

BOX SCORES



GAME 1

#17/19 COLORADO 63, COLORADO STATE 51

Nov. 12, 2013, Fort Collins, Colo. (Moby Arena)

VISITORS: Colorado 1-0

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 5-11	1-3	2-3	1	4	5	2	13	2	3	1	1	34
34 Reese, Jen	f 4-14	0-1	0-0	2	4	6	1	8	3	0	0	0	28
40 Hargis, Rachel	c 1-2	0-0	0-2	3	5	8	2	2	0	5	0	1	25
01 Kresl, Lexy	g 1-6	1-3	1-3	1	8	9	3	4	4	1	0	0	26
21 Sborov, Jasmine	g 4-8	1-1	4-4	1	3	4	4	13	2	2	0	3	21
11 Wilson, Brittany	2-8	1-6	2-3	0	1	1	4	7	3	1	0	0	23
12 Wilson, Ashley	3-7	0-0	0-0	1	4	5	2	6	2	0	0	0	19
24 Huggins, Lauren	1-3	1-3	0-0	1	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	16
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	2-3	0-0	1-2	2	0	2	2	5	0	1	0	0	2
50 Swan, Jamee	1-1	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	2	2	0	4	0	0	6
TEAM				3	2	5							
Totals.....	24-63	5-17	10-17	16	34	50	22	63	16	19	1	5	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 13-34 38.2%	2nd Half: 11-29 37.9%	Game: 38.1%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 3-11 27.3%	2nd Half: 2-6 33.3%	Game: 29.4%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 4-6 66.7%	2nd Half: 6-11 54.5%	Game: 58.8%	3

HOME: Colorado State 1-1

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
12 Martin, Sam	f 4-12	1-7	0-0	0	0	0	2	10	1	0	1	0	29
22 Gustavsson, Elin	f 7-15	2-5	6-9	3	2	5	2	21	1	1	1	1	36
00 Newton, AJ	g 1-8	0-5	0-2	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	18
11 Ryder, Gritt	g 0-3	0-2	2-2	0	6	6	4	2	1	4	0	0	21
13 Nystrom, Ellen	2-7	0-0	0-0	1	8	9	2	3	3	0	1	34	
10 Johnson, Emily	0-2	0-0	1-2	0	2	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	16
24 Nichols, Alicia	3-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	6	1	0	0	0	0	20
33 Duffy, Caitlin	4-10	1-4	4-4	3	4	7	2	13	0	2	1	0	26
TEAM				3	3	3							
Totals.....	21-60	4-23	13-19	8	27	35	16	59	11	12	3	2	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 9-28 32.1%	2nd Half: 12-32 37.5%	Game: 35.0%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-11 18.2%	2nd Half: 2-12 16.7%	Game: 17.4%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 7-11 63.6%	2nd Half: 6-8 75.0%	Game: 68.4%	3

Officials: Michael Price, Brenda Pantoja, Chuck Gonzalez
 Technical fouls: Colorado-TEAM, Colorado State-None.
 Attendance: 1437

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colorado	33	30	63
Colorado State	27	32	59

FORT COLLINS – In the post-Chucky Jeffery era, even though the Colorado women's basketball team might still be in search of a specific go-to player, the No. 17 Buffs made a significant opening-night discovery.

They had talked about having each other's backs, and when crunch time arrived against their in-state rival Tuesday night, they backed each other up. CU withstood a late Colorado State comeback and escaped with a 63-59 win in its 2013-14 season opener at Moby Arena.

"We stuck together and that's a major accomplishment," said forward Arielle Roberson, whose layup with 6:43 left was the Buffs' last field goal of the night. "One of the things we talked about was having each other's backs. I think we had that, especially down the stretch."

CU led by as many as 13 twice in the final 10 minutes, including 59-46 on Roberson's final basket. But the Rams outscored the Buffs 13-1 during that span and pulled to within 60-59 on a basket by Ellen Nystrom with 2:15 to play.

CSU had an opportunity to go ahead on a possession in the final minute, but Roberson stole the ball with 51 seconds left. Jasmine Sborov hit two free throws with 27 seconds showing, giving her a career-high 13 points and putting the Buffs ahead 62-59.

After Buffs center Rachel Hargis blocked Elin Gustavsson at the other end, Brittany Wilson hit one of two free throws with 2.4 seconds remaining – and the resilient Rams were done.

The versatile Sborov, who has seen her role undergo alterations in each season of her college career, said hitting the two late free throws "felt good, I'm not going to lie. It was really comforting to know my teammates and coaches trust me with those shots."

The Rams' late 13-1 run included a pair of free throws by Caitlin Duffy following a technical foul called on CU coach Linda Lappe. Duffy, who had hit a three-pointer on the previous possession, sank both free throws and pulled the Rams to 60-57 with 2:30 to play. CSU closed to within one on Nystrom's basket but could get no closer.

Lappe called her team's victory " gutsy," adding, "We found a way to win, which is really important. First game of the year, on the road against your rival...CSU is a good team. We got stops when we needed to, got rebounds and made free throws when we needed to."

And there are areas that obviously need improvement. The Rams turned the Buffs' 19 turnovers into 15 points and outscored the visitors 28-24 in the paint. Gustavsson scored a game-high 21 points and got assistance from Duffy with 13 and Sam Martin with 10.

CU benefited from balanced scoring from its five starters, with Roberson and Sborov each scoring 13. Reese added eight points and guard Lexy Kresl grabbed a career-high nine rebounds, with four points and four assists.

The Buffs opened the night by hitting four of their first eight field goal attempts and went ahead 10-4 before cooling off. When the cold towels arrived, they lingered; CU went 0-for-7 from the field during a 6:18 stretch and CSU took advantage.

The Rams overtook the Buffs 11-10 at on a Martin three-pointer and increased their lead to as many as four (22-18) just under five minutes later.

With about 5 minutes left before halftime, CU appeared to at least temporarily solve its turnover (10 for the half) and shooting problems and launched a 13-0 run that opened a nine-point lead.

Suddenly, the Buffs were up 31-22, although by halftime the Rams had trimmed that lead to 33-27.

The second half started as the Sborov show. The 6-0 junior scored CU's first six points of the half on two field goals and a pair of free throws, jump-starting an 11-5 run that sent the Buffs up to 44 (42-32). They led by as many as 13 points twice in the final half before the Rams launched their comeback and put a large opening-night scare into the visitors.

GAME 2

#17/19 COLORADO 83, ALCON STATE 33

Nov. 15, 2013, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Alcorn State 1-2

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
03 Wells, Henrietta	f 1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	22
32 Wilson-Reid, Angelic	f 1-4	0-0	2-4	2	5	7	5	4	0	2	0	0	23
11 Cunningham, J.	g 0-8	0-4	2-2	1	2	1	2	2	0	1	3	22	
22 Frost, Kiero	g 0-3	0-0	1-4	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	13
24 Frost, Tierrro	g 6-21	0-7	2-3	3	3	6	4	14	2	1	0	1	37
10 Littlejohn, Lindsay	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
15 Cep, Atherkin	1-6	1-5	0-2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	19
30 Smith, Shekiah	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8
34 Tusete, Anastasia	1-6	0-1	3-4	1	4	5	3	5	2	6	0	1	32
44 Jones, Misha	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	2	0	0	4	0	0	19
TEAM				4	4	8							
Totals.....	10-53	1-17	12-21	12	19	31	23	33	4	20	1	7	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 5-23 21.7%	2nd Half: 5-30 16.7%	Game: 18.9%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-8 12.5%	2nd Half: 0-9 0.0%	Game: 5.9%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 3-6 50.0%	2nd Half: 9-15 60.0%	Game: 57.1%	4

HOME: Colorado 2-0

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 0-4	0-2	2-4	0	8	8	1	2	1	2	2	1	31
34 Reese, Jen	f 5-5	0-1	3-4	0	3	3	3	9	2	1	0	0	17
40 Hargis, Rachel	c 1-3	0-0	6-7	2	5	7	1	8	0	1	1	1	23
01 Kresl, Lexy	g 2-4	2-4	3-3	0	1	1	1	9	4	3	0	0	20
21 Sborov, Jasmine	g 3-5	0-1	4-4	2	0	2	4	10	3	1	0	0	17
11 Wilson, Brittany	2-6	1-5	0-0	0	0	0	2	5	4	2	0	1	14
12 Wilson, Ashley	3-6	0-1	0-0	1	2	3	1	6	3	1	0	2	22
22 Smith, Haley	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	15
24 Huggins, Lauren	5-10	5-10	1-2	0	1	1	1	16	1	1	0	1	23
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	2-3	0-0	4-4	1	4	5	2	8	1	1	0	1	19
50 Swan, Jamee	2-3	0-0	4-5	0	3	3	4	8	1	1	2	1	13
TEAM				4	7	11							
Totals.....	24-52	8-24	27-33	11	36	47	22	83	21	13	5	9	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 11-25 44.0%	2nd Half: 13-27 48.1%	Game: 46.2%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 4-12 33.3%	2nd Half: 4-12 33.3%	Game: 33.3%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 16-21 76.2%	2nd Half: 11-12 91.7%	Game: 81.8%	4

Officials: Anita Ortega, Rick Showers, Teresa Turner
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None, Alcorn State-None.
 Attendance: 1807

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Alcorn State	14	19	33
Colorado	42	41	83

BOULDER – Four nights after breathing a sigh of relief following a four-point win at Colorado State, the No. 17 Colorado women's basketball team hardly was forced to take a deep breath in its 2013-14 home opener.

CU cruised past overmatched Alcorn State 83-33 Friday night at the Coors Events Center, winning its sixth consecutive home opener and its 38th in 40 tries.

Alcorn State became CU's 26th consecutive non-conference regular-season victim. Buffs coach Linda Lappe won her 66th game at CU, the third-most wins in program history behind Cecil Barry (427) and Russell "Sox" Walseth (77).

CU led 42-14 at halftime and was up by as many as 50 in the final minute. The Lady Braves led once, 2-0, before being left behind.

Lappe used 11 players, and each of them scored. CU's bench outscored Alcorn State's 45-10.

"We had a lot of players play a lot of minutes and really played together well on the offensive and defensive ends," Lappe said. "Anytime you have as many players as we did play significant minutes and share the ball and score and defend, it's a good thing. I think our depth this year will be one of the keys in how we do as we go through the season. I liked what we saw tonight in terms of that."

CU got a game- and career-high 16 points from redshirt freshman reserve guard Lauren Huggins, who hit five of her 10 three-point attempts. Junior guard Jasmine Sborov added 10 points, with junior forward Jen Reese and junior guard Lexy Kresl finishing with nine points each.

Included in Kresl's total was a second-half tray that was the 100th of her CU career. She also went above 500 career points (501).

The 6-1 Huggins is shooting precisely the way she does in practices. Lappe said: "She's getting her feet squared to the rim...she's got deep range and she's 6-1, 6-2 with a high release. That makes her hard to guard. That's her role on the team and she knows it."

The Buffs had trouble at CSU finding offensive consistency, which was a point of emphasis in practices leading to Friday night. Said Kresl: "We went over it a lot the past two days (and) kind of figured out some of the areas we struggled in against CSU. I think we put together a more complete offensive game."

The Buffs shot 42.3 percent (11-of-26) from the field in the first 20 minutes, but only outscored the Lady Braves 6-2 in the paint. CU built its first-half lead largely on turnovers, getting 16 points off of Alcorn State's 13 first-half errors.

CU wasn't bad on the defensive end, either, holding Alcorn State to 19 percent from the field (10-of-53), forcing the visitors into 20 turnovers that were converted into 28 points and making 12 steals.

"Thus far this season Colorado is the best defense we've seen," Alcorn State coach Tanya Edwards said. "They're definitely on target to be one of the better defensive teams."

The Buffs also outperformed the Lady Braves 41-28, but Lappe knows when Iowa comes calling and later when Pac-12 play begins, the difficulties inside will increase as the bodies become bigger and more athletic.

"The one thing I'm a little displeased about is our rebounding," she said. "That's something that has to get a lot better as we go forward."

The Lady Braves scored the game's first basket, took a 2-0 lead, and watched as the Buffs missed three shots on their first possession. And those were the night's highlights for Alcorn State.

From there, CU hit five of its next seven shots – including a pair of three-pointers – and went up 14-2 before the visitors scored again. The Buffs built their lead to 21 (27-6) on three free throws by Kresl, who was hacked on a three-point try, then to 27 (36-9) on a Huggins try with 4:14 left in the half.

CU closed out the first half with six consecutive free throws – four by Rachel Hargis, two by freshman Zoe Beard-Fails – and went to the locker room with a 28-point lead (42-14).

GAME 3

#16/20 COLORADO 90, IOWA 87

Nov. 20, 2013, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Iowa 4-1

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
51 Doolittle, Bethany	c 5-9	0-0	0-1	4	3	7	3	7	10	0	2	1	30
21 Dixon, Melissa	g 2-12	0-5	3-4	1	3	4	7	3	0	3	0	3	32
22 Logic, Samantha	g 9-19	1-6	7-9	0	5	5	4	5	26	6	0	2	36
23 Taylor, Theaira	g 3-7	2-4	4-6	0	3	3	5	12	0	0	1	2	23
25 Peschel, Kali	g 5-6	1-1	1-1	1	2	3	5						



BOX SCORES

GAME 4

#16/20 COLORADO 85, NEW MEXICO 53

Nov. 23, 2013, Albuquerque, N.M. (The Pit)

VISITORS: Colorado 4-0

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
34	Reese, Jen	f 7-10	2-2	2-2	2	5	7	1	18	2	1	2	0	27
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 1-4	0-0	0-1	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	21
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 4-8	1-3	4-4	0	1	1	1	13	5	1	1	1	27
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 0-3	0-2	5-8	1	2	3	3	5	3	3	0	1	21
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 4-5	2-2	1-2	0	1	1	1	3	11	1	1	0	20
12	Wilson, Ashley	4-6	1-2	0-0	2	4	6	1	9	2	3	0	0	28
22	Smith, Haley	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
24	Huggins, Lauren	4-7	4-7	0-0	0	2	2	1	12	2	0	0	1	23
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	2-3	0-0	1-1	0	1	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	6
50	Swan, Jamee	4-7	0-0	2-2	1	7	8	2	10	2	1	2	1	24
TEAM						2 2 4								
Totals.....		30-54		10-18		15-20		9 25 34		15 85 19		11 5 5		200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 15-26 57.7%	2nd Half: 15-28 53.6%	Game: 55.6%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 8-12 66.7%	2nd Half: 2-6 33.3%	Game: 55.6%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 4-8 50.0%	2nd Half: 11-12 91.7%	Game: 75.0%	3

HOME: New Mexico 1-3

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
44	Vaughn, Deeva	f 2-7	0-1	4-6	2	3	5	4	8	1	2	1	0	29
32	Keller, Kianna	c 1-5	0-1	2-2	1	2	3	2	4	0	0	0	0	29
12	Owens, Bryce	g 1-6	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	0	2	26
15	Brown, Antiesha	g 4-9	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	2	9	1	4	0	0	21
20	Halasz, Sara	g 6-9	1-1	3-5	2	4	6	1	16	0	1	0	1	29
01	Allemand, Brooke	1-4	0-2	0-0	0	2	2	1	2	1	1	0	1	20
03	Greenwood, Josie	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	8
04	Lapeyrolerie, Alex	2-4	0-1	0-0	2	0	2	0	4	0	1	0	1	13
11	Chavez, Alexa	2-7	0-1	0-1	2	2	4	0	4	1	1	0	0	19
25	Mitchell, Brea	1-2	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6
TEAM						3 3 6								
Totals.....		21-54		2-10		9-16		12 17 29		12 53 7		14 1 5		200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 11-25 44.0%	2nd Half: 10-29 34.5%	Game: 38.9%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-5 20.0%	2nd Half: 1-5 20.0%	Game: 20.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 5-10 50.0%	2nd Half: 4-6 66.7%	Game: 56.3%	3

Officials: Brenda Pantoja, Anita Ortega, Julie Krommenhoek
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. New Mexico-None.
 Attendance: 5951

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colorado	42	43	85
New Mexico	28	25	53

ALBUQUERQUE – The popular question around the University of Colorado women's basketball team this past off season is who would step up and take over the scoring punch from all Pac-12 Conference guard Chucky Jeffery.

The early returns on the answer? Everybody.

No. 16 (AP)/20 (USAT) Colorado had five players in double-digits led by **Jen Reese's** 18 points as the Buffaloes ran away with an 85-53 decision over New Mexico Saturday afternoon at The Pit.

Reese, a 6-2 junior forward, hit 7-of-10 from the field and drilled two early 3-pointers for the second best scoring output of her career. She received the starting nod for **Arielle Roberson**, who missed Saturday's game with a concussion.

Lexy Kresl had 13 points, **Lauren Huggins** had 12 connecting on 4-of-7 from 3-point range. **Jasmine Sborov** had 11, all in the first half. **Jamee Swan** came off the bench to add a season-best 10 points.

The Buffaloes, who have hit 80-plus in their last three games, scored their most points in a true road game, in regulation, since a 101-56 decision at TCU on Dec. 7, 1993. The win was also the 28th straight for Colorado during regular season nonconference play.

Colorado was efficient on offense hitting a season-high 56 percent from the field. The Buffaloes were just as potent from the 3-point line, making 10-of-18 attempts. "We did play really well," CU head coach **Linda Lappe** said. "I liked our versatility and the way we played together on the offensive side. We moved the ball, moved ourselves, we had nice action towards, nice action away. When you have that many players that can drive, that can score, that can pass and see the open player, you become a very tough team to guard."

It was outside early and often for the Buffaloes. After spotting New Mexico an early 7-3 lead Sborov scored six straight, including a 3-pointer that tied the game at 9-9. **Ashley Wilson** gave CU its first lead at 12-9 on her first 3-pointer of the year at 14:45 of the first half.

Wilson's bucket ended up being the first of three straight possessions that ended in Colorado 3-pointers. Huggins followed Wilson's with her first of the game and Reese connected on her second the next time down the court.

Minutes later Sborov drilled another 3-pointer to cap of a 20-6 run that gave Colorado a 29-15 lead at 8:17 of the first period. The Buffaloes made 8-of-12 from downtown in the first half alone.

The Buffaloes also distributed the ball well once again, dishing out 19 assists, led by Kresl with five.

"When we move the ball, if we get paint touches, we are pretty hard to stop," Reese said. "Everyone on the floor is so versatile that we can score in so many different ways."

New Mexico was led by Sara Halasz who nearly single-handedly kept the Lobos in the game in the first half. The senior guard scored 12 of her 16 points in the first half as the Buffaloes held onto a 42-28 lead at the break.

New Mexico pulled within 12 early in the second half, at 48-36 three minutes in, but the depth of Colorado began to break through. As much success as Colorado had from long range in the first half, the Buffaloes attacked the basket in the second.

Reese had her two early 3-pointers, but changed gears going 4-of-6 from the field in the second half for 10 points closer to the basket including a couple free throws. Swan had eight of her 10 points in the final frame. Kresl and Wilson both had success driving in the lane as well.

The Buffaloes also clamped down defensively. After allowing the Lobos to shoot 44 percent in the first half, New Mexico made just 35 percent in the second as the Buffaloes closed out the contest with a 26-11 run over the final 12:16.



