

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS

2009 SCHEDULE

		<i>series</i>
S 5	COLORADO STATE	59-19-2
S 11	at Toledo (<i>ESPN, 7:00 p.m.</i>)	0- 0-0
S 19	WYOMING	23- 2- 1
O 1	at West Virginia (<i>ESPN, 5:30 p.m.</i>)	1- 0-0
O 10	*at Texas	7- 10-0
O 17	* KANSAS (<i>Family Weekend</i>)	41-24-3
O 24	*at Kansas State	44-19-1
O 31	* MISSOURI (<i>Homecoming</i>)	31-39-3
N 7	* TEXAS A & M	5- 3-0
N 14	*at Iowa State	48-14-1
N 19	*at Oklahoma State (<i>ESPN, 5:30 p.m.</i>)	26-18-1
N 27	* NEBRASKA	18-47-2
D 5	Big 12 Championship (<i>at Arlington, Texas</i>)	
	*—Big 12 Conference game; OPEN WEEK: Sept. 26.	

2008 RESULTS

(Won 5, Lost 7; 2-6 Big 12)

A 31	Colorado State (<i>Denver</i>)	W 38-17	69,619
S 6	EASTERN WASHINGTON	W 31-24	46,417
S 18	WEST VIRGINIA (OT)	W 17-14	51,833
S 27	at Florida State	L 21-39	46,716
O 4	* TEXAS (<i>Homecoming</i>)	L 14-38	53,927
O 11	*at Kansas	L 14-30	49,566
O 18	* KANSAS STATE (<i>Family Weekend</i>)	W 14-13	52,099
O 25	*at Missouri	L 0-58	68,349
N 1	*at Texas A & M	L 17-24	78,121
N 8	* IOWA STATE	W 28-24	46,440
N 15	* OKLAHOMA STATE	L 17-30	46,092
N 28	*at Nebraska	L 31-40	85,319
	*—Big 12 Conference game.		

Head Coach: Dan Hawkins (UC-Davis '84)

Record at Colorado: 13-24 (three seasons)

Career I-A Record: 66-35 (eight seasons)

Office Telephone: 303/492-5330

Nickname: Buffaloes

Colors: Silver, Gold & Black

Enrollment: 29,624

Stadium: Folsom Field (53,750; natural grass/opened in 1924)

2008 Record: 5-7

Big 12: 2-6 (t-4th/6, North Division)

National Rankings: NR

Bowl: none

President: Bruce Benson (*Colorado '64*)

Chancellor: Dr. Phil DiStefano (*Ohio State '68*)

Athletic Director: Mike Bohn (*Kansas '83*)

Assoc. AD/Sports Information: David Plati (303/492-5626)

Program Quick Notes: This fall will celebrate CU's 120th season of intercollegiate football, as the school's first season was 1890 ... It's also the 14th year of the Big 12 Conference; CU was a member longer in only the RMAC (1909-1936) and Big 8 (1960-95) ... Colorado's 153-88-4 record dating back to the start of the 1989 season is the 20th best in the nation over the last 20 years... CU owns the nation's 14th best road record since 1988 (59-43-1) ... The Buffs are 111-7-1 when scoring more than 30 points dating back to mid-1986 ... Colorado had 10 of its 12 games televised nationally or regionally in 2008, upping its total to 158 of 233 dating back to 1990 (68%), 121 of 160 since the inception of the Big 12 (76%) and 27 of its last 33 regular season non-conference games (82%) ... CU has been ranked **292** times in its history, the 21st most all-time... Since 1989, CU has played the third most ranked teams in the nation (101), trailing Florida (111) and Florida State (102) while being tied with Michigan and Ohio State ... Colorado scored in 242 straight games between 1988 and 2008, the third longest active streak in the NCAA at the time it came to and end (and the ninth longest all-time).

Lettermen Returning: 53 (24 offense, 25 defense, 4 specialists)

Lettermen Lost: 17 (7 offense, 9 defense, 1 specialist)

Starters Returning (15)—Offense 10: OT Matt Bahr (8/8), OG Blake Behrens (12/12), TE Ryan Deehan (6/6), TE Riar Geer (25/8), QB Cody Hawkins (23/10), OG Devin Head (17/10), WR Scotty McKnight (14/9), WR Josh Smith (10/5), OT Nate Solder (14/10), TB Demetrius Sumler (9/7). **Defense 5:** CB Cha'pelle Brown (24/12), CB Jalil Brown (6/6), CB Benjamin Burney (from 2007, 15/13), ILB Shaun Mohler (10/10), ILB Jeff Smart (22/12). (*Career/2008 starts in parenthesis; calculated by those with five-plus starts in 2008; C.Brown & J.Brown were both in when CU was in nickel scheme.*)

Others Returning With Significant Starting Experience (6; min. 3 career starts)— DE Marquez Herrod (3/3), OT Ryan Miller (11/4), SS Anthony Perkins (3/3), ILB Michael Sipili (4/3), CB Jimmy Smith (3/3), TB Rodney Stewart (4/4).

Others Returning With Significant Position Game Experience (13; two or fewer career starts)— OLB B.J. Beatty, FB Jake Behrens, ILB Marcus Burton, DT Curtis Cunningham, TE Patrick Devenny, DT Eugene Goree, QB Tyler Hansen, DT Taj Kaynor, TB Brian Lockridge, FS Patrick Mahnke, DE Conrad Obi, TB Darrell Scott, ILB Bryan Stengel, OG Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner.

Starters Lost (9)—Offense 2: C Daniel Sanders (40/12), WR Patrick Williams (22/8). **Defense 7:** SS D.J. Dykes (21/9), DT George Hypolite (32/12), OLB Brad Jones (36/12), DE Maurice Lucas (26/12), CB Gardner McKay (12/10), NT Brandon Nicolas (36/12), FS Ryan Walters (33/11)

Others Lost With Significant Starting/Playing Experience (3)— DE Jason Brace (1/0), FB Maurice Cantrell (9/2), WR Cody Crawford (10/6)

Specialists Returning (4)— PK Jameson Davis, P Matt DiLallo, SN Justin Drescher, PK Aric Goodman.

Specialists Lost (1)— P Tom Suazo.

Base Spring Roster (94 players/62 scholarship)— 18 seniors, 20 juniors, 37 sophomores, 19 freshmen (14 redshirt/1 letterman/4 true).

Offensive Formation: Multiple (*Colorado in 2008: 318.5 ypg: rushing: 48% plays/45% yards; passing: 52% plays/55% yards.*)

Defensive Formation: 4-3/Base (*Opponents in 2008: 381.6 ypg: rushing: 51% plays/47% yards; passing: 49% plays/53% yards.*)

STAT RANKINGS... A look where CU ranked statistically as a team in 2008 in both the Big 12 and NCAA (both include bowl stats):

B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat
10th	86th	RUSHING OFFENSE.....	124.5	9th	86th	RUSHING DEFENSE	166.3	8th	56th	PUNT RETURNS	9.2
11th	81st	PASSING OFFENSE	194.0	1st	72nd	PASSING DEFENSE	215.3	7th	38th	KICKOFF RETURNS	22.3
12th	95th	TOTAL OFFENSE.....	318.5	4th	78th	TOTAL DEFENSE	381.6	7th	80th	NET PUNTING	34.0
12th	100th	SCORING OFFENSE.....	20.2	8th	86th	SCORING DEFENSE.....	29.3	9th	94th	TURNOVER MARGIN.....	-0.58

2009 SPRING SCHEDULE



Colorado is allowed 15 practices over 34 days per NCAA rules (not including spring break); sessions will break down as follows: three in shorts (no contact), four in pads (no tackling, or NT below), four in pads (tackling allowed 50 percent or less of the time), four in pads (tackling allowed throughout).

Calendar *(dates, times subject to change)*

MARCH	9—	PRO TIMING DAY (9:00 a.m., Dal Ward Center/Balch Fieldhouse; '08 seniors: assorted sprints and drills)		
MARCH	23—	Spring Break (through March 27)		
MARCH	31—	Practice # 1 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		shorts
APRIL	2—	Practice # 2 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)	Coaches Clinic (p.m. reception)	shorts
APRIL	3—	Practice # 3 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)	Coaches Clinic	pads-NT
APRIL	6—	Practice # 4 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	7—	Practice # 5 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads-NT
APRIL	9—	Practice # 6 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	11—	Practice # 7 (8:30 a.m. meetings, 10:00 a.m. scrimmage)	Junior Day	pads
APRIL	13—	Practice # 8 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	14—	Practice # 9 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	16—	Practice #10 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads-NT
APRIL	17—	Practice #11 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00 p.m. scrimmage)		pads
APRIL	20—	Practice #12 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	21—	Practice #13 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads-NT
APRIL	23—	Practice #14 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)	Alumni Golf & Dinner	shorts
APRIL	25—	Practice #15 (1:00 spring game ; morning meeting/breakfast with alumni)		pads

- **Times** listed are tentative; confirm daily with the CU sports information office.
- **Player Interviews** available before and after all practices (other than scrimmage days—after only).
- **Pro-Timing Day** (March 9: morning session with last year's seniors) is open to the media, not the public; current players were tested March 11).
- **Spring:** all practices are open to the media and public; photography allowed only between the third and ninth periods of practice (4:10-4:40 for a 4 p.m. session first 10 minutes is off limits); no formations; up close and tight as in the fall, coaches may also request additional things not be filmed or photographed. All media members must wear their CU season credential (anyone taking notes or photos must be credentialed media). No cell phones, pets or video cameras permitted.
- The spring game (April 25) is open to all; admission is free.

2009 EXPANDED SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	TV	Time	2008 Record	2009 Meeting (Last)	Series	(Last 10)
SEPT. 5	COLORADO STATE	tba	TBA	7-6	81st (2008)	59-19-2	(6-4)
Sept. 11	at Toledo	ESPN	7:00 p.m.	3-9	1st (.....)	0-0-0	(.....)
SEPT. 19	WYOMING	tba	TBA	4-8	27th (1997)	23-2-1	(9-1)
Oct. 1	at West Virginia	ESPN	5:30 p.m.	9-4	2nd (2008)	1-0-0	(.....)
Oct. 10	+ at Texas	tba	TBA	12-1	18th (2008)	7-10-0	(5-5)
OCT. 17	+ KANSAS (FW)	tba	TBA	8-5	69th (2008)	41-24-3	(6-4)
Oct. 24	+ at Kansas State	tba	TBA	2-6	65th (2008)	44-19-1	(5-5)
OCT. 31	+ MISSOURI (H)	tba	TBA	10-4	74th (2008)	31-39-3	(6-4)
NOV. 7	+ TEXAS A & M	tba	TBA	4-8	9th (2008)	5-3-0	(.....)
Nov. 14	+ at Iowa State	tba	TBA	2-10	63rd (2008)	48-14-1	(7-3)
Nov. 19	+ at Oklahoma State	ESPN	5:30 p.m.	9-4	46th (2008)	26-18-1	(7-3)
NOV. 27	+ NEBRASKA	ABC	1:30 p.m.	9-4	68th (2008)	18-47-2	(4-6)
Dec. 5	Big 12 Championship Game	ABC	6:00 p.m.	at Arlington, Texas (Cowboys Stadium)			

(All times mountain. **KEY:** +—Big 12 Conference game; **H**—Homecoming; **FW**—Family Weekend.)

OPEN WEEKEND: Sept. 26. *—Big 12 Conference game; (H)—Homecoming; (FW)—Family Weekend. tba—to be announced (games on the selection menu of ESPN-ABC and/or FOX Sports Net/Versus; those networks have contracts with the Big 12 Conference which allow them to announce their plans up to 12 days in advance (and two times a year, six days in advance), and those games not selected will likely not be televised). **RADIO:** All games broadcast locally on the Colorado Football Network. National broadcasts in 2009: to be announced.

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL STAFF

Head Coach	Dan Hawkins (<i>UC-Davis '84</i>)
Associate Head Coach / Linebackers	Brian Cabral (<i>Colorado '78</i>)
Assistant Head Coach / Passing Game Coordinator / Receivers	Eric Kiesau (<i>Portland State '96</i>)
Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks	Mark Helfrich (<i>Southern Oregon '96</i>)
Offensive Line	Denver Johnson (<i>Tulsa '81</i>)
Running Backs	Darian Hagan (<i>Colorado '96</i>)
Tight Ends/Special Teams	Kent Riddle (<i>Oregon State '91</i>)
Defensive Coordinator	Ron Collins (<i>Washington State '87</i>)
Defensive Line	Romeo Bandison (<i>Oregon '94</i>)
Defensive Passing Game Coordinator / Secondary	Greg Brown (<i>Texas-El Paso '80</i>)
Offensive Graduate Assistant	Paul Creighton (<i>Colorado '06</i>)
Defensive Graduate Assistant	Skyler Fulton (<i>Arizona State '04</i>)
Offensive Technical Intern	Brad Bedell (<i>Colorado '00</i>)
Defensive Technical Intern	Ashley Ambrose (<i>Mississippi Valley State '95</i>)
Director of Football Operations	Robert Tucker (<i>Willamette '97</i>)
Assistant Director/On-Campus Recruiting	Jashon Sykes (<i>Colorado '02</i>)
Assistant Director/Recruiting & Operations	TBA
Assistant To The Head Coach	Todd Ritter (<i>Albion '02</i>)
Director of Strength & Conditioning	Jeff Pitman (<i>Boise State '93</i>)

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL LETTERMEN PICTURE

Colorado has 53 lettermen scheduled to return for 2009, including 24 on offense, 25 on defense and four specialists; the Buffs lose 17 lettermen off the 2008 squad (six offense, nine defense, one specialist). CU returns 12 starters from last season (10 offense, two defense) and loses 11 (four offense, seven defense); several positions had multiple personnel shuttle in and out, so these numbers aren't truly reflective of the experience returning. The 2008 starters are listed in bold, and (**) denotes letters earned primarily on special teams. The breakdown:

OFFENSE

Position	Returning (24)	Lost (7)
WR (x)	Josh Smith , **Cameron Ham	Cody Crawford
WR (z)	Scotty McKnight , **Jason Espinoza	Patrick Williams , Steve Melton
LT	Nate Solder	
LG	Blake Behrens , Shawn Daniels	
C		Daniel Sanders
RG	Devin Head , Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner	
RT	Matthew Bahr , Ryan Miller	
TE	Riar Geer , Ryan Deehan , Patrick Devenny, **Devin Shanahan	
QB	Cody Hawkins , Tyler Hansen	Nick Nelson, Matt Ballenger
TB	Demetrius Sumler , Rodney Stewart, Darrell Scott, **Kevin Moyd, **Cory Nabors Brian Lockridge (<i>from 2007</i>)	
FB	Jake Behrens	Maurice Cantrell

DEFENSE

Position	Returning (25)	Lost (9)
DE	Conrad Obi	Maurice Lucas
DT	Curtis Cunningham, Taj Kaynor	George Hypolite
NT	Eugene Goree, Eric Lawson	Brandon Nicolas
DE	Marquez Herrod, Lagrone Shields	Jason Brace (<i>from 2007</i>)
MLB	Jeff Smart , Michael Sipili (<i>from 2006</i>), **Tyler Ahles	
WLB	Shaun Mohler , Bryan Stengel, Marcus Burton	
SLB	B.J. Beatty, **Josh Hartigan	Brad Jones
CB	Cha'pelle Brown , Jalil Brown , **Jonathan Hawkins	
SS	Anthony Perkins, **Travis Sandersfeld	D.J. Dykes , **Joel Adams
FS	Patrick Mahnke, **Bret Smith (<i>from 2007</i>)	Ryan Walters
CB	Benjamin Burney (<i>from 2007</i>), Jimmy Smith, **Anthony Wright	Gardner McKay

SPECIALISTS

Position	Returning (4)	Lost (1)
P	Matthew DiLallo	Tom Suazo
PK	Aric Goodman , Jameson Davis	
SN	Justin Drescher	

RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS

(Colorado does not count bowl game statistics into its regular season or career numbers)

RUSHING

Rk Player	G	Att	Gain	Loss	NET	—avg. per—					High	
						att.	game	TD	Long	10+	5+	Game
1. Rodney Stewart.....	9	132	669	47	622	4.71	69.1	2	22	24	57	166
2. Darrell Scott.....	11	87	364	21	343	3.94	31.2	1	42	6	24	87
3. Tyler Hansen	5	63	322	61	261	4.14	52.2	0	24	12	32	86
4. Demetrius Sumler.....	12	63	266	15	251	3.98	20.9	4	36t	6	18	86
5. Josh Smith	12	12	60	28	32	2.67	2.7	0	24	1	3	21
6. Kevin Moyd.....	12	7	34	4	30	3.33	2.5	0	21	1	2	25
7. Jason Espinoza.....	2	1	5	0	5	5.00	2.5	0	5	0	1	5
9. Scotty McKnight	12	2	5	3	2	1.00	0.2	0	5	0	1	2

PASSING

Rk Player	G	Att-Com-Int (T)	Pct.	Yards	—avg. per—					TOTAL OFFENSE		
					att.	comp.	TD	Long	Sacked	Att.	Yards	Avg.
1. Cody Hawkins	12	320-183-10 (4)	57.2	1,892	5.9	10.3	17	68t	20/151	377	1,869	5.0
2. Tyler Hansen ..	5	65- 34- 4 (0)	52.3	280	4.3	8.2	1	29	8/43	128	541	4.2

RECEIVING

Rk Player	G	—avg. per—			high games						
		No.	Yards	rec.	game	TD	Long	20+	10+	rec	yards
1. Scotty McKnight	12	46	519	11.3	43.3	5	37	9	22	6	6-90
4. Josh Smith	12	29	387	13.3	32.3	3	44	6	13	5	7-85
5. Demetrius Sumler.....	12	18	167	9.3	13.9	0	40	3	5	5	5-40
6. Patrick Devenny.....	12	14	116	8.3	9.7	2	14t	0	5	4	4-27
7. Riar Geer.....	10	13	183	14.1	18.3	2	68t	3	6	4	2-86
8. Jake Behrens.....	12	12	75	6.3	6.3	2	13	0	3	4	4-32
9. Darrell Scott.....	11	9	105	11.7	9.5	0	38	1	4	3	2-45
10. Rodney Stewart.....	9	7	43	6.2	4.8	0	10	0	1	3	2-19
11. Ryan Deehan.....	12	5	61	12.2	5.1	1	25	2	4	1	1-25

SCORING

Player	G	Touchdowns-----					PAT	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	Saf	DEX	PTS
		Total	Rush	Rec.	Ret.	2Pt.						
1. Aric Goodman.....	11	0	0	0	0	0-0	30-31	5-14	--	--	45	
2. Scotty McKnight	12	5	0	5	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	30	
3. Josh Smith	12	4	0	3	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	24	
3. Demetrius Sumler.....	12	4	4	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	24	
5. Cody Hawkins	12	3	3	0	0	0-1	0-0	0-0	--	--	18	
6. Jake Behrens.....	12	2	0	2	0	1-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	14	
7. Patrick Devenny.....	12	2	0	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	12	
7. Riar Geer.....	10	2	0	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	12	
7. Rodney Stewart.....	9	2	2	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	12	

DEFENSIVE

Pos Player	G	Tackles-----					---For Loss---		Miscellaneous-----							
		Plays	UT	AT	—	TOT Avg.	Sacks	Other	TZ	3DS	QBP	QCD	FR	FF	PBU	
1. Jeff Smart.....	12	778	80	38	—	118	9.8	1- 4	1- 1	3	9	6	1	1	0	4
2. Shaun Mohler	12	630	65	32	—	97	8.1	0- 0	4-15	1	8	3	3	0	0	0
4. Cha'pelle Brown.....	12	824	59	25	—	84	7.0	1- 0	5-11	4	14	3	1	0	1	10
7. Jalil Brown.....	12	461	40	12	—	52	4.3	0- 0	3- 4	1	5	0	1	0	0	4
11. Anthony Perkins.....	11	314	21	19	—	40	3.6	0- 0	0- 0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
12. Jimmy Smith.....	10	407	34	5	—	39	3.9	0- 0	1- 2	1	5	0	0	1	1	5
14. Michael Sipili.....	7	127	11	8	—	19	2.7	0- 0	0- 0	1	2	2	0	0	0	1
15. B.J. Beatty	8	164	9	9	—	18	2.3	1- 0	3- 6	2	5	3	0	0	1	2
16. Patrick Mahnke.....	7	157	10	5	—	15	2.1	1-15	0- 0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
17. Marquez Herrod.....	11	187	11	3	—	14	1.3	4-34	0- 0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
18. Bryan Stengel.....	9	114	8	5	—	13	1.4	0- 0	0- 0	1	1	0	0	2	0	1
19. Curtis Cunningham.....	12	145	6	3	—	9	0.8	0- 0	2- 4	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
20. Marcus Burton.....	10	59	2	6	—	8	0.8	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0

