Cha`pelle Brown tabbed CU MVP

Buff teammates honor senior CB

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BROOMFIELD -- The fans who sit behind the CU bench at football games weren't the only ones to notice Cha'pelle Brown's efforts this season.

Two days after picking up the Buffalo Heart Award, Brown's teammates tabbed the senior cornerback the Buffs' 2009 MVP.

Brown's selection was announced Sunday night at CU's annual football senior awards banquet at the Omni Interlocken Hotel

Brown finished his career with 11 tackles (nine solo) in the Buffs` 28-20 loss to Nebraska on Friday. He played all 804 defensive snaps during the season and finished with a team-high 96 tackles. Brown racked up 257 career tackles, 26th all-time at CU, but seventh all-time among defensive backs.

Brown was the third defender in a row to earn MVP honors from the Buffs. Linebacker/safety Ryan Walters won last year and Jordan Dizon picked up the award in 2007.

Other awards handed out Sunday included the John Mack Award (most outstanding offensive player) and the Dave Jones Award (most outstanding defensive player). Junior wide receiver Scotty McKnight picked up the offensive award and senior linebacker Jeff Smart claimed the defensive honor.

McKnight also won the John Mack Award in 2008, making him just the fourth Buff to earn the honor twice. Center Eric Coyle (won in 1985 and 1986), quarterback Darian Hagan (1989 and 1991) and quarterback Joel Klatt (2003 and 2005) were also repeat winners.

McKnight led the Buffs with team-highs in receptions (76), yards (893) and receiving touchdowns (six).

Smart recorded 92 tackles (64 solo), second most on the team, to earn the defensive honor. He led the Buffs in tackles most of the season until a pinched nerve limited him in the final two games.

CU award winners

Zack Jordan Award (most valuable player, selected by teammates): CB Cha`pelle Brown

John Mack Award (outstanding offensive player): WR Scotty McKnight

Dave Jones Award (outstanding defensive player): ILB Jeff Smart

Hang Tough Award (overcame the most adversity): ILB Marcus Burton

Lee Willard Award (outstanding freshman): DE Forrest West

Tyronee "Tiger" Bussey Award (perseverance over adversity, injury and/or illness): CB Benjamin Burney

Dean Jacob Van Ek Award (academic excellence): FB Jake Behrens

Bill McCartney Award (special teams achievement): SS Travis Sandersfeld

Regiment Award (greatest contribution with least recognition): SN Justin Drescher

Derek Singleton Award (spirit, dedication, enthusiasm): TB Brian Lockridge

Tom McMahon Award (dedication and work ethic): QB Cody Hawkins

Eddie Crowder Award (leadership): TE Riar Geer

Robbie Robinson Good Works Award (community service): P Matt DiLallo

Offensive Scout Award: WR Toney Clemons

Defensive Scout Award: DE David Goldberg

Special Teams Scout Award: ILB Derrick Webb

Best Interview (tie, selected by team beat media): CB Benjamin Burney & WR Scotty McKnight

Gold Group Commitment Awards: OLB Tyler Ahles, PK Ryan Aweida, OL Matthew Bahr, OLB B.J. Beatty, FB Jake Behrens, SN Austin Bisnow, DT Nate Bonsu, CB Cha`pelle Brown, CB Jalil Brown, CB Benjamin Burney, ILB Marcus Burton, WR Kyle Cefalo, OL David Clark, WR Toney Clemons, DT Curtis Cunningham, TE Ryan Deehan, TE Patrick Devenny, P Matthew DiLallo, SN Justin Drescher, WR Dustin Ebner, WR Jason Espinoza, TE Riar Geer, PK Aric Goodman, OLB Brandon Gouin, QB Tyler Hansen, QB Cody Hawkins, DE Marquez Herrod, OL Mike Iltis, CB Arthur Jaffee, QB Seth Lobato, TB Brian Lockridge, ILB Jon Major, WR Scotty McKnight, ILB Shaun Mohler, DT Will Pericak, SS Anthony Perkins, S Ray Polk, DT Tyler Sale, SS Travis Sandersfeld, OLB Guy Sergent, TE Devin Shanahan, ILB Michael Sipili, ILB Jeff Smart, S Bret Smith, TE Nate Solder, ILB Bryan Stengel, C Keenan Stevens, TB Demetrius Sumler, TE Luke Walters.

