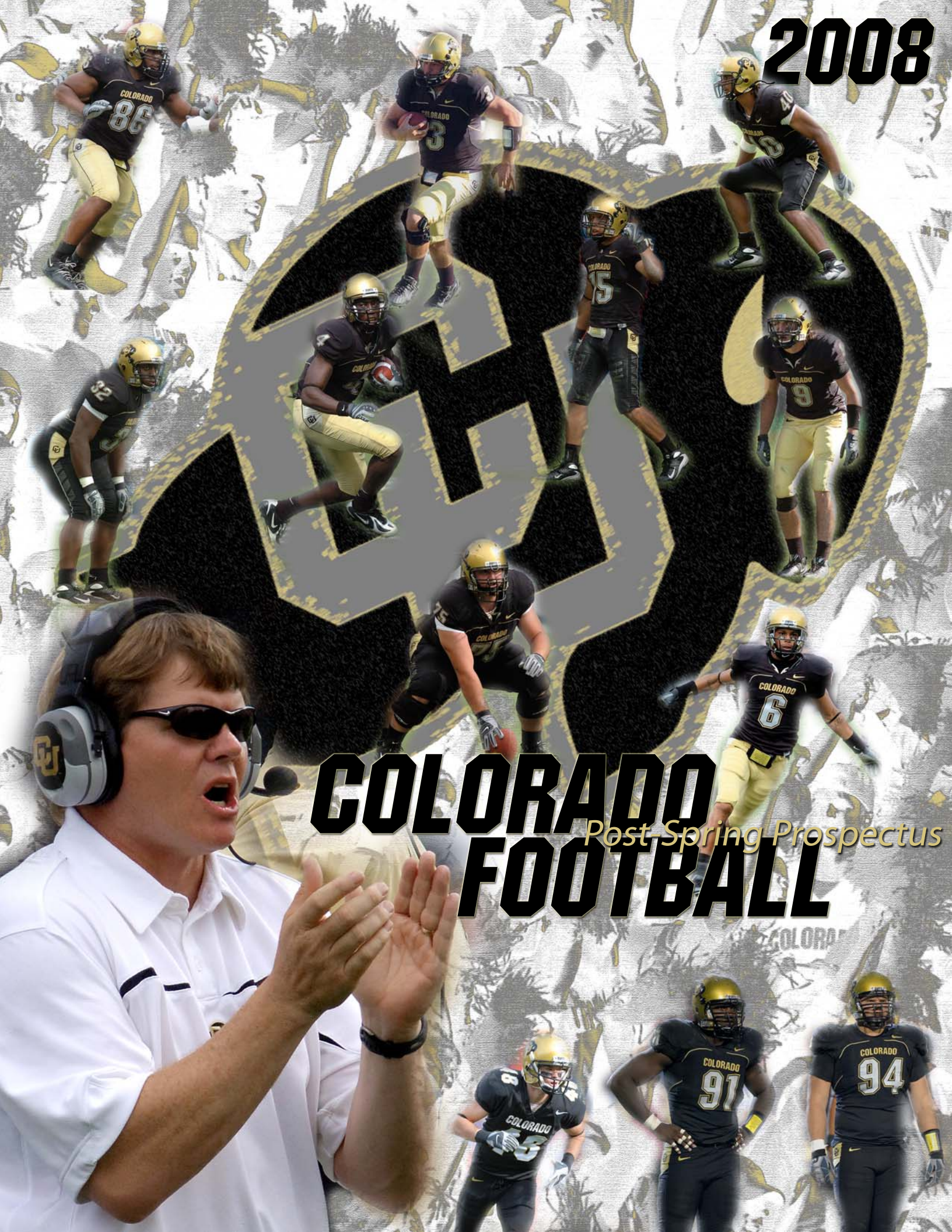


2008



# **COLORADO** *Post-Spring Prospectus* **FOOTBALL**



# 2008 COLORADO FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS (POST-SPRING)

## 2008 SCHEDULE

		series
A 31	Colorado State (Denver, FSN)	58-19-2
S 6	<b>EASTERN WASHINGTON</b>	0- 0-0
S 18	<b>WEST VIRGINIA (ESPN)</b>	0- 0-0
S 27	Florida State (at Jacksonville)	0- 2-0
O 4	* <b>TEXAS (Homecoming)</b>	7- 9-0
O 11	*at Kansas	41-23-3
O 18	* <b>KANSAS STATE (Family Weekend)</b>	43-19-1
O 25	*at Missouri	31-38-3
N 1	*at Texas A & M	5- 2-0
N 8	* <b>IOWA STATE</b>	47-14-1
N 15	*at Oklahoma State	26-17-1
N 28	*at Nebraska (ABC)	18-46-2
D 6	Big 12 Championship (at Kansas City, Mo., 6:00p)	
*—Big 12 Conference game; OPEN WEEK: Nov. 22.		

## 2007 RESULTS

(Won 6, Lost 7; 4-4 Big 12)

S 1	Colorado State (Denver)	(OT) W 31-28	68,133
S 8	at Arizona State	L 14-33	58,417
S 15	<b>FLORIDA STATE</b>	L 6-16	52,951
S 22	<b>MIAMI-OHIO</b>	W 42- 0	45,243
S 29	* <b>OKLAHOMA (Homecoming)</b>	W 27-24	50,031
O 6	*at Baylor	W 43-23	32,376
O 13	*at Kansas State	L 20-47	46,637
O 20	* <b>KANSAS (Family Weekend)</b>	L 14-19	51,940
O 27	*at Texas Tech	W 31-26	49,084
N 3	* <b>MISSOURI</b>	L 10-55	51,483
N 10	*at Iowa State	L 28-31	45,487
N 23	* <b>NEBRASKA</b>	W 65-51	51,403
D 30	Alabama (Independence Bowl)	L 24-30	47,043
*—Big 12 Conference game.			

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

**Record at Colorado:** 8-17 (two seasons)

**Career Record:** 61-28 (seven seasons)

**Office Telephone:** 303/492-5330

**Nickname:** Buffaloes

**Colors:** Silver, Gold & Black

**Enrollment:** 29,461

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

**2007 Record:** 6-7

**Big 12:** 4-4 (3rd/6, North Division)

**National Rankings:** NR

**Bowl:** Independence (vs. Alabama, L 24-30)

**President:** Bruce Benson (Colorado '64)

**Chancellor:** Dr. George "Bud" Peterson (Kansas State '75)

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

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

**Program Quick Notes:** This fall will celebrate CU's 75th season as the "Buffaloes," as the nickname was adopted in 1934... There were no changes in CU's full-time coaching staff for the first time since the 1987-88 seasons... Colorado's 148-81-4 record dating back to the start of the 1989 season is the 20th best in the nation over the last 19 years... CU owns the nation's 12th best road record since 1988 (59-38-1)... In 2006, Colorado had the 20th most alumni active in the NFL (27 players), the third most in the Big 12 ... Colorado had 11 of its 13 games televised in 2007, upping its total to 148 of 221 dating back to 1990 (67%), 111 of 148 since the inception of the Big 12 (75%) and 24 of its last 29 regular season non-conference games (83%)... CU has been ranked **292** times in its history, the 21st most all-time... Since 1989, CU has played the fourth most ranked teams in the nation (95), trailing Florida (105), Florida State (99) and Michigan (98); Ohio State has also played 95... Colorado has scored in 235 straight games, the fourth longest active streak in the NCAA (and the ninth longest all-time).

**Lettermen Returning:** 40 (18 offense, 20 defense, 2 specialists)

**Lettermen Lost:** 24 (15 offense, 7 defense, 2 specialist)

**Starters Returning (14)—Offense 6:** TE Riar Geer (17/8), QB Cody Hawkins (13/13), WR Scotty McKnight (5/5), OT Ryan Miller (7/7), C Daniel Sanders (28/13), WR Patrick Williams (14/7). **Defense 8:** CB Benjamin Burney (15/13), SS D.J. Dykes (12/12), DT George Hypolite (20/12), OLB Brad Jones (24/13), DE Maurice Lucas (14/7), NT Brandon Nicolas (24/13), ILB Jeff Smart (10/10), FS Ryan Walters (22/12). (Career/2007 starts in parenthesis; calculated by those with five-plus starts and were regulars or starting at the end of 2007.)

**Others Returning With Significant Starting Experience (7; min. 3 career starts)—** FB Jake Behrens (3/3), CB Cha'pelle Brown (12/8), FB Maurice Cantrell (7/2), WR Cody Crawford (4/1), OG Devin Head (7/6), WR Josh Smith (5/5), OT Nate Solder (4/4, all at TE).

**Others Returning With Significant Position Game Experience (8; two or fewer career starts)—** DT Jason Brace, CB Jalil Brown, ILB Marcus Burton, WR Kendrick Celestine, DT Taj Kaynor, CB Gardner McKay, ILB Michael Sipili, CB Jimmy Smith.

**Starters Lost (8)—Offense 5:** TB Hugh Charles (24/5), OT/G Edwin Harrison (29/13), OG Kai Maiava (9/9), OT Tyler Polumbus (28/13), WR Dusty Sprague 21/6). **Defense 3:** DE Alonzo Barrett (14/13), ILB Jordon Dizon (47/13), CB Terrence Wheatley (30/11).

**Others Lost With Significant Starting/Playing Experience (9)—** ILB R.J. Brown (1/1), TE Tyson DeVree (6/3), TB Byron Ellis (10/5), SS Lionel Harris (8/1), WR/KR Chase McBride (0/0), WR Stephone Robinson (3/2), TE Joe Sanders (1/1).

**Specialists Returning (2)—** P Matt DiLallo, SN Justin Drescher.

**Specialists Lost (2)—** PK Kevin Eberhart, PK Tyler Cope.

**Final Spring Roster (88 players/62 scholarship)—** 18 seniors, 16 juniors, 24 sophomores, 30 freshmen (25 redshirt/5 true).

**Offensive Formation:** Multiple (Colorado in 2007: 377.0 ypg: rushing: 49% plays/42% yards; passing: 51% plays/58% yards).

**Defensive Formation:** 4-3/Base (Opponents in 2007: 389.4 ypg: rushing: 44% plays/36% yards; passing: 56% plays/64% yards).

**STAT RANKINGS...** A look where CU ranked statistically as a team in 2007 in both the Big 12 and NCAA (both include bowl stats):

B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat
8th	68th	RUSHING OFFENSE .....	144.2	5th	31st	RUSHING DEFENSE .....	128.0	4th	38th	PUNT RETURNS.....	10.3
10th	54th	PASSING OFFENSE.....	234.3	9th	103rd	PASSING DEFENSE.....	261.3	5th	29th	KICKOFF RETURNS.....	22.8
10th	72nd	TOTAL OFFENSE .....	378.5	6th	64th	TOTAL DEFENSE .....	389.3	6th	61st	NET PUNTING .....	34.9
10th	62nd	SCORING OFFENSE.....	27.3	7th	78th	SCORING DEFENSE .....	29.5	8th	83rd	TURNOVER MARGIN .....	-0.31

## 2008 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), five in pads (no tackling, including one in "shells," or shoulder pads only), four in pads (tackling allowed 50 percent or less of the time), three in pads (tackling allowed throughout).

### Calendar (dates, times subject to change)

MARCH	17—	Practice # 1 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		shorts
MARCH	18—	Practice # 2 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		shorts
MARCH	19—	PRO TIMING DAY (9:00 a.m., Dal Ward Center/Balch Fieldhouse; '07 seniors: assorted sprints and drills)		
MARCH	20—	Practice # 3 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		shorts
MARCH	22—	Spring Break (through March 31)		
APRIL	1—	Practice # 4 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	3—	Practice # 5 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)	Coaches Clinic (p.m. reception)	pads
APRIL	4—	Practice # 6 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)	Coaches Clinic	pads
APRIL	5—	Practice # 7 (11:30 a.m. meetings, 1:00 p.m. <u>scrimmage</u> )	Coaches Clinic	pads
APRIL	7—	Practice # 8 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	8—	Practice # 9 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	10—	Practice #10 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	12—	Practice #11 (11:30 a.m. meetings, 1:00 p.m. <u>scrimmage</u> )		pads
APRIL	14—	Practice #12 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	15—	Practice #13 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		pads
APRIL	17—	Practice #14 (2:30 p.m. meetings, 4:00-6:30 p.m. practice)		shells
APRIL	19—	Practice #15 (1:00 <u>spring game</u> ; 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 19: morning session with last year's seniors) is open to the media, not the public; current players will be tested AFTER spring practice.
- **Spring:** all practices are open to the media and public; photography needs can usually be met at any time during practice (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 permitted.
- The spring game (April 19) is open to all; admission is free.

## 2008 EXPANDED SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	TV	Time	2007 Record	2008 Meeting (Last)	Series	(Last 10)
Aug. 31	Colorado State ( <i>in Denver</i> )	FSN	5:30 p.m.	3-9	80th (2007)	58-19-2	(6-4)
SEPT. 6	EASTERN WASHINGTON	none	1:30 p.m.	9-4	1st (.....)	0-0-0	(.....)
SEPT. 18	WEST VIRGINIA	ESPN	6:30 p.m.	11-2	1st (.....)	0-0-0	(.....)
Sept. 27	Florida State ( <i>at Jacksonville</i> )	tba	TBA	7-6	3rd (2007)	0-2-0	(.....)
OCT. 4	+TEXAS ( <b>H</b> )	tba	TBA	10-3	17th (2005)	7-9-0	(5-5)
Oct. 11	+at Kansas	tba	TBA	12-1	68th (2007)	41-23-3	(6-4)
OCT. 18	+KANSAS STATE ( <b>FW</b> )	tba	TBA	5-7	64th (2007)	43-19-1	(4-6)
Oct. 25	+at Missouri	tba	TBA	12-2	73rd (2007)	31-38-3	(6-4)
Nov. 1	+at Texas A & M	tba	TBA	7-6	8th (2005)	5-2-0	(.....)
NOV. 8	+IOWA STATE	tba	TBA	3-9	62nd (2007)	47-14-1	(8-3)
NOV. 15	+OKLAHOMA STATE	tba	TBA	7-6	45th (2005)	26-17-1	(8-2)
Nov. 28	+at Nebraska	ABC	1:30 p.m.	5-7	67th (2007)	18-46-2	(4-6)
Dec. 6	Big 12 Championship Game	ABC	6:00 p.m.	at Kansas City, Mo. (Arrowhead)			

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

**OPEN WEEKENDS:** Nov. 22. \*—Big 12 Conference game; (**H**)—Homecoming; (**FW**)—Family Weekend. tba—to be announced (games on the selection menu of ABC and/or FOX Sports Net/TBS; 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 2008: West Virginia (Sports USA Radio).

