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Spencer Dinwiddie (25) believes the Buffs' offense will perk up in Las Vegas.

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Brooks: Buffs Can Atone Quickly In Pac-12 Tourney

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BOULDER - On the eve of the Pac-12 Conference Tournament, The Big Question for the Colorado Buffaloes is: Can they be *that* bad in consecutive games against the same opponent?

On the flip side, the Oregon State Beavers aren't asking questions. Instead, they're likely telling themselves that Wednesday's first-round game on a neutral court looks pretty appealing. Here's why: they lost to the Buffs in Corvallis by four points, then beat the Buffs in Boulder by six points.

So when the Beavs packed it up and left the Coors Events Center late last Saturday, how much confidence did they take with them?

"More than they came in with," CU coach Tad Boyle conceded Monday afternoon. "And that's a testament to the way they played and a reflection on how we played."

I asked the same question to Josh Scott and Spencer Dinwiddie and here's how Scott, CU's All-Pac-12 freshman post, answered: "I'm sure a lot. This is a hard place to win, especially because it was Senior Night. It was a big accomplishment for them, I'm sure. It's our job to go in there (Vegas) and show it's not going to happen again."

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Added Dinwiddie, an All-Pac-12 first-teamer: "Anytime you win a game you get some confidence. But I think they know that we're not going to shoot 35 percent again. There are some games that we didn't execute particularly well - and that was one. I think they know they're in for a fight on Wednesday."

Let's hope Dinwiddie and the Buffs know it, too. That memo apparently was lost in the snow last weekend, particularly after Thursday night's inspired, decisive win (76-53) against then-No. 19 Oregon without Andre Roberson.

Did the Buffs succumb to an emotional letdown against the Beavers? Dinwiddie didn't think so: "I don't think there was . . . we all knew what we had to do, but we came out lackluster for whatever reason. We were focused; we just didn't always execute like we needed to do. That was disappointing, but it wasn't an emotional letdown."

But there was a letdown of some sort. I kept waiting for a critical stop in the final three or four minutes and it never happened. It was the kind of loss that pushes a coach over the edge, and Dinwiddie told me he'd never seen his coach reach the "Boyle-ing point" quite that fast in the locker room afterward.

"Definitely extremely upset," Dinwiddie said.

Boyle's will be among the first hands in the air if you polled Pac-12 coaches and asked them to vote on OSU's talent. Ahmad Starks is a capable, if streaky, point guard (he hit nine threes in CU's win in Corvallis, but managed only four points in Boulder). Eric Moreland is a springy, athletic 6-10 forward (he had a double-double last Saturday - 17 points, 10 rebounds). Guard Roberto Nelson finished regular season play as the Pac-12's leading scorer (19.1 in conference games). And the wide-bodied, red-topped Joe Burton is a player that Boyle last month lumped with the best passers in the league (Burton had only two assists, but 10 points/10 boards last weekend).

So how did the Beavers wind up 4-14 in the league (14-17 overall) and as the tourney's No. 12 seed? All that talent rarely seems to be on the same page and on most nights - or snowy afternoons - against a quality opponent OSU needs said foe to turn on itself. The Buffs obliged by allowing the Beavs:

- n to shoot 51.9 percent in the second half (Nelson got all of his 15 points in the final 20 minutes; he had 17 of his 21 in the second half in Corvallis);
- n a 38-32 rebound advantage (Roberson's 11.5 board average was missing; he'll make the trip to Vegas but remains day-to-day with a viral illness);
- n to disrupt their offense with a 2-3 zone that requires better ball movement and more accurate perimeter shooting than CU ever seemed to find.

In CU's four-point win in Corvallis, Dinwiddie hit all six of his field goal attempts - including four from beyond the arc - and all eight of his free throws. Of his 24 points, 17 were scored in the second half when the Buffs took control on offense and got stops at the other end.

With 13 points Saturday, Dinwiddie was the only CU player in double figures. Like his teammates, he frequently misfired, hitting three of his seven field goal attempts, but he was six of seven from the free throw line.

The Buffs' 35 percent from the field was their worst this season at home and second worst of the season anywhere. They hit six of their 21 three-point attempts, but that wasn't nearly good enough against the Beavers' zone.

