

COLORADO TIMELINE

Jan. 10, 1902—Colorado defeats State Prep School in Boulder, 34-10, in CU's first game in history.

Dec. 13, 1906—Frank R. Castleman assumes the duties as Colorado's first head basketball coach. Castleman also serves as football coach and athletic director.

Jan. 30, 1909—Colorado joins the Rocky Mountain Conference, its first conference affiliation in history.

Feb. 22, 1910—CU drops a 36-21 decision to Colorado Mines, as the two schools tie for the first Rocky Mountain Conference basketball title.

Aug. 14, 1912—John McFadden is named Colorado's second head coach.

Feb. 25, 1913—Colorado beats Denver in Boulder, 26-12, to win their first outright RMC basketball title.

Jan. 24, 1914—Colorado defeats Colorado State, 26-23, to clinch its second straight RMC title.

July 11, 1914—James N. Ashmore is named the third head coach in Colorado's history.

March 11, 1916—Colorado dumps Colorado A&M, 27-20, to grab a share of the RMC title with Colorado College.

May 18, 1917—Joe Mills is named Colorado's fifth head coach.

March 29, 1919—Colorado wins the RMC Eastern Division by downing Colorado A&M in Boulder, 32-18.

March 13, 1920—Colorado's 27-10 victory at Denver is the 100th win in CU history.

March 19, 1920—Colorado wins RMC Eastern Division title for the second year in a row with a 27-19 win over Colorado Mines in Boulder.

March 5, 1921—Colorado nabs its third straight RMC Eastern Division title with a 26-14 victory at Denver. The win also gives Colorado an undefeated season record of 8-0.

June 11, 1924—Howard Beresford is named the sixth head coach in Colorado's basketball history.



The 1946 Buff team heading for the NCAA Tournament.

Dec. 1, 1937—Buffs leave the Rocky Mountain Conference with six other area schools to form the Mountain States Conference.

Feb. 19, 1938—Colorado's 58-38 romp of the Pioneers at Denver gives the Buffs their first Mountain States Conference basketball title.

March 14-16, 1938—Colorado participates in their first postseason tournament ever. The Buffs beat New York University, 48-47, in the semifinal round at the National Invitation Tournament in New York City. Two days later, CU fell to Temple in the finals of the 1938 NIT Championship, 60-34.

Feb. 24, 1939—Colorado's 38-26 victory at Utah clinches the MSC title for the Buffs.

April 3, 1939—Jack Harvey becomes the first Buff to be named All-America. Jim Willcoxon is also named All-America.

March 2, 1940—Buffs' conquest at Denver, 52-37, gives CU third straight MSC title.

March 13-15, 1940—Colorado returns to the NIT for the second time, and defeats DePaul in the semifinal round 52-37. The Buffs deck Duquesne, 51-40, to claim their first NIT Championship.

March 22-23, 1940—Colorado is invited to its first NCAA postseason playoff after winning the NIT crown. Southern Cal beats the Buffs 38-32 in the first round, played in Kansas City. The Buffs then drop the consolation game to Rice, 60-56, in overtime.

April 2, 1940—Jack Harvey repeats as an All-America selection.

March 7, 1942—The Buffs' 57-46 verdict at Utah State gives CU its fourth MSC title in five years.

March 20-22, 1942—Buffs make their second appearance in the NCAA Tournament, as they defeat Kansas in the first round at Kansas City, 46-44. Colorado drops a 46-35 decision to Stanford, but ties for third place in the tournament in the process.

March 30, 1942 Robert Doll and Leason McCloud are both named All-Americans.

Jan. 26, 1945—Buffs' 62-32 win over Utah State in Boulder is the 300th win in Colorado basketball history.

March 22-23, 1946—Colorado returns to the NCAA Tournament and falls to California, 50-44, in the first round at Kansas City, but wins the consolation game in a 59-44 rout of Baylor.

Dec. 1, 1947—Colorado leaves the Mountain States Conference to join the Missouri Valley Intercollegiate Athletic Association, also known as the Big Seven. The Buffs joined Kansas, Kansas State, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Iowa State as the seven league schools.

Feb. 7, 1948—Colorado's 33-32 victory at Iowa State is the first conference victory in the Big Seven for the Buffs.