BOX SCORES



GAME 5

#14/19 COLORADO 94, SOUTH ALABAMA 61

Nov. 29, 2013, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: South Alabama 0-5

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
10	Robertson, Ronneka	0-4	0-0	3-4	4	4	8	2	3	4	1	0	0	23
01	Dunn, Meghan	g 2-10	2-6	2-4	1	1	2	2	8	0	1	0	0	31
02	Webb, Brittany	g 1-5	0-4	0-0	0	1	1	2	1	2	1	0	1	30
05	Cumbo, Rachel	g 4-7	4-5	7-9	0	2	2	5	19	0	5	0	1	19
11	Hall, Breanna	g 0-3	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	23	
03	Davis, Colby	1-4	0-1	4-6	1	2	3	6	4	2	0	1	19	
14	Sanders, Sharon	1-2	0-1	0-0	1	2	3	1	2	0	2	0	13	
22	Jenkins, Taylor	1-3	0-0	1-1	3	4	3	3	0	5	0	0	28	
31	Johnson, Jennifer	7-12	2-3	2-2	0	1	1	0	18	0	0	0	14	
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		17-50	8-21	19-26	9	19	28	17	61	9	18	1	4	200

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F Throw %	1st Half: 11-16 68.8%	2nd Half: 8-10 80.0%	Game: 73.1%	4

HOME: Colorado 5-0

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
34	Reese, Jen	f 6-8	1-2	3-3	2	5	7	2	16	0	0	0	1	19
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 2-4	0-0	7-8	1	2	3	11	2	1	1	0	20	
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 4-7	2-4	4-5	1	6	7	0	16	0	0	0	20	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 4-5	1-1	0-1	0	3	3	2	9	1	1	0	37	
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 3-9	0-2	0-0	1	1	2	2	6	1	2	0	21	
12	Wilson, Ashley	2-3	0-0	2-3	2	3	5	3	6	4	0	1	19	
22	Smith, Haley	1-5	0-0	0-0	3	2	5	1	2	2	1	0	23	
24	Huggins, Lauren	3-8	2-7	2-2	0	1	1	10	2	1	0	22		
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	3-6	0-0	0-1	1	2	3	6	1	0	2	19		
50	Swan, Jamee	7-10	0-0	2-2	4	8	3	16	1	1	0	22		
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		34-65	6-16	20-24	15	27	42	20	94	19	8	2	200	

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 21-37 56.8%	2nd Half: 13-28 46.4%	Game: 52.3%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 5-11 45.5%	2nd Half: 1-5 20.0%	Game: 37.5%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 6-8 75.0%	2nd Half: 14-16 87.5%	Game: 83.3%	1

Officials: Rick Showers, Lucy Banuelos, Alejandro Moreno
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. South Alabama-None.
 Attendance: 2302

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
South Alabama	27	34	61
Colorado	53	41	94

BOULDER - Colorado's offense continued to click as the No. 14/19 ranked Buffaloes sprinted past South Alabama, 94-61 in the first round of the Omni Hotels Classic Friday evening at the Coors Events Center.

Colorado (5-0) will play Rice (4-4) in Saturday's championship game, set for 7:30 p.m. at the Coors Events Center. Rice squeaked by Samford 57-52 in the opener. South Alabama (0-5) will play Samford (1-4) in Saturday's consolation at 5 p.m.

Colorado had five players score in double-digits for the third straight game and hit at least 80 points for the fourth consecutive contest, and 90 for the second time this year.

Jen Reese and **Jamee Swan** tied for lead scoring honors with 16 points apiece. **Lexy Kresl** had 12 points, seven rebounds and a career-high six assists. **Rachel Hargis** had 11 and **Lauren Huggins** had 10.

"It was another night with really good balance," head coach **Linda Lappe** said. "Offensively, we moved the ball well. We had a lot of different players contribute; we scored on the inside, we scored on the outside. I really like the flow of some of the things we're doing offensively."

Colorado's balanced shined once again as all 10 players that played scored, in fact that was achieved less than 10 minutes into the contest. Kresl scored 11 of her 12 points in the first half and keyed the Buffaloes fast start, drilling a 3-pointer that gave Colorado an early 11-2 lead.

South Alabama stayed close early on the heels of Rachel Cumbo, who hit two early 3-pointers, the second pulling the Jaguars to within six at 22-16 at the 11:10 mark of the first half.

But Kresl countered with a 3-pointer which sparked a 10-0 run. **Ashley Wilson** scored on a put back of a **Brittany Wilson** miss to double-up the Jaguars at 32-16.

From there the Buffaloes continued to roll. Colorado hit 57 percent in the first half alone en route to a 53-27 lead at the break, its most halftime points since putting up 53 against Southern Utah in 2009.

The Buffaloes dominated in the paint outscoring the Jaguars 40-14. The trio of Reese, Hargis and Swan were a combined 15-of-24 from the field. They also got it done at the foul line, making 12-of-13 combined, including a career-best 7-of-8 from Hargis.

Swan's 16 points were a career high and came in a variety of ways, she had put back on offensive rebounds, mid-range jumpers and even a steal and coast-to-coast lay-in. She finished 7-of-10 from the field and grabbed eight boards, leading the Buffaloes in rebounding for the second straight contest.

"It was pretty even, it just came down to who wanted it more," Swan said. "They were good on the inside and strong, but again, it came down to who wanted it more."

Colorado as a team was outstanding from the line sinking 83 percent (20-of-24). "We keep working on that every day," Hargis said. "It was nice to get some fouls and get to the line."

Reese was 6-of-8 from the field and pulled down seven rebounds. Ashley Wilson finished with six points, six rebounds and tied a personal best with four assists.

Colorado ended up at 52 percent for the game (34-of-65) and dished out 19 assists. The Buffaloes also enjoyed a 42-28 edge on the boards.

Cumbo had a game-high 19 points for South Alabama while Jennifer Johnson scored 18 off the bench.

GAME 6

#14/19 COLORADO 75, RICE 58

Nov. 30, 2013, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Rice 4-5

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
30	Kuster, Jessica	f 9-16	1-1	11-16	0	4	4	3	30	2	1	1	1	38
40	Palmer, Megan	f 0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
31	Porter, Christal	c 3-10	0-1	0-0	2	4	6	3	6	2	1	0	23	
05	Moussa, Reem	g 0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	25	
21	Maduka, Nakachi	g 0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	9	
15	Shafer, Megan	3-6	2-5	0-1	1	6	7	2	8	1	2	0	29	
22	Adetula, Maya	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
24	Gumbus, Elena	1-3	1-2	0-0	2	2	3	1	2	0	0	15		
32	Lang, Alyssa	2-2	1-1	1-1	0	0	0	1	6	0	1	0	12	
33	Goodwine, Jasmine	2-7	0-0	1-2	2	4	6	1	5	0	2	0	24	
44	Obinnah, Adeze	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		20-50	5-10	13-21	6	20	26	19	58	10	17	1	5	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 11-26 42.3%	2nd Half: 9-24 37.5%	Game: 40.0%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-3 33.3%	2nd Half: 4-7 57.1%	Game: 50.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 6-9 66.7%	2nd Half: 7-12 58.3%	Game: 61.9%	2

HOME: Colorado 6-0

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
34	Reese, Jen	f 5-8	0-1	3-4	3	4	7	3	13	3	2	0	1	29
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 2-3	0-0	1-4	0	2	2	2	5	0	1	0	17	
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 7-14	1-4	4-4	0	5	5	2	19	4	2	0	33	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 4-10	2-4	1-3	1	4	5	2	11	2	1	0	36	
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 3-7	1-2	0-0	4	3	7	2	1	0	0	16		
12	Wilson, Ashley	3-5	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	2	6	2	1	0	14	
22	Smith, Haley	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	
24	Huggins, Lauren	2-3	1-2	0-0	1	3	4	2	5	1	3	0	22	
32	Roberson, Arielle	3-6	0-2	3-5	2	7	4	9	2	0	1	25		
50	Swan, Jamee	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	9	
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		29-57	5-15	12-23	12	30	42	22	75	15	15	1	9	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 14-31 45.2%	2nd Half: 15-26 57.7%	Game: 50.9%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 3-7 42.9%	2nd Half: 2-8 25.0%	Game: 33.3%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 2-5 40.0%	2nd Half: 10-18 55.6%	Game: 52.2%	7

Officials: Lisa Jones, Lucy Banuelos, Alejandro Moreno
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Rice-TEAM.
 Attendance: 2171

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Rice	29	29	58
Colorado	33	42	75

BOULDER - No. 14/19 ranked Colorado used a late 14-0 rally to pull away from Rice and claim the 2013 Omni Hotels Classic championship, 75-58, Saturday night at the Coors Events Center.

Junior guard **Lexy Kresl** scored 19 points and recorded five rebounds, four assists and three steals to earn Classic MVP honors. Classmate **Jen Reese** was also named to the All-Tournament team after scoring 13 points and grabbing seven rebounds.

Rice guard Megan Shafer hit a 3-pointer with 12:06 remaining in the game to pull Rice within four at 49-45.

But Colorado, 6-0, reeled off the next 14 points. Kresl made a nice pass to Reese in traffic on a fast break to put Colorado back up by double-digits at 56-45. **Lauren Huggins** then put back a Reese miss the next time down the floor to add to the rally.

The Wilson twins capped off the run. **Brittany Wilson** hit her second 3-pointer of the game and her sister **Ashley Wilson** caught the Owls defense sleeping for an open drive to the basket and layup to give the Buffaloes a 63-45 advantage.

"I like the way that our team bared down and got a certain level of toughness at about the eleven-minute mark in the second half," CU head coach **Linda Lappe** said. "That was really where the game changed. We started defending, we started rebounding and that allowed us to run and transition to score."

Rice guard Jessica Kuster, scored eight of her game-high 30 points to close the Colorado lead to 64-56 with 3:56 left. But the Buffaloes held off the Owls by staying aggressive. **Arielle Roberson** scored on a layup and Kresl scored four straight points to put the game away.

"That was a really fun game for our team and for our staff," Lappe said. "We did not play our best, and we still found a way to win."

Kuster, who struggled from the field against Samford in Friday's opener, hitting only 1-of-9, couldn't miss early on Saturday. She scored Rice's first seven points and a traditional 3-point play tied the game at 7-7.

Colorado responded with 10 straight including 3-pointers from Brittany Wilson and Huggins and took a 17-7 lead on a Kresl layup.

Turnovers hurt the Buffaloes early and Rice cashed in. Colorado gave it up 10 times in the first 20 minutes which accounted for 11 Rice points.

But the Buffaloes shot 45 percent in the first half, allowing them to stay just ahead of the Owls. Reese hit a layup with 4:57 remaining to give Colorado a 27-17 advantage.

Rice then closed the half on a flurry behind Kuster. The All-Conference USA guard led the Owls on a 12-6 run, including a buzzer-beating 3-pointer off a mad scramble in the final minutes. Kresl missed a layup with eight seconds left which sent players sprawling for the rebound. Jasmine Goodwine eventually controlled it, shot it over to Christal Porter who got the ball to Kuster in time for her 3-pointer from the top of the key sent CU to the locker room with just a 33-29 lead.

"They were tough, and (Kuster) is a great player," Lappe said. "We tried everything on her in terms of guarding her, and she found a way to make things happen for them."

Kuster scored her team's first three points of the second half and cut CU's lead to its smallest margin at 35-32 at the 19:02 mark. The Buffaloes countered with a 10-4 run capped off by four straight points by Kresl for a 47-36 lead.

Then all of a sudden Rice couldn't miss from downtown. After making just 1-of-3 from deep in the first half, the Owls hit 3-pointers on three consecutive possessions for a 9-2 run that ended with Shafer's 3-pointer and the four-point margin before Colorado's big second half run.

Kuster, who set a tournament record for free-throws made and attempted over the two-games (23-of-29) joined South Alabama's Jennifer Johnson and Samford's Keke Fletcher on the all-tournament team. Samford defeated South Alabama 70-49 in Saturday's consolation game.

GAME 7

#11/17 COLORADO 63, WYOMING 59

Dec. 4, 2013, Laramie, Wyo. (Arena-Auditorium)

VISITORS: Colorado 7-0

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 6-15	0-0	1-2	8	4	12	2	13	1	2	0	0	32
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 1-3	0-0	2-2	0	5	5	1	4	3	2	2	0	27
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 2-6	1-2	4-4	0	3	3	3	9	2	3	0	23	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 8-17	3-6	0-0	2	4	6	2	19	4	2	0	35	
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 1-10	0-2	2-2	0	4	4	3	4	0	4	0	1	20
22	Smith, Haley	1-1												



BOX SCORES

GAME 8

#11/17 COLORADO 79, ILLINOIS 56

Dec. 7, 2013, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Illinois 5-5

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
34	Grant, Jacqui	f 7-12	0-3	4-4	1	6	7	5	20	2	1	1	2	33
00	Hartwell, Sarah	g 1-9	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	2	2	4	3	0	4	35
22	Crawford, Ivory	g 4-14	1-5	2-3	1	3	4	1	11	1	2	0	3	34
23	Smith, Alexis	g 3-11	0-0	0-0	2	4	6	3	4	0	1	35		
42	Moore, Amber	g 5-16	2-7	4-4	0	4	4	1	16	2	1	0	2	38
02	Gleason, Taylor	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
03	Tuck, Taylor	0-2	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	12
04	Livingston, Sarah	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
05	Oden, Nia	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
TEAM		2 6 8												
Totals.....		20-65	5-18	11-13	8	22	30	13	56	12	14	213	200	

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 14-35 40.0%	2nd Half: 6-30 20.0%	Game: 30.8%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 4-10 40.0%	2nd Half: 1-8 12.5%	Game: 27.8%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 5-6 83.3%	2nd Half: 6-7 85.7%	Game: 84.6%	1

HOME: Colorado 8-0

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 7-12	0-1	3-4	4	6	10	2	17	0	3	0	0	24
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 4-10	0-0	4-4	3	7	0	12	1	4	2	0	26	
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 3-7	1-5	0-0	1	6	7	2	7	4	3	0	26	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 2-9	1-3	2-3	0	13	13	3	7	8	3	3	0	29
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 4-9	2-3	0-0	1	2	3	0	10	2	4	0	3	32
22	Smith, Haley	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	11
24	Huggins, Lauren	2-5	2-5	0-0	0	3	3	0	6	5	3	0	1	24
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
34	Reese, Jen	7-9	2-2	0-0	2	1	3	2	16	2	1	0	0	21
50	Swan, Jamee	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		31-64	8-19	9-11	13	38	51	13	79	22	21	5	4	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 17-32 53.1%	2nd Half: 14-32 43.8%	Game: 48.4%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 5-11 45.5%	2nd Half: 3-8 37.5%	Game: 42.1%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 6-7 85.7%	2nd Half: 3-4 75.0%	Game: 81.8%	0

Officials: Charles Gonzalez, Alejandro Moreno, Iyefinwa Seales
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Illinois-None.
 Attendance: 2090

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Illinois	37	19	56
Colorado	45	34	79

BOULDER - Strange afternoon of hoops in Boulder, but strange was good. The No. 11 Colorado women remained unbeaten with a 79-56 win over Illinois, but it was anything but business as usual in the Coors Events Center.

For starters, the Buffs (8-0) and Illini (5-5) had their pregame warm-up time shortened due to the aftermath of the CU's men's last-second upset of No. 6 Kansas. That game started at 1:20 p.m., with the women's contest scheduled to begin just after 5 p.m. but it took longer than anticipated to clear the CECC court after it was stormed by CU students and fans following the electrifying 75-72 win.

Then, with 8:30 left in the first half of the women's contest and the Buffs up 27-20, alarms sounded in the CECC. Play continued, but after a couple of possessions, the court and stands were cleared. A sprinkler head had burst in the loading dock area of the Events Center, triggering the alarms and stopping play for 20 minutes. Players went to their locker rooms, fans went to the building's upper concourses.

Meanwhile, second-year Illinois coach Matt Bollant might not have known what he was missing. He was ill and remained at his Boulder hotel, which made associate head coach Mike Divilbiss the head man for the afternoon.

"There's not much you can say in that situation," Divilbiss said of the delay. "We're a young team and it's just one of those things - you just have to learn to get past the environment."

Once back on the court, Illinois guard Amber Moore got a quick score but the Buffaloes quickly went up by double-digits for the first time on a three-pointer by Jen Reese (16 points) and a jumper by Rachel Hargis (12) for a 32-22 lead.

Forward Jacqui Grant (game-high 20) helped keep Illinois close. When the Illini cooled off from the outside, they started going in and the 6-3 freshman scored four of her 15 first half points on a run that cut Colorado's lead to 40-35.

But Lauren Huggins hit another 3-pointer and Hargis matched an Illinois score with a layup of her own to give the Buffaloes a 45-37 halftime advantage.

Reese hit her first three field goals of the second half as the Buffs built their lead to 20. A Jasmine Sborov trey and a soft Hargis layup pushed CU in front 62-42. But Illinois increased its press, contributing to the Buffs' 20 turnovers, and crept to within 14 (62-48).

CU finally settled down as Sborov (10) hit a three-pointer at the 7:56 mark to push the lead back to 17 and the Illini were done.

"I thought it was a great win for our team," CU coach Linda Lappe said, acknowledging Illinois' athleticism, quickness and different defensive looks. "There were a lot of different obstacles and adversities through the game - not having the normal warm up time, having a fire alarm... I liked how we came out of being in the locker room for 15 minutes and got back into it. So, there were a lot of positives to take out of it."

Once again, the Buffs' balance was apparent. Four players, topped by Arielle Roberson's 17, reached double figures and 10 players scored. The Buffs outrebounded the Illini 51-30 and held the visitors to 30.8 percent shooting. In addition to her seven points, senior guard Brittany Wilson set career highs in assists (eight) and rebounds (13) and tied a career-best with three blocked shots.

CU committed 21 turnovers to Illinois' 14, but Wilson said the Illini's average of forcing 26, the Buffs will take their 21 and move on. "You don't want to have 21 turnovers a game," she said, "but we won, so hey."

Reese, who sat out the Wyoming game on Wednesday night with concussion symptoms and a broken nose, said her fast start "was good to get the confidence up. Even if I did miss it, it's short memory. But it was good to come back and it felt good."

