)**

An offensive guard, he was one of the first three unanimous All-Americans in CU history as a senior in 1990, along with tailback Eric Bieniemy and outside linebacker Alfred Williams that same year, both of whom are already in the Hall. He was also a consensus first-team All-American as a junior and a two-time, unanimous first-team All-Big Eight performer as a junior and senior. He was the runner-up for the Outland Trophy as a senior and still shares the school record for the most starts by an offensive player in school history with 44 from 1987-90.

➤ **Jack Harvey, Basketball (1937-40)**

He remains the only CU basketball player to be selected twice as a first-team All-American (1938-39, 1939-40), when he led the Buffs to two Mountain States Conference titles, and as a senior, an N.I.T. title and a trip to the NCAA Tournament. Harvey scored 27 points in CU’s 52-37 win at Denver in 1940, at the time the most points scored by a Buff in a single game and virtually an unheard total west of the Mississippi at the time. Known for his tough defense, he was a key performer in limiting the opponent to just 31.2 points per game his junior season and only 37.0 his senior year.

➤ **Steve Jones, Golf (1977-81)**

One of a just a handful of four-time, first-team all-conference performers in any sport at Colorado, he was a second-team All-American as a senior

in 1980-81 when he set school records that still stand, nine top 10 finishes and 10 top 20 efforts. The first recruit of legendary CU coach Mark Simpson (who passed in 2005), he went on to have a solid professional career, including a victory in the 1996 U.S. Open, and he is now making a comeback on the Champions Tour (he’s 60th on the money list but has played just six events).

➤ **Leason “Pete” McCloud, Basketball (1939-42)**

A first-team All-American, the third in CU basketball history and just the sixth CU athlete in any sport at the time, he was the Buffs’ leading scorer on the 1941-42 team that reached the Final Four (he scored 19 points in a 46-44 win over Kansas that enabled CU to advance in the tournament). He was also a member of the 1939-40 team that won the N.I.T. and was invited to the first NCAA tournament. A two-time All-Mountain States performer (junior, senior seasons), he led the league in scoring both as a junior (14.1 per game) and senior (16.5, big for its day).

➤ **Vidar Nilsgard, Skiing (1971-74)**

A key performer on the front end of CU’s run to eight straight national titles in the 1970s, he was considered a huge star of his day in the most electrifying discipline, jumping. A three-time, first-team All-American, he was the 1971 and 1973 NCAA jumping champion (he was second in ’74 and fourth in ’72). He was a three-time Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Ski Association champion and a four-time member of the All-RMISA Jumping Team.

➤ **Matt Russell, Football (1993-96)**

He won the Butkus Award as the nation’s top linebacker as a senior in 1996, when he was a consensus first-team All-American; also a two-time, first-team all-conference selection (All-Big Eight as a junior in ’95; All-Big 12 as a senior in ’96). He finished his career as the second all-time leading tackler in Colorado history (446), with his 282 unassisted tackles setting a school record that still stands, and played in 44 career games, including starts in the last 40. He helped coach the secondary at Colorado in 2000 while assistant coach Tom McMahon was battling cancer; in 2009, he joined the Denver Broncos as their director of college scouting and in 2012 was named their director of player personnel.

➤ **Rashaan Salaam, Football (1992-94)**

He was just the fourth player in college football history at the time to rush for over 2,000 yards in a season, and did so in an 11-game campaign in 1994 that included six ranked opponents. He led the nation in rushing (2,055 yards), scoring (144 points) and all-purpose yards (213.6 per game) in leading CU to an 11-1 record and winning the Heisman Trophy, the school’s first and only, the Doak Walker Award (nation’s top running back) and the Walter Camp Trophy (national player of the year).

➤ **Larry Zimmer, Announcer (1971-present)**

He is the first inductee into the Hall who is not a former athlete, coach or administrator; but he’s been a part of more football and men’s basketball games than perhaps anyone else in school history, calling 481 for football and 525 in basketball, or 1,006 total, through the 2011 season. He was awarded an Honorary “C” in 1992, and was honored as the 15th recipient of the Chris Schenkel Award by the National Football Foundation in 2009, which recognizes those who have enjoyed a long and distinguished career broadcasting college football at a single institution.

**WOOTEN TO BECOME SIXTH BUFFALO TO BE ENSHRINED IN COLLEGE FOOTBALL'S HALL OF FAME**

**John Wooten**, the All-American guard for the University of Colorado in the mid-to-late 1950s, was selected by the National Football Foundation's Honors Court for induction into the College Football Hall of Fame this December 4 in New York City. He will join 13 other players and three coaches in the Class of 2012, and Colorado will honor Wooten with traditional On-Campus Salute for incoming Hall of Fame inductees at the nationally televised Arizona State game on Thursday, October 11.

He will become the sixth Buffalo enshrined in the Hall, joining **Byron White** (inducted in 1952), **Joe Romig** (1984), **Dick Anderson** (1993), **Bobby Anderson** (2006) and **Alfred Williams** (2010). Like White and Romig, Wooten played in the platoon era of the sport and excelled at offensive guard along with playing defensive tackle.

"I always felt that I made a great decision to go to Colorado, I had a great time, and forged many relationships which still exist today," Wooten said. When an honor like this comes, it makes you reflect on all things that have happened across your life, and it makes you happy. I just smile at how great the good Lord has blessed me. My wife (Juanita) told me this is 'Your great birthday present for number 76'."

"This is something I never dreamed of," he continued. "I can truthfully say that it never really entered my mind that someday it could happen. I looked every year when it the new inductees were announced to see who made it, and had such a great feeling for the guys who I played against and knew of their great careers. It is difficult to believe that I am privileged to receive such an honor, but I am totally thrilled."

"We had some real fine players and some really good teams," Wooten said of the CU squads in the mid-to-late 1950s. So many outstanding players and leaders – Boyd Dowler, Bob Stransky, Wally Merz, Bob Salerno, the Stapp (Dick and Bob) brothers, John Bayuk, Bill Mondt – I could go on and on. I just played hard, did all I could to help us win. I felt very good about my career."

After earning All-State honors in football and basketball at Carlsbad (N.M.) High School, he arrived on the Colorado campus in the fall of 1955, just the second black player in the program's history, joining **Frank Clarke** who blazed the trail just one season before. Freshmen were ineligible to play at the time, so he went on to letter in the 1956, 1957 and 1958 seasons; he earned pre- and postseason (AFCA) All-America honors as a senior after garnering All-Big 7 Conference and UPI honorable mention All-America honors his junior season. He is believed to be one of the first African-Americans to earn All-America honors playing a position in the interior line. Colorado was 20-9-2 in his three years as a starter in the trenches, and he played in the 1959 Chicago All-Star game versus National Football League players.

Nicknamed the "Sun Devil" early in his CU career ("I like the sun and I try to be a regular devil out there on the football field," he said at the time), Wooten earned the starting spot at left guard for his very first varsity game in the late **Dal Ward's** single-wing offense. Considered big in size for the day, he was a 6-foot-2, 230-pound bulldozer on offense and a fierce hitter on defense. Reporters wrote not to worry about the left side of the offensive line, Wooten is there, while teams often geared their offensive attack away from Wooten's side of the defense.

Wooten would be selected as one of 25 members of CU's All-Century Team in 1989, honoring the school's first 100 years of intercollegiate football, and was a member of the fifth class to be inducted into Colorado's Athletic Hall of Fame, that honor coming in 2004. The following year, his jersey (#69) was officially honored and his name placed upon the façade of the **Fred Casotti** Press Box.

*(At CU, parking spots in the football coaches' lot are not marked with their names, but of those in the Athletic HOF; football coach **Jon Embree**, who has*

*met Wooten on several occasions, selected his name for his spot. "That was an easy choice; John stands for so many great accomplishments. It is an honor to pull in that spot and see his name every day.")*

Individual statistics for offensive linemen were not kept in those days, but during the three years he lettered, Colorado ranked 12th (1956, 252.1 yards per game), first (322.4) and fifth (249.5) nationally in rushing offense; in '57, CU was second overall in total offense (415.2 ypg). In the latter, he blocked for the nation's second leading rusher, **Bob Stransky**, who amassed 1,097 yards in 10 games. The late Casotti, longtime sports information director and CU historian, summarized his play as such: "Wooten was a quick, agile tackle who provided bone-crunching lead blocks for one of the nation's top offensive teams during his collegiate career."

"This is just great, I am so happy for him," Stransky said. "He's a great guy. We were really close in college. He gave it 100 percent all the time and was a good blocker at a key position, pulling guard in our single-wing offense. He led most of our running plays."

While Colorado did not win a conference title in his three seasons as a player (the Buffaloes played second fiddle to Bud Wilkinson's great Oklahoma teams), he lists CU's 27-21 win over Clemson in the 1957 Orange Bowl as his second best memory from his time in Boulder. He and Clarke are believed to be among, if not the, first blacks to appear in the game, and as was unfortunately common at the time, were treated by some that they just did not belong and even were not permitted to attend a couple of team functions in town. But there were no problems with the CU contingent or the Clemson team.

His top memory? Graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education in June of '59. "I am the youngest of six, raised by a single parent, and I was he only one to go to college. Many people didn't march back then, they just said 'Mail me the diploma.' But that was a big accomplishment for me considering the odds against me, and I wanted my mom (Henrietta) there to watch me walk across the stage in the stadium. It is one of the best memories in my life, not just at CU."

Growing up in Carlsbad, Wooten attended segregated schools through the 9th grade, schools that didn't have enough students to field football if hardly any athletic teams. He thought he'd be destined to attend a segregated high school, with the 1954 Civil Rights Act (Brown vs. the Board of Education) that mandated schools had to start integrating still two years away.

"Our superintendent (**Tom Hansen**), principal (**Guy Waid**) and football coach (**Ralph Bowyer**), they took it upon themselves to go the students at Carlsbad High School and asked them if they would be willing to accept Negroes in high school at that time," Wooten recalled. "And they said yes. Otherwise I would have gone to a segregated high school and probably wouldn't have made it anywhere. That gave me the opportunity to play football; my first time was as a sophomore in 1952."

"It's not like Coach Bowyer saw us playing and he wanted us (blacks) for our athletic talents. He and the others did what they thought was right. In Coach Bowyer, you saw (Dallas Cowboys) Coach **Tom Landry**. They were very similar men. They never hooped or hollered, no cursing, treated you with total respect. If Coach Bowyer was mad, he'd yell, 'Get the dang lead out.' Those were the harshest words you ever heard him say. When I was with Dallas, I had Coach Bowyer come over and spend a weekend with us because I wanted those two to meet. That was a special occasion getting them together."

Recruiting was different in the 1950s, especially for African-Americans. He was courted by Dartmouth, Florida A&M, UCLA, New Mexico and New Mexico State. Dartmouth had an allure to it, being an Ivy League school, but that was too far away for his mother; after all, New Hampshire and New Mexico are only close alphabetically. So why did he choose the University of Colorado?

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### Wooten To Enter College Hall Of Fame, continued

"Hugh Davidson, our freshman football coach, recruited me to Colorado," Wooten said. "My mom just loved him, and really it came down to him and my mom being the main reasons I chose CU. She told me over and over, 'John, this is where I want you to go. Coach Davidson is such a good person. I know you'll be in great hands.' I thought my mom had great judgment of character and really knew people. Whatever she felt and saw in Coach Davidson I trusted in her as to where I should go. The minute he walked in our house, we knew. And once I saw the outstanding campus, there was no turning back."

Davidson also coached at Montana and Idaho before entering a long career in professional scouting, spending over 20 years with the Denver Broncos. In recruiting, Davidson, now 84 and retired in Hamilton, Mont., covered the west, in particular California, Arizona and New Mexico for Dal Ward.

"Between the three of us, we all made a great choice for me. Colorado was like my second family. Back in those days, we couldn't go home for Thanksgiving. Fred Casotti, his wife and children always had us over for Thanksgiving dinner. Having us to his home was gratifying; I can still remember playing with his kids, tumbling around on the floor with them. When I look at people like Coach Davidson, Fred Casotti, Jane Ward (Dal's wife), they were all really good to us. Nice, nice people."

"It wasn't very easy back then to get to Boulder from Carlsbad, not sure it is now," Wooten said of the pre-Interstate highway days. "We had to go north up through Roswell, turn off at Cline's Corner, and then we had to go over Raton Pass to pick up the main road into Colorado."

"I am honored to have had the opportunity to be associated with John starting almost 60 years ago and continuing to this day, and he's tops as far as I'm concerned," Davidson said. "This honor explains it for itself, it's very deserving. He was not only a productive player, he has always been a tremendous gentleman and a great representative for CU and his stops thereafter."

Davidson saw John's name on the usual listing for All-Stars for state high school players. "I had the help of a local judge in locating and making contact with the family," he recalled. "His mom was very positive, a lovely lady, and John was a very good student. I knew we'd welcome him in Boulder if he wanted to come, and the interest was mutual right from the start." Wooten's position coach at Colorado was the late **Marshall Wells**.

Drafted by Cleveland in the fifth round of the 1959 National Football League Draft (the 53rd overall pick), he was fortunate enough to join the Browns at a time when they were considered one of the top two or three franchises in professional football. He would play nine seasons in Cleveland, all at left guard, within a span where it posted a winning record 13 consecutive years. The Browns' 79-39-4 record in that time trailed only Green Bay (89-29-4) and basically matched Baltimore (80-39-3) for supremacy in the NFL.

Wooten's Browns defeated the Colts and its bevy of future Hall of Famers, 27-0, to win the 1964 NFL Championship; they returned to the title game a year later but lost to the Packers, 23-12. He was named to the *Sporting News* NFL All Star Team in 1965 and garnered All-Pro honors the next two seasons and played in the Pro Bowl (1966-67); in 1979, he was named to the Browns All-Time All-Star Team and in 2010, he was inducted into the team's Ring of Honor.

Wooten, of course, had the distinction of lining up to block for the great Jim Brown, widely regarded among the top two or three running backs in pro football history. He led the NFL in rushing for six of the seven seasons Wooten served as one his blockers, and was the NFL most valuable player in 1965 with 1,544 yards, the third most yards in league history at the time (and he owned the other two) and a league-best 21 touchdowns.

"The thing was that going to Cleveland, with the history of the Browns back in those days, to go there, and be in that huddle and be standing next to guys like the great Lou Groza (left tackle) and the great Jim Brown, and realize that you were playing with these men," Wooten recalled. "I never dreamed that one day I would be playing in the NFL, much less on a team with pro Hall of Fame members next to you."

"To have that opportunity to go in there and play, and then in '64 to beat one of the great teams in NFL history to win the title makes me feel all the more blessed," he continued. "They were favored to beat us by three touchdowns, but we shut out that great offensive machine that included Johnny Unitas, John Mackey, Raymond Berry and others. To beat them 27-0 has always been a great memory and is something that stays with you forever."

Wooten added, "I still think Unitas is the best quarterback ever, several other guys were great, but they weren't Johnny U."

While a member of the Browns, he put his CU Education degree to use, as during the off seasons of 1960 through 1963, he was a teacher at Addison Junior High School in Cleveland. Wooten finished out his career with the Washington Redskins, retiring from the game after the 1968 season.

After his playing days, Wooten worked as a sports agent and then entered into administration in pro football. He was the Director of Pro Scouting with the Dallas Cowboys for 17 years (1975-91), again one of the first African-Americans to be named to that position. In 1991, he went to work for the NFL, creating player and player development programs which included financial planning, family assistance and continuing education, until the Philadelphia Eagles named him Vice President for Player Personnel the following year, one of the first personnel directors in league history to hold a VP title.

In 1998, he returned to where he started – sort of – he served as the Assistant Director of Pro & College Scouting for the Baltimore Ravens until his retirement in 2003; Baltimore, of course, lured the Cleveland Brown franchise east in 1995 after the city had lost its team, the Colts, to Indianapolis a decade earlier.

Wooten has now been involved with the NFL as a player and administrator for over five decades, and since 2003, has served as the Chairman of the Fritz Pollard Alliance, an affinity group who works in conjunction with the NFL as it relates to minority hiring in coaching, scouting and front office positions. He is also the President of Wooten Printing, Inc., in Dallas, and was inducted into the Texas Black Sports Hall of Fame in 2002.

"All along the way, I had hundreds of people help me, Wooten said. "That's why the Fritz Pollard organization is so important, it's about giving back." The foundation's namesake, Pollard, was the first African-American to coach in the NFL. But Wooten has always had a deep commitment to the communities in which he has lived and thus has valued always giving back.

He has served on the Board of Directors of Big Brothers in Cleveland, where he was also a member of the City Planning Commission; he was the recipient of the City of Cleveland's William O. Walker Community Excellence Award in 2002. He also was a member of the National Minority Economic Development Council under President Lyndon Johnson's administration.

He was born December 5, 1936 in Riverview, Texas, but grew up in Carlsbad, located in southeastern New Mexico and about 150 miles northeast of El Paso. Currently a resident of Arlington, Texas, he and Juanita have five children together, Gina, Lynette, John David (who passed at the age of 41 in May 2009), Adrienne and Jennifer, along with five grandchildren, Lauren, Gabriel, Michael, Quentin and Sydney.

### GARTEN, MCCARTNEY ADVANCED TO HALL OF FAME BALLOT

Two-time All-American guard **Joe Garten** and national championship coach **Bill McCartney** were named on this year's National Football Foundation/College Football Hall of Fame ballot; Garten was one of just nine offensive linemen included on the 76-man ballot (and one of just three guards), while McCartney was one of eight coaches vying for the two spots in the 2012 class. When the smoke cleared, the NFF's Honors Court looked at the accomplishments of guard **John Wooten** and rightfully decided to make him its choice for induction of those who played over 50 years ago.



**INSIDE-THE-POLL NUMBERS**

Colorado has been ranked 12 times in the last 24 seasons in the *Associated Press* preseason football poll (and just missing on three other 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.

**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

**A LONG, 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 eighth 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 (1936-2011; out of 1,037 polls)**

1. Ohio State 788; 2. Michigan 774; 3. Oklahoma 720; 4. Notre Dame 715; 5. USC 706; 6. Nebraska 686; 6. Texas 686; 8. Alabama 677; 9. Penn State 591; 10. Tennessee 564; 11. Florida 531; 12. LSU 515; 13. Auburn 503; 14. Georgia 492; 15. UCLA 478; 16. Florida State 473; 17. Miami, Fla. 450; 18. Arkansas 407; 19. Washington 390; 20. Texas A&M 381; 21. Michigan State 329; 22. Clemson 325; 23. Iowa 297; 23. Wisconsin 297; 25. Georgia Tech 296; **26. Colorado 293**; 27. Pittsburgh 292; 28. Virginia Tech 267; 29. West Virginia 258; 30. Arizona State 253. (36. Oregon 218; 36. Stanford 218; 39. California 193; 51. Arizona 150).

**...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 23**

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 23** 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 16 years (and three ranked foes five of those seasons).

**TV LAND**

Colorado has had **194** of its last **273** games dating back to 1990 broadcast nationally or regionally (71 percent), including three games this season and all 13 in 2011 (the first time in school history that all games were televised on a regional or national basis). Since 1996, when the Big 12 began and TV contracts changed, and not including pay-per-view, **157** of CU's **200** games have been either nationally or regionally televised, which is an impressive 79 percent. In CU's first year as a member of the Pac-12, all 13 of the Buffs' games were televised on a regional or national basis (something that never would have happened in the Big 12). In addition, CU has had **43** of its last **49** non-conference games (88%) televised on a national or regional basis (36 of 42 was easily tops in the Big 12). **ANNUAL TV APPEARANCES SINCE 1996 (156):** 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), 2010 (9), 2011 (13), 2012 (3).

With the advent of the Pac-12 Networks, all Colorado football games will now be televised minimally on a regional level, but most are national now that the conference has secured DISH as a satellite provider.

**50 PERCENT NEWBIES**

Colorado is playing six teams with new coaches in 2012, including five the first half of the season: **Colorado State** (Jim McElwain in, Steve Fairchild out), **Fresno State** (Tim DeRuyter/Pat Hill), **Washington State** (Mike Leach/Paul Wulff), **UCLA** (Jim Mora Jr./Rick Neuheisel) and **Arizona State** (Todd Graham/Dennis Erickson). The other is in the 10th week of the year, **Arizona** (Rich Rodriguez/Mike Stoops).

**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.

**FOLSOM HAS GONE "GREEN"**

The University of Colorado at Boulder established a goal to move toward zero-waste at Folsom Field during the 2008 football season and invest in local carbon-reduction projects. They anticipated recycling or composting at least 90% of the waste generated at Folsom Field and met those goals. According to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency information and other sources, Folsom Field was the first major sports stadium in the nation, professional or collegiate, to collect all materials in recycling or compost containers, eliminate trash cans and transform its materials collections systems into a zero-waste process. For more information, visit Ralphie's Green Stampede at [http://www.cubuffs.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB\\_OEM\\_ID=600&ATCLID=1549954](http://www.cubuffs.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB_OEM_ID=600&ATCLID=1549954).

