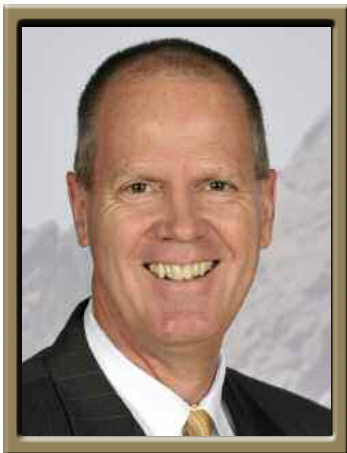


HEAD COACH TAD BOYLE



Colorado native Tad Boyle, who most recently resurrected the basketball program at Northern Colorado, was named the 18th head coach in University of Colorado men's basketball history, athletic director Mike Bohn announced Monday, April 19.

Boyle, 47, comes to Colorado from the University of Northern Colorado, where he guided the Bears to a 56-66 record (.459) the past four seasons, including a breakout season in 2009-

10, when the Bears were 25-8 (.758) and finished second in the Big Sky Conference. For his efforts, he was awarded the NABC Division I All-District Coach of the Year, the Big Sky Coach of the Year by both The Sporting News and CollegeInsider.com, where he was also named a finalist for the National Mid-Major Coach of the Year award.

"This is it (my dream job), there's no doubt," Boyle said. "I remember talking with Mark Turgeon once when he asked me where I wanted to be in 10 years, and I said the head coach at the University of Colorado. This is a destination job. I'm humbled and honored."

Boyle replaces Jeff Bzdelik, who accepted the head coaching position at Wake Forest University. Boyle agreed to a five-year contract, effective Monday (April 19).

"This exciting process was all about both the young men we have currently and those in the future who will be joining our program, and is an investment in them and represents the competitive spirit, teamwork, passion and dedication they stand for," CU athletic director Mike Bohn said.

"Tad Boyle represents everything that is right about college basketball. We look forward to his leadership, poise and competitive drive to unite all our collective Buff interests to support our team and this enterprise that has so much promise for the long term."

A Greeley, Colo., native, Boyle was named the 17th coach in UNC history on April 25, 2006. At that point, the Bears were in the midst of a transition to Division I in its first season as a member of the Big Sky Conference.

Northern Colorado finished 4-24 in his first season when squad finished last nationally in the final RPI rankings for that season. There were, however, flashes of times to come that season, including close losses to both Colorado (88-86) and Colorado State (75-66).

Over the next two seasons at UNC, he improved the team's win total from four to 13 and then 14. The Bears defeated Colorado State, 72-59, in his second season and also knocked off San Diego State, 72-59. The Aztecs were ranked among the nation's top 50 teams in the RPI rankings at that time. In year three, the Bears had improved from one conference win his first season to an even 8-8 mark and earned the school's first Division I post season trip, to the Sun Belt Conference Tournament.

It all came together for Boyle in his fourth season in Greeley, as the Bears advanced to the post season for the first time in school history, advancing to the quarterfinals of the CollegeInsiders.com Tournament while racking up a school record 25 victories. He coached one first-team All-Big Sky member and also the Big Sky Conference Defensive Player of the Year.

Prior to Northern Colorado, he spent six seasons as an assistant coach at Wichita State and was part of another turn around that saw the Shockers improve from 9-19 (.321) his first year there to one of the nation's top mid-major teams in 2006 when Wichita State went 26-9 and advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament. The Shockers eventually lost to Final Four Cinderella George Mason in the regional semifinals, but not before they had secured the No. 21 ranking in the final collegiate polls.

Boyle played collegiately at Kansas (1981-85) and for legendary coach Larry Brown. He was a member of two NCAA Tournament teams (1984, 1985) and was part of the 1984 Big Eight Tournament championship squad. As a senior, Boyle captained the Jayhawks, which featured freshman Danny Manning, who three years later led the Jayhawks to the NCAA Championship.

After earning a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Kansas in 1985, Boyle went on to serve six years as a high school basketball coach at various Colorado programs. He was the sophomore basketball coach at Greeley (Colo.) West for a year and then was an assistant coach at Loveland (Colo.) High School for two years.

From there, he served at Longmont (Colo.) High School for three years before returning to the college ranks.

It was at Kansas that Boyle played alongside Turgeon, whom he also coached with at Oregon under Jerry Green. Boyle's first collegiate coaching job in 1994 was on Green's Ducks staff, where he spent three seasons and helped the Ducks to the 1995 NCAA Tournament and the 1997 National Invitational Tournament. In 1997, Boyle followed Green to Tennessee, where he was director of basketball operations when the Vols won 20 games and advanced to the NCAA Tournament.

