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Khyla Burrows

5-4 ❁ Women's Alpine ❁ Winter Park, Colo. (Middle Park/Winter Park)

3 Letters – 2010 as a freshman; 2011 as a sophomore; 2012 as a junior

Career at Colorado—Burrows is entering her senior season as part of the CU ski team and has seen action in 35 races so far in her career, finishing 23 of them. She has seven top 20 finishes in giant slalom action in her two years. She will captain the alpine team her senior year.

SEASON BY SEASON RESULTS

2010	GS	SL
Utah Invitational	D1	20
RMISA Qualifiers	15	D1
Montana State Invitational	18	21
New Mexico Invitational	D1	28
Nevada Invitational	19	21
RMISA Championships	D1	26

2011	GS	SL
Utah Invitational	19	D1
RMISA Qualifiers	27	D1
Montana State Invitational	30	D2
New Mexico Invitational	D2	D1
Denver Invitational	25	21

*—RMISA Qualifiers consisted of two GS races, the UNM Invitational two slalom races, the GS race at RMISA Championships was cancelled.

2012	GS	SL
Colorado Invitational	24	25
RMISA Qualifiers	19/10	23
Denver Invitational	D2	D2
Alaska Anchorage Invitational	24	22
UAA Invitational	23	D2
RMISA Championships	20	25

*—RMISA Qualifiers consisted of two GS and one slalom race to make up for the GS race as part of the Seawolf Invitational that only consisted of one run.

years in high school and also played forward in soccer and was a sprinter for the track team. She earned first-team All-State in track & field in 2007 as a sophomore, qualifying in the 1,600-meter relay. She earned the Offensive MVP as a freshman and was a first-team All-League soccer player for Middle Park, as well.

In the Classroom—Burrows is majoring in integrative physiology at Colorado and is also interested in Spanish as a potential double major or minor.

Personal—Khyla Burrows was born on October 3, 1990 and is the daughter of Jeff and Lynn Burrows of Winter Park, Colo. Burrows has a younger sister, Rylee. She chose to pursue her collegiate skiing career at Colorado because it's close to home, a great school. After college, Burrows hopes to be a neurologist at Children's Hospital.

2012 (Jr.)—Burrows took part in all 13 races through the regular season and RMISA Championships and finished 10 of those competitions. She broke through late in the season for her first top 10 finish, bringing home 10th place in the GS race at Montana State in a RMISA Qualifier race ahead of the RMISA Championships. She had two other top 20 finishes in GS races, opening the season with a 19th place finish in a RMISA Qualifier race ahead of the University of Colorado Spencer Nelson Memorial Invitational in Eldora. She also finished 20th at the RMISA Championships. Her top slalom performance was 22nd place at the Alaska Anchorage Invitational.

2011 (Soph.)—Burrows was continuing to recover from an injury and saw action in 10 races, finishing five and claiming one top 20 finish, an 19th place finish at the Utah Invitational in the first race of the season. She finished both races at the Denver Invitational, taking 25th in the giant slalom and 21st in the slalom in her final races of the season.

2010 (Fr.)—Burrows took part in all 12 races through the RMISA Championships last season, finishing eight of them and compiling four top 20 finishes. She showed consistency, finishing between 15th and 21st in six of those eight races. Her best giant slalom performance came with a 15th place showing in the RMISA Giant Slalom qualifier that led up to the Montana State Invitational while her season best showing in the slalom came in the first such race of the season at Utah.

Club—Burrows skied for the Winter Park Ski Team growing up.

High School—Burrows attended Middle Park high school in Granby, Colo., and was the individual state champion in both the slalom and giant slalom as a senior in 2009 while earning first-team All-State honors. She was named the citizen-athlete of the year for Middle Park as a senior and also earned the award for the Best Season and Best Comeback. She fractured her skull in 2008 and was not able to participate. In her sophomore season in 2007, she earned first-team All-State in skiing. She was member of the school's Gold Honor Roll all four



Top Career Slalom Finish: 20th (2010 Utah Invitational)

Top Career Giant Slalom Finish: 10th (2012 RMISA Giant Slalom Qualifier)

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Thea Grosvold

5-7 ❁ Women's Alpine ❁ Oslo, Norway (Doenski Videregaende Skole)

Career at Colorado—Grosvold is a redshirt freshman after she took the 2012 season off recovering from a knee injury. She trained with the team all of last and will be looked upon to step up in 2013.