**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 annual recruiting luncheons in Denver to help fill Folsom Field for the spring game. While filling Folsom hasn't happened (yet), the 17,800 in attendance in 2008 did set a spring record, with the second most attending in Jon Embree's first game (2011), also the first nighttime affair. CU has now had six 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. 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
2011	(none/O-D scrimmage)	15,655	Jon Embree's first spring game also featured a first: it was the first one played at night
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

## 2012 OPPONENT SCHEDULES &amp; RESULTS

## COLORADO STATE (1-2)

22	Colorado (Denver)	17
7	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	22
20	at San Jose State	40
S22	UTAH STATE	
S29	✚ at Air Force	
O 6	✚ FRESNO STATE	
O13	✚ at San Diego State	
O27	✚ HAWAII	
N 3	✚ at Wyoming	
N10	✚ NEVADA-LAS VEGAS	
N17	✚ at Boise State	
N24	✚ NEW MEXICO	

## SACRAMENTO ST. (2-1)

19	at New Mexico State	49
30	at Colorado	28
28	NO. COLORADO	17
S22	✚ NORTH DAKOTA	
S29	✚ at Idaho State	
O 6	✚ at Southern Utah	
O13	✚ WEBER STATE	
O20	✚ at Eastern Washington	
O27	✚ CAL-POLY	
N 3	✚ MONTANA STATE	
N17	✚ at UC-Davis	

## FRESNO STATE (2-1)

37	WEBER STATE	10
25	at Oregon	42
69	COLORADO	14
S22	at Tulsa	
S29	✚ SAN DIEGO STATE	
O 6	✚ at Colorado State	
O13	✚ at Boise State	
O20	✚ WYOMING	
O27	✚ at New Mexico	
N 3	✚ HAWAII	
N10	✚ at Nevada	
N24	✚ AIR FORCE	

## WASHINGTON ST. (2-1)

6	at Brigham Young	30
24	E. WASHINGTON	20
35	at Nevada-Las Vegas	27
S22	◆ COLORADO	
S29	◆ OREGON	
O 6	◆ at Oregon State	
O13	◆ CALIFORNIA	
O27	◆ at Stanford	
N 3	◆ at Utah	
N10	◆ UCLA	
N17	◆ at Arizona State	
N23	◆ WASHINGTON	

## UCLA (3-0)

49	at Rice	24
36	NEBRASKA	30
37	HOUSTON	6
S22	◆ OREGON STATE	
S29	◆ at Colorado	
O 6	◆ at California	
O13	◆ UTAH	
O27	◆ at Arizona State	
N 3	◆ ARIZONA	
N10	◆ at Washington State	
N17	◆ SOUTHERN CAL	
N24	◆ STANFORD	

## ARIZONA STATE (2-1)

63	NORTHERN ARIZONA	6
45	ILLINOIS	14
20	at Missouri	24
S22	◆ UTAH	
S29	◆ at California	
O11	◆ at Colorado	
O18	◆ OREGON	
O27	◆ UCLA	
N 3	◆ at Oregon State	
N10	◆ at Southern California	
N17	◆ WASHINGTON STATE	
N23	◆ at Arizona	

## USC (2-1)

49	HAWAII	10
42	Syracuse (at E Rutherford)	29
14	◆ at Stanford	21
S22	◆ CALIFORNIA	
O 4	◆ at Utah	
O13	◆ at Washington	
O20	◆ COLORADO	
O27	◆ at Arizona	
N 3	◆ OREGON	
N10	◆ ARIZONA STATE	
N17	◆ at UCLA	
N24	NOTRE DAME	

## OREGON (3-0)

57	ARKANSAS STATE	34
42	FRESNO STATE	25
63	TENNESSEE TECH	14
S22	◆ ARIZONA	
S29	◆ at Washington State	
O 6	◆ WASHINGTON	
O18	◆ at Arizona State	
O27	◆ COLORADO	
N 3	◆ at Southern California	
N10	◆ at California	
N17	◆ STANFORD	
N24	◆ at Oregon State	

## STANFORD (3-0)

20	SAN JOSE STATE	17
50	DUKE	13
21	◆ SOUTHERN CAL	14
S27	◆ at Washington	
O 3	◆ ARIZONA	
O13	at Notre Dame	
O20	◆ at California	
O27	◆ WASHINGTON STATE	
N 3	◆ at Colorado	
N10	◆ OREGON STATE	
N17	◆ at Oregon	
N24	◆ at UCLA	

## ARIZONA (3-0)

24	TOLEDO (OT)	17
59	OKLAHOMA STATE	38
56	SOUTH CAROLINA ST.	0
S22	◆ at Oregon	
S29	◆ OREGON STATE	
O 6	◆ at Stanford	
O20	◆ WASHINGTON	
O27	◆ SOUTHERN CAL	
N 3	◆ at UCLA	
N10	◆ COLORADO	
N17	◆ at Utah	
N23	◆ ARIZONA STATE	

## WASHINGTON (2-1)

21	SAN DIEGO STATE	12
3	at Louisiana State	41
52	PORTLAND STATE	13
S27	◆ STANFORD	
O 6	◆ at Oregon	
O13	◆ SOUTHERN CAL	
O20	◆ at Arizona	
O27	◆ OREGON STATE	
N 2	◆ at California	
N10	◆ UTAH	
N17	◆ at Colorado	
N23	◆ at Washington State	

## UTAH (2-1)

41	NORTHERN COLORADO	0
20	at Utah State (OT)	27
24	BRIGHAM YOUNG	21
S22	◆ at Arizona State	
O 4	◆ SOUTHERN CAL	
O13	◆ at UCLA	
O20	◆ at Oregon State	
O27	◆ CALIFORNIA	
N 3	◆ WASHINGTON STATE	
N10	◆ at Washington	
N17	◆ ARIZONA	
N23	◆ at Colorado	

KEY: ◆—Pac-12 Conference game; ✚—Mountain West Conference game; ✚—Big Sky Conference game.

## OPPONENTS &amp; 2012 SCHEDULE TIDBITS

The 2012 slate is a tad easier than the first Jon Embree had to endure: 13 games in as many weeks, including seven road games stretching from Honolulu to Columbus; there is one less game and a bye week at top of October. The 12 opponents this year combined for a 79-73 record in 2011 (51.9 winning percentage), with three teams winning 10-plus games; the “problem” is that the Buffaloes will play all three in succession to lead off the second half of the season (games 7-9): Oct. 20 at Southern California (10-2), Oct. 27 at Oregon (12-2) and Nov. 3 versus Stanford (11-2). CU will travel for the first time to Fresno (Sept. 15, to take on Fresno State for the first time since the Bulldogs came to Boulder in 2001 and left with a 24-22 season-opening win in the Jim Thorpe Association Classic), and then a week later, visit Pullman for the first time to play Washington State (two previous games have been in Spokane and Seattle). In week two, CU’s home opener is against Sacramento State, the third time the Buffs will line up across an FCS (I-AA) team; the Buffs lost to Montana State 19-10 in 2006 and beat Eastern Washington in 2008, 31-24.

- The Buffs play UCLA at home on Saturday, Sept. 29 and then won’t play another Saturday game at home until Nov. 3 when Stanford visits—but in-between there is a Thursday night tilt against Arizona State on Oct. 11. The 22 days between home games (Oct. 11-Nov. 2) will be the most since 1994, when Colorado last played three straight road games (Sept. 24-Oct. 1-8) and there were 27 days between home games (Sept. 17 vs. Wisconsin, Oct. 15 vs. Oklahoma). The ASU game is also the only home game in a 36-day span (Sept. 29-Nov. 3), the most days in such a circumstance since 1944; World War II greatly influenced travel and schedules, and CU’s game against Colorado College on Oct. 21 in Boulder was the only one in a 36-day span.
- CU will play three home games after Halloween for the first time since 1961, when Missouri (Nov. 4), Utah (Nov. 11), Iowa State (Nov. 25) and Air Force (Dec. 2) visited Folsom Field; the ’61 season started on Sept. 30; this year’s begins Thursday, Aug. 30.



**COMPOSITE 2012 PAC-12 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE & RESULTS****Week One (Sept. 1)**

(Aug. 30) UTAH 41, Northern Colorado 0  
 (Aug. 30) UCLA 49, RICE 24  
 (Aug. 30) BYU 30, Washington State 6  
 (Aug. 30) ARIZONA STATE 63, Northern Arizona 6  
 (Aug. 31) STANFORD 20, San Jose State 17  
 Colorado State 22, **Colorado** 17 (at Denver)  
 ARIZONA 24, Toledo 17 (OT)  
 Nevada 31, CALIFORNIA 24  
 OREGON 57, Arkansas State 34  
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 49, Hawai'i 10  
 WASHINGTON 21, San Diego State 12  
 Nicholls State at Oregon State, ppd.

**Week Two (Sept. 8)**

(Sept. 7) UTAH STATE 27, Utah 20 (OT)  
 Sacramento State 30, **COLORADO** 28  
 ARIZONA 59, Oklahoma State 38  
 ARIZONA STATE 45, Illinois 14  
 CALIFORNIA 50, Southern Utah 31  
 LOUISIANA STATE 41, Washington 3  
 OREGON 42, Fresno State 25  
 OREGON STATE 10, Wisconsin 7  
 Southern California 42, Syracuse 29 (at East Rutherford)  
 STANFORD 50, Duke 13  
 UCLA 36, Nebraska 30  
 WASHINGTON STATE 24, Eastern Washington 20

**Week Three (Sept. 15)**

(Sept. 14) Washington State 35, UNLV 27  
 FRESNO STATE 69, **Colorado** 14  
 \*STANFORD 21, Southern California 14  
 OHIO STATE 35, California 28  
 OREGON 63, Tennessee Tech 14  
 WASHINGTON 52, Portland State 13  
 MISSOURI 24, Arizona State 0  
 UTAH 24, Brigham Young 21  
 UCLA 37, Houston 6  
 ARIZONA 56, South Carolina State 0

**Week Four (Sept. 22)**

\***Colorado** at Washington State (FX), 2:00 p.m.  
 \*Oregon State at UCLA (ABC/ESPN2), 1:30 p.m.  
 \*California at USC (P12N), 4:00 p.m.  
 \*Utah at Arizona State (P12N), 8:00 p.m.  
 \*Arizona at Oregon (ESPN), 8:30 p.m.

**Week Five (Sept. 29)**

(Sept. 27) \*Stanford at Washington (ESPN), 7:00 p.m.  
 \*UCLA at **Colorado**, 4:00 p.m. (P12N)  
 \*Arizona State at California, 2:00 p.m. (FX)  
 \*Oregon vs. Washington St. at Seattle, 8:30 p.m. (ESPN)  
 \*Oregon State at Arizona, 8:00 p.m. (P12N)

**Week Six (Oct. 6)**

(Oct. 4) \*USC at Utah (ESPN), 7:00 p.m.  
 \*Arizona at Stanford, TBA  
 \*UCLA at California, TBA  
 \*Washington at Oregon, TBA  
 \*Washington State at Oregon State, TBA

**Week Seven (Oct. 13)**

(Oct. 11) \*Arizona State at **Colorado** (ESPN), 7 p.m.  
 Stanford at Notre Dame (NBC), 1:30 p.m.  
 \*California at Washington State, TBA  
 \*USC at Washington, TBA  
 \*Utah at UCLA, TBA  
 Oregon State at BYU, TBA

**Week Eight (Oct. 20)**

(Oct. 18) \*Oregon at Arizona State (ESPN), 7:00 p.m.  
 \***Colorado** at Southern California, TBA  
 \*Stanford at California, TBA  
 \*Utah at Oregon State, TBA  
 \*Washington at Arizona, TBA

**Week Nine (Oct. 27)**

\***Colorado** at Oregon, TBA  
 \*California at Utah, TBA  
 \*Oregon State at Washington, TBA  
 \*USC at Arizona, TBA  
 \*UCLA at Arizona State, TBA  
 \*Washington State at Stanford, TBA

**Week Ten (Nov. 3)**

(Nov. 2) \*Washington at California (ESPN), 7:00 p.m.  
 \*Stanford at **Colorado**, TBA  
 \*Arizona at UCLA, TBA  
 \*Arizona State at Oregon State, TBA  
 \*Oregon at USC, TBA  
 \*Washington State at Utah, TBA

**Week Eleven (Nov. 10)**

\***Colorado** at Arizona, TBA  
 \*Arizona State USC, TBA  
 \*UCLA at Washington State, TBA  
 \*Oregon at California, TBA  
 \*Oregon State at Stanford, TBA  
 \*Utah at Washington, TBA

**Week Twelve (Nov. 17)**

\*Washington at **Colorado**, TBA  
 \*Arizona at Utah, TBA  
 \*California at Oregon State, TBA  
 \*Stanford at Oregon, TBA  
 \*USC at UCLA, TBA  
 \*Washington State at Arizona State, TBA

**Week Thirteen (Nov. 24)**

(Nov. 23) \*Utah at **Colorado** (FOX or FX), 1:00 p.m.  
 (Nov. 23) \*Washington at Washington State (FOX or FX), 1:30 p.m.  
 (Nov. 23) \*Arizona State at Arizona (ESPN), 8:00 p.m.  
 \*Oregon at Oregon State, TBA  
 \*Stanford at UCLA, TBA  
 Notre Dame at USC (ABC or ESPN), TBA

**Week Fourteen (Nov. 30)**

Pac-12 Championship Game (FOX), 6:20 p.m.

All times listed are MDT/MST. \*—denotes Pacific-12 Conference game. Television selections Sept. 22 and beyond are made on 12 days' notice by the Pac-12 television partners (ESPN/ABC, FOX, Pac-12 Networks); ESPN/ABC also has an option of utilizing a 6-day selection process three times annually. With the debut of the Pac-12 Networks (National; Arizona, Mountain, Oregon, Northern California, Southern California, Washington), all conference games and all home non-league games will be televised in 2012. 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 Pac-12, ACC, Big East, Big 10 or Big 12). ESPN/ESPN 2 will utilize several windows, including a 7 p.m. MT window on Thursdays, with those games preselected ahead of the season. FOX is expanding its coverage of the regular season and will air games on both its parent network and FX.

**2012 PAC-12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS****South Division (E)**

School (AP/Coaches/Harris/BCS)	conference					overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up
Arizona (#22/#21/--/--)	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0	1.000	139	55	S 22 at Oregon
UCLA (#19/#19/--/--)	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0	1.000	122	60	S 22 OREGON STATE
Arizona State (--/RV/--/--)	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	.667	128	44	S 22 UTAH
Utah (RV/RV/--/--)	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	.667	85	48	S 22 at Arizona State
<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>S 22 at Washington State</b>
Southern California (#13/#12/--/--)	0	1	.000	14	21	2	1	.667	105	60	S 22 CALIFORNIA

**North Division (E)**

School (AP/Coaches/Harris/BCS)	conference					overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up
Stanford (#9/#11/--/--)	1	0	1.000	21	14	3	0	1.000	91	44	S 27 at Washington
Oregon (#3/#3/--/--)	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0	1.000	162	73	S 22 ARIZONA
Oregon State (RV/RV/--/--)	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	1.000	10	7	S 22 at UCLA
Washington (--/RV/--/--)	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	.667	76	66	S 27 STANFORD
Washington State	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	.667	65	77	S 22 COLORADO
California	0	0	.000	0	0	1	2	.333	102	97	S 22 at Southern California



**A LOOK AT THE PAC-12 DIVISIONS**

Late in 2010, the divisions in football for the new Pac-12 were announced: CU joined Arizona, Arizona State, Southern California, UCLA and Utah in the Pac-12 South; the Oregon and Washington schools along with Cal and Stanford comprise the Pac-12 North. Here's a look at the divisions and the all-time records of each program as listed by the NCAA through games of September 15 (2012 records in parenthesis):

<b>PAC-12 SOUTH</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Games</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>PAC-12 NORTH</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Games</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct.</b>
Arizona (3-0).....	109	1,024	568	423	33	.570	California (1-2).....	120	1,210	656	502	52	.564
Arizona State (2-1).....	100	944	563	357	24	.609	Oregon (3-0).....	117	1,123	605	472	46	.558
Colorado (0-3).....	<b>123</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>.595</b>	Oregon State (1-0).....	116	1,100	503	547	50	.480
Southern California (2-1).....	120	1,149	781	314	54	.704	Stanford (3-0).....	106	1,069	586	434	49	.570
UCLA (3-0).....	94	976	558	381	37	.590	Washington (2-1).....	123	1,141	672	419	50	.611
Utah (2-1).....	119	1,085	625	429	31	.590	Washington State (2-1).....	117	1,062	503	514	45	.494
<b>Totals .....</b>		<b>6,343</b>	<b>3769</b>	<b>2359</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>.611</b>	<b>Totals.....</b>		<b>6,705</b>	<b>3525</b>	<b>2888</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>.547</b>

**ALL-TIME PAC-12 HEAD-TO-HEAD STANDINGS**

A look at the team versus team histories in the Pac-12 (won-lost-tied):

<b>School</b>	<b>UA</b>	<b>ASU</b>	<b>CAL</b>	<b>COLO</b>	<b>OREG</b>	<b>OSU</b>	<b>STAN</b>	<b>UCLA</b>	<b>USC</b>	<b>UTAH</b>	<b>WASH</b>	<b>WSU</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Arizona	.....	38-36-1	15-14-2	1-13	14-23	21-14-1	14-13	14-19-2	7-26	15-20-2	9-18-1	25-13	174-208-9
Arizona State	36-38-1	.....	14-17	3-0	16-16	26-11-1	16-11	10-17-1	10-18	17-6	16-14	24-12-2	188-160-5
California	14-15-2	17-14	.....	4-2	37-32-1	33-30	41-44-6	31-50-1	29-63-5	5-3	38-47-3	43-25-5	292-325-23
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>13-1</b>	<b>0-3</b>	<b>2-4</b>	.....	<b>8-8</b>	<b>2-3</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>2-5</b>	<b>0-6</b>	<b>31-24-3</b>	<b>5-6-1</b>	<b>4-3</b>	<b>70-67-4</b>
Oregon	23-14	16-16	32-37-1	8-8	.....	46-43-6	30-41-1	26-39	17-38-2	18-8	37-51-4	44-33-6	296-328-20
Oregon State	14-21-1	11-26-1	30-33	3-2	43-46-6	.....	25-50-3	15-41-4	10-59-4	9-6-1	31-50-2	39-46-3	230-380-25
Stanford	13-14	11-16	44-41-6	4-3	41-30-1	50-25-3	.....	34-45-3	28-59-3	2-2	37-40-4	36-25-1	300-300-21
UCLA	19-14-2	17-10-1	50-31-1	5-2	39-26	41-15-4	45-34-3	.....	28-46-7	8-2	38-30-2	39-18-1	329-228-21
USC	26-7	18-10	63-25-4	6-0	38-17-2	59-10-4	59-28-3	46-28-7	.....	7-3	50-28-4	58-8-4	430-164-28
Utah	20-15-2	6-17	3-5	24-31-3	8-18	6-9-1	2-2	2-8	3-7	.....	0-7	6-5	80-124-6
Washington	9-18-1	14-16	47-38-3	6-5-1	51-37-4	50-31-2	40-37-4	30-38-2	28-50-2	7-0	.....	59-29-4	341-291-23
Washington State	13-25	12-24-2	25-43-5	3-4	33-44-6	46-39-3	25-36-1	18-39-1	8-58-4	5-6	29-59-4	.....	209-319-22

**PAC-12/BIG 12 ROLL CALL**

Colorado's move from the Big 12 to Pac-12 wasn't a surprise to most; CU's demographics for years have shown that outside of Colorado, western states and in particular California, have supplied CU with the most students and have the most alumni. In the Fall 2010 enrollment numbers, after the state of Colorado's 16,964 undergraduates, California was second with 2,034 (unspecified came in third with 678, so both Colorado and California likely had a few more). The five Pac-12 states were represented by 2,457 total students (California 2,034; Washington 187; Arizona 143; Oregon 66; Utah 27), while the six Big 12 states sent just 832 to Boulder (Texas 564, Missouri 109, Kansas 65, Oklahoma 37, Iowa 35 and Nebraska 22). As for the living alumni numbers, there are 36,000 in the Pac-12 states (led by 23,500 in California), with 11,000 in the Big 12 states (topped by 6,373 in Texas); there are over 100,000 in Colorado.

**PAC-12 INSTITUTIONS AMONG THE WORLD'S BEST, BUFFS WHERE THEY BELONG**

The Center of World-Class Universities of Shanghai Jiao Tong University has recognized the academic excellence of Pac-12 member institutions in its 2011 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU). Stanford, Cal and UCLA were three of the top 10 U.S. universities in the rankings, leaving the Pac-12 second only to the Ivy League, which had four in the top 10. Harvard was No. 1, followed by Stanford, MIT, California and Cambridge (England). Overall, nine Pac-12 schools were ranked in the top 100 schools worldwide, including Stanford (2), Cal (4), UCLA (12), Washington (16), **Colorado** (32), USC (46), Arizona State (78), Utah (79) and Arizona (80). As for CU's former conference, the Big 12? Texas (35) and soon-to-be in another conference, Texas A&M (100) were the only two in the top 100. So for those who claimed Colorado's academics didn't fit in with the Pac-12, they might want to do a little research.

**PERCEPTION**

Here's a quick fact when it comes to CU and Utah joining the Pac-12: 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).

**FOLSOM FIELD RANKED SEVENTH TOUGHEST PLACE TO PLAY**

Yahoo! Sports recently came out with its top 25 toughest places to play list, and lo and behold, Folsom Field came in at No. 7. In ranking CU in that spot, Yahoo! wrote: "Folsom Field, home of the Colorado Buffaloes, is one of the most underrated venues in college sports. The fans here always cheer hard and loud, and they are quite respectful and friendly to visiting fans." The Top 10 were comprised of: 1. Ohio State (*Ohio Stadium*); 2. Florida (*Ben Hill Griffin Stadium, a.k.a., the Swamp*); 3. Louisiana State (*Tiger Stadium, a.k.a., Death Valley*); 4. Auburn (*Jordan-Hare Stadium*); 5. Michigan State (*Spartan Stadium*); 6. Miami, Fla. (*Sun Life Stadium*); **7. Colorado (Folsom Field)**; 8. West Virginia (*Mountaineer Field at Milan Puskar Stadium*); 9. Iowa (*Kinnick Stadium*); 10. Texas A&M (*Kyle Field*). The next Pac-12 school on the list was Oregon (*Autzen Stadium*) at No. 21, with Washington at No. 23 (*Husky Stadium*).

**ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS****RUSHING**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90) .....	699	3,940	5.63	41
2	Rodney Stewart (2008-11) .....	809	3,598	4.45	25
3	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94) .....	486	3,057	6.29	33
4	Bobby Purify (2000-04) .....	595	3,016	5.07	20
5	Charlie Davis (1971-73) .....	538	2,958	5.50	24
6	Chris Brown (2001-02) .....	465	2,690	5.78	34
7	Hugh Charles (2004-07) .....	517	2,659	5.14	15
8	James Mayberry (1975-78) .....	546	2,544	4.66	25
9	Herchell Troutman (1994-97) .....	568	2,487	4.38	21
10	Bob Anderson (1967-69) .....	568	2,367	4.17	34
108	<b>Tony Jones (2011-12) .....</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>3.56</b>	<b>2</b>

**PASSING**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	Rating
1	Cody Hawkins (2007-10) .....	1214-667-41	54.9	7,409	60	115.76
2	Joel Klatt (2002-05) .....	1095-666-33	60.8	7,375	44	124.63
3	Kordell Stewart (1991-94) .....	785-456-19	58.1	6,481	33	136.47
4	Tyler Hansen (2008-11) .....	872-505-28	57.9	5,705	35	119.69
5	Koy Detmer (1992-96) .....	594-350-25	58.9	5,390	40	148.95
6	Mike Moschetti (1998-99) .....	607-366-19	60.3	4,797	33	138.36
7	John Hessler (1994-97) .....	627-347-26	55.3	4,788	34	129.09
8	Steve Vogel (1981-84) .....	688-309-33	44.9	3,912	27	96.03
9	Darian Hagan (1988-91) .....	424-213-19	50.2	3,801	27	137.59
10	Craig Ochs (2000-02) .....	453-265-15	58.5	3,325	16	125.19

**RECEIVING (Receptions)**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
1	Scotty McKnight (2007-10) .....	215	2,521	11.7	22
2	Michael Westbrook (1991-94) .....	167	2,548	15.3	19
3	Phil Savoy (1994-97) .....	152	2,176	14.3	14
4	Jaron Green (1997-2000) .....	136	2,031	14.9	17
5	Rae Carruth (1992-96) .....	135	2,540	18.8	20
10	Patrick Williams (2005-08) .....	104	1,070	10.3	3
11	Dusty Sprague (2004-07) .....	103	1,261	12.2	4
12	*Christian Fauria (1991-94) .....	98	1,058	10.8	11
13	Darrin Chiaverini (1995-98) .....	97	1,199	12.4	6
14	D.J. Hackett (2002-03) .....	93	1,194	12.8	9
14	Rodney Stewart (2008-11) .....	93	969	10.4	0
16	*Dave Hestera (1981-83) .....	91	1,057	11.6	2
17	*Riar Geer (2006-09) .....	87	974	11.2	11
18	Lee Rouson (1981-84) .....	86	699	8.1	4
18	Toney Clemons (2010-11) .....	86	1,162	13.5	11
20	Marcus Stiggers (1996-99) .....	80	1,223	15.3	10
20	*Jon Embree (1983-86) .....	80	1,166	14.6	5
20	*Joe Klopfenstein (2002-05) .....	80	937	11.7	12
23	John Minardi (1998-2001) .....	79	971	12.3	6
24	Loy Alexander (1983-85) .....	78	1,107	14.2	8
25	<b>Paul Richardson (2010-11) .....</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>11</b>

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3	Scotty McKnight (2007-10) .....	215	2,521	11.7	22
4	Charles E. Johnson (1990-93) .....	127	2,447	19.3	15
5	Phil Savoy (1994-97) .....	152	2,176	14.3	14
6	Derek McCoy (2000-03) .....	134	2,038	15.2	20
7	Jaron Green (1997-2000) .....	136	2,031	14.9	17
8	*Daniel Graham (1998-2001) .....	106	1,543	14.6	11
9	Monte Huber (1967-69) .....	111	1,436	12.9	5
10	Dusty Sprague (2004-07) .....	103	1,261	12.2	4
11	Mike Pritchard (1987-90) .....	47	1,241	26.4	10
12	Marcus Stiggers (1996-99) .....	80	1,223	15.1	10
13	Ron Brown (1981-85) .....	57	1,217	21.4	8
14	Darrin Chiaverini (1995-98) .....	97	1,199	12.4	6
15	D.J. Hackett (2002-03) .....	93	1,194	12.8	9
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17	Toney Clemons (2010-11) .....	86	1,162	13.5	11
18	Loy Alexander (1983-85) .....	78	1,107	14.2	8
19	Dave Logan (1972-75) .....	68	1,078	15.9	4
20	Patrick Williams (2005-08) .....	104	1,070	10.3	3
21	<b>Paul Richardson (2010-11) .....</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>1,069</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>11</b>

**TOTAL OFFENSE**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Pass	Total	TDR
1	Kordell Stewart (1991-94) .....	1,289	6,481	7,770	48
2	Cody Hawkins (2007-10) .....	-159	7,409	7,250	67
3	Joel Klatt (2002-05) .....	-130	7,375	7,245	47
4	Tyler Hansen (2008-11) .....	478	5,705	6,183	43
5	Darian Hagan (1988-91) .....	2,007	3,801	5,808	54
6	Koy Detmer (1992-96) .....	-31	5,390	5,359	43
7	John Hessler (1994-97) .....	276	4,788	5,064	44
8	Mike Moschetti (1998-99) .....	70	4,797	4,867	40
9	Bobby Anderson (1967-69) .....	2,367	2,198	4,565	43
10	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90) .....	3,940	63	4,003	42

**YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Rec	Total
1	Rodney Stewart (2008-11) .....	3,598	969	4,567
2	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90) .....	3,940	380	4,320
3	Bobby Purify (2000-04) .....	3,016	508	3,524
4	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94) .....	3,057	412	3,469
5	Herchell Troutman (1994-97) .....	2,487	725	3,212

**ALL-PURPOSE YARDS**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Rush	Rec	KOR	PR	Total
1	Rodney Stewart (2008-11) .....	3,598	969	239	22	4,828
2	Eric Bieniemy (1987-90) .....	3,940	380	31	0	4,351
3	Hugh Charles (2004-07) .....	2,659	552	411	0	3,622
4	Byron White (1935-37) .....	1,864	234	506	973	3,577
5	Herchell Troutman (1994-97) .....	2,487	725	240	91	3,543
6	Bobby Purify (2000-04) .....	3,016	508	0	0	3,524
7	Rashaan Salaam (1992-94) .....	3,057	412	13	0	3,482
8	Charlie Davis (1971-73) .....	2,958	131	75	0	3,164
9	Carroll Hardy (1951-54) .....	1,999	38	853	225	3,115
10	Kayo Lam (1933-35) .....	2,140	111	331	530	3,112
15	Merwin Hodel (1949-51) .....	2,102	540	255	13	2,910
20	Bob Stransky (1955-57) .....	1,868	37	459	396	2,760
25	Cliff Branch (1970-71) .....	354	665	755	733	2,507

**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	Merwin Hodel (1949-51) .....	28	0-0	0-0	0-0	168
9	Aric Goodman (2008-10) .....	0	0-0	93-96	25-47	168
11	J.J. Flannigan (1987-89) .....	27	0-0	0-0	0-0	162
11	Darian Hagan (1988-91) .....	27	0-4	0-0	0-0	162
13	Neil Voskeritchian (1994-95) .....	0	0-0	95-96	22-34	161
14	Herchell Troutman (1994-97) .....	26	1-1	0-0	0-0	158
14	Charlie Davis (1971-73) .....	26	1-1	0-0	0-0	158
16	Ken Culbertson (1986-89) .....	0	0-0	85-87	23-41	154
17	Carroll Hardy (1951-54) .....	23	0-0	14-19	0-0	152
18	James Mayberry (1975-78) .....	25	0-0	0-0	0-0	150
18	Rodney Stewart (2008-11) .....	25	0-0	0-0	0-0	150
20	Dave Haney (1968-70) .....	0	0-0	86-92	21-35	149
22	Bob Stransky (1955-57) .....	21	0-0	12-22	0-0	138
22	Lamont Warren (1991-93) .....	23	0-0	0-0	0-0	138
22	Scotty McKnight (2007-10) .....	23	0-0	0-0	0-0	138
25	Jim Harper (1990-91) .....	0	0-0	71-74	22-35	137
26	Roger Williams (1950-52) .....	12	0-0	61-81	1-1	136
27	Rae Carruth (1992-96) .....	22	0-0	0-0	0-0	132
27	Cortlen Johnson (1998-2001) .....	22	0-0	0-0	0-0	132
29	Terry Kunz (1972-75) .....	21	0-0	0-0	0-0	126
29	Bobby Purify (2000-04) .....	21	0-0	0-0	0-0	126
49	Kordell Stewart (1991-94) .....	15	0-1	0-0	0-0	90
51	Ed Pudlik (1946-49) .....	11	0-0	21-27	0-0	87
53	Leo Stasica (1939-40) .....	14	1-1	0-0	0-0	86
63	<b>Paul Richardson (2010-11) .....</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>80</b>
69	<b>Will Oliver (2011-12) .....</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>37-39</b>	<b>12-17</b>	<b>73</b>

**ACTIVE COLORADO CAREER STATISTICAL CHARTS, CONTINUED****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	Aric Goodman (2008-10) .....	93-96	25-47	168
5	Neil Voskeritchian (1994-95) .....	95-96	22-34	161
6	Ken Culbertson (1986-89) .....	85-87	23-41	154
7	Dave Haney (1968-70) .....	86-92	21-35	149
8	Jim Harper (1990-91) .....	71-74	22-35	137
9	Fred Lima (1972-73) .....	59-62	21-45	122
10	Mitch Berger (1991-93) .....	54-56	19-32	111
18	Will Oliver (2011-12) .....	37-39	12-17	73

**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

**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	.....	.....	..

**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	Jordan Dizon (LB, 2004-07) .....	293	147	—	440
5	Ted Johnson (LB, 1991-94) .....	253	156	—	409
6	Laval Short (DL, 1976-79) .....	141	231	—	372
7	Chad Brown (LB, 1989-92) .....	242	127	—	369
8	Michael Jones (LB, 1986-89) .....	218	131	—	349
9	Thaddeus Washington (LB, 2003-06) .....	202	136	—	338
10	Michael Lewis (DB, 1998-2001) .....	225	111	—	336
20	Hannibal Navies (LB, 1995-98) .....	182	92	—	274
30	Billie Drake (LB, 1970-72) .....	82	170	—	252
40	Eric McCarty (LB, 1986-87) .....	135	102	—	237
50	Leonard Renfro (DL, 1989-92) .....	153	68	—	221
51	Bart Roth (LB, 1974-76) .....	97	123	—	220
52	Mike Phillips (LB, 1994-97) .....	131	86	—	217
53	Greg Jones (LB, 1992-96) .....	129	87	—	216
53	Brian Iwuh (LB, 2002-05) .....	153	63	—	216
55	Bud Magrum (LB, 1971-72) .....	78	137	—	215
56	Terry Irvin (LB, 1980-83) .....	118	96	—	214
57	Pete Perry (DL, 1980-81) .....	94	118	—	212
58	Ellis Wood (DB, 1979-82) .....	125	85	—	210
59	Randy Westendorf (LB, 1974-77) .....	92	113	—	205
60	Pat Murphy (DB, 1968-70) .....	87	114	—	201
61	Kerry Mottl (LB, 1965-67) .....	87	111	—	198
61	Gary Campbell (LB, 1974-75) .....	97	101	—	198
63	Robbie Robinson (DB, 1999-2001) .....	137	60	—	197
64	Sean Tufts (LB, 2000-03) .....	113	83	—	196
65	Ray Polk (DB, 2009-12) .....	126	69	—	195
66	John Stearns (DB, 1970-72) .....	105	89	—	194
67	Rashidi Barnes (DB, 1996-99) .....	122	71	—	193
67	Mark Shoop (DL, 1980-82) .....	105	88	—	193
68	Joel Steed (DL, 1988-91) .....	122	70	—	192
70	Dan McMillen (LB, 1982-85) .....	99	91	—	190
70	Kyle Rappold (DL, 1985-87) .....	115	75	—	190
70	Ron Woolfork (LB, 1990-93) .....	133	57	—	190
73	Dave Capra (DL, 1968-70) .....	58	131	—	189
73	Herb Orvis (DL, 1969-71) .....	79	110	—	189
75	Tom Reinhardt (DL, 1985-88) .....	97	91	—	188
76	Ray Cone (LB, 1980-82) .....	103	81	—	184
76	Viliani Maunau (DT, 1994-97) .....	83	101	—	184

78	Jimmy Smith (DB, 2007-10) .....	141	42	—	183
78	Jon Major (LB, 2009-12) .....	114	69	—	183
78	Ryan Sutter (DB, 1994-97) .....	109	74	—	183
78	Michael Sipili (LB, 2006-10) .....	99	84	—	183
81	Shannon Clavelle (DT, 1992-94) .....	114	68	—	182
81	Charlie Greer (DB, 1965-67) .....	99	83	—	182
83	Akarika Dawn (LB, 2002-05) .....	122	58	—	180
84	Rocky Martin (LB, 1967-68) .....	65	113	—	178
84	Kerry Hicks (DT, 1992-95) .....	102	76	—	178
86	Tim James (DB, 1986-90) .....	138	39	—	177
87	Ed Shoen (LB, 1972-74) .....	73	103	—	176
87	Deon Figures (DB, 1988-92) .....	128	48	—	176
89	David Tate (DB, 1984-87) .....	117	58	—	175
90	Charlie Johnson (DL, 1975-76) .....	77	96	—	173
91	Arthur Walker (DT, 1986-89) .....	92	78	—	170
92	Marcus Washington (DB, 1995-98) .....	111	57	—	168
93	Jalil Brown (DB, 2007-10) .....	113	54	—	167
94	Will Pericak (DL, 2009-12) .....	98	67	—	165

**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
12	Kanavis McGhee (1987-90) .....	15	97
12	Josh Hartigan (2008-11) .....	15	90
23	Chidera Uzo-Diribe (2010-12) .....	12	84

**TACKLES FOR LOSS**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	No.	Yards
1	Alfred Williams (1987-90) .....	59	303
2	Ron Woolfork (1990-93) .....	53	303
3	Greg Jones (1992-96) .....	45	205
4	Matt Russell (1993-96) .....	44	144
5	Leonard Renfro (1989-92) .....	43	142
11	Jordan Dizon (2004-07) .....	35	137
21	Ruben Vaughan (1975-78) .....	28	115
21	Ryan Olson (1994-97) .....	28	107
23	Marques Harris (2000-03) .....	26	102
24	Dave Capra (1968-70) .....	25	95
24	Tyler Brayton (1999-2002) .....	25	119
24	J.J. Billingsley (2002-06) .....	25	115
---	Chidera Uzo-Diribe (2010-12) .....	16	85

**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	Arthur Jaffee (2008-11) .....	21	13	—	34
6	Andy Peeke (1998-2001) .....	26	5	—	31
7	Derrick Webb (2010-12) .....	17	12	—	29
8	Hannibal Navies (1995-98) .....	15	13	—	28
9	Greg Lindsey (1990-93) .....	23	4	—	27
10	Rashidi Barnes (1996-99) .....	11	15	—	26
---	Terrel Smith (2010-12) .....	14	5	—	19

**SPECIAL TEAMS POINTS**

Rk	Player (Seasons)	Points
1	Ryan Sutter (1994-97) .....	123
2	Arthur Jaffee (2008-11) .....	88
3	Darren Fisk (1995-97) .....	86
4	Travis Sandersfeld (2008-11) .....	72
5	Ryan Black (1994-97) .....	68
6	Jalil Brown (2007-10) .....	65
6	Derrick Webb (2010-12) .....	65
8	Paul Rose (1987-90) .....	63
9	Andy Peeke (1998-2001) .....	56
10	Brandon Southward (1995-98) .....	54
---	Doug Rippey (2009-12) .....	39
---	Terrel Smith (2010-12) .....	34

**ALL-BLACK UNIFORMS**

Colorado wore its all black uniforms, complete with a black helmet, for the Southern California game; it was the first time since 2009 that the Buffs donned the look, and just the second time CU has ever worn a black helmet (along with a 1998 “throwback” game against Baylor). A little history on the all-black look: the brainchild of then-head coach Bill McCartney, CU first wore the garb on Nov. 28, 1987 for a CU game after Thanksgiving at the time; the opponent was CU’s old Big 8 rival, Nebraska. The Buffs came out and warmed up in gold pants, and upon returning to the lockerroom at the conclusion of warm-ups, the players found black pants hanging in their lockers. “It was something we thought about a long time ago,” Mac said at the time. “You couldn’t do this overnight. We didn’t tell the kids, and they were real excited.” He went on to say that it was planned a month or so out to give the team a shot of adrenaline prior to kickoff.

**COLORADO / ALL-BLACK UNIFORMS (21-19-1)**

Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result
1987	Nebraska	L 7-24	1999	Nebraska (OT)	L 30-33	2006	Texas Tech	W 30-6
1988	Oklahoma	L 14-17	2000	Iowa State	L 27-35		Kansas State	L 21-34
1990	Iowa State	W 28-12	2001	Nebraska	W 62-36		Iowa State	W 33-16
1991	Missouri	W 55-7	2002	Kansas State	W 35-31	2007	c—Colorado St. (OT)	W 31-28
1992	Oklahoma	T 24-24		Baylor	W 34-0		Florida State	L 6-16
1993	Nebraska	L 17-21		Texas Tech	W 37-13		Nebraska	W 65-51
1994	Oklahoma State	W 17-3		Iowa State	W 41-27	2008	c—Colorado State	W 38-17
1995	Missouri	W 21-0		b—Oklahoma	L 7-29		West Virginia (OT)	W 17-14
	a—Oregon	W 38-6	2003	Oklahoma	L 20-34		Texas	L 14-38
1996	Texas	W 28-24		Nebraska	L 22-31		Oklahoma State	L 17-30
	Kansas State	W 12-0	2004	Colorado State	W 27-24	2009	Colorado State	L 17-23
1997	Kansas	W 42-6		Texas	L 7-31		Nebraska	L 20-28
	Missouri	L 31-41		Kansas State	W 38-31	2011	Southern Cal	L 17-42
1998	Kansas State	L 9-16	2005	Nebraska	L 3-30			

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

**BLACK HELMETS:** Colorado has worn black helmets on three occasions in its history, the first time with a silver buffalo logo and the last two with a gold one. The games:

Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result	Year	Opponent	Result
1998	BAYLOR	W 18-16	2011	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	L 17-42	2011	at UCLA	L 6-45

**2012 COLORADO FOOTBALL STAFF**

<b>Head Coach</b>	Jon Embree ( <i>Colorado '87</i> )
<b>Assistant Head Coach / Quarterbacks</b>	Rip Scherer ( <i>William &amp; Mary '74</i> )
<b>Offensive Coordinator / Running Backs</b>	Eric Bieniemy ( <i>Colorado '01</i> )
<b>Passing Game Coordinator / Tight Ends / Special Teams</b>	J.D. Brookhart ( <i>Colorado State '88</i> )
<b>Offensive Line</b>	Steve Marshall ( <i>Louisville '79</i> )
<b>Receivers</b>	Bobby Kennedy ( <i>Northern Colorado '89</i> )
<b>Defensive Coordinator / Secondary</b>	Greg Brown ( <i>Texas El-Paso '80</i> )
<b>Defensive Run Game Coordinator / Linebackers</b>	Brian Cabral ( <i>Colorado '78</i> )
<b>Defensive Line / Assistant Special Teams</b>	Kanavis McGhee ( <i>Colorado '95</i> )
<b>Defensive Line</b>	Mike Tuiasosopo ( <i>Pacific Lutheran '89</i> )
<b>Offensive Graduate Assistant</b>	T.C. McCartney ( <i>Louisiana State '11</i> )
<b>Offensive Graduate Assistant</b>	Mike Pitre ( <i>UCLA '07</i> )
<b>Defensive Graduate Assistant</b>	Cha'pelle Brown ( <i>Colorado '11</i> )
<b>Defensive Graduate Assistant</b>	Jeff Smart ( <i>Colorado '09</i> )
<b>Technical Intern</b>	Dominick Magazu ( <i>Appalachian State '10</i> )
<b>Technical Intern</b>	TBA (Anthony Perkins ( <i>Colorado '10</i> ), currently in Bronco camp)
<b>Technical Intern</b>	Ryan Scherer ( <i>Penn State '12</i> )
<b>Technical Intern</b>	Albert Young ( <i>Iowa '08</i> )
<b>Director of Football Operations</b>	Jashon Sykes ( <i>Colorado '02</i> )
<b>Director of Player Personnel</b>	Darian Hagan ( <i>Colorado '96</i> )
<b>Director of High School Relations</b>	Kirk Jones ( <i>Metro State '09</i> )
<b>Assistant Director of Player Personnel</b>	Max Allen ( <i>Colorado '10</i> )
<b>Director of Strength &amp; Conditioning</b>	Malcolm Blacken ( <i>Virginia Tech '89</i> )



**2011 QUICK SUMMARY**

**Jon Embree** was looking to join Rick Neuheisel as the only first full-time CU head coaches in the last 80 years to win their Buffalo debut, but Hawai'i spoiled the party with a 34-17 win in the '11 – and Embree's – opener. It started Colorado down the path of a 3-10 season, their first year as a member of the Pac-12; the Buffs were 2-7 in league games, tying for fifth in the South Division. Disappointment would follow in game two, as California rallied late and defeated CU, 36-33, in overtime; sophomore wide receiver Paul Richardson was the national player of the week despite the loss, as he caught 11 passes for a school record 284 yards and two scores. Embree and the Buffs got their first win in week three, defeating Colorado State in Denver, 28-14, but CU then proceeded to drop its next seven games. After dropping a 37-17 contest at Ohio State where field position got the best of the Buffs (OSU's average start was the CU 47, the Buffs their own 18), CU suffered another heartbreaker, losing a 10-point lead late against Washington State in a 31-27 home loss. The next five losses were by a combined 171 points, with USC's Matt Barkley throwing six touchdown passes as the Trojans pulled away for a 42-17 win in CU's first-ever Friday night home game. A week and a day later, the Buffs came out determined on Senior Day as the offense exploded in a 48-29 win over Arizona; Rodney Stewart accounted for 204 yards and three scores, including a TD pass to quarterback Tyler Hansen. The next game had plenty of storylines, as the Buffs went up against UCLA and Embree's former mentor in Neuheisel, with it being the Bruins' Senior Day, one of whom was Embree's oldest son, Taylor, a wide receiver. UCLA needed a win to keep its hopes alive for the league title game, which it would eventually make after dispatching the Buffs, 45-6. Colorado did finally win away from Boulder for the first time since 2007, snapping a 23-game road losing streak with a 17-14 win at Utah in the season finale. The win exacted a bit of revenge some 50 years after the Utes knocked CU out of the national title chase, handing the No. 8 Buffs their first and only regular season loss by a 21-12 count in Boulder back in '61. CU's upset win prevented Utah from winning the Pac-12 South Division title and a spot in the league's inaugural title game. The team endured the second-worst season on record when it came to injuries, as the Buffs lost 115 games in the two-deep (52 starts), or 20.1 percent of the total number of man games for the season.