GAME 9

#11/15 COLORADO 83, DENVER 61

Dec. 12, 2013, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Denver 1-8

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
34	Wirth, Theresa	f 3-5	0-1	1-3	1	2	3	3	7	0	0	0	0	27
42	Janecek, Alison	f 0-4	0-0	2-2	1	7	8	2	2	1	4	0	0	17
14	Edwards, Kailey	g 4-10	0-1	3-4	1	2	3	4	11	1	4	0	0	30
21	Neuhaus, Michaela	g 5-11	3-4	1-2	1	2	3	1	14	3	1	0	1	30
22	Bradley, Paige	g 2-7	1-1	1-4	0	1	1	3	6	5	0	0	1	28
11	Johnston, Jordan	5-12	2-5	0-0	1	1	0	12	0	1	0	2	25	
12	Poss, Jacqlyn	1-2	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	7	
15	Espinosa, Alecia	2-7	0-1	0-0	2	2	4	1	2	1	0	0	13	
31	Spittel, Jesse	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	5
35	Hunter, Desiree	1-4	0-0	0-4	1	5	6	4	2	1	0	1	0	18
TEAM		2 5 7												
Totals.....		23-62	7-14	8-18	10	25	35	22	61	13	14	2	4	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 11-34 32.4%	2nd Half: 12-28 42.9%	Game: 37.1%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 5-8 62.5%	2nd Half: 2-6 33.3%	Game: 50.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 5-10 50.0%	2nd Half: 3-8 37.5%	Game: 44.4%	4

HOME: Colorado 9-0

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 4-7	1-2	13-17	5	5	10	3	22	0	4	1	2	27
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 2-5	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	0	2	1	1	1	1	11
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 5-11	1-3	2-2	2	5	7	3	13	6	1	0	1	33
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 5-11	1-5	1-3	2	2	4	2	12	3	2	0	4	27
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 2-7	1-1	0-0	0	4	4	4	5	3	1	1	1	26
22	Smith, Haley	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	18
24	Huggins, Lauren	0-4	0-4	0-0	0	2	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	12
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	7
34	Reese, Jen	6-10	0-1	6-6	0	8	8	2	18	0	2	1	23	
50	Swan, Jamee	2-2	0-0	3-4	1	5	6	1	7	0	2	0	0	16
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		27-61	4-16	25-32	14	35	49	23	83	17	14	6	10	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 16-34 47.1%	2nd Half: 11-27 40.7%	Game: 44.3%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-8 25.0%	2nd Half: 2-8 25.0%	Game: 25.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 13-17 76.5%	2nd Half: 12-15 80.0%	Game: 78.1%	2

Officials: Michael Price, Darren Krzesnik, Tiffany Bird
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Denver-None.
 Attendance: 1663

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Denver	32	29	61
Colorado	47	36	83

BOULDER - A respectable night on offense and a 22-point win might appease many college basketball coaches, but don't count Colorado's Linda Lappe among them.

Although her unbeaten No. 11-ranked Buffaloes put away the University of Denver 83-61 on Thursday night for the program's 33rd straight regular-season non-conference win, Lappe left the Coors Events Center disgruntled about the Pioneers' point total.

"I'm not happy with giving up 61 points," Lappe said, crediting DU with their strategy in attacking the Buffs as much as her team's hot-and-cold defensive effort. "Our sense of urgency and intensity (on defense) have to get better."

Offensively, that's a different, more upbeat story. The Buffs (9-0) hit 80 points for the fifth time this season and continue to cruise behind balance like they haven't enjoyed in recent years. Four players reached double figures on Thursday night, with eight of the 10 players Lappe employed entering the scoring column.

Arielle Roberson's 22 points were a game high, and her 10 rebounds constituted a third consecutive double-double and sixth of her career. She was backed by Jen Reese (18), Lexy Kresl (13) and Brittany Wilson (12). Kresl also tied a career high with six assists.

"It felt good," Roberson said of her overall game. "I mean, it's finals week and I'm just trying to relieve some stress in some type of way. This is the only way I really know how. I just went out there and played my game, and my teammates were great."

Roberson hit 13 of 17 free throws - both career highs - with her 17 attempts one shy of the school record. For the night, the Buffs hit 25 of 32 foul shots, while the Pioneers were 8-of-18.

Reese might have believed she was done wearing protective masks, but she's back in one after suffering a broken nose a couple of days before the Buffs' trip to Wyoming on Dec. 4. A broken orbital bone required Reese to wear protective goggles all of last season.

"I can't catch a break on my face, apparently," she said, adding that she is scheduled to ditch this mask by the end of this month. "It's a hassle, obviously, just like the goggles were. But I have to protect my face right now."

Reese had eight rebounds to go with her 18 points and was one of four Buffs with six or more boards. CU outrebounded DU 49-35 and outscored DU 36-18 in the paint. The Buffs also collected 23 second-chance points to the Pioneers' five. CU shot 44.3 percent from the field while holding DU to 37.1 percent.

The Buffs held behind 17-12 with 12:10 left before halftime but finally got untracked with a 20-3 run that helped put them ahead 32-20 and in command for the rest of the night. The Pioneers (1-8) lost for their sixth consecutive game.

"There were moments where we definitely let them have anything they wanted like easy transition buckets," Roberson said. "But I don't think we ever lost confidence and thought the game wasn't ours. We just knew we had to settle and buckle down."

The Buffs did both in their 20-3 spurt, and as sporadic as it was for the night Lappe credited her defense for hitting the ignition in that run.

"It's amazing how that happened," she said. "We started playing defense and getting aggressive. We got our hands in passing lanes, not giving up angles on drives, stayed between them and the basket and communicated. We had a different level of defense in that period of time and what that led to was fast and easy baskets on our end."

After that brief defensive flurry, the Buffs led 47-32 at the half. They outscored the visitors 11-4 in the first 5 minutes of the second half and went up by as many as 26 points before the final buzzer. The Pioneers got no closer than 14 in the last 12 minutes.

GAME 10

#7/7 LOUISVILLE 69, #11/14 COLORADO 63

Dec. 21, 2013, Louisville, Ky. (KFC Yum! Center)

VISITORS: Colorado 9-1

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 6-9	0-1	2-4	2	3	5	4	14	2	0	1	0	28
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 0-3	0-0	1-3	1	3	4	3	1	1	2	1	1	19
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 5-11	1-5	6-6	0	8	8	3	17	1	6	1	0	31
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 3-9	0-1	1-2	4	6	5	7	1	2	0	2	24	
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 2-5	1-2	1-3	1	3	4	5	6	0	6	0	2	22
12	Wilson, Ashley	0-2	0-0	0-2	0	2	0	5	0	0	1	0	1	24
22	Smith, Haley	0-0												

BOX SCORES



GAME 11

#12/14 COLORADO 75, SOUTHERN UTAH 59

Dec. 29, 2013, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Southern Utah 7-3

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
12	Robbins, Marissa	f 0-2	0-0	2-3	0	3	3	1	2	0	2	1	0	21
15	Moreland, Carl	f 2-4	0-1	5-6	0	4	4	5	9	0	2	1	0	22
20	Parkinson, Lori	f 3-4	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	5	6	0	2	1	3	16
05	Jones, Andrea	g 2-14	0-7	4-4	0	1	1	3	8	2	4	0	0	25
21	Smith, Maylinn	g 0-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
02	Klapperich, Mary	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
03	Jackson, Desiree	6-10	0-1	9-9	5	5	21	3	9	2	1	2	6	26
04	Munns, Ashleigh	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
23	Mandelko, Hailey	1-9	1-4	0-0	0	4	4	1	3	0	2	0	3	28
43	Richardson, Jessica	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
45	Funk, Marquelle	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	2	24
52	Gates, Brenna	2-5	0-0	2-4	2	6	4	6	0	3	3	2	2	22
TEAM		4 4 8												
Totals.....		18-54	1-13	22-26	11	25	36	27	59	6	25	8	12	200
TOTAL FG%		1st Half: 9-27 33.3%	2nd Half: 9-27 33.3%	Game: 33.3%		DEADBALL								
3-Pt. FG%		1st Half: 1-6 16.7%	2nd Half: 0-7 0.0%	Game: 7.7%		REBOUNDS								
F Throw %		1st Half: 5-6 83.3%	2nd Half: 17-20 85.0%	Game: 84.6%		REBOUNDS		3						

HOME: Colorado 10-1

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 5-13	0-2	8-10	9	14	3	18	1	4	0	3	0	30
50	Swan, Jamee	f 2-7	0-0	4-5	6	1	7	4	8	1	4	2	2	24
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 3-10	1-5	0-0	0	2	3	7	4	2	0	2	26	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 2-7	0-1	1-3	0	3	3	5	1	4	0	1	29	
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 3-11	0-3	6-10	5	5	10	12	2	2	4	2	32	
04	Harris, Desiree	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	5	
12	Wilson, Ashley	5-7	0-1	4-5	1	5	6	14	5	2	0	4	21	
22	Smith, Haley	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	9	
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
34	Reese, Jen	5-6	0-0	1-3	0	4	2	11	2	1	2	1	14	
40	Hargis, Rachel	0-3	0-0	0-1	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	8	
TEAM		3 1 4												
Totals.....		25-67	1-13	24-36	25	26	51	21	75	18	21	5	17	200
TOTAL FG%		1st Half: 12-32 37.5%	2nd Half: 13-35 37.1%	Game: 37.3%		DEADBALL								
3-Pt. FG%		1st Half: 1-7 14.3%	2nd Half: 0-6 0.0%	Game: 7.7%		REBOUNDS		4						
F Throw %		1st Half: 11-16 68.8%	2nd Half: 13-20 65.0%	Game: 66.7%		REBOUNDS		4						

Officials: Lisa Jones, Brian Woods, Teresa Turner
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Southern Utah-None.
 Attendance: 2094

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Southern Utah	24	35	59
Colorado	36	39	75

BOULDER - If Sunday afternoon was a tune-up for Pac-12 Conference play, the No. 12 Colorado women's team likely left the Coors Events Center knowing the fine-tuning isn't finished.

But putting into practice what they had emphasized recently in practice, the Buffaloes showed if they continue to grind they can succeed. Applying the brakes to stubborn Southern Utah Sunday in the last 8 minutes, the Buffs finally put away the Thunderbirds 75-59 and now can turn their full attention to the Pac-12.

Although CU did enough against Southern Utah to claim its 10th non-conference win (10-1), the Buffs often had difficulty getting in synch offensively and let a 14-point second half lead dwindle to two with 8:09 to play.

But that was as close as the Thunderbirds (7-3) would get. After Carl Moreland hit a pair of free throws to bring Southern Utah to 54-52, the Buffs launched a 19-2 run to take a 19-point lead (73-54) with 1:24 remaining.

Outscored 21-7 over the final 8:09, the T-Birds were toast.

"Overall, I liked how we responded to the last three days of practice," CU coach Linda Lappe said, noting the Buffs had focused on rebounding, tighter defense and setting screens. "I saw all three things improve."

Most apparent, according to guard Jasmine Sborov, was the defensive factor: "To be honest, it didn't really feel like the score was that close leading up to the two-point deficit. . . we looked at scoreboard and we were like, 'All right, we need to get down, get some stops and just extend our lead.' I think that's one negative thing with this game - we were up and then we were down and we were up and we let them get closer. We didn't step on their throats and just keep going."

Not until they needed to, anyway. During the decisive 8-minute surge, Arielle Roberson scored seven of her team-best 18 points while Ashley Wilson, who finished with career highs in points (14) and assists (5), contributed four points. Roberson added 14 rebounds for her fourth double-double in five games and seventh of her career.

Down by 12 points at halftime, the Thunderbirds crept to within four before the Buffs answered with a 12-2 run to take what appeared to be a comfortable 50-36 lead. Not so. The visitors kept competing, climbing back to within 54-52 before CU delivered its final answer.

"We relaxed instead of keeping our foot on the gas," Wilson said. "They play hard (but) we responded every single time; it shows what kind of team we have."

CU also got double-figure scoring from Jen Reese (11) and Sborov (12), who also recorded her first career double-double with a career-high 10 rebounds.

Desiree Jackson led Southern Utah with 21 points and was her team's only player in double figures.

"Slow start" doesn't come close to describing what the Buffs overcame to eventually pull away and take a 36-24 halftime lead. Just under 9 minutes into the first half, CU had one more turnover (five) than baskets (four) but still led 10-7.

But after Moreland, a 6-1 senior forward from Broomfield, tied the score at 13-13 on a 3-pointer, CU made its move. Over the next 6 minutes, the Buffs outscored the Thunderbirds 17-6 to take their first double-digit advantage (30-19) on a basket by Ashley Wilson.

Southern Utah rallied briefly, closing to within six points (30-24) before CU used a 6-0 run - four free throws by Roberson, a layup by Jamee Swan, who made her second career start - to establish its 12-point halftime advantage. But the T-Birds quickly cut into that, forced the Buffs to make a run, then the whole process was repeated.

Neither team shot impressively from the field - CU checked in at 37.9 percent, Southern Utah at 34.0 - and between them the Buffs and Thunderbirds committed 45 turnovers (CU 21, Southern Utah 24). And long-range accuracy was lacking: the teams were combined 2-of-26 from beyond the arc, with each getting one try in 13 attempts.

GAME 12

USC 55, #12/14 COLORADO 45

Jan. 3, 2014, Los Angeles, Calif. (Galen Center)

VISITORS: Colorado 10-2, 0-1 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 2-10	0-1	0-0	4	4	8	5	4	3	2	0	0	30
50	Swan, Jamee	f 0-2	0-0	1-2	2	1	3	3	1	0	1	0	1	12
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 2-5	0-2	0-2	0	4	4	2	4	1	5	2	20	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 5-14	2-4	1-1	0	1	1	2	13	1	2	1	29	
21	Sborov, Jasmine	g 1-5	0-0	0-2	3	5	2	2	2	1	2	1	28	
12	Wilson, Ashley	3-7	0-0	6-9	2	4	6	2	12	1	1	1	26	
22	Smith, Haley	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
24	Huggins, Lauren	0-3	0-2	0-1	1	2	1	2	1	0	1	0	11	
34	Reese, Jen	3-9	0-0	1-2	0	2	2	3	7	0	1	0	1	26
40	Hargis, Rachel	1-5	0-0	0-1	1	3	4	1	2	0	1	1	1	12
TEAM		3 3 6												
Totals.....		17-60	2-9	9-16	15	26	41	21	45	9	16	7	9	200
TOTAL FG%		1st Half: 7-33 21.2%	2nd Half: 10-27 37.0%	Game: 28.3%		DEADBALL								
3-Pt. FG%		1st Half: 0-4 0.0%	2nd Half: 2-5 40.0%	Game: 22.2%		REBOUNDS								
F Throw %		1st Half: 6-12 50.0%	2nd Half: 3-4 75.0%	Game: 56.3%		REBOUNDS		4						

HOME: USC 9-5, 2-0 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
11	Harberts, Cassie	f 6-14	0-0	7-11	3	6	9	3	19	0	1	0	38	
13	Horn, Kaneisha	f 1-4	0-1	2-2	0	4	4	2	4	0	3	1	15	
21	Violetta, Alexey	f 3-10	1-2	1-2	7	9	1	8	2	1	4	0	32	
01	Adams, Jordan	g 0-2	0-0	0-0	1	3	4	0	1	5	3	0	15	
14	Crook, Ariya	g 0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
03	Bradley, Desiree	2-3	1-2	6-6	1	3	4	2	11	2	1	0	26	
10	Oliver, Kate	1-4	0-1	0-0	1	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	12	
12	Jaco, Courtney	0-4	0-2	2-2	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	20	
22	Gibbs, Sebastien	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	2	0	2	2	0	1	2	0	11
23	Barrett, Brianna	4-12	0-1	1-3	4	1	5	1	9	2	2	0	30	
TEAM		4 3 7												
Totals.....		17-55	2-9	19-25	15	30	45	14	55	9	15	0	6	200
TOTAL FG%		1st Half: 7-27 25.9%	2nd Half: 10-28 35.7%	Game: 30.9%		DEADBALL								
3-Pt. FG%		1st Half: 1-3 33.3%	2nd Half: 1-6 16.7%	Game: 22.2%		REBOUNDS		4						
F Throw %		1st Half: 8-10 80.0%	2nd Half: 11-15 73.3%	Game: 76.0%		REBOUNDS		4						

Officials: Michol Murray, Penny Davis, Kent Johnson
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. USC-None.
 Attendance: 372

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colorado	20	25	45
USC	23	32	55

LOS ANGELES - Southern California held No. 12 Colorado scoreless over the final four minutes here Friday night, as the Trojans scored the final 13 points of the game to defeat the Buffaloes, 55-45.

USC blocked 10 shots and held Colorado to just 28 percent shooting in holding the Buffs to their season low in points in handling CU its second loss in its last three games, both on the road. It was just CU's second loss to an unranked team in the last 36 games over the past two seasons.

Colorado overcame a horrific start in which it missed its first dozen shots and 16 of its first 17 to rally to tie Colorado in the first half deficit to take small leads in the second half. The game's first time came early after intermission, as buckets by Lexy Kresl and Jen Reese knotted the score at 24; a soon after 10-4 run gave Colorado its big lead of the night at 34-30 with 14:06 to play.

But the Buffs would endure nearly a six-and-a-half minute stretch without a field goal, though USC could only muster a 7-1 advantage in that window to take a 37-35 edge with 8:57 left. CU then countered with a 10-5 run to go up 45-42 with 4:01 remaining.

For CU, it was basically the "Wilson Show," as the twins, senior guards Ashley and Brittany from nearby Long Beach, combined to score 25 of Colorado's points. Brittany scored CU's last field goal at the 4:54 mark and finished with 13 points, while Ashley converted two free throws for the last Colorado points with 4:01 on the clock to end with 12.

Cassie Harberts led the Trojans with 19 points, seven coming down the stretch. She made two free throws that put the Trojans ahead for good, 46-45, with 3:08 remaining, and grabbed an offensive rebound and converted a layup for a 48-45 lead with 2:20 to go.

Brianna Barrett's layup in traffic with 48 seconds left made it a two-score game at 50-45, and 15 seconds later, Harberts snatched another pair of free throws to all but seal the win for USC. Colorado (10-2, 0-1 Pac-12) came up empty on its last eight possessions.

USC (9-5, 2-0), which opened the week and Pac-12 play with a 56-54 win at rival UCLA on Monday, snapped a 16-game losing streak against ranked teams. "We'll learn from this, and we'll be fine," CU coach Linda Lappe said. "We have a great group of seniors that provides us with great leadership. This was one of those games where we just didn't play well in numerous spurts, especially the last eight to 10 minutes."

Colorado didn't get on the board until there was 13:23 remaining in the first half, when Brittany Wilson's floater from the lane got a friendly bounce and dropped through. The Buffs missed their first 12 shots before that one fell, but trailed only 9-2 at that point; USC was just 1-of-5 from the field with four turnovers and built the lead converting all six of its early free throw attempts. The Trojans also blocked five of CU's first dozen field goal tries.

USC built the lead up to 12 on two occasions, the last following a Cassie Harbert layup to make it 17-5 with 9:05 left in the half. Those were CU's largest deficits of the season, as previously the Buffaloes had yet to trail in double figures, trailing the most at Wyoming when the Cowgirls led at nine at one point.

It was then the Trojan's turn to get cold; USC failed to score on its next 12 possessions, missing 11 field goals and turning it over three times, and Colorado used the 6:23 scoring drought to climb back into the game. The Buffs reeled off the next 10 points to pull to within 17-15, with Ashley Wilson scoring five of the points in the run.

CU closed the half on a 15-8 spree overall to cut the USC lead to 23-20 at intermission. While CU opened just 1-of-17 from the floor, it made six of its last 16 shots, while the Trojans weren't clicking any better, finishing the half 7-of-27. Ashley Wilson had seven of CU's points for the half, topping her season average of 6.1 coming into the game in just the first 20 minutes.