INTERCEPTIONS

Rk Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
1. Shaun Mohler.....	12	2	36	18.0	20	0
1. Cha'pelle Brown.....	12	2	27	13.5	27t	1
4. Jalil Brown.....	12	1	57	57.0	57	0
4. Curtis Cunningham	12	1	10	10.0	10	0

PUNTING

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	In	20	50+	TB	had blk	Ret. Yds.	Net Yds	Net Avg.
1. Matt DiLallo	8	41	1,660	40.49	64	12	5	5	1	167	1,393	34.0	

OFFENSIVE LINE

Player	Play Count-----											Total Plays	Season Totals-----					High Games-----	Game Counts			
	CSU	ASU	FSU	MIA	OU	BU	KSU	KU	TTU	MU	ISU		NU	KD	TDB	QBS	PRS		PEN	Grade (40% of total snaps)	Knockdowns	80%+(90+)	10+KD
2. Nate Solder	65	72	78	73	66	67	82	69	77	73	73	48	843	69.0	3	1	17	6	99% / Kansas State	11 / Kansas State	6 (3)	1
3. Blake Behrens	34	72	63	73	66	67	75	53	77	68	73	48	769	39.5	5	3	20	1	89% / West Virginia	7.0 / Iowa State	2 (0)	0
4. Devin Head	59	—	37	73	41	67	72	43	77	73	73	48	663	38.5	4	0	15	2	91% / Iowa State	8.5 / Kansas State	5 (1)	0
5. Matt Bahr.....	—	—	—	30	66	67	82	69	77	73	73	48	585	16.5	1	0	15	2	93% / Nebraska	4.0 / Fla. St, Tex A&M	2 (1)	0
6. Ryan Miller	65	72	78	43	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	258	30.5	0	0	4	3	86% / West Virginia	10 / West Virginia	2 (0)	1
7. Max T-Mariner	37	72	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	165	16.5	1	1	9	0	78% / West Virginia	6.5 / West Virginia	0 (0)	0
8. Ethan Adkins....	—	—	—	—	10	—	—	26	—	5	—	—	41	2.0	0	1	1	0	.....	1.0 / Texas, Missouri	0 (0)	0
9. Shawn Daniels	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	16	—	—	—	—	31	3.0	0	0	4	0	.....	2.0 / Missouri	1 (0)	0

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL / ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

April 21, 2009

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
44	ADAMS, Trace	FB	6- 0	210	Sr.	VR	Steamboat Springs, Colo. (Steamboat Springs)	WO 1/1
63	ADKINS, Ethan	OL	6- 4	295	So.	VR	Castle Rock, Colo. (Douglas County)	S 3/3
58	AHLES, Tyler	OLB	6- 2	240	So.	1L	San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon)	S 3/3
71	BAHR, Matthew	OL	6- 4	285	So.	1L	Dove Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 3/3
59	BEATTY, B.J.	OLB	6- 2	220	Jr.	1L	Kaaawa, Hawai'i (Kahuku)	S 2/2
66	BEHRENS, Blake	OL	6- 3	290	So.	1L	Phoenix, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 3/3
41	BEHRENS, Jake	FB	6- 0	240	Sr.	2L	Omaha, Neb. (Millard North)	S 1/1
65	BISNOW, Austin	SN	6- 0	210	Jr.	VR	Washington, D.C. (Landon School)	WO 2/2
38	BOBSEINE, Peter	WR	6- 4	190	Fr.	RS	Duxbury, Mass. (Duxbury)	WO 4/4
29	BROWN, Cha'pelle	CB	5- 7	170	Sr.	3L	La Puente, Calif. (Los Altos)	S 2/1
23	BROWN, Jalil	CB	6- 1	205	Jr.	2L	Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain)	S 2/2
18	BROWN, Marion	WR	6- 0	170	Fr.	HS	Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)	WO 4/4
39	BURGNER, Matt	FB	5-11	230	Jr.	TR	Corona del Mar, Calif. (Corona del Mar/Georgetown)	WO 2/2
42	BURNEY, Benjamin	CB	5-11	190	Sr.	3L	Lone Tree, Colo. (Mullen)	S 1/1
54	BURTON, Marcus	ILB	6- 0	260	Sr.	3L	Channelview, Texas (Channelview)	S 1/1
35	CEFALO, Kyle	WR	5-10	165	So.	TR	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly/Oregon State/Wenatchee CC)	WO 3/3
60	CLARK, David	OL	6- 4	310	So.	VR	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen)	WO 3/3
53	COONEY, Kevin	DE	6- 6	230	So.	VR	Arvada, Colo. (Faith Christian)	WO 3/3
50	CUNNINGHAM, Curtis	DT	6- 1	275	So.	1L	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 4/3
68	DANIELS, Shawn	OL	6- 3	280	So.	1L	Evergreen, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 3/3
58	DANNEWITZ, Ryan	OL	6- 6	290	Fr.	RS	San Jacinto, Calif. (San Jacinto)	S 4/4
38	DAVIS, Jameson	PK/P	5-10	195	So.	1L	Eagle, Idaho (Eagle/Boise State)	S 3/3
34	DEEHAN, Ryan	TE	6- 5	240	So.	1L	Poway, Calif. (Poway)	S 4/3
33	DEVENNY, Patrick	TE	6- 3	240	Sr.	1L	Roseville, Calif. (Granite Bay)	S 1/1
14	DILALLO, Matthew	P	6- 1	200	Sr.	3L	Wellington, Fla. (Wellington)	S 1/1
70	DRESCHER, Justin	SN	6- 1	230	Sr.	3L	Southlake, Texas (Carroll)	S 2/1
74	EASTBURN, Evan	OL	6- 0	285	Jr.	TR	Boulder, Colo. (Fairview/Maryland)	WO 2/2
83	EBNER, Dustin	WR	6- 1	175	Fr.	RS	Arvada, Colo. (Pomona)	WO 4/4
37	ESPINOZA, Jason	WR	5- 8	175	So.	1L	Alamosa, Colo. (Alamosa)	WO 3/3
27	EWING, Vince	S	6- 0	200	Fr.	RS	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad)	S 4/4
40	FARLEY, Zackary	OLB	6- 1	205	So.	TR	Thornton, Colo. (Horizon/Mesa State)	WO 4/4
87	GEER, Riar	TE	6- 4	250	Sr.	3L	Grand Junction, Colo. (Fruita-Monument)	S 1/1
77	GIVENS, Bryce	OL	6- 6	275	Fr.	RS	Castle Rock, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 4/4
62	GOLDBERG, David	DE	6- 1	255	So.	VR	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen/Penn State)	WO 3/3
13	GOODMAN, Aric	PK	5-10	185	Jr.	1L	Cherry Hills Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Wyoming)	S 2/2
98	GOREE, Eugene	DT	6- 1	295	So.	1L	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Riverdale)	S 3/3
44	GOUIN, Brandon	OLB	6- 1	220	So.	TR	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder/Air Force)	WO 3/3
86	HAM, Cameron	WR	6- 1	200	Jr.	1L	Haxtun, Colo. (Haxtun)	WO 2/2
9	HANSEN, Tyler	QB	6- 1	200	So.	1L	Murrieta, Calif. (Chaparral)	S 4/3
55	HARTIGAN, Josh	ILB	6- 1	230	So.	1L	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Northeast)	S 3/3
7	HAWKINS, Cody	QB	5-11	190	Jr.	2L	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly)	S 2/2
18	HAWKINS, Jonathan	CB	5-11	190	So.	1L	Perris, Calif. (Rancho Verde)	S 3/3
72	HEAD, Devin	OG	6- 4	290	Sr.	3L	Corona, Calif. (Centennial)	S 1/1
90	HERROD, Marquez	DE	6- 2	265	Jr.	2L	Escondido, Calif. (San Pasqual)	S 2/2
17	HICKS, Steven	DB	5-10	180	Fr.	RS	Tyler, Texas (Whitehouse)	S 4/4
64	ILTIS, Mike	OL	6- 3	275	So.	VR	Sarasota, Fla. (Riverview)	S 3/3
20	JAFFEE, Arthur	S	5-11	195	So.	VR	Boulder, Colo. (Fairview)	WO 3/3
97	KAYNOR, Taj	DT	6- 5	265	Sr.	2L	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S 1/1
69	LAWSON, Eric	DT	6- 3	250	Jr.	1L	Sedalia, Colo. (Douglas County)	S 2/2
20	LOCKRIDGE, Brian	TB	5- 7	175	So.	1L	Trabuco Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 3/3
12	MAHNKE, Patrick	S	6- 1	205	So.	1L	Parker, Colo. (Mountain Vista)	S 4/3
31	MAJOR, Jon	ILB	6- 2	225	Fr.	RS	Parker, Colo. (Ponderosa)	S 4/4
39	MANARINO, Erik	S	5- 9	180	So.	TR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Santa Margarita/Saddleback College)	WO 3/3
17	MAXWELL, Ryan	WR	5- 9	180	So.	TR	Dana Point, Calif. (Santa Margarita/UC-Davis)	WO 3/3
21	McKNIGHT, Scotty	WR	5-11	185	Jr.	2L	Coto de Caza, Calif. (Tesoro)	S 2/2
22	MEYER, Matt	S	5- 9	190	So.	VR	Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Santa Margarita)	WO 3/3
73	MILLER, Ryan	OL	6- 8	310	So.	2L	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 3/3
47	MOHLER, Shaun	ILB	6- 3	220	Sr.	1L	Newport Beach, Calif. (Corona del Mar/Orange Coast College)	S 2/1
25	MOYD, Kevin	TB/WR	5- 7	200	Sr.	3L	Miramar, Fla. (Northwestern)	S 1/1
36	NABORS, Corey	TB/WR	5- 9	190	Jr.	2L	Aurora, Colo. (Rangeview)	S 2/2
93	OBI, Conrad	DE	6- 3	265	So.	1L	Grayson, Ga. (Grayson)	S 3/3
74	O'NEILL, Nick	DE	6- 0	225	Fr.	HS	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Mater Dei)	WO 4/4
83	PERICAK, Will	DT	6- 4	265	Fr.	RS	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 4/4
46	PERKINS, Anthony	S	5-10	200	So.	1L	Northglenn, Colo. (Northglenn)	S 3/3
26	POLK, Ray	S	6- 1	190	Fr.	RS	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 4/4
95	POREMBBA, Tony	DE	6- 1	230	So.	VR	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	WO 3/3

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2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL / ALPHABETICAL ROSTER 2-2-2

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
51	RIPPY, Douglas	OLB	6- 1	230	Fr.	RS	Trotwood, Ohio (Trotwood-Madison)	S 4/4
99	SALE, Tyler	DT	6- 3	270	Sr.	VR	Littleton, Colo. (Arapahoe)	WO 1/1
19	SANDERSFELD, Travis	S	6- 0	205	So.	1L	Limon, Colo. (Limon)	WO 3/3
2	SCOTT, Darrell	TB	6- 1	200	So.	1L	Ventura, Calif. (St. Bonaventure)	S 4/3
57	SERGEANT, Guy	OLB	6- 1	215	Fr.	RS	Fountain, Colo. (Fountain-Ft. Carson)	WO 4/4
88	SHANAHAN, Devin	TE	6- 5	250	Sr.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)	WO 1/1
96	SHIELDS, Lagrone	DE	6- 3	270	So.	1L	Memphis, Tenn. (Ridgeway)	S 3/3
68	SILIPO, Joe	DT/SN	6- 2	250	Jr.	TR	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Northern Colorado)	WO 2/2
6	SIMAS, Markques	WR	6- 2	200	So.	VR	San Diego, Calif. (Mira Mesa)	S 3/3
10	SIPILI, Michael	ILB	6- 1	240	Jr.	1L	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	S 2/2
45	SMART, Jeff	ILB	6- 0	220	Sr.	3L	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 1/1
28	SMITH, Bret	S	5-11	190	Jr.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Regis)	WO 2/2
3	SMITH, Jimmy	CB	6- 2	200	Jr.	2L	Colton, Calif. (Colton)	S 2/2
1	SMITH, Josh	WR	6- 0	190	Jr.	2L	Moorpark, Calif. (Moorpark)	S 3/2
78	SOLDER, Nate	OT	6- 9	300	Jr.	2L	Buena Vista, Colo. (Buena Vista)	S 2/2
52	STENGEL, Bryan	ILB	6- 2	215	Sr.	1L	Durango, Colo. (Durango)	WO 1/1
56	STEVENS, Keenan	C	6- 2	285	Jr.	VR	Monument, Colo. (Lewis-Palmer)	WO 2/2
5	STEWART, Rodney	TB	5- 7	170	So.	1L	Westerville, Ohio (Brookhaven)	S 4/3
8	SUMLER, Demetrius	TB	5-10	215	Jr.	2L	San Diego, Calif. (Cathedral Catholic)	S 2/2
79	TAU, Sione	OL	6- 5	325	So.	VR	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	S 3/3
35	TOPPA, Joe	SN	6- 0	190	Fr.	HS	Melbourne, Fla. (Central Catholic)	WO 4/4
55	TUIOTI-MARINER, Maxwell	OG	6- 3	300	Fr.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Corona)	S 4/4
32	VIGO, Paul	S	6- 1	190	Fr.	HS	New Brunswick, N.J. (New Brunswick)	S 5/4
84	WALLACE, Ryan	TE	6- 5	235	Fr.	RS	Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green)	S 4/4
81	WALTERS, Luke	TE	6- 3	235	Sr.	TR	Lakewood, Colo. (ThunderRidge/New Mexico)	WO 1/1
21	WRIGHT, Anthony	CB	6- 0	190	So.	1L	Compton, Calif. (Compton)	S 3/3
13	WRIGHT, Cameron	WR	6- 1	200	Fr.	RS	Arvada, Colo. (Ralston Valley)	WO 4/4

EXPERIENCE KEY: #L—indicates number of letters earned through 2008; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2008; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer. **STATUS KEY:** S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock as of end of 2008 season, i.e., 2/1: two years available to play one in eligibility.

Inactive Roster Players (Injured/Ineligible, etc.)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
49	KATO, Lynn	ILB	6- 1	220	Fr.	RS	Salt Lake City, Utah (Cottonwood)	academics S 4/4

2009 TEAM CAPTAINS: To be named in the fall.

SPRING DEPTH CHART

April 25, 2009

OFFENSE

(Multiple)

WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING (x)

- 1 Josh Smith, 6-0, 190, Jr.**
- 6 Markques Simas, 6-2, 200, Soph.
- 83 Dustin Ebner, 6-1, 175, Fr.-RS
- 86 Cameron Ham, 6-1, 200, Jr.*
- 25 Kevin Moyd, 5-7, 200, Sr.-5*** (also TB)
- 13 Cameron Wright, 6-1, 200, Fr.-RS
- 18 Marion Brown, 6-0, 170, Fr.

WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING (z)

- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 185, Jr.**
- 37 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 175, Soph.*
- 17 Ryan Maxwell, 5-9, 180, Soph.
- 35 Kyle Cefalo, 5-10, 165, Soph.
- 36 Corey Nabors, 5-9, 190, Jr.** (also TB)
- 38 Peter Bobseine, 6-4, 190, Fr.-RS

LEFT TACKLE

- 78 Nate Solder, 6-9, 300, Jr.**
- 53 Ryan Dannewitz, 6-6, 290, Fr.-RS
- 79 Sione Tau, 6-5, 325, Soph.* (also OG)

LEFT GUARD

- 63 Ethan Adkins, 6-4, 295, Soph.
- 72 Devin Head, 6-4, 290, Sr.-5***
- (66 Blake Behrens, 6-3, 290, Soph.*—injured)
- (68 Shawn Daniels, 6-3, 280, Soph.*—injured)

CENTER

- 64 Mike Iltis, 6-3, 275, Soph.
- 56 Keenan Stevens, 6-2, 285, Jr.

RIGHT GUARD

- 73 Ryan Miller, 6-8, 310, Soph.**
- 60 David Clark, 6-4, 310, Soph.
- 74 Evan Eastburn, 6-0, 285, Jr.

RIGHT TACKLE

- 77 Bryce Givens, 6-6, 275, Fr.-RS
- 71 Matthew Bahr, 6-4, 285, Soph.*

TIGHT END GROUPING

- 33 Patrick Devenny, 6-3, 240, Sr.-5*
- 34 Ryan Deehan, 6-5, 240, Soph.*
- 81 Luke Walters, 6-3, 235, Sr.-5 **AND**
- 88 Devin Shanahan, 6-5, 250, Sr.-5*
- 84 Ryan Wallace, 6-5, 235, Fr.-RS
- (87 Riar Geer, 6-4, 250, Sr.-5***—injured)

QUARTERBACK

- 9 Tyler Hansen, 6-1, 200, Soph.* **OR**
- 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Jr.**

TAILBACK GROUPING

- 20 Brian Lockridge, 5-7, 175, Soph.* **AND**
- 2 Darrell Scott, 6-1, 200, Soph. **AND**
- 5 Rodney Stewart, 5-7, 170, Soph.* **AND**
- 8 Demetrius Sumler, 5-10, 215, Jr.**

FULLBACK (also may line up at TE on occasion)

- 41 Jake Behrens, 6-0, 240, Sr.-5**
- 44 Trace Adams, 6-0, 210, Sr.-5
- 39 Matt Burgner, 5-11, 230, Jr.

DEFENSE

(4-3 Base/Multiple)

LEFT DEFENSIVE END

- 90 Marquez Herrod, 6-2, 265, Jr.**
- 95 Tony Poremba, 6-1, 230, Soph.
- 53 Kevin Cooney, 6-6, 230, Soph.

RIGHT DEFENSIVE END

- 93 Conrad Obi, 6-3, 265, Soph.* **AND**
- 96 Lagrone Shields, 6-3, 270, Soph.*
- 62 David Goldberg, 6-1, 255, Soph.
- 74 Nick O'Neill, 6-0, 225, Fr.

DEFENSIVE TACKLE

- 97 Taj Kaynor, 6-5, 265, Sr.-5**
- 83 Will Pericak, 6-4, 265, Fr.-RS
- 62 Joe Silipo, 6-2, 250, Jr.
- (50 Curtis Cunningham, 6-1, 275, Soph.*—inj.)

NOSE TACKLE

- 98 Eugene Goree, 6-1, 295, Soph.*
- 69 Eric Lawson, 6-3, 250, Jr.*
- 99 Tyler Sale, 6-3, 270, Sr.-5

MIKE (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 54 Marcus Burton, 6-0, 260, Sr.-5***
- 10 Michael Sipili, 6-1, 240, Jr.*
- 52 Bryan Stengel, 6-2, 215, Sr.-5*

WILL (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 45 Jeff Smart, 6-0, 220, Sr.-5***
- 47 Shaun Mohler, 6-3, 220, Sr.*
- 31 Jon Major, 6-2, 225, Fr.-RS
- 55 Josh Hartigan, 6-1, 230, Soph.*

SAM (OUTSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 59 B.J. Beatty, 6-2, 220, Jr.*
- 51 Douglas Rippy, 6-1, 230, Fr.-RS
- 58 Tyler Ahles, 6-2, 240, Soph.*
- 44 Brandon Gouin, 6-1, 220, Soph.
- 57 Guy Sergent, 6-1, 215, Fr.-RS
- 40 Zackary Farley, 6-1, 205, Soph.

LEFT CORNERBACK

- 3 Jimmy Smith, 6-2, 200, Jr.**
- 23 Jalil Brown, 6-1, 205, Jr.**
- 18 Jonathan Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Soph.*
- (21 Anthony Wright, 6-0, 190, Soph.*—injured)

RIGHT CORNERBACK

- 42 Benjamin Burney, 5-11, 190, Sr.-5***
- 32 Paul Vigo, 6-1, 190, Fr.
- 20 Arthur Jaffee, 5-11, 195, Soph.
- 17 Steven Hicks, 5-10, 180, Fr.-RS
- (29 Cha'pelle Brown, 5-7, 170, Sr.***—illness)

FREE SAFETY

- 46 Anthony Perkins, 5-10, 200, Soph.*
- 19 Travis Sandersfeld, 6-0, 205, Soph.*
- 28 Bret Smith, 5-11, 190, Jr.*
- 39 Erik Manarino, 5-9, 180, Soph.

STRONG SAFETY

- 12 Patrick Mahnke, 6-1, 205, Soph.*
- 19 Travis Sandersfeld, 6-0, 205, Soph.*
- 27 Vince Ewing, 6-0, 200, Fr.-RS
- 22 Matt Meyer, 5-9, 190, Soph.