**2011: SECOND WORST INJURY YEAR ON RECORD**

Colorado endured its second-worst season when it came to games lost due to injury by players who figured in either the two-deep or prominently on special teams, which was 20.1 percent of the possible 572 games (13 games times 44). Colorado lost a total of **115** games by those players in 2011 to injury, second only to the 20.8 percent (110 of 528) lost in 2008. The number jumped to 141 games lost when counting all players that were not ticketed to redshirt (with that 12.8 percent figure being the highest since the info started to be tracked in 1987). The injuries mounted throughout the year, mainly in the secondary and then perhaps the final straw coming in the 52-24 loss at Washington when the Buffaloes lost two of its top players, junior **ILB Douglas Rippy** (torn knee ligaments), and his cousin, senior **TB Rodney Stewart** (severely sprained knee). CU had already lost WR Paul Richardson to a severe knee sprain in practice the previous week; Stewart and Richardson would return but were never 100 percent again (in fact, Stewart let the Utah game early).

Below are the worst regular seasons for injuries/illness for the CU program over the last 25 years (KEY: GL—Games lost to injury; GL/2—Games lost by 2-deep scrimmage 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
2008	12	121	1008	12.0	110	528	20.8	2010	12	103	924	11.1	88	528	16.7
<b>2011</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>1066</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>20.1</b>	2002	13	139	1118	12.4	80	572	14.0
1998	11	101	864	11.7	89	484	18.4	2003	12	74	876	8.4	58	528	11.0
2000	11	101	880	11.5	82	484	16.9	1997	11	51	770	6.6	41	484	8.5

Dating back to 1987, only eight times has CU lost over five percent of its "man game" count due to injury (1995-97-98-2000-02-03-08-10).

**IN-SEASON BIRTHDAYS**

Here's the list of those coaches and players who have birthdays to celebrate during the 2012 season (starting last week of August; \*—denotes on a game day):

<b>Aug. 24</b> Justin Castor (21)	<b>Sept. 25</b> Jashon Sykes (33)	<b>Oct. 17</b> Kyle Washington (20)	<b>Nov. 22</b> Jeff Smart (26)	<b>Dec. 19</b> Vince Ewing (23)
<b>Aug. 29</b> Terrel Smith (20)	<b>Sept. 30</b> David Bakhtiari (21)	<b>Oct. 24</b> Kirk Poston (21)	<b>Nov. 23</b> *Will Oliver (20)	<b>Dec. 21</b> Darragh O'Neill (21)
<b>Aug. 29</b> John Stuart (20)	<b>Oct. 1</b> Derrick Webb (22)	<b>Nov. 1</b> Clay Norgard (19)	<b>Nov. 23</b> *Josh Moten (21)	<b>Dec. 26</b> Woodson Greer III (20)
<b>Aug. 31</b> Kyle Slavin (21)	<b>Oct. 4</b> Kanavis McGhee (44)	<b>Nov. 5</b> Nick Kasa (22)	<b>Nov. 24</b> Davien Payne (20)	<b>Dec. 27</b> Greg Henderson (20)
<b>Sept. 2</b> Keegan LaMar (20)	<b>Oct. 7</b> Lowell Williams (21)	<b>Nov. 6</b> David Bagby (19)	<b>Dec. 1</b> Alex Kelley (20)	<b>Dec. 28</b> Tommy Papillon (23)
<b>Sept. 8</b> *Richard Yates (20)	<b>Oct. 7</b> Keenan Canty (20)	<b>Nov. 8</b> Connor Wood (21)	<b>Dec. 5</b> Nelson Spruce (20)	<b>Dec. 30</b> Malcolm Creer (20)
<b>Sept. 8</b> *Jean Onaga	<b>Oct. 10</b> Greg Brown (55)	<b>Nov. 13</b> Brady Daigh (20)	<b>Dec. 7</b> Stephane Nembot (21)	<b>Dec. 30</b> Will Pericak (23)
<b>Sept. 9</b> Zach Grossnickle (22)	<b>Oct. 12</b> Austin Ray (19)	<b>Nov. 13</b> Douglas Rippy (23)	<b>Dec. 8</b> Kirk Jones (28)	<b>Jan. 7</b> De'Jon Wilson (19)
<b>Sept. 10</b> Mike Tuiaosopo (49)	<b>Oct. 14</b> DaVaughn Thornton (22)	<b>Nov. 14</b> Harrison Hunter (21)	<b>Dec. 8</b> Vincent Hobbs (19)	
<b>Sept. 21</b> Brandon Brisco (20)	<b>Oct. 15</b> Jon Embree (47)	<b>Nov. 17</b> *Miguel Rueda (41)	<b>Dec. 14</b> Terrence Crowder (18)	
<b>Sept. 21</b> Tyler Henington (19)	<b>Oct. 16</b> J.D. Brookhart (48)	<b>Nov. 18</b> Jarrod Darden (22)	<b>Dec. 15</b> Paul Vigo (23)	

**GAME 1****COLORADO STATE 22, COLORADO 17****SEPTEMBER 1, 2012****SPORTS AUTHORITY FIELD AT MILE HIGH, DENVER**

**DENVER** - Colorado State capitalized on a sloppy first-half finish by Colorado and got three field goals by Jared Roberts - two in the final quarter - to upset the Buffaloes 22-17 Saturday at Sports Authority Field at Mile High before 58,607.

In the hottest game on record in the state of Colorado for the Buffs (94 degrees at kickoff), this sweltering day belonged to CSU, which fell behind 14-3 late in the second quarter but outscored CU 19-3 in the final 31 minutes to stun the Buffs

After spotting CSU a 3-0 lead with two three-and-out possessions, CU surged back behind the passing of junior Jordan Webb, making his debut, and went up 14-3 with barely 4½ minutes left in the half. CU's defense held after a turnover one time but couldn't a second time. Sophomore D.D. Goodson muffed a punt and the Rams recovered at the Buffs' 20-yard line. One play later, Garrett Grayson found Dominique Vinson wide open in the end zone to cut the lead to 14-9 with just 26 seconds left in the half.

In the second quarter, Webb threw touchdown passes to Spruce (15 yards) and Tyler McCulloch (9 yards) and finished the half 15-of-23 for 135 yards and the two scores. After his TD toss to McCulloch, Webb had connected on 14-of-18 passes after starting the game 0-of-3.

On CU's first scoring drive, Embree elected to go for a fourth-and-seven at the CSU 28 - and Webb and Spruce converted it with a 9-yard pitch-and-catch. Two plays later, Webb zipped the ball through a tight window in the back of the end zone to Spruce for a 15-yard score.

On the next possession, the Rams tried their hand at a fourth-down conversion, but the Buffs stuffed Tommey Morris on fourth-and-two for a 1-yard gain at the CSU 47.

Webb & Co. took over at the CSU 47 and marched that distance in 10 plays, with Webb and McCulloch - he controlled a low pass with one hand and gathered it in - teaming for the score. CU converted a fourth-and-five on that drive, too, but this time via a pass interference call.

And after stopping the Buffs on the first series of the second half, they marched 89 yards in eight plays to go ahead 16-14. CSU scored on a Grayson-to-Joe Hansley 32-yard catch and run, putting the Rams up by two with 8:37 left in the third quarter.

Less than 3 minutes later, Buffs linebacker Brady Daigh forced a fumble and Will Pericak grabbed it, giving CU possession at the CSU 15. The Buffs moved to the Rams' 3, where tailback Malcolm Creer went off tackle and stretched for the goal line. The ball bounced out of his grasp when it hit the ground, defensive back Austin Gray picked it up and ran 99 yards for what appeared to be a touchdown.

But when the play was reviewed, the call was reversed, giving the Buffs fourth down at the Rams 1-yard line, but the Buffs could not convert on a pass play and the third quarter ended with CSU in the lead, 16-14.

Less than 2 minutes into the final quarter, CU regained the lead (17-16) on a 30-yard Will Oliver field goal. It was set up by a 24-yard punt return to the Rams' 35 by freshman Kenneth Crawley. CSU responded with a field goal to go up 19-17 with 6:39 left in the game.

After the Buffs went three-and-out, the Rams added another Roberts field goal, this one from 32 yards, to push ahead 22-17 with 2:56 to play. CU took possession, picked up two first downs, the second on a roughing the passer call that wiped out a CSU interception, but the Rams regrouped to stop CU on a 4th-and-2 at its 39 to seal the victory.

<b>Colorado State</b> .....	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17</b>

<b>SCORING</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Qtr</b>
Colorado State — Roberts 47 FG	0- 3	8:16	1Q
COLORADO — Spruce 15 pass from Webb (Oliver kick)	7- 3	12:22	2Q
COLORADO — McCulloch 19 pass from Webb (Oliver kick)	14- 3	4:25	2Q
Colorado State — Vinson 20 pass from Grayson (kick blocked)	14- 9	0:26	2Q
Colorado State — Hansley 32 pass from Grayson (Roberts kick)	14-16	8:37	3Q
COLORADO — Oliver 30 FG	17-16	13:27	4Q
Colorado State — Roberts 48 FG	17-19	6:39	4Q
Colorado State — Roberts 32 FG	17-22	2:56	4Q

**Attendance:** 58,607    **Time:** 3:23

**Weather:** 94 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 20% humidity, 6 mph winds from the north

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>COLORADO ST.</b>
First Downs.....	17	19
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	5-16 (1-3)	5-15 (0-1)
Rushes—Net Yards .....	29-58	44-125
Passing Yards .....	187	173
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	41-22-0	21-14-0
Total Offense.....	245	298
Return Yards .....	36	6
Punts: No-Average.....	6-47.3	6-47.8
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	4-2	2-1
Penalties/Yards .....	7/60	8/89
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	4-20	5-30
Time of Possession .....	26:30	33:30
Drives/Average Field Position .....	13/C32	14/CS30
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	3-4 (17)	1-1 (3)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing**—Colorado: Jones 16-43, Thomas 1-17, Creer 4-17. Powell 1-3, Goodson 1-1, Webb 6-minus 23. **Colorado State:** Alexander 8-66, Nwoke 11-47, Brown 11-21, Hansley 1-4, Morris 3-4, Lovett 1-0, Grayson 7-minus 12, Team 2-minus 5.

**Passing**—Colorado: Webb 41-22-0, 187, 2 td. **Colorado State:** Grayson 21-14-0, 173, 2 td.

**Receiving**—Colorado: Spruce 8-64, McCulloch 4-54, Jones 4-29, Thomas 3-26, A.Wood 1-10, Powell 1-5, Creer 1-minus 1. **Colorado State:** Cartwright 3-30, Greenwood 3-28, Hansley 2-40, Vinson 2-25, Nwoke 2-11, Lovett 1-20, Alexander 1-19.

**Punting**—Colorado: O'Neill 6-47.3 (57 long, 1 In20). **Colorado State:** Kontodiakos 6-47.8 (69 long, 2 In20, 1 TB).

**Punt Returns**—Colorado: Crawley 3-38, Goodson 1-minus 2. **Colorado State:** Thomas 2-6. **Kickoff Returns**—Colorado: Mosley 2-50. **Colorado State:** Alexander 3-76, Clubb 1-28.

**Tackle Leaders**—Colorado: Webb 9,3—12; Crawley 5,5—10; Pericak 3,7—10; Major 6,3—9; Uzo-Diribe 5,1—6; Smith 4,2—6; Bonsu 3,3—6; Poston 4,1—5; Henderson 3,2—5; Orms 4,0—4; Daigh 3,1—4; Washington 3,1—4; Parker 3,0—3. **Colorado State:** Morgan 7,0—7; Bell 6,1—7; James 6,1—7; Davis 4,1—5; Thomas 4,1—5; Skelton 3,2—5.

**Quarterback Sacks**—Colorado: Uzo-Diribe 2-16, Webb 1-4, Poston 1-0. **Colorado State:** James 3-19, Barrett 1-6, Morgan 1-5.

**Interceptions**—Colorado: none. **Colorado State:** none. **Passes Broken Up**—Colorado: Orms, Pericak, Uzo-Diribe. **Colorado State:** Davis.

**GAME NOTES**

The 94 degree temperature at kickoff tied for the third warmest in CU history but was the warmest for a game in Colorado, eclipsing the 91 degrees for Washington in Boulder on Sept. 16, 2000 ... Attendance for the game was **58,607**; CU accounted for **35,406** of those, CSU 18,169 and the Broncos 5,032 (many of which were out of CU's allotment) ... **CB Kenneth Crawley** returned the first punt of the game for 14 yards—matching CU's longest punt return all of last year (by Rodney Stewart) and later in the game had a 24-yard effort, the longest by a Buff in two years; CU had 36 punt return yards as a team compared to 56 total last year ... It took 11 minutes to play the first 2 minutes of clock time in the game ... **WR Nelson Spruce's** first career TD catch also made a little history—it was the 2000th point CU has scored in 84 games against CSU, the first team the Buffs have scored that many against any single team ... The teams combined for 543 total yards, 321 on 58 first down plays (5.5 per); the other 77 plays went for 222 yards, or 2.9 per ... **Keep Away:** CU had 10:01 of possession time in the second quarter but just 16:29 in the other three quarters combined (ran 26 of its 70 plays in the period) ... Colorado now has at least one quarterback sack in **43** of the last **45** games ... The Buffs played nine true freshmen in the game, including two who started (Crawley, WR Gerald Thomas), the eighth and ninth true freshmen in CU history since 1972 to start in a season opener.

**GAME 2****SACRAMENTO STATE 30, COLORADO 28****SEPTEMBER 8, 2012****FOLSOM FIELD, BOULDER**

BOULDER—Sacramento State's Edgar Castaneda kicked a 30-yard field goal as time expired, sending his Hornets to a 30-28 win over Colorado at Folsom Field.

CU's bright spot in its 2012 home opener was freshman Christian Powell, who carried 28 times for 147 yards and three touchdowns, tying a school freshman record. The revamped backfield featured the 235-pounder who had practiced at fullback all August. He lined up at tailback behind 245-pound fullback Alex Wood.

Powell ran 64 yards for a touchdown on his second carry, then capped a 72-yard drive with a one-yard plunge as the Buffs shot ahead 14-0 with 7:28 left in the first quarter. The 64-yard run was the fifth-longest run by a freshman in school history.

CU finished the first quarter with 95 yards rushing but finished the first half with only 18 more yards on the ground.

The Hornets took advantage, pulling within 14-7 on an 11-yard scoring pass from Garret Safron to DeAndre Carter, then tied the game on a 2-yard run by A.J. Ellis. A 35-yard Safron toss to Chris Broadnax gave Sac State its first lead - 21-14.

The Buffs answered with a 77-yard scoring drive, highlighted by a 40-yard Jordan Webb to Nick Kasa pass, and tied the game at 21-21 with 2:44 left before intermission. CU got the TD on a 9-yard pass from Webb to tight end Kyle Slavin, giving the sophomore his first career catch.

A 28-yard field goal from Edward Castaneda gave Sac State a 24-21 halftime lead and left the CU fan base more than a little disgruntled.

The Buffs opened the second half with some life, as Chidera Uzo-Diribe forced Safron into intentional grounding and the Hornets punted for the first time in five possessions.

Starting at its own 35, CU was aided by a reviewed pass interference call in the end zone on third down, giving the Buffs a first down at the 2. It took three tries for the 235-pound Powell, but he finally got the TD on third-and-one. Will Oliver's PAT pushed the Buffs ahead 28-24.

The drive covered 65 yards and featured two critical plays besides the pass interference call in the end zone on Kasa. The first was a Webb-to-Alex Wood pass that went for 18 yards on third-and-16, the second was a Connor Wood-to-Gerald Thomas screen pass that went for 26 yards on third-and-18. It was Connor Wood's first play for the Buffs; the Texas transfer entered the game when Webb's helmet came off and he was, by rule, forced to sit for a down.

CU's 28-24 lead held for the rest of the third quarter, but the start of the fourth found the Hornets advancing to the Buffs' 14-yard line, where Castaneda hit a 31-yard field to pull Sac State to within one (28-27) with 11:57 to play.

At the 4:42 mark, CU took over at its 28 but kept possession for less than 2 minutes. Sac State got the ball at its 15 with 2:26 left and promptly got four consecutive first downs, moving to the CU 34 with 1:13 to play.

A pass interference call on freshman corner Kenneth Crawley moved the ball to the 28, and an 11-yard Safron-to-Morris Norrise carried the Hornets to the Buffs' 17 with 54 seconds left.

Three plays later, after Sac State had let the game clock run from :30 to :01 and called time out, Castaneda kicked his game winner; postgame, the former walk-on was awarded a scholarship for his efforts in two games this season.

<b>Sacramento State</b> .....	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>28</b>

<b>SCORING</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Qtr</b>
COLORADO — Powell 64 run (Oliver kick)	7-0	13:48	1Q
COLORADO — Powell 1 run (Oliver kick)	14-0	7:28	1Q
Sacramento St. — Carter 11 pass from Safron (Castaneda kick)	14-7	1:54	1Q
Sacramento St. — Ellis 2 run (Castaneda kick)	14-14	12:15	2Q
Sacramento St. — Broadnax 35 pass from Safron (Castaneda kick)	14-21	5:44	2Q
COLORADO — Slavin 9 pass from Webb (Oliver kick)	21-21	2:44	2Q
Sacramento St. — Castaneda 28 FG	21-24	0:23	2Q
COLORADO — Powell 1 run (Oliver kick)	28-24	6:27	3Q
Sacramento St. — Castaneda 31 FG	28-27	11:57	4Q
Sacramento St. — Castaneda 30 FG	28-30	0:00	4Q

**Attendance:** 46,843    **Time:** 3:24

**Weather:** 72 degrees, sunny skies, 31% humidity, 7 mph winds from the east

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>SAC. ST.</b>
First Downs.....	20	28
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	6-13 (1-1)	5-13 (0-0)
Rushes—Net Yards .....	38-153	35-154
Passing Yards .....	188	312
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	25-13-0	37-25-0
Total Offense.....	341	466
Return Yards .....	16	0
Punts: No-Average.....	6-43.8	5-35.0
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	1-0	1-0
Penalties/Yards .....	5/50	7/49
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	2-23	3-27
Time of Possession .....	28:10	31:50
Drives/Average Field Position .....	11/C27	11/S24
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	3-3 (21)	5-5 (23)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Powell 28-147, Thomas 1-18, Ford 1-7, Jones 2-2, Abron 1-1, Webb 4-minus 21, Team 1-minus 1. **Sacramento State:** Ellis 11-77, Graham 14-58, Safron 8-18, McCowan 2-1.

**Passing—Colorado:** Webb 24-12-0, 160, 1 td; C.Wood 1-1-0, 28, 0 td. **Sacramento State:** Safron 37-25-0, 312, 2 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** Thomas 2-45, Spruce 2-28, A.Wood 2-26, Jones 2-3, Kasa 1-40, Hobbs 1-14, Powell 1-13, Abron 1-10, Slavin 1-9. **Sacramento State:** Norrise 7-104, Carter 6-79, Broadnax 5-92, Robertson 3-19, Graham 3-9, Cox 1-9.