GAME 13

#12/14 COLORADO 61, UCLA 59

Jan. 5, 2014, Los Angeles, Calif. (Pauley Pavilion)

VISITORS: Colorado 11-2, 1-1 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 2-7	0-0	0-0	1	4	5	3	4	1	1	0	0	21
50	Swan, Jamee													



BOX SCORES



GAME 14

#19/19 CAL 57, #17/18 COLORADO 55

Jan. 10, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: California 11-3, 3-0 Pac-12

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	bk	s	min
21 Gray, Reshanda	f 6-8	0-0	3-3	0	4	4	15	0	4	0	22
24 Range, Courtney	f 1-4	0-0	4-8	2	7	9	0	6	0	2	31
40 Hartman, Justine	f 2-6	0-0	0-2	1	2	3	0	4	3	1	25
02 Jemerigbe, Afure	g 4-8	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	1	8	2	1	37
15 Boyd, Brittany	g 6-18	0-5	1-2	2	6	8	5	13	3	4	34
10 Jefflo, Mercedes	1-1	0-0	0-2	1	1	2	2	2	0	0	14
11 Dunn, Kyra	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6
12 Ben Abdelkader, Hind	0-4	0-2	0-0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	13
25 Brandon, Genmifer	2-7	0-0	2-3	3	2	5	1	6	0	3	9
30 Lyles, Mikayla	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	9
TEAM				2	4	6					
Totals.....	23-58	1-9	10-20	12	28	40	17	57	8	16	211

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 8-25 32.0%	2nd Half: 15-33 45.5%	Game: 39.7%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-6 16.7%	2nd Half: 0-3 0.0%	Game: 11.1%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 1-6 16.7%	2nd Half: 9-14 64.3%	Game: 50.0%	5

HOME: Colorado 11-3, 1-2 Pac-12

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 8-11	1-2	4-8	3	4	7	3	21	1	0	22
50 Swan, Jamee	f 1-6	0-0	0-0	1	3	4	2	2	0	2	16
01 Kresl, Lexy	g 0-6	0-4	2-2	2	4	6	3	2	3	1	26
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 3-5	0-0	1-2	1	2	2	7	5	7	0	31
21 Sborov, Jasmine	g 1-7	0-3	0-0	1	4	5	4	2	0	4	11
12 Wilson, Ashley	2-2	0-0	2-2	2	1	3	1	6	2	0	15
22 Smith, Haley	2-5	0-0	1-1	0	1	1	0	5	0	0	11
34 Reese, Jen	2-9	0-1	0-0	1	6	7	2	4	0	1	28
40 Hargis, Rachel	2-5	0-0	2-3	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	11
TEAM				4	4						
Totals.....	21-56	1-10	12-18	11	28	39	20	55	11	16	3

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 11-30 36.7%	2nd Half: 10-26 38.5%	Game: 37.5%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 0-4 0.0%	2nd Half: 1-6 16.7%	Game: 10.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 6-9 66.7%	2nd Half: 6-9 66.7%	Game: 66.7%	2

Officials: Melissa Barlow, Darren Krzesnik, Benny Luna
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. California-None.
 Attendance: 2432

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
California	18	39	57
Colorado	28	27	55

BOULDER - California never stopped grinding, Colorado couldn't step up with a stop. It was the recipe for a gut-wrenching, frustrating Friday night at the Coors Events Center.

Outscoring CU 14-2 in the final 4:08, No. 19 Cal rallied from a 10-point deficit to edge No. 17 CU, 57-55.

If the Buffs left their home court Friday night feeling they had been taken advantage of, it was justified. It was also mostly self-inflicted. CU (11-3, 1-2) held a 10-point halftime lead, led by 10 with just over 4 minutes to play and still couldn't finish what was shaping up to be a milestone Pac-12 win. Cal (11-3, 3-0) wouldn't allow it.

"We just didn't play to win necessarily...they were the aggressors and we didn't buck up to that challenge," said **Arielle Roberson**, who rebounded from a subpar West Coast trip last weekend with a game-high 21 points - including 11 during a 15-6 run that opened a 50-40 CU advantage with 5:55 to play.

But after Jen Reese hit a jumper to put the Buffs up by 10 for a second time, they failed to hit a field goal in the final 4:08. Roberson's two free throws were CU's only points in that span.

The Bears, led by Reshanda Gray (15) and Brittany Boyd (13), never considered going away. After CU called a timeout with 25 seconds remaining - 22 on the shot clock - Roberson was fouled and went to the free throw line with 16.2 seconds showing. She hit both, putting the Buffs up 55-54, prompting a Cal timeout with 12.1 seconds to play.

Afure Jemerigbe drove the right baseline and scored to give Cal a 56-55 lead with 6 seconds left. Head coach **Linda Lappe** set up a play for Roberson, but **Jamee Swan's** side-court inbounds pass was stolen by Courtney Range, who was fouled by Roberson and hit one of two free throws at the 2.9 second mark.

Lexy Kresl's half-court fling at the buzzer bounded off the back iron and the Buffs' night of late frustration was complete.

Employing full-court pressure to begin the second half, the Bears forced the Buffs into nine turnovers in the final 20 minutes and converted CU's 16 errors into 16 points. Cal also outscored CU 36-34 in the paint, outrebounded the Buffs 40-39 and limited them to 37.5 percent from the field. The Bears shot only 39.7 percent, but they were at 45.5 percent (15-of-33) in the second half.

CU's biggest lead of the first half - 28-18 - came courtesy of a 10-4 run and a nearly 8-minute lockdown of the Cal offense. With 7:44 left before intermission, Mikayla Lyles hit a 3-pointer to bring the Bears to within 18-17, but that would be Cal's last field goal of the half.

In the first 2 minutes of the second half, it was Cal's turn to turn up the 'D'. Opening with full-court pressure, the Bears disrupted the Buffs offensive rhythm just enough to force three turnovers and outscored them 10-2 to pull to within 30-28 on a conventional three-point play by Gray with 17:08 to play.

Over the next 5 1/2 minutes, Cal cut CU's lead to one on two occasions, but after the Bears had closed to 35-34 the Buffs answered with an 8-0 surge on three baskets by Roberson and one by **Rachel Hargis** to go up 43-34 with 9:40 to play.

And Roberson wasn't finished. After scoring in the paint, she backed up for a trey that opened a 10-point CU lead (50-40) with just under 6 minutes to play. But the Bears wouldn't roll. They cut the deficit to five (53-48) on a three-point play by Genmifer Brandon with 3:33 left, got a fast break layup by Gray to pull to 53-50, then crept to 53-52 on a jumper by Boyd at the 2:07 mark.

A turnover caused by Cal's full-court pressure followed a CU timeout, and Courtney Range sank two free throws to give Cal a 54-53 lead - its first since 12-11 - with 1:59 left. Roberson's pair of free throws gave the Buffs a 55-54 lead and their fans hope, but a stop at the other end was needed - and it didn't happen.

BOX SCORES



GAME 15

#4/4 STANFORD 87, #17/18 COLORADO 77

Jan. 12, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Stanford 15-1, 4-0 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min		
03 Ruef, Mikaela	1-8	0-0	3-5	3	7	10	4	5	2	5	0	2	30
13 Ogwumike, Chiney	f12-22	1-2	9-9	6	10	16	4	34	3	2	0	2	37
01 Thompson, Lili	g 2-6	1-2	4-4	0	3	3	2	9	6	1	0	1	24
21 James, Sara	g 3-5	1-3	0-0	1	2	1	7	0	1	0	0	11	25
33 Orange, Amber	g 2-7	1-4	0-0	0	3	3	5	5	3	3	0	0	25
00 Green, Alex	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
04 Greenfield, Taylor	1-2	1-2	1-2	0	1	1	1	4	3	1	0	0	23
10 Roberson, Briana	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
24 McCall, Erica	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	2	2	1	3	1	0	9	9
32 Johnson, Kailee	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5
41 Samuelson, Bonnie	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	7	7
44 Samuelson, Kartie	5-8	5-8	4-4	0	2	2	4	19	1	0	2	26	26
TEAM													
Totals.....	28-62	10-21	21-24	12	28	40	25	87	19	18	1	7	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 18-35 51.4%	2nd Half: 10-27 37.0%	Game: 45.2%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 8-15 53.3%	2nd Half: 2-6 33.3%	Game: 47.6%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 11-11 100%	2nd Half: 10-13 76.9%	Game: 87.5%	2

HOME: Colorado 11-4, 1-3 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min	
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 6-10	2-2	5-10	2	4	6	3	19	5	2	2	35
50 Swan, Jamee	f 9-17	0-2	2-3	5	8	13	3	20	5	3	0	33
40 Hargis, Rachel	c 0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	11
01 Kresl, Lexy	g 2-7	0-0	6-6	0	2	2	3	10	3	2	1	19
22 Smith, Haley	g 1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	5	2	0	2	0	17
11 Wilson, Brittany	4-11	1-3	6-6	3	5	5	15	2	1	0	2	23
12 Wilson, Ashley	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	2	2	3	2	0	2	0	21
24 Huggins, Lauren	1-4	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	12
34 Reese, Jen	4-10	0-1	0-0	2	3	5	1	8	1	2	0	29
TEAM												
Totals.....	27-65	4-13	19-25	12	23	35	24	77	18	15	3	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 15-38 39.5%	2nd Half: 12-27 44.4%	Game: 41.5%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-5 20.0%	2nd Half: 3-8 37.5%	Game: 30.8%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 7-8 87.5%	2nd Half: 12-17 70.6%	Game: 76.0%	4

Officials: Michael Price, Shelley Russi, In'Fini Robinson
 Technical fouls: Colorado-Roberson, Arielle. Stanford-Samuelson, Kartie.
 Attendance: 3009

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Stanford	55	32	87
Colorado	38	39	77

BOULDER – The Colorado Buffaloes battled gallantly on Sunday afternoon to find the edge their coach said they lacked, but finding it against Stanford's Chiney Ogwumike and the No. 4 Cardinal presented a different problem altogether.

No. 17 CU cut a 19-point second-half deficit to seven in the final minute before finally succumbing 87-77 at the Coors Events Center. On Friday night, the Buffs (11-4, 1-3) were edged 57-55 by No. 19 California, and CU coach **Linda Lappe** challenged her team to play with more toughness.

The Buffs did that on Sunday, but they struggled to find an answer for the Cardinal's Ogwumike, who scored 34 points and collected 16 rebounds. The Stanford All-American scored 20 of her total in the first half, when the Cardinal (15-1, 4-0) rolled to a 55-38 lead.

Ogwumike got first-half help from freshman Kartie Samuelson, who scored 17 of her career-high 19 points in the opening half. Samuelson, who arrived in Boulder with a 3.8 point average, hitting five of her eight first-half 3-point attempts and both of her free throw tries.

CU was without junior guard **Jasmine Sborov**, who was on crutches after being diagnosed with a broken bone in her foot.

The Buffs got a career-best performance from sophomore forward **Jamee Swan**, who had team highs in points (20) and rebounds (13). Also scoring in double figures were **Arielle Roberson** (19), **Brittany Wilson** (15) and **Lexy Kresl** (10).

The Cardinal held a 19-point lead on two occasions early in the second half, but the Buffs refused to roll. They cut the deficit to 82-73 on a 3-pointer by **Lauren Huggins**, then to 82-75 on two free throws by Wilson with 1:02 to play.

But that was as close they got to the Cardinal, now 6-0 against the Buffs since CU joined the Pac-12 in 2011.

The Buffs stayed with the Cardinal for the game's first 2:47, but after a 6-6 tie, Stanford began pulling away behind the 3-point shooting of Samuelson. After Ogwumike broke the tie with a trey, senior guard Sara James hit a three, giving the Cardinal a 12-6 lead.

And Stanford was off and bombing.
 Less than 2 minutes later, Samuelson drained threes on consecutive possessions, pushing the Cardinal ahead 20-11 with 14:32 left before intermission. Stanford led by as many as 18 (46-28) before ending the half on – what else? – a Samuelson trey at the buzzer that gave her team a commanding 55-38 advantage.

Stanford, which normally shoots 47.9 percent from long range, was 8-of-15 (53 percent) from behind the arc, accounting for most of the damage as CU gave up its highest first-half total of the season and the most since 2006.

The Buffs entered the game allowing only 59 points a game and 57 in Pac-12 play. If CU was to have a chance at catching up, its defense would have to tighten dramatically.

An early second-half basket by Ogwumike gave the Cardinal its biggest lead – 59-40 – before the Buffs finally ratcheted up their 'D. It helped when Ogwumike went to the bench briefly with three fouls at the 15-minute mark, and CU took advantage.

A 7-0 run on back-to-back baskets from Brittany Wilson and a three-point play by Swan pulled the Buffs to within 11 points (63-52) with 13:03 left. Stanford answered with an 8-0 run – six of the points by Ogwumike – and went back in front by 19 (71-52) with just under 9 minutes to play.

But CU wasn't done. Runs of 5-0 and 6-0 pulled the Buffs back to within seven points before the Cardinal finally closed it out.

GAME 16

WASHINGTON STATE 70, #21/20 COLORADO 60

Jan. 17, 2014, Pullman, Wash. (Beasley Coliseum)

VISITORS: Colorado 11-5, 1-4 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min	
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 5-11	1-3	2-5	4	4	8	0	13	4	4	1	32
34 Reese, Jen	f 7-12	0-2	1-4	2	3	5	5	15	2	0	2	26
01 Kresl, Lexy	g 2-5	1-3	0-0	1	3	4	1	5	3	2	0	23
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 3-6	1-3	0-0	0	2	2	4	7	1	4	0	29
22 Smith, Haley	g 0-3	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	18
04 Harris, Desiree	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	7
12 Wilson, Ashley	1-3	0-0	4-6	0	4	4	6	0	1	0	1	19
24 Huggins, Lauren	0-6	0-6	0-1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	17
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	2-3	0-1	0-1	1	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	5
40 Hargis, Rachel	1-3	0-0	2-2	0	1	1	1	4	0	0	1	9
50 Swan, Jamee	2-6	0-0	0-0	2	0	2	5	4	0	1	1	15
TEAM												
Totals.....	23-58	3-18	11-23	12	24	36	22	60	12	14	2	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 15-33 45.5%	2nd Half: 8-25 32.0%	Game: 39.7%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-8 25.0%	2nd Half: 1-10 10.0%	Game: 16.7%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 3-7 42.9%	2nd Half: 8-16 50.0%	Game: 47.8%	7

HOME: Washington State 11-6, 5-0 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min	
22 Romero, Sage	f 2-6	1-3	1-2	0	4	4	0	6	0	0	0	24
23 Dheensaw, Shalhe	c 3-6	0-0	2-3	3	4	7	1	8	2	4	2	32
03 Galdeira, Lia	g 4-14	2-7	7-8	1	5	6	4	17	1	2	0	26
05 Presley, Tia	g 7-10	0-1	3-10	1	5	6	4	17	0	4	0	35
11 Awa, Dawnyelle	g 3-5	1-2	1-2	0	2	1	8	5	4	1	1	31
10 Williamson, Alexas	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	9
12 Edmondson, Taylor	2-6	2-5	2-2	0	2	2	2	8	1	0	0	13
24 Thomas, Brandi	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
34 Cooks, Mariah	1-5	0-0	1-2	4	6	3	3	0	0	0	1	16
42 Potter, Hana	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	2	2	0	1	0	8
TEAM												
Totals.....	23-66	6-19	18-31	14	28	42	18	70	9	16	3	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 14-26 53.8%	2nd Half: 9-30 30.0%	Game: 41.1%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 3-7 42.9%	2nd Half: 3-12 25.0%	Game: 31.6%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 3-10 30.0%	2nd Half: 15-21 71.4%	Game: 58.1%	8

Officials: Robert Scofield, Rick Showers, Tiffany Bird
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Washington State-None.
 Attendance: 1423

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colorado	35	25	60
Washington State	34	36	70

PULLMAN, Wash. – Colorado held Washington State without a field goal over the final 6 minutes, 9 seconds, but couldn't take advantage of the opportunity as the Cougars stayed unbeaten in Pac-12 Conference play with a 70-60 win over the No. 21/20 ranked Buffaloes Friday night at Beasley Coliseum.

Jen Reese led Colorado (11-5, 1-4) with 15 points but battled foul trouble, eventually fouling out with 3:22 left.

Washington State's Dawnyelle Awa hit a 3-pointer to give the Cougars their biggest lead at 60-50 with 6:18 left. WSU (5-0, 11-6) didn't score from the floor again, but was able to get to the free-throw line hitting 10 foul shots.

All Colorado could do was match on the scoreboard. The Buffaloes shot just 32 percent in the second half, but even more costly, only 11-of-23 from the foul line.

Colorado got as close as five at 64-59 after a pair of Ashley Wilson free throws with 2:27 left, but the Buffaloes missed two 3-pointers and gave a pair of turnovers on the next four possessions as the Cougars iced the game at the line.

Arielle Roberson had 13 points, eight rebounds and four assists. Wilson had six points and four rebounds.

Lia Galdeira and Tia Presley led Washington State with 17 points each.

GAME 17

WASHINGTON 81, #21/20 COLORADO 71

Jan. 19, 2014, Seattle, Wash. (Alaska Airlines Arena)

VISITORS: Colorado 11-6, 1-5 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min	
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 8-16	2-5	2-6	1	3	4	5	20	0	1	0	31
34 Reese, Jen	f 6-16	1-3	0-0	2	4	6	4	13	1	2	0	33
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 4-12	0-3	8-9	1	3	4	4	16	4	2	0	33
12 Wilson, Ashley	g 1-5	0-0	4-5	0	2	2	2	6	0	3	1	20
22 Smith, Haley	g 1-3	1-1	0-0	1	6	7	2	3	1	0	0	20
01 Kresl, Lexy	2-6	0-3	1-1	0	1	1	4	5	4	1	2	29
04 Harris, Desiree	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
24 Huggins, Lauren	0-3	0-3	0-0	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	12
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	7
40 Hargis, Rachel	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	7
50 Swan, Jamee	2-4	0-0	0-1	1	3	4	1	2	1	0	1	15
TEAM												
Totals.....	26-68	4-18	15-22	9	24	33	29	71	11	13	4	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 9-32 28.1%	2nd Half: 17-36 47.2%
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BOX SCORES

GAME 18

COLORADO 68, ARIZONA 47

Jan. 24, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Arizona 4-14, 0-7 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min
00 Workman, Breanna	f 2-7	0-0	2-2	3 5	8	3	6	1	4	0	25
24 Jones, LaBrittney	f 3-5	0-0	0-1	0 2	2	3	6	0	1	0	20
01 Warthen, Candice	f 5-17	1-1	3-4	2 4	6	0	14	1	3	0	38
04 Crutchfield, Carissa	g 3-10	1-2	1-4	1 1	2	1	8	5	3	0	35
10 Griffiths, Kama	g 2-5	2-5	0-0	0 2	2	4	6	2	0	1	37
15 Cannon, Keyahndra	1-1	0-0	1-2	0 2	2	3	0	4	0	2	20
23 Barnes, Erica	2-7	0-0	0-0	2 2	4	4	1	3	0	0	25
TEAM				3 6							
Totals.....	18-52	4-8	7-13	13 19	32	15	47	10	20	0	8 200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 8-24 33.3%	2nd Half: 10-28 35.7%	Game: 34.6%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-3 66.7%	2nd Half: 2-5 40.0%	Game: 50.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 4-8 50.0%	2nd Half: 3-5 60.0%	Game: 53.8%	3

HOME: Colorado 12-6, 2-5 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 2-6	0-1	3-6	3 7	10	3	7	2	1	1	32
34 Reese, Jen	f 8-13	0-1	6-7	2 5	7	1	22	0	0	1	30
50 Swan, Jamee	f 1-2	0-0	2-2	2 4	2	4	0	1	1	2	21
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 5-11	2-6	0-0	0 2	2	3	12	9	6	0	33
22 Smith, Haley	g 2-4	0-0	2-4	2 1	3	3	6	2	0	1	21
04 Harris, Desiree	0-1	0-0	0-0	0 1	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
12 Wilson, Ashley	1-2	0-0	0-0	0 2	2	1	2	3	0	1	26
24 Huggins, Lauren	5-9	5-8	0-0	0 3	3	0	15	0	1	2	22
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-0	0-0	0-0	0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
40 Hargis, Rachel	0-0	0-0	0-0	0 1	1	3	0	3	2	0	10
TEAM											
Totals.....	24-48	7-17	13-19	9 24	33	17	68	18	15	5	10 200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 9-27 33.3%	2nd Half: 15-21 71.4%	Game: 50.0%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-9 22.2%	2nd Half: 5-8 62.5%	Game: 41.2%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 9-15 60.0%	2nd Half: 4-4 100%	Game: 68.4%	2

Officials: Anita Ortega, Darren Krzesnik, Kenneth Nash
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Arizona-None.
 Attendance: 2914

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Arizona	22	25	47
Colorado	29	39	68

BOULDER - Needing a win and an accompanying dose of confidence, the Colorado Buffaloes grabbed both Friday night at the Coors Events Center.