Boyle reconnected with Turgeon the following year, this time as an assistant coach at Jacksonville State (Ala.), where they helped turn a team that was 8-18 into a 17-11 squad in just one season.

Before heading to play collegiately at Kansas, Boyle was a standout performer at Greeley Central High School, where he led the Wildcats to a state championship as a senior in 1981 and earned Colorado Player of the Year honors as well as being selected to the Converse All-American team. His high school jersey was retired at the conclusion of his senior season.

Boyle is married to the former Ann Schell of Greeley, and they have two sons, Jack and Pete, and a daughter, Claire.

Tad Boyle's Year-by-Year Coaching Record

Season	Team (Position)	Record	Pct.	Note
1994-95	Oregon (AC)	19-9	.679	NCAA Tournament, 11-7 in Pac-10
1995-96	Oregon (AC)	16-13	.551	
1996-97	Oregon (AC)	17-11	.607	NIT Tournament
1997-98	Tennessee (DOBO)	20-9	.690	NCAA Tournament
1998-99	Jacksonville State (AC)	8-18	.308	
1999-00	Jacksonville State (AC)	17-11	.607	12-6 in TAAC
2000-01	Wichita State (AC)	9-19	.321	
2001-02	Wichita State (AC)	15-15	.500	9-9 in MVC
2002-03	Wichita State (AC)	18-12	.600	NIT Tournament, 12-6 in MVC
2003-04	Wichita State (AC)	21-11	.656	NIT Tournament, 12-6 in MVC
2004-05	Wichita State (AC)	22-10	.688	NIT 3rd Round, 12-6 in MVC
2005-06	Wichita State (AC)	26-9	.743	NCAA Sweet 16, MVC Regular Season Champs (14-4)
2006-07	Northern Colorado (HC)	4-24	.143	Bears' first year in Big Sky Conference
2007-08	Northern Colorado (HC)	13-16	.448	
2008-09	Northern Colorado (HC)	14-18	.438	Qualified for first Big Sky Tournament
2009-10	Northern Colorado (HC)	25-8	.758	CIT Quarterfinals, most wins in school history
Totals (Head Coach)		56-66	.459	
Totals (Overall)		264-213	.553	Five 20 win seasons, Eight postseason appearances

WHAT WAS SAID

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— *University of Colorado head coach Tad Boyle, the day he was hired as the new CU men's basketball coach*

"CU is getting a great person, a guy with great character and a value system, which is most important. He's a very well-rounded basketball coach and an excellent recruiter. He's a guy who will be very good with alumni and boosters. He's got great people skills and he develops relationships. Good coaches never stop trying to get better, and Tad does that. He was great as an assistant - extremely loyal, hard working and positive."

— *Mark Turgeon, Texas A&M Head Basketball Coach*

"This exciting process was all about both the young men we have currently and those in the future who will be joining our program, and is an investment in them and represents the competitive spirit, teamwork, passion and dedication they stand for. Tad Boyle represents everything that is right about college basketball. We look forward to his leadership, poise and competitive drive to unite all our collective Buff interests to support our team and this enterprise that has so much promise for the long term."

— *Mike Bohn, University of Colorado Athletics Director on what made Tad Boyle stand out above the other candidates*

"It's an incredible opportunity for him, but a phenomenal hire for Colorado. He's worked hard to get to this point; he's got an amazing background. I'm thrilled to death for him. I've been around some great basketball minds - Bill Self (Kansas), John Calipari (Kentucky), Alvin Gentry (Phoenix Suns), Greg Popovich (San Antonio Spurs), to name a few. A lot of quality guys have helped me coach. Tad has the same qualities those guys have. His kids play hard and unselfishly. They guard and play smart. He had those qualities as a player and he values them as a coach. He'll also make that program part of the whole community, and that's important at a school. The football coach, the women's coaches... they'll all love him. I love college athletics; it's more of a we thing than (in the NBA). You support everything. Tad will do that. This is an incredible opportunity for him and just as an incredible opportunity for Colorado."

— *Larry Brown, Charlotte Bobcats Head Coach and former University of Kansas head coach (1983-1988)*

"Tad's a heckuva coach and a lot better guy. I know that for a fact. I know you have to win at that level, and he'll win the right way. (The hiring of Boyle) "A very wise move on Colorado's part; the test of time will show that. I'm not saying that to kiss anybody's butt; I believe it."