**Punting—Colorado:** O'Neill 6-43.8 (54 long, 2 In20, 2 TB). **Sacramento State:** Heath 5-35.0 (43 long, 0 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** Crawley 3-16. **Sacramento State:** none. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Mosley 3-59, Abron 2-36. **Sacramento State:** Carter 3-68.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Major 7,4—11; Crawley 7,1—8; Smith 6,2—8; Orms 7,0—7; Webb 4,3—7; Pericak 5,1—6; Topou 3,2—5; Bonsu 1,3—4; Vigo 2,1—3; Wright 2,1—3; Mosley 2,0—2; Uzo-Diribe 2,0—2. **Sacramento State:** Beale 7,3—10; Fernandez 6,4—10; McMahon 8,1—9; Davis 6,1—7; Cowger 4,1—5; Badger 4,0—4; White 4,0—4.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Uzo-Diribe 1-16, Major 1-7. **Sacramento State:** White 1-10, Fernandez 1-9, Cowger 1-8.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** none. **Sacramento State:** none. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Orms 2, Major, Smith, Uzo-Diribe, Washington. **Sacramento State:** Armstrong, Odiase.

**GAME NOTES**

Colorado's score just **1:12** into the game was the quickest since Nov. 28, 2008 at Nebraska, when Cody Hawkins and Riar Geer hooked up on a 68-yard touchdown pass just **54** seconds into the action; NU rallied from 14-0 down to win, 40-31 that day ... Colorado running backs (TB, FB) had **47** carries without a loss to open the season until the run ended when Christian Powell was thrown for a 2-yard loss early in the fourth quarter ... Four of the eight kickoffs returned today were to the 23 ... CU now has **52** punt return yards in two games after having all of 56 in 13 games last year ... The Buffs made it hard on Sac State inside-the-20; though the Hornets scored all five times it cracked the 20 (2 TD/3 FG), they gained just 44 yards on 15 plays in the zone and were 1-of-4 on third downs (opponents are now **22-of-77** on third down inside-the-CU 20 dating back to 2008, or 28.6 percent) ... CU had three plays longer than 20 yards today after having none last week against Colorado State ... The Buffs dropped to **0-2** for just the 20th time in 123 seasons of varsity football ... Prior to losing the game today on a field goal as time expired, the last time it had happened in regulation was on Nov. 24, 2000, when Josh Brown kicked a 29-yard field goal as time expired in Lincoln to give Nebraska a 34-32 win over the Buffs. *(CU lost to Wisconsin on field goal in overtime in the 2002 Alamo Bowl.)*

**GAME 3****FRESNO STATE 69, COLORADO 14****SEPTEMBER 15, 2012****BULLDOG STADIUM, FRESNO**

FRESNO, Calif. — On a night that tied for the hottest in history for a University of Colorado football game, fast-striking Fresno State scorched CU and made some entries in the school's 123-year-old record book in winning 69-14.

The temperature in Bulldogs Stadium at kickoff was 102 degrees, but Fresno State quarterback Derek Carr was several degrees beyond that. He threw for 300 yards and five touchdown passes in the first half as the Bulldogs rolled to a 35-0 advantage after one quarter and were up 55-7 at intermission.

Carr's help on the ground came from tailback Robbie Rouse, who would become the school's career rushing leader in the game, earning the record in the first quarter in shredding the CU defense for 144 yards on nine carries and scoring twice.

Fresno State (2-1) led by three touchdowns midway through the first quarter, having scored on an eight-play, 65-yard drive to open the game (7-0), intercepting Webb to set up its second score on a quick 45-yard march (14-0), then using a 28-yard punt return by Isaiah Burse to set up a one-play, four-second drive to make it 21-0.

After forcing a CU three-and-out, Carr and Burse connected for a 97-yard catch-and-run TD — the second-longest scoring play against the Buffs in history. That one-play drive required 13 seconds and sent the Bulldogs up 28-0.

They capped the quarter with Rouse's record-setting run — a 94-yarder that gave him the Fresno State career rushing mark and also was the longest ever allowed by the Buffs. After he crossed the goal line with 2:39 left in the quarter and Quentin Breashears kicked the PAT, the Bulldogs owned a 35-0 lead.

Fresno finished the quarter with a 322-45 edge in total offense and a 10-1 bulge in first-downs. The Bulldogs' yardage was a record in a quarter against CU, eclipsing the 312 by Oklahoma in the third quarter of its 82-42 rout in Boulder in 1980.

Fresno State then outscored CU 20-7 in the second quarter to take a 55-7 halftime lead and finished with 516 yards in total offense. The 55 points were second-most ever allowed by CU in a half, and the Bulldogs' 516 first-half yards were the most ever run up by a CU opponent in any half.

The Buffs avoided a shutout on a 23-yard scoring pass from Webb to Tyler McCulloch. But less than 3 minutes later, Webb gave those points back with his second interception of the half. Thomas returned it 16 yards for a score, and at 2:10 before intermission Fresno State had its 55-7 advantage while CU was stuck with one of its most humbling halves of football in school history; Colorado trailed UCLA by a 56-0 score at halftime in 1980 was one of the few that was worse.

Thomas opened Fresno State's second-half scoring by intercepting Wood and returning the pick 43 yards for his second TD of the night. Breashears kicked the Bulldogs in front 62-7 with 9:06 left in the third quarter.

The quarter ended that way, but the Bulldogs' reserves weren't satisfied. Freshman running back Marteze Waller's 1-yard run with 9:07 to play finished Fresno State's final drive and at 69-7 the carnage was complete for the Bulldogs.

With 2:58 remaining, CU got a 1-yard TD run by Josh Ford and an extra point kick by Will Oliver to make the score 69-14 — and that's how the Buffs' night ended.

<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Fresno State</b> .....	<b>35</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>69</b>

<b>SCORING</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Qtr</b>
Fresno State — Rouse 4 run (Breashears kick)	0-7	12:06	1Q
Fresno State — Rouse 9 pass from Carr (Breashears kick)	0-14	9:13	1Q
Fresno State — Rouse 12 pass from Carr (Breashears kick)	0-21	7:25	1Q
Fresno State — Burse 97 pass from Carr (Breashears kick)	0-28	5:41	1Q
Fresno State — Rouse 94 run (Breashears kick)	0-35	2:39	1Q
Fresno State — Harper 4 pass from Carr (kick blocked)	0-41	12:09	2Q
Fresno State — Adams 60 pass from Carr (Breashears kick)	0-48	7:46	2Q
COLORADO — McCulloch 23 pass from Webb (Oliver kick)	7-48	5:25	2Q
Fresno State — Thomas 16 interception return (Breashears kick)	7-55	2:10	2Q
Fresno State — Thomas 43 interception return (Breashears kick)	7-62	9:06	3Q
Fresno State — Waller 1 run (Breashears kick)	7-69	9:07	4Q
COLORADO — Ford 1 run (Oliver kick)	14-69	2:58	4Q

**Attendance:** 27,513    **Time:** 3:35

**Weather:** 102 degrees, sunny skies, 8 mph winds from the northwest

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>FRESNO STATE</b>
First Downs.....	11	23
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	4-17 (1-1)	4-11 (1-2)
Rushes—Net Yards .....	40-110	38-288
Passing Yards .....	173	377
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	31-11-4	29-20-1
Total Offense.....	283	665
Return Yards .....	0	129
Punts: No-Average.....	10-42.8	4-45.2
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	2-0	1-1
Penalties/Yards .....	11/94	8/63
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	0-0	5-24
Time of Possession .....	32:59	27:01
Drives/Average Field Position .....	18/C28	14/FS31
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	2-2 (14)	5-5 (34)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Ford 10-61, Powell 17-49, Abron 5-11, Wood 2-3, Hirschman 3-minus 5, Webb 3-minus 9. **Fresno State:** Rouse 9-144, Waller 13-63, Knox 5-48, Watson 7-28, McDade 1-6, Carr 1-2, Cash 2-minus 3.

**Passing—Colorado:** Webb 13-5-2, 85, 1 td; C.Wood 15-5-2, 47, 0 td; Hirschman 3-1-0, 41, 0 td. **Fresno State:** Carr 22-17-1, 300, 5 td; Watson 7-3-0, 77, 0 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** McCulloch 3-73, Spruce 3-39, Ebner 1-41, Slavin 1-12, Canty 1-8, Thomas 1-6, Abron 1-minus 6. **Fresno State:** Harper 5-52, Adams 4-74, Rouse 4-42, Burse 3-107, Dean 3-97, Barnes 1-5.

**Punting—Colorado:** O'Neill 10-42.8 (53 long, 4 In20). **Fresno State:** Shapiro 4-45.2 (69 long, 2 In20, 1 TB).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** none. **Fresno State:** Burse 2-43. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Hall 3-92, Mosley 2-50, Abron 2-24, Daigh 1-7, Fernandez 1-7. **Fresno St.:** Burse 1-35, Dunn 1-23.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Smith 7,2—9; Major 4,4—8; Uzo-Diribe 6,1—7; Mosley 2,5—7; Tupou 3,3—6; Daigh 5,0—5; Orms 4,1—5; Crawley 4,0—4; Wright 4,0—4; Pericak 3,1—4; Bonsu 2,2—4; Solis 2,2—4; Greer 1,2—3. **Fresno State:** Wilson 5,1—6; Norton 4,2—6; Smith 4,1—5; Mickelsen 3,2—5; Jennings 4,0—4; Harrison 3,0—3; Letcher 3,0—3.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** none. **Fresno State:** Plevney 1-9, Edwards 1-7, Jennings 1-7, Okpalauo 1-1, Boschma 1-0.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Mosley 1-0. **Fresno State:** Thomas 3-59, Smith 1-27. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Crawley, Smith. **Fresno State:** Davison, Jones.

**GAME NOTES**

The 102 degree temperature at kickoff matched the warmest in CU football history (2007 at Arizona State) ... Colorado played **59** of the **62** players on the trip who could have seen action (two were injured); no seniors were in on defense in the fourth quarter ... The 69-14 loss marked the Buffs' worst setback since losing 58-0 at Missouri in 2008 ... the 69 points were the most allowed by Colorado since dropping a 70-3 decision to Texas in the 2005 Big 12 Championship game ... The 665 yards were the most by either team in the 6-game CU-Fresno series, eclipsing the 526 the Bulldogs had in the '93 Aloha Bowl ... The Buffs dropped to **0-3** for just the 12th time in 123 seasons of varsity football, the first time since 2006 ... With Fresno State recording 97-yard pass and 94-yard rush plays, it marked the first time the CU defense has ever allowed two plays from scrimmage 80 yards or longer in the same game ... Colorado quarterbacks threw four interceptions in a game for the first time in 13 years (dating to the '99 season opener against Colorado State when it had four that night) ... Fresno also set CU opponent records for most points allowed in the first quarter (35), total yards in a quarter (322), total yards in a half (516), passing yards in a half (300) along with the longest rush (eclipsing the previous long of 90 by Kansas' Walter Mack in 1980) ... **C Brad Cotner** made his first career start in what also was his first career action for the Buffs ... **TB Josh Ford** rushed for 61 yards, 60 of those coming on CU's fourth quarter touchdown drive (on nine carries) ... **S Marques Mosley** made his first career interception ... CU averaged 20.0 yards for nine kickoff returns, but that's a bit deceiving; that included four pooch kickoffs that CU netted 40 yards, otherwise that average jumped to 30.0.



**THE LAST TIME****INDIVIDUAL**

<b>Kickoff Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Brian Lockridge vs. Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 19, 2009 (98 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Cyrus Gray, Texas A&M in Boulder, Nov. 7, 2009 (99 yards).
<b>Punt Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Stephone Robinson vs. Kansas in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2005 (81 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Niles Paul, Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009 (59 yards).
<b>Interception Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Benjamin Burney vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009 (78 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Philip Thomas, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012 (43 yards; had another of 16 yards earlier in the same game).
<b>Fumble Return/Recovery For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Josh Moten vs. Arizona State at Tempe, Oct. 29, 2011 (16 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Tyler Patmon, Kansas at Lawrence, Nov. 6, 2010 (28 yards).
<b>Blocked Punt Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Lawrence Vickers vs. Washington State at Seattle, Sept. 11, 2004 (0 yards). <b>Opponent:</b> Ben Wells, Texas at Austin, Oct. 10, 2009 (3 yards).
<b>Blocked Field Goal Return For A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Has not occurred. <b>Opponent:</b> Max Bergen, Stanford at Palo Alto, Oct. 8, 2011 (75 yards; first-ever against Colorado)
<b>Blocked Punt</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Doug Rippy vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009 ( <i>two blocks</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> Credited to team, Arizona in Boulder, Nov. 12, 2011.
<b>Blocked PAT Kick</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Jon Major vs. Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012. <b>Opponent:</b> Tysyn Hartman, Kansas State in Boulder, Nov. 20, 2010.
<b>Blocked Field Goal</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Will Pericak vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 4, 2010. <b>Opponent:</b> Randall Telfer, Southern California in Boulder, Nov. 4, 2011 (kicker: Will Oliver; second of two by USC in game).
<b>Offensive Lineman To Score A Touchdown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Heath Irwin vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Oct. 28, 1995 (recovered fumble in end zone). <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred.
<b>Defensive Two-Point Conversion</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Greg Biekert vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 2, 1991. <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred.
<b>300 Yards Total Offense</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 500, Tyler Hansen vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011 ( <i>474 pass, 26 rush</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> 302, Derek Carr, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012 ( <i>300 pass, 2 rush</i> ).
<b>400 Yards Total Offense</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 500, Tyler Hansen vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011 ( <i>474 pass, 26 rush</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> 457, Landry Jones, Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 30, 2010 ( <i>453 pass, 4 rush</i> ).
<b>100 Yards Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 147, Christian Powell vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 2012 ( <i>28 carries</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> 144, Robbie Rouse, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012 ( <i>9 carries</i> ).
<b>200 Yards Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 211, Chris Brown vs. Missouri at Columbia, Nov. 9, 2002. <b>Opponent:</b> 220, Noel Devine, West Virginia at Morgantown, Oct. 1, 2009 ( <i>20 carries</i> ).
<b>300 Yards Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 309, Chris Brown vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002. <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred (record is 268).
<b>Three Touchdowns Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Christian Powell vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 2012. <b>Opponent:</b> 3, Cameron Marshall, Arizona State at Tempe, Oct. 29, 2011.
<b>Four Touchdowns Rushing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, Lawrence Vickers vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 5, 2005. <b>Opponent:</b> 4, James Sims, Kansas at Lawrence, Nov. 6, 2010.
<b>Two 100-Yard Rushers</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Brian Lockridge (14-109) and Rodney Stewart (22-106) vs. Hawai'i in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2010. <b>Opponent:</b> Jay Finley (14-143) and Robert Griffin III (15-137), Baylor in Boulder, Oct. 16, 2010.
<b>Three 100-Yard Rushers</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Jon Keyworth (18-124), Paul Arendt (23-116) and Ward Walsh (15-101), vs. Air Force at USAFA, Nov. 21, 1970. <b>Opponent:</b> David Overstreet (18-258), Darrell Shepard (3-151) and George Rhymes (9-110), Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 4, 1980.
<b>300 Yards Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 474, Tyler Hansen vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011. <b>Opponent:</b> 300, Derek Carr, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>400 Yards Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 474, Tyler Hansen vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011. <b>Opponent:</b> 453, Landry Jones, Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 30, 2010.
<b>Three Touchdowns Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Tyler Hansen vs. UCLA at Pasadena, Nov. 19, 2011. <b>Opponent:</b> 5, Derek Carr, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Four Touchdowns Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, Cody Hawkins vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009. <b>Opponent:</b> 5, Derek Carr, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Five Touchdowns Passing</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 5, Koy Detmer vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 9, 1996. <b>Opponent:</b> 5, Derek Carr, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Three Interceptions Thrown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Tyler Hansen vs. UCLA at Pasadena, Nov. 19, 2011. <b>Opponent:</b> 352, Nick Foles, Arizona in Boulder, Nov. 12, 2011.
<b>Four Interceptions Thrown</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, John Hessler vs. Michigan at Ann Arbor, Sept. 13, 1997. <b>Opponent:</b> 4, Graham Harrell, Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
<b>10 Receptions</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 11, Paul Richardson vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011. <b>Opponent:</b> 10, Gino Crump, Arizona in Boulder, Nov. 12, 2011.
<b>100 Yards Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 102, Toney Clemons vs. Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 25, 2011 ( <i>4 receptions</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> 107, Isaiah Burse, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012 ( <i>3 receptions</i> ).
<b>200 Yards Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 284, California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011 ( <i>11 receptions</i> ). <b>Opponent:</b> 208, Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 30, 2010 ( <i>9 receptions</i> ).
<b>Two Touchdowns Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 2, Toney Clemons vs. Southern California in Boulder, Nov. 4, 2011. <b>Opponent:</b> 2, Robbie Rouse, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Three Touchdowns Receiving</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Rae Carruth vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 9, 1996. <b>Opponent:</b> 3, Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 30, 2010.
<b>Two 100-Yard Receivers</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Scotty McKnight (7-114) and Markques Simas (6-108) vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 27, 2009. <b>Opponent:</b> Robert Woods (9-130) and Margise Lee (9-124), Southern California in Boulder, Nov. 4, 2011.
<b>100-Yard Rusher &amp; Receiver</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Rodney Stewart (24-181 rushing) & Toney Clemons (5-115 receiving) vs. Arizona in Boulder, Nov. 12, 2011. <b>Opponent:</b> Robbie Rouse (9-144 rushing) & Isaiah Burse (3-107 receiving), Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>100-Yard Rusher &amp; Receiver (same player)</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Cortlen Johnson (27-172 rushing; 6-105 receiving), vs. Iowa State at Ames, Nov. 10, 2001. <b>Opponent:</b> Has not occurred.

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<b>Four Touchdowns In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, Lawrence Vickers vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 5, 2005 (4 rushing).
	<b>Opponent:</b> 4, Robbie Rouse, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012 (2 rushing, 2 receiving).
<b>Four Field Goals In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, Will Oliver vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 4, Alex Henery, Nebraska in Lincoln, Nov. 28, 2008.
<b>50-Yard Field Goal</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 52, Will Oliver vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 50, Aaron Jones, Baylor in Boulder, Oct. 16, 2010.
<b>Two Interceptions In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Terrence Wheatley vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 2, Philip Thomas, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Three Interceptions In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3, Terrence Wheatley vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 3, Philip Thomas, Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Four Interceptions In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> Has not occurred.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 4, Frank Nelson, Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 2, 1946.
<b>Three Quarterback Sacks In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 3 (for 20 yards), Josh Hartigan vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Nov. 20, 2010.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 3 (for 19 yards), Cory James, Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 1, 2012.
<b>Four Quarterback Sacks In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4½ (for 46), Ron Woolfork vs. Iowa in Boulder, Sept. 26, 1992.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 4 (for 24), Kelly Quinn, Michigan State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 1984.

**TEAM**

<b>Shut Out (Defensive)</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> <b>Game:</b> 24-0, vs. Wyoming in Boulder, Sept. 19, 2009. <b>Through 3rd Qtr:</b> 24-0, vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 4, 2010. <b>At Half:</b> 10-0, vs. Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 25, 2010.
	<b>Opponent:</b> <b>Game:</b> 0-17, by Hawai'i at Honolulu, Sept. 3, 2011. <b>Through 3rd Qtr:</b> 0-19, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 9, 2010. <b>At Half:</b> 0-35, by Oregon in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2011.
<b>Safety</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> vs. Oregon in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2011 (Terrel Smith tackled Cliff Harris in end zone).
	<b>Opponent:</b> by Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 30, 2010 (Javon Harris blocked punt out of end zone).
<b>Held To No Offensive Touchdowns</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> by Oregon in Boulder, Oct. 22, 2011.
	<b>Opponent:</b> vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 4, 2010.
<b>30 First Downs In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 31, vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Nov. 6, 2010.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 31, by Southern California in Boulder, Nov. 4, 2011.
<b>Held Under 10 First Downs</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 7, by Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 3, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 6, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
<b>500 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 500, vs. Arizona in Boulder, Nov. 12, 2011.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 665, by Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>600 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 634, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 665, by Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Held Under 200 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 176, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009 (-14 rush, 190 pass).
	<b>Opponent:</b> 139, by Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007 (44 rush, 95 pass).
<b>Held Under 100 Yards Total Offense In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 46, vs. Oklahoma at Kansas City, Dec. 4, 2004 ( <i>Big 12 Championship</i> ).
	<b>Opponent:</b> 74, by Baylor at Waco, Nov. 13, 1999.
<b>300 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 359, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 328, by UCLA at Pasadena, Nov. 19, 2011.
<b>400 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 427, vs. Kansas at Lawrence, Oct. 12, 2002.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 419, by Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 28, 1987.
<b>500 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 502, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 11, 2000.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 516, by Missouri at Columbia, Oct. 6, 1984.
<b>Held Under 100 Yards Rushing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 58, vs. Colorado State in Denver, Sept. 1, 2012 (29 attempts).
	<b>Opponent:</b> 89, by Utah at Salt Lake City, Nov. 25, 2011 (33 attempts).
<b>400 Yards Passing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 474, vs. California in Boulder, Sept. 10, 2011.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 488, by Oklahoma at Norman, Oct. 30, 2010.
<b>500 Yards Passing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 533, vs. NE Louisiana in Boulder, Sept. 16, 1995.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 523, by Fresno State at Honolulu, Dec. 25, 1993 ( <i>Aloha Bowl</i> ; only time ever vs. Colorado)
<b>Held Under 100 Yards Passing In A Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 85, vs. Texas at Austin, Oct. 10, 2009.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 83, Ohio State at Columbus, Sept. 24, 2011.
<b>Averaged Over Eight Yards Per Play</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 8.14, vs. North Texas in Boulder, Sept. 18, 2004 (72-586).
	<b>Opponent:</b> 9.93 by Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012 (67-665).
<b>Held Under Three Yards Per Play</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 2.93, vs. Missouri in Boulder, Oct. 31, 2009 (60-176).
	<b>Opponent:</b> 2.84, by Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007 (49-139).
<b>Four Interception Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 4, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Oct. 27, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 4, by Fresno State at Fresno, Sept. 15, 2012.
<b>Five Interception Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 5, vs. Texas Tech at Lubbock, Nov. 1, 2003.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 5, by Oklahoma in Boulder, Oct. 17, 1992.
<b>Forced Five Lost Opponent Fumbles</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 5, vs. Nebraska in Boulder, Nov. 26, 1999.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 5, by Oklahoma State at Stillwater, Nov. 8, 1980.
<b>Forced Six Lost Opponent Fumbles</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 6, vs. Kansas State in Boulder, Oct. 22, 1983.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 6, by Nebraska at Lincoln, Oct. 25, 1975.
<b>Forty-Minute Time of Possession Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> 40:24, vs. Miami-Ohio in Boulder, Sept. 22, 2007.
	<b>Opponent:</b> 42:20, by Missouri in Boulder, Nov. 1, 1997.
<b>Turnover-Free Game</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 2012.
	<b>Opponent:</b> by Sacramento State in Boulder, Sept. 8, 2012.
<b>Did Not Punt</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> vs. Iowa State in Boulder, Nov. 19, 1994.
	<b>Opponent:</b> by Baylor in Boulder, Oct. 16, 2010 (previous was 27 years older: by Nebraska at Lincoln, Oct. 22, 1983).
<b>Recovered Own Onside Kick</b>	<b>Colorado:</b> vs. Toledo at Toledo, Sept. 11, 2009 (Jeff Smart); 0-of-last 4.
	<b>Opponent:</b> by Arizona in Boulder, Nov. 12, 2011 (0-of-last-1).