## 2008 COLORADO FOOTBALL STAFF

<b>Head Coach</b>	Dan Hawkins ( <i>UC-Davis '84</i> )
<b>Associate Head Coach / Linebackers</b>	Brian Cabral ( <i>Colorado '78</i> )
<b>Assistant Head Coach / Running Game Coordinator / Offensive Line</b>	Jeff Grimes ( <i>Texas-El Paso '89</i> )
<b>Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks</b>	Mark Helfrich ( <i>Southern Oregon '96</i> )
<b>Passing Game Coordinator / Receivers</b>	Eric Kiesau ( <i>Portland State '96</i> )
<b>Running Backs</b>	Darian Hagan ( <i>Colorado '96</i> )
<b>Tight Ends/Special Teams</b>	Kent Riddle ( <i>Oregon State '91</i> )
<b>Defensive Coordinator</b>	Ron Collins ( <i>Washington State '87</i> )
<b>Defensive Line</b>	Romeo Bandison ( <i>Oregon '94</i> )
<b>Defensive Passing Game Coordinator / Secondary</b>	Greg Brown ( <i>Texas-El Paso '80</i> )
<b>Offensive Graduate Assistant</b>	Joe Bever ( <i>Clemson '03</i> )
<b>Defensive Graduate Assistant</b>	Andy Avalos ( <i>Boise State '05</i> )
<b>Offensive Technical Intern</b>	Brad Bedell ( <i>Colorado '00</i> )
<b>Defensive Technical Intern</b>	Ashley Ambrose ( <i>Mississippi Valley State '95</i> )
<b>Director of Football Operations</b>	Robert Tucker ( <i>Willamette '97</i> )
<b>Assistant Director/Recruiting &amp; Operations</b>	Mark Nolan ( <i>Willamette '95</i> )
<b>Assistant Director/On-Campus Recruiting</b>	Jashon Sykes ( <i>Colorado '02</i> )
<b>Assistant To The Head Coach</b>	Todd Ritter ( <i>Albion '02</i> )
<b>Director of Strength &amp; Conditioning</b>	Jeff Pitman ( <i>Boise State '93</i> )

## 2008 COLORADO FOOTBALL LETTERMEN PICTURE

Colorado has **40** lettermen scheduled to return for 2008, including 18 on offense, 20 on defense and two specialists; the Buffs lose **24** lettermen off the 2007 squad (15 offense, seven defense, two specialists). CU returns 15 starters from last season (seven offense, eight defense) and loses seven (four offense, three defense); several positions had multiple personnel shuttle in and out, so these numbers aren't truly reflective of the experience returning. The 2007 starters are listed in bold, and (\*\*) denotes letters earned primarily on special teams. The breakdown:

### OFFENSE

Position	Returning (18)	Lost (15)
WR ( <i>x</i> )	<b>Patrick Williams</b> , Josh Smith, Cody Crawford	Stephone Robinson, **Chase McBride, Jarrell Yates ( <i>from 2006</i> )
WR ( <i>z</i> )	<b>Scotty McKnight</b> , Kendrick Celestine	Dusty Sprague, Alvin Barnett ( <i>from 2006</i> )
LT		<b>Tyler Polumbus</b>
LG		<b>Kai Maiava</b> , Wes Palazzi
C	<b>Daniel Sanders</b>	
RG	Devin Head	<b>Edwin Harrison</b>
RT	<b>Ryan Miller</b>	
TE	<b>Riar Geer</b> , Nate Solder ( <i>moving to OT</i> )	Tyson DeVree, Joe Sanders
QB	<b>Cody Hawkins</b> , Nick Nelson	Bernard Jackson ( <i>from 2006</i> )
TB	Brian Lockridge, Demetrius Sumler, **Kevin Moyd, **Corey Nabors	<b>Hugh Charles</b> , Byron Ellis
FB	Jake Behrens, Maurice Cantrell	Samson Jagoras

### DEFENSE

Position	Returning (20)	Lost (7)
DE	<b>Maurice Lucas</b> , Marquez Herrod	
DT	<b>George Hypolite</b> , Jason Brace	
NT	<b>Brandon Nicolas</b> , Taj Kaynor	
DE		<b>Alonzo Barrett</b> , Chris Perri
MLB	<b>Jeff Smart</b> , Michael Sipili ( <i>from 2006</i> )	R.J. Brown, Jake Duren
WLB	Marcus Burton ( <i>from 2006</i> )	<b>Jordon Dizon</b>
SLB	<b>Brad Jones</b> , Nate Vaiomounga	
CB	Gardner McKay, Jimmy Smith	<b>Terrence Wheatley</b>
SS	<b>D.J. Dykes</b> , **Joel Adams	Lionel Harris
FS	<b>Ryan Walters</b> , Jalil Brown, **Bret Smith	
CB	<b>Benjamin Burney</b> , Cha'pelle Brown	

### SPECIALISTS

Position	Returning (2)	Lost (2)
P	Matthew DiLallo	
PK		Kevin Eberhart, Tyler Cope
SN	<b>Justin Drescher</b>	

# RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS

(Colorado does not count bowl game statistics into its regular season or career numbers; the below thus do not include the 2007 Independence Bowl)

## RUSHING

Rk Player	G	Att	Gain	Loss	NET	—avg. per—		TD	Long	10+	5+	High Game
						att.	game					
2. Demetrius Sumler....	11	100	351	16	<b>335</b>	3.4	30.5	4	30	8	24	91
3. Brian Lockridge.....	8	38	227	14	<b>213</b>	5.6	26.6	1	47	4	16	90
6. Patrick Williams.....	12	6	39	2	<b>37</b>	6.2	3.1	0	24	1	3	24
7. Josh Smith .....	10	10	43	9	<b>34</b>	3.4	3.4	0	13	1	3	16
8. Jake Behrens .....	9	5	33	0	<b>33</b>	6.5	3.7	0	23	1	2	29
9. Kendrick Celestine ..	11	6	37	10	<b>27</b>	4.5	2.5	0	17	2	3	17
10. Kevin Moyd .....	6	4	18	2	<b>16</b>	4.0	2.7	0	9	0	2	9

## PASSING

Rk Player	G	Att-Com-Int (T)	Pct.	Yards	—avg. per—		TD	Long	Sacked	Att.	Yards	Avg.
					att.	comp.						
1. Cody Hawkins .	12	424-239-15 (7)	56.4	<b>2,693</b>	6.4	11.3	19	65	14/97	464	2,682	5.8
2. Nick Nelson .....	3	6- 3- 0 (0)	50.0	<b>22</b>	3.7	7.3	0	10	2/13	12	20	1.7

## RECEIVING

Rk Player	G	No.	Yards	—avg. per—		TD	Long	20+	10+	high games	
				rec.	game					rec	yards
1. Scotty McKnight .....	12	<b>43</b>	488	11.3	40.7	4	40	7	19	8	8-106
4. Patrick Williams.....	12	<b>27</b>	265	9.8	22.1	0	31	3	11	5	5-59
6. Josh Smith .....	10	<b>23</b>	451	19.6	45.1	0	65	9	16	4	2-103
7. Riar Geer .....	12	<b>14</b>	128	9.1	10.7	2	32	2	5	4	3-40
9. Kendrick Celestine	11	<b>11</b>	151	13.7	13.7	0	37	3	5	3	1-37
11. Cody Crawford .....	12	<b>7</b>	73	10.4	6.1	0	20	2	2	3	2-27
12. Demetrius Sumler..	11	<b>6</b>	41	6.8	3.7	1	12	0	2	2	2-16

## SCORING

Player	G	Touchdowns-----				2Pt.	PAT	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	Saf	DEX	PTS
		Total	Rush	Rec.	Ret.							
4. Demetrius Sumler .	12	5	4	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	30
5. Scotty McKnight ....	12	4	0	4	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	24
7. Cody Hawkins .....	12	3	3	0	0	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	18
9. Riar Geer .....	11	2	0	2	0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	14
11. Jake Behrens .....	9	1	0	1	0	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
11. Patrick Devenny .....	6	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
11. Brian Lockridge.....	8	1	1	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
11. Jimmy Smith.....	12	1	0	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6

## DEFENSIVE

Pos Player	G	Plays	Tackles-----				----For Loss----		Miscellaneous-----							
			UT	AT	—	TOT Avg.	Sacks	Other	TZ	3DS	QBP	QCD	FR	FF	PBU	
2. Daniel Dykes .....	12	743	60	23	—	<b>83</b> 6.9	0- 0	0- 0	3	7	4	0	0	2	3	
3. Jeff Smart.....	12	677	43	37	—	<b>80</b> 6.7	0- 0	4-16	4	8	6	2	2	1	5	
4. Brad Jones.....	12	703	45	27	—	<b>72</b> 6.0	2- 8	2- 4	5	9	7	2	0	0	3	
5. Ryan Walters.....	11	705	31	32	—	<b>63</b> 5.7	0- 0	0- 0	2	4	2	3	1	2	5	
6. Benjamin Burney.....	12	796	37	18	—	<b>55</b> 4.6	0- 0	4-27	1	6	0	2	0	0	8	
7. George Hypolite.....	12	684	34	10	—	<b>44</b> 3.7	6-42	5-11	6	5	7	1	0	0	1	
8. Cha'pelle Brown.....	12	531	34	8	—	<b>42</b> 3.5	0- 0	2- 4	0	10	1	0	0	0	12	
10. Brandon Nicolas .....	12	711	28	9	—	<b>37</b> 3.1	3-17	8-16	11	10	3	0	0	0	2	
12. Maurice Lucas.....	12	487	24	6	—	<b>30</b> 2.5	2-16	3- 3	3	3	2	0	0	0	1	
14. Gardner McKay.....	12	271	16	0	—	<b>16</b> 1.3	0- 0	1- 3	0	2	0	0	0	1	5	
18. Marquez Herrod.....	8	71	3	1	—	<b>4</b> 0.5	0- 0	1- 4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	
18. Jimmy Smith .....	6	99	3	1	—	<b>4</b> 0.7	0- 0	0- 0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	

## INTERCEPTIONS

Rk Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
4. Cha'pelle Brown .....	12	1	51	51.0	51	0
4. Jimmy Smith.....	6	1	31	31.0	31t	1
4. George Hypolite .....	12	1	6	6.0	6	0
4. Daniel Dykes .....	12	1	0	0.0	0	0
4. Ryan Walters .....	11	1	0	0.0	0	0

## PUNTING

PUNTING

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	In		had	Ret.	Net	Net	Avg.	
					Long	20	50+	TB	blk	Yds.		Yds
1. Matt DiLallo.....	12	61	2447	40.11	57	22	6	3	1	200	2187	35.8
2. Tom Suazo.....	1	1	48	48.00	48	0	0	0	0	0	48	48.0

## OFFENSIVE LINE

Player	Play Count-----												Total Plays	Season Totals-----					High Games Grade (40% of total snaps)	Knockdowns	Game Counts	
	CSU	ASU	FSU	MIA	OU	BU	KSU	KU	TTU	MU	ISU	NU		KD	TDB	QBS	PRS	PEN			80%+ (90+)	10+KD
Devin Head .....	60	73	79	70	82	69	19	11	27	19	10	18	537	38.5	2	1	8	3	86% / Florida State	8 / Miami-Ohio	5 (2)	0
Ryan Miller .....	—	—	—	37	18	22	77	78	71	58	72	81	514	54.0	3	1	11	4	83% / Oklahoma	8.5 / Nebraska	4 (0)	0
Daniel Sanders .....	60	73	79	83	82	69	77	78	71	58	72	81	883	88.5	5	0	5	2	91% / Iowa State	14.5 / Texas Tech	8 (3)	3
Keenan Stevens....	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	1.0	0	0	0	0	80% / Miami-Ohio	1 / Miami-Ohio	1 (0)	0

# 2008 COLORADO FOOTBALL / ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

May 1, 2008

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
30	ADAMS, Joel	S	5-11	175	Sr.	2L	Steamboat Springs, Colo. (Steamboat)	WO 1/1
63	ADKINS, Ethan	OT	6- 4	295	Fr.	RS	Castle Rock, Colo. (Douglas County)	S 4/4
58	AHLES, Tyler	ILB	6- 2	240	Fr.	RS	San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon)	S 4/4
71	BAHR, Matthew	OG	6- 4	280	Fr.	RS	Dove Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 4/4
16	BALLENGER, Matt	QB	6- 4	230	Fr.	RS	Nampa, Idaho (Skyview)	S 4/4
59	BEATTY, B.J.	OLB	6- 2	220	So.	VR	Kaaawa, Hawai'i (Kahuku)	S 3/3
66	BEHRENS, Blake	OG	6- 3	285	Fr.	RS	Phoenix, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 4/4
41	BEHRENS, Jake	FB	6- 0	230	Jr.	1L	Omaha, Neb. (Millard North)	S 2/2
65	BISNOW, Austin	SN	6- 0	210	So.	VR	Washington, D.C. (Landon School)	WO 3/3
19	BLACK, Kyle	QB	5-11	195	So.	TR	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Thunder Ridge/Air Force)	WO 3/3
92	BRACE, Jason	DE	6- 4	250	Jr.	2L	Spanaway, Wash. (Spanaway Lake)	S 3/2
29	BROWN, Cha'pelle	CB	5- 7	180	Jr.	2L	La Puente, Calif. (Los Altos)	S 3/2
23	BROWN, Jilil	CB	6- 1	205	So.	1L	Phoenix, Ariz. (South Mountain)	S 3/3
39	BURGNER, Matt	FB	5-11	220	So.	TR	Corona del Mar, Calif. (Corona del Mar/Georgetown)	WO 3/2
54	BURTON, Marcus	ILB	6- 0	255	Jr.	2L	Channelview, Texas (Channelview)	S 2/2
32	CANTRELL, Maurice	FB	6- 0	240	Sr.	2L	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington)	S 1/1
5	CELESTINE, Kendrick	WR	5-11	180	So.	1L	Mamou, La. (Mamou)	S 4/3
60	CLARK, David	OT	6- 4	305	Fr.	RS	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen)	WO 4/4
53	COONEY, Kevin	DE	6- 6	220	Fr.	RS	Arvada, Colo. (Faith Christian)	WO 4/4
48	CRAWFORD, Cody	WR	5-11	175	Sr.	2L	San Diego, Calif. (Torrey Pines)	S 1/1
68	DANIELS, Shawn	OG	6- 3	280	Fr.	RS	Evergreen, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 4/4
38	DAVIS, Jameson	PK/P	5-10	195	Fr.	TR	Eagle, Idaho (Eagle/Boise State)	S 4/4
33	DEVENNY, Patrick	TE	6- 3	240	Jr.	VR	Roseville, Calif. (Granite Bay)	S 2/2
14	DiLALLO, Matthew	P	6- 1	190	Jr.	2L	Wellington, Fla. (Wellington)	S 2/2
70	DRESCHER, Justin	SN	6- 1	230	Jr.	2L	Southlake, Texas (Carroll)	S 3/2
9	DYKES, Daniel	S	6- 2	210	Sr.	1L	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Los Alamitos/Idaho)	S 1/1
37	ESPINOZA, Jason	WR	5- 8	180	Fr.	RS	Alamosa, Colo. (Alamosa)	WO 4/4
61	FAATAGI, Erick	OG	6- 2	310	Sr.	JC	Los Angeles, Calif. (Dorsey/El Camino College)	S 1/1
62	GOLDBERG, David	ILB	6- 1	230	Fr.	TR	Aspen, Colo. (Aspen/Penn State)	WO 4/4
13	GOODMAN, Aric	PK	5-10	180	So.	TR	Cherry Hills Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek/Wyoming)	WO 3/3
98	GOREE, Eugene	DT	6- 1	295	Fr.	RS	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Riverdale)	S 4/4
44	GOUIN, Brandon	ILB	6- 1	210	Fr.	TR	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder/Air Force)	WO 4/4
86	HAM, Cameron	WR	6- 1	200	So.	RS	Haxtun, Colo. (Haxtun)	WO 3/3
55	HARTIGAN, Josh	ILB	6- 1	205	Fr.	RS	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Northeast)	S 4/4
7	HAWKINS, Cody	QB	5-11	190	So.	1L	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly)	S 3/3
18	HAWKINS, Jonathan	CB	5-11	185	Fr.	RS	Perris, Calif. (Rancho Verde)	S 4/4
72	HEAD, Devin	OG	6- 4	295	Jr.	2L	Corona, Calif. (Centennial)	S 2/2
90	HERROD, Marquez	DE	6- 2	270	So.	1L	Escondido, Calif. (San Pasqual)	S 3/3
4	HUDGINS, Drew	DE	6- 4	235	Sr.	JC	Spring Hill, Kan. (Spring Hill/Highland CC)	S 1/1
86	HYPOLITE, George	DT	6- 1	285	Sr.	3L	Los Angeles, Calif. (Loyola)	S 2/1
64	ILTIS, Mike	OG	6- 3	295	Fr.	RS	Sarasota, Fla. (Riverview)	S 4/4
22	JAFFEE, Arthur	TB	5-11	200	Fr.	RS	Boulder, Colo. (Fairview)	WO 4/4
40	JONES, Brad	OLB	6- 3	225	Sr.	3L	East Lansing, Mich. (East Lansing)	S 1/1
97	KAYNOR, Taj	DT	6- 5	265	Jr.	1L	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	S 2/2
69	LAWSON, Eric	DT	6- 3	270	So.	VR	Sedalia, Colo. (Douglas County)	S 3/3
20	LOCKRIDGE, Brian	TB	5- 7	175	So.	1L	Trabuco Canyon, Calif. (Mission Viejo)	S 4/3
91	LUCAS, Maurice	DE	6- 4	260	Sr.	3L	Denver, Colo. (Rangeview)	S 2/1
6	McKAY, Gardner	CB	5-11	165	Sr.	3L	Inglewood, Calif. (Crenshaw)	S 2/1
21	McKNIGHT, Scotty	WR	5-11	180	So.	1L	Coto de Caza, Calif. (Tesoro)	S 3/3
85	MELTON, Steve	WR	5-11	190	Sr.	VR	San Clemente, Calif. (San Clemente/UCLA/Saddleback)	WO 1/1
18	METSKAS, Alex	PK	5- 7	150	Fr.	HS	Orange, Calif. (Northwood)	WO 4/4
22	MEYER, Matt	S	5- 9	190	Fr.	RS	Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Santa Margarita)	WO 4/4
73	MILLER, Ryan	OT	6- 7	315	So.	1L	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 4/3
89	MODROVSKY, Daniel	DT	6- 5	255	Fr.	RS	Park City, Utah (Park City)	WO 4/4
25	MOYD, Kevin	TB	5- 7	185	Jr.	2L	Miramar, Fla. (Northwestern)	S 2/2
36	NABORS, Corey	TB	5- 9	185	So.	1L	Aurora, Colo. (Rangeview)	S 3/3
3	NELSON, Nick	QB	6- 1	230	Sr.	1L	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Tesoro/Saddleback College)	S 2/1
94	NICOLAS, Brandon	DT	6- 3	290	Sr.	2L	Santa Ana, Calif. (Mater Dei/Notre Dame)	S 1/1
93	OBI, Conrad	DE	6- 3	260	Fr.	RS	Grayson, Ga. (Grayson)	S 4/4
46	PERKINS, Anthony	S	5-10	190	Fr.	RS	Northglenn, Colo. (Northglenn)	S 4/4
95	POREMBA, Tony	DE	6- 1	225	Fr.	RS	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek)	WO 4/4
99	SALE, Tyler	DT	6- 3	255	Jr.	HS	Littleton, Colo. (Arapahoe)	WO 2/2
75	SANDERS, Daniel	C	6- 3	325	Sr.	3L	Vista, Calif. (El Camino)	S 1/1
19	SANDERSFELD, Travis	S	6- 0	190	Fr.	RS	Limon, Colo. (Limon)	WO 4/4
88	SHANAHAN, Devin	TE	6- 5	240	Jr.	VR	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)	WO 2/2
96	SHIELDS, Lagrone	DE	6- 3	250	Fr.	RS	Memphis, Tenn. (Ridgeway)	S 4/4