— *Don Meyer, former legendary coach at Northern State University, winner of 923 games*

"I am happy for Tad and his family. Colorado made a great hire. Last year, he had a great season at Northern Colorado and he had that program moving in a positive direction. I believe he will have the same impact at CU."

— *Former teammate and current Kansas assistant coach Danny Manning*

BOYLE vs. THE NATION

Air Force	1-2
Arizona State	0-1
Ball State	0-1
Bowling Green	1-1
Colorado	0-1
Colorado Christian	1-0
Colorado State	2-2
Colo.-Colorado Springs	0-1
Creighton	0-1
Denver	4-2
Eastern Michigan	0-1
Eastern Washington	4-4
Fresno State	0-1
Gonzaga	0-1
Hawai'i	1-0
Idaho State	4-5
Iowa	0-1
Johnson & Wales	4-0
Liberty	0-1
Louisiana Monroe	1-0
McNeese State	1-0
Montana	2-7
Montana State	4-4
North Dakota	2-0
Northern Arizona	5-3
Oklahoma	0-1
Oregon	0-1
Oregon State	0-2
Pacific	0-1
Portland	2-1
Portland State	1-7
Purdue	0-1
Sacramento State	6-2
San Diego State	1-1
San Jose State	1-1
Southern	1-0
Southern Utah	1-0
TCU	1-0
Texas Southern	1-0
Texas State	1-1
VMI	1-0
Weber State	2-6
Wyoming	0-1
TOTAL	56-66

ASSISTANT COACH JEAN PRIOLEAU



Jean Prioleau enters his first year with the University of Colorado men's basketball staff bringing a wealth of expertise on and off the court. Not a stranger to the rigors of the Big 12 Conference or the coaching style of Tad Boyle, Prioleau brings past experiences from his assistant coaching days with Iowa State (2006-08), and was an assistant with Boyle at Wichita State (2000-2005).

"It's a great opportunity to be back in the Big 12 and more importantly, I'm thrilled to be back with coach Boyle and with coach (Mike) Rohn again," Prioleau said. "I'm appreciative of having the opportunity to help coach Boyle and the program build on what they accomplished last year and beyond for years to come. Colorado's a great place to recruit and I'm excited to be part of it."

Prioleau comes to Boulder from Texas Christian University after spending the previous two years (2008-2010) with the Horned Frogs as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator. With the Frogs, Prioleau not only served as the program's recruiting coordinator, but also was responsible for working with the TCU guards. Prioleau guided the development of TCU freshman Ronnie Moss as he became the first freshman since the 2001-02 campaign to average double-digits as well as the progression of guards Edvinas Ruzgas and Keion Mitchem.

Prior to TCU, Prioleau spent two years on the coaching staff at Iowa State (2006-2008) where he helped the Cyclones record 29 victories during his time. In his two seasons, the Cyclones had three All-Big 12 Conference performers in Mike Taylor, Wesley Johnson and Jiri Hubalek and were ranked in the top-100 among in a pair of defensive categories.

Soon after accepting the position at Iowa State, Prioleau played an instrumental role in signing one of the top players for the Cyclones in Wesley Johnson. The 6-7 forward from Corsicana, Texas, proved to be a valuable find for the Cyclones as he garnered All-Big 12 Rookie Team accolades as well as honorable mention freshman All-American laurels during the 2006-07 campaign.

Prior to joining the Iowa State program, Prioleau spent the 2005-06 season as an assistant coach under former Marquette head coach and current Indiana University head coach Tom Crean. In his lone season with the Golden Eagles, Marquette recorded a 20-11 overall record and a 10-6 mark in Big East Conference en route to securing a spot in the NCAA Tournament. Prioleau was part of a Marquette program that ranked 11th in the country in three-point field goal percentage, 22nd in three-point field goals made per game and 43rd in the nation in scoring offense in his lone campaign. That season, Prioleau watched as the Golden Eagles posted victories over a trio of nationally-ranked opponents, including a 94-79 triumph over top-ranked UConn.

Before his stint with Marquette, Prioleau spent five seasons on the coaching staff at Wichita State (2000-2005) where he played a vital role in the resurgence and success of the Shockers in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Shockers earned a berth in the National Invitation Tournament on three occasions during Prioleau's tenure. During his five-year tenure, the Shockers never finished below a .500 overall or conference mark while winning 18 or more games in four of five seasons. The Shockers collected 94 total victories

during Prioleau's tenure, including a pair of 20-win seasons in each of his final two campaigns with the program.

