

# CU golfers enjoy beating future rival

## Women`s team topped Cal in season opener

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There is a program at Colorado that was actually prepared for the challenge of competing with Cal and well on its way to establishing a future Pac-12 rivalry.

The CU women`s golf team went shot-for-shot with the Bears throughout Tuesday`s final round at the Ptarmigan Ram Fall Classic and pulled off a dramatic two-stroke victory over Cal to finish atop the 17-team field.

Emily Talley, a junior from Napa, Calif., tied the school records for fewest strokes (209) and most strokes under par (7-under) for a tournament.

"It was pretty cool," Talley said during an interview with the Camera. "I think we all know our football team lost to Cal, and then here Cal is at our tournament and we`re paired up with them for two days. To pull it out was pretty fun."

Talley shares her record with former CU teammate Emily Childs, who set the marks two years ago as a freshman before transferring to Cal.

The two played in the same group for 36 holes. Childs (223) finished 14 shots behind Talley, who was second overall individually behind Idaho`s Kayla Mortellaro (207).

"I think playing with (Childs) kept me very calm because I`ve played with her since junior golf and have known her for years," Talley said. "Eight of the 10 girls on our team are from California and four are from northern California. My dad went to Stanford, so I`ve hated Cal forever. ...

"It`s nice to see we can win against a good Pac-10 team and can really keep up with them."

It was the fifth tournament victory in the history of the CU women`s program. Another Pac-10 team, Oregon, finished third. Tournament host Colorado State was sixth.

"I knew it was going to be close," CU coach Anne Kelly said. "I wanted a win, but I was happier with the heart we showed. We weren`t nervous; we just gutted it out and got the win. It`s a great start to the season."

Taylor Doyle (217), a sophomore from San Diego, and Jessica Wallace (217), a junior from Langley, B.C., tied for 13th individually. And freshmen sisters Kristin Coleman (222, 27th) and Jenny Coleman (237, 77th) rounded out the CU scoring.

The Buffs do not have any seniors on the roster, which also bodes well for the program as it prepares to transition from the Big 12 to the Pac-10 in either 2011 or 2012.

CU returns to action on Friday at the New Mexico Invitational in Albuquerque.

"This is the most depth we`ve had," Kelly said. "The thing about it is, we played well, but I know Jenny and Kristin are capable of posting lower scores. It was their first tournament of their first year. They`re just getting their feet wet, there is tremendous upside there. ...

"We have an opportunity to build on this right away. It`s going to be a quick turnaround, I know we`re tired and have school work to do, we turn around and leave (today) for a practice round. It`s just how the schedule fell."

## More Pac-10 success

The Buffs' soccer team, coming off an overtime victory over future Pac-12 foe Washington State in a game played at Spokane, Wash., will host the CU Classic this weekend at Prentup Field.

CU will play Purdue at 4 p.m. Friday and Pac-10 power UCLA at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday. Denver will open the tournament against UCLA at 1:30 p.m. on Friday and will play Purdue at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

Kate Russell assisted on both goals against Washington State as CU stopped a three-game losing streak. The Buffs (3-3) will begin Big 12 play on Sept. 24 at preseason favorite Texas A&M.

#### **Notable**

The CU women's cross country team moved up to 11th in the latest USTFCCCA Coaches' Poll, while the men's team maintained its sixth-place ranking from the preseason poll. The next varsity meet for Mark Wetmore's teams will be the 25th Annual Rocky Mountain Shootout on October 2. ... The CU men's golf team will compete at the Falcon Invitational in Colorado Springs beginning Sunday.

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