"We didn't get as good ball movement as we should have," Dinwiddie said. "And even when we did, we had some open shots we didn't knock down. Anytime you shoot 35 percent, it's a lot to do with you. We had seven air balls in the game and coaches pointed out to us that five of those were open (shots). When you have five open shots (and airball them) that definitely can change the game."

Another game-changer: In Roberson's absence on Thursday night, freshman forward Xavier Johnson nearly did a Dinwiddie, going seven-of-seven from the field (three of three treys) and hitting five-of-six foul shots.

Less than 48 hours later, "XJ" went three-for-seven from the field, didn't get to the free throw line and finished with six points. He did, however, contribute seven rebounds and three blocked shots, but that didn't pacify him or alter his team's fate.

He blamed his offensive malady on a lack of concentration and said his team "just couldn't get an offensive flow going and the fact that we didn't shoot the ball that well. A lot of factors played into it." He called the overtime home loss to Arizona State "the worst by far, but this is probably second. It just killed us."

CU's offensive performance and its rare sleepwalk on defense are what gives Boyle sleepless nights. The Buffs have suffered through subpar shooting nights before, but their defense usually has offset them. They shot 36.5 percent last month at Oregon but won 48-47.

"Consistency has been hit and miss with this team," Boyle said. "The Utah game, the Oregon State game at home, those two come to mind as big disappointments. Great teams don't let that happen."

At the moment - and let's be honest here - the Buffs aren't to be confused with a great team. But even minus Roberson, they can be pretty good - as they showed against the Ducks and at other times this season. But they also showed unequivocally that when they flop, they're pretty solid at that, too.

Boyle believes that when the Pac-12 tourney tips off Wednesday at the MGM Grand Garden Arena (CU plays at 3:30 p.m. MST), as many as nine teams have a chance to do as the Buffs did last year in Los Angeles and cut down the nets. CU (20-10, 10-8) is the No. 5 seed and would play No. 4 seed Arizona (24-6, 12-6) if it can dispose of OSU.

Having recently played the Beavers, said Boyle, eliminates some scouting but is beneficial for both teams. "I don't think there's an advantage either way," he said. "There's less prep time for both teams. If we were playing Washington or Washington State or UCLA or USC, we haven't seen those guys in a while and we only saw them once . . . we just got done with Oregon State, but they just got done with us, too. It goes both ways. It's not advantage Buffaloes, it's an advantage for both coaches."

Still, the Buffs seem to like neutral courts and maybe that plays to their advantage in Vegas. They won four games in four days last March at the Staple Center and came back to Boulder as Pac-12 champs. They won three games in four days in November at the TD Arena in Charleston, S.C., and returned as Charleston Classic champs.

Neutral court success, said Boyle, stems from "relying on each other, playing for each other, staying together and playing with toughness. Neutral courts have been good to us since we've been here. Our team will be ready."

I asked Scott if he believes it's good to draw the Beavers again while the memory of Saturday's Senior Day debacle lingers. "Yeah," he said. "I'm really happy (and) excited that we can play them again. I think it works out kind of nice. I think we can beat them . . . we have fuel to beat them. I think it's going to be good for us; it's a good matchup for us."

Added Dinwiddie: "The bad thing about it was it being Senior Night and us not being able to send our seniors off on the right note. We're striving for that to be our last game at the Coors Events Center this year. It's no secret we want to make the (NCAA) Tournament. And we know that didn't help us. We were really made about quite a few things. We were lackluster; it wasn't our best performance."

Now comes the rare chance for quick atonement. From this point forward, as Boyle reminds, it's win or go home - then wait on Selection Sunday. The Buffs' wait will be less than comfortable if they're dealing with consecutive losses to their conference's last-place team.

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Andre Roberson returns to CU's lineup after missing two games.

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Bufs' Roberson Cleared To Play In Pac-12 Tournament

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LAS VEGAS - Forward Andre Roberson has been cleared to play and will start Wednesday in Colorado's first-round Pac-12 Conference Tournament game, coach Tad Boyle said Tuesday afternoon.

Roberson, the conference's Defensive Player of the Year, has missed the Buffaloes' last two games with a viral illness. Boyle said the 6-7 junior was cleared to play Tuesday before the team left Boulder.