In addition to signing the top recruiting class in 2001 in the Missouri Valley Conference, Prioleau helped ink Sean Ogirri (Colorado Player of the Year), Paul Miller (2006 Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year and 2001 Freshman of the Year), Jamar Howard (Missouri Valley Conference Defensive Player of the Year) and Randy Burns (Missouri Valley Conference Rookie of the Year).

"Jean has grown tremendously in this business in a very short period of time and what I like about him, the fact he's not only a good recruiter, a good basketball coach, he has a great basketball mind," Boyle said. "He's the full package in terms that some guys are labeled one thing or another, but he's got all the goods. I'm really fortunate to have him. He's been in the Big 12, the Big East, the Mountain West, so he knows this level of basketball and he's well-connected throughout the country."

During his professional career, Prioleau played in both domestic and international territories with stints coming in the USBL and CBA as well as pre-season training camps for the NBA's New York Knicks and Indiana Pacers. He also spent time overseas where he competed in Turkey, Italy and Switzerland. Following his graduation, Prioleau played professionally for the USBL's Long Island Surf prior to attending training camp for the Indiana Pacers Rookie/Free Agent Summer League. Prioleau was invited to the Pacers' veteran camp where he was the final cut made by the team one day prior to the start of the season.

In 1992-93, Prioleau played for Yakima of the CBA before rejoining the Surf that summer. Prioleau made his second appearance at the Indiana Pacers' veteran camp before competing for Grand Rapids and Sioux Falls of the CBA. The following summer, he played for the New Jersey Nets' summer league team then signed a professional contract in Switzerland during the 1994-95 season.

Prioleau began his coaching career at his alma mater - Fordham University - following an eight-year professional basketball career. During the 1999-00 campaign, Fordham recorded a 14-15 overall record and a 7-9 mark in Atlantic 10 Conference action in the lone season with Prioleau on the coaching staff. That season, Duke Freeman-McKamey was selected as the Most Improved Player in the Atlantic 10 Conference while Bevon Robin earned third team all-conference accolades.

A former standout at Fordham, Prioleau was inducted into the Athletics Hall of Fame in 2000 after concluding his career ranked second in all-time steals and assists, third in free throw percentage, fourth in field goals made and sixth in scoring. Prioleau guided the Rams to back-to-back Patriot League titles, including hitting the game-winning three-pointer in the 1992 Patriot League Championship Game.

The Rams advanced to the NCAA Tournament during the 1991-92 season for the first time since the 1971 campaign while Prioleau was selected as a first team All-Patriot League selection. He also guided the Rams to a pair of NIT Tournament appearances during the 1989-90 and 1990-91 seasons, including a 25-8 overall record during his junior campaign.

Prioleau and his wife, Janelle are newlyweds. A 1992 graduate of Fordham University with a degree in physics, Prioleau is a member of both the NABC (National Association of Basketball Coaches) and BCA (Black Coaches Association).

ASSISTANT COACH MIKE ROHN



Mike Rohn begins his first year in Boulder as an assistant coach at the University of Colorado and is reunited with current CU head coach Tad Boyle, whom he spent five seasons with at Wichita State (2001-2006).

"I've known Mike for over 15 years now and I recruited some of his players when he was a junior college coach," Boyle said. "He's the ultimate grinder; loves to work, a tireless recruiter, a great basketball mind. Both Mike and Jean

(Prioleau) are the complete package as far as guys that they can relate to as players in the program, as well as recruit players into the program. I think it's important to have both, and both are good basketball guys."

Before arriving at CU, Rohn spent the previous three years as the director of basketball operations at Texas A&M (2007-2010) where he helped the Aggies to a trio of NCAA Tournament Round of 32 appearances. During those three years in College Station, the Aggies won 73 games, in addition to 28 Big 12 Conference games. A&M also led the conference in scoring defense (65.8 ppg.) for the first time in league history during the 2009-10 campaign.

At Wichita State, where Rohn spent seven years (2000-2007) as an assistant coach to Mark Turgeon, in addition with current CU assistant, Jean Prioleau, the Shockers engineered an impressive resume earning three-straight NIT trips (2003, 2004, 2005). During the 2005-06 season, the Shockers not only won their first Missouri Valley Conference championship in 19 years, they capped off a 26-9 record with a 2006 NCAA Tournament berth and a Sweet 16 appearance, a school-first in 18 years.

Rohn also helped coach fifth-year student-athlete Paul Miller capped off one of the best careers of any Shocker center by being named the MVC Player of the Year, the first Shocker to earn the award in 21 years, in addition to Jamar Howard (Missouri Valley Conference Defensive Player of the Year).