SPECIALISTS

PUNTER

- 14 Matt DiLallo, 6-1, 200, Sr.-5*** (I)
- 2 Darrell Scott, 6-1, 200, Soph.*

PLACEKICKER / (KO #1)

- 13 Aric Goodman, 5-10, 185, Jr.*

KICKOFF RETURN

- 1 Josh Smith, 6-0, 190, Jr.**
- 5 Rodney Stewart, 5-7, 170, Soph.*
- 2 Darrell Scott, 6-1, 200, Soph.
- 8 Demetrius Sumler, 5-10, 215, Jr.**

PUNT RETURN

- 1 Josh Smith, 6-0, 190, Jr.**
- 37 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 175, Soph.*

HOLDER (PINNER)

- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 185, Jr.**
- 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Jr.**

SHORT SNAPPER

- 70 Justin Drescher, 6-1, 230, Sr.***
- 65 Austin Bisnow, 6-0, 210, Jr.
- 84 Ryan Wallace, 6-5, 235, Fr.-RS
- 62 Joe Silipo, 6-2, 250, Jr.

LONG SNAPPER

- 70 Justin Drescher, 6-1, 230, Sr.***
- 65 Austin Bisnow, 6-0, 210, Jr.
- 84 Ryan Wallace, 6-5, 235, Fr.-RS
- 35 Joe Toppa, 6-0, 190, Fr.

OUT FOR EXTENDED TIME

- * **PK** Jameson Davis, 5-10, 195, Soph.* (knee)
- * **LB** Lynn Katoa, 6-1, 220, Fr.-RS (academics)
- * **S** Ray Polk, 6-1, 190, Fr.-RS (shoulder)
- * **OG** Max Tuioti-Mariner, 6-3, 300, Fr.-RS* (knee)
- *—denotes out for all of spring.

(L)—throws or kicks left-handed/footed.

Seniors (18): Listing with a (-5) indicates fifth-year senior (15); all others are fourth-year seniors (3).

GROUPING — indicates all listed will play and order of listing is not that significant.

AND—indicates those listed all play/rotate (basically co-first or second team status);

OR—indicates first-team status at that spot up for grabs.

(N—denotes nickel back)

*—denotes number of letters earned through 2008; *Injured players listed in italics (status questionable or doubtful—not out for extended time; probables listed as normal).*

CAPTAINS: to be named in the fall.

2009 SPRING NOTES

April 25, 2009

QUICKLY

Spring practices begins its latest at CU in quite some time, as the March 31 starting date is the latest since the 1980s ... The annual spring game will conclude drills on April 25 (1 p.m.) ... A sad anniversary came and passed yesterday (March 30), as it marked the 20th anniversary of **QB Sal Aunese** being diagnosed with stomach cancer; doctors gave him six months to live, and he lasted five and three weeks, passing away on Sept. 23. Colorado dedicated the season to its fallen leader and would go 11-0, playing for the national championship.

POSITION CHANGES / NON-RETURNEES

Only four position changes were made ahead of spring practice: senior **Trace Adams** has moved from safety to fullback; sophomore **Arthur Jaffee** has moved from tailback to safety; **Ray Polk** is moving from tailback to safety; and redshirt freshman **Cameron Wright** has moved from quarterback to wide receiver. After practice started, Jaffee moved to cornerback, as did **Paul Vigo** (from safety); **Josh Hartigan** moved from outside to inside linebacker, while **Tyler Ahles** and **Guy Sergent** moved from inside 'backer to outside. Tailbacks **Kevin Moyd** and **Corey Nabors** started attending receiver meetings and are listed at both positions.

Three non-senior players will not return from the 2008 squad for assorted reasons: **DE Jason Brace**, **WR Sean Lieb** and **CB Lamont Smith**. Brace was actually finished prior to the end of the season due to medical reasons (concussions). Two players decided to leave the team after spring drills began, **WR Chance Blackmon** (citing a desire to play closer to home due to family reasons) and **QB Matt Ballenger**.

Colorado has 62 players on scholarship for spring practice; no walk-ons have been placed on scholarship in the off-season. There are 94 players on the roster at present; 12 of whom will either miss practice (3) or participate on a limited basis (9) due to injury at this point.

NUMBER CHANGES

Four number changes from last fall, the most noticeable being **TB Rodney Stewart** moving into No. 5 (from 43). **S Arthur Jaffee** moved into No. 20 (from 22, which was already taken on defense), and **WR Peter Bobseine** shifted into No. 38 (from 89).

INJURY UPDATE

The injury picture for the Buffaloes as of April 23 p.m. (#—denotes off-season surgery):

Pos	Player	Injury	Notes	Status/Spring Game
OT	Matt Bahr	shoulder	suffered subluxation in practice on 4/06	FULL GO
OG	Blake Behrens	#shoulder surgery		LIMITED
WR	Peter Bobseine	finger surgery	suffered a fracture in practice (4/03)	OUT
CB	Jalil Brown	#shoulder surgery		LIMITED
WR	Marion Brown	concussion	suffered in scrimmage (4/11)	OUT
FB	Matt Burgner	back	herniated disc, could be cleared one or two weeks into spring	LIMITED
DT	Curtis Cunningham	teeth	swollen from having wisdom teeth removed (4/17)	OUT
PK	Jameson Davis	#knee surgery	repaired cartilage tear	OUT
TE	Riar Geer	#shoulder surgery		LIMITED
OLB	Brandon Gouin	sprained ankle	suffered in winter conditioning, could be cleared for third week of practice	LIMITED
OG	Devin Head	#shoulder surgery	progressing well, upgraded to full go for spring	LIMITED
ILB	Jon Major	knee surgery	tore ACL in non-contact drill in practice (8/11)	LIMITED
WR	Scotty McKnight	arm	suffered partial muscle strain/tear in practice (4/09)	LIMITED
TB	Ray Polk	shoulder surgery	surgery on both shoulders	OUT
TB	Demetrius Sumler	neck strain	suffered in practice (4/09)	LIMITED
OG	Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner	knee(s)	tore ACL in non-contact drill in practice (9/23), tore other in winter conditioning (3/03)	OUT
CB	Anthony Wright	knee	sprained in off-season (3/08); slight chance for return late in drills	OUT

HIPAA: The players listed above have signed waivers for their injury information to be released/discussed with the media.

WORD RECEIVED

In late March, both **OT Ryan Miller** and **OG Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner** were officially granted medical hardships for the 2008 season and have regained the years they lost when both went down with injuries early in the year. Miller remains a sophomore with three years to play three and Tuioti-Mariner a redshirt freshman with four years to play four; both can actually earn five letters if they play out their careers.

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

April 12, 2009

The decade is coming to a close, as hopefully will the rollercoaster ride the Colorado football team has been on since the turn of the millennium.

After rising to a national power for most of the 1990s, the 2000s have seen several highs (one Big 12 Conference championship, four Big 12 North Division titles, several noteworthy individual accomplishments) and a few lows (four losing years, accompanied by four times staying at home during bowl season, and the recruiting ordeal fueled by several elements that set the program back in the middle of the decade).

The 2009 season is the fourth that head coach **Dan Hawkins** will at the reins at the program, and most observers see the improvement throughout all phases of the program and believe things are *thisclose* to being in place to have the Buffaloes return to the kind of national prominence it enjoyed at the end of the last century.

A solid foundation built off the field now waits for one on the field to catch up, and that is foreseen within the next couple of seasons, with the 2009 campaign a vital one in the progress under Hawkins. The Buffs have 53 returning lettermen, almost an equal number of both sides of the ball, including 15 starters, six others with significant starting experience, and 13 more with quality game experience.

Things looked promising last year, as after a 3-0 start that included a thrilling 17-14 win over No. 21 West Virginia on national television, the Buffs appeared to be headed back on track sooner than most would have expected. But starting with a 39-21 loss against Florida State in Jacksonville, a game there for the taking that became the first of three straight losses, and then a 2-4 record over the last half of the season left CU with a 5-7 record and home for the holidays. Colorado was close to becoming bowl-eligible, leading Nebraska 31-30 with less than two minutes to play, but a 57-yard field goal that just got over the crossbar inside the right upright would dash CU's postseason dreams.

Hawkins' isn't one for excuses, but injuries in 2008 played a major factor in the eventual demise of the season. Relatively healthy at the start, the Buffaloes would eventually lose 121 man games due to injury or illness, with all but 11 of those games by players who figured in either the two-deep or prominently on special teams. The Buffs were a bit shorthanded as Hawkins & Staff continued to rebuild the CU roster, with 20 on the inactive roster by season's end, when CU was playing with 47 scholarship players after accounting for 16 freshmen that were ticketed to redshirt.

Those games lost to injury helped account for a total of 95 freshmen (true or redshirt) who started games for Colorado in 2007 and 2008, nearly double any previous two-year total in school history. When playing the nation's seventh toughest schedule as determined by USA Today's computer rankings, it made for a challenging set of circumstances for the coaching staff. Not to mention ripple effects from the injuries are often felt most by the scout teams, down into the low teens by season's end.

But there were plenty of positives to build on. In the pass-happy Big 12, Colorado allowed just one 300-yard passing game (just barely at that, 302 by Missouri); Nebraska allowed just two and the other 10 allowed three or more, including several 400-yard games. On the season, 10 of the 12 quarterbacks CU faced were held below their season rating, and in several cases, well below the number. Colorado was penalized just 65 times for 516 yards; the 65 penalties was the second lowest count in the last 18 seasons (to 63 in 2006), with the 516 yards the fewest since a 496 total in 1986. CU now has three-year lows in total penalties and yards since the 1984 through 1986 seasons.

The final points in CU's 14-13 win over Kansas State were scored when the Wildcats pulled to within one with 10:49 left in the third quarter. The game remained scoreless from that point on, meaning CU held the 1-point edge for a total of 25:49; that was the longest in 72 years CU had to hold on to a 1- or 2-point lead, and was also the longest any team was asked to protect a 1- or 2-point lead in the NCAA in 2008. And the Buffs did that against a quarterback, Josh Freeman, expected to be a first round pick in the NFL Draft.

Though it came to an end, CU's 242-game scoring streak was the third longest in the nation at the time and finished up as the ninth longest in NCAA history.

And off the field, CU tied for the second best graduation rate in the Big 12 Conference (70 percent), and had eight seniors graduate in December.

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Turning toward 2009, Hawkins is his usual optimistic self, but always within reason. “We’re starting to get guys that have been in the program for awhile that understand how we do things,” he said. “We’re getting depth in there.”

Much of the depth is comprised of sophomores and juniors, with only 18 seniors on the roster. But much of the younger crowd has a decent amount of quality game experience, the only real benefit of the injury-plagued season CU had in 2008, but Hawkins doesn’t view it as a disadvantage.

“I never put a fudge factor in there for inexperience,” he said. “You throw the playbook at them and you go and see how much they can grasp and run with it. But in reality, with each passing year, the knowledge and experience of how everything works gets greater.”

The greatest areas of concern include the defensive front, where the Buffs lose a combined 130 starts with the graduation of tackles George Hypolite and Brandon Nicolas, end Maurice Lucas and outside linebacker Brad Jones. Their spots are basically wide open, with sophomores **Conrad Obi** and **Lagrone Shields** the early favorites to play opposite **Marquez Herrod** at end. **Curtis Cunningham** picked up a lot of playing time a year ago as a true frosh and is likely a front runner for one of the tackle spots, but there are several players vying for time in the middle, including senior **Taj Kaynor**, sophomore **Eugene Goree** and redshirt frosh **Will Pericak** among others. The state’s top recruit, **Nick Kasa**, could figure into things immediately upon his arrival in August. At outside ‘backer, the initial battle for the top spot looks like it will pit junior **B.J. Beatty** against redshirt **Douglas Rippy**, with three sophomores also competing.

“This will be exciting to watch,” Hawkins said of the situation up front. “Normally, things aren’t timed up where you lose four guys from the same area with something like 8,000 career snaps between them (actually 7,993 in the regular season, plus another 200 or so in bowls). Losing players up front is never fun, but we have confidence that the new wave will step up. These guys have been in this system for awhile and have an understanding, which helps you a little bit that way.”

Wide receiver is another area that needs some shoring up, as the Buffs lose two of its top three receivers, and with **Josh Smith** pulling triple duty returning kickoffs and punts, he was beat up by the end of the year. While he had the second most all-purpose yards (1,987) in school history and did his part averaging 13.3 yards per catch, CU needs to improve its numbers per catch (10.3 last fall) and especially per attempt (5.8). Junior **Scotty McKnight**, the leading receiver the last two years, returns and will provide solid leadership at the position.

CU had some issues at placekicker a year ago, but much could be attributed to just plain bad luck. **Aric Goodman** struggled after hitting the game-winner against West Virginia, and **Jameson Davis** played with an injured knee all year. CU will add a frosh recruit, **Zach Grossnickle**, to the mix in the fall; he also figures to compete against senior **Matt DiLallo** for the punting chores.

Quarterback is always a fan favorite when it comes to team discussion, and there is a definite battle brewing that likely won’t be decided until the fall. Incumbent starter, junior **Cody Hawkins** (4,585 yards, 36 TDs in his career), ceded some playing time to sophomore **Tyler Hansen** (280 pass yards, 261 rushing). The two dueled it out in the spring as the only quarterbacks on the roster after sophomore Matt Ballenger decided to leave the program. Two recruits join the mix in the fall.

Hawkins noted that the player who is named the starter will come to, “Whoever moves the club. There are quite a few things that go into that, including leadership, knowledge, play-making ability, turnovers, decision-making, managing the clock. All of that will go into the decision.”

Running back, the offensive line, tight end, linebacker and the secondary appear to be Colorado’s stronger and more experienced suits going into the season.

Junior **Demetrius Sumler** and sophomores **Rodney Stewart** (CU’s leading rusher with 622 yards before going down in the ninth game with a broken leg), **Darrell Scott** and **Brian Lockridge** are the frontrunners at tailback, and combined with their running ability in the open field and the fact that all are excellent receivers, they will also provide a spark to the passing game. **Jake Behrens** has really developed into a solid fullback, with good blocking skills and solid hands to also make him a weapon in the passing game.

The offensive line was expected to be one of the team strengths a year ago, but this was the spot where injuries and ineligibility struck the hardest. It's also the only position in Hawkins' tenure to undergo a coaching change, with veteran O-line coach **Denver Johnson** replacing Jeff Grimes who moved on to Auburn. Johnson likes what he sees and already believes junior tackle **Nate Solder** might be one of the best he's ever coached. A tall corps, with nine players at 6-foot-4 or taller, there's just one senior in the 15-man group, guard **Devin Head**. Sophomores **Ryan Miller** or **Matt Bahr** could wind up at tackle or guard, soph **Blake Behrens** at guard or center, as CU must replace long-time snapper Daniel Sanders. Redshirt freshman **Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner**, as with Miller, returns from injury, and another redshirt, **Bryce Givens**, was one of the state's top recruits in 2008. No doubt Johnson will enjoy coaching this group, six of which have starting experience.

The Buffs are solid at tight end, perhaps even six-deep, led by seniors **Riar Geer** and **Patrick Devenny** and sophomore **Ryan Deehan**. This will afford the coaches to utilize several two-tight end formations and the group offers great possibilities.

Seniors **Jeff Smart** and **Shaun Mohler** return at the inside linebacker spots, but will have junior **Michael Sipili** and freshman redshirt **Jon Major** pushing for playing time, along with senior **Marcus Burton** and **Bryan Stengel**. That's a six-pack of major talent longtime linebacker coach **Brian Cabral** has to work with, likely one of the nation's top groups at that.

Cornerback is another well-stocked position, with senior **Benjamin Burney** back after missing 2008 due to multiple surgeries; he's joined by senior **Cha'pelle Brown**, who often shifted into the nickel back position when CU has gone to five defensive backs the last two seasons. Juniors **Jalil Brown** and **Jimmy Smith** bolster the group, both having proven to be big play type of guys. Three up and comers strengthen the position, which loses only Gardner McKay from a year ago.

The Buffs do lose multi-year starters **Ryan Walters** and **D.J. Dykes** at safety, but sophomores **Patrick Mahnke** and **Anthony Perkins** picked up valuable experience a year ago when subbing for the pair due to injury. Sophomore **Travis Sandersfeld**, redshirt freshmen **Ray Polk**, moving over from tailback and **Vince Ewing** and freshman **Paul Vigo** may very well figure into things come fall.

While CU's non-conference schedule isn't as tough as some in CU's recent past, it's still almost if not as challenging. In addition to the annual opener against in-state rival Colorado State, another Front Range rival appears on the slate for the first time in 12 seasons when Wyoming will pay a visit to Boulder. The Buffs will play two non-conference games on the road for the first time since 1994, with two nationally televised weeknight games at Toledo and West Virginia, the most air miles CU will travel in the same season for two out of conference regular season games in its history (4,960 both ways; CU did travel 5,050 in 1990, but that was for two road and one neutral site affairs).

The Buffs keep the same rotation of South Division teams in conference, except at opposite sites which means road games at Texas and Oklahoma State. The good news is that CU has three North opponents at Folsom Field, Kansas, Missouri and the season finale versus Nebraska, along with Texas A & M.

The 2009 season marks the 120th year that Colorado will field a varsity football team; only 12 schools have played the sport longer than the Buffaloes.

2008 POSTSEASON HONORS

FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICAN

TB RODNEY STEWART (third-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*)

ALL-BIG 12 CONFERENCE

CB CHA'PELLE BROWN (first-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*; honorable mention: *Associated Press*, Big 12 Coaches)

DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (second-team: *Associated Press*, Big 12 Coaches, *Dallas Morning News*, *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Phil Steele's College Football*)

OLB BRAD JONES (third-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*; honorable mention: *Associated Press*, Big 12 Coaches)

ILB SHAUN MOHLER (honorable mention: *Associated Press*)

C DANIEL SANDERS (honorable mention: *Associated Press*, Big 12 Coaches)

ILB JEFF SMART (second-team: *Associated Press*)

KR JOSH SMITH (third-team: *Phil Steele's College Football*; honorable mention: *Associated Press*)

FS RYAN WALTERS (honorable mention: *Associated Press*)

FRESHMAN ALL-BIG 12

OG BLAKE BEHRENS (first-team: *Rivals.com*)

TB RODNEY STEWART (first-team: *Rivals.com*)

BIG 12 CONFERENCE PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK

CB CHA'PELLE BROWN (*Co-Defensive—Sept. 6 vs. Eastern Washington: 8 tackles—4 solo—2 third down stops, 2 PBU and 27-yard interception return for a TD*)

PK ARIC GOODMAN (*Special Teams—Sept. 18 vs. West Virginia: 2-2 PAT, 1-1 FG: made the game winning 25-yard field goal in overtime*)

CU ATHLETES-OF-THE-WEEK

WR JOSH SMITH (*Aug. 31 vs. Colorado State: 3-160 kickoff returns, including 93-yard touchdown; 1-15 receiving, 1-8 rushing*)

CB CHA'PELLE BROWN (*Sept. 6 vs. Eastern Washington: 8 tackles—4 solo—2 third down stops, 2 PBU and 27-yard interception return for a TD*)

TB RODNEY STEWART (*Sept. 18 vs. West Virginia: 28-166 rushing, 3-16 receiving, 9 first downs; third most rush yards by a freshman in school history*)

TB CHA'PELLE BROWN (*Oct. 11 at Kansas: 9 tackles—7 solo—2 third down stops, 1 quarterback hurry*)

QB CODY HAWKINS (*Nov. 4 vs. Iowa State: 20-of-29, 226 yards, 4 TD passing, 180.0 rating; 2-14 rushing, 2 first downs, all in second half*)

COLORADO CHAPTER/NFF COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK

TB RODNEY STEWART (*September 18 vs. West Virginia: 28-166 rushing, 3-16 receiving, 9 first downs; third most rush yards by a freshman in school history*)

QB CODY HAWKINS (*November 4 vs. Iowa State: 20-of-29, 226 yards, 4 TD passing, 180.0 rating; 2-14 rushing, 2 first downs, all in second half*)

COLORADO CHAPTER/NFF COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME ALL-COLORADO TEAM

CB CHA'PELLE BROWN (second-team)

C DANIEL SANDERS (first-team)

FS RYAN WALTERS (first-team)

DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (first-team)

ILB JEFF SMART (first-team)

*—second-team pick at wide receiver.