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## 2008 COLORADO FOOTBALL / ALPHABETICAL ROSTER 2-2-2

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
6	SIMAS, Markques	WR	6- 2	195	Fr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Mira Mesa)	S 4/4
10	SIPILI, Michael	ILB	6- 1	255	So.	1L	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	S 3/3
45	SMART, Jeff	ILB	6- 0	210	Jr.	2L	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 2/2
3	SMITH, Jimmy	CB	6- 2	195	So.	1L	Colton, Calif. (Colton)	S 3/3
1	SMITH, Josh	WR	6- 0	180	So.	1L	Moorpark, Calif. (Moorpark)	S 4/3
31	SMITH, Lamont	CB	5- 8	160	Fr.	RS	Penn Hills, Pa. (Pittsburgh Central Catholic)	S 4/4
78	SOLDER, Nate	OT	6- 8	280	So.	1L	Buena Vista, Colo. (Buena Vista)	S 3/3
52	STENGEL, Bryan	ILB	6- 2	225	Jr.	VR	Durango, Colo. (Durango)	WO 2/2
56	STEVENS, Keenan	C	6- 2	280	So.	VR	Monument, Colo. (Lewis-Palmer)	WO 3/3
95	SUAZO, Tom	P	5-10	185	Sr.	VR	Glenwood Springs, Colo. (Glenwood Springs/Arizona State)	WO 1/1
8	SUMLER, Demetrius	TB	5-10	215	So.	1L	San Diego, Calif. (Cathedral Catholic)	S 3/3
79	TAU, Sione	OT	6- 5	320	Fr.	RS	Honolulu, Hawai'i (Damien Memorial)	S 4/4
82	TOMPANE, Kyle	TE	6- 4	210	So.	HS	Los Altos, Calif. (King's Academy)	WO 3/3
35	VAIOMOUNGA, Nate	OLB	5-10	210	So.	1L	Corona, Calif. (Corona)	S 4/3
81	WALTERS, Luke	TE	6- 3	235	Jr.	TR	Lakewood, Colo. (ThunderRidge/New Mexico)	WO 2/2
15	WALTERS, Ryan	FS	6- 0	200	Sr.	3L	Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)	S 1/1
4	WILLIAMS, Patrick	WR	6- 2	205	Sr.	3L	DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto)	S 1/1
21	WRIGHT, Anthony	CB	6- 0	185	Fr.	RS	Compton, Calif. (Compton)	S 4/4

**EXPERIENCE KEY:** #L—indicates number of letters earned through 2007; HS—high school; JC—junior college transfer; RS—freshman redshirt in 2007; TR—transfer; VR—varsity reserve performer. **STATUS KEY:** S—scholarship, WO—walk-on; #/#—clock as of end of 2007 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
42	BURNEY, Benjamin	CB	5-11	190	Sr.	3L	Lone Tree, Colo. (Mullen)	Injured S 2/1
87	GEER, Riar	TE	6- 4	250	Jr.	2L	Grand Junction, Colo. (Fruita-Monument)	Suspended S 2/2
49	KATOA, Lynn	ILB	6- 1	220	Fr.	HS	Salt Lake City, Utah (Cottonwood)	Suspended S 5/4
28	SMITH, Bret	S	5-11	190	So.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Regis)	Injured WO 3/3

### 2008 Recruits

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp	Hometown (High School/Previous College)	Status
80	BLACKMON, Chance	WR	6- 3	190	Fr.	HS	Tatum, Texas (Tatum)	S 5/4
50	CUNNINGHAM, Curtis	DL	6- 2	275	Fr.	HS	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)	S 5/4
53	DANNEWITZ, Ryan	OL	6- 6	285	Fr.	HS	San Jacinto, Calif. (San Jacinto)	S 5/4
34	DEEHAN, Ryan	TE	6- 6	230	Fr.	HS	Poway, Calif. (Poway)	S 5/4
27	EWING, Vince	S	6- 2	200	Fr.	HS	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad)	S 5/4
77	GIVENS, Bryce	OT	6- 6	250	Fr.	HS	Castle Rock, Colo. (Denver Mullen)	S 5/4
9	HANSEN, Tyler	QB	6- 2	205	Fr.	HS	Murrieta, Calif. (Chaparral)	S 5/4
17	HICKS, Steven	DB	6- 0	185	Fr.	HS	Tyler, Texas (Whitehouse)	S 5/4
12	MAHNKE, Patrick	S	6- 2	195	Fr.	HS	Parker, Colo. (Mountain Vista)	S 5/4
31	MAJOR, Jon	ILB	6- 3	225	Fr.	HS	Parker, Colo. (Ponderosa)	S 5/4
47	MOHLER, Shaun	LB	6- 3	225	Jr.	JC	Newport Beach, Calif. (Corona del Mar/Orange Coast College)	S 3/2
83	PERICAK, Will	TE	6- 4	235	Fr.	HS	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)	S 5/4
26	POLK, Ray	TB	6- 1	200	Fr.	HS	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)	S 5/4
51	RIPPY, Douglas	LB	6- 2	220	Fr.	HS	Trotwood, Ohio (Trotwood-Madison)	S 5/4
2	SCOTT, Darrell	TB	6- 2	215	Fr.	HS	Ventura, Calif. (St. Bonaventure)	S 5/4
43	STEWART, Rodney	TB/KR	5- 8	180	Fr.	HS	Westerville, Ohio (Brookhaven)	S 5/4
55	TUIOTI-MARINER, Maxwell	OL	6- 4	300	Fr.	HS	Corona, Calif. (Corona)	S 5/4
	VIGO, Paul	ATH	6- 1	205	Fr.	HS	New Brunswick, N.J. (New Brunswick)	S 5/4
84	WALLACE, Ryan	TE	6- 5	230	Fr.	HS	Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green)	S 5/4

**2008 TEAM CAPTAINS:** to be named

## ALL-STAR CANDIDATES

Looking ahead to this fall, there are a few Colorado players who should be in the mix for some individual honors. Topping the list are seniors-to-be **DT George Hypolite**, a first-team All-Big 12 performer this past fall, **OLB Brad Jones**, **NT Brandon Nicolas**, **C Daniel Sanders** (a Rimington Watch List member), **FS Ryan Walters** and **WR Patrick Williams**. Juniors **CB Cha'pelle Brown**, **P Matt DiLallo** and **SS Daniel Dykes** are worthy of a look, and then there's a slew of underclassmen that could emerge as honors-type players as the program evolves under coach **Dan Hawkins**. Several could emerge as All-Big 12 Conference candidates (or even All-America) with breakout seasons.

# SPRING DEPTH CHART

May 1, 2008

## OFFENSE (Multiple)

### WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING (x)

- 4 Patrick Williams, 6-2, 205, Sr.-5\*\*\*
- 1 Josh Smith, 6-0, 180, Soph.\*
- 85 Steve Melton, 5-11, 190, Sr.-5
- 37 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 180, Fr.-RS
- 86 Cameron Ham, 6-1, 200, Soph.

### WIDE RECEIVER GROUPING (z)

- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 180, Soph.\*
- 48 Cody Crawford, 5-11, 175, Sr.-5\*\*
- 6 Markques Simas, 6-2, 195, Fr.
- 5 Kendrick Celestine, 5-11, 180, Soph.\*

### LEFT TACKLE

- 78 Nate Solder, 6-8, 280, Soph.\*
- 63 Ethan Adkins, 6-4, 295, Fr.-RS

### LEFT GUARD

- 71 Matthew Bahr, 6-4, 280, Fr.-RS **OR**
- 68 Shawn Daniels, 6-3, 280, Fr.-RS **OR**
- 66 Blake Behrens, 6-3, 285, Fr.-RS

### CENTER

- 75 Daniel Sanders, 6-3, 325, Sr.-5\*\*\*
- 56 Keenan Stevens, 6-2, 280, Soph.

### RIGHT GUARD

- 72 Devin Head, 6-4, 295, Jr.\*\* **OR**
- 61 Erick Faatagi, 6-2, 310, Sr.-5 **OR**
- 64 Mike Iltis, 6-3, 295, Fr.-RS

### RIGHT TACKLE

- 73 Ryan Miller, 6-7, 315, Soph.\*
- 79 Sione Tau, 6-5, 320, Fr.-RS
- 60 David Clark, 6-4, 305, Fr.-RS

### TIGHT END GROUPING

- 33 Patrick Devenny, 6-3, 240, Jr.
- 81 Luke Walters, 6-3, 235, Jr.
- 88 Devin Shanahan, 6-5, 240, Jr.
- 82 Kyle Tompane, 6-4, 210, Soph.

### QUARTERBACK

- 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Soph.\*
- 3 Nick Nelson, 6-1, 230, Sr.\*
- 16 Matt Ballenger, 6-4, 230, Fr.-RS
- 19 Kyle Black, 5-11, 195, Soph.

### TAILBACK GROUPING

- 8 Demetrius Sumler, 5-10, 215, Soph.\*
- 20 Brian Lockridge, 5-7, 175, Soph.\*
- 22 Kevin Moyd, 5-7, 185, Jr.\*\*
- 36 Corey Nabors, 5-9, 185, Soph.\*
- 25 Arthur Jaffee, 5-11, 200, Fr.-RS

### FULLBACK

- 32 Maurice Cantrell, 6-0, 240, Sr.-5\*\*
- 41 Jake Behrens, 6-0, 230, Jr.\*
- 39 Matt Burgner, 5-11, 220, Soph.\*

## DEFENSE (4-3/Base)

### LEFT DEFENSIVE END

- 91 Maurice Lucas, 6-4, 260, Sr.\*\*\*
- 96 Lagrone Shields, 6-3, 250, Fr.-RS
- 53 Kevin Cooney, 6-6, 220, Fr.-RS
- 95 Tony Poremba, 6-1, 225, Fr.-RS

### DEFENSIVE TACKLE

- 86 George Hypolite, 6-1, 285, Sr.\*\*\*
- 97 Taj Kaynor, 6-5, 265, Jr.\*
- 99 Tyler Sale, 6-3, 255, Jr.

### NOSE TACKLE

- 94 Brandon Nicolas, 6-3, 290, Sr.-5\*\*
- 98 Eugene Goree, 6-1, 295, Fr.-RS
- 69 Eric Lawson, 6-3, 270, Soph.
- 89 Daniel Modrovsky, 6-5, 255, Fr.-RS

### RIGHT DEFENSIVE END

- 90 Marquez Herrod, 6-2, 270, Soph.\*
- 92 Jason Brace, 6-4, 250, Jr.\*\*
- 93 Conrad Obi, 6-3, 260, Fr.-RS
- (4 Drew Hudgins, 6-4, 235, Sr.-5—injured)

### MIKE (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 45 Jeff Smart, 6-0, 210, Jr.\*\*
- 10 Michael Sipili, 6-1, 255, Soph.\*
- 58 Tyler Ahles, 6-2, 240, Fr.-RS
- 62 David Goldberg, 6-1, 230, Fr.-RS

### WILL (INSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 54 Marcus Burton, 6-0, 255, Jr.\*\*
- 52 Bryan Stengel, 6-2, 225, Jr.
- 55 Josh Hartigan, 6-1, 205, Fr.-RS
- 44 Brandon Gouin, 6-1, 210, Fr.-RS

### SAM (OUTSIDE) LINEBACKER

- 40 Brad Jones, 6-3, 225, Sr.-5\*\*\* **OR**
- 59 B.J. Beatty, 6-2, 220, Soph.
- 35 Nate Vaiomounga, 5-10, 210, Soph.\*

### LEFT CORNERBACK

- 6 Gardner McKay, 5-11, 165, Sr.\*\*\*
- 3 Jimmy Smith, 6-2, 195, Soph.\*
- 21 Anthony Wright, 6-0, 185, Fr.-RS
- 18 Jonathan Hawkins, 5-11, 185, Fr.-RS

### FREE SAFETY

- 46 Anthony Perkins, 5-10, 190, Fr.-RS
- 22 Matt Meyer, 5-9, 190, Fr.-RS

### STRONG SAFETY

- 9 Daniel Dykes, 6-2, 210, Sr.-5\*
- 19 Travis Sandersfeld, 6-0, 190, Fr.-RS

### RIGHT CORNERBACK

- 29 Cha'pelle Brown, 5-7, 180, Jr.\*\*
- 23 Jalil Brown, 6-1, 205, Soph.\*
- 31 Lamont Smith, 5-8, 160, Fr.-RS

(N—denotes nickel back)

## SPECIALISTS

### PUNTER

- 14 Matt DiLallo, 6-1, 190, Jr.\*\* (L)
- 95 Tom Suazo, 5-10, 185, Sr.-5

### PLACEKICKER

- 38 Jameson Davis, 5-10, 195, Fr. **OR**
- 13 Aric Goodman, 5-10, 180, Soph.
- 18 Alex Metskas, 5-7, 150, Fr.

### KICKOFF RETURN

- 1 Josh Smith, 6-0, 180, Soph.\*
- 4 Patrick Williams, 6-2, 205, Sr.-5\*\*\*
- 21 Scotty McKnight, 5-11, 180, Soph.\*
- 29 Cha'pelle Brown, 5-7, 180, Jr.\*\*

### PUNT RETURN

- 37 Jason Espinoza, 5-8, 180, Fr.-RS
- 1 Josh Smith, 6-0, 180, Soph.\*
- 9 Daniel Dykes, 6-2, 210, Sr.-5\*

### HOLDER (PINNER)

- 21 Scott McKnight, 5-11, 180, Soph.\*
- 7 Cody Hawkins, 5-11, 190, Soph.\*

### SHORT SNAPPER

- 70 Justin Drescher, 6-1, 230, Jr.\*\*
- 75 Daniel Sanders, 6-3, 325, Sr.-5\*\*\*

### LONG SNAPPER

- 70 Justin Drescher, 6-1, 230, Jr.\*\*
- 50 Austin Bisnow, 6-0, 210, Soph.
- 33 Patrick Devenny, 6-3, 240, Jr.