No. 5 seed CU faces No. 12 seed Oregon State at 3:30 p.m. MDT at the MGM Grand Garden Arena. The Beavers defeated the Buffs 64-58 last Saturday in the Coors Events Center.

After landing here Tuesday, the Buffs went immediately to practice at the Impact Academy, and Roberson was a full participant. "He looked good, he looked energetic (and had) fresh legs, live legs," Boyle said. "It's great to have him back."

On the team's charter flight to Las Vegas, Roberson, the nation's leading rebounder at 11.5 boards a game, said he "feels good" and gave a thumbs up about his physical condition. CU was 1-1 in the games he missed, defeating then-No. 19 Oregon 76-53 on Thursday night before losing to OSU.

After their near-45 minute workout upon arriving, the Buffs went to the Garden Arena for a mandatory shoot-around, after which Boyle briefly met with the media.

Asked how much Roberson would play on Wednesday, Boyle answered, "We'll start him, absolutely. We'll watch him obviously and ask him how he's feeling and watch his wind. He's probably not in tip-top shape. But it hasn't been too long."

He said Roberson's presence on the floor would give the Buffs an emotional lift: "I think so. Our guys know how important Andre is to us and they know how good of a player he is on the floor. We worked a little bit of zone offense just in the half hour on the floor and he got two or three offensive rebounds, which is the one thing he brings."

In addition to his 11.5 rebound average, Roberson contributes 10.8 points a game. He has 36 career doubles, including 11 this season, and currently leads CU in steals (63) and blocked shots (38).

In addition to being the Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year by the league's coaches, he was selected to the all-conference team and the all-defensive team.

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Men's basketball: CU Buffs' Mike Bohn sends loyal fans to Pac-12 Tournament

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LAS VEGAS -- Viva the C-Unit tradition.

Colorado athletic director Mike Bohn said the 50 most loyal basketball supporters from the student body are being rewarded again with a trip to Las Vegas to support the Buffs at the Pac-12 Tournament.

Twenty-three members of the "OG" (Original Gang) 50 that celebrated the Buffs' conference tournament title in Los Angeles last March will be on hand at the MGM Grand Garden Arena, along with 27 "rookies."

The 50 students were selected through a loyalty program that tracked their attendance at CU men's games and select women's games throughout the season.

"The competition was fierce," Bohn said. "It's a real source of pride within our student body."

The C-Unit will travel to Las Vegas on a chartered flight with the CU pep band, cheerleaders, dance team and Chip the mascot.

"We're maintaining many of the traditions we started last year," Bohn said. "And that includes stopping at In-N-Out Burger."

All Pac-12 schools were allotted 400 tickets. CU had sold 981 tickets before the team left on Tuesday, borrowing from unused tickets some of their rivals couldn't sell.

"I know we've got more fans coming this year from Boulder and the surrounding areas in Colorado than we had in L.A. last year," CU head coach Tad Boyle said. "We should hopefully have a good contingent and our fans are very boisterous wherever they are. ...

"(Traveling the C-Unit) showed a commitment by our university and our athletic department about how important basketball is. We're very appreciative of that."

CU, the fifth seed, opens the Pac-12 Tournament on Wednesday against No. 12 Oregon State.

"It means a lot, especially when other teams don't have any crowd or their 50 people are parents," Spencer Dinwiddie said. "It just doesn't compete with the type of energy the students can bring. It really kind of gives us a little home-court advantage."

Pac-12 commissioner Larry Scott has encouraged the other schools to follow CU's lead and pay for students to attend the tournament.

Oregon State coach Craig Robinson said his athletic department sold more tickets this year than the previous three Pac-12 Tournaments combined.

MGM Madness

Which team is going to be this year's CU?

The head coaches of the teams seeded 5-to-12 are all hoping to win four games in four nights here at the MGM Grand Garden Arena to win the Pac-12 Tournament and the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

"If you can't believe right now, you're in the wrong sport," Stanford coach Johnny Dawkins said. "Colorado did it last year. ... Anything is possible with these kids. It's a matter of getting on a good roll."