OLB BRAD JONES (second-team)

KR *JOSH SMITH (first-team)

WR SCOTTY MCKNIGHT (first-team)

TB RODNEY STEWART (second-team)

BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL AWARD LISTS

(SEMIFINALIST, FINALIST, WATCH)

AFC-Allstate Good Works Team (top 11 community service): **FB Maurice Cantrell** (one of 72 nominations)

Chuck Bednarik Award (defensive player of the year): **DT George Hypolite** (one of 75 on official watch list)

Lombardi Award (top offensive/defensive lineman or linebacker): **DT George Hypolite** (one of 101 on official watch list)

Ray Guy Award (top punter): **P Matthew DiLallo** (one of 46 on official watch list)

Ronnie Lott Award (top defensive impact player): **DT George Hypolite** (one of 20 quarterfinalists)

Bronko Nagurski Award (top defensive player): **DT George Hypolite** (one of 88 on official watch list)

Outland Trophy (best interior lineman): **DT George Hypolite** (one of 70 candidates on official watch list)

Dave Rimington Award (top center): **C Daniel Sanders** (one of 43 candidates on official watch list)

Lynn "Pappy" Waldorf Award (top Division I walk-on): **S Joel Adams** (one of ___ official nominations)

Rudy Award (walk-on with character, courage, contribution and commitment): **S Joel Adams** (one of 53 official nominations)

POSTSEASON ALL-STAR GAMES

None.

ACADEMIC ALL-BIG 12 CONFERENCE

FB JAKE BEHRENS (first-team: Accounting, 3.20 GPA)

TE DEVIN SHANAHAN (first-team: Economics, 3.37 GPA)

DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (first-team: Ethnic & Women's Studies, 3.40 GPA)

OT NATE SOLDER (first-team: Biology, 3.32 GPA)

S TRAVIS SANDERSFELD (first-team: Business, 3.50 GPA)

TE PATRICK DEVENNY (second-team: Accounting, 3.10 GPA)

ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT

DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (3.40 GPA, *Ethnic Studies & Women's Studies*)

NFF / COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL-OF-FAME HAMPSHIRE HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS

DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (3.40 GPA, *Ethnic Studies & Women's Studies*)

COLORADO COACHES' WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS

A look at Colorado's weekly award winners for each game as selected by the coaching staff (#—chosen if a linemen does not win offensive or defensive; none selected following losses; *—denotes nominated for Big 12 player-of-the-week):

Opponent	Offensive	Defensive	Special Teams	#Lineman (Off or Def)	Scout Team (Offense, Defense, Special Teams)		
Colorado State	WR Patrick Williams	ILB Jeff Smart	WR Josh Smith*	DT Brandon Nicolas	TB Brian Lockridge	OLB Nate Vaiomounga	S Joel Adams
Eastern Washington	WR Patrick Williams	CB Cha'pelle Brown*	S Travis Sandersfeld	DT George Hypolite	WR Markques Simas	S Matt Meyer	S Vince Ewing
West Virginia	TB Rodney Stewart*	FS Ryan Walters*	PK Aric Goodman*	C Daniel Sanders	QB Tyler Hansen	S Joel Adams	TE Ryan Wallace
Kansas State	OT Nate Solder	OLB Brad Jones	CB Gardner McKay	N/A	TB Ray Polk	DT Tyler Sale	OLB Josh Hartigan
Iowa State	QB Cody Hawkins* & WR Cody Crawford	SS D.J. Dykes	CB Jalil Brown	OT Nate Solder	TB Brian Lockridge	ILB David Goldberg	OLB Brandon Gouin

None awarded in losses (Florida State, Texas, Kansas, Missouri, Texas A&M, Oklahoma State, Nebraska)

BIG 12 COMMISSIONER'S HONOR ROLL

(3.0 or greater GPA)

FB JAKE BEHRENS	PK JAMESON DAVIS	CB JONATHAN HAWKINS	DT WILL PERICAK	TE LUKE WALTERS
SN AUSTIN BISNOW	TE PATRICK DEVENNY	DE MARQUEZ HERROD	DT TYLER SALE	FS RYAN WALTERS
CB JALIL BROWN	SN JUSTIN DRESCHER	DE ANDREW HUDGINS	DB TRAVIS SANDERSFIELD	QB CAMERON WRIGHT
CB BENJAMIN BURNLEY	WR DUSTIN EBNER	CB GARDNER MCKAY	TE DEVIN SHANAHAAN	
FB MAURICE CANTRELL	WR JASON ESPINOZA	ILB SHAUN MOHLER	DB BRET SMITH	
DE KEVIN COONEY	ILB BRANDON GOUIN	TB COREY NABORS	OT NATE SOLDER	
OG SHAWN DANIELS	QB CODY HAWKINS	NT BRANDON NICOLAS	TE RYAN WALLACE	

COLORADO TEAM AWARDS

(Selected by coaches unless otherwise indicated)

- Zack Jordan Award (most valuable player, selected by teammates):** FS Ryan Walters
- John Mack Award (outstanding offensive player):** WR Scotty McKnight
- Dave Jones Award (outstanding defensive player):** CB Cha'pelle Brown, OLB Brad Jones
- Hang Tough Award (overcame the most adversity):** FS Ryan Walters
- Lee Willard Award (outstanding freshman):** TB Rodney Stewart
- Tyronee "Tiger" Bussey Award (perseverance over adversity, injury and/or illness):** DT Brandon Nicolas
- Dean Jacob Van Ek Award (academic excellence):** DT George Hypolite & OT Nate Solder
- Bill McCartney Award (special teams achievement):** SS Travis Sandersfeld, WR Josh Smith
- Regiment Award (greatest contribution with least recognition):** C Daniel Sanders
- Derek Singleton Award (spirit, dedication, enthusiasm):** QB Cody Hawkins
- Tom McMahon Award (dedication and work ethic):** ILB Jeff Smart
- Eddie Crowder Award (leadership):** WR Patrick Williams
- Robbie Robinson Good Works Award (community service):** DT George Hypolite
- Offensive Scout Award:** TB Brian Lockridge, WR Markques Simas
- Defensive Scout Award:** DE Will Pericak
- Special Teams Scout Award:** SS Joel Adams
- Best Interview (selected by team beat media):** DT George Hypolite
- Buffalo Heart Award (selected by "the fans behind the bench"):** FS Ryan Walters
- David Plati Staff Support Award (tireless effort for football program):** Jan Stump
- David Clough Faculty Support Award (extraordinary support for football program):** David Clough & James Marlatt
- Pasta Jay Elowski Community Support Award (active support and enthusiasm):** Jay Elowski, George Boedecker, Steve Tebo & Dan Mills
- Gold Group Commitment Awards:** FB Jake Behrens, CB Cha'pelle Brown, CB Jalil Brown, FB Maurice Cantrell, WR Cody Crawford, DT Curtis Cunningham, TE Ryan Deehan, SN Justin Drescher, QB Cody Hawkins, DT George Hypolite, TB Brian Lockridge, DE Maurice Lucas, FS Patrick Mahnke, ILB Jon Major, WR Scotty McKnight, OT Ryan Miller, ILB Shaun Mohler, DT Brandon Nicolas, DE Will Pericak, SS Anthony Perkins, C Daniel Sanders, SS Travis Sandersfeld, ILB Jeff Smart, TE Nate Solder, ILB Bryan Stengel, TB Rodney Stewart, TB Demetrius Sumler, FS Ryan Walters, WR Patrick Williams.

GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Here are CU's starters for the 2008 season (**bold** indicates first career start); this list often does not reflect who might "listed" first at a position, as especially on offense, the first play selected often involves a particular grouping:

OFFENSE	WR	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE / Other	QB	TB	FB / Other
Colorado State	Williams	Jo. Smith	Solder	Head	Sanders	B. Behrens	Miller	McKnight (WR)	C. Hawkins	Sumler	Cantrell
E. Washington	Williams	Crawford	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Tuioti-Mariner	Miller	McKnight (WR)	C. Hawkins	Sumler	Stewart
West Virginia	Williams	Jo. Smith	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Tuioti-Mariner	Miller	Devenny	C. Hawkins	Sumler	McKnight (WR)
Florida	Williams	Jo. Smith	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Miller	Geer	C. Hawkins	Sumler	McKnight (WR)
Texas	McKnight	Jo. Smith	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Geer	C. Hawkins	Stewart	Deehan (TE)
Kansas	Williams	Crawford	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Geer	C. Hawkins	Sumler	Deehan (TE)
Kansas State	Williams	Deehan (TE)	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Geer	C. Hawkins	Stewart	J. Behrens
Missouri	Williams	Crawford	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Geer	Hansen	Stewart	McKnight (WR)
Texas A&M McKnight	Crawford	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Geer	C. Hawkins	Stewart	Deehan (TE)	
Iowa State	McKnight	Jo. Smith	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Geer	Hansen	Scott	Deehan (TE)
Oklahoma State	Williams	Crawford	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Geer	C. Hawkins	Sumler	Cantrell
Nebraska	McKnight	Crawford	Solder	B. Behrens	Sanders	Head	Bahr	Deehan	C. Hawkins	Sumler	Melton (WR)

DEFENSE	LE	DT	NT	RE	MLB	WLB	SLB	LCB	FS	SS	RCB
Colorado State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Brace	Sipili	Smart	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
E. Washington	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	J. Brown (N)	Sipili	Smart	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
West Virginia	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	J. Brown (N)	Sipili	Smart	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Perkins	McKay
Florida	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Perkins (N)	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
Texas	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	J. Brown (N)	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
Kansas	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	J. Brown (N)	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
Kansas State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	J. Brown (N)	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
Missouri	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	J. Brown (N)	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
Texas A&M	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Herrod	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	McKay
Iowa State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Herrod	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Dykes	Ji. Smith
Oklahoma State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Herrod	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Walters	Perkins	Ji. Smith
Nebraska	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	McKay (N)	Smart	Mohler	Jones	C. Brown	Mahkne	Perkins	Ji. Smith

(N)—Nickel back. CONSECUTIVE STARTS—Sanders 36, Jones 30, Nicolas 27. **CAREER STARTS**—Sanders 40, Jones 36, Nicolas 36, R. Walters 33, Hypolite 32.

PLAYER PARTICIPATION (dressed/played): Colorado State 87/56; Eastern Washington 91/50; West Virginia 94/52; Florida State 69/54; Texas 91/59; Kansas 70/57; Kansas State 92/54; Missouri 70/59; Texas A&M 70/56; Iowa State 89/54; Oklahoma State 86/50; Nebraska 70/50.

2008 GAME SUMMARIES

GAME #1—COLORADO 38, COLORADO STATE 17

(August 31; Denver)

DENVER — The previous six games in the Colorado-Colorado State series were decided by a total of 25 points, almost all coming down to the final minute if not the final play.

CU made sure that wasn't going to be the case this time around, using an adequate debut of the no-huddle offense and a sound defensive effort that thwarted the Rams all night as the Buffaloes cruised to a 38-17 win over their in-state rivals.

Things started out even, however, as after a scoreless first quarter, neither team appeared to be in position to run away with it. But the Buffs' passing game started to click, with Cody Hawkins completing three passes for 59 yards to Scotty McKnight, the last covering 35 yards for a touchdown that would put CU up for good at 7-0. Following a botched punt try, Corey Nabors tackled CSU punter Anthony Hartz at the Ram 5, and two plays later Hawkins snuck it in for a 14-0 advantage. But the fireworks were about to begin.

After CU stopped CSU on its next possession and took over on its own 20, Rodney Stewart reeled off a 17-yard gain and the Buffs appeared to have the Rams on their heels. But on the next play, Hawkins was intercepted when his pass was batted at the line of scrimmage Morton alone in the back of the end zone for a 21-yard touchdown pass. CSU was on the board, down just 14-7, and very much in the game.

Ben DeLine then kicked off to Josh Smith at the CU 7. The sophomore, absent the one big career play that could make him a household name in Colorado, took the ball and darted straight up field, avoiding a few Rams along the way. It would go in the books as a 93-yard kickoff return and CU was back ahead by two touchdowns.

CSU's John Mosure must have the song *Anything You Can Do I Can Do Better* on his mind, as he then took CU's kickoff, ran a bit to his left and eluded all comers in returning the kick 90 yards for a score to cut the Buff lead to 21-14. The NCAA had no records of whether or not there have been back-to-back kickoff returns for a touchdown in a game, but the general consensus was if it had happened before, it in fact was rare occurrence.

Colorado took control of the game on the first possession of the second half, with Hawkins directing a 45-yard drive and taking it over from the 1 for a 28-14 lead.

DeLine and CU's Eric Goodman would then swap field goals and freshman rookie tailback Darrell Scott closed the day's scoring with a 1-yard run with 2:14 left in the game. Scott, the nation's top running back recruit, finished with 54 yards on 11 carries, tops for all CU backs.

The Buff defense registered five quarterback sacks, their most in two seasons, limited CSU to just 2-of-12 on third down, and held the Rams to just 258 yards on offense. Jeff Smart (12 tackles), Ryan Walters (10 tackles, one interception) and Brad Jones (eight tackles, two for losses) were among the defensive stars for CU on the night.

Smith returned three kickoffs for a total of 160 yards, matching the third best game in that department in CU history. The game was the final one in Denver in the series for the time being, as Colorado exercised its option to play the 2009 game in Boulder, with CSU doing the same in 2010 and selected Fort Collins for the site.

Colorado State	0	14	3	0	—	17
COLORADO	0	21	7	10	—	38

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — McKnight 35 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	7- 0	14:15	2Q
COLORADO — Hawkins 1 run (Goodman kick)	14- 0	11:50	2Q
Colorado State — Morton 21 pass from Farris (DeLine kick)	14- 7	6:53	2Q
COLORADO — Jo.Smith 93 kickoff return (Goodman kick)	21- 7	6:41	2Q
Colorado State — Mosure 90 kickoff return (DeLine kick)	21-14	6:27	2Q
COLORADO — Hawkins 1 run (Goodman kick)	28-14	11:36	3Q
Colorado State — DeLine 26 FG	28-17	2:17	3Q
COLORADO — Goodman 23 FG	31-17	10:06	4Q
COLORADO — Scott 1 run (Goodman kick)	38-17	2:14	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	COLORADO ST.
First Downs	19	18
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	5-11 (2-2)	2-12 (1-4)
Rushes—Net Yards	36-153	26-71
Passing Yards	214	187
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	29-20-1	38-27-2
Total Offense	367	258
Return Yards	52	3
Punts: No-Average	3-31.0	4-42.8
Fumbles: No-Lost	5-1	1-0
Penalties/Yards	8/58	4/18
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	5-27	0-0
Time of Possession	27:23	32:37
Drives/Average Field Position	12/C38	11/CS32
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	4-4 (24)	1-1 (7)

Attendance: 69,619 **Time:** 3:07

Weather: 84 degrees, cloudy skies, 6 mph winds from the northwest (light rainfall in second quarter)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Scott 11-54, Sumler 10-41, Stewart 4-38, Hawkins 8-17, Jo.Smith 1-8, Team 2-minus 5. **Colorado State:** Johnson 12-95, Bell 6-20, Mosure 1-2, Morton 1-1, Farris 5-minus 27, Team 1-minus 20.

Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 29-20-1, 214, 1 td. **Colorado State:** Farris 37-27-2, 187, 1 td; Team 1-0-0, 0.

Receiving—Colorado: McKnight 5-67, Williams 4-28, Devenny 4-27, Sumler 3-28, Celestine 1-35, Jo.Smith 1-15, Melton 1-8, Cantrell 1-6. **Colorado State:** Greer 8-70, Pauga 5-22, Morton 4-53, Bell 3-13, Gardner 2-15, Sperry 2-11, Mosure 2-minus 1, Johnston 1-4.

Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 3-31.0 (41 long, 1 In20). **Colorado State:** Hartz 4-42.8 (46 long, 1In20).

Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 2-6, McKay 0-for minus 2. **Colorado State:** none.

Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 3-160. **Colorado State:** Mosure 2-99, Myers 2-40.

Interceptions—Colorado: Walters 1-28, Mohler 1-20. **Colorado State:** Horinek 1-3.

Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Smart 11,1—12; Walters 7,3—10; Jones 8,0—8; Dykes 2,4—6; Hypolite 4,1—5; McKay 3,2—5; Sipili 1,4—5; C.Brown 4,0—4. **Colorado State:** Brewer 6,5—11; Kubiak 8,1—9; Horinek 5,4—9; Pagnotta 5,2—7; Sisson 5,0—5; Owens 3,2—5; Galusha 4,0—4.

Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Herrod 2-9, Jones 1-10, Nicolas 1-6, Brace ½-1, Kaynor ½-1. **Colorado State:** none.

Passes Broken Up—Colorado: Walters 2, C.Brown, Dykes. **Colorado State:** Owens.

GAME NOTES

The attendance of **69,619** was the highest of the three game set (2006-08) but ranked sixth in the nine games (two sellouts) ... **TB Demetrius Sumler** was stopped for no gain on CU's first offensive play, just the 14th time since 1950 that CU failed to gain yardage on its first play of the year ... **Cody Hawkins'** 35-yard touchdown pass to **Scotty McKnight** early in the second quarter marked the second straight year the duo hooked up on CU's first score of the season. Hawkins joined **Kordell Stewart** as the only Buffs to throw two TD passes for CU's first score of the year, while McKnight is the first player to catch two scoring throws to open the year's scoring for the Buffs and is the seventh player to score CU's first points of the year twice ... The **258** yards CU allowed CSU was the fewest by the opponent in a season opener since 1998, when the Rams had 202 in a 42-14 loss to the Buffaloes at old Mile High Stadium. It was the seventh lowest total by an opponent in the last 40 season openers, as Washington State (196 in 1996), Fresno State (177 in 1988), Oregon (245 in 1978), Texas Tech (186 in 1976) and LSU (227 in 1971) join the '98 effort against CSU ahead of this CU defensive performance. CU improved to **75-39-5** in season openers, and have won 22 of its last 23 when scoring first ... Colorado leads the series by a 59-19-2 count, including 16-5 since it was resumed in 1983 after a 25-year dormancy.

GAME #2—COLORADO 31, EASTERN WASHINGTON 24

(September 6; Boulder)

BOULDER — Cha’pelle Brown’s 27-yard interception return for a touchdown with 1:44 remaining completed a 14-point rally as Colorado defeated Eastern Washington, 31-24. It marked the first time since 2005 that the Buffaloes won the first two games of the season.

Despite being a Football Championship Subdivision (FCS, formerly Division I-AA) team, Eastern Washington gave CU all it could handle and more. EWU came in ranked seventh in its division and had battled Texas Tech tough the previous Saturday. Colorado’s only lead of the game came after Brown’s down the stretch heroics.

Trailing 21-7 at halftime, Colorado cut the margin in half with 5:23 left in the third quarter. After both teams traded two possessions without scoring, and CU without earning a single first down, Josh Smith returned a punt to the Eastern Washington 4-yard line to set the Buffs up royally. Three plays later, Cody Hawkins completed a 1-yard touchdown pass to Ryan Deehan and Aric Goodman’s PAT sliced the deficit to 21-14.

Colorado put together an 11-play drive at the end of the quarter and the start of the fourth, but things stalled at the EWU 15; Goodman nailed a 32-yard field goal to pull the Buffs to within three with 13:46 to play.

Things looked bright for CU after its defense held the Eagles to a three-and-out, with the Buffs taking over at their own 40. Five plays later they ahd a first down at the EWU 29, but a rushing loss and three straight incomplete passes ended the threat with 8:38 on the clock.

EWU mustered its only scoring drive of the half on its next possession, which produced a 52-yard field goal by Felipe Macias. But it took 11 plays and chewed up 4:46 off the clock, leaving just 3:52 remaining in regulation.

A short kickoff played into CU’s hands, and Hawkins completed all four of his pass attempts on what amounted to a 57-yard drive, the last of which covered two yards to fullback Jake Behrens. A 36-yard pass to Patrick Williams put the Buffs in business at the Eagle 8-yardline. Goodman’s clutch PAT kick was good and the teams appeared headed to overtime.

But EWU quarterback Matt Nichols saw his second down pass swiped by Brown, who became the first defensive player in school history to score the winning points of a game when he raced untouched into the end zone.

Brown’s feat matched that of Eagle linebacker J.C. Sherritt, who picked off a Hawkins pass midway in the second quarter and raced 48 yards for a touchdown, giving UNT its large lead of the day. That came on the heels of a Toke Kefu 1-yard run that capped a six-play, 27 yard drive which was the result of a Smith fumbled punt in CU territory.

Brynsen Brown’s 43-yard catch and run opened the scoring, the big receiver draggig Cu’s Jalil Brown the last 15 yards into the endzine. The Buffs tied it at 7-7 when Hawkins completed a 9-yard dpass to Smith to cap a 12-play, 65-yard effort.

CU had the slightest of egdes in total offense (351-350) and forced Eastern Washington into three turnovers.