## OUT FOR EXTENDED TIME

- \*—30 Joel Adams, 5-11, 175, Sr.-5\*\* (*injured*)
- \*—42 Benjamin Burney, 5-11, 190, Sr.\*\*\* (*inj.*)
- \*—87 Riar Geer, 6-4, 250, Jr.\*\* (*suspended*)
- \*—49 Lynn Katoa, 6-1, 220, Fr. (*suspended*)
- \*—28 Bret Smith, 5-11, 190, Soph.\* (*injured*)
- \*—15 Ryan Walters, 6-0, 200, Sr.-5\*\*\* (*inj.*)
- \*—denotes missed entire spring.

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

**Seniors (18):** Listing with a (-5) indicates fifth-year senior (13); all others are fourth-year seniors (5).

**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 status at that spot up for grabs.

Freshmen expected to redshirt not listed unless listed in the two-deep.



\*—denotes number of letters earned through 2007; *Injured players listed in italics (status questionable or doubtful—not out for extended time; probables listed as normal).* **CAPTAINS:** to be named.



## 2008 COLORADO PLAYERS-TO-WATCH

May 1, 2008

### **CHA'PELLE BROWN, CB**

**5-7, 180, Jr., 2L**

In 2007, he played in all 13 games, including seven starts, all of which came as the nickel back in 4-2-5 or 3-3-5 formations against passing teams... In 531 snaps from scrimmage in the regular season, he finished the year with 42 tackles (34 solo), the fourth most by a defensive back on the team with the highest ratio of solos to assists... He tied for second on the team with 10 third down stops, while his 12 pass deflections ranked a team best... He also had an interception, a quarterback hurry, a caused interception and a touchdown save... A top game was against Nebraska: five tackles, two third down stops, two pass deflections and an interception he returned 51 yards inside the Husker 5 that set up a TD... He had a career high 12 tackles (11 solo) against Missouri, giving him 21 tackles against the Tigers in two career games, and he also had nine in the win at Texas Tech and seven against Kansas... He added six tackles, two inside-the-20, on special teams coverage units.

### **MATT DiLALLO, P**

**6-1, 190, Jr., 1L**

At first glance it might appear that he suffered the proverbial sophomore slump in 2007, but one has to look inside-the-numbers: while his average was 40.1 for 61 kicks, over three-and-a-half yards lower than his freshman season, he was asked to do more with less. Less field to be exact, as the average yardline for his punts was the CU36 (as compared to the 31 in 2006), and he responded with 22 punts inside-the-20, tied for the second most in school history for a single season... He won the punting battle over the opponent in seven games, and his hang time along with CU's coverage units limited the opponent to a 6.9 average on returns... He had six punts of 50 or more yards, and also placed four inside-the-10 and three inside-the-5, with just three touchbacks... He was the unanimous first-team Freshman All-American in 2006, as he finished fourth in the Big 12 and 15th in the NCAA with a 43.7 average... He was just the third player to lead CU in punting as a freshman.

### **D.J. DYKES, SS**

**6-2, 210, Sr., 1L**

He started all 13 games at strong safety in 2007, playing 743 snaps from scrimmage in the regular season, the third most on the defense... He was second on the team in tackles with 83 (60 solo, which also ranked second), with a team-best six touchdown saves... He also recorded seven third down stops, four hurries, three pass deflections, two forced fumbles and three tackles for zero... His one interception on the year was a huge one, coming in the fourth quarter against Oklahoma and thought not leading directly to a score, it helped keep momentum on CU's side as the Buffs rallied for the win (it was OU's lone play in a span where CU had 20)... He matched his collegiate career best with 11 tackles (six solo) against Arizona State, as he posted at least four stops in every game and had six or more in nine contests... He finished fourth in CU's special teams point standings with 13, on the strength of seven tackles (four solo, one inside-the-20), three downed punts, a knockdown block, and a unique one for sprinting: he raced some 20 yards upfield to fair catch a punt with four seconds left in the first half at Baylor, enabling Kevin Eberhart to kick a 54-yard field goal on the next play. The coaches named him the defensive player of the week for the Oklahoma game.

### **CODY HAWKINS, QB**

**5-11, 190, Soph., 1L**

He started all 13 games, setting every major CU freshman passing record and earning honorable mention Freshman All-America honors from *The Sporting News* and collegefootballnews.com... Those frosh marks included passing yards (2,693), completions (239), attempts (424), touchdown passes (19) and interceptions (15, though seven were tipped or deflected); he ended the regular season with 70 consecutive passes without throwing a pick... In defeating both Nebraska and Oklahoma, he became the first freshman quarterback to defeat both in the same season (only two other quarterbacks did it, and for a total of four times)... He was the recipient of the Derek Singleton Award, as selected by his teammates, for spirit, dedication and enthusiasm... His 19 touchdown passes were the fourth most in a single season (record: 22, Koy Detmer in 1996), and he did have three more in the bowl game but CU doesn't count bowl stats (Detmer had three in the Holiday Bowl that year anyway)... He had nine 200-yard passing games, tying the school record with six in a row at one point, with his season high his one 300-plus game, when he threw for 306 against Florida State (topped by 322 versus Alabama in the Independence Bowl)... He opened his career by throwing at least one touchdown pass in his first nine games, setting a record for the start of a career as well as tying the overall one for any point during the season.

### **GEORGE HYPOLITE, DT**

**6-1, 285, Sr., 3L**

On the official preseason watch lists for the Lombardi Award, Outland Trophy and Ronnie Lott Award... He played in all 13 games, starting 12 in earning first-team All-Big 12 Conference honors from both the *Associated Press* and the league coaches in 2007, when he also picked up a very prestigious honor when he was one of 11 members named to the AFCA's Good Works Team for his community service work... In 684 snaps from scrimmage in the regular season, he racked up 44 tackles (34 solo), the most by a lineman, and tied for the team lead with 11 tackles for loss... He had a team-best six quarterback sacks (8.5 total for his career), the most sacks by a defensive tackle since 2002... He also had seven hurries, six tackles for zero, five third down stops, an interception, a pass deflection and a near sack... He had a season and career-high 10 tackles versus Florida State and had eight against Iowa State; he had three tackles for loss in each game, and also had three in the opener against CSU... An honorable mention All-Big 12 selection by the coaches in 2006.

### **BRANDON NICOLAS, DT**

**6-3, 290, Sr., 2L**

Earned honorable mention All-Big 12 honors from the *Associated Press* and the league coaches... He was selected as the recipient of the Regiment Award by the coaching staff, which is presented to the player who makes the greatest contribution with the least recognition... In playing 711 snaps from scrimmage in the regular season, he played the second highest percentage of team snaps by any defensive lineman at CU over the last 15 seasons (85.7)... He recorded 37 tackles (28 solo) in tying for the team lead in tackles for loss with 11, which ranked him seventh in the Big 12; that count included three quarterback sacks... He was second on the team in tackles for zero with 11, meaning 22 of his 37 tackles went for zero or minus yardage... He also had 10 third down stops (tying for second), three pressures, two pass deflections and a caused interception. He had a season high six tackles versus Florida State (five solo, three for losses), with five in the opener against CSU.

### **DANIEL SANDERS, C**

**6-3, 325, Sr., 3L**

One of 42 preseason candidates on the official watch list for the Dave Rimington Award (was also on the list in 2007)... He started all 13 games at center, playing 951 snaps—all but 10 of the team's 961 total including the Independence Bowl... He led the team in knockdown blocks with 88.5 and tied for the team lead with five touchdown blocks; he did not allow a quarterback sack, allowed only five pressures and was called for just two penalties in grading out to 80 percent or higher eight times in 12 regular season games... He peaked at 90 percent or higher three times, including a top game grade of 91 percent at Iowa State... His 14.5 knockdown blocks at Texas Tech were a team single-season high, and he had 10 or more three times... The only 10 snaps he did not play came late in the blowout win over Miami... After missing the 2006 season opener with an injury, he started the other 11 games and played all but six snaps the rest of the season, finishing with 655 total... Nicknamed "Girthy" for his size, he can also play guard if the need arises.

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**RYAN WALTERS, FS****6-0, 200, Sr., 3L**

Started 12 games including the Independence Bowl, missing the Iowa State game due to injury... He finished fifth on the team in tackles with 63 (31 solo), as he was in for 705 snaps from scrimmage... He had five pass deflections, four third down stops, three near-sacks, two forced fumbles, two pressures and a fumble recovery... He had a career-high 16 tackles in the season opener against Colorado State (8 solo), and had seven tackles in four other games, versus Arizona State, Texas Tech, Missouri and Nebraska... His one interception on the season was a big one, coming late in the third quarter against No. 3 Oklahoma; it led to a CU touchdown that cut the deficit to 24-17 in what would eventually be a 27-24 CU win... He was presented with the Tiger Bussey Award at CU's postseason banquet for his perseverance over adversity, injury and/or illness... He was a preseason first-team All-Big 12 selection by both *Athlon* and *The Sporting News*... Earned Big 12 Conference Defensive Player of the Week honors against Texas Tech as a sophomore, when he had two interceptions, four tackles and two third down stops... He returned a fumble 95 yards for a touchdown against Kansas that same year, the second longest fumble (and any kind of miscellaneous) return in CU history.

**PATRICK WILLIAMS, WR****6-2, 205, Sr., 3L**

In 2007, he played in all 13 games, starting six, making 27 receptions for 265 yards (9.8 per)... He also had six rushes for 37 yards (6.2 per)... He opened the year with five catches for 59 yards at Colorado State, with another top game against Kansas (3-50)... He had at least one catch in 11 games and two or more nine times, including versus Alabama in the bowl game (2-29)... He was the Iron Buffalo Award winner for the wide receivers, as he was the selection for the honor for the player at each position who represents hard work, dedication, toughness and total poundage in the weight room... He is 20th all-time in receptions (74) and is 28th in receiving yards (748) at Colorado... For the second straight season, he was involved in CU's first offensive play of the year; he gained 24 yards on a reverse, the longest initial rushing play of the year in CU history... He set the one for receiving his sophomore year (42 yards), so he likely is the only player in the nation to own both records... He has caught at least one pass in 32 of 38 career games.

**OTHERS TO KEEP AN EYE ON**

Several other players have the opportunity to stand out for the Buffaloes in 2008 and some could easily wind up contending for All-Big 12 honors or better. Some of those include:

**Jalil Brown, CB** (6-1, 205, *Soph.*, 1L)—The recipient of the team's Bill McCartney Award for special teams achievement in 2007, he led the team with 31 special teams points, with 25 coming in the last six games of the year... He compiled his point total on the strength of 13 tackles (10 solo, three assisted, two inside-the-20), seven knockdown blocks, five forced fair catches, two first downfield credits that altered returns, a forced fumble and a downed punt... Enters the fall second at right cornerback, but should work his way into the lineup in nickel formations if not for some rotation at corner.

**Marcus Burton, ILB** (6-0, 255, *Jr.*, 2L)—He is back after taking a redshirt year for sitting out the 2007 season due to academic ineligibility... He had 29 tackles as a true freshman in 2005, with a 99-yard interception return for a TD at Oklahoma State, but missed the last quarter of his sophomore year due to a fractured tibia.

**Patrick Devenny, TE** (6-3, 240, *Jr.*, 1L)—He saw spot duty in 2007 (caught just one pass, but it was for a touchdown versus Miami-Ohio), but is coming off a tremendous spring, where he led all receivers in the three major scrimmages with 12 catches for 244 yards and three touchdowns, all team bests as was his 20.3 average per reception... A converted quarterback, he had moved between the two positions throughout his career before finally settling in at tight end in the spring of 2007.

**Brad Jones, OLB** (6-3, 225, *Sr.*, 3L)—He had 72 tackles last fall (45 solo), with six for losses including a pair of quarterback sacks... He also had nine third down stops, seven hurries, five tackles for zero and three passes broken up... Though it didn't count in the statistics, he had a huge sack at Texas Tech, thwarting a two-point conversion try that kept the Buff lead at 12 (31-19) in the second half... He matched his career high with 10 tackles (seven solo) at Arizona State, and he posted nine stops against Missouri and had eight on two occasions, versus Colorado State and Kansas... He was also third on the team in tackles with 72 (41 solo) as a sophomore.

**Brian Lockridge, TB** (6-4, 260, *Sr.*, 3L)—He showed a small glimpse of what might be in store for the future as he was explosive at times... He was the third leading rusher on the team with 213 yards, averaging 5.6 yards per carry with one TD... He had CU's two longest runs of the season, a 47-yard run that set up a touchdown at Iowa State, and a 43-yard scoot for a touchdown that closed the scoring against Miami-Ohio... He had his best games against those two schools, as versus Miami he rushed 14 times for 90 yards and the score, while netting 61 yards on five tries at Iowa State... He earned 10 first downs, earning three of them on third down in four attempts.

**Maurice Lucas, DE** (6-4, 260, *Sr.*, 3L)—Played in all 13 games last fall, including eight starts, as he started to come into his own at left defensive end. In 487 snaps from scrimmage in the regular season, he posted 30 tackles, including 24 solo, five for losses, two quarterback sacks and three stops for zero... He also had three third down stops, two hurries and a pass broken up... He had both his sacks, for 16 yards in losses, in the season opener against Colorado State in Denver, when he also recorded a season- and career-high eight tackles (six solo)... He also had five tackles at Iowa State (three solo, two for zero), and posted four against Missouri.

**Scotty McKnight, WR** (5-11, 180, *Soph.*, 1L)—He rebounded from a broken ankle in spring to become the first freshman wide receiver, true or redshirt, and just the second frosh ever to lead the Buffs in receiving... An honorable mention Freshman All-American by both *The Sporting News* and collegefootballnews.com, he caught 43 passes for 488 yards (11.3 average) and four touchdowns... *TSN* named him first-team Freshman All-Big 12, as he set school freshman records for receptions and yards, and missed tying the touchdown mark by one. He had a great debut, with eight catches for 106 yards and a touchdown; he caught at least one pass in every game.

**Ryan Miller, OT** (6-7, 315, *Soph.*, 1L)—He played for the first time in the fourth game of the 2007 season against Miami-Ohio and cracked the starting lineup three games later... When all was said and done, he played in nine games and started six at right offensive tackle in earning first-team Freshman All-America honors from *The Sporting News*... He became the first tackle to play as a true frosh at Colorado since 1989 and was just the ninth true freshman to start a game on the offensive line at Colorado since freshmen were allowed to play again in 1972... He played 514 snaps from scrimmage, grading out to better than 80 percent four times, and allowed just one quarterback sack.

**Josh Smith, WR** (6-0, 180, *Soph.*, 1L)—He played in 11 games (three starts) as a true freshman, bouncing back after being sidelined early after suffering a severe kidney bruise with mild lacerations during a CU scrimmage in mid-August... He came back with a vengeance, catching 23 passes for 451 yards, a team-best 19.6 average per reception (no touchdowns)... He was 23rd in the Big 12 in receiving yards per game (45.1)... He caught at least two passes in 10 of the 11 games he appeared in, having only been shutout against Missouri... He caught two passes for 103 yards at Baylor, his 51.5 yards per catch being among the all-time top game averages in CU history; he had 40 or more yards in six games... He also rushed the ball 10 times out of various calls and formations for 34 yards... He's already 69th on CU's all-time receiving yards list.

**Demetrius Sumler, TB** (5-10, 215, *Soph.*, 1L)—He played in 12 games (three starts) in 2007, finishing second on the team in rushing with 335 yards (on exactly 100 carries, or 3.4 per)... He scored four touchdowns via rushing, when he had 24 carries exceed five yards and eight longer than 10; he also caught six passes for 41 yards and a score... He earned 15 first downs, five on third down... Top games included Miami-Ohio (14 for 91, 1 TD), Colorado State (16-85-1) and Baylor (15-38-2)... Exited spring practice No. 1 on the depth chart at tailback.

## IN-DEPTH LOOK AT THE BUFFALOES

May 1, 2008

### OFFENSE

#### Quarterback

**VETERANS:** Cody Hawkins, Soph., Nick Nelson, Sr. **REDSHIRT:** Matt Ballenger, Fr.-RS. **TRANSFER:** Kyle Black, Soph.