Prior to Wichita State, Rohn served three seasons as head coach (1996-2000) at Dodge City (Kan.) Community College, where he built a 55-38 record and coached the Conquistadors to three consecutive state playoff appearances, including a 21-10 mark in 1999-2000. Rohn was also an assistant coach at Dodge City from 1993-96. In 1997, Dodge City was crowned the 1997 Jayhawk West Conference Champions.

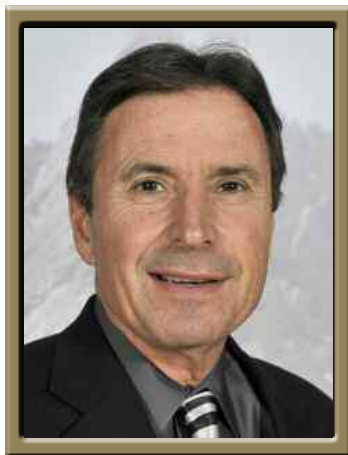
"I'm very excited for the opportunity to back with coach Boyle," Rohn said. "Obviously, he's a good friend of mine and I have a lot confidence in his ability to lead this program. This program is really on the cusp of doing something really special and I think he's going to lead us into doing that, so it's a great opportunity for me and I'm fortunate to be here."

Rohn was a graduate assistant coach at Fort Hays State (1991-1993) while earning a master's degree in sports administration and coaching. He earned a bachelor's degree in physical education in 1990 from McPherson College, where he was a two-time all-conference selection. There he was named the league's newcomer of the year as a junior and was the conference player of the year as a senior. He also was named McPherson's Male Athlete of the Year in 1989.

He also served as an assistant coach at Colby Community College (1990-91) and at his alma mater, McPherson College (1989-90). Rohn transferred to McPherson after playing two seasons at Dodge City Community College.

Mike, and his wife, Stephanie, have two daughters, Raegen and Rylee.

ASSISTANT COACH TOM ABATEMARCO



Tom Abatemarco returns to the University of Colorado for his second stint with the Buffaloes joining Tad Boyle's staff. Abatemarco was originally named to Jeff Bzdelik's coaching staff in March 2010 as an assistant, the same position he held 17 years ago from 1990-93, under then-head coach Joe Harrington.

"Having successfully worked under legendary coaches as Lou Carnesecca, Lefty Driesell, and Jim Valvano, I am proud to welcome Tom Abatemarco to the staff," said Bzdelik back on March 17. "As an assistant coach, Tom adds a wealth of experience, success, and positive energy to the CU program."

Abatemarco returns to Boulder after serving a brief stint with the Sacramento Kings as a player personnel and scouting coach, in addition to spending the last seven years working as a broadcaster with the Kings. He recently served as an assistant coach for the Reno Bighorns of the NBA Development League (NBDL) during its inaugural 2008-09 season, helping the team to a 25-25 record.

Abatemarco brings a wealth of coaching expertise from the professional and collegiate ranks. He enjoyed much success in the WNBA where he served as an assistant coach with the now-defunct Sacramento Monarchs from 2003-09. During his six years with the Monarchs, he guided the team to the 2003 WNBA Western Conference Finals, a feat they would reach again in 2004 before winning a championship in 2005. The Monarchs would again reach the WNBA Finals in 2006, falling in the championship series.

Before making the transition to the WNBA, Abatemarco spent the previous 30 years on various college campuses as an assistant or head coach.

His college coaching experience includes stints at the University of Utah (2004-05) and Rutgers University (1994-97) after he spent three seasons at CU under Harrington from 1990-93. In his first year with the Buffaloes, he helped guide CU to a 19-14 record and a NIT third place finish during the 1990-91 season led by former school greats Shaun Vandiver and Stevie Wise. The 19 victories still rank as one of the top eight seasons in CU history.

In addition to his head coaching position at Sacramento State (1997-2000), Abatemarco served two terms as an NCAA Division I head coach at Lamar University (1986-88) and Drake University (1988-90).

From 1982-86, Abatemarco served as assistant at North Carolina State when the Wolfpack won the 1983 NCAA Championship under the late-Jim Valvano.

Additional coaching experience includes stints at Virginia Tech (1981-82); at Maryland under Lefty Driesell (1979-81); under Lou Carnesecca at St. John's (1978-79); Davidson (1977-78); Iona (1975-77); and the New York Institute of Technology (1974-75).

As an assistant coach, Abatemarco enjoyed seven NCAA Tournament appearances, five Elite Eight appearances (two with Maryland and N.C. State, one with St. John's), and a pair of NIT appearances (Colorado, Virginia Tech).