Eastern Washington.	7	14	0	3	—	24
COLORADO	0	7	7	17	—	31

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Eastern Washington — Brown 43 pass from Nichols (Macias kick)	0- 7	10:22	1Q
COLORADO — Jo. Smith 9 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	7- 7	14:01	2Q
Eastern Washington — Kefu 1 run (Macias kick)	7-14	10:23	2Q
Eastern Washington — Sherritt 48 interception return (Macias kick)	7-21	7:29	2Q
COLORADO — Deehan 1 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	14-21	5:30	3Q
COLORADO — Goodman 32 FG	17-21	13:46	4Q
Eastern Washington — Macias 32 FG	17-24	3:52	4Q
COLORADO — J.Behrens 2 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	24-24	2:05	4Q
COLORADO — C. Brown 27 interception return (Goodman kick)	31-24	1:44	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	E. WASH.
First Downs	17	18
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	8-17 (1-2)	11-19 (0-0)
Rushes—Net Yards	33-90	22-47
Passing Yards	261	303
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	39-28-1	51-32-2
Total Offense	351	350
Return Yards	135	48
Punts: No-Average	4-44.5	6-43.5
Fumbles: No-Lost	4-1	1-1
Penalties/Yards	10/70	7/69
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	2-8	2-9
Time of Possession	30:40	29:20
Drives/Average Field Position	12/C37	13/EW25
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	4-5 (24)	1-1 (7)

Attendance: 46,417 Time: 3:07
 Weather: 63 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 5 mph winds from the east

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Scott 13-39, Stewart 9-38, Hawkins 5-12, Jo.Smith 3-7, Sumler 2-0, Team 1-minus 6. **Eastern Washington:** Morris 14-36, Nichols 6-11, Kefu 1-1, Team 1-minus 1.
Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 38-28-1, 261, 3 td; Team 1-0-0, 0. **Eastern Washington:** Nichols 51-32-2, 303, 1 td..
Receiving—Colorado: McKnight 6-90, Williams 4-54, Jo.Smith 4-29, Celestine 4-11, Scott 3-33, Stewart 2-19, Deehan 2-8, Devenny 1-8, Cantrell 1-7, J.Behrens 1-2.
Eastern Washington: Davis 9-73, Brown 6-90, Boyce 6-42, Overbay 5-48, Jimerson 3-23, Gant 1-24, Morris 1-3, Hart 1-0.
Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 4-44.5 (49 long, 1 In20). **Eastern Washington:** Brayton 6-43.5 (53 long, 1 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 4-108. **Eastern Washington:** none.
Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 1-40, Sumler 2-22, Scott 2-15. **Eastern Washington:** Ramos 2-35, Hart 1-18, Jimerson 1-17.
Interceptions—Colorado: C.Brown 1-27, Dykes 1-0. **Eastern Washington:** Sherritt 1-48.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: J.Brown 10,0—10; Mohler 6,3—9; Walters 4,5—9; Smart 5,3—8; C.Brown 4,4—8; McKay 5,1—6; Dykes 4,1—5; Hypolite 2,2—4; Jones 3,0—3. **Eastern Washington:** Kelley 7,4—11; Hatch 7,3—10; Wilkins 8,0—8; Z.Johnson 8,0—8; M.Johnson 6,1—7; Borden 5,2—7.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Jones 1-8. **Eastern Washington:** Belford 2-9.
Passes Broken Up—Colorado: J.Brown 2, Jones, Stengel, Walters. **Eastern Washington:** Hosley 2.

GAME NOTES

Colorado won its first two games for the first time since 2005 and for the fourth time this decade (2003-04-05-08) ... The Buffs are now 1-1 all-time against FCS/I-AA teams ... Colorado last scored 30 or more points its first two games of the season in 2005 (31-28 win over Colorado State, 39-0 over New Mexico); that was the first time since 1996 ... **Ralphie V** made her regular season debut ... **TB Rodney Stewart** became just the fourth true freshman to start a game at running back this decade, joining **Brian Lockridge** (2007), **Brian Calhoun** (2002) and **Marcus Houston** (2000) ... Only three players saw their first career action today (as compared to 19 last week), as **OG Matt Bahr** was in on the FG/PAT unit in the first half, **CB Jonathan Hawkins** appeared on defense in the third quarter and ILB Bryan Stengel made his debut in the fourth quarter ... Cha’pelle Brown’s third career interception was the game winner, returning the pick 27 yards for a touchdown with 1:44 remaining. It was CU’s **43rd** over the last 10 seasons, the seventh most return TDs in the country ... **TE Ryan Deehan’s** 1-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter made some history: he became the first true CU freshman tight end to record a TD receiving in 25 years. You have to go back to Oct. 8, 1983, when **Jon Embree** caught a 4-yard pass for a score against Missouri for the last time a true freshman TE found the end zone.

GAME #3—COLORADO 17, WEST VIRGINIA 14 (OT)

(September 18; Boulder)

BOULDER — Aric Goodman's 25-yard field goal in overtime, after his West Virginia counterpart missed from two yards closer, catapulted the Colorado Buffaloes to a 17-14 win over the No. 21 Mountaineers, the school's first 3-0 start since 2004.

Colorado won the overtime coin toss and elected to play defense. After allowing WVU one first down, linebacker Jeff Smart stopped Jock Sanders for a two yard loss on a 3rd-and-1 at the Buff 4. Pat McAfee then came on to try a 23-yard field goal from the left hash, with his kick hitting the left upright and bounding away.

CU then had its overtime possession, earned a quick first down after a Rodney Stewart nine-yard run and a Darrell Scott 1-yard plunge. Scott carried again for two more and then Stewart drove it to the seven, where CU coach Dan Hawkins went for the game winner on third down.

Stewart, Colorado's diminutive freshman (5-6, 170) showed size is overrated as he torched the Mountaineers for 166 yards and nine first downs in the game. It was the third most yards ever in a game by a CU freshman.

Colorado scored its fastest pair of touchdowns at the outset of a game in seven seasons to take an early 14-0 lead. Cody Hawkins polished off a nine-play, 83-yard drive with a 38-yard dart to a streaking Josh Smith in the end zone. Then, on West Virginia's third play of the game, defensive tackle Brandon Nicolas tackled Brandon Starks for a seven-yard loss on a swing pass, forcing a fumble teammate Maurice Lucas recovered at the WVU 28.

Five plays later, Hawkins hit Patrick Devenny on third in the back of the end zone for a 13-yard touchdown play.

But the Mountaineers were hardly out of it. Mark Rodgers returned the ensuing kickoff 36 yards to the WVU 42, where it took quarter Pat White just five plays to cut the CU lead in half. White rushed over the left side and scampered 44 yards to the Buff 8, where two plays later he took it in from six yards out. Three seconds shy of being halfway into the first quarter, the game had the appearance of being an offensive shootout with 21 points already on the board.

Things settled down from there. The Buffs drove into Mountaineer territory just twice in their next eight possessions, derailing themselves with two second quarter turnovers on the two drives it did cross the 50. West Virginia, however, was not able to capitalize on either turnover and the score remained 14-7 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Colorado could not get untracked offensively, while West Virginia showed signs, albeit briefly, of taking command of the game. On its second possession of the half, WVU went for it on a 4th-&-1 at the CU 19 but Nicolas and George Hypolite came up big, stopping White in his tracks.

However, on the next series, White broke free for a 39-yard touchdown run, capping a quick four play, 68-yard drive that tied the game at 14-all with 4:49 left in the quarter.

Neither team really threatened until the overtime, though WVU drove to midfield in the final minute but never got into field goal range.

White (19 carries, 148 yards) and Noel Devine (26-133) became the first pair of backs on the same team to rush for 100 or more yards in the same game against CU for the first time since 2002.

West Virginia	7	0	7	0	0	—	14
COLORADO	14	0	0	0	3	—	17

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Jo. Smith 38 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	7- 0	12:14	1Q
COLORADO — Devenny 13 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	14- 0	10:10	1Q
West Virginia — White 6 run (McAfee kick)	14- 7	7:33	1Q
West Virginia — White 39 run (McAfee kick)	14-14	4:49	3Q
COLORADO — Goodman 25 FG	17-14	.....	OT1

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	WEST VIRGINIA
First Downs	24	16
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	6-15 (1-2)	3-13 (0-2)
Rushes—Net Yards	45-187	52-311
Passing Yards	179	43
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	33-22-1	15-10-0
Total Offense	366	354
Return Yards	15	75
Punts: No-Average	7-47.6	7-44.3
Fumbles: No-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties/Yards	7/55	7/91
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	1-0	2-18
Time of Possession	30:39	29:21
Drives/Average Field Position	13/C28	13/WV31
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	2-3 (10)	1-2 (7)

Attendance: 51,883 Time: 3:23
 Weather: 67 degrees, cloudy skies, 18-32 mph winds from the west

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Stewart 28-166, Scott 10-35, Crawford 1-2, Sumler 1-2, Jo.Smith 1-minus 6, Hawkins 3-minus 12, Team 1-0. **West Virginia:** White 19-148, Devine 26-133, Sanders 7-30.
Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 33-22-1, 179, 2 td. **West Virginia:** White 14-10-0, 43; Starks 1-0-0, 0.
Receiving—Colorado: Jo.Smith 5-75, McKnight 4-21, Devenny 3-26, Stewart 3-16, Crawford 2-23, Scott 1-15, Cantrell 1-4, J/Behrens 1-1, Williams 1-1, Sumler 1-minus 3.
West Virginia: Devine 3-11, Jalloh 2-20, Gonzales 1-11, Arnett 1-5, Johnson 1-3, Sanders 1-0, Starks 1-minus 7.
Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 7-47.6 (54 long, 2 In20). **West Virginia:** McAfee 7-44.3 (53 long, 4 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 4-15. **West Virginia:** Lankster 3-64.
Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 3-69. **West Virginia:** Rodgers 1-36.
Interceptions—Colorado: none. **West Virginia:** Williams 1-11.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: C.Brown 8,7—15; Smart 8,4—12; Walters 7,4—11; Perkins 5,6—11; Jones 5,5—10; Mohler 5,2—7; Lucas 5,0—5; Sipili 5,0—5. **West Virginia:** Andrews 9,6—15; Lankster 8,3—11; Ivy 7,4—11; Glover 5,5—10; Goulbourne 6,0—6; Hogan 5,1—6; Williams 5,1—6; Berry 3,1—4.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: C.Brown 1-0. **West Virginia:** Berry 1-10, Holmes 1-8.
Passes Broken Up—Colorado: C.Brown, Smart, Walters. **West Virginia:** Lankster 2, Miller, Williams.

GAME NOTES

Colorado's two touchdowns in the first 4:50 of the game were the fastest pair by the Buffs since Nov. 23, 2001 when the Buffs went up 14-0 on Nebraska just 3:13 into the game (CU of course went on to a 62-36 win); CU had not scored in the first quarter (six possessions) prior ... CU improved 8-9 in games under Dan Hawkins when scoring first ... Even though WVU completed 10-of-15 passes, the 43 yards was a decade opponent low, since Nov. 13, 1999 at Baylor, when CU limited the Bears to 40 passing yards on 4-of-21 throws; it was the lowest total by a ranked opponent in 20 years (No. 7 Nebraska completed 2-of-9 passes for 18 yards in a 7-0 win on Nov. 12, 1988) ... This was Colorado's 42nd win over a ranked team dating back to 1989, the eighth most in the nation during this time frame ... The game featured the first notable significant winds (18-32 mph) in a game in Boulder since 2006, when winds gusted from 12-24 miles per hour on Sept. 21 vs. Arizona State (and those were the first since November 1995 against Missouri) ... CU allowed its first second half touchdown in 2008, but clamped down otherwise; through three games, the Buffs had allowed just 13 points in the second half all season ... **QB Cody Hawkins** improved his ratio of touchdowns to interceptions in the red zone to 20-to-1 ... The Buffaloes improved to 5-4 in overtime games, having faced eight different teams (Missouri twice).

GAME #4—FLORIDA STATE 39, COLORADO 21

(September 27; Jacksonville)

JACKSONVILLE — Antone Smith rushed for 154 yards and three touchdowns and Colorado couldn't capitalize on several early opportunities as Florida State methodically pulled away from the Buffaloes in a 39-21 in the River City Showdown.

Colorado returned to this northeastern Florida city for the first time since the 1972 Gator Bowl, and unfortunately for the Buffaloes, the result was about the same as that December day's 24-3 loss to Auburn. In both instances, CU may very well have been the better team but left the field wondering what could have been.

The key stretch of the game proved to be from inside the three minute mark of the first half to late in the third quarter, when the Seminoles broke open a 7-7 game with 18 unanswered points to take an insurmountable 25-7 lead.

Smith broke free around the left end, took advantage of an apparent clip, raced untouched 60 yards to the end zone for a touchdown that gave FSU the lead for good. On the ensuing kickoff, CU's Josh Smith couldn't control immediately control the ball and once he did was tackled at the 3. The Buffs couldn't get out of the hole, and Matt DiLallo's punt was blocked out of the end zone by Dekoda Watson for safety. A long return of the free kick set up a late Seminole field goal, and when the smoke cleared, the deadlocked game turned into a 12-point FSU lead in just under two minutes.

Florida State added two more field goals, the lone scoring in the third quarter, and took an 18-point lead into the final stanza. But Colorado wasn't dead just yet, driving 80 yards in eight plays in just under three minutes, with Cody Hawkins' 2-yard touchdown pass to Riar Geer and slicing the lead to 25-14. Down by 11 with 13:32 to play, the Buffaloes had a chance.

That chance all but disappeared on the next play. Michael Ray Garvin, a sprinter on FSU's track team, gathered in the kickoff at the FSU 6, split all defenders headed toward him and in a flash returned the ball 94 yards for a touchdown. FSU was back up by 32-14, but the runback had taken only 12 seconds off the clock.

Now in rhythm, Hawkins again directed the Buffs on a long drive, this one eating up 78 yards in 11 plays. It culminated in a 14-yard pass from Hawkins to Patrick Devenny, and with 9:31 to go, CU was down just 32-21.

FSU ended any hopes of a miracle Buff comeback by chewing up almost six minutes on its next possession, marching 67 yards in 10 plays with Smith scoring for a third time to account for the final score.

Florida State got on the board three minutes into the game, capitalizing on an Eric Brown sack of Hawkins which also forced a fumble. After the FSU recovery, it took just four plays before Smith punched it in from the 2.

CU answered that initial score with an 80-yard drive, capped by a 30-yard touchdown pass from Hawkins to Smith. Over the next several possessions, the Buffs had additional chances, missing open receivers, not hitting the right hole or capitalizing after two FSU turnovers that could have produced at least a two touchdown lead.

Freshman tailback Rodney Stewart was CU's offensive star for the second straight game, rushing for 107 yards, while Smith caught seven passes for 85 yards. In the end, it wasn't enough as CU fell to 3-1 on the year, the same mark FSU would improve to.

COLORADO	7	0	0	14	-	21
Florida State	7	12	6	14	-	39

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Florida State — Smith 2 run (Gano kick)	0- 7	12:01	1Q
COLORADO — Jo. Smith 30 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	7- 7	7:27	1Q
Florida State — Smith 60 run (Gano kick)	7-14	2:29	2Q
Florida State — Safety, punt blocked out of end zone	7-16	1:54	2Q
Florida State — Gano 36 FG	7-19	0:34	2Q
Florida State — Gano 52 FG	7-22	11:56	3Q
Florida State — Gano 44 FG	7-25	1:33	3Q
COLORADO — Geer 2 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	14-25	13:32	4Q
Florida State — Garvin 94 kickoff return (Gano kick)	14-32	13:20	4Q
COLORADO — Devenny 14 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	21-32	9:31	4Q
COLORADO — Smith 2 run (Gano kick)	21-39	3:37	4Q

Attendance: 46,716 Time: 3:39

Weather: 85 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 31% humidity, 8 mph winds from the southwest

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	FLORIDA ST.
First Downs	22	21
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	4-15 (1-3)	4-12 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards	37-124	46-259
Passing Yards	154	119
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	36-17-1	22-10-1
Total Offense	278	378
Return Yards	25	3
Punts: No-Average	5-29.2	4-37.8
Fumbles: No-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties/Yards	5/24	12/110
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	0-0	4-33
Time of Possession.....	26:24	33:36
Drives/Average Field Position	13/C33	13/FS36
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	2-3 (14)	4-4 (20)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Stewart 21-107, Sumler 4-22, Scott 5-20, Moyd 1-5, Hawkins 6-minus 30. **Florida State:** Smith 25-154, Ponder 8-43, Thomas 9-37, Parker 3-20, Reed 1-5.

Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 36-17-1, 154, 3 td. **Florida State:** Ponder 22-10-1, 119, 0 td.

Receiving—Colorado: Jo. Smith 7-85, Geer 2-21, Williams 2-16, Devenny 1-14, Crawford 1-7, Sumler 1-7, J.Behrens 1-2, Stewart 1-2, McKnight 1-0. **Florida State:** Piurowski 3-33, Carr 3-29, Easterling 1-24, Fortston 1-17, Smith 1-10, Thomas 1-6.

Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 4-36.5 (39 long, 3 In20, 1 blk), Team 1-0. **Florida State:** Powell 4-37.8 (43 long, 1 In20).

Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo. Smith 2-15. **Florida State:** Watson 1-3.

Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo. Smith 4-54, Sumler 2-11, Sipili 1-8. **Florida State:** Garvin 2-119, Reed 1-41, Robinson 1-39.

Interceptions—Colorado: Cunningham 1-10. **Florida State:** J.Robinson 1-0.

Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Walters 6,2—8; C.Brown 5,2—7; Dykes 3,4—7; Mohler 6,0—6; Smart 4,2—6; Perkins 2,3—5; Lucas 4,0—4; Jones 3,1—4; McKay 2,2—4. **Florida State:** Watson 7,3—10; Nicholson 6,2—8; Rolfe 5,3—8; Bradham 4,1—5; Mangum 4,0—4, Brown 3,0—3.

Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: none. **Florida State:** McNeil 1-9, Mincey 1-9, Moffett 1-8, Brown 1-7.

Passes Broken Up—Colorado: C.Brown, Cunningham, Smart. **Florida State:** Garvin, Ingram, Jenije.

GAME NOTES

Colorado wore all white uniforms for the first time in three seasons (almost three years to the day), last doing so Sept. 25, 2005 in a 23-3 loss down the road at the Orange Bowl to Miami, Fla. ... One of CU's four members of the College Football Hall of Fame, **Dick Anderson**, made the drive up north from his residence in Miami to attend the game ... For the third straight game, CU's first score was a touchdown pass from **Cody Hawkins** to **Josh Smith** ... **TE Riar Geer** caught his first passes of the year after missing the first two games due to knee surgery and being shutout last week against West Virginia ... Garvin's kickoff return touchdown was the second this season against the Buffs, the first time that has occurred against the Buffs since 1980 ... Colorado fell to 4-9 all-time in the state of Florida ... Junior **ILB Shaun Mohler** made his first career start ... Freshman **DT Curtis Cunningham** played 21 snaps in CU's first three games, slowly being groomed to replace one of CU's two seniors next year; he had not registered a tackle or any other stats until his second quarter PBU/interception ... **TB Rodney Stewart** ran for 100 yards (21-107) in a second straight game, the sixth frosh to have at least two in a season (and the fourth two do it in back-to-back games).

GAME #5—TEXAS 38, COLORADO 14

(October 4;Boulder)

BOULDER — Chris Ogbonnaya wasn't listed on the Texas depth chart prior to the game. But the senior tailback likely made it after amassing 187 all-purpose yards and scoring two touchdowns, along with preventing one by Colorado, to lead the No. 5 Longhorns to a 38-14 win over the Buffaloes in CU's annual homecoming game.

Colorado knew it was important to get off to a good start, and elected to receive when it won the coin toss. But the Buffs went three plays and out on the drive, but their defense responded and seemed to have Texas hemmed in on a third-and-six from its own 35. Colt McCoy was flushed out of the pocket and spotted Ogbonnaya to his left and got the ball off just in time before he crossed the line of scrimmage. With the CU defense caught in over-pursuit, Ogbonnaya turned on the jets and raced 65 yards for the game's first score and a lead Texas would never relinquish.

The Buffs countered with three first downs on the next possession before stalling at the UT 18, where Eric Goodman missed the first of what would be three field goals in the first half. The Longhorns drove 80 yards in 10 plays after the miss, the final three plays gobbling up 55 yards after a first down sack by Brad Jones had UT staring at a second and 17. McCoy hit Ogbonnaya for a 23-yard gain, and then Brandon Shipley for back-to-back 16 yard pickups, the latter for a touchdown.

The breaking point for the Buffs came in the second quarter as the Buffs stiffened on defense, though Goodman missed two more field goal tries that would have cut into the Texas lead. The Longhorns then used a late eight play, 66-yard march in the period capped by a 13-yard run by Ogbonnaya to take a 21-0 halftime lead.