April 4, 1950—H. B. "Bebe" Lee is named 10th head coach in CU history.

Feb. 23, 1952—The Buffaloes score their first-ever victory over the nation's No. 2-ranked team, beating Kansas State 67-57 in Boulder.

March 6, 1954—Colorado's 79-76 victory over Kansas State in Boulder gives Colorado a share of the conference title with Kansas — its first Big Seven first place finish.

March 11-12, 1954—Bradley defeats Colorado, 76-64, in first-round action of the NCAA tournament at Stillwater, Oklahoma. Colorado also drops the consolation game to Rice, 78-55.

Feb. 28, 1955—Colorado's 66-57 victory at Missouri clinches first place in the Big Seven for the Buffs. It is their first outright Big Seven title. The win also marks the 400th in Colorado hoops history.

March 10-21, 1955—Colorado returns once again to the NCAA postseason tournament, as the Buffs



The 1929 Colorado Buffaloes won the Rocky Mountain Conference Eastern Division title.

March 2, 1929—CU wins at Colorado College, 35-27, to reclaim the RMC Eastern Division title after an eight-year dry spell.

Feb. 28, 1930—Colorado beats Colorado College in Boulder, 27-24, to win RMC Eastern Division for second straight year.

May 20, 1933—Henry P. Iba is named Colorado's seventh head coach.

Feb. 21, 1934—Colorado's 29-18 verdict over Colorado College in Boulder is the 200th cage win in Colorado history.

April 7, 1934—Earl "Dutch" Clark is named Colorado's eighth head coach.

Nov. 10, 1934—Colorado adopts the nickname "Buffaloes" at the annual football homecoming game. The new "Buffs" win over Utah, 7-6.

May 11, 1935—Forrest B. "Frosty" Cox is named Colorado's ninth head coach.

Jan. 8, 1937—Buffs win 43-38 over University of Denver in the first game played at the brand new CU Fieldhouse, located next to Folsom Field.



Shaun Vandiver holds the school record for career double-doubles with 59 despite playing only three years.

defeat Tulsa in the second round at Lawrence, Kansas, 69-59. The Buffs avenged 1954's defeat to Bradley, as Colorado blasts the Braves 93-81 in the Regional Championship. The win advances Colorado to the NCAA Final Four at Kansas City, where San Francisco beats the Buffs, 62-50. Colorado bounces back to win the national third place game, however, as they defeat Iowa 75-54.

April 1, 1955—Burdette Haldorson is named to the All-American team.

March 19, 1956 Russell "Sox" Walseth is named Colorado's 11th head coach.

March 10, 1962—Colorado beats Kansas in Boulder, 63-59 to win the Big Eight title.

March 17-20, 1962—Colorado beats Texas Tech, 67-60 at Manhattan, Kansas, to advance to the NCAA Midwest Regional Championship. Cincinnati stings the Buffs, 73-46 in the Regional Championship game.

Dec. 3, 1962—Colorado's 79-69 victory over Wichita State is the 500th win in Buff history.

March 9, 1963—Colorado's 69-56 victory in Manhattan over Kansas State gives CU a share of the Big Eight title with the Wildcats. Colorado advances to the NCAA playoffs because it has more wins.

Mar. 16-19, 1963 Colorado whips Oklahoma City at Lawrence, 78-72, to advance to the NCAA Regional Championship again. And again, the opponent is Cincinnati, who beats the Buffs for the second straight year, 67-60, to win the Midwest Regional Championship.

March 26, 1963 Ken Charlton becomes the fifth Colorado Buffalo to be named All-America.

Feb. 8, 1969—Colorado's 83-81 conquest of Nebraska in Boulder is the 600th all-time win in Colorado basketball history.

March 8, 1969—Buffs beat Missouri in Boulder, 92-73, to win the Big Eight title.

March 11-12, 1969 Colorado and Colorado State get together for the first time on the basketball court since the 1959-60 season in the NCAA Midwest Regional Playoffs. The Rams emerge victorious, 64-56, despite Cliff Meely's 32 points. Colorado does win the consolation game, however, 97-82 over Texas A&M.

Feb. 13, 1971—Cliff Meely sets a Buff record by scoring 47 points (and also pulls down 25 rebounds) in a 99-69 blowout of Oklahoma in Boulder.