Powered by the solid mid-range shooting of **Jen Reese** and reserve **Lauren Huggins'** rediscovered long-ball accuracy, CU disposed of Arizona 68-47 to snap a four-game Pac-12 Conference losing streak.

"It's great to be back on the winning track," CU coach **Linda Lappe** said. "You take the game or be taken...tonight we took the game and we have to continue to do that."

Reese, a junior from Clackamas, Ore., tied her career high with 22 points, hitting a career-best eight field goals in 13 attempts. Huggins, a redshirt freshman from Littleton, tied her career high by hitting five of her nine 3-point attempts for 15 points - one below her season and career highs. Huggins had been 2-of-16 from beyond the arc in the previous six Pac-12 games.

For Huggins, regaining focus and her long-distance shooting touch started with early week meetings involving her teammates and Lappe. Huggins said her teammates expressing their belief in her got her back on track: "My teammates said, 'Shoot the ball, kid, that's what you need to do.'"

Lappe said players - maybe more so with shooters - often "forget their roles" during the course of a season. Lappe told Huggins "to keep it simple...don't put the ball on the floor, be ready to catch it, slow down your mind and be a shooter."

Huggins, who scored a career-high 16 points in November against Alcorn State, obviously did what her coach wanted. But Lappe saw another facet of Huggins' game that was equally locked in - her defense, which Lappe said usually ignites Huggins at the other end. "I thought her defense was solid - the best it's been," Lappe said.

"Solid" also has been Reese's calling card. "She's a really special player," Lappe said, comparing her to former NBA star Larry Bird in that while both might be missing the "wow" factor in their jumping ability and overall athleticism, both can be quietly spectacular in their results.

Reese and Huggins got scoring assistance from **Brittany Wilson**, who added 12 points and was the only other CU player to reach double figures. Arizona's Candace Warthen led her team with 14 points.

After a 14-2 run, the Buffs led by as many as 12 points (20-8) in Friday night's first half and were up 29-22 at intermission. The Wildcats' last first-half lead was 6-4 - and it would be their last of the night.

Reese supplied most of CU's early offense, scoring eight of the first 11 points on two field goals and four free throws. She finished the half with 12 points and was the only Buffs player in double figures. During its 14-2 run, CU got a pair of 3-pointers from Huggins - and more were coming.

The Buffs were outbounded 23-17 in the first half, but capitalized on a dozen Wildcats turnovers while committing only four. CU ended the night with a 33-32 board edge and pressured Arizona into 20 turnovers. Both teams shot 33.3 percent from the field in the opening half, but the Buffs finished the night at 50 percent (24-of-48) while keeping the Wildcats at 34.6 percent.

A fast second-half start would greatly benefit the Buffs - and they came close enough. After Arizona got the first four points of the half, CU scored the next seven and restored a double-digit lead (36-26) with just over 16 minutes remaining.

Reese factored in that run, too, hitting a pair of free throws. Then it was Huggins' turn to supply the offense. After Arizona's Kama Griffiths hit a 3-pointer, Huggins answered with a pair to push the Buffs ahead 42-31 with 14:12 to play.

When CU pushed ahead by 23 (60-37) on back-to-back treys by Huggins and Brittany Wilson with 7:20 left, all that was undecided was the winning margin.

GAME 19

#14/23 ARIZONA STATE 68, COLORADO 66

Jan. 26, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Arizona State 17-3, 6-2 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min
21 Brunner, Sophie	f 4-7	0-0	4-4	3 3	6	4	12	2	0	1	21
24 Moos, Kelsey	f 2-7	0-1	1-2	5 6	11	4	5	1	1	0	25
00 Hemen, Katie	g 1-5	0-1	0-0	0 3	3	2	2	3	1	0	20
05 Mann, Deja	g 7-10	1-2	2-2	1 2	3	1	17	2	0	0	32
10 Amukamara, Promise	2-8	0-2	3-6	0 1	1	3	7	3	0	4	22
01 Hawkins, Arnetia	0-0	0-0	0-0	0 0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4
03 Burke, Joy	1-2	0-0	1-3	2 2	4	1	3	1	0	0	14
14 Thomas, Adrienne	2-7	1-3	7-8	0 1	1	2	12	1	0	0	22
22 Domstauder, Quinn	1-3	0-0	2-4	0 1	1	1	4	0	0	0	6
23 Davis, Elisha	2-3	0-1	2-3	0 0	0	1	6	1	2	0	18
43 Normen, Eliza	0-1	0-0	0-0	0 4	4	0	1	1	0	0	16
TEAM				1	1						
Totals.....	22-53	2-10	22-32	12 23	35	23	68	15	10	2	5 200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 12-28 42.9%	2nd Half: 10-25 40.0%	Game: 41.5%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-4 25.0%	2nd Half: 1-6 16.7%	Game: 20.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 9-11 81.8%	2nd Half: 13-21 61.9%	Game: 68.8%	3

HOME: Colorado 12-7, 2-6 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 3-12	0-1	0-1	4 4	8	2	6	4	0	1	33
34 Reese, Jen	f 9-18	0-0	4-4	2 6	8	1	22	0	1	0	36
50 Swan, Jamee	f 4-5	0-0	2-2	3 4	7	5	10	3	2	0	22
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 2-13	0-2	8-9	1 4	5	4	12	7	5	0	37
22 Smith, Haley	g 2-3	0-0	0-0	1 1	2	4	1	1	0	1	16
12 Wilson, Ashley	3-6	0-0	6-7	3 2	5	2	12	1	2	0	30
24 Huggins, Lauren	0-1	0-0	0-0	1 1	2	0	0	0	1	0	13
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-1	0-0	0-0	0 1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
40 Hargis, Rachel	0-1	0-0	0-0	1 2	3	0	0	0	0	0	11
TEAM				2 4							
Totals.....	23-60	0-4	20-23	16 26	42	23	66	12	4	3	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 10-33 30.3%	2nd Half: 13-27 48.1%	Game: 38.3%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 0-4 0.0%	2nd Half: 0-0 0.0%	Game: 0.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 11-11 100%	2nd Half: 9-12 75.0%	Game: 87.0%	1

Officials: Marianne Karp, Kyle Bacon, Wanda Szeremeta
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Arizona State-None.
 Attendance: 3326

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Arizona State	34	34	68
Colorado	31	35	66

BOULDER - Colorado stayed with No. 14 Arizona State for the better part of 40 minutes Sunday at the Coors Events Center. Unfortunately for the Buffaloes, the final half minute was no time to come undone.

Getting a pair of free throws from Adrienne Thomas with 4.4 seconds to play, the Sun Devils edged the Buffs 68-66.

With the score tied at 66-66, CU coach **Linda Lappe** called timeout with 21 seconds to play to set her final strategy. It didn't go as planned: **Brittany Wilson** lost her dribble, ASU got the loose ball and Thomas was fouled with 4.4 seconds to play.

After Thomas hit both free throws, Wilson lost the ball coming up court, recovered, but could manage only a three-quarter court heave that only added to CU's afternoon of frustration.

Jen Reese, who matched her career high with 22 points for a second straight game, said she believed the Buffs were focused coming out of their timeout when the score was tied at 66. "But we should have gotten a shot up," she added. "We didn't finish...they were fouled and hit their free throws."

Aiding Reese in the scoring column were **Brittany and Ashley Wilson** with 12 points each and **Jamee Swan** with 10.

CU outbounded ASU 42-35 and hit 20-of-23 free throws - including 11-of-11 in the first half. ASU led by 10 points in the first half before CU regained its shooting touch and made the afternoon competitive in the second half.

From the 15:05 mark until 7:23 before intermission, they dropped from 75 percent shooting to 35 percent - going one for 12 and watching the Sun Devils launch a 12-0 run. That surge enabled ASU to take a double-digit lead - 24-14 - and appear to be in control.

But CU wasn't ready to roll. If their shooting touches from the field occasionally went icy, it was a different story at the free throw line. The Buffs were perfect at the foul line, hitting all of 11 of their attempts - which kept them in the game. By halftime their field goal percentage was a humbling 30.3 (10-of-33), while the Sun Devils checked in at 42.9 percent (12-of-28).

After Mann scored consecutive baskets to open the second half scoring and push ASU ahead 38-31, Reese - her nine field goals were a career high - hit a put-back to open a 6-0 run that pulled the Buffs to within 38-37. It was the closest CU had been since 13-12.

The Buffs got their first lead since 12-11 on a layup by Roberson that sent them up 39-38 with 15:16 remaining. CU matched its largest lead to that point - three points at 43-40 - on back-to-back baskets by Reese.

But Promise Amukamara matched Reese's two buckets, giving ASU a 44-43 advantage and promising a back-and-forth final 10 minutes - if the Buffs didn't encounter another Ice Age. They didn't, and even a five-point ASU lead (52-47) didn't deter them.

The Buffs lost their perfection from the foul line when Ashley Wilson finally missed the first of two with 8:58 to play. But "A-Wil" hit the second attempt, followed with two more on the next possession and tied the score at 52-52.

Neither team led by more than two over the final 8 minutes, with CU taking a two-point advantage (66-64) on a three-point play by Ashley Wilson with 2:51 left.

With the Buffs leading 66-65, Reese missed a foul line jumper with 45 seconds left ASU called a time out with 41.9 seconds to play. Fouled by Brittany Wilson on a loose ball battle, Kelsey Moos hit one of two free throws to tie the score at 66-66 at the 28.5-second mark.

Reese controlled the rebound on Moos' miss and it was CU's turn for a timeout to set its final strategy in the last 21.1 seconds. If both of the Buffs' final possessions went bust, the Sun Devils have been there and conquered that.

GAME 20

UTAH 58, COLORADO 55

Jan. 29, 2014, Salt Lake City, Utah (Huntsman Center)

VISITORS: Colorado 12-8, 2-7 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of de	tot	pf	tp	a	to bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 2-9	0-3	2-2	1 4	5	2	6	1	4	3	37
34 Reese, Jen	f 1-6	0-0	1-2	0 4	4	3	2	4	0	3	30
50 Swan, Jamee	f 5-10	0-0	5-6	5 4	9	4	15	0	0	3	29
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 7-13	0-1	8-8	0 4	4	0	22	3	2	0	39
22 Smith, Haley	g 1-4	0-0	0-0	1 2	3	0	2	2	0	1	14
04 Harris, Desiree	0-1	0-1	0-0	0 0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5
12 Wilson, Ashley	1-3	0-0	3-4	1 4	5	4	5	0	2	0	19
24 Huggins, Lauren	1-3	0-2	0-0	0 2	2	0	2	0	0	1	18
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-1	0-0	0-0	0 1	1	1	1	0	0	0	6
40 Hargis, Rachel	0-0	0-0	0-0	0 0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
TEAM				1 1							
Totals.....	18-50	0-7	19-22	8 26	34	18	55	<			

BOX SCORES



GAME 21

COLORADO 61, UTAH 45

Feb. 2, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Utah 10-11, 3-7 Pac-12

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
12 Potter, Emily	f 2-6	0-0	0-0	1	7	8	5	4	0	3	2	0	19
13 Plouffe, Michelle	f 1-10	0-5	5-8	0	4	4	4	7	1	3	0	3	27
05 Wilson, Cheyenne	g 4-11	1-4	0-0	3	4	2	9	0	0	0	0	0	27
22 Rodriguez, Danielle	g 3-12	1-3	4-8	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	3	37
31 Dunbar, Ciera	g 0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	16
03 Nawahine, Malia	g 3-4	0-1	1-1	4	5	1	7	0	2	0	0	18	
10 Arquette, Nakia	0-1	0-1	0-4	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	13	
13 Owens, Devri	1-8	1-7	2-3	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	23	
21 Anae, Wendy	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	3	0	0	2	0	7	
23 Reynolds, Ariel	0-0	0-0	2-2	2	2	4	4	2	0	1	0	13	
TEAM				2	5	7							
Totals.....	14-54	3-21	14-26	9	26	35	25	45	4	13	4	5	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 6-24 25.0%	2nd Half: 8-30 26.7%	Game: 25.9%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 3-10 30.0%	2nd Half: 0-11 0.0%	Game: 14.3%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 1-6 16.7%	2nd Half: 13-20 65.0%	Game: 53.8%	6

HOME: Colorado 13-8, 3-7 Pac-12

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 7-13	1-4	3-9	1	7	8	3	18	1	3	0	1	31
34 Reese, Jen	f 3-5	1-1	0-0	1	5	6	3	7	1	1	0	0	20
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 1-3	0-0	8-10	1	6	7	3	10	1	2	2	0	27
12 Wilson, Ashley	g 0-6	0-0	6-6	2	5	7	2	6	3	0	0	1	25
22 Smith, Haley	g 4-10	0-0	0-0	3	5	8	2	8	4	6	0	0	33
01 Kresl, Lexy	1-1	1-1	0-0	0	2	2	1	3	0	2	0	0	13
24 Huggins, Lauren	0-5	0-5	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	22
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	2-4	0-0	2-4	0	2	2	1	6	1	1	0	0	12
40 Hargis, Rachel	1-3	0-0	0-2	3	5	4	2	0	2	0	1	1	12
50 Swan, Jamee	0-3	0-0	1-2	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
TEAM				2	1	3							
Totals.....	19-53	3-11	20-31	14	37	51	22	61	13	17	2	5	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 12-28 42.9%	2nd Half: 7-25 28.0%	Game: 35.8%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-6 33.3%	2nd Half: 1-5 20.0%	Game: 27.3%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 7-9 77.8%	2nd Half: 13-22 59.1%	Game: 64.5%	5

Officials: Lisa Jones, Robert Scofield, Cheryl Flores
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Utah-None.
 Attendance: 1738

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Utah	16	29	45
Colorado	33	28	61

BOULDER – Linda Lappe's scouting report for Sunday's Pac-12 Conference game against Utah didn't change much – if at all – from last Wednesday night's encounter in Salt Lake City. It didn't need to.

Colorado's coach was more focused on what her team didn't do than most anything Utah did – and fine-tuning her team was the right approach. Lappe's Buffs clamped down defensively, made a few offensive tweaks and dispatched the Utes 61-45 at the Coors Events Center.

"It was good to get that win," Lappe said. "I thought our players stepped up and did some good things on the defensive end and in rebounding."

Winning for only the second time in their past eight games, the Buffs (13-8, 3-7) scored the afternoon's first points and never trailed thereafter. CU led 33-16 at halftime, by as many as 20 points early in the second half, and allowed the Utes (10-11, 3-7) no closer than 13 for the rest of the game.

"D" was key for the Buffs, who had shot below 40 percent from the field in nine of their previous 11 games. While Sunday's shooting percentage didn't climb above 40 (35.8), CU held Utah to a frigid 25.9 percent – well below the 38.8 the Utes shot in Wednesday night's 58-55 win.

In that game, CU's **Arielle Roberson** and **Jen Reese** combined for only nine points. By halftime Sunday, Roberson-Reese had 16 between them – Roberson with nine, Reese with seven. Reese didn't score in the second half, but Roberson doubled her first-half productivity and finished as the game's high scorer (18).

Brittany Wilson added 10 points for CU, seven of them in the second half. Freshmen **Haley Smith** contributed eight points and eight rebounds, matching Roberson's board total.

Utah had one player in double figures – guard Danielle Rodriguez with 11. Forward Michelle Plouffe, the Utes' high scorer (14) in Wednesday's game, went 1-for-10 from the field Sunday and finished with 7 points.

The Buffs raced to a 33-16 halftime lead, finally ending a long 3-point drought and getting an impressive first-half finish from freshman **Zoe Beard-Fails**.

After missing the last 13 trey attempts – a span of 88:33 or two-plus games – CU got a 3-pointer from Reese to take a 5-2 lead. Roberson closed the Buffs' first-half scoring with a straightaway triple from the top of the key.

CU finished the half 2-of-6 from beyond the arc and got one of its top 3-point shooters – junior guard **Lexy Kresl** – back on the court. Kresl, out for the previous three games with a lower leg injury, played 4 first-half minutes but did not attempt a shot. But with 6:45 to play in the game, she knocked down a critical trey to send CU ahead 50-31. The Buffs finished 3-of-11 from behind the arc.

Beard-Fails, who had scored six points in the previous nine Pac-12 games, matched that total in final 2:38 of Sunday's first half. The 6-2 Beard-Fails, of Herndon, Va., followed a pair of free throws with two inside baskets as the Buffs stretched their advantage to 30-16.

Half a minute later, Roberson drained her 3-pointer, giving CU its 17-point lead at the break. The Buffs owned a healthy 27-12 rebound edge after the first 20 minutes (51-35 for the game), but they committed 11 turnovers (17 for the game) which the Utes converted into 11 first-half points – the key number in keeping Utah as close as it was after one half. The plus-15 board advantage was the Buffs' biggest in a half this season.

CU shot 42.9 percent in the opening half and went into the second half wanting that stat to hold up. It didn't, but the Buffs compensated on the defensive end. They kept their intensity up to open the final 20 minutes, opened a pair of 20-point leads and kept the Utes playing catch up for the remainder of the game.