**CAREER SINGLE GAME BESTS***(for those who have regularly appeared in games)***DONTA ABRON, TB**

Rushing Attempts— 5, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Rushing Yards—11, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Long Run— 8, vs. at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Rushing TDs— N/A

**NATE BONSU, DT**

Total Tackles— 6, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Solo Tackles— 4, vs. Nebraska, 11/27/09  
 QB Sacks— N/A  
 Third Down Stops—1, at Texas, 10/10/09

**KEENAN CANTY, WR**

Receptions— 5, at Washington, 10/15/11  
 Receiving Yards— 45, at Washington, 10/15/11  
 Long Reception— 39, vs. Arizona, 11/14/11  
 Receiving TDs— N/A

**JUSTIN CASTOR, PK**

Field Goals Attempted— 1, at Missouri, 10/09/10  
 Field Goals Made— N/A  
 Long Field Goal— N/A  
 PAT Attempts— 1, vs. USC, 11/04/11  
 PAT Made— 1, vs. USC, 11/04/11

**KENNETH CRAWLEY, CB**

Total Tackles— 10, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Solo Tackles— 7, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Interceptions— N/A  
 Pass Deflections— 1, at Fresno State, 9/15/12

**MALCOLM CREEER, TB**

Rushing Attempts— 11, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Rushing Yards—37, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Long Run— 10, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Rushing TDs— N/A

**BRADY DAIGH, ILB**

Total Tackles— 6, at Washington, 10/15/11  
 Solo Tackles— 5, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 QB Sacks—N/A  
 Passes Broken Up—N/A

**DUSTIN EBNER, WR**

Receptions— 1, four times (last: at Fresno State, 9/15/12)  
 Receiving Yards— 41, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Long Reception— 41, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Receiving TDs— N/A

**JOSH FORD, TB**

Rushing Attempts— 10, twice (last: at Fresno State, 9/15/12)  
 Rushing Yards— 73, at Arizona State, 10/29/11  
 Long Run— 20, at Arizona State, 10/29/11  
 Rushing TDs— 1, twice (last: at Fresno State, 9/15/12)

**D.D. GOODSON, TB**

Rushing Attempts— 1, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Rushing Yards—1, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Long Run— 1, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Rushing TDs— N/A

**WOODSON GREER III, OLB**

Total Tackles— 3, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Solo Tackles— 2, at Stanford, 10/08/11  
 Third Down Stops— 1, twice (last: at Fresno State, 9/15/12)  
 QB Sacks— N/A

**ZACH GROSSNICKLE, P**

Punts— 9, at Oklahoma, 10/30/10  
 Average (*min. 5 punts*)— 42.3, at Oklahoma, 10/30/10  
 Long Punt— 52, at Oklahoma, 10/30/10  
 50-Plus— 1, twice (last: at Oklahoma, 10/30/10)  
 Inside-the-20— 2, thrice (last: at Oklahoma, 10/30/10)

**JEFF HALL, CB**

Total Tackles— 1, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Solo Tackles— 1, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Interceptions— N/A  
 Pass Deflections— N/A

**GREG HENDERSON, CB**

Total Tackles— 10, at Stanford, 10/08/11  
 Solo Tackles— 6, at Stanford, 10/08/11  
 Pass Deflections— 2, twice (last: vs. USC, 11/04/11)  
 Interceptions— 1, vs. Arizona, 11/12/11

**NICK HIRSCHMAN, QB**

Pass Attempts— 18, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Pass Completions— 8, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Passing Yards— 71, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Long Pass— 41, at Fresno, 9/15/12  
 TD Passes— N/A  
 Interceptions— N/A  
 Rating— 119.5, at Arizona State, 10/29/11

**TONY JONES, TB**

Rushing Attempts— 19, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Rushing Yards— 72, at Utah, 11/25/11  
 Long Run— 38, at Washington, 10/15/11  
 Rushing TDs— 2, at Washington, 10/15/11  
 Receptions— 7, twice (last: at Arizona State, 10/29/11)  
 Receiving Yards— 61, at Arizona State, 10/29/11  
 Long Reception— 20, at Ohio State, 9/24/11  
 Receiving TDs—N/A

**NICK KASA, TE**

Receptions—1, at Utah, 11/25/11  
 Receiving Yards— 40, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Long Reception— 40, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Receiving TDs—N/A

**JON MAJOR, ILB**

Total Tackles— 13, at Missouri, 10/09/10  
 Solo Tackles— 9, at Missouri, 10/09/10  
 Third Down Stops— 3, at Utah, 11/25/11  
 QB Sacks—1, 4 times (last: vs. Sac. St., 9/08/12)  
 Interceptions— 1, vs. California, 9/10/11  
 Pass Deflections— 1, 5 times (last: vs. Sac. St., 9/08/12)

**TYLER McCULLOCH, WR**

Receptions— 4, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Receiving Yards— 73, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Long Reception— 33, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Receiving TDs— 1, thrice (last: at Fresno State, 9/15/12)

**MARQUES MOSLEY, CB**

Total Tackles— 7, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Solo Tackles— 2, twice (last: at Fresno State, 9/15/12)  
 Interceptions— 1, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Pass Deflections— N/A

**JOSH MOTEN, CB**

Total Tackles— 5, at Arizona State, 10/29/11  
 Solo Tackles— 2, twice (last: at Arizona State, 10/29/11)  
 Pass Deflections— N/A  
 Interceptions— N/A

**DARRAGH O'NEILL, P**

Punts— 12, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Average (*min. 5 punts*)— 49.2, vs. Colorado State, 9/17/11  
 Long Punt— 57, twice (last: vs. CSU, 9/01/12)  
 50-Plus— 4, twice (last: vs. Oregon, 10/22/11)  
 Inside-the-20— 6, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11 (*school record*)

**WILL OLIVER, PK**

Field Goals Attempted— 4, vs. California, 9/10/11  
 Field Goals Made— 4, vs. California, 9/10/11  
 Long Field Goal— 52, vs. California, 9/10/11  
 PAT Attempts— 7, vs. Arizona, 11/14/11  
 PAT Made— 6, vs. Arizona, 11/14/11

**PARKER ORMS, S**

Total Tackles— 11, vs. Colorado State, 9/17/11  
 Solo Tackles— 7, vs. Colorado State, 9/17/11  
 Third Down Stops— 2, twice (last: vs. CSU, 9/17/11)  
 Interceptions—N/A  
 Pass Deflections— 2, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12

**JUDA PARKER, DE**

Total Tackles— 3, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Solo Tackles— 3, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 QB Sacks— N/A  
 Third Down Stops—1, at Arizona State, 10/29/11

**WILL PERICAK, DT**

Total Tackles— 10, twice (last: vs. CSU in Denver, 9/01/12)  
 Solo Tackles— 7, at Ohio State, 9/24/11  
 QB Sacks— 1, five times (last: vs. Kansas State, 11/20/10)  
 Third Down Stops—3, at California, 9/11/10  
 Pass Deflections— 1, seven times (last: vs. CSU, 9/02/12)

**RAY POLK, FS**

Total Tackles— 17, at Stanford, 10/08/11  
 Solo Tackles— 11, at Stanford, 10/08/11  
 Pass Deflections—1, 4 times (last: at Arizona St, 10/29/11)  
 Interceptions—1, vs. Washington State, 10/01/11

**KIRK POSTON, DE**

Total Tackles— 5, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Solo Tackles— 4, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 QB Sacks— 1, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Third Down Stops—N/A

**CHRISTIAN POWELL, FB**

Rushing Attempts—28, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Rushing Yards—147, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Long Run— 64, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12 (TD)  
 Rushing TDs— 3, Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12

**PAUL RICHARDSON, WR**

Receptions— 11, at Kansas, 11/06/10  
 Receiving Yards— 284, vs. California, 9/10/11  
 Long Reception— 78, vs. California, 9/10/11 (TD)  
 Receiving TDs— 2, four times (last: vs. California, 9/10/11)

**DOUGLAS RIPPY, ILB**

Total Tackles— 14, vs. California, 9/10/11  
 Solo Tackles—9, vs. Cal, 9/10/11; at Stanford 10/8/11  
 Third Down Stops— 1, twice (last: vs. Colorado St, 9/17/11)  
 QB Sacks—1, thrice (last: at Ohio State, 9/24/11)

**KYLE SLAVIN, TE**

Receptions— 1, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Receiving Yards— 12, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Long Reception— 12, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Receiving TDs— 1, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12

**TERREL SMITH, DB**

Total Tackles—17, at Nebraska, 11/26/10  
 Solo Tackles— 11, at Nebraska, 11/26/10  
 Interceptions— 1, at Kansas, 11/06/10; at Stanford, 10/8/11  
 Pass Deflections— 1, four times (last: at Fresno St, 9/15/12)

**NELSON SPRUCE, WR**

Receptions— 8, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Receiving Yards—64, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Long Reception— 22, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Receiving TDs— 1, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12

**GERALD THOMAS, WR**

Receptions— 3, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Receiving Yards— 45, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Long Reception— 28, vs. Sac. State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Receiving TDs— N/A

**DaVAUGHN THORNTON, TE/WR**

Receptions— 2, at Utah, 11/25/11  
 Receiving Yards— 54, at Utah, 11/25/11  
 Long Reception— 52, at Utah, 11/25/11  
 Receiving TDs— 1, at Kansas, 11/06/10

**K.T. TU'UMALO, OLB**

Total Tackles— 6, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Solo Tackles— 3, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Third Down Stops— 1, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Pass Deflections— 1, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11

**JOSH TUPOU, DL**

Total Tackles— 6, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Solo Tackles— 3, twice (last: at Fresno State, 9/15/12)  
 QB Sacks— N/A  
 Third Down Stops—N/A

**CHIDERA UZO-DIRIBE, DE**

Total Tackles—7, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Solo Tackles— 6, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Third Down Stops— 2, vs. Colorado St. in Denver, 9/01/12  
 QB Sacks— 2, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12

**KYLE WASHINGTON, ILB**

Total Tackles— 6, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Solo Tackles— 5, vs. Oregon, 10/22/11  
 Pass Deflections— 1, twice (last: vs. Sac. State, 9/08/12)

**DERRICK WEBB, ILB**

Total Tackles— 12, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Solo Tackles— 10, at Ohio State, 9/24/11  
 Third Down Stops— 2, twice (last: vs. Sac. State, 9/08/12)  
 QB Sacks— 1, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12

**JORDAN WEBB, QB**

Pass Attempts—41, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Pass Completions—22, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Passing Yards— 187, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 TD Passes—2, vs. Colorado State in Denver, 9/01/12  
 Long Pass— 40, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Interceptions— 2, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Rating— 119.75, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12

**CONNOR WOOD, QB**

Pass Attempts—15, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Pass Completions—5, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Passing Yards— 28, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 TD Passes—N/A  
 Long Pass— 28, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12  
 Interceptions— 2, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Rating— 335.2, vs. Sacramento State in Boulder, 9/08/12

**YURI WRIGHT, CB**

Total Tackles— 4, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Solo Tackles—4, at Fresno State, 9/15/12  
 Interceptions— N/A  
 Pass Deflections— 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, depending on the formation to start the game, there could be a second tight end or third receiver in the game in lieu of a fullback:

**OFFENSE**

(Pro Style)

**WIDE RECEIVER (X)**

- 87 Tyler McCulloch, 6-5, 210, Soph.\*  
 83 Dustin Ebner, 6-1, 185, Sr.-5\*\*  
 14 Justin Gorman, 6-0, 200, Soph.\*

**WIDE RECEIVER (Z)**

- 22 Nelson Spruce, 6-2, 195, Fr.-RS  
 25 Gerald Thomas, 5-11, 175, Fr.  
 12 Keenan Canty, 5-9, 160, Soph.\*

**LEFT TACKLE**

- 59 David Bakhtiari, 6-4, 295, Jr.\*\*  
 53 Ryan Dannewitz, 6-6, 300, Sr.-5\*\*\*  
 72 Marc Mustoe, 6-7, 280, Fr.-RS

**LEFT GUARD**

- 71 Alexander Lewis, 6-6, 285, Soph.\*  
 76 Jeromy Irwin, 6-5, 280, Fr.

**CENTER**

- 55 Gus Handler, 6-3, 295, Jr.\*  
 52 Daniel Munyer, 6-2, 295, Soph.\*  
 64 Brad Cotner, 6-4, 280, Fr.-RS

**RIGHT GUARD**

- 52 Daniel Munyer, 6-2, 295, Soph.\*  
 75 Jack Harris, 6-5, 305, Jr.\*  
 70 Eric Richter, 6-3, 310, Sr.-5.

**RIGHT TACKLE**

- 75 Jack Harris, 6-5, 305, Jr.\*  
 53 Ryan Dannewitz, 6-6, 300, Sr.-5\*\*\* **AND**  
 77 Stephane Nembot, 6-8, 305, Fr.-RS

**TIGHT END**

- 44 Nick Kasa, 6-6, 260, Sr.\*\*  
 88 Kyle Slavin, 6-4, 245, Soph.  
 15 Vincent Hobbs, 6-3, 240, Fr.  
 85 DaVaughn Thornton, 6-4, 230, Jr.\*\*  
 99 Scott Fernandez, 6-3, 250, Jr.\*

**QUARTERBACK**

- 4 Jordan Webb, 6-1, 205, Jr.  
 5 Connor Wood, 6-3, 225, Soph.  
 8 Nick Hirschman, 6-4, 230, Soph.\*  
 14 John Schrock, 6-4, 220, Fr.-RS

**TAILBACK**

- 46 Christian Powell, 6-0, 235, Fr.  
 26 Tony Jones, 5-7, 190, Soph.\*  
 18 Donta Abron, 5-10, 190, Fr.  
 21 D.D. Goodson, 5-7, 170, Soph.\*  
 10 Malcolm Creer, 5-11, 205, Soph.\*

**FULLBACK**

- 47 Alex Wood, 6-2, 245, Jr.  
 46 Christian Powell, 6-0, 235, Fr.

**DEFENSE**

(3-4 Base)

**LEFT DEFENSIVE END**

- 83 Will Pericak, 6-4, 285, Sr.-5\*\*\* **\*OR**  
 91 Kirk Poston, 6-2, 250, Soph.  
 56 Juda Parker, 6-3, 250, Soph.\*

**DEFENSIVE TACKLE**

- 99 Nate Bonsu, 6-1, 280, Jr.\* **\*OR**  
 83 Will Pericak, 6-4, 285, Sr.-5\*\*\*  
 94 Tyler Henington, 6-3, 285, Fr.

**NOSE TACKLE**

- 55 Josh Tupou, 6-3, 325, Fr.  
 57 Justin Solis, 6-3, 305, Fr.

**RIGHT DEFENSIVE END**

- 96 Chidera Uzo-Diribe, 6-3, 250, Jr.\*\*  
 93 Samson Kafovalu, 6-3, 250, Fr.  
 56 Juda Parker, 6-3, 250, Soph.\*

**MIKE (INSIDE) LINEBACKER**

- 43 Brady Daigh, 6-2, 250, Soph.\*  
 48 Clay Jones, 6-1, 220, Fr.-RS  
 ( 3 Doug Rippey, 6-3, 245, Sr.-5\*\*\*—*injured* )

**WILL (INSIDE) LINEBACKER**

- 1 Derrick Webb, 6-0, 230, Jr.\*\*  
 4 Kyle Washington, 6-1, 220, Soph.\*  
 32 Paul Vigo, 6-1, 200, Jr.\*\*  
 42 K.T. Tu'umalo, 6-2, 200, Soph.\*

**SAM (OUTSIDE) LINEBACKER**

- 31 Jon Major, 6-2, 235, Sr.-5\*\*\*  
 37 Woodson Greer III, 6-3, 225, Soph.\*  
 45 Lowell Williams, 6-1, 200, Soph.\*

**LEFT CORNERBACK**

- 2 Kenneth Crawley, 6-1, 170, Fr.  
 16 Jeffrey Hall, 5-11, 180, Fr.

**FREE SAFETY**

- 13 Parker Orms, 5-11, 195, Jr.\*\*  
 17 Marques Mosley, 6-1, 180, Fr. **(N)**  
 ( 7 Ray Polk, 6-1, 205, Sr.-5\*\*\*—*injured* )

**STRONG SAFETY**

- 41 Terrel Smith, 5-9, 190, Jr.\*\*  
 21 Jered Bell, 6-0, 195, Soph.\*

**RIGHT CORNERBACK**

- 5 Yuri Wright, 6-2, 175, Fr.  
 39 Josh Moten, 6-0, 195, Soph.\*  
 (20 Greg Henderson, 5-11, 185, Soph.\*—*injured* )

(N—denotes nickel back)

\*—Pericak could start at either position depending on what formation defense is in.

**SPECIALISTS****PUNTER**

- 8 Darragh O'Neill, 6-2, 185, Soph.\* **(R & L)**  
 15 Zach Grossnickle, 6-2, 195, Jr.\*  
 97 D.J. Wilhelm, 6-2, 190, Soph. (L)

**PLACEKICKER / KICKOFF**

- 28 Will Oliver, 5-11, 195, Soph.\*  
 40 Justin Castor, 6-4, 200, Jr.\*\* **(KO#1)**

**PUNT RETURN**

- 2 Kenneth Crawley, 6-1, 170, Fr.  
 22 Nelson Spruce, 6-2, 195, Fr.-RS  
 25 Gerald Thomas, 5-11, 175, Fr.

**KICKOFF RETURN**

- 17 Marques Mosley, 6-1, 180, Fr.  
 18 Donta Abron, 5-10, 190, Fr.  
 16 Jeffrey Hall, 5-11, 180, Fr.  
 2 Kenneth Crawley, 6-1, 170, Fr.  
 25 Gerald Thomas, 5-11, 175, Fr.

**HOLDER**

- 15 Zach Grossnickle, 6-2, 195, Jr.\*  
 14 Justin Gorman, 6-0, 200, Soph.\*

**SNAPPER (Short & Long)**

- 69 Ryan Iverson, 6-0, 220, Jr.\*\*  
 65 Keegan LaMar, 6-1, 245, Fr.-RS

**OUT/INJURED**

- 6 ✱-Paul Richardson, WR, 6-1, 170, Jr.\*\* (*knee*)

✱—denotes out for season (otherwise out indefinitely).

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

(R&L)—kicks both right- and left-footed.

**Seniors (8):** Listing with a (-5) indicates fifth-year senior (7); the other (1) is a fourth-year senior.

**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.

**ITALICS**—Players listed in *italics* either missed or left the previous game due to injury but are not expected to be out for an extended time.