Hawkins started all 13 games in 2007 as a redshirt freshman, setting 10 major school records along the way including five freshman marks; he became the first freshman, true or redshirt, to start an entire season and at times showed both inexperience and incredible moxie. Perhaps what sums that up best is after coming to within one of tying the season interception record of 15 (though seven were tipped by defenders or bobbled first by receivers), he finished the season with 70 straight passes without throwing one. He improved upon his efforts last fall by following up with a solid spring (a 148.2 QB rating in the three scrimmages), and the coaches have already named him the starter for the 2008 season. The good news is that two other players shined in spring drills as well, including Nelson, last year's back-up. He had a 150.0 rating in scrimmages and has developed soundly, as has redshirt frosh Matt Ballenger (133.0). All three proved to make solid decisions and also will share another important role: in CU's no-huddle offensive sets, they are integral to relaying in the plays. Black was used on occasion to mix things up in the spring, as his past history as an option quarterback offers a different look.

**Fall Additions:** Tyler Hansen (recruit). **Key Losses:** none.

#### Running Back / Fullback

**VETERANS:** Brian Lockridge, Soph., Kevin Moyd, Jr., Corey Nabors, Soph.; Demetrius Sumler, Soph. (TB); Jake Behrens, Jr.; Maurice Cantrell, Sr.; (FB); **REDSHIRTS:** Arthur Jaffee, Fr.-RS (TB).

The competition was brisk in the spring, though Lockridge missed the last week after being diagnosed with a sports hernia. This is the most unsolved position on the team, as the arrival of three heralded national recruits in August will take things up another notch. Sumler and Lockridge looked very good at times in games last fall, while Moyd and Nabors saw mainly special teams action. Nabors worked hard enough to earn a scholarship, so there basically is no telling how tailback will shake out at this point. One thing is for certain, most of these guys are explosive and when the three newbies arrive, including the nation's top running back recruit Darrell Scott, the coaches will be figuring out how to utilize all and get them on the field. Ray Polk was a bruising back as a prep, and Rodney Stewart, one of the last to commit to the Buffaloes, is a potential phenom as a kick returner. There figures to be a multiple rotation at tailback to keep people fresh, though it has yet to be determined how the carries will be determined; do look for the one guy who emerges at the top of the depth to be a 20-plus attempt per game back.

➤ **Fullback** Cantrell had an outstanding spring, and Behrens looks to building on a sophomore season where his playing time increased as the year progressed. Burgner joined the team as a walk-on in spring drills, and one thing is for sure, he loves to hit.

**Fall Additions:** Polk, Scott, Stewart (all TB recruits). **Key Losses:** TB Hugh Charles, TB Byron Ellis, FB Samson Jagoras (graduation).

#### Offensive Line

**VETERANS:** Ryan Miller, Soph.; Daniel Sanders, Sr.; Ryan Miller, Soph.; Devin Head, Jr.; Nate Solder, Soph. (from TE), Keenan Stevens, Soph. **REDSHIRTS:** Erick Faatagi, Sr.; Ethan Adkins, Fr.-RS; Matthew Bahr, Fr.-RS; Blake Behrens, Fr.-RS; David Clark, Fr.-RS; Shawn Daniels, Fr.-RS; Mike Iltis, Fr.-RS; Sione Tau, Fr.-RS

After having seven bodies or less in spring practice the last two years, the coaches felt like they hit the jackpot with 13 in the fold this past spring. Practice was noticeably better because of it, as the linemen were fresh at the end of practices and scrimmages. Sanders is the anchor, as the Remington Award candidate has been a rock at center; Miller joins him as a returning starter who is ready to blossom into one of the conference's best tackles. Head is the only other player with starting experience, and he's fighting Faatagi and Iltis at right guard, while three redshirt frosh will duke it out at left guard (Bahr, Daniels and Behrens). Solder moved to tackle from tight end for spring drills and rapidly progressed at the position to where he's penciled in on the left, or quarterback's, blind side. Adkins and Tau are in the mix, as will be three top recruits in the fall, as the numbers will finally be healthy across the entire line.

**Fall Additions:** Ryan Dannewitz, Bryce Givens, Maxwell Tuioiti-Mariner (recruits). **Key Losses:** Edwin Harrison, Tyler Polumbus (graduation); Kai Maiava (dismissed/transferred), Wes Palazzi (quit).

#### Receiver

**VETERANS:** Scotty McKnight, Soph.; Josh Smith, Soph.; Patrick Williams, Sr.; Cody Crawford, Sr.; Kendrick Celestine, Soph.; Steve Melton, Sr.; Cameron Ham, Soph. **REDSHIRTS:** Jason Espinoza, Fr.-RS; Markques Simas, Fr.-RS

Rotation, rotation, rotation is the game plan here, though McKnight, Smith and Williams were favorite targets a year ago (93 catches, 1,204 yards combined) and all had good springs. Who are the "go-to" guys? Still likely up for grabs; a year ago McKnight was in that role early, though by season's end, Dusty Sprague (the ninth all-time leading receiver in school history) and tight end Tyson DeVree were the popular go-to men. But receivers only accounted for six of the 19 touchdown receptions a year ago (McKnight 4, Sprague 2) and the coaches would like to see that number greatly inflated, along with fewer dropped passes, several which came at key times. There is good speed at the position, and with the maturation of Celestine and Simas, who redshirted, CU might be deeper at receiver than most believe. The surprise among the group is Espinoza, who caught the coaches' attention last year on scout team duty and had quality moments in the spring at both receiver and kick returner.

**Fall Additions:** Chance Blackmon (recruit). **Key Losses:** Dusty Sprague, Stephone Robinson, Chase McBride (graduation).

#### Tight End

**VETERANS:** Patrick Devenny, Jr.; Riar Geer, Jr.; Devin Shanahan, Jr. **TRANSFER:** Luke Walters, Jr. **WALK-ON:** Kyle Tompane, Soph.

Geer's status this fall is up in the air as he awaits the outcome of a court case due to an off-field incident; he did not participate in spring drills, which gave Devenny a chance to play with the first team and shine, leading the team in receiving in the three main spring scrimmages. Walters, a transfer from New Mexico, and Shanahan have limited game experience and the only other tight end on the roster, Tompane, was a spring walk-on. Nate Solder switched to offensive tackle leaving just four tight ends on the roster for the spring, and the position is ripe for competition in August with the arrival of three top national freshman recruits at the position.

**Fall Additions:** Ryan Deehan, Will Pericak, Ryan Wallace (recruits). **Key Losses:** Tyson DeVree, Joe Sanders (graduation).



## DEFENSE

### Defensive Front

**VETERANS:** Maurice Lucas, Sr., Marquez Herrod, Soph., (DE); George Hypolite, Sr., Brandon Nicolas, Sr., Jason Brace, Jr., Taj Kaynor, Jr., Eric Lawson, Soph. (DT). **REDSHIRTS:** Drew Hudgins, Sr., Conrad Obi, Fr.-RS, Lagrone Shields, Fr.-RS, Kevin Cooney, Fr.-RS, Tony Poremba, Fr.-RS (DE); Eugene Goree, Fr.-RS, Daniel Modrovsky, Fr.-RS (DT). **WALK-ON:** Tyler Sale, Jr.

Hypolite and Nicolas are the anchors of the defensive front, though for them to be at their most effective the depth needs to come through; the two played 84 percent of the snaps last year (1,395 out of 1,660), a number that would have been higher had Hypolite not missed most of the Nebraska game with a hamstring injury. The pair also had nine of the 12 sacks by the defensive front a year ago, so the coaches are looking to improve the pass rush; Lucas (two sacks) and Herrod are candidates to bolster it, but in the spring scrimmages, no one player made a living in the backfield so the tweaks and improvements will continue into August. There are six freshman redshirts who will be vying for playing time, including Goree, Obi and Shields, top recruits from a year ago, and the return of a healthy Hudgins from an Achilles injury should instantly improve the group. Brace shifts from the inside to the outside and looked like he found a new home in the spring. Defensive line coach Romeo Bandison wants to play up to 10 players per game to keep people fresh, but in his first two seasons in Boulder, he's really had only six regulars both season to utilize in that capacity.

**Fall Additions:** Curtis Cunningham (recruit). **Key Losses:** Alonzo Barrett (graduation).

### Inside Linebacker

**VETERANS:** Jeff Smart, Soph.; Marcus Burton, Jr.; Michael Sipili, Soph.; Bryan Stengel, Soph. **RECRUIT:** Lynn Katoa, Fr. **REDSHIRTS:** Tyler Ahles, Fr.-RS; Josh Hartigan, Fr.-RS; David Goldberg, Fr.-RS. **WALK-ONS:** Brandon Gouin, Fr.-RS.

The Buffs have to replace Jordon Dizon, runner-up for the Butkus Award, and that is never easy. The only player returning who had any snaps at inside linebacker a year ago is Smart, a former walk-on who played 677 snaps in racking up 80 tackles. Burton returns after being academically ineligible for 2007, and it remains to be seen what he can do; he didn't see much scrimmage action as a sophomore, but Dizon and Thaddaeus Washington played the bulk of the snaps in '06. Sipili missed last year as well due to a campus suspension for an off-field incident, and he figures to make a run at one of the starting spots. Stengel saw special teams action last fall but looked good in the spring and could be a factor, while Katoa, one of the nation's top linebacker prospects, is awaiting a campus ruling on his situation as he was involved in an off-campus incident after reporting to CU early. Four of the eight players have yet to see any collegiate action: Ahles, Goldberg, Gouin and Hartigan. Come fall, Jon Major, the state of Colorado's top recruit will be in the mix, as could be Douglas Rippey and Paul Vigo; Vigo played linebacker in high school but the coaches aren't sure where he'll wind up in the fall.

**Fall Additions:** Major, Rippey, Vigo (recruits). **Key Losses:** Jordon Dizon (graduation), R.J. Brown (medical), Jake Duren (dismissed).

### Outside Linebacker

**VETERANS:** Brad Jones, Sr.; B.J. Beatty, Soph.; Nate Vaiomounga, Soph.

Jones was the fourth-leading tackler last season and was third as a sophomore (72 total both years), but hasn't made his presence known in opposing backfields for whatever reason (four TFLs in 2007, half-a-sack in '06). He was pushed hard by an up-and-coming Beatty in spring drills and the two are expected to battle it out through fall drills. Vaiomounga saw most special teams action as a true freshman but had some solid moments in the spring. Joining the cast in the fall is JUCO All-American Shaun Mohler, who could wind up playing on the inside or possibly at defensive end if he adds some pounds.

**Fall Additions:** Shaun Mohler (JC transfer). **Key Losses:** none.

### Secondary

**VETERANS:** Cha'pelle Brown, Jr.; Gardner McKay, Sr.; Cha'pelle Brown, Jr.; Jalil Brown, Soph.; Jimmy Smith, Soph. (CB); Ryan Walters, Sr.; Daniel Dykes, Sr.; Joel Adams, Sr.; Bret Smith, Soph. (S). **REDSHIRTS:** Jonathan Hawkins, Fr.-RS; Lamont Smith, Fr.-RS; Anthony Wright (CB), Anthony Perkins, Fr.-RS; Travis Sandersfeld, Fr.-RS; Matt Meyer, Fr.-RS (S). **OUT:** Benjamin Burney, Sr. (CB)

The secondary was young a year ago, and players like Jalil Brown and Jimmy Smith learned on the run, but the group is much more experienced on the whole. Still, All-Big 12 cornerback Terrence Wheatley, a second round NFL draft pick (New England), leaves a hole, as does super-sub Lionel Harris. Walters is the senior leader of the group, and he should be full-go come August camp after missing spring drills while recovering from shoulder surgery. There were only four healthy bodies at safety in the spring, as Adams was also recovering from surgery and Bret Smith suffered a torn ACL and he's out until September; Dykes was steady and improved while Perkins blossomed at safety in the absence of the regulars. McKay and Brown ended the spring atop the depth at the corner positions, but most of the battles will wage well into fall camp. CU has its fair share of nickel and dime schemes, so it's imperative several of the redshirt frosh in the group step up.

**Fall Additions:** Vince Ewing, Patrick Mahnke, Steven Hicks (recruits). **Key Losses:** Wheatley, Harris.

## KICKING GAME / SPECIAL TEAMS

**VETERAN PERSONNEL:** P Matt DiLallo, Jr.; SN Justin Drescher, Jr.; P Tom Suazo, Sr.; SN Austin Bisnow, Soph. **RECRUIT:** PK Jameson Davis, Fr. **TRANSFER:** PK Aric Goodman, Soph. **SPRING WALK-ON:** PK Alex Metskas, Fr. *(plus several return men)*

CU replaced All-America kicker Mason Crosby with Kevin Eberhart last year, and Eberhart made a good number of clutch kicks, including game winners against Colorado State and No.3 Oklahoma; but he was a senior so the Buffs are again faced with coming up with a reliable kicker. Davis, who had signed on with Boise State prior to his two-year Mormon Mission, transferred to Colorado, as did Goodman from Wyoming; Davis has a stronger leg but Goodman was more accurate in the spring, but the coaches aren't concerned at this point and are confident. DiLallo's average was down but it was partly due to a higher number of kicks he needed to place inside-the-20, but both he and Suazo were inconsistent at times during the spring but they are expected to come around. Drescher has handled all snaps for placements and punts the last two seasons, and McKnight was the holder for every placekick a year ago, so they're likely locked in. The main three return men all graduated: Terrence Wheatley and Hugh Charles on kickoffs and Chase McBride on punts, so the competition there is wide open; Josh Smith and Jason Espinoza got long looks in the spring, and incoming frosh Rodney Stewart is expected to be a factor once he hits campus.

**Fall Additions:** TB Stewart. **Key Losses:** PK Eberhart, KR Charles, KR McBride, KR Wheatley (graduation).

## 2008 COLORADO FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

May 1, 2008

As the third year of the **Dan Hawkins** Era approaches at the University of Colorado, excitement is once again in the air surrounding Buffalo football. The same program that won four Big 12 Conference North Division titles earlier this decade, along with the 2001 league crown, has been rebuilding the last two seasons, and while the project is not complete, the optimism around the 2008 Buffaloes is high.

Colorado has 40 lettermen returning from last season, 18 on offense, 20 on defense and two specialists, though just eight have earned three letters and just another 13 with two. Those include 14 starters (six offense, eight defense), but in Hawkins' system, where several positions have multiple personnel shuttle in and out, the number of starters aren't truly reflective of the overall experience returning.

Those players were the core of a group that helped jump the Buffs' record from 2-10 in Hawkins' first year to 6-7 in 2007, including a postseason bowl invitation. The three-and-a-half game improvement tied for the ninth best nationally (and without the benefit of an easy non-conference schedule many ahead of the Buffaloes feasted on), and the team became just the third in school history to gain over 1,000 yards more on offense (1,027 actually) than the previous season, joining the 1957 and 1999 squads.

After his first year, Hawkins when asked what grade he would give himself for the season, and he responded with "an F." While not issuing a self-grade publicly following year two, one would likely think it would be in the "C" range as Hawkins pointed out on several occasions that his team was a few plays from being 10-3 or 11-2 for the season, but also just a few plays from going 2-10 again.

"There is a real danger in assuming you won two (games), then six and that means you will win eight, nine or 10 this year," Hawkins said. "We have to go back to Part A and figure things out all over again. We will be emphasizing all of the little things that make teams great. We have to go back to the basics and all of the tangible and intangible things. We always have to keep evolving and reinventing ourselves to stay ahead of the curve."

One factor that will certainly help is something that hasn't happened in 20 years at Colorado. For the first time since between the 1987 and 1988 seasons, the entire full-time coaching staff has remained intact. Continuity in the early stages of either building or rebuilding a program is vital, and CU has it on a key front.

In the spring and into fall camp, the coaches were and are looking to create a solid two-deep across the offensive line, as there are no less than seven redshirt freshmen vying for spots. CU's sixth all-time leading rusher, Hugh Charles, has graduated, and the battle for the top tailback spot waged in the spring among the returnees, and will again in August when three heralded recruits hit campus.