GAME 22

OREGON STATE 75, COLORADO 63

Feb. 8, 2014, Corvallis, Ore. (Gill Coliseum)

VISITORS: Colorado 13-9, 3-8 Pac-12

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 5-16	1-3	1-7	4	2	6	3	12	2	3	1	0	35
34 Reese, Jen	f 4-11	0-1	2-2	3	4	7	3	10	1	0	0	1	31
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 3-10	2-5	2-2	1	2	3	4	10	4	0	0	28	
12 Wilson, Ashley	g 3-7	1-3	0-0	2	4	6	4	7	2	2	0	0	29
22 Smith, Haley	g 2-4	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	2	4	1	0	0	27	
01 Kresl, Lexy	3-8	0-3	3-4	0	2	2	4	9	2	0	1	19	
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	2-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	5	
40 Hargis, Rachel	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	5	
50 Swan, Jamee	3-7	0-0	1-1	1	2	3	4	7	0	2	2	0	21
TEAM				3	3	6							
Totals.....	25-67	4-15	9-16	15	23	38	25	63	12	15	3	2	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 13-30 43.3%	2nd Half: 12-37 32.4%	Game: 37.3%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-8 12.5%	2nd Half: 3-7 42.9%	Game: 26.7%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 4-4 100%	2nd Half: 5-12 41.7%	Game: 56.3%	3

HOME: Oregon State 14-9, 6-5 Pac-12

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32 Hunter, Deven	f 6-12	1-1	5-6	3	6	9	3	18	5	3	1	1	34
44 Hamblin, Ruth	c 5-7	0-0	1-3	1	6	7	4	11	0	3	4	1	23
14 Gibson, Ali	g 4-7	0-1	4-5	1	3	4	4	12	2	0	0	27	
21 Wiese, Sydney	g 5-8	2-4	8-10	0	4	4	1	20	4	2	1	0	37
24 Martin, Alyssa	g 2-4	0-1	0-0	5	5	0	4	0	2	1	1	1	29
02 Toure, Khadija	0-0	0-0	2-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	3	3
04 Brown, Breanna	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	5
05 Siegner, Samantha	0-4	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	3	0	1	2	0	0	13
11 Hanson, Gabriella	2-8	1-3	1-2	1	3	4	1	6	2	0	0	0	27
12 Orum, Kolbie	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TEAM				3	3	3							
Totals.....	25-51	4-11	21-28	7	31	38	18	75	14	17	8	3	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 10-26 38.5%	2nd Half: 15-25 60.0%	Game: 49.0%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-5 40.0%	2nd Half: 2-6 33.3%	Game: 36.4%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 14-16 87.5%	2nd Half: 7-12 58.3%	Game: 75.0%	3

Officials: Aaron Haugen, Matt Head, Scott Cantonwine
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Oregon State-None.
 Attendance: 502

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colorado	31	32	63
Oregon State	36	39	75

CORVALLIS, Ore. – The Colorado Buffaloes cut a 10-point second-half Oregon State lead to three on two occasions but couldn't complete their comeback, losing 75-63 here Saturday afternoon at Gill Coliseum.

The Buffs (13-9 overall, 3-8 Pac-12) stayed with the Beavers for most of the first half but couldn't keep up with the home team to start the final 20 minutes. OSU (14-9, 6-5) outscored CU 10-5 to open the second half and the Buffs never caught up when their offense went stagnant in the final 6 minutes.

Nonetheless, CU coach **Linda Lappe** said her team could have salvaged the afternoon had its defense stayed as solid as it was for most of the opening half. The Beavers hit 60 percent from the field (15-of-25) in the second half.

"We were on pace to hold them under 60 points, which would have won us the game," Lappe said. "I'm not impressed with our defense right now. It's what we should be all about...we have to be more defensive minded so we can grind out games and win."

Saturday's game was originally scheduled to played Friday night, but it was pushed back a day because of a winter storm in the area. Then Saturday's tip time also was pushed back an hour.

With the exception of trips to the free throw line and free throws made, the statistics showed an even contest. Both teams made 25 field goals, collected 38 rebounds and hit four 3-pointers. But OSU made 21-of-28 free throws – including 14-of-16 in the first half – while CU went 9-for-16 from the foul line.

Four Beavers players reached double figures in scoring, topped by point guard Sydney Wiese's 20. Forward Deven Hunter added 18 points and nine rebounds, while guard Ali Gibson added 12 points and center Ruth Hamblin 11 points.

The Buffs, who have lost seven of their past nine games, had three players in double figures, led by **Arielle Roberson** (12), **Jen Reese** and **Brittany Wilson** contributed 10 each, but OSU held Reese scoreless in the second half.

The Beavers hit five of six free throws in the first half's final 48.3 seconds to take a 36-13 lead at the break. Wiese, who led all first-half scorers with 12 points, hit three of her four foul shots to give OSU its five-point advantage – the largest for either team in the first 20 minutes.

The Buffs were competent at the foul line, but they simply didn't get there enough in the first half. And when they reached the stripe in the second half, they had trouble converting. Roberson hit only one of her seven free throw attempts.

Reese led CU with 10 first-half points, going four of five from the field. But she missed all six of her second-half field goal attempts.

The score was tied four times in the first half – the last at 31-31 – with 13 lead changes. CU's last lead was 29-28 on Reese's pair of free throws.
 Oregon State, which had been averaging 80-plus points a game at home and 73.1 overall (fourth in the Pac-12), opened the second half with a 10-5 run and took its largest lead – 46-36 – only 4 minutes into the final 20.

CU kept chiseling away at OSU's lead, and when **Ashley Wilson** hit a 3-pointer from the left wing near the 11-minute mark the Buffs were only back by three points – 55-52. A **Lexy Kresl** layup kept CU's deficit at three – 57-54 – with 6:50 to play but the Buffs could make no closer.

A quick 5-0 run courtesy of a layup by Hunter and a Gabriella Hanson triple pushed the Beavers' lead to 62-54. But empty possession after empty possession awaited the Buffs; they didn't get their next basket until Ashley Wilson hit a jumper in the lane with 2:20 remaining – a span of 4:27 without a field goal.

In the meantime, CU had problems getting stops and OSU built its biggest lead – 11 points twice – until Hanson hit one of two free throws in the final 10 seconds to put the Beavers up by their final 12-point margin.

GAME 23

COLORADO 81, OREGON 75

Feb. 10, 2014, Eugene, Ore. (Matthew Knight Arena)

VISITORS: Colorado 14-9, 4-8 Pac-12

## Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 8-14	0-2	1-2	4	5	9	3	17	4	5	2	0	31
34 Reese, Jen	f 8-17	1-1	1-3	5	8	13	1	18	3	5	0	0	31
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 3-11	3-6	2-2	4	6	4	11	4	1	4	0	1	30
12 Wilson, Ashley	g 2-6	0-1	4-4	1	4	5	4	8	1	0	0	3	31
22 Smith, Haley	g 4-6	1-1	0-0	1	0	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	26
01 Kresl, Lexy	1-3	0-1	0-0	1	2	4	2	0	0	0	1	1	10
04 Harris, Desiree	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
31 Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	3
40 Hargis, Rachel	3-10	0-0	2-6	1	1	2	3	8	0	2	3	0	22
50 Swan, Jamee	2-3	0-0	4-8	4	4	8	3	8	1	1	3	2	14
TEAM				4	3	7							
Totals.....	31-71	5-12	14-25	24	30	54	25	81	16	20	8	8	200

TOTAL FG



BOX SCORES

GAME 24

WASHINGTON 87, COLORADO 80

Feb. 14, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Washington 14-10, 7-6 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
03 Walton, Talia	f 2-8	1-3	0-0	1	3	4	4	5	1	0	0	0	16
23 Williams, Aminah	f 1-4	0-1	5-6	3	3	6	3	7	1	0	0	0	28
01 Wetmore, Mercedes	g 1-5	1-2	4-6	1	1	2	5	7	3	1	0	1	39
10 Plum, Kelsey	g 10-16	1-4	4-4	1	7	8	2	25	2	5	0	1	37
32 Davis, Jazmine	g 8-17	3-4	5-8	0	2	2	24	3	1	0	0	0	37
00 Osahor, Chantel	3-3	1-1	1-1	1	3	4	5	8	2	0	0	0	15
11 Gillling, Mathilde	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
13 Collier, Katie	2-5	0-0	3-4	1	4	5	4	7	0	2	1	2	20
22 Atchley, Alexus	1-2	0-0	2-2	2	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	7
TEAM				2	2	4							
Totals.....	28-60	7-15	24-31	12	26	38	27	87	12	9	1	4	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 15-33 48.4%	2nd Half: 13-29 44.8%	Game: 46.7%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 3-8 37.5%	2nd Half: 4-7 57.1%	Game: 46.7%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 6-8 75.0%	2nd Half: 18-23 78.3%	Game: 77.4%	4

HOME: Colorado 14-10, 4-9 Pac-12

# Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32 Roberson, Arielle	f 6-14	0-3	2-6	6	3	9	1	14	3	2	2	1	37
34 Reese, Jen	f 1-7	0-0	2-2	2	3	5	5	4	4	1	1	0	21
11 Wilson, Brittany	g 2-7	2-5	1-4	0	2	2	4	7	2	3	1	1	29
12 Wilson, Ashley	g 4-13	1-2	6-8	6	4	10	3	15	3	2	0	3	34
22 Smith, Haley	g 1-4	0-0	2-2	2	1	3	4	4	3	0	1	0	20
01 Kresl, Lexy	3-7	2-4	1-1	0	4	4	1	9	3	2	0	0	26
04 Harris, Desiree	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
40 Hargis, Rachel	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	14
50 Swan, Jamee	9-12	0-0	7-10	3	4	7	5	25	0	1	1	0	18
TEAM				2	2	4							
Totals.....	27-66	5-14	21-33	22	23	45	25	80	18	13	6	5	200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 15-33 45.5%	2nd Half: 12-33 36.4%	Game: 40.9%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-7 14.3%	2nd Half: 4-7 57.1%	Game: 35.7%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 9-14 64.3%	2nd Half: 12-19 63.2%	Game: 63.6%	3

Officials: Melissa Bartow, Benny Luna, Tiffany Bird
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Washington-None.
 Attendance: 1880

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Washington	39	48	87
Colorado	40	40	80

BOULDER – Colorado's Jamee Swan and Ashley Wilson hit career high points on Friday night, but a business-as-usual performance by Washington's backcourt trumped them and the Buffaloes.

While Swan (25 points) and Wilson (15) were scoring career highs and Wilson was collecting her first career double-double with 10 rebounds, UW guards Kelsey Plum and Jazmine Davis were combining for 49 points to push the Huskies past the Buffs 87-80 at the Coors Events Center.

It wasn't anything the Buffs hadn't seen before – and they didn't have many answers then either. In UW's 81-71 Pac-12 Conference win last month in Seattle, they combined for 55 points, with Plum getting 35 and Davis 20.

On Friday night, Plum scored 25, Davis 24. They entered the game as the nation's No. 2 top scoring backcourt, averaging 38.9 points.

"Washington's two guards were outstanding...they torched us," said CU coach Linda Lappe. "They pretty much did whatever they wanted to do...Davis carried them in first half (with 14 points), Plum came alive in the second (with 18)."

Still, even with Plum-Davis running mostly unchecked, the Buffs (14-10, 4-9) stayed in contention, cutting a 10-point Huskies lead to three twice in the final 1:16 but failing take the rally any further.

After tying the score at 60-60 on a Swan put-back with 8:57 remaining, a 10-0 run pushed UW ahead by 10 (70-60). CU first closed to within three (81-78) on Jen Reese's first four points of the night, then got to within three again (83-80) on a basket by Arielle Roberson, who finished with 14 points and nine rebounds.

But three points back was as close as the Buffs would get, and Wilson said the game was lost by CU's inability to "get those crucial stops, whether it was keeping them from scoring or getting a defensive rebound...It all comes down to the same thing: we make a push and tie the game and then we have a mental lapse where we don't get that stop or defensive rebound."

CU jumped to a 9-2 lead but UW recovered quickly with an 11-2 run and took its first lead on a Plum 3-pointer with 15:01 left before intermission. Davis followed with a trey on the Huskies' next possession, giving them their largest advantage (16-11) of the first half.

The first half's last 13 minutes produced six ties and 11 lead changes before Ashley Wilson hit one of two free throws with 22.1 seconds left to put CU up 40-39 at the break.

The Huskies took a 49-43 to open the second half, getting back-to-back treys by Davis and Talia Walton, the latter hitting her triple with 16:38 left in the game. The Buffs fought back, closing to 51-50 on a 3-pointer by Lexy Kresl with just over 13 minutes remaining.

But the Huskies answered with a 6-0 run on consecutive conventional three-point plays by Plum and Chantel Osahor to open a seven-point advantage – 57-50 – with 12:19 to play.

If CU was to make a move, it would have to be soon. Ashley Wilson and Swan made two free throws each to pull the Buffs to within 57-54. After Swan scored consecutive baskets to tie the score at 60-60, the Huskies got 3-pointers from Osahor – only her second in five games – and Mercedes Wetmore and two free throws each from Katie Collier and Plum to pull ahead 70-60.

It was UW's largest lead of the night, but a runner by Plum in the lane put CU behind 11 (75-64) just over a minute later. The Buffs pulled to within five (76-71) on a trey by Ashley Wilson, then seven (81-74) on a triple by Kresl with 1:16 left.

Reese got her first points of the night on a jumper to bring CU to 81-76 with 1:06 remaining, then hit a pair of free throws 3 seconds later to cut the deficit to 81-78. A layup by Roberson made it 83-80 but the Huskies closed it out with four free throws by Aminah Williams in the final 22 seconds.



BOX SCORES



GAME 25

WASHINGTON STATE 80, COLORADO 77

Feb. 16, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Washington State 14-12, 8-6 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
23	Dheensaw, Shalie	f 3-6	0-0	3-4	3	5	8	1	9	1	2	0	30	
03	Galdeira, Lia	g 2-8	0-2	6-6	1	6	7	4	10	4	0	3	31	
05	Presley, Tia	g11-22	3-6	7-7	1	0	1	4	32	1	0	2	36	
11	Awa, Dawnyelle	g 1-4	0-1	0-2	3	1	4	3	3	3	1	0	28	
22	Romborg, Sage	g 6-9	1-4	1-1	2	10	12	4	14	2	3	1	28	
10	Williamson, Alexas	1-2	1-1	0-0	1	2	3	1	0	1	0	1	13	
12	Edmondson, Taylor	1-3	1-3	0-1	0	1	1	3	2	1	0	0	11	
24	Thomas, Brandi	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	
34	Cooks, Mariah	1-6	1-2	2-4	1	2	3	4	5	0	1	0	10	
42	Potter, Hana	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	2	3	2	1	1	0	1	12	
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		27-62 7-19 19-26 14 29 43 26 80 16 17 3 8 200												

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 14-32 43.8%	2nd Half: 13-30 43.3%	Game: 43.5%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 5-13 38.5%	2nd Half: 2-6 33.3%	Game: 36.8%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 11-14 78.6%	2nd Half: 8-12 66.7%	Game: 73.1%	2

HOME: Colorado 14-11, 4-10 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 4-7	1-2	0-2	1	8	9	3	9	0	6	0	0	28
34	Reese, Jen	f 8-13	0-1	3-4	3	5	8	1	19	1	0	0	32	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 2-8	1-5	0-0	0	1	1	5	2	1	0	0	19	
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 3-6	0-0	6-10	4	4	3	12	2	2	0	2	24	
22	Smith, Haley	g 0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	14	
01	Kresl, Lexy	1-2	1-2	2-2	0	2	2	2	5	4	0	0	20	
04	Harris, Desiree	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	2-5	0-0	0-1	3	1	4	3	4	0	1	0	20	
40	Hargis, Rachel	0-4	0-0	4-6	1	4	5	3	4	2	1	0	27	
50	Swan, Jamee	7-12	0-0	5-7	6	0	6	4	19	0	1	0	21	
TEAM		1 1												
Totals.....		27-61 3-10 20-32 14 26 40 23 77 10 16 4 7 200												

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 13-30 43.3%	2nd Half: 14-31 45.2%	Game: 44.3%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-7 14.3%	2nd Half: 2-3 66.7%	Game: 30.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 13-18 72.2%	2nd Half: 7-14 50.0%	Game: 62.5%	3

Officials: Anita Ortega, Michol Murray, Brian Woods
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Washington State-None.
 Attendance: 3326

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Washington State	44	36	80
Colorado	40	37	77

BOULDER – Another chance at a close-game breakthrough eluded the Colorado women's basketball team Sunday afternoon. Following what has become a painfully familiar script, CU faltered in the final 5 minutes and lost 80-77 to Washington State at the Coors Events Center.

"Well, it seems a little bit like déjà vu," said head coach **Linda Lappe**, whose team lost its fourth Pac-12 Conference game this season by three or fewer points. Lappe credited the Buffs for competing throughout and staying close enough to win but again lamented their inability to "make key stops, free throws, passes and shots down the stretch that would have helped us."

After trailing by as many as nine points midway through the second half, CU (14-11, 4-10) rallied to tie the score at 71-71. But the Buffs clanked four of their next five free throws, not hitting one until **Ashley Wilson** converted a pair with 2:52 to play, then sank one of two to put CU up 75-73 with 2:17 remaining.

From there until the final buzzer, the Buffs got only a field goal by **Jen Reese** in the last 2 seconds that made it a two-point (79-77) game. After one of two foul shots by WSU's **Shalie Dheensaw** with 1.1 seconds left put WSU (14-12, 8-6) up 80-77, Reese threw a three-quarter court length pass to **Jamee Swan**, who caught the ball then passed to Wilson instead of shooting. Time expired before Wilson could attempt a shot.

Lappe said Reese's long pass went a step or two too deep, forcing Swan inside the 3-point circle – thus Swan's decision to kick it back to Wilson. Reese said the play was designed for Swan to catch-and-shoot, but added, "It there was more time, Ashley could have shot the ball. The pass was there; she had it."

Swan, again coming off the bench, and Reese led the Buffs with 19 points each, while Ashley Wilson added 12.

The Buffs had problems with Washington's backcourt of **Kelsey Plum** (25 points) and **Jasmine Davis** (24) in an 87-80 loss on Thursday night. This was part of Lappe's déjà vu: On Sunday, CU surrendered 42 combined points to WSU guards **Tia Presley** (32) and **Lia Galdeira** (10).

Presley got 22 of her total in the first half, then picked up eight more points in the first 4:55 of the second half. She didn't get her 32nd point until hitting a layup with 1:27 to play, putting the Cougars up 77-75.

The Buffs trailed 44-40 at halftime, surrendering a 25-22 lead taken on a 3-pointer by Roberson with 8:37 left before the break. But CU didn't get another field goal for nearly 4 minutes, and during that time WSU was building its largest lead of the half – 34-25 – with Presley scoring eight of her 22 first-half points.

The Cougars outscored the Buffs 7-2 to open the half, with Presley scoring consecutive baskets to kick off that run. WSU again stretched its lead to nine – 51-42 – on a traditional three-point play by Sage Romborg (14 points, 12 rebounds).

By the 10-minute mark the Buffs still trailed by seven – 64-57 – but they were about to make their move. With Reese getting four points in a 6-0 run and freshman **Zoe Beard-Fails** scoring on a put-back, CU pulled within 64-63 with 9:07 remaining.

The Buffs finally tied the Cougars at 71-71 when Swan hit both ends of a one-and-one with 4:23 left. On the previous possession, With 5:51 to play, Swan scored what would be CU's next-to-last field goal – the last being Reese's jumper with 2 seconds left.

After Ashley Wilson hit one of two free throws to give CU its 75-73 lead with 2:17 left, WSU got four free throws from Galdeira, Presley's layup and one of two foul shots from Dheensaw to account for its 80 points.

The Cougars were up 80-77 and the Buffs needed a nearly full-court pass and full-blown miracle to force overtime. They got the first but not the second.