David Plati Staff Support Award (tireless effort for football program): Kris Livingston (academics), Jason DePaepe (facilities & grounds), Jose Tanori-Lopez (facilities & grounds)

David Clough Faculty Support Award (extraordinary support for football program): Susan Morley (Business School).

Pasta Jay Elowski Community Support Award (active support and enthusiasm): George Andrews, Boulder Broker

Buffalo Heart Award (selected by "the fans behind the bench"): CB Cha`pelle Brown

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Four Buffs make my All-Big 12 team

Written by kyle in Sunday, November 29th 2009 under Uncategorized Comments (5)

Each year I participate in the voting for the Associated Press All-Big 12 team. This is the ballot I submitted today.

The team is picked by about 25 members of the media who cover the conference. It will be announced over the course of the next few days. There are always some deserving players who get left off these teams, but I can tell you we really try our best to do a solid job picking these teams.

I spent all season watching Big 12 games and then I spent part of last week beginning to work on my ballot and about three hours of my Sunday afternoon finalizing, while trading emails with other writers around the conference getting input from them about guys they cover who might be deserving.

Four Buffs made my team. That's not a bad number for a 3-9 season. I forwarded their names to all the other writers as players I thought were deserving of consideration.

OFFENSE

Position Name, School

First-team Center Reggie Stephens, Iowa State Second-team Center Andrew Lewis, Oklahoma State First-team Guard-Tackle Russell Okung, Oklahoma State First-team Guard-Tackle Brandon Carter, Texas Tech First-team Guard-Tackle Trent Williams, Oklahoma First-team Guard-Tackle Charlie Tanner, Texas Second-team Guard-Tackle Nick Stringer, Kansas State Second-team Guard-Tackle Adam Ulatoski, Texas Second-team Guard-Tackle Kurtis Gregory, Missouri Second-team Guard-Tackle Michael Shumard, Texas A&M First-team Tight end Riar Geer, Colorado Second-team Tight end Jamie McCoy, Texas A&M First-team Receiver Danario Alexander, Missouri First-team Receiver Jordan Shipley, Texas First-team Receiver Kerry Meier, Kansas Second-team Receiver Dezmon Briscoe, Kansas Second-team Receiver Scotty McKnight, Colorado Second-team Receiver Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma First-team Running back Daniel Thomas, Kansas State Second-team Running back Keith Toston, Oklahoma State First-team Quarterback Colt McCoy, Texas Second-team Quarterback Jerrod Johnson, Texas A&M

HONOREES Name, School

Offensive player of the year Colt McCoy, Texas

First-team All-purpose Brandon Banks, Kansas State Second-team All-purpose Alexander Robinson, Iowa State

First-team Kicker Grant Ressel, Missouri Second-team Kicker Hunter Lawrence, Texas

Offensive newcomer of the year Daniel Thomas, Kansas State <u>DEFENSE</u>

Position Name, School

First-team Lineman Ndamukong Suh, Nebraska

First-team Lineman Aldon Smith, Missouri

First-team Lineman Gerald McCoy, Oklahoma

First-team Lineman Brandon Sharpe, Texas Tech

Second-team Lineman Jeremy Beal, Oklahoma

Second-team Lineman Jared Crick, Nebraska

Second-team Lineman Lamarr Houston, Texas

Second-team Lineman Sergio Kindle, Texas

First-team Linebacker Sean Weatherspoon, Missouri

First-team Linebacker Von Miller, Texas A&M

First-team Linebacker Joe Pawelek, Baylor

First-team Linebacker Jesse Smith, Iowa State

Second-team Linebacker Travis Lewis, Oklahoma

Second-team Linebacker Donald Booker, Oklahoma State

Second-team Linebacker Rodderick Muckelroy, Texas

Second-team Linebacker Jeff Smart, Colorado

First-team Def. Back Darrell Stuckey, Kansas

First-team Def. Back Earl Thomas, Texas

First-team Def. Back Perrish Cox, Oklahoma State

First-team Def. Back Jordan Pugh, Texas A&M

Second-team Def. Back Matt O'Hanlon, Nebraska

Second-team Def. Back Tysyn Hartman, Kansas State

Second-team Def. Back Jordan Lake, Baylor

Second-team Def. Back Jimmy Smith, Colorado

First-team Punter Alex Henery, Nebraska

Second-team Punter Quinn Sharp, Oklahoma State

HONOREES Name, School

Coach of the year Mack Brown, Texas

Defensive player of the year Ndamukong Suh, Nebraska

Defensive newcomer of the year Aldon Smith, Missouri

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