March 17, 1971 Cliff Meely's jersey number "20" is retired in his honor following the 1970-71 season. Meely leaves Colorado as the Buffs' all-time scoring leader with 1,940 points, and also leaves as the leader in rebounds with 971. He also holds 13 other records at the time he leaves CU.

March 27, 1971 Cliff Meely is named All-America, the seventh Buff to achieve that honor.

April 4, 1976—Bill Blair is named CU's 12th head coach.

Dec. 2, 1978—Colorado's 66-62 triumph over South Dakota State in Boulder is the 700th cage win in Colorado history.

Feb. 24, 1979—Kansas beats Colorado, 71-60, in the final game to be played at Balch Fieldhouse.

Nov. 8, 1979—A crowd of 9,679, turns out to see the Russian Nationals defeat the Buffs, 88-73. The game is the first ever in the CU Events/Conference Center.

March 3, 1981—Buffs win 70-66 at Nebraska, only the second time in the five year history of Big Eight playoffs that a team wins on the road.

March 6, 1981—Colorado makes its first appearance in Big Eight "final four" at Kansas City; loses to Kansas State, 64-61.

April 4, 1981—Tom Apke is named Colorado's 13th head basketball coach.

Jan. 22, 1983—The first sellout crowd of 11,199 turns out at the CU Events/Conference Center to see the Buffs beat Nebraska, 72-69.

March 7, 1984—CU's 65-62 win at Iowa State earns the team its second trip to the league's final four in Kansas City, where Oklahoma beats CU, 90-78, two days later. Colorado becomes the first team in league history to win twice on the road in the league playoffs.

Dec. 11, 1985—Colorado's 78-65 victory over Colorado State in Boulder is the 800th cage win in CU history.

April 2, 1986—Tom Miller is named Colorado's 14th head basketball coach.

Feb. 13, 1988—Colorado wins its 500th game in Boulder as the Buffs beat Oklahoma State 73-71.

March 1989—Shaun Vandiver is named the Big Eight's Newcomer-of-the-Year, marking the first time in league history the honor is bestowed upon a CU player.

March 9-11, 1990 Buffs pull back-to-back upsets over Missouri and Oklahoma State to become the first eighth-seeded team to make it to the championship game of the Big Eight Postseason Tournament.

March 1990—Colorado's Shaun Vandiver and Stevie Wise finish as the Big Eight's No. 1 and 2 scorers, respectively, marking the first time two Buffs have accomplished that.

March 29, 1990 Joe Harrington is named Colorado's 15th head basketball coach.

Sept., 1990—The Events/Conference Center, home of the Buffs, is renamed the Coors Events Center.

Dec., 1990—Colorado scores a school record 124 points (twice) against Central Connecticut State (Dec. 7) and then vs. Tennessee State (Dec. 29).

Feb. 16, 1991—The Buffs win at Iowa State (84-78) to snap their 56-game league regular-season road losing streak.

March 1991—CU breaks a 22-year postseason drought and receives a bid to the National Invitation



Blair Wilson broke the 3-point school record held by Stevie Wise (214, 1987-91) with six treys in CU's 88-70 victory over Iowa State on Jan. 17, 2004. Overall, Wilson holds seven CU records and shares three others.



Kenny Price holds the school record for most 3-pointers in a game with nine.

Tournament. The Buffs win three straight to make the NIT's Final Four in New York City and finish third in the tourney.

March 18, 1991—The largest crowd ever in Events Center history (11,291) sees the Buffs beat Wyoming, 83-75, in the NIT's second round.

Feb. 5, 1992—A 70-68 overtime victory in Boulder over Oklahoma ends CU's 28-game losing streak to the Sooners. OU is ranked No. 22 in the country.

Feb. 12, 1992—The Buffs beat the nation's No. 2-ranked team for only the second time in school history with their 57-53 win over No. 2 Oklahoma State, in Boulder.

March, 1993—Teammates Poncho Hodges and Ted Allen finish first and second in the conference in blocked shots, the first time since 1953 that two teammates rank one-two in that category.

Dec. 6, 1993—Guard Donnie Boyce breaks the 1,000-point plateau in his 16-point effort at Colorado State.