2012 (Freshman)—Grosvold did not see action in 2012, recovering from a knee injury she suffered in December 2010. She was able to train with the team all year and learned from the talented senior class of Jenny Allen, Erika Ghent, Katie Hartman and Carolina Nordh.

Club—Grosvold participated in several club ski teams in Norway since 2005. From 2005-10, she was a member of the Ready Ski Club before moving to the Heming IL team in 2011. She was a member of the Norwegian Junior National Team from 2005-07 and Norwegian European Cup Team from 2007-10. She has skied in 282 FIS races before injuring herself and finished 258 of them. She compiled 29 race victories, 51 podium appearances, 85 top five and 114 top 10 finishes throughout her skiing career. She has skied in one World Cup race, 56 European Cup races, 20 Junior World Championship Ski Cup races, 25 National Championship races in Norway, Sweden and Austria and 15 Junior National Championship races in Norway. She did not finish the World Cup race, and in the 56 European Cup races, she had seven top 20 finishes with her best being 13th, which she accomplished in 2007 in Nuess-Bottrop, Germany, in an Indoor race, and in 2010 in Kvitfjell, Germany, in a Super Combined race. In her 20 Junior World Championship races, she had eight top 20 finishes with one top 10, an eighth place in the combined at the 2008 even in Formigal, Spain. She has won for National Championship races, all in Norway, the Super G race in Bjorli in 2007, the downhill in both 2008 (Hafjell) and 2009 (oppdal) and the slalom race in 2010 at Narvik. She also had 11 podium appearances and 19 top 10 finishes in those 25 national championship races. In her 15 Junior National Championship races, she has two wins, in the slalom in Hovden in 2009 and in the giant slalom in Geilo in 2010. She also has seven podium appearances, nine top 5 and 12 top 10 finishes in those 15 races.



High School—Grosvold graduated from Doenski Videregaende Skole in Baerum, Norway, in 2009.

In the Classroom—Grosvold is interested in majoring in Business at Colorado.

Personal—Thea Grosvold was born January 31, 1990, in Oslo, Norway, to Torbjoern Krogdahl and Anne Grosvold. Her brother, Torjus Krogdahl, is a senior on the Utah ski team and a four-time All-American for the Utes. She lists Mexican food and any kind of chicken as her favorite food.

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Jessica Honkonen

5-7 ❁ Alpine ❁ Espoo, Finland (Makelanninteen Lukio/Team Finland)

Career at Colorado—With World Cup and European Cup experience along with four graduating seniors from the women's alpine team, Honkonen will be looked upon immediately for the Buffaloes. She is currently a 16 point slalom and 28 point giant slalom skier. Most recently she finished with two podium appearances in Steamboat Springs in FIS races with many of the collegiate skiers in attendance, taking home one second and one third place finish.

Club—Honkonen has skied for Team Finland and the Santa Claus Ski Team and has been skiing in FIS races since 2004. She has finished 126 of 183 races prior to the start of her collegiate career with 94 top 20, 73 top 10, 43 top five, 30 podium appearances and 14 victories. She won her first FIS race in Pyha, Finland, in 2004, and during the 2011 season, she won six races, five slalom and one giant slalom. She had seven World Cup listings from 2006-08 without a finish. She has 30 European Cup starts under her belt with 17 finishes and five top 10 finishes, all in slalom. She participated in North American Cup races prior to the start of her freshman season in 2013 in Colorado and Canada. She has 14 National Championship races to her credit from Norway, Finland and Sweden. She finished sixth in the slalom and eighth in the giant slalom at the 2012 Finish National Championships in Levi, Finland. At the 2007 Finish National Championships, she finished third in the giant slalom, fourth in the Super G and fifth in the slalom.

High School—Honkonen graduated from Makelanninteen Lukio in Helsinki, Finland, in December 2008.

In the Classroom—Honkonen is undecided on a major at Colorado.

Personal—Jessica Honkonen was born April 16, 1989, in Helsinki, Finland. She enjoys arts, science, food and world traveling.



