



Spikers rebound against Winthrop

Gibson leads Buffs' win in straight sets

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FORT COLLINS — One day after falling to rival Colorado State, the Colorado Buffalo volleyball team bounced back to sweep Winthrop 30-19, 30-28, 30-26 on Friday.

Far from an easy victory, the Buffs battled through 22 ties and 11 lead changes to win the match.

Mallori Gibson led the Buffs for the second night in a row, racking up 15 kills on .333 hitting.

"We knew from experience in other tournaments that we weren't going to let this team beat us," Gibson said. "So I did my best to finish the game and go all out at the end."

After taking a 2-0 lead by winning a tight second game, the Buffs fell behind 21-16 in the third. But they stormed back to close out the match.

Emilee Sisco and Alex Buth each added nine kills for CU, and setter Kaitlyn Burkett notched 36 assists. Callie Webster had 15 digs.

"I think this is a good win for us," CU head coach Pi'i Aiu said. "Winthrop is a good team and we had to play a tough match and find a way to scrap and to win a match like that was a really good step for us."



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