GAME 26

#20/24 ARIZONA STATE 55, COLORADO 51

Feb. 21, 2014, Tempe, Ariz. (Wells Fargo Arena)

VISITORS: Colorado 14-12, 4-11 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 3-7	1-1	1-2	4	2	6	2	8	0	5	0	0	29
34	Reese, Jen	f 8-12	0-0	2-4	3	4	7	4	18	1	0	0	21	
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 1-5	0-0	0-0	0	4	4	3	2	1	2	0	29	
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 2-10	1-1	1-2	0	2	2	2	6	3	2	0	32	
22	Smith, Haley	g 2-3	0-0	0-0	0	5	5	1	4	3	0	2	28	
01	Kresl, Lexy	4-8	0-2	3-3	2	2	4	2	11	1	3	0	30	
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	8	
50	Swan, Jamee	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	5	2	3	1	1	16	
TEAM		1 2 3												
Totals.....		21-46 2-4 7-10 6 24 30 21 51 10 19 2 6 200												

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 7-22 31.8%	2nd Half: 14-24 58.3%	Game: 45.7%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 0-2 0.0%	2nd Half: 2-2 100%	Game: 50.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 5-6 83.3%	2nd Half: 2-4 50.0%	Game: 70.0%	0

HOME: Arizona State 21-6, 10-5 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
21	Brunner, Sophie	f 3-6	0-0	0-0	4	3	7	1	6	2	1	0	0	26
24	Moos, Kelsey	f 2-5	0-0	3-5	3	6	9	2	7	0	2	0	27	
05	Mann, Deja	g 3-6	1-3	2-2	0	1	1	9	2	0	0	0	28	
10	Amukamara, Promiseg	2-5	0-1	1-2	0	2	2	0	5	0	1	0	23	
14	Thomas, Adrienne	g 0-3	0-3	1-4	0	0	0	4	1	0	3	0	12	
00	Hempen, Katie	3-4	3-4	4-4	0	3	3	13	3	1	0	2	21	
01	Hawkins, Arneicia	2-5	1-2	0-0	0	1	1	3	5	1	0	0	9	
03	Burke, Joy	1-3	0-0	2-5	1	3	4	2	4	0	1	0	18	
22	Dornstauder, Quinn	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	
23	Davis, Elisha	1-6	1-4	0-0	0	6	6	0	3	3	0	0	27	
43	Normen, Eliza	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	8	
TEAM		1 1												
Totals.....		18-45 6-17 13-22 9 22 31 15 55 13 15 0 5 200												

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 7-20 35.0%	2nd Half: 11-25 44.0%	Game: 40.0%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 2-9 22.2%	2nd Half: 4-8 50.0%	Game: 35.3%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 6-13 46.2%	2nd Half: 7-9 77.8%	Game: 59.1%	3

Officials: Cathi Cornell, Eric Larson, Bart Baldwin
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Arizona State-None.
 Attendance: 1859

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colorado	19	32	51
Arizona State	22	33	55

TEMPE, Ariz. – The close games have not been kind to Colorado. The Buffaloes had their opportunities late to knock off No. 20 Arizona State Friday night, but like too many times this season, CU fell just short.

Colorado couldn't cash in on late possessions and Arizona State's **Deja Mann** hit a pair of free throws with four seconds left to clinch a 55-51 win for the Sun Devils Friday night at Wells Fargo Arena in Tempe.

Jen Reese led Colorado (14-12, 4-11 Pac-12) with 18 points. **Lexy Kresl** added 11. Eleven of Colorado's 12 losses have come by 10 points or less.

CU played well defensively for most of the game with a zone meant to keep ASU out of the lane. The Buffaloes succeeded in doing that, but lapses down the stretch allowed Arizona State to find some open shots from long range instead.

"Our defense was solid for the most part, we should have held them under 50 points," head coach **Linda Lappe** said. "We had a few too many mental breakdowns (defending) against players when we knew what they were trying to do."

One of those was **Katie Hempen** who led Arizona State with 13 points. Hempen was 3-of-4 from long range, including two key buckets late in the second half.

It was a defensive night from the start. Arizona State made Colorado's offense work for everything early. The Buffaloes missed their first 10 shots, and other than a pair of early Reese free throws, the Buffs were scoreless until Haley Smith broke the drought on a reverse layup at the 12:48 mark.

Despite the scoreless streak, Colorado kept Arizona State in check by playing a solid zone defense. ASU had only put up five points on the board to that point and when Smith took an ASU miss coast-to-coast it gave CU a 6-5 lead.

The Buffaloes found some success attacking the basket and after missing 10 straight from the field made their next seven attempts.

"That's how we got going offensively tonight, attacking the basket after stops," Lappe said. "Our defense led to our offense at the start of the game."

Following suit, Kresl scored on a reverse layup and jumpers by Reese and Wilson helped Colorado take a 19-16 lead. But the Buffs didn't score again, the Sun Devils finished the half on a 6-0 run to take a 22-19 lead into the lockerroom.

Offensively for Colorado, Reese hit 8-of-12 from the field and had 12 of her points in the second half when Colorado's offense found some rhythm.

Reese scored the first four points out of halftime but ASU answered with back-to-back scores from **Kelsey Moos** and **Sophie Brunner**.

Arizona State increased its lead to six at 34-28 when the Buffaloes went on a 7-0 run capped off by an Arielle Roberson 3-pointer. ASU recaptured the lead thanks to 3-pointers by **Arneicia Hawkins** and **Brunner**, giving ASU a 42-38 lead.

A Reese layup and a 3-pointer by Ashley Wilson returned the lead to Colorado, 43-42 with just 6:56 remaining. Arizona State started to find the open spot from deep. With the Buffaloes up 45-43 after a Kresl layup, Hempen put ASU back up by one on a long 3-pointer.

Reese hit another short range shot, but ASU once again answered from deep as Elisha Davis gave ASU a 49-47 lead at the 3:06 mark.

Reese hit a short jumper that tied the game at 49-49 with just under two minutes left. The Buffaloes got a stop on the other end, but Wilson missed a contested layup with 1:13 remaining.

The miss allowed Arizona State to run in transition. Moos was able to get behind the CU defense and put the Sun Devils (21-6, 10-5) up for good on a layup.

Colorado had a turnover on its next possession and was forced to foul. Hempen hit both free throws for a 53-49 lead with 33 seconds remaining.

Roberson's basket cut the lead to 53-51 with 23 seconds left, and the Buffaloes caught a break when Moos missed the front end of a one-on-one with 21 seconds left, giving the Buffaloes one last shot.

The ASU defense tightened though and forced Roberson into a tough shot in the lane in traffic. It fell short leading to Mann's clinching free throws.

GAME 27

COLORADO 61, ARIZONA 56 OT

Feb. 23, 2014, Tucson, Ariz. (McKale Center)

VISITORS: Colorado 14-12, 4-11 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 5-11	0-1	3-6	3	7	10	5	13	3	4	0	41	
34	Reese, Jen	f 2-3	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	12	
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 1-5	0-0	1-2	2	4	4	3	0	2	0	1	19	
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 4-8	1-2	2-4	1	7	8	1	11	1	3	0	31	
22	Smith, Haley	g 2-3	0-0	4-4	3	6	9	8	1	2	0	1	31	
01	Kresl, Lexy	0-6	0-5	1-2	0	6	6	1	1	3				



BOX SCORES

GAME 28

COLORADO 62, UCLA 42

Feb. 28, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: UCLA 12-17, 6-11 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
34	Costa, Corinne	f 1-3	0-0	0-0	1	3	4	5	2	2	1	1	0	20
13	Livulo, Luiana	c 1-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	1	2	1	5	0	0	25
01	Lemberger, Thea	g 3-14	1-5	4-5	0	1	1	2	11	4	0	0	1	39
21	Fields, Nirra	g 1-7	1-3	2-2	4	2	6	4	5	2	3	0	1	28
22	Brooks, Madeline	g 1-3	1-3	0-0	0	1	1	1	1	3	1	0	1	21
11	Nyingifa, Atoney	g 5-14	0-0	2-7	3	3	6	3	12	0	6	0	2	33
14	Williams, Dominique	1-3	1-1	0-0	2	4	6	2	3	0	1	0	0	21
20	Gardner, Rhema	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	1	4	0	1	0	0	13
TEAM						1 3 4								1
Totals.....		15-50		4-12		8-14		12 20 32		19 42 10		19 1 5		200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 12-25 48.0%	2nd Half: 3-25 12.0%	Game: 30.0%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 4-6 66.7%	2nd Half: 0-6 0.0%	Game: 33.3%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 2-2 100%	2nd Half: 6-12 50.0%	Game: 57.1%	2

HOME: Colorado 16-12, 6-11 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 6-8	0-0	2-3	6	5	11	3	14	1	4	1	0	35
34	Reese, Jen	f 2-5	0-0	0-0	2	2	4	0	4	2	1	0	2	15
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 2-12	1-8	1-2	0	2	2	1	6	3	1	0	0	27
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 1-3	0-0	4-4	0	0	0	4	6	2	0	0	0	22
22	Smith, Haley	g 5-10	0-0	1-2	1	7	8	2	11	1	1	0	0	27
01	Kresl, Lexy	2-7	1-5	0-0	1	8	9	0	5	6	2	0	3	29
04	Harris, Desiree	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
24	Huggins, Lauren	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
40	Hargis, Rachel	1-4	0-0	0-4	0	4	4	1	2	0	1	0	1	14
50	Swan, Jamee	6-9	0-0	2-3	1	2	4	1	2	4	1	2	1	21
TEAM						2 2								2
Totals.....		25-59		2-13		10-14		15 27 42		16 62 17		13 3 8		200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 13-33 39.4%	2nd Half: 12-26 46.2%	Game: 42.4%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-6 16.7%	2nd Half: 1-7 14.3%	Game: 15.3%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 0-1 0.0%	2nd Half: 10-13 76.9%	Game: 71.4%	3

Officials: Melissa Barlow, Michael Price, Richard Waters

Technical fouls: Colorado-None. UCLA-None.

Attendance: 4477

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
UCLA	30	12	42
Colorado	27	35	62

BOULDER – Colorado's defense came through again, only allowing UCLA 12 second half points on 3-for-25 shooting as the Buffaloes cruised to a 62-42 victory on Friday night at the Coors Events Center.

Last weekend, the Buffs held Arizona to 10 points in the second half and earned an overtime victory in Tucson after trailing by 20.

The 12 points surrendered ties for the 3rd fewest second half points scored by an opponent in Colorado school history.

"The last four halves felt like we're getting back to who we are and what Colorado women's basketball is all about," CU head coach **Linda Lappe** said. "Really, how our defense led to our offense that was key."

Colorado (16-12, 6-11 Pac-12) put the pressure on UCLA from the get-go, forcing UCLA into 11 misses by intermission, and scored 18 points off 19 Bruins' turnovers by the games end.

Arielle Roberson notched her second consecutive double-double (sixth of the season) scoring 14 points and grabbing 10 rebounds to lead the Buffaloes. **Haley Smith** also tallied a career-high 11 points.

The effort from Smith was much needed as **Jen Reese**, the Buffaloes second-leading scorer, went down hard after taking a charge with 33 seconds remaining in the first half, sustaining a shoulder injury that sidelined her for the remainder of the game.

"It was definitely needed, and I'm really proud of her," Roberson said of Smith's performance. "Tonight she was very confident and it was great to see, and it was great to feel, it gave us all confidence in her and she had confidence in us. She helped us big time."

UCLA (12-17, 6-11 Pac-12) was led by **Antoney Nyingifa** with 12 points and **Thea Lemberger** who scored 11. Nyingifa scored eight first half points, and Lemberger seven, respectively.

"I've been saying it for about 3-4 weeks now that we're getting better," Lappe said. "Even though other people couldn't see it, I could see it...Now we're starting to get that edge that we didn't have. We feel like the season is not over and we want to play well as we go down the stretch here."

Colorado trailed 30-27 at halftime but began the second period on a 12-2 run capped off by a Smith layup giving the Buffaloes a 39-32 advantage with 11:52 remaining. UCLA made just one of its first 18 shots to start the half, and the Bruins never found a groove.

Nyingifa cut the lead to four on a 3-point play with 7:53 remaining and it appeared UCLA could fight their way back. But, Colorado had other plans and buried the Bruins with a 16-0 run highlighted by a **Jamee Swan** layup off the fast break and a Roberson and-one play that gave Colorado a 55-39 lead. **Ashley Wilson** completed the run with a pair of free throws.

The Buffaloes largest lead of the game came with the final points as Smith hit a free throw with 26 seconds remaining to give CU its 20-point margin of victory.

Unlike the final 20 minutes, the first half featured seven lead changes and three ties as the Buffs and Bruins battled to earn the upper hand. Both teams can expect to see each other in the first round of the Pac-12 tournament starting March 6 in Seattle.

The bracket won't be officially released until Sunday night, however with only one game remaining and the same conference record for both schools, the Buffs and Bruins will make up the No. 8 vs. No. 9 matchup. It will be the third time this season the two teams have faced each other as Colorado won 61-59 on January 5th at Pauley Pavilion.

"We just have to take it one game at a time and for now," said Swan who finished with 14 points on 6-of-9 shooting. "We're focused on Sunday, and as soon as we get into the Pac-12 tournament, we'll focus on [UCLA]."

GAME 29

USC 66, COLORADO 59

Mar. 2, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: USC 18-12, 11-7 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
11	Harberts, Cassie	f 3-7	0-0	8-11	4	2	6	4	14	1	5	0	0	28
21	Vaiioletta, Alexeyz	f 2-2	0-0	5-7	0	6	6	4	9	0	0	0	3	22
14	Crook, Ariya	g 3-15	1-4	11-12	0	4	4	3	18	6	4	0	2	32
23	Barrett, Brianna	g 1-5	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	2	3	1	0	0	1	12
32	Alofaituli, Kiki	g 2-5	0-0	1-1	1	7	8	2	5	1	4	0	1	26
01	Adams, Jordan	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	3	1	0	1	2	3	0	25
02	Calhoun, Deanna	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
03	Bradley, Desiree	2-2	2-2	1-2	0	1	1	1	2	7	2	0	1	15
10	Oliver, Kate	0-3	0-0	0-1	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	14
12	Jaco, Courtney	2-2	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	1	6	1	1	0	0	11
13	Horn, Kaneisha	2-6	0-0	0-0	3	4	7	3	4	0	2	0	0	14
TEAM						2 2								2
Totals.....		17-48		6-9		26-34		10 31 41		24 66 11		2 4 9		200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 10-21 47.6%	2nd Half: 7-27 25.9%	Game: 35.4%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 3-4 75.0%	2nd Half: 3-6 60.0%	Game: 66.7%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 11-16 68.8%	2nd Half: 15-18 83.3%	Game: 76.5%	2

HOME: Colorado 16-13, 6-12 Pac-12

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 2-7	0-2	0-2	4	6	10	4	4	2	3	0	2	27
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 3-5	0-0	0-2	1	2	3	3	6	0	3	0	1	20
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 5-16	0-5	5-6	0	6	6	3	15	2	3	1	1	30
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 5-11	0-0	2-2	0	2	2	10	2	0	2	0	3	36
22	Smith, Haley	g 0-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	24
01	Kresl, Lexy	1-5	0-2	2-4	1	5	6	2	4	5	4	0	4	26
04	Harris, Desiree	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
24	Huggins, Lauren	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	5-6	0-0	0-1	1	3	4	3	10	1	0	1	1	9
50	Swan, Jamee	4-11	0-0	2-4	0	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	1	25
TEAM						3 2 5								2
Totals.....		25-64		0-9		9-21		16 27 43		25 59 9		20 114		200

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 9-24 37.5%	2nd Half: 16-40 40.0%	Game: 39.1%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 0-3 0.0%	2nd Half: 0-6 0.0%	Game: 0.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 4-13 30.8%	2nd Half: 5-8 62.5%	Game: 42.9%	4

Officials: Charles Gonzalez, Marianne Karp, Cathi Cornell

Technical fouls: Colorado-None. USC-None.

Attendance: 5631

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
USC	34	32	66
Colorado	22	37	59

BOULDER – The Colorado women's basketball team erased a 12-point halftime deficit, even took a one-point lead in the final 2 minutes, but couldn't close out Southern California Sunday in a 66-59 Pac-12 Conference loss.

CU (16-13, 6-12) honored seniors **Rachel Hargis** and the Wilson twins – **Ashley** and **Brittany** – before and after the early afternoon game at the Coors Events Center.

The Buffaloes got 25 points from the Wilson sisters – 15 from **Brittany**, 10 from **Ashley** – and 10 each from freshman **Zoe Beard-Fails** and sophomore **Jamee Swan**. **Hargis** added six.

USC (18-12, 11-7) defeated CU 55-45 in the conference opener and swept the season series. The Trojans were led by **Ariya Crook's** 18 points and **Cassie Harberts's** 14. **Crook** hit a layup and four free throws in the final 56 seconds after the Buffs had taken a 59-58 lead – their first since 6-5.

The Buffs were without junior forward **Jen Reese** who was in for this week's Pac-12 Conference Tournament in Seattle and any further postseason play. Reese, who was averaging 12 points and 5.8 rebounds a game, suffered a broken bone in her left shoulder near the conclusion of the first half in Friday night's 62-42 win against UCLA.

The Buffs stayed close for the first 41/2 minutes Sunday, but after a 10-10 tie the Trojans put together an 18-4 run and took a 14-point lead (28-14) that CU could reduce by only two (34-22) at intermission.

Shooting problems from the field and the free throw line plagued the Buffs in the first 20 minutes. They hit only nine of their 24 field goal attempts (37.5 percent) and were just 4-of-13 (30.8 percent) from the foul line. No CU player could manage more than four points in the first half, and 13 turnovers that accounted for 15 Trojans points compounded the Buffs' first-half difficulties.

CU got the same number of points from 14 USC turnovers, but the Trojans hit 10 of their 21 field goal attempts (47.6 percent) and were 11-of-16 from the foul line (68.8 percent).

CU had held its past two opponents to a combined five field goals in the second half of each game, allowing 22 total points to Arizona and UCLA in winning both games. And if the Buffs were to extend their winning streak to three games, another defensive lock down would be needed in Sunday's second half. An upturn on offense might help, too.

CU got both, holding USC without a field goal in the first 6:00 and outscoring the Trojans 14-2 to tie the score at 36-36 on a put-back by **Beard-Fails**. **Brittany Wilson** contributed six of the 114 points in CU's early second-half run.

USC broke the tie with a 3-pointer by **Brianna Barrett**, then hit five of six free throws – three by **Harberts** – to go up 44-38. And when **Crook** drained a trey from the left wing, the Trojans pushed their advantage to 47-38.

But CU cut into that nine-point deficit with two **Brittany Wilson** free throws, a layup by **Swan** on a nice feed from **Arielle Roberson**, then two **Swan** foul shots, pulling to 49-44 with 8:48 remaining. But a 3-pointer from the top of the key by **Desiree Bradley** gave USC a 52-44 lead.

The Trojans maintained an eight- or six-point edge until **Ashley Wilson** hit a layup and **Hargis** added a foul-line jumper after **Wilson's** missed free throw to cut USC's lead to 56-54. **Swan's** up-and-under layup tied the score at 56-56 with 2:38 left.

Harberts broke the tie (58-56) with two free throws, but **Brittany Wilson** converted a conventional three-point play with a layup and a foul shot, giving CU a 59-58 lead with 1:21 to play. But a pair of free throws and a layup by **Crook** pushed the Trojans ahead 62-59, followed by two more foul shots by **Alexyz Vaiioletta** and another pair by **Crook** sealed it for USC.