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Shane McLean

5-8 ❁ Women's Alpine ❁ Steamboat Springs, Colo. (Lowell Whiteman/SSWSC)
1 letter; 2012 as a freshman

Career at Colorado—McLean burst onto the scene with an impressive freshman season for the Buffaloes and immediately becomes one of the veterans of the women's alpine team after the loss of four seniors to graduation. She will look to be slightly more consistent taking a leadership role. She has participated in 12 races, finishing nine and five top 10 finishes, two podium appearances and one race victory.

SEASON BY SEASON RESULTS

2012	GS	SL
Colorado Invitational	17	6
RMISA Qualifiers	9/13	3
Denver Invitational	19	7
Alaska Anchorage Invitational	27	5
Seawolf Invitational	—	DQ
RMISA Championships	D2	12
NCAA Championships	13	28

Anchorage Invitational. While in Alaska, she also turned in her season best slalom performance, finishing 10th at the Seawolf Invitational. She earned first-team All-RMISA honors on the strength of her strong giant slalom performance. She was the No. 3 overall qualifier for NCAA Championships, No. 2 on the giant slalom list, although she did not participate.

Club—McLean skied for the Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Blue and has competed in FIS races since the 2007-08 season. Prior to coming to CU, she had skied in 178 such races and finished 131 of them. She had eight race victories, 28 podium, 31 top five and 48 top 10 performances in that stretch. She has competed in Nor-Am Cup races since 2008 and in 27 races, she has one top 10 finish and nine top 20 finishes in 27 races. She took sixth place in the Super Combined in Aspen in 2010. She has 10 races at the National Championship level with her best performance coming this past season in Winter Park with a 20th place finish in the giant slalom race. She has four top 20 performances, including a pair of 11th place finishes, at National Junior Championships. She won four National Junior races in 2008. She won a slalom race in Bormio, Italy, in February 2010, a month after winning a Super G race at Keystone. In 2011 at Snow King, Wyo., she won a giant slalom race. In 2007, she was named the SSWSC's Most Improved, and then won the Ashley Stamp Memorial Award in 2008 and the Ned Grant Memorial Award in 2010. In 2011, she earned the Fastest Alpine Skier Award from the SSWSC. She qualified for J2 nationals both years she was eligible to and has qualified for U.S. National Championships each of the past three years. She was a member of the Colorado All-Star team from 2008-11 and was invited to try out for the U.S. National Team in May 2011.

High School—McLean graduated from the Lowell Whiteman School in Steamboat Springs, Colo., in 2010. There, she lettered in track and field, running the 800-meter dash and the mile run. She took fourth in regionals in the 800-meters and her best time in the mile was 5:48.

In the Classroom—McLean is interested in majoring in Psychology at Colorado and is also interested in Art. She was a member of Lowell Whiteman's honor roll her sophomore, junior and seniors seasons and was on the Dean's list as a sophomore.

Personal—Shane McLean was born June 20, 1992, in Telluride, Colo., to Don and Christina McLean. She has a long list of hobbies that includes painting, reading, hiking 14ers, mountain biking, slack lining, knitting, yoga and hanging out with her brother and sister backpacking. She once held a job at the Steamboat Springs Pro Rodeo and after college she would like to be a sports psychologist, artist and a mountaineering guide.

2012 (Freshman)—In a change of events that went from the Buffs likely having to rely on McLean heavily, the Buffs saw three seniors return with an extra season of eligibility so she was afforded the ability to add depth to an extremely deep women's alpine team. She finished nine of 12 races with five top 10 finishes. After two solid ninth place results at the University of Colorado Spencer Nelson Memorial Invitational, she burst onto the scene at the Denver Invitational with a second place finish in the giant slalom race. She proved that was no fluke in Alaska as she won the giant slalom race as part of the Alaska



Top Career Slalom Finish: 10th (2012 Seawolf Invitational)
Top Career Giant Slalom Finish: First (2012 Denver Invitational)

Honors
2012 First-Team All-RMISA

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Brooke Wales

5-8 ❁ Alpine ❁ Sammamish, Wash. (Eastside Catholic/US Ski Team)

Career at Colorado—With World Cup experience and more than 100 North American Cup races under her belt, Wales will be counted upon immediately upon arriving at Colorado, especially with the departure of four seniors from the women's alpine squad. She is currently a 14 point giant slalom skier and 42 point slalom skier.