Texas tried to put the game away on the opening possession of the second half, but a 12-play drive ended with a Maurice Lucas sack and a 5-yard loss on a screen play sniffed out by Shaun Mohler. CU took over at its 14, and Rodney Stewart had a solid 6-yard run on CU's first play; but there was a miscommunication on the handoff between Cody Hawkins and Stewart and the ball wound up on the turf with Texas recovering at the Buff 18.

From there, Texas took just four plays to score, capped by a 1-yard Cody Johnson run.

The Buffs got on the board two series later, capitalizing on a Cha'pelle Brown interception at the Texas 27. Faced with a fourth-and-10, Hawkins hit Josh Smith with a bullet pass for a 17-yard gain to the 10. Two plays later, Hawkins found Jake Behrens for a 7-yard touchdown play. Texas answered immediately with a 71-yard drive in four plays, most of the yards picked up on a first down 51-yard run by Ogbonnaya.

CU's second touchdown came in a second-team versus second-team situation, with Matt Ballenger throwing a 28-yard strike to a streaking Patrick Williams along the right sideline. It was the first game action for CU's backup quarterback.

Texas had decided advantages in first downs (25-15), rushing yards (169-49), total offense (431-266) and time of possession (36:57). Ogbonnaya led Texas in rushing with 71 yards and also caught six passes for 116 more.

It was the fourth straight win by Texas in the series.

Texas.....	14	7	14	3	—	38
COLORADO	0	0	7	7	—	14

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Texas — Ogbonnaya 65 pass from McCoy (Lawrence kick)	0-7	13:17	1Q
Texas — Shipley 16 pass from McCoy (Lawrence kick)	0-14	4:44	1Q
Texas — Ogbonnaya 13 run (Lawrence kick)	0-21	1:04	2Q
Texas — Johnson 1 run (Lawrence kick)	0-28	7:12	3Q
COLORADO — J.Behrens 7 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	7-28	3:58	3Q
Texas — Johnson 4 run (Lawrence kick)	7-35	2:15	3Q
Texas — Lawrence 46 FG	7-38	10:35	4Q
COLORADO — Williams 28 pass from Ballenger (Goodman kick)	14-38	1:54	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	TEXAS
First Downs.....	15	25
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	7-17 (1-1)	9-16 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards	28-49	46-169
Passing Yards	217	262
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	38-17-0	30-23-2
Total Offense	266	431
Return Yards	66	0
Punts: No-Average	6-39.3	4-38.8
Fumbles: No-Lost	3-2	1-0
Penalties/Yards	3/27	2/20
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	4-35	3-25
Time of Possession.....	23:03	36:57
Drives/Average Field Position	13/C33	14/T33
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	1-3 (7)	4-4 (28)

Attendance: 53,927 Time: 3:24
Weather: 65 degrees, cloudy skies, 40% humidity, 4 mph winds from the south

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Stewart 12-27, Moyd 3-25, Ballenger 2-8, Sumler 5-7, Scott 2-4, Hawkins 4-minus 22. **Texas:** Ogbonnaya 9-71, McCoy 11-39, McGee 6-30, Johnson 11-27, Hills 3-11, Chiles 3-minus 7, Team 1-minus 2.

Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 33-13-0, 118, 1 td; Ballenger 4-3-0, 61, 1 td; McKnight 1-1-0, 38. **Texas:** McCoy 30-23-2, 262, 2 td.

Receiving—Colorado: Williams 4-50, Scott 2-45, Deehan 2-31, Sumler 2-29, McKnight 2-8, Jo.Smith 1-17, Crawford 1-14, Geer 1-8, Devenny 1-8, J.Behrens 1-7. **Texas:** Cosby 9-71, Ogbonnaya 6-116, Shipley 4-47, Buckner 1-10, McGee 1-9, Ullman 1-6, Collins 1-3.

Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 5-37.8 (47 long, 1 In20), Suazo 1-47.0. **Texas:** Gold 3-39.0 (49 long, 2 In20), Gerland 1-38.0 (1 In20).

Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 2-9. **Texas:** none.

Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 4-112. **Texas:** Shipley 1-28.

Interceptions—Colorado: J.Brown 1-57, C.Brown 1-0. **Texas:** none.

Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Smart 6,7—13; Mohler 6,3—9; Jones 3,4—7; Ji.Smith 6,0—6; Walters 6,0—6; Lucas 4,2—6; Perkins 2,4—6; Dykes 4,1—5; McKay 4,1—5; Hypolite 1,4—5; C.Brown 4,0—4; J.Brown 4,0—4. **Texas:** Muckelroy 7,3—10; Miller 3,5—8; Beasley 4,0—4; Gideon 3,1—4; Kindie 3,1—4; Melton 2,2—4; Norton 1,3—4; Williams 3,0—3.

Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Herrod 1-15, Jones 1-7, Lucas 1-7, Hypolite 1-6. **Texas:** Palmer 1-14, Kindie ½-4, Norton ½-4, Lewis ½-2, Alexander ½-1.

Passes Broken Up—Colorado: C.Brown, J. Brown. **Texas:** Miller 2, Brown, Houston, Melton, Muckelroy, Norton, Thomas.

GAME NOTES

The sellout crowd of **53,927** was the first at Folsom Field since the 2005 finale against Nebraska and was CU's first sellout for homecoming since 2003 (when No. 1 Oklahoma was the opponent) ... Despite being down 21-0, Colorado ran the same number of plays as Texas did in plus territory in the first half (12); the Longhorns gained 82 yards and scored twice, while CU totaled only 13 yards ... **QB Cody Hawkins'** third quarter fumble was the CU's first second half turnover this season; the first eight were all committed in the first half, seven in the second quarter ... Hawkins moved into the school's top 10 all-time in total offense (ninth, 3,573) passing fellow signal callers Craig Ochs and Steve Vogel ... **FB Jake Behrens** caught his third TD pass of his career, a 7-yard effort that was more than twice the distance of his first two (1, 2) ... **OT Matt Bahr** made his first career start, as he moved into the right tackle spot for an injured **Ryan Miller**, who is out for the year with a fractured fibula. **TE Ryan Deehan** made his first career start as CU opened in a two tight end formation ... **QB Matt Ballenger** threw a touchdown pass in his first career appearance, and in doing so, became the first non-starting QB at Colorado to have one in game since 2004, when James Cox had one in a 19-14 win over Iowa State ... The Buffs had two interceptions of Texas **QB Colt McCoy** (in 30 attempts); he had thrown just one in 100 tries coming into the game.

GAME #6—KANSAS 30, COLORADO 14 (October 11; Lawrence)

LAWRENCE — Jake Sharp rushed for three touchdowns, including two in the fourth quarter that clinched the game for Kansas, as the No. 15 Jayhawks took advantage of missed Colorado opportunities to post a 30-14 win.

The last two games in the series were defensive battles, and this one started out no different. Each offense scored just once in the first half, with Colorado getting on the scoreboard first on an 11-yard touchdown pass from Cody Hawkins to Cody Crawford. That score came with 3:15 left in the first quarter and one series after an apparent completion from Hawkins to Crawford at the KU 4 was ripped out of Crawford's hands by Kendrick Harper and ruled an interception.

KU missed a field goal on its next possession, but tied the game the next time it had the ball midway in the second quarter with the Jayhawks cranking things up a notch. The seven play, 76-yard drive featured four plays of 10 yards or more, including a 27-yard pass from Todd Reesing to Dexton Fields to the CU 4, where Sharp ran it in two plays later from the 1.

Kansas seized the lead on the next series — Colorado's — as on a 3rd-and-11 from the Buff 16, Hawkins was flushed from the pocket and veered to his left in the end zone, where Jake Laptad sacked him for a safety. The 'Hawks went ahead 9-7, which is what the score remained until late in the third quarter.

Colorado's defense stifled KU after the free kick, and then the offense drove from its 20 to the KU 27 in 11 plays, seemingly in position to take a halftime lead or at minimum, tie

the game with a field goal. But on a 3rd-and-7 from the KU 27, Darrell Stuckey picked off a Hawkins pass on the east sideline to end the threat.

CU earned a first down on each of its first two second half drives, sandwiched around a three-and-out by the Kansas offense. The Jayhawks then proceeded to play like the 15th ranked team in the nation, scoring touchdowns on their next three possessions. The first, a 5-yard pass from Reesing to Dezmon Briscoe, capped a 12-play, 78-yard drive and rallied the Jayhawks from a 1st-and-goal from the CU 21 after a KU personal foul.

The Buffs countered the first score, largely in part to Josh Smith. He returned the kickoff 59 yards to the Kansas 41, and then hauled in a 38-yard pass on third down to the 1, where Hawkins scored on a quarterback sneak. It pulled CU to within 16-14 entering the fourth quarter.

Reesing hit clutch passes while avoiding CU's rush to Briscoe (15 yards) and Kerry Meier (18), the latter to the CU 8, where Sharp took it in for the score and a 23-14 KU lead. The Buffs went three-and-out, and Sharp's 7-yard run on KU's next possession sealed the game for the Jayhawks.

Kansas outgained the Buffaloes, 407-233, with advantages of 151-86 on the ground and 256-147 through the air. But other than a 22-16 edge in first downs and the only two turnovers in the game committed by CU (which prevented points but not leading to any), the game stats were right around even.

Shaun Mohler had a career high 14 tackles, with Ryan Walters adding 13 to lead CU.

COLORADO	7	0	7	0	—	14
Kansas	0	9	7	14	—	30

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Crawford 11 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	7- 0	3:15	1Q
Kansas — Sharp 1 run (Branstetter kick)	7- 7	8:56	2Q
Kansas — Safety, Laptad tackled Hawkins in end zone	7- 9	8:07	2Q
Kansas — Briscoe 5 pass from Reesing (Branstetter kick)	7-16	1:30	3Q
COLORADO — Hawkins 1 run (Goodman kick)	14-16	0:06	3Q
Kansas — Sharp 8 run (Branstetter kick)	14-23	13:07	4Q
Kansas — Sharp 7 run (Branstetter kick)	14-30	10:29	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	KANSAS
First Downs	16	22
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	6-15 (0-0)	6-15 (0-0)
Rushes—Net Yards	36-86	40-151
Passing Yards	147	256
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	31-13-2	34-27-0
Total Offense	233	407
Return Yards	33	35
Punts: No-Average	7-45.6	8-43.4
Fumbles: No-Lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties/Yards	2/30	4/35
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	1-3	5-36
Time of Possession	28:01	31:59
Drives/Average Field Position	14/C34	13/K21
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	2-3 (14)	4-4 (28)

Attendance: 49,566 Time: 3:03
Weather: 71 degrees, clear skies, 10 mph winds from the southeast

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Stewart 18-77, Hawkins 6-13, Sumler 4-5, Scott 1-4, Williams 2-2, Ballenger 5-minus 15. **Kansas:** Sharp 31-118, Reesing 8-33, Wilson 1-0.
Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 22-8-2, 90, 1 td; Ballenger 8-5-0, 57; Team 1-0-0, 0. **Kansas:** Reesing 34-27-0, 256, 1 td.
Receiving—Colorado: Crawford 4-33, McKnight 3-30, Devenny 2-24, Jo.Smith 1-38, Sumler 1-11, Stewart 1-6, Williams 1-5. **Kansas:** Meier 9-94, Briscoe 5-53, Fields 5-49, Sharp 3-8, Biere 2-26, Wilson 1-14, Steward 1-6, Quigley 1-6.
Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 7-45.6 (64 long, 2 In20). **Kansas:** Rojas 8-43.4 (77 long, 1 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 3-38, Crawford 1-0, Espinoza 1-minus 5. **Kansas:** Fields 2-35, Patterson 1-0.
Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 4-122, Sumler 1-10. **Kansas:** Herford 2-26, Brorsen 1-0.
Interceptions—Colorado: none. **Kansas:** Harper 1-0, Stuckey 1-0.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Mohler 11,3—14; Walters 9,4—13; C.Brown 7,2—9; Smart 5,3—8; J.Brown 4,4—8; Dykes 4,3—7; Jones 4,3—7; Nicolas 4,1—5; J.Smith 4,0—4; Stengel 3,0—3. **Kansas:** Holt 5,5—10; Wright 2,6-8; Stuckey 3,4—7; Rivera 3,3—6; Harper 3,2—5; Mortensen 3,2—5; Thornton 1,4—5.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Nicolas 1-3. **Kansas:** Laptad 1 ½-19, Resby 1-15, Springer ½-2, Greene 1-0, Parrish 1-0.
Passes Broken Up—Colorado: Beatty, Cunningham, Nicolas. **Kansas:** Harper 3, Stuckey.

GAME NOTES

This was CU's first game on artificial turf in 2008 ... This was also CSU's seventh straight loss against its "I-70" brethren, the other three Big 12 North schools within a stone's throw if not closer of Interstate 70 ... Kansas came in ranked fourth in the nation in third down conversions (56.4%), and while finishing 6-of-15 overall, the Buffs stopped the Jayhawks seven of their first eight tries ... Colorado had just two penalties, its fewest since having zero against Texas Tech in 2006 ... Overall, it was the 10th straight road loss versus ranked foes (does not include neutral sites); CU's last win over a ranked team in its own stadium was on Sept. 21, 2002 when the Buffs beat UCLA 31-17 at the Rose Bowl ... Redshirt frosh **WR Jason Espinoza** saw his first career action when he dropped back to field a punt in the second quarter; Espinoza, who shined during spring ball returning kicks, was sidelined the first six weeks of the season after suffering a broken collarbone early in fall camp ... **QB Cody Hawkins** was picked off for just the second time in the red zone in his career, but also had a TD, giving him a 24-to-2 ratio inside-the-20 in 18 career games ... **WR Josh Smith** had 198 all-purpose yards, which vaulted him over 1,000 for the season (1,016); he became the 10th CU player this decade to record at least a grand for a season. He had three plays of 30 yards or more, upping his season total to 10 ... WR Cody Crawford caught CU's first four passes, including his first career touchdown reception in the first quarter that got the Buffaloes on the scoreboard.

GAME #7—COLORADO 14, KANSAS STATE 13

(October 18; Boulder)

BOULDER — The odds makers missed this one by a mile. Forecasting a shootout, they set the over/under for the game at 63½, but when all was said and done, it might have been the defensive game of the year in the conference as Colorado defeated Kansas State, 14-13, before a near sellout on Parent's Weekend.

The Buff defense shined, twice holding K-State to field goals instead of touchdowns in the first half, taking things up a notch when the Wildcats would reach midfield, and after an early second half score cut CU's lead to a single point, proceeded to hold a very potent KSU offense at bay for almost 26 minutes, the longest asked of any Division I defense to hang on in the 2008 season.

One of the nation's leaders in third down conversions, KSU made good on its first two, including a 3rd-&-10, to drive to the Colorado 19. But on 3rd-&-5, an apparent catch, fumble and CU recovery was correctly ruled an incomplete pass by the replay booth, and Brooks Rossman came on to kick a 37-yard field goal for a 3-0 K-State lead.

On its first possession, CU picked up huge chunks of yardage on two runs by Rodney Stewart, the first for 18 and the second for 22; but on the later, he had the ball poked away from him with KSU's Joshua Moore recovering at the KSU 28. The Wildcats marched the Buff 36, with quarterback Josh Freeman scrambling for nine yards on a key 3rd-&-7, but the drive stalled and Rossman belted a 53-yarder to make it 6-0.

CU went three plays and out on offense, and KSU came back with another drive ending in a field goal try, but Rossman missed this time for 47 yards out. The fortunes would then change for Colorado. With the offense more or less stagnant for the better part of four games, the coaching staff took he redshirt off quarterback Tyler Hansen and augmented

the CU attack with his unique running abilities. Alternating with incumbent Cody Hawkins, sometimes every other snap but eventually by series, Hansen jumpstarted the Buff offense with runs of 13, 24 and 12, setting up a 4-yard touchdown run by Stewart. Aric Goodman's PAT made it 7-6, and CU was in the lead for good.

Two series' later, Hansen capped a 65-yard drive with a 21-yard touchdown strike to Scotty McKnight to put the Buffs up 14-6. Meanwhile, the Buff defense started taking charge. KSU had gone three-and-out on offense six times in as many games coming in, but CU would force that many this evening, including three straight in the second quarter.

KSU tied things up quickly on its first second half possession, using just three plays to go 46 yards with Freeman taking it in from 17 yards out. With 10:49 left in the third quarter, likely very few thought the night's scoring had been completed.

Research later revealed that no CU team had protected a 1- or 2-point lead in a game for as long as CU would in this one in some 72 years. KSU had five more possessions, driving three times into "shallow" CU territory, but was rebuffed each time. A "Hail Mary" pass on the game's final play was batted to the ground by Ryan Walters, who tied a school record in the game with two fumble recoveries.

Stewart ran for 141 yards, tying the school mark for the most 100-yard games by a freshman, while Hansen had 86 in his debut with 157 yards of total offense. But Hawkins' 22-yard pass on 3rd-&-15 with 3:45 left bought CU a valuable opportunity to run almost three more minutes off the clock.

Kansas State	6	0	7	0	-	13
COLORADO	0	14	0	0	-	14

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Kansas State — Rossman 37 FG	0- 3	12:05	1Q
Kansas State — Rossman 53 FG	0- 6	6:57	1Q
COLORADO — Stewart 4 run (Goodman kick)	7- 6	12:25	2Q
COLORADO — McKnight 21 pass from Hansen (Goodman kick)	14- 6	6:19	2Q
Kansas State — Freeman 17 run (Rossman kick)	14-13	10:49	3Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	KANSAS STATE
First Downs	24	15
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	7-17 (1-2)	3-15 (1-3)
Rushes—Net Yards	57-247	23-112
Passing Yards	106	237
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	25-13-1	41-20-0
Total Offense	353	349
Return Yards	33	35
Punts: No-Average	7-45.6	8-43.4
Fumbles: No-Lost	2-1	2-2
Penalties/Yards	6/54	9/84
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	1-10	2-7
Time of Possession.....	36:21	23:39
Drives/Average Field Position	13/C29	14/KS30
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	1-1 (7)	2-2 (10)

Attendance: 52,099 Time: 3:23
 Weather: 74 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 3 mph winds from the south

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Stewart 29-141, Hansen 19-86, Scott 6-11, Jo.Smith 2-9, Sumler 1-0. **Kansas State:** Dold 13-47, Freeman 7-42, Snipes 1-27, Team 2-minus 4.
Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 11-6-0, 35, 0 td; Hansen 14-7-1, 71, 1 td. **Kansas State:** Freeman 41-20-0, 237, 0 td.
Receiving—Colorado: Geer 4-12, McKnight 3-32, J.Behrens 2-19, Williams 2-14, Jo.Smith 1-22, Crawford 1-7. **Kansas State:** Banks 5-95, Mastrud 5-42, Murphy 4-47, Alstatt 2-15, Quarles 2-11, Pierce 1-17, Dold 1-10.
Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 6-37.5 (42 long, 2 In20). **Kansas State:** Fulhage 5-36.6 (51 long, 1 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 2-9. **Kansas State:** Murphy 5-29.
Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 3-66. **Kansas State:** Quarles 1-17.
Interceptions—Colorado: none. **Kansas State:** J.Moore 1-1.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Mohler 5,4—9; C.Brown 7,0—7; Dykes 3,2—5; Smart 3,2—5; McKay 3,1—4; Lucas 2,2—4; Jones 1,3—4; Beatty 3,0—3; J.Brown 3,0—3; Hypolite 2,1—3; Nicolas 1,2—3. **Kansas State:** J.Moore 13,0—13; Pomele 9,3—12; Harold 5,1—6; Hrebec 5,1—6; Walker 5,1—6; Herndon 3,3—6; Carney 5,0—5; Hartman 5,0—5; Childs 4,1—5.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Dykes 1-10. **Kansas State:** Walker 1-6, Hall 1-1.
Passes Broken Up—Colorado: Dykes 2, McKay 2, C.Brown, Smart, Walters. **Kansas State:** J.Moore 2, Hall, Hrebec.