Defensively, the Buffs want to shore up the pass rush, find a replacement for All-America Jordon Dizon at linebacker, and fill several holes in the secondary created by both graduation and injury, especially the cornerback spot occupied by Terrence Wheatley. Both Dizon and Wheatley were second round draft picks into the NFL in April.

The most significant change during spring drills came on the offensive side of the ball. With the players now more accustomed to the system on offense, and with the timing (game clock) rules changing for the fourth time in as many years, it was time to take things up a notch. The coaches instituted a no-huddle offense, one that will produce more plays and keep the defense from making wholesale substitutions. It figures to be particularly a big hit in home games, when the visitor isn't used to the altitude at Folsom Field. In fact, Hawkins had hoped to install it a year ago, but the offense hadn't progressed enough for the staff to be comfortable with it.

One of the major keys to the no-huddle is experienced leadership at quarterback, as CU now has that with **Cody Hawkins** entrenched as the starter. Signals coming in from the other quarterbacks to call the plays from offensive coordinator Mark Helfrich will keep them involved in the happenings as well, and both **Nick Nelson** and **Matt Ballenger** did well in the spring. The pair shined on the field as well when Hawkins was one of the two learning the signals and sending them in. This alone already has the offense well ahead of this time a year ago, which is important since the offense as a whole is still very young.

"Offensively we will only have four or five upperclassmen who will play," Hawkins said. "We just don't have many on the offensive side of the ball, so there are a lot of young pups that will have to grow up in a hurry." At times in 2007, there were times where as many as seven freshmen were in the game at the same time. But they performed admirably for the most part, and had just one anxious moment in relation to CU's 235-game scoring streak, waiting until there was just 3:39 left in the game to extend it in a 16-6 loss to Florida State. CU scored a touchdown on fourth down, and then had the confidence to bounce right back and drive inside-the-15 on the possession, though coming up empty. Hawkins felt the Buffs did a lot of growing up in that game and it paid off two weeks later when Colorado upset No. 3 Oklahoma.

Hawkins isn't the first to believe that you build your team first in the trenches, and in year three, there are finally some bodies on the offensive line. The non-starters in games last year were in for just 237 plays, meaning the starters played 95 percent of the snaps. For the first time in several years, the Buffs will be two if not three-deep across. A year ago, about two-thirds of the quarterback sacks and tackles for losses by the opponent came after halftime, when the line would wear down. So between more bodies to shuffle in and out and ever-improving conditioning, things are in place for the O-line to become a strong suit for this team.

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An eligible **Erick Faatagi**, a senior guard, and moving sophomore **Nate Solder** from tight end to tackle really bolstered the group in the spring. Rimington award candidate, senior center **Daniel Sanders**, anchors the line, and the rapidly maturing sophomore, **Ryan Miller**, who was thrown into the fire as a freshman are the stalwarts. Neither guard spot is solidified heading into fall drills, but the coaches like what they have in the cupboard.

Replacing Dizon at linebacker will be no easy task, and some top national recruits enrolling in the fall will certainly help down the road if not immediately. But don't count out those on the roster now; remember, Dizon reported as a running back as a freshman. The development of **Jeff Smart**, a former walk-on, is the latest feather in the cap of long-time linebacker coach **Brian Cabral**. "In the Independence Bowl, we were going, 'Look at that play Jordon made. Oh wait, that was Jeff Smart.' He is fully capable of having a Jordon-type season," Hawkins said.

Senior **Brad Jones** has been entrenched for the last two seasons at outside linebacker, and he's posted some nice numbers, but he was pushed hard by sophomore **B.J. Beatty** in the spring; whatever the result there, figure the play to be taken up a notch.

In the secondary, the Buffaloes actually lose both starting corners from a year ago. In addition to Wheatley heading into the NFL, **Benjamin Burney** had off-season shoulder surgery to repair a couple of chronic problems, and he will redshirt this fall. Hawkins, who feels the same way about cornerbacks as he does linemen ("you can never have enough of them, especially in this league where you play a lot of nickel and dime schemes"), saw some marked improvement last fall, as the opponents' completion percentage dropped almost a full 10 points (from 66.9 to 57.3). But the Buffs still ranked 103rd nationally in passing yards allowed, though was a bit higher in pass efficiency defense (73rd). A healthy **Ryan Walters** and improving **Daniel Dykes**, both senior safeties, will certainly help improve those numbers.

What will aid the secondary is an improved pass rush, and it has to come from up front. Senior tackles **George Hypolite**, on every major preseason watch list for defense after his All-Big 12 season a year ago, and **Brandon Nicolas** are the anchors of the defensive front. But they need to be spelled more often so they are fresher later in games; the two played 84 percent of the snaps last year (1,395 out of 1,660). The pair also had nine of the 12 sacks by the defensive front (and 10 of 18 hurries), so a potential increase in numbers falls to the ends. Senior **Maurice Lucas** had two sacks, both in the opener against Colorado State, and sophomore **Marquez Herrod** are the likely candidates to harass opposing signal callers.

Special teams play was much better last fall than the previous year on most fronts, and Colorado was one of just six teams in the regular season to be ranked in the top half of the nation in the five major special team categories in the NCAA. Kevin Eberhart did a fine job in replacing two-time All-American Mason Crosby at placekicker, but he was a senior himself and the job is again up for grabs, this time between two transfers, sophomore **Aric Goodman** (Wyoming) and freshman **Jameson Davis** (Boise State). Two of the technical positions are locked up, as look for **Justin Drescher** to handle the long snapping duties and **Scotty McKnight** to be the holder, or "pinner," as Hawkins likes to call the position. All return positions are open as CU's top three a year ago have graduated.

Intangibles always play a key role, things like leadership, injuries and how a young team deals with a tough schedule. Injuries were down a year ago, in part due to improved conditioning, and the malady "du jour" were concussions for whatever reason. So first up in prepping for '08 are for leaders to develop over the summer, as guys like Dizon and (offensive tackle) **Tyler Polumbus** need to be replaced.

"There were some really solid people in that senior class," Hawkins said of his second CU team. "It will be interesting to see how we mature into those spots. Leadership, more than anything else, is going to play an important role in the development of this team."

The Buffs must contend with one of, if not the, toughest schedules in the nation. Non-league opponents include Colorado State (in Denver), West Virginia at home (on a Thursday night, CU's first weeknight game at Folsom Field since 1990), and Florida State in Jacksonville. In addition to the usual five North Division rivals in Big 12 play, the rotation for the South opponents change this fall, and the Buffs pickup Texas and Oklahoma State at home and will travel to Texas A&M.

The 2008 season also marks the 75th that Colorado will be known as the Buffaloes, adopting the nickname officially in 1934. In the spring game, "Ralphie V" debuted as CU's live buffalo mascot, continuing a tradition that started with the original Ralphie in 1966.



## HEAD COACH DAN HAWKINS

May 1, 2008

Dan Hawkins was named the 23rd head football coach in University of Colorado history on December 16, 2005, officially taking over the reins of the program on New Year's Day 2006.

He has completed two seasons at Colorado with an 8-17 record, his seventh season as a head coach on the Division I-A level with a 61-28 mark. He is the 13th active winningest head coach with an overall career mark of 100-40-1 (70.8 winning percentage) in 12 seasons, which is the ninth best mark for those coaches with at least 100 games under their belts.

Hawkins, 47, came to Colorado from Boise State, where he compiled a 53-11 record in five seasons as head coach. That included three 11-plus win seasons, and 31-game winning streaks in both Western Athletic Conference play as well as at home on Boise State's famous blue artificial turf field. His teams won or shared four WAC titles, including three outright under his direction.

In the modern history of Division I-A football, only Bob Pruett (Marshall, 58-9), Bob Stoops (Oklahoma, 55-11) and Pete Carroll (Southern California, 54-10) won more games in their first five seasons than Hawkins' 53 at Boise State (a number also matched by Miami's Larry Coker).

In his first year at Colorado, the Buffaloes posted a 2-10 record, his first losing season as a head coach. Offensive struggles were the biggest contributor to the mark, as CU finished 102nd nationally averaging just 291.4 yards per game. Defensively, CU fared a bit better, allowing 340.9 yards per game and ranked 66th overall, though were stingy against the run, as opponents averaged just 112.4 per outing (30th nationally). And there were other positives, most notably the fact that his Buffaloes were in every game, fighting until the end despite being outmanned at several positions. Evidence of that was the fact that CU was plus-8 in turnover margin, a rarity for a team eight games under .500. CU played turnover-free in a school record four games on the season, and cut its penalties nearly in half from the previous year.

His second CU team improved by three-and-a-half games to a 6-7 mark, and earned him his first bowl invitation as the Buffalo coach, against Alabama in the PetroSun Independence Bowl. Still in a rebuilding mode as evidenced by 29 lettermen who were underclassmen (including 16 freshmen, seven true), and battling depth problems and injuries at key positions like linebacker, the secondary and the offensive line, the Buffs made a lot of progress. CU opened the year with a thrilling 31-28 win over Colorado State in Denver in overtime, and along the way knocked off No. 3 Oklahoma, 27-24, and secured a tough road win at Texas Tech, the 31-26 win the Red Raiders' lone home loss of the year. Colorado ended the regular season with a resounding 65-51 win over Nebraska, and top player honors included Jordon Dizon being named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year and a Butkus Award finalist. It marked just the fifth time in school history that CU defeated both NU and OU in the same season. Alabama got the best of the Buffs in the bowl game, however, 30-24.

His overall record includes a **39-12-1** mark in five seasons as the head coach of Willamette University (Salem, Ore.), where he won or shared three conference titles between 1993 and 1997. Thus in 10 years of combined conference play between Boise State and Willamette, Hawkins' teams won or shared seven league championships while going a remarkable **58-6-1**, including six undefeated seasons, in league play (a 90.0 winning percentage).

He was 37-3 in WAC conference games, leading the Broncos to outright championships in 2002, 2003 and 2004 with 8-0 league marks, and the co-title in 2005 with a 7-1 record. At one point Hawkins guided the Broncos to a league record 31 consecutive victories, a streak that began late in his first year and continued well into his fifth campaign. His winning percentage for overall and league games stands as the highest in WAC history.

In 128 career games as a head coach, his teams have never been shut out, scoring at least one touchdown in all but two games while being held below 13 points just nine times (four times at CU, and only once at Boise State). The Broncos scored 40 or more points in 37 of his 64 games, as BSU averaged 41.6 points per game in his time there, the top figure in the nation for the five-year period between 2001 and 2005 (ahead of Texas and Texas Tech, who averaged 40.3 and 38.4, respectively). That included 50 or more points 19 times and 20-plus on an amazing 59 occasions.

Boise State also won 28 games by 25 or more points under Hawkins, and 43 by double-digits; however, his teams also excelled in close contests, as the Broncos were 10-5 in games decided by seven points or less. His teams were well balanced across the board, as evidenced by the Broncos owning top 10 marks for five-year NCAA numbers in his tenure not only in scoring, but also in total offense (3rd, 465.7 yards per game), passing offense (10th, 274.6), rushing defense (6th, 107.8) and kickoff returns (1st, 23.5 average for 245 total returns).

At Boise State, Hawkins had a knack for molding a talented group of players and coaches into a dominating force, part of the reason he was named the WAC Coach of the Year on two occasions (2002, 2004) and was a finalist for the 2004 Paul "Bear" Bryant College Football Coach of the Year Award.

Hawkins took over the Boise State program on December 2, 2000, replacing Dirk Koetter, whom he had served as assistant head coach, after he took the head coach position at Arizona State. Hawkins had joined the BSU staff in 1998, and coached the tight ends and special teams in addition to assistant head coach and recruiting coordinator duties. Hawkins also oversaw a highly successful community service and public involvement program for the Bronco football team during this time.

Before ascending to Boise State's head man, as tight ends coach Hawkins helped developed a wealth of Bronco talent. In each of his first four seasons on the Bronco staff, a Boise State tight end earned either first or second team all-conference honors. Twice Bronco tight ends were drafted into the National Football League, most notably Jeb Putzier, who earned first-team All-WAC honors in 2001 after putting together the most productive season by a tight end in school history and would be a sixth round draft pick by the Denver Broncos. Special teams also blossomed under his direction, with top national rankings by teams or individuals in kickoff returns, placekicking and punting.

Koetter would serve as head coach in his final game, the 2000 Crucial.com Humanitarian Bowl, but Hawkins took over leading the team in practice and preparation for the game, which Boise State defeated UTEP, 38-23. Though Hawkins served in his assistant coaching role in that game, his work as head coach was already evident to close observers of the program.

As just the eighth head coach in the school's 33-year history, on the surface, Boise State went 8-4 in his first season in 2001. But the Broncos were transitioning from the old Big West Conference, in which they had claimed back-to-back titles, into the stronger Western Athletic Conference. Hawkins met the challenge by posting a 6-2 league mark, tying for second overall, doing so after opening with losses to No. 21 South Carolina and Washington State, who would appear in the national rankings some three weeks later.

His biggest win that season came on October 20, and had an indirect link to his future school, Colorado, at the time. He took his Bronco team on the road where it would defeat Fresno State, 35-30, ranked eighth in the nation with a 6-0 mark at the time. Fresno State began its season with a 24-22 win over the Buffaloes in Boulder and had designs on crashing the BCS (Bowl Championship Series) until being derailed by Hawkins' Broncos, the school's first-ever over a ranked opponent.

That set the stage for the next three seasons, when the Broncos strung together consecutive records of 12-1, 13-1 and 11-1 in posting a 24-0 record in WAC conference play in 2002, 2003 and 2004.

The WAC championship won in 2002 came in just the school's second year in the league and was the first to go undefeated in league play since BYU did so in 1996. Along the way, BSU overwhelmed its eight league opponents, scoring an average of 51.1 points per game while owning a victory margin of 37.2 points, which broke BYU's league mark of 34.0 set in 1979. Boise State led the nation in scoring (45.6), total offense (501.5) and passing efficiency (169.4) and led the WAC in five defensive categories, with Hawkins' success recognized at the conference and regional levels as he was selected the WAC Coach of Year, and the Co-Coach of the Year for Region 4 by the American Football Coaches Association (the latter with Oklahoma's Stoops).

The Broncos appeared in the nation's top 25 late in the year, and following a 34-16 win over Iowa State in the Humanitarian Bowl, Boise State was ranked No. 12 in the final *USA Today* Coaches Poll (and No. 15 in the Associated Press ballot).

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It was more of the same in 2003, as the 13-1 Broncos again appeared in the rankings in November and ended the year ranked 15th by the coaches and 16th by the Associated Press. The only setback came at Oregon State (a 26-24 defeat) in the third week of the season; the Broncos would end the year with 11 straight wins (which started a 22-game winning streak, the longest in the nation by the end of the 2004 regular season). The season was culminated by a 34-31 win over No. 19 TCU in the Fort Worth Bowl on the Horned Frogs' home turf.

Hawkins' 2003 team again produced the top offense in the nation averaging 43.0 points per game, and in the five major offensive categories in football, Boise State was ranked among the top 10 in four of them. The defense was no slouch either, as the Broncos was ranked among the top 12 in three categories (rushing defense, pass efficiency and scoring defense). Quarterback Ryan Dinwiddie was the league's Offensive Player of the Year and was one of five Broncos to be named first-team All-WAC.

Despite all those accomplishments, Boise State entered 2004 unranked, but at least on the national radar. After a 53-34 win over Oregon State in the second game of the year, the Broncos entered the rankings at No. 23 and were a regular from that point on. BSU survived scares from BYU, Tulsa and San Jose State (winning the latter 56-49 in two overtimes) to finish the regular season undefeated at 11-0 and ranked its highest ever — 10th — in both major polls (and ninth in the final BCS Standings). In one of the season's most anticipated bowl games, and arguably the most intriguing non-BCS bowl since the creation of the system some seven years earlier, Boise State dropped a 44-40 thriller to 10-1 and No. 7 Louisville in the Liberty Bowl.

That 2004 team prided itself on all-around excellence, with top rankings in all three phases of the game, placing in the top 21 nationally in nine major statistical categories including scoring (second), punt returns (third), total offense (fourth) and rushing defense (10th). BSU was ranked either first or second in 16 conference categories and had 16 players earn some kind of All-WAC recognition for a second straight year.