Club—Skiing for the United States Ski Team in 2012 and the Mission Ridge Ski Team prior to that, Wales has participated in 286 FIS races dating back to 2005. She has finished 200 of those races with 138 top 20, 86 top 10, 53 top five, 38 podium appearances and 15 race victories. Her 15 race victories since 2008 include two in North American Cup races, both in the Super G in 2011, one in Aspen and the other in Whistler. She has seven Super G victories, five giant slalom, with one each in Super Combined, Downhill and slalom. She has six World Cup starts with three finishes, her best being a 49th place finish at Lake Louise in December 2011. She has over 100 starts on the North American Cup with two podium appearances already in NorAm races in 2012. She has finished 75 of her 104 NorAm Cup races with 57 top 20s and 34 top 10s to her credit. She has 13 top five finishes, eight podiums and two victories. She has two South American Cup races to her credit with one top 10, and 11 European Cup races on her resume. She has 20 National Championship races worth of experience and finished third in the downhill in 2012 in Aspen and fourth in the Super G in Winter Park. She also finished 10th in the downhill in the 2011 national championships, also in Aspen. She won the Mission Ridge Ski Team's Schwabe Award in 2011 as the outstanding alpine competitor within the club, among both men and women.

High School—Wales graduated from Eastside Catholic High School in Sammamish, Wash., in 2009. She earned First Honors each of her four years there and lettered once in soccer as a midfielder.

In the Classroom—Wales intends to major in Integrative Physiology at Colorado.

Personal—Brooke Wales was born August 28, 1990, in Duvall, Wash., to Scott and Tammy Wales. Her brother, Sean, plays soccer at Pomona College. She began skiing at the age of four and at nine began racing at the Stevens Pass program. She broke through in the J's at age 14 and joined the Mission Ridge team at 16. She enjoys reading and zumba and once held a summer job at Emerald City Smoothies. She chose Colorado "because Boulder is awesome and so are the people on the ski team."



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Clare Wise

5-8 ❁ Alpine ❁ Wenatchee, Wash. (Wenatchee/Mission Ridge)

Career at Colorado—Wise will add some much needed depth to the women's alpine team that saw four seniors graduate last year. She most recently had two top 10 finishes in slalom races in Steamboat Springs with much of the collegiate racers also in action. She is currently a 43 point slalom and 53 point giant slalom skier.

Club—Wise participated on the Mission Ridge Ski Team since 2002 and the Pacific Northwest Elite Alpine Ski Team since 2009, where she was the 2010 giant slalom champion and the Northwest Skier of the Year. She won the Mission Ridge Ski Team Sportsmanship Award in both 2010 and '12 and was a MRST Scholar Athlete with High Honors from 2006-10. She was the MSRT Most Improved skier in 2009 and Most Inspirational in 2006. She was on the PNSA Honor Roll from 2006-10. She has participated in FIS races since 2008 and has 147 races to her credit, finishing 113 of them with 66 top 20, 41 top 10, 20 top five, 13 podium appearances and four victories. She won a giant slalom race and slalom race at Mt. Hood in February 2010, a slalom junior race in March 2010 and a Super G race in Schweitzer, Idaho, in 2011. She has 17 North American Cup starts with 13 finishes.

High School—Wise graduated from Wenatchee High School in Wenatchee, Wash., in June 2010, with a perfect 4.0 grade point average as the school's valedictorian. She was an AP Scholar with honors in 2010 when she was also a recipient of the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship, won a Washington State Honors Award and Washington State Principal Scholars Award and won her high school award for outstanding academic excellence in AP Human Geography and AP Statistics. In 2009, she was a National Merit Scholarship Board Commended Scholar and won the President's Outstanding Academic Excellence Award in 2006.

In the Classroom—Wise is majoring in Chemical and Biological Engineering at Colorado. She is a recipient of the Presidential Scholarship from CU in 2011. She was valedictorian of Wenatchee High School in 2010 and was also a national merit finalist her junior year. She would like to enter medical school after graduation to be an orthopedic surgeon.

Personal—Clare Elizabeth Wise was born Oct. 14, 1992, in Richland, Wash., to Barry and Jill Wise. She enjoys running, yoga, baking, hiking and reading and chose CU because of the ski program and engineering school. She was a member of the National Honors Society in 2009-10, the Random Acts of Kindness Club from 2009-10 and the French Club from 2009-10.