\*—denotes number of letters earned through 2011; *Injured players listed in italics (status questionable or doubtful—not out for an extended time; probables listed as normal).*

**CAPTAINS:**

Selected on a game-by-game basis



**COLORADO FOOTBALL / ALPHABETICAL ROSTER**

The Colorado alphabetical roster as of September 17:

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
18	ABRON, Donta	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	HS	Upland, Calif. (Upland)	S 5/4
10	ARCHULETA, Isaac	DB	6- 3	205	Fr.	HS	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Mountain Vista)	WO 4/4
60	ARVIA, Vincent	OL	6- 0	285	Fr.	HS	San Diego, Calif. (Torrey Pines)	WO 5/4
84	BAGBY, David	WR	6- 1	180	Fr.	HS	San Diego, Calif. (Torrey Pines)	WO 5/4
59	BAKHTIARI, David	OL	6- 4	295	Jr.	2L	Burlingame, Calif. (Junipero Serra)	S 2/2
21	BELL, Jered	DB	6- 0	195	So.	1L	Ontario, Calif. (Colony)	S 3/3
99	BONSU, Nate	DL	6- 1	280	Jr.	1L	Allen, Texas (Allen)	S 2/2
35	BRISCO, Brandan	DB	5-11	175	Fr.	RS	Oakland, Calif. (Bishop O'Dowd)	WO 4/4
61	CALDWELL, Ed	OL	6- 6	295	Fr.	HS	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)	WO 5/4
12	CANTY, Keenan	WR	5- 9	160	So.	1L	New Orleans, La. (Edna Karr)	S 3/3
62	CARVER, Trevor	SN	5-11	180	Fr.	HS	Louisville, Colo. (Monarch)	WO 5/4
40	CASTOR, Justin	PK	6- 4	200	Jr.	2L	Golden, Colo. (Arvada West)	S 3/2
64	COTNER, Brad	OL	6- 4	280	Fr.	RS	Thousand Oaks, Calif. (Westlake/College of the Canyons)	S 4/4
54	CRABB, Kaiwi	OL	6- 3	280	So.	1L	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Punahou)	S 3/3
2	CRAWLEY, Kenneth	DB	6- 1	170	Fr.	HS	Washington, D.C. (H.D. Woodson)	S 5/4
10	CREER, Malcolm	TB	5-11	205	So.	1L	Los Angeles, Calif. (Palisades)	S 4/3
34	CROWDER, Terrence	RB	5-11	210	Fr.	HS	Galena Park, Texas (Galena Park)	S 5/4
43	DAIGH, Brady	ILB	6- 2	250	So.	1L	Littleton, Colo. (Mullen)	S 4/3
53	DANNEWITZ, Ryan	OL	6- 6	300	Sr.	3L	San Jacinto, Calif. (San Jacinto)	S 1/1
82	DARDEN, Jarrod	WR	6- 5	210	Jr.	VR	Keller, Texas (Central)	S 2/2
7	DILLON, Shane	QB	6- 6	190	Fr.	HS	El Cajon, Calif. (Christian)	S 5/4
18	DORMAN, Stevie Joe	QB	6- 3	205	Fr.	RS	Somerset, Texas (Somerset)	S 4/4
92	EATON, Thor	DL	6- 3	210	Fr.	HS	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Pine Creek)	WO 4/4
83	EBNER, Dustin	WR	6- 1	185	Sr.	2L	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	S 1/1
99	FERNANDEZ, Scott	TE	6- 3	250	Jr.	1L	Broomfield, Colo. (Legacy)	S 2/2
29	FORD, Josh	TB	5- 9	205	Jr.	1L	Denver, Colo. (Mullen/Barton Community College)	S 2/2
21	GOODSON, D.D.	TB	5- 7	170	So.	1L	Rosenberg, Texas (Lamar Consolidated)	S 4/3
14	GORMAN, Justin	WR	6- 0	200	So.	1L	Manheim, Pa. (Manheim Central)	WO 3/3
37	GREER III, Woodson	OLB	6- 3	225	So.	1L	Carson, Calif. (Junipero Serra)	S 4/3
15	GROSSNICKLE, Zach	P	6- 2	195	Jr.	1L	Denver, Colo. (East)	S 2/2
16	HALL, Jeffrey	DB	5-11	180	Fr.	HS	LaPlace, La. (St. Charles Catholic)	S 5/4
55	HANDLER, Gus	OL	6- 3	295	Jr.	1L	Barrington, Ill. (Barrington)	S 2/2
23	HARRINGTON, Sherrard	DB	6- 1	180	Fr.	RS	Washington, D.C. (H.D. Woodson)	S 4/4
75	HARRIS, Jack	OL	6- 5	305	Jr.	1L	Parker, Colo. (Chaparral)	S 2/2
20	HENDERSON, Greg	DB	5-11	185	So.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Norco)	S 4/3
94	HENINGTON, Tyler	DL	6- 3	285	Fr.	HS	Centennial, Colo. (Mullen)	S 5/4
8	HIRSCHMAN, Nick	QB	6- 4	230	So.	1L	Los Gatos, Calif. (Los Gatos)	S 3/3
40	HISS, Jesse	FB	6- 1	225	Fr.	HS	Bonner Springs, Kan. (Basehor-Linwood)	WO 5/4
15	HOBBS, Vincent	TE	6- 3	240	Fr.	HS	Dallas, Texas (Mesquite Horn)	S 5/4
35	HUNT, Harrison	WR	6- 0	180	Fr.	HS	Cleveland Heights, Ohio (Gilmour Academy)	WO 5/4
29	HUNTER, Harrison	DB	5-10	180	So.	TR	Fountain, Colo. (Fountain-Fort Carson/Fort Lewis)	WO 3/3
76	IRWIN, Jeromy	OL	6- 5	280	Fr.	HS	Cypress, Texas (Cypress Fairbanks)	S 5/4
81	IRWIN, Sean	TE	6- 4	230	Fr.	HS	Cypress, Texas (Cypress Fairbanks)	S 5/4
69	IVERSON, Ryan	SN	6- 0	220	Jr.	2L	Newport Beach, Calif. (Newport Harbor)	S 3/2
50	JARVIS, Scotty	LB	6- 0	230	So.	TR	Los Altos, Calif. (St. Francis/UC-Davis)	WO 3/3
48	JONES, Clay	ILB	6- 1	220	Fr.	RS	Palo Alto, Calif. (St. Francis)	WO 4/4
26	JONES, Tony	TB	5- 7	190	So.	1L	Paterson, N.J. (Don Bosco Prep)	S 3/3
93	KAFOVALU, Samson	DL	6- 3	250	Fr.	HS	Riverside, Calif. (Arlington)	S 5/4
44	KASA, Nick	TE	6- 6	260	Sr.	3L	Thornton, Colo. (Legacy)	S 2/1
74	KELLEY, Alex	OL	6- 3	310	Fr.	HS	Oceanside, Calif. (Vista)	S 5/4
65	LaMAR, Keegan	SN	6- 1	245	Fr.	RS	Boulder, Colo. (Fairview)	WO 4/4
71	LEWIS, Alexander	OL	6- 6	290	So.	1L	Tempe, Ariz. (Mountain Pointe)	S 4/3
31	MAJOR, Jon	OLB	6- 2	235	Sr.	3L	Parker, Colo. (Ponderosa)	S 1/1
87	McCULLOCH, Tyler	WR	6- 5	210	So.	1L	Albuquerque, N.M. (Eldorado)	S 4/3
17	MOSLEY, Marques	DB	6- 1	180	Fr.	HS	Upland, Calif. (Upland)	S 5/4
39	MOTEN, Josh	DB	6- 0	195	So.	1L	Carson, Calif. (Narbonne)	S 3/3
52	MUNYER, Daniel	OL	6- 2	295	So.	1L	Tarzana, Calif. (Notre Dame)	S 3/3
72	MUSTOE, Marc	OL	6- 7	280	Fr.	RS	Broomfield, Colo. (Arvada West)	S 4/4
77	NEMBOT, Stephane	OL	6- 8	305	Fr.	RS	Van Nuys, Calif. (Montclair Prep)	S 4/4
58	NICHOLS, Andre	DL	6- 4	225	So.	VR	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Rampart)	WO 3/3
36	NORGARD, Clay	FB	6- 1	240	Fr.	HS	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Mountain Vista)	S 5/4
8	O'NEILL, Darragh	P	6- 2	185	So.	1L	Louisville, Colo. (Boulder Fairview)	S 3/3
28	OLIVER, Will	PK	5-11	195	So.	1L	Los Angeles, Calif. (Harvard-Westlake)	S 4/3
13	ORMS, Parker	DB	5-11	195	Jr.	2L	Wheat Ridge, Colo. (Wheat Ridge)	S 2/2

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Colorado Alphabetical Roster, continued...

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
27	PAPILION, Tommy	DB	6- 4	220	Jr.	VR	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Arizona)	WO 2/2
56	PARKER, Juda	DL	6- 3	250	So.	1L	Aiea, Hawai'i (St. Louis)	S 4/3
30	PAYNE, Davien	RB	5-11	220	Fr.	HS	Perris, Calif. (Citrus Hill)	S 5/4
83	PERICAK, Will	DL	6- 4	285	Sr.	3L	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 1/1
7	POLK, Ray	DB	6- 1	205	Sr.	3L	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 1/1
91	POSTON, Kirk	DL	6- 2	250	So.	VR	Houston, Texas (St. Pius X)	S 3/3
46	POWELL, Christian	FB	6- 0	235	Fr.	HS	Upland, Calif. (Upland)	S 5/4
49	RASMUSSEN, Kory	DL	6- 4	280	Fr.	HS	Ewa Beach, Hawai'i (Kamehameha)	S 5/4
89	RAY, Austin	TE	6- 6	240	Fr.	HS	Columbia, Mo. (Rock Bridge)	S 5/4
70	RICHTER, Eric	OL	6- 3	310	Sr.	VR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Capistrano Valley/Saddleback College)	S 1/1
3	RIPPY, Doug	ILB	6- 3	245	Sr.	3L	Columbus, Ohio (Trotwood-Madison)	S 1/1
14	SCHROCK, John	QB	6- 4	220	Fr.	RS	Kansas City, Kan. (Shawnee Mission East)	WO 4/4
88	SLAVIN, Kyle	TE	6- 4	245	So.	VR	Littleton, Colo. (Chatfield)	S 3/3
23	SMITH, Josh	WR	5-11	160	Fr.	HS	New Orleans, La. (Aurora, Colo./Cherokee Trail)	WO 5/4
41	SMITH, Terrel	DB	5- 9	190	Jr.	2L	Paterson, N.J. (Passaic County Tech)	S 3/2
57	SOLIS, Justin	DL	6- 3	305	Fr.	HS	Thousand Oaks, Calif. (Westlake)	S 5/4
22	SPRUCE, Nelson	WR	6- 2	195	Fr.	RS	Westlake Village, Calif. (Westlake)	S 4/4
38	STEWART, Alexander	DB	6- 1	155	Fr.	HS	Houston, Texas (Cypress Woods)	WO 5/4
82	STUART, John	DL	6- 4	250	Fr.	HS	Westlake Village, Calif. (Westlake)	S 5/4
25	THOMAS, Gerald	WR	5-11	175	Fr.	HS	New Orleans, La. (The Colony HS, The Colony Texas)	S 5/4
85	THORNTON, DaVaughn	TE	6- 4	230	Jr.	2L	Denver, Colo. (East)	S 2/2
42	TU'UMALO, K.T.	OLB	6- 2	200	So.	1L	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Punahou)	S 4/3
55	TUPOU, Josh	DL	6- 3	325	Fr.	HS	Long Beach, Calif. (Buena Park)	S 5/4
86	TURBOW, Alex	WR	6- 1	195	Jr.	VR	San Luis Obispo, Calif. (San Luis Obispo)	WO 2/2
51	TUSO, John	DL	6- 4	275	Fr.	RS	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	WO 4/4
96	UZO-DIRIBE, Chidera	DL	6- 3	250	Jr.	2L	Corona, Calif. (Corona)	S 3/2
32	VIGO, Paul	ILB	6- 1	200	Jr.	1L	New Brunswick, N.J. (New Brunswick)	S 2/2
26	WALKER, John	DB	5- 9	165	Fr.	HS	Washington, D.C. (H.D. Woodson)	S 5/4
4	WASHINGTON, Kyle	ILB	6- 1	220	So.	1L	Pasadena, Calif. (Florence (Ariz.) HS	S 4/3
1	WEBB, Derrick	ILB	6- 0	230	Jr.	2L	Memphis, Tenn. (Whitehaven)	S 2/2
4	WEBB, Jordan	QB	6- 1	205	Jr.	TR	Union, Mo. (Union/Kansas)	S 2/2
97	WILHELM, D.J.	P	6- 2	190	So.	TR	Clear Lake, Iowa (Clear Lake/Northern Iowa)	WO 3/3
45	WILLIAMS, Lowell	OLB	6- 1	200	So.	1L	Missouri City, Texas (Marshall)	S 3/3
90	WILSON, De'Jon	DL	6- 3	250	Fr.	HS	Washington, D.C. (H.D. Woodson)	S 5/4
47	WOOD, Alex	FB	6- 2	245	Jr.	VR	Steamboat Springs, Colo. (Steamboat Springs)	S 2/2
5	WOOD, Connor	QB	6- 3	225	So.	TR	Houston, Texas (Second Baptist/Texas)	S 3/3
5	WRIGHT, Yuri	DB	6- 2	175	Fr.	HS	Spring Valley, N.Y. (Ramsey [N.J.]	S 5/4
33	YATES II, Richard	DB	6- 2	185	Fr.	RS	Lakewood, Colo. (Kent Denver)	WO 4/4

Heights and weights recorded as of August 5, 2012. **EXPERIENCE KEY:** #L—indicates number of letters earned through 2011; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2011; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer. **STATUS KEY:** S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock as of start of 2012 season, i.e., 2/1: two years available to play one in eligibility.

### Inactive Roster Players (Injured/Ineligible/Etc.)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Reason	Status
33	MURPHY, Jordan	FB	6- 1	225	So.	TR	Castle Rock, Colo. (Lutheran/Colorado State)	transfer	WO 4/3
6	RICHARDSON, Paul	WR	6- 1	170	Jr.	2L	Los Angeles, Calif. (Serra)	injured (knee)	S 3/2

### January Enrollment (Grayshirt)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
...	JAGNE, Kisima	DL	6- 5	235	Fr.	HS	Phoenix, Ariz. (Chandler)	S 5/4
68	KOUGH, Gerrad	OL	6- 5	270	Fr.	HS	Pomona, Calif. (Pomona)	S 5/4
...	McCARTNEY, Derek	DL	6- 4	235	Fr.	HS	Westminster, Colo. (Faith Christian)	S 5/4
9	THOMAS, Jeff	WR	6- 3	195	Fr.	HS	Dallas, Texas (Duncanville)	S 5/4
10	WILLIAMS, Peyton	WR	6- 1	185	Fr.	HS	Southlake, Texas (Southlake Carroll)	S 5/4

# 2012 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL STATISTICS

Won 0, Lost 3 (0-0 Pac-12)

RESULTS/Attendance (◆—Pac-12 Game)		Result	Time	Attendance
S 1	Colorado State (Denver).....	L 17-22	3:23	58,607
S 8	SACRAMENTO STATE .....	L 28-30	3:24	46,843
S 15	at Fresno State (N) .....	L 14-69	3:35	27,513
S 22	◆ at Washington State .....		2:00 p.m. MDT	
S 29	◆ UCLA .....		4:00 p.m. MDT	
O 11	◆ ARIZONA STATE (N).....		7:00 p.m. MDT	
O 20	◆ at Southern California .....		TBA	
O 27	◆ at Oregon .....		TBA	
N 3	◆ STANFORD .....		TBA	
N 10	◆ at Arizona .....		TBA	
N 17	◆ WASHINGTON .....		TBA	
N 23	◆ UTAH.....		1:00 p.m. MST	

SCORE-BY-QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	—	Total
COLORADO .....	14	28	7	10	x	—	59
Opponents .....	45	43	14	19	x	—	121

TEAM STATISTICS	Colorado	Opponents
FIRST DOWNS .....	48	70
by rushing .....	16	24
by passing .....	25	39
by penalty .....	7	7
FIRST DOWN PLAYS/YARDS .....	86/417	99/783
average gain on first down .....	4.85	7.91
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY .....	15-46	14-39
percentage .....	32.6	35.9
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY .....	3-5	1-3
percentage .....	60.0	33.3
RUSHING ATTEMPTS .....	107	117
yards gained .....	413	632
yards lost .....	92	65
NET RUSHING YARDS .....	321	567
average per rush .....	3.00	4.85
average per game .....	107.0	189.0
PASSING ATTEMPTS .....	97	87
passes completed .....	46	59
had intercepted .....	4	1
completion percentage .....	47.4	67.8
NET PASSING YARDS .....	548	862
average per attempt .....	5.65	9.91
average per completion .....	11.9	14.6
average per game .....	182.7	287.3
QBs sacked/yards lost .....	13/81	6/43
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS .....	204	204
TOTAL NET YARDS .....	869	1429
AVERAGE GAIN PER PLAY .....	4.26	7.00
AVERAGE PER GAME .....	289.7	476.3
FUMBLES-LOST .....	7-2	4-2
PENALTIES/YARDS .....	23/204	23/201
Offensive .....	13/94	8/63
Defensive .....	6/65	7/78
Special Teams .....	4/45	7/45
Bench/Fans/NCAA Unsportsmanlike .....	0/0	1/15
TURNOVERS (Margin: -3/-1.00) .....	6	3
TOTAL RETURN YARDS .....	52	138
Punt Returns: No-Yards .....	7-52	4-49
Interceptions: No-Yards .....	1-0	4-86
Misc. (Fumble/Blk. FG) Returns .....	0-0	1-3
KICKOFF RETURNS: No-Yards .....	16-325	9-220
average per return .....	20.3	24.4
PUNTS .....	22	15
yards .....	975	643
gross average .....	44.3	42.9
yard deductions: returns/touchbacks .....	49/40	52/40
net yards .....	886	551
net average .....	40.3	36.7
DEFENSIVE/tackles for loss .....	20-74	19-105
quarterback sacks/yards .....	6/43	13/81
quarterback hurries .....	10	14
passes broken up .....	11	5
forced fumbles .....	1	4
BLOCKED KICKS (Special Teams) .....	2	0
TIME OF POSSESSION .....	87:39	92:21
average per game .....	29:13	30:47
TIME SPENT IN THE LEAD (tied 19:42) .....	56:40	103:38
TIMES PENETRATED OPPONENT 20 .....	9	11
scores/td,fg .....	8/7,1	11/7,4
GOAL-TO-GO SITUATIONS .....	5	5
scores/td,fg .....	4/4,0	5/5,0
TOTAL DRIVES .....	42	39
drives ended by: TD .....	8	13
FG Made/FG Miss .....	1/0	6/0
Punt/Downs .....	22/2	15/2
TO/SAF/Clock .....	5/0/4	2/0/1
TOTAL POINTS .....	59	121
average per game .....	19.7	40.3

RUSHING		—avg. per—										high
Player	G	Att	Gain	Loss	NET	att.	game	TD	Long	10+	5+	game
Christian Powell .....	3	46	209	10	199	4.32	66.3	3	64t	3	11	147
Josh Ford .....	2	11	68	0	68	6.18	34.0	1	19	2	6	61
Tony Jones .....	2	18	45	0	45	2.50	22.5	0	8	0	4	43
Gerald Thomas .....	3	2	35	0	35	17.50	11.7	0	18	2	1	18
Malcolm Creer .....	3	4	17	0	17	4.25	5.7	0	10	1	1	17
Donta Abron .....	3	6	12	0	12	2.00	4.0	0	8	0	1	11
Connor Wood .....	2	2	4	1	3	1.50	1.5	0	4	0	0	3
D.D. Goodson .....	3	1	1	0	1	1.00	0.3	0	1	0	0	1
Nick Hirschman .....	1	3	4	9	-5	-1.67	-5.0	0	4	0	0	-5
Jordan Webb .....	3	13	18	71	-53	-4.08	-17.7	0	7	0	3	-21
Team (k-downs, snaps) .....		1	0	1	-1	-1.00	.....	.....	-	...	...	...