The Buffs didn't show up on a roll at the Staples Center in Los Angeles a year ago, losing at Oregon and Oregon State to end the regular season before winning the conference tournament as a No. 6 seed.

Boyle believes the 2012-13 Buffs are among nine teams that can cut down the nets on Saturday night. He said the three teams at the bottom (Oregon State, Utah and Washington State) of the standings are capable of bursting some bubbles.

"I think it can go to nine, I really do. I think our top nine teams in our league are all talented," Boyle said. "That doesn't mean the three other guys can't win a game or two."

More CU honors

Andre Roberson and Dinwiddie -- who were voted All-Pac-12, first team by the conference coaches on Monday -- were both named to the U.S. Basketball Writers Association District VIII team on Tuesday.

Roberson, the Pac-12 defensive player of the year, is also the player of the year from his district, which includes the programs from the states of Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming.

This is the second time in three seasons CU has had two players selected to the first-team for the district. Alec Burks and Cory Higgins received the honor in 2010-11.

New Mexico's Steve Alford is the district coach of the year. Colorado State's Colton Iverson and Air Force's Michael Lyons are also on the 10-man team.

Roberson was also on the District VIII selection last season.

Notable

CU will be playing Oregon State four days after losing to the Beavers in the regular-season finale. In 2009-10, the Buffs defeated Texas Tech 101-90 in the regular-season finale in Boulder but lost 82-67 to the Red Raiders five days later at the Big 12 Tournament in Kansas City. ... CU has held 10 consecutive conference opponents under 70 points; that is the most since 16 were held under 70 over the course of the entire 1962 Big Eight season and the first two games of the 1963 season.

Quotable

"It was a big accomplishment for them I'm sure. It's our job to show them it's not going to happen again," CU's Josh Scott when asked if the last-place Beavers gained some confidence by beating CU in Boulder.

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Men's basketball: CU Buffs' Andre Roberson will return vs. Oregon State

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LAS VEGAS -- Tad Boyle has already drawn an ace and gets No. 21 back.

Andre Roberson, who missed the final two games of the regular season with a viral illness, was cleared by doctors on Monday and will be in the starting lineup for Colorado on Wednesday against Oregon State in the Pac-12 Tournament opener.

The 6-7 junior forward averages 10.8 points, 11.5 rebounds (first nationally) and 2.3 steals (first in the conference). Roberson was named the Pac-12 defensive player of the year this week.

"Our guys obviously know how important Andre is to us," Boyle said of the emotional boost Roberson's return gave the team during a short practice at the MGM Grand Garden Arena. "And they know how good of a player he is on the floor."

The fifth-seeded Buffs (20-10) will face the No. 12 Beavers (14-17) four days after losing to them at the Coors Events Center.

With Roberson watching helplessly in street clothes, Eric Moreland (17 points, 10 rebounds) and Joe Burton (10 points, 10 rebounds) enjoyed double-double feasts in Boulder.

"I'm really excited that we get to play them again," said freshman forward Josh Scott, who had six points and six rebounds during CU's 64-58 loss to Oregon State. "I think it works out kind of nice."

Oregon State held the Buffs to 35 percent from the field and improved to 9-1 this season when holding an opponent under 40 percent shooting.

Spencer Dinwiddie (18 points) was the only CU player to score in double figures in the last meeting, but the 6-6 point guard was 4-for-12 shooting (2-for-8 behind the arc) against the Beavers' 2-3 zone.

"We don't have to worry about over-confidence, that's the good thing about laying an egg on senior day," Boyle said. "You can bounce back and have their attention a little bit."

Boyle said facing Oregon State back-to-back simplified preparations for both coaching staffs.

After watching the film of his Buffs shooting seven air balls and allowing the Beavers to make 13 layups, it had to be tempting for CU's third-year head coach to burn the tape.

"Consistency is something we've been shooting for and expecting all year long. Unfortunately, it has been a little hit and miss with our team," Boyle said. "You look at our Utah game and you look at our Oregon State game at home, those two come to mind as big disappointments. Great teams don't let that happen."

Now a great player will be on the court to make sure it doesn't happen again.

This season Roberson has been responsible for 40 percent of CU's blocks, 29 percent of the rebounds (31 percent of the offensive rebounds), 29 percent of the steals and 15 percent of the points.