Important to note about the 2004 season was that it might have been Hawkins' best coaching job to date in his illustrious career. Despite returning just 10 starters from the '03 team, he guided the Broncos to their first perfect regular season since the school moved to four-year status in the 1960s. The team spent a school record 13 consecutive weeks in the national rankings and peaked at No. 7 in the BCS Standings in early November.

His final team there in 2005 went 9-4, but had only four senior starters, the lowest total among all 119 I-A schools while also playing one of the toughest schedules in school history. That squad rallied from a 0-2 start, winning nine of the final 10 games in earning a fourth straight bowl berth. Three of the four losses came at the hands of ranked teams, including Hawkins' finale in the MPC Computers Bowl, a 27-21 setback to No. 19 Boston College; the Broncos spotted BC a 27-0 lead in that game, only to see a fourth quarter rally come up just short. Despite some

inexperience at the onset, the team of largely underclassmen finished in the top 25 in eight statistical categories including scoring (ninth), sacks (17th) and rushing offense (19th).

Overall, 20 of his players at Boise State earned first-team all-WAC honors, with three earning some kind of All-American mention and 10 either being drafted or signing as free agents with National Football League teams. Including his three years as an assistant coach, Hawkins helped the Broncos to an overall record of 79-21 and six conference championships in eight years, including Big West titles in 1999 and 2000.

Hawkins' first collegiate head coaching position was at Willamette University in Salem, Ore. He took over the program in 1993 after Willamette suffered two straight losing seasons, including a 1-8 campaign the year before his arrival. He would guide the Bearcats to five straight winning seasons between 1993-97, including two appearances in the NAIA playoffs.

Under his guidance, Willamette was 39-12-1, including a 13-1 record and a runner-up finish for the NAIA National Championship in 1997. The Bearcats had finished the regular season with a No. 7 national ranking and won three playoff games, including one in overtime, to reach the title game before succumbing to Findlay (Ohio), 14-7.

He was named the 1997 District Five Coach of the Year by the American Football Coaches Association, and was selected three times as the Mount Hood League (Columbia Football Association) coach of the year. Those accolades came in 1995 when Willamette was co-conference champion, and 1996 and 1997 when the Bearcats won the outright conference title with undefeated records in league play.

Hawkins spent time as both an offensive and defensive coordinator before taking over as head coach at Willamette. In 1992, he was in charge of the Sonoma State University defense. From 1988-91, Hawkins was the offensive coordinator at the College of the Siskiyous (Calif.), helping lead the team to the Golden Valley Conference championship in 1991.

Hawkins began his coaching career with his alma mater, Cal-Davis, serving as the head freshman coach as well as the linebacker coach for the varsity in 1984. After three years at UC-Davis, he served as head coach at Christian Brothers High School in Sacramento in 1986 and 1987.

He was born November 10, 1960 in Fall River Mills, Calif., and graduated from Big Valley High School in Bieber, Calif., where he lettered in football, basketball, baseball and track. At UC-Davis, he lettered four times at fullback for coach Jim Sochor; as a junior, he was a member of UCD's NCAA Division II runner-up team.

He is married to the former Misti Rae Ann Hokanson, a registered nurse, and they are the parents of four grown children, Ashley, Brittany, Cody (a sophomore quarterback at Colorado) and Drew (a freshman at Boise State this fall).

### Dan Hawkins Year-By-Year Coaching Record

Season	School	Overall						Conference					
		W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	Opp
1993	Willamette.....	5	4	0	.556	293	281	3	2	0	.600	179	143
1994	Willamette.....	6	3	0	.667	218	214	4	1	0	.800	111	108
1995	Willamette.....	6	2	1	.722	314	171	4	0	1	.900	195	103
1996	Willamette.....	9	2	0	.818	374	246	5	0	0	1.000	158	100
1997	Willamette.....	13	1	0	.929	470	187	5	0	0	1.000	200	47
2001	Boise State.....	8	4	-	.667	411	280	6	2	-	.750	307	184
2002	Boise State.....	12	1	-	.923	593	240	8	0	-	1.000	409	111
2003	Boise State.....	13	1	-	.929	602	239	8	0	-	1.000	375	143
2004	Boise State.....	11	1	-	.917	587	308	8	0	-	1.000	401	196
2005	Boise State.....	9	4	-	.692	469	317	7	1	-	.875	339	178
2006	Colorado.....	2	10	-	.167	196	267	2	6	-	.250	160	199
2007	Colorado.....	6	7	-	.462	355	383	4	4	-	.500	238	276
<b>Colorado Totals .....</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.320</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.375</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>475</b>
<b>Division I-A Totals .....</b>		<b>61</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.685</b>	<b>3213</b>	<b>2034</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>.768</b>	<b>2229</b>	<b>1287</b>
<b>Career Totals .....</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.713</b>	<b>4582</b>	<b>3133</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.807</b>	<b>3072</b>	<b>1788</b>

KEY: (a)—NAIA National Quarterfinalist; (b)—NAIA National Runner-up.

# 2007 POSTSEASON HONORS

## ALL-AMERICAN

- ILB JORDON DIZON (first-team: *Associated Press, The Sporting News, Walter Camp, collegefootballnews.com, ESPN, Rivals.com, Phil Steele's College Football, second-team: SI.com*)  
CB TERRENCE WHEATLEY (third-team: *Rivals.com; honorable mention: collegefootballnews.com*)

## FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICAN

- QB CODY HAWKINS (honorable mention: *The Sporting News, collegefootballnews.com*)  
OG KAI MAIAVA (first-team: *Scout.com; honorable mention: The Sporting News, collegefootballnews.com*)  
WR SCOTTY MCKNIGHT (honorable mention: *The Sporting News, collegefootballnews.com*)  
OT RYAN MILLER (first-team: *The Sporting News; second-team: Scout.com; third-team: collegefootballnews.com*)

## ALL-BIG 12 CONFERENCE

- DE ALONZO BARRETT (honorable mention: *Associated Press*)  
TB HUGH CHARLES (second-team: *\*Rivals.com, Phil Steele's College Football; honorable mention: Associated Press, Big 12 Coaches*)  
TE TYSON DeVREE (honorable mention: *Associated Press*)  
ILB JORDON DIZON (first-team: *Associated Press, Big 12 Coaches, Austin American-Statesman, Dallas Morning News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Rivals.com, Phil Steele's College Football*)  
PK KEVIN EBERHART (second-team: *Rivals.com, Phil Steele's College Football; honorable mention: Big 12 Coaches*)  
OT EDWIN HARRISON (honorable mention: *Associated Press, Big 12 Coaches*)  
DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (first-team: *Associated Press, Big 12 Coaches, Austin American-Statesman; second-team: Dallas Morning News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Rivals.com, Phil Steele's College Football*)  
OG KAI MAIAVA (honorable mention: *Phil Steele's College Football*)  
PR CHASE MCBRIDE (honorable mention: *Phil Steele's College Football*)  
NT BRANDON NICOLAS (honorable mention: *Associated Press, Big 12 Coaches, Phil Steele's College Football*)  
OT TYLER POLUMBUS (second-team: *Big 12 Coaches, Austin American-Statesman; third-team: Phil Steele's College Football*)  
CB TERRENCE WHEATLEY (first-team: *Associated Press, Big 12 Coaches, Austin American-Statesman, Dallas Morning News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Rivals.com; second-team: Phil Steele's College Football honorable mention at KR by Big 12 Coaches, Phil Steele's College Football*)  
DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR: ILB JORDON DIZON (Big 12 Coaches, Fox Sports Net)  
\*—as all-purpose performer.

## FRESHMAN ALL-BIG 12

- OG KAI MAIAVA (first-team: *The Sporting News*)  
WR SCOTTY MCKNIGHT (first-team: *The Sporting News*)  
OT RYAN MILLER (first-team: *The Sporting News*)

## AFCA GOOD WORKS TEAM

- DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (one of 11 I-A/FBS players selected)

## NATIONAL PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK

- CB TERRENCE WHEATLEY (FWAA/Nagurski, Walter Camp Defensive: October 27 vs. Texas Tech: 3 interceptions, 7 tackles (7,0), 1 PBU)

## BIG 12 CONFERENCE PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK

- PK KEVIN EBERHART (Special Teams—Sept. 1 vs. Colorado State: 3-3 PAT, 3-4 FG, 11 points; included game-tying and game-winning field goals)  
WR CHASE MCBRIDE (Special Teams—Sept. 29 vs. Oklahoma: returned 4 punts for 87 yards, with his long of 31 setting up CU's game winning field goal)  
PK KEVIN EBERHART (Special Teams—Oct. 6 vs. Baylor: 4-4 PAT, 5-6 FG, 19 points; tied CU record for field goals made and attempted and kick points in a game)  
CB TERRENCE WHEATLEY (Defensive—October 27 vs. Texas Tech: 3 interceptions, 7 tackles (7,0), 1 PBU)

## CU ATHLETES-OF-THE-WEEK

- ILB JORDON DIZON (Sept. 1 vs. Colorado State: 22 tackles, 17 solo; one TFL, one TFZ, FF, PBU, one caused INT, 4th down stop, one special teams tackle)  
ILB JORDON DIZON (Sept. 8 vs. Arizona State: 17 tackles, 14 solo; three TFL, one sack, four third down stops, one hurry)  
DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (Sept. 15 vs. Florida State: 10 tackles, eight solo; three TFLs, two sacks, two third down stops)  
OLB BRAD JONES (Sept. 22 vs. Miami-Ohio: 6 tackles, four solo; one TFL, two burries, two third down stops, one tackle for zero)  
PK KEVIN EBERHART (Oct. 6 vs. Baylor: 5-6 field goal, 4-4 PAT, 19 points; tied school records for field goals made and attempted and points scored by kicking)  
TB HUGH CHARLES (Oct. 13 vs. Kansas State: 22-171, 1 TD rushing, 1-9 receiving)  
TB HUGH CHARLES (Nov. 23 vs. Nebraska: 327 all-purpose yards, 33-169, 3 TD rushing, 1-33 receiving, 5-125 kickoff returns)

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

- PK KEVIN EBERHART (September 1 vs. Colorado State: 3-3 PAT, 3-4 FG, 11 points; included game-tying and game-winning field goals)  
TB HUGH CHARLES (September 29 vs. Oklahoma: 24-110, 1 TD rushing, 5-48 receiving)  
CB TERRENCE WHEATLEY (October 27 vs. Texas Tech: 3 interceptions, 7 tackles (7,0), 1 PBU)



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

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TB HUGH CHARLES (first-team)	QB CODY HAWKINS (second-team)	NT BRANDON NICOLAS (second-team)
ILB JORDON DIZON (first-team)	DT GEORGE HYPOLITE (first-team)	OT TYLER POLUMBUS (first-team)
PK KEVIN EBERHART (first-team)	OG KAI MAIABA (second-team)	C DANIEL SANDERS (honorable mention)
OG EDWIN HARRISON (honorable mention)	OT RYAN MILLER (second-team)	CB TERRENCE WHEATLEY (first-team)

**PLAYER-OF-THE-YEAR:** ILB JORDON DIZON

**DEFENSIVE PLAYER-OF-THE-YEAR:** ILB JORDON DIZON

**OTHER IN-SEASON HONORS**
**PK KEVIN EBERHART** (*Lou Groza Award Top Three Stars of the Week vs. Colorado State & Oklahoma*)

**DC RON COLLINS** (*Rivals.com Coordinator of the Week: Sept. 29 vs. Oklahoma*)

**ESPN HELMET STICKERS:** **PK Kevin Eberhart** (vs. Oklahoma); **CB Terrence Wheatley** (vs. Texas Tech)

**COLORADO:** Best Intros On ABC/ESPN (*performed by South Park's Eric Cartman*)

**COLORADO TEAM** (*Collegesportsreport.com Team-of-the-Week: Sept. 22 vs. Miami-Ohio*)

**BUFFALOES ON NATIONAL LISTS**
**(SEMIFINALIST, FINALIST, WATCH)**
**Chuck Bednarik Award** (defensive player of the year): **ILB Jordon Dizon** (one of 15 semifinalists)

**Dick Butkus Award** (top linebacker): **ILB Jordon Dizon** (runner-up)

**Vincent Draddy Trophy** (academic "Heisman"): **PK Kevin Eberhart** (one of 153 semifinalists)

**Ronnie Lott Award** (top defensive impact player): **ILB Jordon Dizon** (one of eight semifinalists)

**Bronko Nagurski Award** (top defensive player): **CB Terrence Wheatley** (one of 54 candidates on official watch list)

**Dave Rimington Award** (top center): **C Daniel Sanders** (one of 54 candidates on official watch list)

**Jim Thorpe Award** (top defensive back): **CB Terrence Wheatley** (one of 35 candidates on official watch list)

**Doak Walker Award** (top running back): **TB Hugh Charles** (one of 51 candidates on official watch list)

**POSTSEASON ALL-STAR GAMES**
**TE TYSON DeVREE** (*Texas vs. the Nation Game*)

**ILB JORDON DIZON** (*Hula Bowl, Senior Bowl*)

**OT TYLER POLUMBUS** (*East-West Shrine Game*)

**CB TERRENCE WHEATLEY** (*Senior Bowl*)

**NFF/COLLEGE HALL OF FAME HAMPSHIRE SOCIETY MEMBERS**
**PK KEVIN EBERHART** (Aerospace Engineering, 3.34 GPA)

**TB BYRON ELLIS** (Integrative Physiology, 3.54 GPA)

**WR DUSTY SPRAGUE** (Business-Management, 3.50 GPA)

**ACADEMIC ALL-BIG 12 CONFERENCE**
**S BENJAMIN BURNERY** (first-team: Film Studies, 3.30 GPA)

**PK KEVIN EBERHART** (first-team: Aerospace Engineering, 3.34 GPA)

**TB BYRON ELLIS** (first-team: Integrative Physiology, 3.54 GPA)

**DT GEORGE HYPOLITE** (first-team: Ethnic Studies, 3.33 GPA)

**DB BRET SMITH** (first-team: Civil Engineering, 3.98 GPA)

**TE NATE SOLDER** (first-team: Biology, 3.20 GPA)

**WR DUSTY SPRAGUE** (first-team: Business-Management, 3.50 GPA)

**FB JAKE BEHRENS** (second-team: Business-Finance, 3.17 GPA)

**TE TYSON DeVREE** (second-team: Education, 3.00 GPA)

**P MATT DiLALLO** (second-team: Integrative Physiology, 3.00 GPA)

**ILB JORDON DIZON** (second-team: Economics, 3.03 GPA)

**DE MARQUEZ HERROD** (second-team: Psychology, 3.06 GPA)

**OT TYLER POLUMBUS** (second-team: Business-Management, 3.01 GPA)

**BIG 12 COMMISSIONER'S HONOR ROLL**

(3.0 or greater GPA)

FB JAKE BEHRENS	PK KEVIN EBERHART	OT TYLER POLUMBUS	TE NATE SOLDER
SN AUSTIN BISNOW	OL JOE FRUECHTEL	DT TONY PAREMBA	WR DUSTY SPRAGUE
ILB R.J. BROWN	OL EDWIN HARRISON	DB TRAVIS SANDERSFIELD	WR PATRICK WILLIAMS
CB BENJAMIN BURNERY	DT GEORGE HYPOLITE	TE DEVIN SHANAHAN	CB ANTHONY WRIGHT
FB MAURICE CANTRELL	DT ERIC LAWSON	PK JUSTIN SIMMONS	
TE PATRICK DEVENNY	NT BRANDON NICOLAS	DB BRET SMITH	