PASSING							—avg. per—						TOTAL OFFENSE		
Player	G	Att	Com	Int	(7)	Pct.	Yards	att.	comp.	TD	Long	Sacked	Att.	Yards	Avg.
Jordan Webb.....	3	78-	39-	2	(0)	50.0	442	5.7	11.3	4	40	10/ 71	91	389	4.3
Connor Wood....	2	16-	6-	2	(0)	37.5	75	4.7	12.5	0	28	1/ 1	18	78	4.3
Nick Hirschman	1	3-	1-	0	(0)	33.3	41	13.7	41.0	0	41	2/ 9	6	36	6.0
Team ( <i>spiked passes</i> )	0-	0-	0-	...	...	0.0	...	....	....	..	..	0/ 0	1	- 1	- 1.0
NCAA Ratings: Webb 107.9, Wood 52.9, Hirschman 148.4.															
Passes w/o INT: Hirschman 38, Webb 0, Wood 0. ( <i>T—interceptions that were tipped</i> )															

RECEIVING			---avg. per---							high games----	
Player	G	No.	Yards	rec.	game	TD	Long	20+	10+	rec	yards
Nelson Spruce .....	3	13	131	10.1	43.7	1	22	1	7	8	8-64
Tyler McCulloch .....	3	7	127	18.1	42.3	2	33	2	6	4	3-73
Gerald Thomas.....	3	6	77	12.8	25.7	0	28	1	3	3	2-45
Tony Jones .....	2	6	32	5.3	16.0	0	18	0	1	4	4-29
Alex Wood .....	3	3	36	12.0	12.0	0	18	0	2	1	2-26
Kyle Slavin.....	3	2	21	10.5	7.0	1	12	0	1	1	1-12
Christian Powell.....	3	2	18	9.0	6.0	0	13	0	1	1	1-13
Donta Abron .....	3	2	4	2.0	1.3	0	10	0	1	1	1-10
Dustin Ebner .....	3	1	41	41.0	13.7	0	41	1	1	1	1-41
Nick Kasa .....	3	1	40	40.0	13.3	0	40	1	1	1	1-40
Vincent Hobbs .....	3	1	14	14.0	5.7	0	14	0	1	1	1-14
Keenan Canty.....	3	1	8	8.0	2.7	0	8	0	0	1	1-8
Malcolm Creer.....	3	1	- 1	- 1.0	- 0.3	0	- 1	0	0	1	1-(-1)

SCORING		Touchdowns-----					2Pt.					
Player	G	Total	Rush	Rec.	Ret.	PAT	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	Saf	DEX	PTS	
Christian Powell .....	3	3	3	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	18	
Tyler McCulloch .....	3	2	0	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	12	
Will Oliver .....	3	0	0	0	0	0-0	8-8	1-1	--	--	11	
Josh Ford.....	3	1	1	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
Kyle Slavin.....	3	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
Nelson Spruce .....	3	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6	
COLORADO .....	3	8	4	4	0	0-0	8-8	1-1	0	0	59	
Opponents .....	3	15	4	9	2	0-0	13-15	6-6	0	0	121	

PUNTING						In				had	Ret.	Net	Net
Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	20	50+	TB	blk	Yds.	Yds	Avg.	
Darragh O'Neill.....	3	22	975	44.32	57	7	7	2	0	49	886	40.3	
Opponents .....	3	15	643	42.87	69	4	2	2	0	52	551	36.7	

FIELD GOALS		G	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+	Total	Pct.	Long
Will Oliver .....	3	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	100.0	30
(30) (-) (-) .....											
Opponents .....	3	0-0	1-1	3-3	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	6-6	100.0	48

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS (Top 2)		G	Plays	Rush	Rec.	PR	KOR	Total	Avg.	Avg./G
Christian Powell .....	2	48	199	18	0	0	0	217	4.5	72.3
Marques Mosley .....	3	7	0	0	0	159	159	22.7	53.0	

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SCORING DRIVES (Game-By-Game)

Opponent	Plays	Yards	Time	Result	Qtr	(Down) How	PAT	Quarterback
Colorado State	9	81	3:00	TD	2	(2) Spruce 15 pass from Webb	Oliver	Webb
Colorado State	10	47	5:14	TD	2	(3) McCulloch 9 pass from Webb	Oliver	Webb
Colorado State	5	22	1:22	FG	4	(4) Oliver 30 FG	.....	Webb
Sacramento State	3	75	1:12	TD	1	(1) Powell 64 run	Oliver	Webb
Sacramento State	8	72	3:29	TD	1	(1) Powell 1 run	Oliver	Webb
Sacramento State	8	77	2:54	TD	2	(3) Slavin 9 pass from Webb	Oliver	Webb
Sacramento State	13	65	6:31	TD	3	(3) Powell 1 run	Oliver	Webb
Fresno State	7	69	2:10	TD	2	(3) McCulloch 23 pass from Webb	Oliver	Webb
Fresno State	10	64	5:59	TD	4	(2) Ford 1 run	Oliver	Hirschman

(\*—scored following a turnover)

Drive Analysis

DISTANCE	COLORADO		OPPONENT	
Length	TD	FG	TD	FG
(minus)	—	0	—	0
0—9	0	0	0	0
10—19	0	0	2	0
20—29	0	1	0	1
30—39	0	0	0	0
40—49	1	0	1	0
50—59	0	0	1	3
60—69	3	0	2	1
70—79	3	0	1	1
80—89	1	0	4	0
90—99	0	0	2	0

GAME OPENING DRIVES

Game	COLORADO			OPPONENT		
	Pts	FD	Yds	Pts	FD	Yds
Colorado State	0	0	2	0	0	3
Sacramento State	7	2	75	0	1	19
Fresno State	0*	1	17	7	4	65
Washington State						
UCLA						
Arizona State						
Southern California						
Oregon						
Stanford						
Arizona						
Washington						
Utah						

SECOND HALF OPENING DRIVES

Game	COLORADO			OPPONENT		
	Pts	FD	Yds	Pts	FD	Yds
Colorado State	0	1	13	7	5	89
Sacramento State	7	5	65	0	1	11
Fresno State	0	0	7	0	2	40
Washington State						
UCLA						
Arizona State						
Southern California						
Oregon						
Stanford						
Arizona						
Washington						
Utah						

(\*—drive ended by a turnover)

POSSESSIONS AT-A-GLANCE

	Avg. 3-Plays				
	No.	Plays	Snaps	& Out*	Snaps/TD
Colorado	42	204	4.86	16	25.5 ( 8)
Opponent	39	204	5.23	6	15.7 (13)

(\*—less if there is a turnover; must not have earned a first down or scored a touchdown.)

Yards Per Play—TD Drives: 7.8 (68-532); FG Drives: 5.5 (4-22); Non-Scoring Drives: 2.4 (132-315).

LONGEST PLAYS (TOP 10)

COLORADO

Yards	Opponent	Player(s)
64	Sacramento State	Christian Powell run (TD)
41	Fresno State	Dustin Ebner pass from Nick Hirschman
40	Sacramento State	Nick Kasa pass from Jordan Webb
33	Fresno State	Tyler McCulloch pass from Jordan Webb
28	Sacramento State	Gerald Thomas pass from Connor Wood
23	Fresno State	Tyler McCulloch pass from Jordan Webb (TD)
22	Fresno State	Nelson Spruce pass from Jordan Webb
19	Colorado State	Tyler McCulloch pass from Jordan Webb
19	Fresno State	Josh Ford run
18	on 3 occasions	

Number of plays 20-plus yards in length: 7 ( 6 pass, 1 rush)

Number of plays 40-plus yards in length: 3 ( 2 pass, 1 rush)

Returns

Type	Yards	Opponent	Player
KICKOFF	44	Fresno State	Jeffrey Hall
PUNT	24	Colorado State	Kenneth Crawley
INTERCEPTION	---		
FUMBLE	---		

Number of returns 20+ yards in length: 8 ( 7 kickoff, 1 punt, 0 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

Number of returns 30+ yards in length: 3 ( 3 kickoff, 0 punt, 0 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

OPPONENT

Yards	Opponent	Player(s)
97	Fresno State	Isaiah Burse pass from Derek Carr (TD)
94	Fresno State	Robbie Rouse run (TD)
60	Fresno State	Davante Adams pass from Derek Carr (TD)
50	Fresno State	Victor Dean pass from Greg Watson
37	Colorado State	Donnell Alexander run
36	Fresno State	Robbie Rouse run
35	Sacramento State	Chris Broadnax pass from Garrett Safron (TD)
35	Sacramento State	Morris Norrise pass from Garrett Safron
32	Colorado State	Joe Hansley pass from Garret Grayson
25	on 2 occasions	

Number of plays 20-plus yards in length: 17 (14 pass, 3 rush)

Number of plays 40-plus yards in length: 4 ( 3 pass, 1 rush)

Returns

Type	Yards	Opponent	Player
KICKOFF	37	Colorado State	Donnell Alexander
PUNT	29	Fresno State	Isaiah Burse
INTERCEPTION	43	Fresno State	Phillip Thomas (TD)
FUMBLE	3	Colorado State	Lanston Tanyi

Number of returns 20+ yards in length: 9 ( 7 kickoff, 0 punt, 2 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

Number of returns 30+ yards in length: 3 ( 2 kickoff, 0 punt, 1 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

NON-OFFENSIVE SCORES (0)

vs. Opponent	Player	Play
None		

By Opponent (2)	Player	Play
Fresno State	Phillip Thomas	16 interception return
Fresno State	Phillip Thomas	43 interception return

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FIRST DOWN RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Christian Powell.....	27	147	5.4	3	1	64t
Josh Ford .....	6	43	7.2	1	0	19
Gerald Thomas .....	2	35	17.5	2	0	18
Tony Jones.....	11	31	2.8	0	0	8
Donta Abbron .....	4	10	2.5	0	0	8
Jordan Webb.....	1	5	5.0	0	0	5
Malcolm Creer.....	2	5	2.5	0	0	4
D.D. Goodson.....	1	1	1.0	0	0	1
Team .....	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-1

FIRST DOWN PASSING

Player	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	FD	TD	Long	Sacked
Jordan Webb.....	24- 12- 1	50.0	143	7	0	33	2/ 8
Connor Wood .....	4- 1- 1	25.0	6	0	0	6	0/ 0
Nick Hirschman .....	1- 0- 0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0/ 0

FIRST DOWN RECEIVING

Player	Att.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Nelson Spruce .....	4	32	8.0	2	0	16
Tyler McCulloch.....	3	64	21.3	3	0	33
Tony Jones.....	3	29	9.7	1	0	18
Gerald Thomas .....	3	24	8.0	1	0	14

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN RUSHING

Player	Att.	FD/TD	Pct.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Att.-FD
Nick Hirschman.....	1	1	100.0	4	4.0	1	1- 1
Christian Powell .....	7	4	57.1	8	1.1	1	4- 4
Josh Ford.....	2	1	50.0	15	7.5	0	0- 0
Tony Jones.....	2	1	50.0	4	2.0	0	1- 1
Malcolm Creer .....	1	0	0.0	2	2.0	0	0- 0

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN PASSING

Player	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	FD	TD	Long	Sacked
Jordan Webb .....	27-15- 0	55.6	186	9	3	40	1/ 7
Connor Wood.....	7- 2- 1	28.6	22	1	0	28	1/ 1
Nick Hirschman.....	0- 0- 0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1/ 9

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN RECEIVING

Player	Att.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Nelson Spruce .....	5	52	10.4	3	0	15
Gerald Thomas .....	3	53	17.7	2	0	28
Tyler McCulloch.....	2	32	16.0	2	2	23t
Alex Wood .....	2	28	14.0	1	0	18
Nick Kasa .....	1	40	40.0	1	0	40
Kyle Slavin.....	1	9	9.0	1	1	9
Tony Jones.....	1	1	1.0	0	0	1
Malcolm Creer .....	1	- 1	- 1.0	0	0	- 1
Donta Abbron.....	1	- 6	- 6.0	0	0	- 6

QUARTERBACK SACKS (6-43)

Colorado State (4-20): Uzo-Diribe 2-16, Webb 1-4, Poston 1-0. Sacramento State (2-23): Uzo-Diribe 1-16, Major 1-7. Fresno State (0-0).

OFFENSIVE LINE STATISTICS

Player	Play Count-----											Total Plays	Season Totals-----		High Games-----	
	CSU	SST	FSU	WSU	UCLA	ASU	USC	UD	STAN	UA	WSH		UTAH	WB	TDB	Grade (minimum 10 snaps)
BAKHITIARI.....	<b>70</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>60</b>										<b>193</b>	11	0	87.1% / Colorado State
COTNER.....	—	—	32										<b>32</b>	0	0	71.9% / Fresno State
DANNEWITZ.....	—	32	<b>20</b>										<b>52</b>	3	0	81.3% / Sacramento State
J. IRWIN .....	—	—	11										<b>11</b>	0	0	63.6% / Fresno State
LEWIS.....	<b>70</b>	<b>51</b>	51										<b>172</b>	7	0	82.9% / Colorado State
HANDLER.....	<b>70</b>	<b>58</b>	—										<b>128</b>	3	1	85.7% / Colorado State
HARRIS .....	<b>70</b>	51	58										<b>179</b>	9	0	85.7% / Colorado State
MUSTOE.....	—	—	7										<b>7</b>	0	0	71.4% / Fresno State
MUNYER.....	<b>70</b>	60	71										<b>201</b>	12	1	80.0% / Colorado State
NEMBOT.....	—	—	34										<b>34</b>	1	0	73.5% / Fresno State
RICHTER.....	—	—	11										<b>11</b>	0	0	63.6% / Fresno State

KEY: Play count in bold indicates game grade of 80 percent or better; GEB—Will-Breaker Blocks (knockdowns/downfield blocks/blown off the line/finishes); TDB—Touchdown Blocks (direct); QBS—Quarterback Sacks Allowed; PRS—Pressures Allowed; PEN—Penalties.

FG/PAT TEAM PLAY COUNT (9): Bakhtiar, Fernandez 9, Harris 9, Kasa 9, Munyer 9, Nembot 9, Richter 9, Lewis 7, Dannewitz 2. (Snappers: Iverson 9; Holders: Grossnickle 6, Gorman 3; Kickers: Oliver 9).

PUNT TEAM SNAPS (22; includes fakes, roughing calls): Iverson 22.

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Individual

LONGEST SCORING RUN— 64, Christian Powell vs. Sacramento State  
LONGEST NON-SCORING RUN— 19, Josh Ford at Fresno State  
LONGEST SCORING PASS— 23, Tyler McCulloch from Jordan Webb at Fresno State  
LONGEST NON-SCORING PASS— 41, Dustin Ebner from Nick Hirschman at Fresno State  
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN— 44, Jeffrey Hall at Fresno State  
LONGEST PUNT RETURN— 24, Kenneth Crawley vs. Colorado State  
LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN— 0, Marques Mosley at Fresno State  
LONGEST PUNT— 57, Darragh O'Neill vs. Colorado State  
LONGEST FIELD GOAL— 30, Will Oliver vs. Colorado State  
MOST TOUCHDOWNS— 3, Christian Powell vs. Sacramento State (3 rush)  
MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS— 28, Christian Powell vs. Sacramento State  
MOST RUSHING YARDS— 147, Christian Powell vs. Sacramento State  
MOST PASS ATTEMPTS— 41, Jordan Webb vs. Colorado State  
MOST PASS COMPLETIONS— 22, Jordan Webb vs. Colorado State  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN— N/A  
MOST PASSING YARDS— 187, Jordan Webb vs. Colorado State  
MOST TOUCHDOWN PASSES— 2, Jordan Webb vs. Colorado State  
MOST RECEPTIONS— 8, Nelson Spruce vs. Colorado State  
MOST RECEIVING YARDS— 73, Tyler McCulloch at Fresno State  
MOST TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS— 47, Jordan Webb vs. Colorado State  
MOST TOTAL OFFENSE— 164, Jordan Webb vs. Colorado State  
MOST FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED— 1, Will Oliver vs. Colorado State  
MOST FIELD GOALS MADE— 1, Will Oliver vs. Colorado State  
MOST TACKLES— 12, Derrick Webb vs. Colorado State (9 solo)  
MOST SOLO TACKLES— 9, Derrick Webb vs. Colorado State  
MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS— 3, Chidera Uzo-Diribe vs. Colorado State  
MOST QUARTERBACK SACKS— 2, Chidera Uzo-Diribe vs. Colorado State  
MOST QUARTERBACK HURRIES— 2, Derrick Webb vs. Sacramento State  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS— 1, Marques Mosley at Fresno State  
MOST PASSES BROKEN UP— 2, Parker Orms vs. Sacramento State  
MOST THIRD/FOURTH DOWN STOPS— 2, on 4 occasions (Webb 2, Crawley, Uzo-Diribe)  
MOST WILL-BREAKER BLOCKS (OL)— 5, twice (Bakhtiar, Munyer)  
MOST SPECIAL TEAM POINTS— 5, Alex Wood at Fresno State (4 KSD, 1 FR)

Team Bests/Highs

MOST FIRST DOWNS— 20, vs. Sacramento State  
MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS— 40, at Fresno State  
MOST RUSHING YARDS— 153, vs. Sacramento State  
MOST PASS ATTEMPTS— 41, vs. Colorado State  
MOST COMPLETIONS— 22, vs. Colorado State  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN— 4, at Fresno State  
MOST PASSING YARDS— 187, vs. Colorado State  
MOST OFFENSIVE PLAYS— 71, vs. Fresno State  
MOST TOTAL OFFENSE— 341, vs. Sacramento State  
FEWEST FUMBLES— 1, vs. Sacramento State  
MOST FUMBLES— 4, vs. Colorado State  
FEWEST TURNOVERS— 0, vs. Sacramento State  
MOST TURNOVERS— 4, vs. Fresno State  
MOST TIME OF POSSESSION— 32:59, at Fresno State  
LONGEST TOUCHDOWN DRIVE— 81 yards (9 plays), vs. Colorado State  
LONGEST FIELD GOAL DRIVE— 22 yards (5 plays), vs. Colorado State

Defensive Bests

FEWEST FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED— 19, by Colorado State  
FEWEST RUSHING ATTEMPTS ALLOWED— 35, by Sacramento State  
FEWEST RUSHING YARDS ALLOWED— 125, by Colorado State  
FEWEST PASS ATTEMPTS ALLOWED— 21, by Colorado State  
FEWEST PASS COMPLETIONS ALLOWED— 14, by Colorado State  
FEWEST PASSING YARDS ALLOWED— 173, by Colorado State  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS— 1, at Fresno State  
FEWEST TOTAL PLAYS ALLOWED— 65, by Colorado State  
FEWEST TOTAL YARDS ALLOWED— 298, by Colorado State  
MOST FUMBLES FORCED— 1, vs. Colorado State  
MOST TURNOVERS GAINED— 2, at Fresno State  
MOST PASSES BROKEN UP— 6, vs. Sacramento State  
MOST QUARTERBACK SACKS— 4, vs. Colorado State  
MOST QUARTERBACK HURRIES— 5, vs. Sacramento State  
MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS— 9, at Fresno State

## GAME-BY-GAME INDIVIDUAL CHARTS

## RUSHING

## DONTA ABRON

	Att	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	0	0	0
Sacramento State.....	1	1	0
Fresno State.....	5	11	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## MALCOLM CREER

	Att	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	4	17	0
Sacramento State.....	0	0	0
Fresno State.....	0	0	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## JOSH FORD

	Att	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	----	DNP-----	
Sacramento State.....	1	7	0
Fresno State.....	10	61	1
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## TONY JONES

	Att	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	16	43	0
Sacramento State.....	2	2	0
Fresno State.....	----	INJ-----	
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## CHRISTIAN POWELL

	Att	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	1	3	0
Sacramento State.....	28	147	3
Fresno State.....	17	49	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## PASSING

## JORDAN WEBB

	A-C-I	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	41-22-0	187	2
Sacramento St.....	24-12-0	160	1
Fresno State.....	13- 5-2	85	1
Washington St.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## CONNOR WOOD

	A-C-I	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	-----	DNP-----	
Sacramento St.....	1- 1-0	28	0
Fresno State.....	15- 5-2	47	0
Washington St.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## NATE HIRSCHMAN

	A-C-I	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	-----	DNP-----	
Sacramento St.....	-----	DNP-----	
Fresno State.....	3- 1-0	41	0
Washington St.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## RECEIVING

## MALCOLM CREER

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	1	- 1	0
Sacramento State.....	0	0	0
Fresno State.....	0	0	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## DUSTY EBNER

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	0	0	0
Sacramento State.....	0	0	0
Fresno State.....	1	41	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## TONY JONES

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	4	29	0
Sacramento State.....	2	3	0
Fresno State.....	-----	INJ-----	
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## NICK KASA

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	0	0	0
Sacramento State.....	1	40	0
Fresno State.....	0	0	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## TYLER McCULLOCH

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	4	54	1
Sacramento State.....	0	0	0
Fresno State.....	3	73	1
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## CHRISTIAN POWELL

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	1	5	0
Sacramento State.....	1	13	0
Fresno State.....	0	0	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## NELSON SPRUCE

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	8	64	1
Sacramento State.....	2	28	0
Fresno State.....	3	39	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## GERALD THOMAS

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	3	26	0
Sacramento State.....	2	45	0
Fresno State.....	1	6	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## ALEX WOOD

	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State.....	1	10	0
Sacramento State.....	2	26	0
Fresno State.....	0	0	0
Washington State.....			
UCLA.....			
Arizona State.....			
USC.....			
Oregon.....			
Stanford.....			
Arizona.....			
Washington.....			
Utah.....			

## DEFENSIVE

## NATE BONSU, DT

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	Other
Colo. St.....	40	3,3—6	0-0	TZ
Sac. St.....	60	1,3—4	0-0	.....
Fresno St.....	27	2,2—4	0-0	.....
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## KENNETH CRAWLEY, CB

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	PD	Other
Colo. St.....	65	5,5-10	0	.....
Sac. St.....	72	7,1—8	0	.....
Fresno St.....	64	4,0—4	1	2-3DS
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## BRADY DAIGH, ILB

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	Other
Colo. St.....	19	3,1—4	0-0	FF,TZ
Sac. St.....	19	1,0—1	0-0	.....
Fresno St.....	33	5,0—5	2-3	.....
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## GREG HENDERSON, CB

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	PD	Other
Colo. St.....	44	3,2—5	0	3DS,TZ
Sac. St.....	0	-----	INJ-----	
Fresno St.....				
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## TYLER HENINGTON, DT

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	Other
Colo. St.....	1	0,0—0	0-0	.....
Sac. St.....	8	0,0—0	0-0	.....
Fresno St.....	9	0,2—2	0-0	.....
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## JON MAJOR, ILB

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	Other
Colo. St.....	59	6,3—9	0-0	3DS
Sac. St.....	60	7,4-11	2-8	QS,PD
Fresno St.....	42	4,4—8	0-0	TZ,BLK
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## MARQUES MOSLEY, S

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	PD	Other
Colo. St.....	17	0,3—3	0	.....
Sac. St.....	50	2,0—2	0	.....
Fresno St.....	43	2,5—7	0	INT,TFL
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## PARKER ORMS, DB

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	PD	Other
Colo. St.....	49	4,0—4	1	.....
Sac. St.....	72	7,0—7	2	TDS
Fresno St.....	67	4,1—5	0	TFL
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## JUDA PARKER, DE

	Plays	UT,AT-TT	TFL	Other
Colo. St.....	20	3,0—3	0-0	.....
Sac. St.....	10	1,0—1	0-0	.....
Fresno St.....	12	0,1—1	0-0	.....
Wash. St.....				
UCLA.....				
Ariz. St.....				
USC.....				
Oregon.....				
Stanford.....				
Arizona.....				
Wash.....				
Utah.....				

## WILL PERICAK, DT/DE