"He looked good, he looked energetic (and had) fresh legs, live legs," Boyle said after Roberson participated in Tuesday's practice. "It's great to have him back."

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CU men's hoops preview

WEDNESDAY: The No. 5 Colorado Buffaloes (20-10, 10-8) open the Pac-12 Tournament against No. 12 Oregon State (14-17, 4-14) at 3:30 p.m. at the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas.

BROADCAST: Television on the Pac-12 Network with Kevin Calabro (play-by-play), Don MacLean (analyst) and Ashley Adamson (court side). Radio on KKZN (AM 760) with Mark Johnson (play-by-play) and Jeb Putzier (color). Follow on Twitter: @RyanThorburn.

CU STORY LINES: Tad Boyle said Andre Roberson will be in the starting lineup after missing the final two games of the regular season with a viral illness. ... The Buffs are the defending conference tournament champions and are looking to avenge last Saturday's 64-58 loss to Oregon State in the regular-season finale at the Coors Events Center. ... CU shot just 35 percent from the field and was out-rebounded 38-32 in the last meeting with the Beavers. ... Since starting Pac-12 play 1-4 the Buffs are 9-4 and the four losses were by an average of 6.5 points. ... CU is 12-6 (.667) in tournament play under Tad Boyle.

OREGON STATE STORY LINES: The Beavers upset top-seeded Washington at last year's Pac-12 Tournament and are looking to put the Buffs on the NCAA Tournament bubble by beating them twice in four days. ... Roberto Nelson, who scored all 15 of his points in the second half at the Coors Events Center, led the Pac-12 in scoring in league games only (19.1 ppg). ... Senior center Joe Burton became the first player in Oregon State history to amass 1,000 points, 700 rebounds and 300 assists in a career. He had 10 points, 10 rebounds and two assists in the win at CU.

KEY STAT: The Buffs are 3-0 this season on a neutral court, having won the Charleston Classic back in November, and are 8-1 since last year's Pac-12 Tournament in Los Angeles and the NCAA Tournament in Albuquerque, N.M.

COACHES: Boyle is 68-36 in his third season at CU. Craig Robinson is 78-88 in his fifth season at Oregon State.

SERIES: CU leads 8-4. This is the first meeting between the programs on a neutral court (Buffs lead 6-1 in Boulder, trail 3-2 in Corvallis).

PROBABLE STARTERS: Colorado -- F Andre Roberson, 6-7, Jr., 10.8 ppg, 11.5 rpg; F Xavier Johnson, 6-6, Fr., 8.7 ppg, 4.8 rpg; F Josh Scott, 6-10, Fr., 10.7 ppg, 5.4 rpg; G Spencer Dinwiddie, 6-6, So., 15.4 ppg, 3.0 apg; G Askia Booker, 6-1, So., 12.6 ppg, 2.2 apg. Oregon State -- F Devon Collier, 6-8, Jr., 12.8 ppg, 6.1 rpg; C Joe Burton, 6-7, Sr., 11.2 ppg, 6.6 rpg; F Eric Moreland, 6-10, So., 9.2 ppg, 10.5 rpg; G Challe Barton, 6-3, So., 2.9 ppg, 1.1 rpg; G Roberto Nelson, 6-3, Jr., 17.7 ppg, 2.4 apg.

UP NEXT: If the Buffs win they will play No. 4 Arizona on Thursday in the Pac-12 Tournament quarterfinals at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas (3:30 p.m., Pac-12 Network).

Colorado looking for Askia Booker to regain his shooting eye

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LAS VEGAS — Colorado coaches haven't detected any mechanical flaws in Askia Booker's delivery, so they are hoping the sophomore guard shoots his way out of a prolonged slump.

Everyone agrees CU's chances of making some noise in the postseason improves dramatically if Booker can regain his shooting eye.

"There's nothing wrong with his form," CU coach Tad Boyle said. "We're ready for 'Ski to have one of those 6-for-8 games from the field."

Fifth-seeded Colorado (20-10) faces 12th-seeded Oregon State (14-17) in a 3:30 p.m. Wednesday rematch during the opening round of the Pac-12 Tournament at the MGM Grand Garden Arena. The Buffaloes were upset 64-58 at home on Saturday by Oregon State, unable to solve the Beavers' 2-3 zone defense.