GAME 30

COLORADO 76, UCLA 65

Mar. 6, 2014, Seattle, Wash. (KeyArena)

VISITORS: Colorado 17-13

BOX SCORES



GAME 31

#4/3 STANFORD 69, COLORADO 54

Mar. 7, 2014, Seattle, Wash. (KeyArena)

VISITORS: Colorado 17-14

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 4-9	0-2	0-1	4	13	17	4	8	4	6	2	33
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 1-4	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	4	2	0	0	0	13
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 5-20	4-11	2-2	0	2	2	3	16	1	1	0	32
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 2-9	1-4	3-4	1	4	5	2	8	3	2	0	33
22	Smith, Haley	g 5-7	0-0	0-0	0	3	3	2	10	2	1	0	20
01	Kresl, Lexy	g 1-6	0-3	1-2	0	1	1	2	3	1	3	0	28
04	Harris, Desiree	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
24	Huggins, Lauren	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	4	3	1	0	0	22
31	Beard-Fails, Zoe	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	2
50	Swan, Jamee	2-5	0-0	0-0	3	3	6	4	4	0	2	1	16
TEAM						1		1		2			
Totals.....		21-63	6-22	6-9	11	29	40	28	54	12	15	3	5 200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 8-29 27.6% 2nd Half: 13-34 38.2% Game: 33.3% DEADBALL
 3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 4-11 36.4% 2nd Half: 2-11 18.2% Game: 27.3% REBOUNDS
 F Throw % 1st Half: 3-4 75.0% 2nd Half: 3-5 60.0% Game: 66.7% 2

HOME: Stanford 29-2

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	bk	s	min
03	Ruef, Mikaela	f 4-9	0-1	2-5	5	11	16	1	10	5	0	2	35
13	Ogwumike, Chiney	f 6-15	1-1	6-9	4	7	11	3	19	1	3	2	35
41	Samuelson, Bonnie	f 4-10	3-8	4-4	2	2	4	1	15	1	0	0	34
01	Thompson, Lili	g 4-10	2-3	6-6	0	3	3	2	16	0	4	0	32
33	Orange, Amber	g 1-4	0-2	1-3	0	2	2	2	3	2	2	0	25
00	Green, Alex	0-2	0-1	2-2	0	1	1	2	2	2	0	0	17
04	Greenfield, Taylor	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
10	Roberson, Briana	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
21	James, Sara	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
23	Camp, Jasmine	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
24	McCall, Erica	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1
32	Johnson, Kailee	1-4	0-2	0-1	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	8
44	Samuelson, Kartie	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
TEAM						4		4		1			
Totals.....		21-59	6-19	21-30	12	31	43	15	69	11	12	5	4 200

TOTAL FG% 1st Half: 7-29 24.1% 2nd Half: 14-30 46.7% Game: 35.6% DEADBALL
 3-Pt. FG% 1st Half: 1-10 10.0% 2nd Half: 5-9 55.6% Game: 31.6% REBOUNDS
 F Throw % 1st Half: 6-11 54.5% 2nd Half: 15-19 78.9% Game: 70.0% 7

Officials: Lisa Jones, Cathi Cornell, Karen Lasuik
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Stanford-None.
 Attendance: 3282

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Colorado	23	31	54
Stanford	21	48	69

SEATTLE – Friday's first half gave the Colorado women's basketball team hope, but Stanford quickly took it away in the second half and eliminated the Buffaloes 69-54 in the quarterfinals of the Pac-12 Conference Tournament.

Down two points at halftime in KeyArena, top-seeded Stanford used a 16-2 second-half run to take control and move into Saturday's semifinal round.

Ninth-seeded CU ended its season at 17-14, while Stanford improved to 29-2. The Cardinal defeated the Buffs 87-77 in Boulder in mid-January in their only previous meeting this season.

Senior guard **Brittany Wilson** led CU with 16 points, while freshman **Haley Smith** added 10. Held to five points in the first half, Chiney Ogumike finished with 19 and added 11 rebounds for her 23rd double-double of the season and her seventh in Pac-12 Tournament play – tying her sister Nnemkadi for the most in tournament history.

Stanford senior **Mikaela Ruef** also contributed a double-double – 10 points, 16 rebounds – while freshman guard **Lili Thompson** scored 16 points – half of them during the Cardinal's game-turning run in the second half. Junior **Bonnie Samuelson** contributed 15 points, hitting three of her eight 3-point attempts.

CU played the nation's No. 4 team even – and then some – in the first half, leading by as many as six points (10-4) in the first 6 minutes and by two (23-21) at intermission.

Stanford's 21 first-half points were its fewest this season – five less than at No. 1 Connecticut in a 76-57 loss on Nov. 11, 2013. And the Cardinal's 24.1 first-half shooting percentage also was a season low, coming in under the 32.3 percent at Texas on Nov. 23, 2013.

As they did in their first-round win against UCLA, the Buffs rediscovered their long-range shooting touches for a second consecutive game. CU shot 50 percent (8-of-16) from beyond the arc in its 76-65 first-round win over UCLA, a dramatic improvement over the 10 percent (3-of-30) combined in the Buffs' last three regular-season games.

Brittany Wilson opened the afternoon's scoring with a trey from the top of the key and closed the first-half scoring with another from the left wing to give CU its two-point edge at the break. She accounted for three of the Buffs' four first-half 3-pointers, with **Lauren Huggins** – fresh onto the court with the shot clock winding down – hitting the other to give CU its 10-4 advantage.

With 11 points, Brittany Wilson topped both teams in the opening half. No Stanford player reached double figures, with Ogumike (27.0 ppg, 12.1 rpg) limited to five points and six boards.

Despite two of their post players – freshman **Zoe Beard-Fails** and senior **Rachel Hargis** – having their first-half minutes limited by three fouls each, the Buffs bested the physical Cardinal on the boards (25-20).

But if the Cardinal was sluggish in the first half, no one expected it to carry far into the second half – and it didn't.

With the Buffs up 28-27, Ogumike hit only her third trey of the season – the last was at Colorado in mid-January – to push the Cardinal ahead 30-28. Stanford's launch sequence already was underway; beginning with one of three free throws by Amber Orange with 17:59 to play, the Cardinal outscored the Buffs 16-2 over the next 4:41 to go up 41-30.

Thompson scored eight points during Stanford's rally, including a 3-pointer and an "and-one" three-point play that was followed by a Bonnie Samuelson trey. The Cardinal hit just one of its 10 3-pointers in the first 20 minutes, but the second half would be different.

A trey by Samuelson just over the 10-minute mark increased Stanford's lead to 53-36, and CU never trimmed its deficit to single digits thereafter. Still, the Buffs scrapped, closing to 13 (67-54) in the final minute and having a chance to pull within 10 when a three-point attempt by **Lexy Kresl** rimmed out with 30 seconds to play.





BOX SCORES

GAME 32

COLORADO 78, TCU 71

Mar. 19, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: TCU 18-15

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
04	Prince, Chelsea	f 4-10	2-5	0-0	1	1	2	10	2	5	0	4	1	26
13	Bradshaw, Klara	c 0-0	0-0	2-2	4	1	5	2	2	0	0	3	1	17
14	Medley, Zahna	g 6-15	4-10	7-8	2	1	3	1	23	6	5	0	1	38
24	Ventress, Natalie	g 5-10	1-5	3-4	0	5	5	2	14	0	5	1	1	36
33	Breaux, Donielle	g 6-11	4-4	3-3	0	4	4	2	19	3	0	3	0	35
03	Hamilton, Veja	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	2	21	
32	Diaz, Caitlin	1-3	0-0	1-2	2	3	5	3	3	0	2	1	1	21
55	Willie, Carol	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	
TEAM														
Totals..... 22-54(11-24) 16-19 10 16 26 19 71 12 22 513 200														

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 10-32 31.3%	2nd Half: 12-22 54.5%	Game: 40.7%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 6-14 42.9%	2nd Half: 5-10 50.0%	Game: 45.8%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 4-4 100%	2nd Half: 12-15 80.0%	Game: 84.2%	2

HOME: Colorado 18-14

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 6-8	0-0	6-10	2	3	5	2	18	2	5	1	0	31
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 0-5	0-0	0-0	1	2	2	0	1	2	0	1	1	16
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 2-5	1-3	0-0	0	0	0	1	5	2	0	2	19	
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 4-6	1-1	4-4	3	6	3	13	2	2	0	4	29	
22	Smith, Haley	g 1-5	0-0	4-4	1	3	4	2	6	1	2	0	2	28
01	Kresl, Lexy	3-9	2-7	1-2	1	4	5	2	9	3	2	1	2	28
04	Harris, Desiree	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	7	
24	Huggins, Lauren	2-4	1-3	0-0	0	0	0	2	5	0	2	0	1	19
31	Beard-Fails, Zou	2-4	0-0	2-2	4	2	6	1	6	0	1	0	1	11
50	Swan, Jamee	7-9	0-0	2-3	4	2	6	0	16	2	2	1	1	22
TEAM														
Totals..... 27-55 5-14 19-25 17 23 40 15 78 14 23 314 200														

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 16-30 53.3%	2nd Half: 11-25 44.0%	Game: 49.1%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 5-9 55.6%	2nd Half: 0-5 0.0%	Game: 35.7%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 6-8 75.0%	2nd Half: 13-17 76.5%	Game: 76.0%	1

Officials: Gator Parrish, Randy Campbell, Evan Sharples
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. TCU-None.
 Attendance: 789

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
TCU	30	41	71
Colorado	43	35	78

BOULDER - It took the Buffs nearly six minutes to knock off the rust of a 12-day layoff. They then spent the game's final 34 minutes rediscovering a level of efficiency that had been lost for the better part of the season, as they defeated the TCU Horned Frogs 78-71 in the first round of the Women's National Invitational Tournament at the Coors Events Center on Wednesday.

Trailing 19-11 with 14:01 left in the first half, the Buffs suddenly switched into a different gear as they finished the half on a 32-11 run that also saw them shoot a resounding 55 percent from the field over that span. They then fought off a furious Horned Frogs rally in the game's final few minutes and now will advance to the second round of the WNIT where they will play the winner of Thursday night's Colorado State-Southern Utah game.

"We're extremely excited to have our season continue," said head coach Linda Lappe. "It was also good to get back into the flow of things and get that rust off. We really came out and started attacking their zone, which was a huge key and we got some easy baskets off of that."

One of the team's best offensive performances of the season was sparked by a bench that outscored its opponents' 36-3. Jamee Swan provided the biggest boost off that bench as her 16 points paced an offensive unit that struggled to find its way in the game's opening minutes. Trailing by eight at that tedious point early in the game, the Buffs began proceeded to score 15 of the team's next 20 points and help turn a deficit into 31-24 lead in just over eight minutes. By the end of the half that surge of momentum had translated into a 43-30 halftime lead.

With 16:59 remaining, the Buffs' lead had ballooned to as much as 17 (47-30). But, before the Buffs even began to breathe a sigh of relief, the Horned Frogs went on a 24-7 run of their own, ignited by an effective full-court press defense, that ultimately culminated in a 59-59 tie with just over five minutes to play.

"TCU's a good team," said Lappe. "They're quick, they're athletic and they can cause a lot of problems with their pressure. We wanted to make stronger and better cuts through the center of their defense. I think we handled it pretty well but we didn't do a good job in letting them back in the game, but I did like our composure when that happened."

After an offensive lull allowed the Horned Frogs back into the game, CU went more than six minutes without a field goal at one point in the second half. It was a renewed level of defensive tenacity that eventually helped them win it.

TCU guard Zahna Medley's short jump shot tied the game at the 5:10 mark. Two Haley Smith free throws then helped CU regain a 61-59 lead on the ensuing possession. Facing the most critical juncture in the game, Lexy Kresl swiped a TCU pass, one of 22 turnovers they forced in the game. The steal led to a fast break layup by Arielle Roberson at the other end that gave the Buffs a four point lead, and the game's momentum had officially swung for the final time.

After a timeout and two TCU free throws, it was only fitting that Swan would take center stage once again as she had done all night. Swan converted three times in the point on the next four CU possessions and the Buffs once again had a double digit lead.

"Everybody comes to play and I wouldn't have been able to do it without the passes or the looks that I got from my teammates," said Swan. "You can't do it by yourself. As a team as a whole, I wouldn't be able to do it without them."

Swan wasn't the only Buff who had a big night offensively. Roberson, who pulled down a career-high 17 rebounds 12 days ago against Stanford, scored a team-high 18 points on Wednesday.

"I think we did a really good job moving the ball," said Roberson. "We could basically get anything we wanted. I think we had it in the post all night, and I think our guards also could shoot as much as they wanted. So, I think it was just a matter of your mentality and if you're going to attack them or fall back on your heels and more often than not we were able to attack them."

GAME 33

COLORADO 79, SOUTHERN UTAH 68

Mar. 22, 2014, Boulder, Colo. (Coors Events Center)

VISITORS: Southern Utah 23-10

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
15	Moreland, Carl	f 5-11	0-0	7-7	1	1	2	5	17	0	2	2	1	30
20	Parkinson, Lori	f 1-7	0-0	4-6	4	3	7	4	6	2	3	0	2	26
04	Munns, Ashleigh	g 0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	
23	Mandelko, Hailey	g 0-6	0-2	2-2	0	1	1	0	2	2	5	0	1	25
45	Funk, Marquelle	g 2-6	2-3	0-0	2	1	3	4	6	0	1	0	2	23
03	Jackson, Desiree	5-10	0-0	6-7	1	6	7	3	16	3	7	1	2	32
05	Jones, Andrea	3-6	2-4	3-3	1	2	3	5	11	1	2	0	1	26
12	Robbins, Marissa	0-0	0-0	2-2	1	2	3	1	2	1	0	1	8	
21	Smith, Maylinn	3-5	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	1	7	
43	Richardson, Jessica	0-3	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	2	0	1	0	0	8	
52	Gates, Brenna	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
TEAM														
Totals..... 19-55 6-12 24-27 17 18 35 29 68 10 23 311 200														

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 6-22 27.3%	2nd Half: 13-33 39.4%	Game: 34.5%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 1-5 20.0%	2nd Half: 5-7 71.4%	Game: 50.0%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 8-9 88.9%	2nd Half: 16-18 88.9%	Game: 88.9%	2

HOME: Colorado 19-14

##	Player	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	of	de	tot	pf	tp	a	to	bk	s	min
32	Roberson, Arielle	f 6-10	1-3	2-7	6	5	11	2	15	1	5	2	31	
40	Hargis, Rachel	c 5-6	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	3	12	0	1	4	22	
11	Wilson, Brittany	g 3-7	2-5	3-4	0	1	1	1	11	1	6	0	2	20
12	Wilson, Ashley	g 1-3	0-1	6-8	1	2	3	1	8	2	0	2	29	
22	Smith, Haley	g 2-8	0-1	3-4	1	2	3	3	7	1	5	1	1	22
01	Kresl, Lexy	2-5	1-3	7-9	2	4	6	1	12	4	3	1	24	
04	Harris, Desiree	0-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	
24	Huggins, Lauren	2-3	2-2	0-0	0	1	1	2	6	1	0	1	18	
31	Beard-Fails, Zou	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2	3	2	3	12	
50	Swan, Jamee	1-2	0-1	4-4	3	1	4	4	6	1	1	2	15	
TEAM														
Totals..... 23-48 6-16 27-38 17 20 37 20 79 13 24 1413 200														

TOTAL FG%	1st Half: 6-20 30.0%	2nd Half: 17-28 60.7%	Game: 47.9%	DEADBALL
3-Pt. FG%	1st Half: 3-11 27.3%	2nd Half: 3-5 60.0%	Game: 37.5%	REBOUNDS
F Throw %	1st Half: 13-14 92.2%	2nd Half: 14-24 58.3%	Game: 71.1%	1

Officials: Evan Sharples, Josh Rombach, Theresa Wallace
 Technical fouls: Colorado-None. Southern Utah-None.
 Attendance: 854

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Southern Utah	28	47	68
Colorado	21	51	79

BOULDER - April approaches and the Colorado women's basketball team plays on. Arielle Roberson's second-half scoring and her team's overall shot blocking carried CU past Southern Utah 79-68 on Saturday night and into the third round of the WNIT.

Roberson opened the second half with a 3-pointer, launching the Buffaloes on a 17-5 run that produced their largest lead of the game - 45-26. Held scoreless in the first half, Roberson finished with a team-high 15 points, collected 11 rebounds for her seventh double-double of the season, and added a career-best five of CU's 14 blocked shots - the second-most in team history.

"That was a tough team we played," CU coach Linda Lappe said. "Southern Utah does so many good things...we had a tough time scoring in first half. Their defense was stingy, but I really liked the way we opened the second half; we had a different level of energy."

The Buffs (19-14) defeated the Thunderbirds (23-10) for the second time this season, claiming a 75-59 win in their final non-conference game on Dec. 29, also at the Coors Events Center.

CU closed Saturday night's first half with a 12-5 run that produced a 28-21 lead at intermission. Then, the Buffs opened the final 20 minutes with a 17-5 surge to begin pulling away. They Buffs led by as many as 19 points but the T-Birds, who never led, closed to within nine points twice in the final 3 minutes. CU hit seven of 10 free throws in the final 1:23 to put the game out of reach.

Roberson said she opened the game "timid...I was just going through the motions. It was just a mindset." She took only two first-half shots, which she said drew a halftime admonishment from associate head coach Jonas Chatterton.

"Coach Jonas was saying 'shoot the ball,'" Roberson recalled, and in the second half she did. Roberson hit six of her eight field goal attempts. "I just hit the switch," she said. "In the second half I decided to be myself again and just go out there, be aggressive and play."

But Roberson had plenty of help. Rachel Hargis tied a career high with 12 points and contributed four steals, while Lexy Kresl added 12 points, six rebounds and four assists. Brittany Wilson was CU's fourth double-figure scorer with 11 points, while her twin sister Ashley added eight points.

The Buffs went up 6-0 on consecutive 3-pointers by Brittany Wilson and held the lead until the T-birds went to Carl Moreland, a senior from Broomfield. She scored six straight points to pull SUU into a 16-16 tie with 5:42 left before half.

But that deadlock served as a launch point for the Buffs. They closed the half with a 12-5 run and led 28-21 at intermission, with a catch-and-shoot 3-pointer by Kresl on in-in bounds play at the shot clock buzzer highlighting the surge.

Moreland, meanwhile, got the T-Birds' final five points of the half, giving her 11 straight. She finished with a game-high 17.

Roberson had three first-half blocks and got her fourth - setting a career high - in the first minute of the second half. Lappe attributed her team's 14 blocks to "great help-side" defense.

After Roberson's try to open the second-half scoring, Hargis scored on a left-handed spin move and the Buffs were up 33-21, prompting a Southern Utah timeout with 18:22 to play. When the Buffs got one of two free throws from Ashley Wilson and a jumper from Roberson, their lead jumped to 15 (36-21) and the T-Birds were on the ropes.

In scoring 51 second-half points, the Buffs shot 60.7 percent (17-of-28) from the field and finished at 47.9 percent (23-of-48) for the game. The T-Birds scored 27 points off of the Buffs' 24 turnovers, but CU limited the visitors to 34.5 percent shooting (19-of-55) and held a 21-8 advantage in second-chance points.

That the Buffs are still playing is a large bonus for seniors such as Hargis and the Wilson sisters. "It's always great to be able to continue to play when other teams are going home and other careers are done," Hargis said. "We want to play as long as we can; it's an awesome feeling."

GAME 34

UTEP 68, COLORADO 60

Mar. 28, 2014, El Paso, Texas (Don Haskins Center)

VISITORS: Colorado 19-15

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