March 1994—Donnie Boyce gains first-team all-Big Eight accolades for the second straight year.

Jan. 17, 1995—Ted Allen becomes CU's all-time leader in blocked shots after swatting five against Texas-San Antonio.

Feb. 22, 1995—Colorado wins its 900th game in program history, a 67-64 triumph over Washington in Boulder.

Feb. 25, 1995—Donnie Boyce becomes CU's all-time leading scorer in the Buffs' 80-74 win at Nebraska.

March 12, 1995—Colorado receives a bid to the 1995 NIT, just its second postseason invitation in 25 years and first since 1991.

Dec. 2, 1996—Colorado establishes a single-game scoring record in its 132-117 overtime win over George Mason in Boulder. Also in this game, freshman Chauncey Billups assembles the first triple-double (and sixth in Big Eight Conference History) with his 24-point, 11-rebound, 11-assist effort.

Feb. 16, 1996—Following Colorado's 82-80 overtime loss at home to Southern Utah, Joe Harrington announces his resignation as head coach. Ricardo Patton is named interim head coach by then-athletic director Bill Marolt.

Feb. 29, 1996—Ricardo Patton gains his first win as CU's head coach, a 106-94 victory over Missouri on ESPN.

March 5, 1996—Patton is named head coach on a permanent basis, becoming the 16th head mentor in program history.

Jan. 11, 1997—Colorado breaks the nation's longest home court winning streak, defeating No. 20 Texas Tech 80-78 in Lubbock. The win also gives CU its first win on the road against a nationally ranked opponent since 1973.

Jan. 20, 1997—Ranked 18th in the AP poll, CU earns its first national ranking since Dec. 30, 1969, a span of 9,882 days.

Feb. 24, 1997—Colorado defeats Wofford 65-58 to earn its second 20-win season in program history.

Feb. 24, 1997—*Basketball Times* names CU sophomore Chauncey Billups a first-team All-American, the eighth in CU history (ninth overall honor). *The Associated Press* later honors Billups as well.

March 9, 1997—Colorado is selected to participate in the NCAA Tournament for the first time since the 1968-69 season.

March 13, 1997—With 24 points versus Indiana, Chauncey Billups becomes the 19th CU player to score over 1,000 points. He finishes his career with 1,020.

March 13, 1997—Colorado defeats Indiana 80-62 for its 22nd win of the season the most in CU history.

March 4, 1998—Kenny Price is named the Big 12 Newcomer of the Year.

March 4, 1999—Colorado breaks a nine-game conference tournament losing streak with a 69-61 win over Iowa State in Kansas City.

March 5, 1999—Kenny Price's nine three-pointers against Texas in the second round of the Big 12 tournament sets a single-game CU record, and helps Price to his total of 97 for the year, the highest single-season total in CU history.

March 10, 1999—Colorado beats Pepperdine, 65-61 in the first round of the National Invitation tournament. It marks the second time in three full years as head coach Richard Patton has led the Buffs to the post-season.

March 16, 2000—Colorado hosts Southern Illinois in an opening round NIT game. It marks CU's third post-season berth in four years.

Jan. 22, 2001—Jamahl Mosley reaches the 1,000 point plateau. He'll finish the season 13th all-time with 1,171 points. That same night, a 5th ranked Kansas team will help draw an Events Center attendance record of 11,363.

March 8, 2001—Colorado finishes their season 15-15, the first time in 35 years the Buffs have had three consecutive .500 seasons or better.

Nov. 19, 2001—Colorado wins its 1,000 game in its history defeating Regis, 77-56 at the Coors Events/Conference Center. The Buffs are the 10th Big 12 school to reach the 1,000 win plateau.

Jan. 16, 2002—Head Coach Ricardo Patton earns his 100th career coaching victory with an exciting last second home win over Iowa State, 63-61. Stephane Pelle converted a 10-foot fade away with 2.9 seconds remaining.

March 6, 2002—Stephane Pelle earns his first Big 12 post-season honor earning a third-team selection by the conference coaches.

Nov. 24, 2002—Stephane Pelle becomes the 20th player in CU history to score 1,000 points in his career with 15 points in the Buffaloes 107-74 victory over Stetson. Pelle converted lay up at 10:26 of the second half. David Harrison becomes the first CU player since 1995 to record a triple-double. Harrison scored 31 points, grabbed 17 rebounds and blocked 10 shots against the Hatters.