Booker hit just 3-of-13 shots despite getting open looks throughout the game.

Boyle said he is not about to put the clamps on one of the team's most dynamic offensive players. "He's hit some big shots for us this year," Boyle said. "He's capable."

Booker, who is averaging 12.6 points, said he appreciates the confidence afforded him by his coaches, and his teammates, who, without hesitation, continue to pass him the ball.

"I just have to stay confident," Booker said. "You have to be unconscious out there. You can't think about the shot you just missed. Coach tells me to keep shooting."

Booker's shooting slump extends back over a month. He has shot 50 percent or better in just one of his past 10 games, going 7-for-13 in an overtime loss to Arizona State. He's hitting only 26.8 percent from the field in the past five games, including 4-for-24 on 3-pointers.

Last season, as a freshman, Booker shot 40.2 percent from the field and made 37.2 percent of his 3-pointers. His percentages are down this season to 36.9 and 30.4.

"We're going to keep getting 'Ski open shots," sophomore guard Spencer Dinwiddie said.

Boyle said he knows Booker is doing everything he can to snap the slump.

"Ski is the kind of guy that is going to get in the gym (on his own)," Boyle said. "He's been pressing for a while. He's the only one who can get out of it. Nobody can do that for him."

Booker said he has watched videotape of his past few games to try and identify the cause of his shooting woes.

"What I'm doing is, I'm rushing (the shots)," Booker said. "That's what I've been working on, being relaxed and shooting under control."

Now it's tournament time. Colorado could use a victory to solidify its status in the eyes of the NCAA Tournament selection committee. According to most "bracketologists," CU appears to be in solid position for an at-large bid, no matter what it does in the tournament. But, a loss to the Beavers in the first round of the Pac-12 Tournament, on the heels of the home loss Saturday, could make for a close call on Selection Sunday.

Last year, Colorado claimed the trophy in the inaugural Pac-12 Tournament by winning four games in four days. Can the Buffs do it again? Boyle said this year's tournament is "anybody's game," with as many as nine Pac-12 teams capable of claiming the title.

"I tell our guys, we just have to do what we do, be who we are," Boyle said. "We have to play Colorado basketball. Play hard. Play smart. We don't have to be Superman and be somebody we're not."

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Buffs vs. Beavers

Team: No. 12 seed Oregon State

Record: 14-17, 4-14 Pac-12

Conference play: The Beavers and Washington State tied for 11th in the Pac-12, but the Cougars won the tiebreaker.

Against CU: Oregon State stunned the Buffs on Saturday in the regular-season finale, winning 64-58 in Boulder. CU won 72-68 in Corvallis, Ore., on Feb. 10.

Up next: The winner will play against No. 4-seeded Arizona in the quarterfinals at 3:30 p.m. Thursday.

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Pac-12 rematch aids in preparation, Colorado's Boyle says

By **TOM KENSLE** |  No Comments

LAS VEGAS — When the Pac-12 Tournament bracket was completed, some Colorado fans may have cringed at the thought of a rematch with Oregon State.

But facing the Beavers for the second time in five days does have its advantages, CU coach Tad Boyle said prior to Wednesday's 3:30 p.m. MDT matchup at the MGM Grand Garden Arena.

Colorado lost to the Beavers 64-58 on Saturday in Boulder. Colorado (20-10, 10-8 Pac-12) is the fifth seed. Oregon State (14-17, 4-14) is the 12th seed.

"It's kind of nice from a preparation standpoint, to be honest with you," Boyle said of the rematch. "Your players know what they do. Now, they played us 40 minutes of zone and they may come out (Wednesday) and play us man-to-man or (a different) zone. It shortens your prep time.

"I think we're ready for it. We've worked on our zone offense. We've watched a lot of film and understand what we have to do a better job of.

"At some point, you have to make shots. That's what we didn't do a good job of."

Losing Saturday got his team's attention, Boyle said.

"We don't have to worry about overconfidence," Boyle said. "That's one good thing about laying an egg on Senior Day. That got their attention."

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