

CU Buffs shock No. 6 Aggies

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COLLEGE STATION, Texas -- The Colorado soccer team made its last trip to Texas A&M one to remember.

Buff freshman Lizzy Herzl scored her second golden goal of the season Friday night to lift Colorado to a 2-1 win over the No. 6 Aggies to give CU its first-ever win in College Station and only the second win over A&M in CU history.

It was just last Sunday that Herzl's goal in the second overtime lifted Colorado to a win over No. 10 UCLA.

She matched that feat Friday night by knocking in another goal eight minutes into the first overtime against A&M.

"We had it in their end, Lizzy got it and it was very similar to the one she shot against UCLA," CU coach Bill Hempen said. "It wasn't a fluke, but it wasn't a tremendously hard shot either. She just put it over their keeper."

Colorado led 1-0 at the half on the strength of a goal from midfielder Kate Russell just 3:11 into the game. CU kept the Aggies at bay for the rest of the half, but A&M finally knotted up the score 11 minutes into the second half when Merritt Mathias finally beat CU keeper Annie Brunner.

Brunner finished with eight saves, including some key stops to send the game into extra time.

The Buffs have now beaten the top-ranked teams in the Pac-10 and Big 12 in back-to-back games. CU improved to 5-4 while A&M fell to 7-3.

"We've made a few personnel changes and the kids have just dug in," Hempen said. "They're just really excited."

The Buffs don't have much time to savor the win. They'll fly back to Boulder today, then try to be ready for a 1 p.m. matchup with Texas on Sunday at Prentup Field.

"This is one of those weekends where it's a true test of intestinal fortitude," Hempen said. "But I can guarantee you the kids will give us everything they have."

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