GAME NOTES

Colorado opened in its nickel defensive package for the sixth straight game ... K-State was just 2-of-18 earning a first down on second down as well ... This marked the first time that CU won two games in a season scoring less than 20 points (with the WVU 17-14 overtime win) since 1998, when the Buffs beat Baylor (18-16) and Texas Tech (19-17) ... The 14 points were the fewest CU scored in winning a game since Oct. 8, 1992, when the Buffs won 6-0 at Missouri ... Dan Hawkins improved to 2-19 when his teams have not scored 20 points (I-A/FBS), both wins this season ... The Buffs snapped a 7-game losing streak to its' I-70 compadres, Kansas, K-State and Missouri ... Kansas State ran 23 plays in plus territory (the 50-on-in) for 89 yards in the game; that's 3.9 per play, but considering it gained 51 on the three 17-yard plays on its opening second half possession, the Wildcats had just 38 yards on its other 20 plays in plus territory, or 1.9 per ... Kansas State had just six three-and-outs coming into the game all season, but had three in a row in the second quarter and six in the game; KSU also had scored in all but one quarter the entire season but were shutout twice tonight, as the Wildcats had come in averaging 43.3 points per game ... Hansen was just the 11th true freshman quarterback to take snaps in a game for the Buffs since 1973. His 86 yards rushing were the most by a CU QB in a game since Bernard Jackson had 105 against Kansas State in 2006 ... With his third 100-yard rushing game, Stewart tied **Lamont Warren** for the

most 100-yard games by a freshman, true or redshirt, in CU history with three (Warren had three as a true frosh in '91); Stewart also scored his first career touchdown with his second quarter 4-yard run.

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GAME #8—MISSOURI 58, COLORADO 0

(October 25; Columbia)

COLUMBIA — Chase Daniel threw five touchdown passes for the second straight year against Colorado, and with the Missouri Tigers benefitting from great field position, the No. 16 Tigers became the first team in nearly 20 years to shut out the Colorado Buffaloes, claiming a 58-0 homecoming win.

Missouri took a 14-0 lead barely four minutes into the game and never looked back. A four play drive to open the game resulted in a 3-yard touchdown run by Derrick Washington following a 35-yard pass from Daniel to Jeremy Maclin.

CU's first possession was disastrous, with freshman quarterback Tyler Hansen fumbling the snap and losing nine yards on the first play, soon followed by Stryker Sulak sacking him on third down for another 9-yard loss. On fourth down, punter Tom Suazo couldn't field the center snap and was thrown for a 15-yard loss, and Missouri took over at the CU 5. Three plays later, Daniel tossed a 1-yard TD pass to Chase Coffman.

Daniel and Maclin hooked up on a short scoring pass later in the quarter, and midway through the second stanza, Daniel topped off the longest drive of the night by the Tigers with a 10-yard throw to Tommy Saunders, the touchdown play completing an 80-yard march. Jeff Wolfert added two field goals in the last 1:42 of the half to give Mizzou a 34-0 lead.

Hansen was just the fifth true freshman to ever start a game at quarterback for Colorado. But neither he nor incumbent Cody Hawkins could get much going all night. The Buffs

were outgained 298-33 at halftime in eventually what would be a 491-199 edge, with CU moving into the MU red zone on just two occasions.

Missouri had seven touchdown drives in the game, and on average, the Tigers started the seven at the CU 48. A high-octane offense to begin with, MU didn't need that kind of help. The Tigers added two more scores in the third quarter on drives that began at CU's 41 and 36, respectively, the latter capped by a 30-yard pass from Daniel to Maclin for a 48-0 advantage. Maclin caught 11 passes for 134 yards and two scores in the game, while Daniel completed 31-of-37 throws.

CU came in with the nation's third longest active scoring streak at 242 games, which also was the ninth longest of all-time in Division I. The Buffs drove to the Tiger 17 on their first possession of the second half, but a fourth down pass from Hawkins to Patrick Williams was broken up by Sulak. On the last drive of the game, CU marched from its 25 to the Missouri 9 but time ran out on the Buffs before they could get another play off. The end result was CU seeing a goose egg on its side of the scoreboard for the first time since a 7-0 loss at Nebraska on Nov. 12, 1988.

Colorado finished with just 41 yards rushing (though that included 30 yards lost to quarterback sacks), but did commit a season-low one turnover in the game.

It was Missouri's third straight win over CU, the first time the Tigers have won more than two in a row over the Buffs since a six-game run from 1979 through 1984.

COLORADO	0	0	0	0	-	0
Missouri	21	13	14	10	-	58

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Missouri — Washington 3 run (Wolfert kick)	0-7	13:51	1Q
Missouri — Coffman 1 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	0-14	10:48	1Q
Missouri — Maclin 3 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	0-21	3:20	1Q
Missouri — Saunders 10 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	0-28	8:10	2Q
Missouri — Wolfert 23 FG	0-31	1:42	2Q
Missouri — Wolfert 44 FG	0-34	0:00	2Q
Missouri — Alexander 4 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	0-41	6:01	3Q
Missouri — Maclin 30 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	0-48	1:08	3Q
Missouri — Wolfert 46 FG	0-51	10:10	4Q
Missouri — Moore 55 run (Wolfert kick)	0-58	4:45	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	MISSOURI
First Downs	14	25
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth)	4-16 (1-3)	8-13 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards	35-41	33-189
Passing Yards	158	302
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	34-21-0	40-31-1
Total Offense	199	491
Return Yards	9	50
Punts: No-Average	9-35.3	2-40.5
Fumbles: No-Lost	4-1	0-0
Penalties/Yards	4/28	2/10
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	2-5	5-30
Time of Possession	33:23	26:37
Drives/Average Field Position	13/C28	13/M44
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	0-2 (0)	6-6 (38)

Attendance: 68,349 **Time:** 3:08
Weather: 62 degrees, clear skies, 13-19 mph winds from the southwest

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Hansen 16-30, Scott 8-24, Stewart 6-9, Moyd 2-2, Hawkins 2-minus 9, Team 1-minus 15. **Missouri:** Washington 17-83, Moore 4-64, Daniel 5-34, Maclin 3-17, Perry 1-minus 3, Jackson 3-minus 6.

Passing—Colorado: Hansen 16-12-0, 72, 0 td; Hawkins 17-9-0, 86, 0 td; Team, 1-0-0, 0. **Missouri:** Daniel 37-31-1, 302, 5 td; Patton 2-0-0, 0; Coffman 1-0-0, 0.

Receiving—Colorado: McKnight 4-44, Jo.Smith 4-36, Williams 3-28, Crawford 3-16, Scott 3-12, J.Behrens 2-12, Geer 1-6, Cantrell 1-4. **Missouri:** Maclin 11-134, Coffman 7-50, Saunders 5-44, Goldsmith 2-32, Washington 2-17, Alexander 2-8, Jackson 1-13, Perry 1-4.

Punting—Colorado: DiLallo 5-35.4 (44 long), Suazo 4-35.2 (41 long, 1 In20). **Missouri:** Harry 2-40.5 (46 long, 1 In20).

Punt Returns—Colorado: none. **Missouri:** Maclin 2-41, Saunders 1-9.

Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 7-154, Sumler 2-33, Moyd 1-22. **Missouri:** Gissingner 1-12.

Interceptions—Colorado: Walters 1-9. **Missouri:** none.

Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Mohler 6.5—11; Smart 8.2—10; C.Brown 5.4—9; McKay 5.2—7; Walters 5.2—7; J.Brown 4.2—6; Dykes 3.2—5; Jones 3.2—5; Lucas 3.0—3; Nicolas 2.1—3; Perkins 2.0—2; Sipili 1.1—2; Beatty 0.2—2. **Missouri:** Bridges 6.2—8; Lambert 5.3—8; Christopher 1.7—8; Smith 5.1—6; Sulak 4.2—6; Coulter 3.2—5; Weatherspoon 3.2—5; Garrett 3.1—4.

Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Smart 1-4, Jones 1-1. **Missouri:** Sulak 2-18, Coulter 1-6, Lambert 1-2.

Passes Broken Up—Colorado: C.Brown, McKay, Sipili, Walters. **Missouri:** Christopher, Rutland, Sulak, Weatherspoon.

GAME NOTES

The 34 points CU allowed in the first half were the most since game 12 last season, when the Buffs trailed Nebraska, 35-24, before rallying for a 65-51 win ... The 34 point halftime deficit was the most CU faced since the 2005 Big 12 championship game when the Buffs trailed Texas, 42-3 ... CU committed a season low one turnover in the game (but coming in the second quarter, the 9th of CU's 15 on the year that occurred in that stanza) ... **WR Josh Smith** set a CU single-season record for kick return yards with 977 (777 kickoff, 200 punt) with four games remaining ... **WR Patrick Williams** (3-28) moved from 13th into 12th in all-time receptions at CU (95; he passed D.J. Hackett who had 93 in 2000-03); he tied with James Kidd for 21st in yards (944) ... The 142 combined plays in the game marked the seventh straight game that CU has played where the final count was between 141 and 146 ... CU's 199 yards on offense were the fewest since having 196 against the Tigers in 2007 ... Missouri's 491 yards were a season high against the Buffaloes ... Missouri's offense isn't one that needs much help, but the Tigers seven TD drives on average started at the CU 48 (the average of their 13 was the MU 43) ... This was the third time in the last four games that CU and its opponent committed six or fewer penalties (CU had 4, MU 2). CU now has just 45 penalties in eight games this season, the Buffs committed at least 80 in the previous 15 years all but one time,

Dan Hawkins first year when it had just 63 ... Three teams who played in "I-70" stadiums scored at least 50 points today: Missouri (58-0 over Colorado), Oklahoma (58-35 over Kansas State in Manhattan) and Texas Tech (63-21 over Kansas in Lawrence).

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL / GAME SUMMARIES 9-9-9

GAME #9—TEXAS A & M 24, COLORADO 17

(November 1; College Station)

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Jerrod Johnson threw three touchdown passes, all in the third quarter, as Texas A&M used a dominant 15-minute stretch to rally for a 24-17 win over Colorado.

The Buffs led 10-3 at halftime, but it easily could have been anywhere from 20-3 to 28-0 as CU came away with nothing three different times inside the Aggie 40 in the first half. The loss was Colorado's fifth in its last six games and left both teams at 4-5 on the season.

The Buffs capitalized early when Brad Jones sacked Johnson at the CU 42 with an ensuing fumble recovered by Brandon Nicolas. Five plays later, Rodney Smith took it in from six yards out and CU jumped ahead, 7-0. That helped make up for the first possession, where the Buffs had a first down at the A&M 42 after the longest pass play of the year, a 40-yarder from Cody Hawkins to Demetrius Sumler. But that drive stalled at the 36 and the Buffs punted.

Colorado's first two second quarter drives went deep into Aggie territory, but ended in frustration. Eric Goodman missed a 46-yard field goal, the ball hitting the right upright, and then Hawkins threw an interception on a third-and-goal from the A&M 5.

In between those drives the Aggies got on board with a field goal to trim the lead to 7-3. The Buffs worked it back up to seven with a 30-yard Jameson Davis field goal with three

second left before the half, one CU dominated in yardage, 219-76, and time of possession (18:09), but only had a 10-3 lead to show for it.

A&M turned the tables in the third quarter, rolling up 212 yards of offense and scoring on three of four possessions, using big plays along the way. The first two scores came on a 32-yard pass from Johnson to Ryan Tannehill which tied things up and then on a 59-yard bomb on a post-pattern to Jeff Fuller which gave A&M the lead for good. The third score, a 10-yard pass from Johnson to Fuller, was set up by a 54-yard run from Cyrus Gray to the Buff 20. Those three plays alone accounted for 145 yards, almost half of the Aggie's total (308) for the game.

However, Colorado wasn't dead just yet. Tyler Hansen led an 11-play, 98-yard drive, the Buffs' longest march in six seasons, with Sumler capping the effort with a 10-yard run with 2:59 remaining to slice the deficit to 24-17. The Buffs utilized their timeouts and got the ball back on the A&M 46 with 2:29 left, but Hansen was picked off for the second time in the quarter by Trent Hunter. The second steal, one which he made off his shoe tops, sealed the A&M win with 2:24 to play as the Aggies were able to pickup two first downs and ran out the clock.

Stewart was lost for the remainder of the season when he suffered a broken fibula on a second quarter horse collar (illegal) tackle. Fellow frosh Darrell Scott came in and rushed for 66 yards, with Hansen netting 86, to help pickup the slack, with CU picking up a season-best 392 yards on offense.

COLORADO	7	3	0	7	-	17
Texas A&M	0	3	21	0	-	24

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Stewart 6 run (Goodman kick)	7- 0	7:02	1Q
Texas A&M — Bullock 39 FG	7- 3	5:43	2Q
COLORADO — Davis 30 FG	10- 3	0:03	2Q
Texas A&M — Tannehill 32 pass from Johnson (Bullock kick)	10-10	12:02	3Q
Texas A&M — Fuller 59 pass from Johnson (Bullock kick)	10-17	3:27	3Q
Texas A&M — Fuller 10 pass from Johnson (Bullock kick)	10-24	0:00	3Q
COLORADO — Sumler 10 run (Goodman kick)	17-24	2:59	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	TEXAS A&M
First Downs	22	20
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	5-16 (2-2)	5-13 (0-0)
Rushes—Net Yards	43-194	33-94
Passing Yards	198	214
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	34-18-3	31-15-0
Total Offense	392	308
Return Yards	59	1
Punts: No-Average	6-33.2	7-48.0
Fumbles: No-Lost	3-0	2-1
Penalties/Yards	7/61	7/59
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	5-45	1-8
Time of Possession.....	34:22	25:38
Drives/Average Field Position	13/C30	13/T27
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	3-4 (17)	1-1 (7)

Attendance: 78,121 Time: 3:04
Weather: 78 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 9 mph winds from the south

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Hansen 16-86, Scott 10-66, Sumler 4-20, Stewart 5-19, Espinoza 1-5, McKnight 2-2, Hawkins 2-1, Moyd 1-minus 2, Jo.Smith 2-minus 3. **Texas A&M:** Gray 11-80, Smith 12-34, Lane 2-7, Johnson 7-minus 25, Team 1-minus 2.
Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 11-7-1, 109, 0 td; Hansen 23-11-2, 89, 0 td. **Texas A&M:** Johnson 31-15-0, 214, 3 td.
Receiving—Colorado: Crawford 5-27, McKnight 4-56, Geer 3-50, Williams 3-18, Sumler 1-40, Jo.Smith 1-8, Moyd 1-minus 2. **Texas A&M:** Fuller 6-95, Tannehill 5-80, J.McCoy 3-32, T.McCoy 1-7.
Punting—Colorado: Suazo 6-33.2 (43 long, 2 In20). **Texas A&M:** Brantly 7-48.0 (63 long, 3 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 4-55, Espinoza 1-4. **Texas A&M:** Pugh 1-1.
Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 3-40, Scott 1-16. **Texas A&M:** Gray 3-77, Stephens 1-20.
Interceptions—Colorado: none. **Texas A&M:** Hunter 2-0, Pugh 1-0.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Smart 7,1—8; Hypolite 5,3—8; Mohler 3,4—7; Dykes 5,1—6; Jones 3,3—6; C.Brown 3,2—5; Walters 3,1—4; Herrod 2,2—4; Lucas 2,1—3; Sipili 1,2—3; McKay 2,0—2; Beatty 1,1—2; Stengel 1,1—2. **Texas A&M:** Brown 4,3—7; Dixon 2,5—7; Bennett 3,3—6; Obiozor 2,4—6; Patterson 1,5—6; Frederick 5,0—5; Gregg 3,2—5; Moss 2,3—5; Featherston 2,2—4.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Hypolite 2-5, Jones 1-15, Walters 1-15, Herrod 1-10. **Texas A&M:** Obiozor 1-8.
Passes Broken Up—Colorado: McKay 2, C.Brown, Dykes, Jones, Smith. **Texas A&M:** Pugh 2, Brown, Frederick, Gregg.

GAME NOTES

CU had its first two 40-yard plays of the season on offense, both coming in the first half: a 42-yard run by **TB Darrell Scott** (second quarter) and a 40-yard pass from **QB Cody Hawkins** to **TB Demetrius Sumler** (first quarter) ... CU's first quarter TD ended a scoring drought that lasted 104 minutes and 17 seconds, as the last Buff score took place with 6:19 left in the second quarter against Kansas State on Oct. 18 ... **DE Marquez Herrod** made his first career start as CU opened in its base 4-3 defense ... **PK Jameson Davis** made his first career field goal attempt, knocking it through from 30 yards with :03 left in the first half ... CU limited A&M to just 76 yards on 22 plays in plus territory (the 50 on in), with 32 of those coming on a third quarter touchdown pass ... **DT George Hypolite** is the first Buff to have four tackles for loss in a game since Abraham Wright had four against Colorado State in the second game of the 2006 season ... The 98-yard touchdown drive by Colorado was its longest since a 98-yard march (11 plays) against UCLA in Boulder on Sept. 6, 2003 and a 98-yarder in 13 plays at Kansas on Oct. 12, 2002. CU has six 99-yard touchdown drives in its history ... CU's defense played outstanding in the first, second and fourth quarters, limiting the Aggies to a combined 96 yards in those three quarters (on 45 plays, or just over 2.1 per). A&M used an explosive third quarter to take over the game, outgaining the Buffs 212-55, despite holding just a 19-15 advantage in plays. Colorado gained a season-high 392 yards on offense, nearly having a 200-yard day both rushing (194) and passing (198) ... **QB Cody Hawkins**

moved past **Steve Vogel** (3,912 yards) into sixth place in all-time passing yards at Colorado with 3,939. He also passed **Mike Moschetti** (366 completions) into third all-time with 369.

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL / GAME SUMMARIES 10-10-10

GAME #10—COLORADO 28, IOWA STATE 24

(November 8; Boulder)

BOULDER — It might not be “Joe to Jerry,” but Cody to Cody was good enough for Colorado. Cody Hawkins threw a 5-yard touchdown pass to Cody Crawford with 1:30 remaining and then the defense stopped Iowa State at the goal line as the Buffaloes rallied from 11 points down in the final 9:14 to defeat the Cyclones, 28-24.

Though CU defeated Iowa State for the 22nd time in the last 25 meetings, this one went down to the wire. After Hawkins’ fourth touchdown pass, all in the second half, put the Buffs up by four, a good kickoff return by the Cyclones started them off at their own 39. Three plays later, I-State was already at the CU 14 with just 40 seconds left in the game.

Austen Arnaud completed an 8-yard pass to Houston Jones and then picked up another yard on an option run, and the Cyclones were faced with a third-and-one at the Buff 5, where they took their third and final time out. After an incomplete pass, Arnaud completed a pass to a wide open Darius Darks at the CU 1, but he had to leave his feet for the ball and came to a stop less than 18 inches from the goal. Arnaud spiked the ball with three seconds left and the game came down to one last play.

The Cyclones called another option play and ran it to the near side, with Arnaud faking the pitch to Alexander Robinson at the CU 5. But when he turned up field, he was greeted by D.J. Dykes and Jimmy Smith simultaneously, the play resulting in a 2-yard loss with time expiring.

CU twice rallied from double-digit deficits, trailing 10-0 at halftime and after storming back for a 13-10 lead, watched Iowa State regroup and take a 24-13 lead with just over nine minutes left after a 4-play, 57-yard drive which featured a 53-yard Robinson run.

Hawkins steered an 8-play, 80-yard drive, using the two-minute offense, and polished it off with a 14-yard touchdown pass to Patrick Williams to cut the lead to 24-19. Hed then tossed a two-point conversion pass to Jake Behrens to pull CU to within three. The Buff defense then held ISU to three plays and out, and CU again employed its two minute magic, driving 81 yards in 11 plays, with the pass from Hawkins to Crawford putting CU in the lead for what turned out to be good.

Hawkins replaced Tyler Hansen after halftime, as the CU freshman, despite rushing for 48 yards, was having some trouble reading the Iowa State defense. Hawkins responded by completing 20-of-29 passes for 415 yards and four touchdowns. In playing just 43 snaps he recorded his career-best single game rating (180.0) and threw a career best four touchdown passes, the first pair of which were to Scotty McKnight on CU’s first two second half possessions that bought CU a brief 13-10 lead. ISU scored in just three plays, covering 62 yards and needing just 52 seconds to do so, retaking the lead at 17-13.

Iowa State took a 3-0 lead on its first possession when Grant Mahoney made a 24-yard field goal after an 11-play drive stalled inside the CU 10. The Cyclones made it 10-0 just 55 seconds before halftime, turning an interception of Hansen into a 14-play, 65-yard march that culminated with a Jason Scales 1-yard run. The ISU defense did its part, containing CU to only 110 yards on offense.

Williams had a big day for the Buffs. In addition to his touchdown reception, he caught a 25-yard pass on the drive that put CU ahead in the third quarter, reaching the career 100 receptions and 1,000 yard milestones on the same play. Crawford caught a career-high eight passes for 79 yards to lead all Buff receivers.