Jan. 22, 2003—For the first time since Feb. 20, 1991, CU defeated Kansas, 60-59 at the Events Center. The victory over the Jayhawks snapped a 27-game losing streak to its conference nemesis and broke KU's 23-game Big 12 winning streak. Stephane Pelle's 10-footer with 25 seconds remaining was the difference.

Feb. 4, 2003—Michel Morandais scored 24 points with seven assists, three steals and was 3-of-3 from the 3-point arc helping CU upset No. 3 Texas, 93-80. The Buffs went on a 13-0 run to end the game and its win was the biggest victory over a ranked team since 1991-92 when CU defeated No. 2 Oklahoma State.



Ted Allen had two games in his career with six blocked shots in a single game.

Feb. 15, 2003—Stephane Pelle breaks Cliff Meely's (1968-71) school record of 971 rebounds with 12 of his own to become CU's all-time leading rebounder with 974 with nine games remaining to play.

Feb. 22, 2003—Michel Morandais notched his first career double-double with 17 points and 10 assists and Blair Wilson made 6 3-pointers for a game-high 26 points leading CU to an 89-68 rout of Missouri in Boulder. It was CU's third win over nationally-ranked team this season.

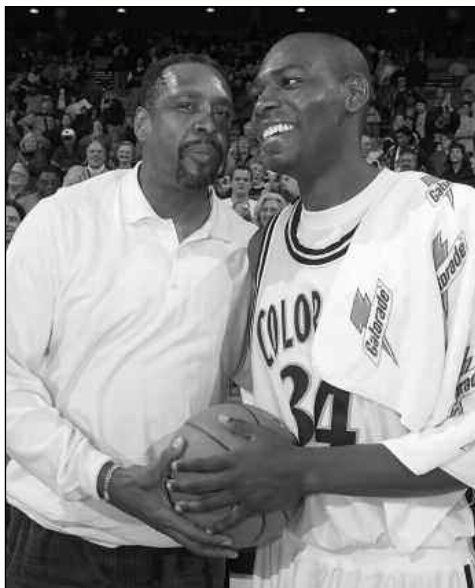
Feb. 25, 2003—Stephane Pelle became the first CU men's basketball player to record 1,000 rebounds in a career with eight boards at Iowa State. Pelle would finish his four-year career with 1,367 points and 1,054 rebounds, the first men's player to record both feats.

March 5, 2003—For the first time ever, CU defeated four nationally ranked teams in the same season upsetting Oklahoma State, 68-56 in Boulder. David Harrison scored 14 points with 16 rebounds and Stephane Pelle scored 14 with 11 rebounds.

March 8, 2003—David Harrison became the first Buffs player to register two triple-doubles in a season and career. Harrison stymied Nebraska with 20 points, 11 blocks and 10 rebounds in CU's 84-69 home finale win.

March 13, 2003—James "Mookie" Wright made the most dramatic last-second shot in recent memory hitting an 18-footer as time expired leading CU to an incredible 77-76 victory over Kansas State in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament. CU was given its last opportunity when Pervis Pasco traveled with the ball in celebration giving the Buffs possession with 1.8 second left.

March 21, 2003—Under the tutelage of head coach Ricardo Patton, the Buffs embarked of their second trip to the NCAA Tournament since the 1996-97 season. CU, seeded 10th in the south region, lost to eventual elite eight Michigan State, 79-64.



Stephane Pelle stands with Cliff Meely after CU's 98-83 home victory over Texas A&M on Feb. 15, 2003. Pelle broke Meely's rebounding mark of 971 with 12 boards against the Aggies. Pelle finished his four-year career with 1,054.



James "Mookie" Wright banked in a 3-pointer at the buzzer for an exciting 77-76 victory over Kansas State, March 13, 2003 at the Big 12 Basketball Championships in Dallas.



Andy Osborn made a 3-pointer with 15.9 seconds remaining in overtime lifting CU to a 54-52 win at Iowa State (Jan. 22, 2005), CU's first in Ames since Feb. 19, 1991.

