

Cousins, DeSaverio lift Buffs past Wyoming

CU notches fifth shutout of season

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LARAMIE, Wyo. — The Colorado soccer team continued to exorcise its scoring demons Tuesday, going on the road to beat Wyoming 2-0.

Alex Cousins and Gianna DeSaverio scored goals for the Buffs, whose 1-0 win over Drake on Sunday halted a four-match scoreless streak.

The victory marked the fifth shutout of the season for the Buffs (4-2-3), who open Big 12 play at home against Texas Tech at 4 p.m. Friday.

"The coaches have been changing some things around a lot at practice," Cousins said. "We're trying new formations and I think with a few more good practices we'll be in good position for the Big 12 Conference. We've tried out so many things and we now we know what's good and what's not. Hopefully we'll find the magic lineup and we'll have that ready for Friday."

CU didn't get a shot off until the 14th minute Tuesday. But the Buffs took the lead early enough.

Speedy sophomore Nikki Marshall took a ball into the box in and was drug down by a Wyoming defender, giving the Buffs a penalty kick. Cousins beat Wyoming goalie Jamie Scarcliff to the lower left corner on the free try to put CU up 1-0 in the 22nd minute.

DeSaverio gave the Buffs some breathing room early in the second half when she connected off of an Allison Kidd corner kick.

"Kidd played the ball perfectly, and it found me just a little bit inside the 6-yard box," DeSaverio said. "It basically just came right to my foot and I just tapped it in."

CU had eight shots on goal to six for Wyoming (4-4-0).

Kara Linder got her second straight start in goal for the Buffs and made four first half saves before being relieved by Kirstin Radlinski. Radlinski made two saves to preserve the shutout.



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