Iowa State	3	7	7	7	—	24
COLORADO	0	0	13	15	—	28

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Iowa State — Mahoney 24 FG	0-3	7:06	1Q
Iowa State — Scales 1 run (Mahoney kick)	0-10	0:55	2Q
COLORADO — McKnight 4 pass from Hawkins (kick blocked)	6-10	9:50	3Q
COLORADO — McKnight 22 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	13-10	2:21	3Q
Iowa State — Robinson 14 run (Mahoney kick)	13-17	1:23	3Q
Iowa State — Robinson 1 run (Mahoney kick)	13-24	9:14	4Q
COLORADO — Williams 14 pass from Hawkins (Behrens pass from Hawkins)	21-24	7:05	4Q
COLORADO — Crawford 5 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	28-24	1:30	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	IOWA STATE
First Downs	20	21
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	9-17 (2-2)	4-14 (1-1)
Rushes—Net Yards	32-148	44-188
Passing Yards	274	215
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	41-24-1	29-16-0
Total Offense	422	303
Return Yards	39	8
Punts: No-Average	3-49.7	6-38.7
Fumbles: No-Lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties/Yards	6/50	5/50
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	1-6	1-5
Time of Possession.....	27:12	32:48
Drives/Average Field Position	11/C29	11/IS29
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	3-4 (20)	4-5 (24)

Attendance: 46,440 Time: 3:14
Weather: 50 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 9 mph winds from the northwest

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing —Colorado: Scott 19-87, Hansen 9-48, Hawkins 2-14, Sumler 1-3, Jo.Smith 1-minus 4. Iowa State: Robinson 23-101, Arnaud 14-70, Scales 7-17.
Passing —Colorado: Hawkins 29-20-0, 226, 4 td; Hansen 12-4-1, 48, 0 td. Iowa State: Arnaud 28-16-0, 215, 0 td; Team 1-0-0, 0.
Receiving —Colorado: Crawford 8-79, McKnight 6-62, Sumler 5-40, Williams 4-85, Jo.Smith 1-8. Iowa State: Darks 8-69, Franklin 2-76, Hamilton 2-32, Jones 2-19, Scales 1-18, Johnson 1-1.
Punting —Colorado: Suazo 3-49.7 (58 long, 1 In20). Iowa State: Brandtner 6-38.7 (48 long, 4 In20).
Punt Returns —Colorado: Jo.Smith 3-35, McKnight 1-4. Iowa State: McDowell 1-5.
Kickoff Returns —Colorado: Jo.Smith 4-104, Cantrell 1-11. Iowa State: Johnson 2-55, Sumrall 1-28.
Interceptions —Colorado: none. Iowa State: Johnson 1-3.
Tackle Leaders —Colorado: Walters 13,3—16; Smart 6,6—12; Ji.Smith 8,1—9; Dykes 6,3—9; J.Brown 4,3—7; Jones 3,3—6; C.Brown 2,2—4; Hypolite 3,0—3; Lucas 3,0—3; McKay 1,1—2; Nicolas 1,1—2; Beatty 0,2—2. Iowa State: Je.Smith 10,3—13; Ja.Smith 9,2—11; McDowell 5,1—6; Garrin 3,2—5; Singleton 4,0—4; Hunley 3,1—4; Brown 3,1—4; Na.Frere 2,2—4.
Quarterback Sacks —Colorado: Walters 1-6. Iowa State: Na.Frere 1-5.
Passes Broken Up —Colorado: Ji.Smith 4, C.Brown 2, McKay, Walters. Iowa State: Ja.Smith, Je.Smith.

GAME NOTES
This was the second straight game in the series that came down to the final play; in 2007, CU could not get two field goal tries off as time expired ... This was CU’s third come-from-behind win this season, joining rallies against Eastern Washington and Kansas State ... Colorado gained a season-high 422 yards, also the first 400-plus game for the Buffs on the year; CU had just 110 yards at halftime but had 147 in the third quarter and 165 in the fourth for a 312-yard second half ... Colorado averaged just 2.5 yards on first down in the first half (11 plays, 27 yards), but reversed that course in the second half with a 7.0 figure (19-132) ... CU was bidding to score on just its second opening drive of the season but missed a field goal; Iowa State came back and drove for a three, the sixth score by the opponent on a first possession in '08 (4 TD, 2 FG) ... It was the third time in 2008 CU did not score in the first half ... CU had the game’s only turnover, a second quarter interception, CU’s 12th in the quarter on the season ... Williams became just the 10th player to catch 100 passes and the 19th to earn 1,000 receiving yards in a CU uniform ... **WR Josh Smith** became just the ninth player in school history to record 1,500 all-purpose yards

in a season with 143 against ISU, giving him 1,555 for the year ... Two Buffs made their first career starts in the game, **TB Darrell Scott** and **CB Jimmy Smith**, which upped the total to 13 players who have made their first career starts in 2008, including eight freshmen (five true, three redshirt).

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL / GAME SUMMARIES 11-11-11

GAME #11—OKLAHOMA STATE 30, COLORADO 17

(November 15; Boulder)

BOULDER — Zac Robinson returned to his native state and passed for 217 yards and a touchdown along with rushing for 61 yards and another score to lead the No. 11 Oklahoma State Cowboys to a 30-17 win over the Colorado Buffaloes, ruining CU's annual senior night.

The Buffs bid adieu to 15 seniors as they ran out behind Ralphie for the final time, but the Cowboys proved to have too many weapons. The defense held the potent OSU offense at bay for much of the evening, holding the 'Pokes to 13 points and 55 yards under their averages coming in. But the CU offense mustered only a field goal out of three trips into Oklahoma State territory in the first half while the Cowboys methodically built a 13-3 intermission lead.

Oklahoma State had just a pair of Dan Bailey field goals to show for two trips into the CU red zone, but took a two-score lead it would maintain the rest of the evening when Dez Bryant made an incredible one-handed catch of a Robinson pass inside-the-10 yard line and took it in for a 29-yard touchdown play and a 13-0 lead midway through the second quarter. Aric Goodman, who earlier had a 50-yard field goal hit off the left upright, finally snapped as string of eight straight misses with a 31-yard boot on CU's next possession to pull the Buffs to within 10.

Despite not doing a lot on offense, CU coach Dan Hawkins felt his team was still in it halftime. But the Cowboys came out and marched 80 yards in just five plays, capped by a Kendall Hunter 43-yard run for a touchdown which gave OSU a 20-3 lead. Two possessions later, CU answered when Cody Hawkins and Scotty McKnight hooked up on a 28-yard touchdown pass on fourth down. The ball was intended for Cody Crawford but it

deflected off his shoulder pad about 10 yards ahead, where an alert McKnight was able to haul it in and take it into the end zone for the score.

Robinson countered the CU effort by leading the 'Pokes on another 80-yard drive, this one in eight plays, five of which gained double figures in yards. Robinson polished it off with a 12-yard run in the final minute of the third quarter and Cowboys were in full control, leading 27-10.

Though never closing to within one score of the lead, OSU couldn't close the Buffs out, either. Shaun Mohler intercepted Robinson just thirty second into the fourth quarter, returning the pick 16 yards to the Cowboy 16. Five plays later, Demetrius Sumler pounded it in from three yards out and CU was down by 10 again, 27-17.

OSU picked up a couple of first downs and took over five minutes off the clock on its next possession, before Matt Fodge's punt pinned CU at its own 7-yard line. CU had three straight incomplete pass plays, and after Tom Suazo punted the ball back to the Cowboys, they used a 7-play, 35-yard drive with Bailey adding a third field goal for some insurance, accounting for the game's final score in the process.

Sumler rushed a career-high 22 times for 86 yards, with Hawkins keeping the pigskin 11 times for 26 yards. Four Buffs caught four passes in the game, but as has been the case much of the year, the Buffs averaged just five yards per attempt. The loss left CU at 5-6 on the season and needing a win in the season finale at Nebraska to become bowl-eligible.

Oklahoma State.....	6	7	14	3	—	30
COLORADO.....	0	3	7	7	—	17

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
Oklahoma State — Bailey 18 FG	0- 3	8:54	1Q
Oklahoma State — Bailey 25 FG	0- 6	0:29	1Q
Oklahoma State — Bryant 29 pass from Robinson (Bailey kick)	0-13	7:20	2Q
COLORADO — Goodman 31 FG	3-13	3:12	2Q
Oklahoma State — Hunter 43 run (Bailey kick)	3-20	12:12	3Q
COLORADO — McKnight 28 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	10-20	4:50	3Q
Oklahoma State — Robinson 12 run (Bailey kick)	10-27	12:30	4Q
COLORADO — Sumler 3 run (Goodman kick)	17-27	12:30	4Q
Oklahoma State — Bailey 21 FG	17-30	4:37	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	OKLAHOMA ST.
First Downs.....	19	24
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	3-15 (4-4)	5-12 (0-0)
Rushes—Net Yards.....	35-133	40-226
Passing Yards.....	171	217
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	38-19-0	23-15-1
Total Offense.....	304	443
Return Yards.....	18	17
Punts: No-Average.....	5-46.4	4-40.5
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	4-1	1-0
Penalties/Yards.....	5/45	5/31
Quarterback Sacks—Yards.....	1-0	3-12
Time of Possession.....	29:33	30:27
Drives/Average Field Position.....	12/C28	11/OS32
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	2-2 (10)	4-4 (16)

Attendance: 46,092 Time: 3:18
Weather: 43 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 6 mph winds from the southwest

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Sumler 22-86, Hawkins 11-26, Jo.Smith 2-21. **Oklahoma State:** Hunter 11-102, Robinson 15-61, Toston 9-43, Johnson 5-20.
Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 37-19-0, 171, 1 td; Team 1-0-0, 0. **Oklahoma State:** Robinson 23-15-1, 217, 1 td.
Receiving—Colorado: McKnight 4-51, Crawford 4-43, J.Behrens 4-32, Sumler 4-15, Williams 1-20, Devenny 1-8, Jo.Smith 1-8. **Oklahoma State:** Pettigrew 7-75, Bryant 4-82, Hunter 3-30, Davis 1-30.
Punting—Colorado: Suazo 5-46.4 (59 long, 1 In20). **Oklahoma State:** Fodge 4-40.5 (47 long, 2 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 2-2. **Oklahoma State:** Bryant 2-17.
Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo.Smith 7-162. **Oklahoma State:** Johnson 2-59.
Interceptions—Colorado: Mohler 1-16. **Oklahoma State:** none.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: C.Brown 10,2—12; Mohler 8,3—11; Smart 6,3—9; Jones 4,5—9; Perkins 5,2—7; Smith 3,4—7; Mahnke 5,0—5; Hypolite 4,1—5; Beatty 2,2—4; McKay 3,0—3. **Oklahoma State:** Lavine 6,5—11; Lemon 8,2—10; Sexton 8,2—10; Lacey 5,1—6; Burton 5,1—6; Booker 3,3—6; Gent 2,2—4; Moore 2,2—4; R.Price 2,2—4; Ward 3,0—3.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Beatty 1-0. **Oklahoma State:** Tea 1-4, Burton 1-0, Lavine ½-4, Sexton ½-4.
Passes Broken Up—Colorado: Mahnke 2, J.Brown. **Oklahoma State:** Chatham, Cox, Lacey, J.Price, R.Price.

GAME NOTES

ILB Shaun Mohler's interception in the fourth quarter snapped a string of 10 consecutive quarters by the opponent without a turnover; it was the second pick of Mohler's career ... **QB Cody Hawkins** 19-yard run in the second quarter was his career long, topping two previous efforts of 13, one of which opened the same quarter tonight ... **PK Aric Goodman's** tough luck continued, as he missed his eighth straight field goal try, this one on a career-long attempt of 50 yards that drifted wide left at the last moment and hit the upright; he snapped the streak later in the half with a 31-yard make ... CU averaged 1.8 yards on first down in the first quarter, but came back to average 7.7 on 11 plays in the second quarter and 5.6 for the half. But the struggles returned in the second, as the Buffs gained 25 yards on 14 first down plays and average 3.9 for the game ... CU's D answered the bell in the red zone for the most part as OSU cracked the 20 four times but came away with just one TD and three field goals ... **P Tom Suazo** had the best night of his career with four or more punts, finishing with a 46.4 average on five boots, including a career long 59 ... Former Buff basketball letterman **Chauncey Billups** ('95-97) was welcomed

home with a standing ovation from the crowd at the first timeout of the second quarter; Billups was traded back to Denver earlier in the month ... CU had the second best game in their history in fourth down conversions, going 4-of-4 (second only to a 5-of-5 effort at Baylor on Nov. 13, 1999) ... The winning team in the series has scored at least 30 points in 13 of the last 17 games ... Oklahoma State was the last Big 12 school CU coach Dan Hawkins had not faced.

2009 COLORADO FOOTBALL / GAME SUMMARIES 12-12

GAME #12—NEBRASKA 40, COLORADO 31

(November 28; Lincoln)

LINCOLN, Neb. — It was another wild and woolly one played out on national television between these two Big 12 North rivals, and it wasn't settled until the final minute when Nebraska scored 10 points in 48 seconds to steal a 40-31 win over Colorado.

The Buffaloes took a 31-27 lead into the fourth quarter, needing a win to become bowl-eligible. Alex Henery's third field goal of the game, a 37-yard boot, cut that lead to 31-30 with 8:09 left to play. CU took over after the kickoff on its 21-yard line but could pick up just one first down, giving the ball back to Nebraska at its 26 with 4:35 remaining.

It appeared the Buffs would hold on; the Huskers picked up two first downs, but thanks to a rush for no gain, a 15-yard sack by CU safety and an incomplete pass on third down, NU was faced with a 4th-and-25 from the CU 40 with 1:50 left. Nebraska elected to go for the field goal, with Henery just sneaking the kick in the lower right corner of the upright. The longest field goal in NU history gave the Huskers a 33-31 lead.

Colorado still had a chance, picking up a first down and was faced with a 2nd-and-10 from its own 33 with just over a minute remaining. But Ndamukong Suh batted a Cody Hawkins pass into the air, gathered it in and returned it 30 yards for the clinching score.

Nebraska had a recent history of scoring quickly on the Buffs, but this time, CU turned the tables—twice. On the second play of the game, Hawkins and tight end Riar Geer hooked up on a 68-yard pass and run for a touchdown, and a 7-0 Colorado lead just 54 seconds into the game. After the Huskers stalled on their first drive, CU took over on its

20 and used just two plays to take a 14-0 lead. Hawkins completed a 44-yard pass to Josh Smith, followed by a 36-yard Demetrius Sumler for a touchdown.

Nebraska bounced right back at tied the game with two scores later in the quarter, and both traded field goals to make it 17-17 headed toward halftime. Quentin Castille capped a 12-play drive with a 1-yard run to put NU up 24-17 with 2:03 to go, and following a CU fumble on the ensuing kickoff return, the Huskers appeared to be in business again, driving to the CU 33. NU faked a field goal, with CU's Jimmy Smith racing in untouched to pickoff an attempted pitch and proceeded to run 58 yards for a score to tie the game at 24 at halftime.

Henery opened the second half with a 27-yard field goal to give Nebraska a 27-24 edge, but the Buffs came right back with a 65-yard drive, polished off by a 4-yard TD run by Sumler, to regain a 31-27 advantage.

It was the final game for 15 CU seniors, with perhaps Brad Jones having the best game of the group: he recorded nine tackles, three for losses including two sacks, three third down stops and a hurry. Sophomore Josh Smith racked up 245 all-purpose yards, 193 of which came on seven kickoff returns.

CU finished the season with a 5-7, and thus had to stay home for the postseason. It marked only the sixth time in 24 seasons (since 1985) that the Buffs did not play in a bowl game; the other years were 1987, 1997, 2000, 2003 and 2006.

COLORADO	14	10	7	0	-	31
Nebraska	14	10	3	13	-	40

SCORING	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Geer 68 pass from Hawkins (Goodman kick)	7-0	14:06	1Q
COLORADO — Sumler 36 run (Goodman kick)	14-0	10:33	1Q
Nebraska — Swift 2 pass from Ganz (Henery kick)	14-7	5:46	1Q
Nebraska — McNeill 53 pass from Ganz (Henery kick)	14-14	4:04	1Q
Nebraska — Henery 35 FG	14-17	12:08	2Q
COLORADO — Goodman 37 FG	17-17	9:08	2Q
Nebraska — Castille 1 run (Henery kick)	17-24	2:03	2Q
COLORADO — Ji-Smith 58 fumble return (Goodman kick)	24-24	1:11	2Q
Nebraska — Henery 27 FG	24-27	9:49	3Q
COLORADO — Sumler 4 run (Goodman kick)	31-27	5:39	3Q
Nebraska — Henery 37 FG	31-30	8:09	4Q
Nebraska — Henery 57 FG	31-33	1:43	4Q
Nebraska — Suh 30 interception return (Henery kick)	31-40	0:55	4Q

Attendance: 85,319 Time: 3:02
Weather: 44 degrees, sunny skies, 5 mph winds from the southwest

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—Colorado: Sumler 9-65, Hansen 3-11, Scott 2-minus 1, Hawkins 8-minus 33. **Nebraska:** Helu 25-166, Castille 12-12, Ganz 13-9, Wesch 1-minus 9.
Passing—Colorado: Hawkins 24-14-3, 249, 1 td; McKnight 1-0-0, 0; Team 1-0-0, 0. **Nebraska:** Ganz 26-19-0, 229, 2 td.
Receiving—Colorado: McKnight 4-58, Geer 2-86, Jo-Smith 2-52, Crawford 2-20, Deehan 1-22, Melton 1-7, Williams 1-3, Devenny 1-1. **Nebraska:** Helu 5-49, Peterson 4-44, McNeill 3-70, Holt 3-42, Swift 2-10, Paul 1-11, Castille 1-3.
Punting—Colorado: Suazo 3-35.7 (37 long, 0 In20). **Nebraska:** Titchener 1-44.0 (44 long, 0 In20).
Punt Returns—Colorado: none. **Nebraska:** Swift 2-17.
Kickoff Returns—Colorado: Jo-Smith 7-193, Cantrell 1-5. **Nebraska:** Niles 3-87, Dennard 1-29, Lawson 2-27.
Interceptions—Colorado: none. **Nebraska:** Suh 1-30, Wortman 1-8, Asante 1-0.
Tackle Leaders—Colorado: Smart 11,4—15; Ji-Smith 10,0—10; Mohler 6,4—10; Jones 8,1—9; Perkins 5,4—9; Mahnke 4,5—9; Lucas 7,0—7; Hypolite 3,2—5; Beatty 2,1—3; Nicolas 2,1—3; Stengel 1,2—3. **Nebraska:** Thenarse 5,3—8; Steinkuhler 2,2—4; Allen 2,1—3; Lawrence 2,1—3; Potter 2,1—3; Suh 2,1—3; Teafatiller 2,1—3; Thorell 2,1—3; Wortman 2,1—3; Barfield 2,0—2.
Quarterback Sacks—Colorado: Jones 2-10, Mahnke 1-15, Hypolite 1-11. **Nebraska:** Barfield 2-13, Steinkuhler 1-12, Thenarse 1-7, Allen 1-2.
Passes Broken Up—Colorado: Beatty, Lucas, McKay, Smart. **Nebraska:** Potter 2, Asante, Thorell.

GAME NOTES

The schools both scored at least 30 points for the fifth time in the last 10 meetings ... After opening with a rush for no yards, CU came back with plays of 68 and 44 yards, its two longest of the season ... The teams combined for 305 yards, 28 points and an 11.1 average gain on first down in the first quarter ... Colorado's 24 first half points were the most by the Buffs in the first half since scoring 24 against Nebraska in Boulder in 2007 ... Nebraska was 5-of-9 on third down in the first half—CU had three sacks on NU's four misses ... **Demetrius Sumler's** TD run from the NU4 improved CU to 4-of-5 on the season in the red zone on fourth down ... **DE Maurice Lucas** had his third career fumble recovery, a big one in the red zone at the CU 6 with 12:45 left in the game ... **S Patrick Mahnke's** first career sack was big, a 15-yard loss late in the game that forced NU to make a school-long 57-yard field goal to take the lead ... **CB Jimmy Smith** has two career touchdowns, both against Nebraska; his 58-yard fumble return before halftime was CU's 44th touchdown by return since 1999, tied for the ninth most in the nation ... CU converted both of its fourth down plays, finishing the season 18-of-25 (72.0 percent); the Buffs made their

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	NEBRASKA
First Downs.....	13	23
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	4-10 (2-2)	6-14 (0-2)
Rushes—Net Yards	22-42	51-178
Passing Yards	249	229
Passes (Att-Comp-Int)	26-14-3	26-19-0
Total Offense	291	407
Return Yards	58	55
Punts: No-Average	3-35.7	1-44.0
Fumbles: No-Lost	1-1	4-2
Penalties/Yards	2/14	3/15
Quarterback Sacks—Yards	4-36	5-34
Time of Possession.....	20:24	39:36
Drives/Average Field Position	10/C29	11/N41
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points)	2-2 (10)	5-6 (23)