Nov. 26, 2003—Michel Morandais becomes the 21st player in CU history to score over 1,000 points in his career. He will finish seventh overall (1,428). Later in the season, Blair Wilson reached the 1,000-point barrier on Dec. 31 against Richmond and finished with 1,253 and 14th overall. David Harrison scored his 1,000-point against Kansas (Jan. 5) to finish with 1,317 (11th).

Dec. 23, 2003—David Harrison broke the CU record for blocks in a career with three against Utah. Harrison bettered Ted Allen's eight-year mark of 161. Harrison would go on to block 225 shots and after only three years in a CU uniform would hold every blocked shot record category.

Jan. 17, 2004—Blair Wilson broke the CU record for career 3-pointers made with six against Iowa State. In that game, Wilson set or tied four school records against the Cyclones making his first six 3-pointers without a miss (CU Record); tying a half record (6), tying for 3s made in a conference half, and tying consecutive 3-pointers made.

Feb. 7, 2004—Blair Wilson tied his personal best with seven 3-pointers at home against Kansas State. Ironically, it's the second time in his career he has netted seven treys against the Wildcats (Jan. 1, 2002). Wilson also became one of three players to make seven 3-pointers in a game, twice.

March 6, 2004—The Buffs won 10 Big 12 Conference games the most since recording 11 back in 1996-97 and earned the number four seed at the conference tournament in Dallas.

March 17, 2004—Colorado earned its third NIT berth during Coach Patton's eight years as head coach. Despite David Harrison's 26 points and 12 rebounds, host Oregon was led by Luke Jackson's 40 points in the Ducks, 77-72 victory at Eugene.

Dec. 21, 2004—Head Coach Ricardo Patton becomes the second winningest coach at CU getting his 148th career win in the Buffs 74-58 victory over Radford. Patton passes Forrest B. Cox, who coached CU from 1936-50.

Dec. 28, 2004—Head Coach Ricardo Patton reaches the 150-win plateau as the Buffs defeat Gardner-Webb, 97-88 at the Coors Events Center.

Jan. 22, 2005—Andy Osborn made a 3-pointer with 15.9 seconds remaining lifting CU to a 54-52 overtime win at Iowa State. It's the first win for the Buffaloes in Ames since Feb. 19, 1991, ending a streak of 13 consecutive losses.

March 10, 2005—Colorado upset No. 6 Texas, 81-69 in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament becoming the first No. 11 seed to defeat a sixth seed in the nine-year history of the tournament.

Jan. 14 & 21, 2006—CU won at Oklahoma State for the first time at Gallagher-Iba Arena since Jan. 12, 1980 (20 games); and at Missouri since the 1996-97 season and only the second time winning at Columbia since Jan. 15, 1973 (a span of 32 games).

Jan. 28, 2006—The Buffs started Big 12 play with a 5-2 record, a first since 1996-97. The 5-2 start is the 14th time CU started 5-2 or better in league play in 59 years.

Feb. 6, 2006—CU was nationally ranked for the first time since the 1996-97 season (USA Today). They were ranked as the No. 25th team in the USA Today/Coaches' Poll for two straight weeks (Jan. 30-Feb. 5, Feb. 6-12).

Feb. 25, 2006—Head Coach Ricardo Patton recorded his 175 career victory when CU defeated Missouri, 78-60.

Mar. 15, 2006—CU earned their eighth NIT berth in school history and their 14 wins at home ties the 2002-03 season for home wins.

Feb. 3, 2007—Colorado upset No. 12/14 Oklahoma State, 89-77 at the Events Center. The win marks the fifth straight year (since 2002-03) CU has defeated a nationally ranked opponent at home.

Apr. 4, 2007—Jeff Bzdelik becomes the 17th men's basketball head coach in the school's history.

Mar. 13, 2008—Colorado, seeded No. 12 at the Big 12 Basketball Championships becomes the first 12th seed to defeat a No. 5 seed, upsetting Baylor, 91-84 in double-overtime.

Mar. 14, 2008—Richard Roby scores 18 points becoming the school's all-time leading scorer with 2,001 points. He also grabs 10 rebounds for his 11th career double-double.

Apr. 19, 2010—Tad Boyle becomes the 18th men's basketball head coach in the school's history.