**COLORADO COACHES' WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS**

As selected by the coaching staff (#—chosen if a lineman does not win offensive or defensive; \*—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 Scotty McKnight*	ILB Jordon Dizon	PK Kevin Eberhart*	DT George Hypolite	TB Brian Lockridge ILB Michael Sipili S Jason Espinoza
Miami-Ohio	C Daniel Sanders	DT Brandon Nicolas	CB Gardner McKay	.....	OL Shawn Daniels DE Conrad Obi S Bret Smith
					OL Joe Fruechtel
Oklahoma	TB Hugh Charles*	SS Daniel Dykes*	WR Chase McBride*	OT Edwin Harrison	WR Steve Melton DE Conrad Obi S Joel Adams
Baylor	TB Hugh Charles	ILB Jordon Dizon*	P Matt DiLallo*	C Daniel Sanders	TB Cory Nabors DT Eugene Goree SN Justin Drescher
	WR Dusty Sprague*				OL Joe Fruechtel
Texas Tech	OG Edwin Harrison	CB Terrence Wheatley*	CB Jalil Brown	.....	WR Markques Simas ILB Josh Hartigan SN Austin Bisnow
Nebraska	WR Dusty Sprague	CB Cha'pelle Brown	DE Alonzo Barrett	OT Tyler Polumbus	Offensive Line ILB Marcus Burton S Kyle Black

None awarded in losses (Arizona State, Florida State, Kansas State, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa State)

# COLORADO TEAM AWARDS

(Selected by players unless otherwise indicated)

**Hang Tough Award (overcame the most adversity):** CB Terrence Wheatley  
**Lee Willard Award (outstanding freshman):** OG Kai Maiava  
**Tyronee "Tiger" Bussey Award (perseverance over adversity, injury and/or illness):** FS Ryan Walters  
**Best Interview (selected by team beat media):** DT George Hypolite  
**Buffalo Heart Award (selected by "the fans behind the bench"):** ILB Jordon Dizon  
**Dean Jacob Van Ek Award (academic excellence):** TB Byron Ellis  
**Bill McCartney Award (special teams achievement):** CB Jalil Brown  
**Regiment Award (greatest contribution with least recognition):** DT Brandon Nicolas  
**Derek Singleton Award (spirit, dedication, enthusiasm):** QB Cody Hawkins  
**Tom McMahon Award (dedication and work ethic):** WR Dusty Sprague  
**Eddie Crowder Award (leadership):** OT Tyler Polumbus  
**Offensive Scout Award:** FS Jason Espinoza  
**Defensive Scout Award:** DE Conrad Obi  
**Special Teams Scout Award:** SS Bret Smith  
**Dave Jones Award (outstanding defensive player):** ILB Jordon Dizon  
**John Mack Award (outstanding offensive player):** TB Hugh Charles  
**Zack Jordan Award (most valuable player, selected by teammates):** ILB Jordon Dizon

# GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Here were CU's starters for the 2007 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	QB	TB	FB / Other
Colorado State	Williams	<b>McKnight</b>	Polumbus	<b>Palazzi</b>	D.Sanders	Head	Harrison	<b>Sumler</b> (WR)	<b>C.Hawkins</b>	Ellis	Sprague (WR)
Arizona State	Williams	Robinson	Polumbus	Palazzi	D.Sanders	Head	Harrison	Geer	C.Hawkins	Sumler	Sprague (WR)
Florida State	<b>Jo. Smith</b>	McKnight	Polumbus	Palazzi	D.Sanders	Head	Harrison	Geer	C.Hawkins	Ellis	<b>J.Sanders</b> (TE)
Miami-Ohio	Williams	Sprague	Polumbus	Palazzi	D.Sanders	Head	Harrison	DeVree	C.Hawkins	Ellis	Jagoras
OklahomaJo. Smith	McKnight	Polumbus	<b>Maiava</b>	D.Sanders	Head	Harrison	<b>Celestine</b> (WR)	C.Hawkins	Ellis	Sprague (WR)	
Baylor	Williams	<b>Solder</b> (TE)	Polumbus	Maiava	D.Sanders	Head	Harrison	Geer	C.Hawkins	Sumler	Cantrell
Kansas State	Williams	McKnight	Polumbus	Maiava	D.Sanders	Harrison	<b>Miller</b>	DeVree	C.Hawkins	<b>Lockridge</b>	<b>J.Behrens</b>
Kansas	Jo. Smith	McKnight	Polumbus	Maiava	D.Sanders	Harrison	Miller	Geer	C.Hawkins	Charles	J.Behrens
Texas Tech	Williams	Sprague	Polumbus	Maiava	D.Sanders	Harrison	Miller	Geer	C.Hawkins	Ellis	Solder (TE)
Missouri	Jo. Smith	McKnight	Polumbus	Maiava	D.Sanders	Harrison	Miller	Geer	C.Hawkins	Charles	Solder (TE)
Iowa State	Robinson	Crawford	Polumbus	Maiava	D.Sanders	Harrison	Miller	Geer	C.Hawkins	Charles	Solder (TE)
Nebraska	Williams	Sprague	Polumbus	Maiava	D.Sanders	Harrison	Miller	Geer	C.Hawkins	Charles	J.Behrens
DEFENSE	LE	DT	NT	RE	MLB	WLB	SLB	LCB	FS	SS	RCB
Colorado State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	C.Brown ( <b>N</b> )	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	<b>Dykes</b>	Burney
Arizona State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	<b>Duren</b>	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Florida State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	<b>R.Brown</b>	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Miami-Ohio	C.Brown ( <b>N</b> )	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	<b>Smart</b>	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Oklahoma	C.Brown ( <b>N</b> )	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Baylor	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Kansas State	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Kansas	C.Brown ( <b>N</b> )	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Texas Tech	C.Brown ( <b>N</b> )	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Missouri	Lucas	Hypolite	Nicolas	C.Brown ( <b>N</b> )	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	Wheatley	Walters	Dykes	Burney
Iowa State	<b>Perri</b>	Hypolite	Nicolas	Barrett	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	<b>McKay</b>	Harris	Dykes	Burney
Nebraska	Lucas	C.Brown ( <b>N</b> )	Nicolas	Barrett	Smart	Dizon	B.Jones	McKay	Harris	Dykes	Burney

(**N**)—Nickel back. **CONSECUTIVE STARTS**—Polumbus 24, D.Sanders 22, Dizon 18, Jones 16. **CAREER STARTS**—Dizon 45, Wheatley 29, Polumbus 26, D.Sanders 26, Charles 22.

**PLAYER PARTICIPATION (dressed/played):** Colorado State 89/49; Arizona State 69/52; Florida State 93/50; Miami-Ohio 97/62; Oklahoma 95/54; Baylor 70/56; Kansas State 70/55; Kansas 95/59; Texas Tech 70/54; Missouri 95/58; Iowa State 70/51; Nebraska 93/55.

# 2007 GAME SUMMARIES

## GAME #1—COLORADO 31, COLORADO STATE 28 (OT)

(September 1; Denver)

DENVER — Kevin Eberhart dutifully waited for his chance playing behind two-time All-American Mason Crosby the last three seasons, and when the Colorado senior placekicker had his chance in the spotlight, he connected on field goals to force overtime and then to win the game as the Buffaloes defeated in-state rival Colorado State, 31-28.

The Buffs rallied from 11 down against the Rams, the second time in three years CU was down by that many and came back to claim the victory, both by the same final score. Crosby was the hero in 2005, and this time around Eberhart made clutch kicks from 22 yards out with 13 seconds left in regulation, and then the game winner in overtime from 35 yards after Terrence Wheatley snuffed out CSU's overtime chance with an interception in the end zone.

Both teams scored touchdowns on their first possessions, as the score was 14-14 just three minutes into the second quarter. Redshirt freshman Cody Hawkins got off to a good start, completing his first five passes, two of which went for touchdowns to Scotty McKnight and Tyson DeVree. Thing settled down a bit in the second quarter, and Eberhart's 38-yard field goal just before the halftime gun gave the Buffs a 17-14 lead heading into intermission.

CSU took its first lead of the game with an impressive opening drive in the second half, and then used the recovery of a fluke squib kickoff, which bounded off CU's R.J. Brown, to score quickly and take a 28-17 just five minutes into the second half.

From that point on, it was all CU, as the Buff defense stiffened in holding the Rams to just five first downs and 79 yards on their last six possessions. Meanwhile, Colorado inched closer as Hawkins led the Buffs on a 14-play, 86-yard march that culminated with a Demetrius Sumler 3-yard touchdown run that pulled the Buffs to within five. The CU coaches elected to go for two, which proved big after Hawkins connected with Riar Geer for the deuce to cut the lead to 28-25.

Special teams play was a deciding factor in this game, and the Buffs dominated their northern counterparts in a big way. The last blow came with two minutes left, when Chase McBride returned a punt 43 yards to the CSU 34. An interference penalty on fourth down that prevented a Patrick Williams catch moved the ball to the 14, and three plays later Eberhart made the first of his two late kicks to send the game into an extra session.

Wheatley made the pick of a Caleb Hanie pass on a third-and-goal play from CU's 9-yard line, as linebacker Jordon Dizon forced Hanie to throw on the run with Wheatley in the right place to snare the pass, which was CSU's only turnover of the game.

CU ran three short yardage plays that kept the ball near the middle of the field, giving Eberhart a straighter shot at the winning points, which he made with ease.

Sumler led all CU ground gainers with 86 yards, while Hawkins completed 18-of-31 passes for 201 yards and two scores. McKnight caught eight passes for 106 yards and a score, the most receiving yards in a first career game by any Colorado receiver.

Colorado State .....	7	7	14	0	0	—	28
COLORADO .....	14	3	8	3	3	—	31

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — McKnight 24 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	7- 0	12:52	1Q
Colorado State — Sperry 6 pass from Hanie 3 run (Smith kick)	7- 7	6:56	1Q
COLORADO — DeVree 10 pass from Hawkins (hart kick)	14- 7	5:18	1Q
Colorado State — Sperry 4 pass from Hanie (Smith kick)	14-14	12:22	2Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 38 FG	17-14	0:01	2Q
Colorado State — Sperry 37 pass from Hanie (Smith kick)	17-21	12:05	3Q
Colorado State — Bell 13 run (Smith kick)	17-28	10:05	3Q
COLORADO — Sumler 3 run (Geer pass from Hawkins)	25-28	0:34	3Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 22 FG	28-28	0:13	4Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 35 FG	31-28	.....	OT

Attendance: 68,133 Time: 3:35

Weather: 75 degrees, partly cloudy skies, 3 mph winds from the northeast

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	COLORADO ST.
First Downs .....	18	25
Third Down Efficiency (Fourth).....	6-14 (0-0)	11-19 (1-3)
Rushes—Net Yards .....	28-129	56-157
Passing Yards .....	201	229
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	32-18-1	27-20-1
Total Offense .....	330	386
Return Yards .....	62	3
Punts: No-Average .....	2-36.5	4-41.5
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	3-2	1-0
Penalties/Yards .....	4/30	6/49
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	3-24	1-6
Time of Possession.....	22:59	37:01
Drives/Average Field Position .....	11/C44	12/CS34
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	4-4 (20)	3-4 (21)

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**Rushing**—Colorado: Sumler 16-85, Williams 2-24, Moyd 1-9, Robinson 2-7, Ellis 3-4, Hawkins 3-2, Team 1-minus 2. Colorado State: Bell 40-135, Johnson 3-11, Hanie 11-11, Mosure 1-1, Team 1-minus 1.

**Passing**—Colorado: Hawkins 31-18-1, 201, 2 td; Team 1-0-0, 0. Colorado State: Hanie 27-20-1, 229, 3 td.

**Receiving**—Colorado: McKnight 8-106, Williams 5-59, Charles 1-15, DeVree 1-10, J.Sanders 1-9, Jagoras 1-4, Ellis 1-minus 2. Colorado State: Sperry 8-103, Walker 5-74, Roberts 3-22, Bell 2-16, Morton 1-12, Johnson 1-2.

**Punting**—Colorado: DiLallo 2-36.5 (37 long, 2 In20). Colorado State: Kaylor 4-41.5 (53 long, 1 In20).

**Punt Returns**—Colorado: McBride 3-62. Colorado State: none. **Kickoff Returns**—Colorado: Wheatley 3-135, Ellis 1-15, Brown 0-2, Team 1-minus 7. Colorado State: Hill 4-93, Bryson 2-21.

**Interceptions**—Colorado: Wheatley 1-0. Colorado State: Pagnotta 1-3.

**Tackle Leaders**—Colorado: Dizon 17.5—22; Walters 8.8—16; Dykes 7.2—9; Lucas 6.2—8; Jones 3.5—8; R.Brown 5.1—6; Hypolite 5.1—6; Wheatley 4.2—6; Burney 4.1—5; Nicolas 4.1—5; Smart 2.3—5. Colorado State: Kubiak 6.2—8; Pagnotta 4.4—8; Horinek 4.3—7; Pottorff 5.1—6; Williams 5.0—5; Cornelson 4.1—5; Nading 2.3—5.

**Quarterback Sacks**—Colorado: Lucas 2-16, Hypolite 1-8. Colorado State: Pagnotta 1-6. **Passes Broken Up**—Colorado: Dizon. Colorado State Hill, Horinek, Nading, Pottorff, B.Smith.

## GAME NOTES

**ILB Jordon Dizon** racked up 22 tackles, the most by a Buffalo since 1997 (28 by **Hannibal Navies** versus Missouri)... **WR Patrick Williams** ran a reverse for 24 yards on the first play of the game, the longest rush on the first play of the season; he also owns the longest reception mark of 42 which he set in 2006 against Montana State... CU had 10 different players pile up a combined 26 special team points, one of the highest single-game totals in school history... The last six CU-CSU games have been decided by 26 points... This was the first overtime game in the series, and CU's first in a season opener; it was one of only two overtime games involving I-A/FBS teams over the first weekend. CU is now 74-39-5 in season openers, with a 9-5 mark against CSU; **QB Cody Hawkins** won his debut to raise the mark to 6-1 against Colorado State for CU signal callers who had their starting initiations against the Rams; **Terrence Wheatley's** 68-yard kickoff return in the third quarter was the longest by a Buff since Oct. 18, 2003, when **Jeremy Bloom** returned one 88 yards for a TD at Kansas State; Wheatley's interception in overtime gave him 10 for his career, tying him for eighth on CU's all-time pick list... Colorado scored in its 223rd straight game... **Hawkins'** touchdown pass to **McKnight** with 12:52 left in the first quarter was CU's quickest first score of the season since 1989, when **Eric Bieniemy** scored from a yard out against Texas just 1:15 into the game.... **McKnight** had a great coming out party, as after suffering a broken ankle on the first day of spring practices, he rebounded to earn the top spot atop the grouping at the "Z" receiver position. He had eight receptions for 106 yards and a score, the first Buff to have a hundred yard receiving day since **Evan Judge** had 108 yards at Kansas State in 2005... Ten freshmen (two true) saw their first collegiate action in the game: **CB Jalil Brown**, **WR Kendrick Celestine** (true), **PK Tyler Cope** (true), **QB Cody Hawkins**, **DE Marquez Herrod**, **WR Scotty McKnight**, **OG Wes Palazzi**, **CB Jimmy Smith**, **TE Nate Solder** and **TB Demetrius Sumler**. In addition, **SS Daniel Dykes** played in his first CU game after transferring from Idaho and **ILB Jake Duren** after doing the same from UNC... CU freshman **Michael Knorps**, the victim in an on-campus stabbing on August 27, was a special guest of the team at the game. He watched from the sidelines, and when the Buffs took the podium for the Centennial Cup presentation, he was waved up by **PK Kevin Eberhart** to join in the celebration.



**GAME #2—ARIZONA STATE 33, COLORADO 14***(September 8; Tempe)*

TEMPE, Ariz. — Colorado matched the game time temperature with a hot start by zooming to a 14-0 lead, but the Buffaloes cooled off as the evening progressed as Arizona State shut CU out from the first quarter on in rallying for a 33-14 victory.

The 102 degree reading at kickoff was the warmest ever in school history, and it didn't seem to bother the Buffs in the least as Terrence Wheatley picked off a Rudy Carpenter pass just under a minute into the game and returned it 35 yards for a touchdown and a 7-0 CU lead.

Coupled with a stout early defensive performance, the Sun Devils went three plays and out three times in their first four possessions, while Colorado started three of its four drives inside ASU territory. But the Buffs struggled moving the ball and couldn't capitalize on great field position for their first six drives, which on average was the ASU 44, and managed just one score from those six opportunities, that coming on a 10-yard pass from Cody Hawkins to Scotty McKnight.

After spotting CU the two-score lead, ASU came back with 33 unanswered points in just under 17 minutes. After finally getting their wake up call, the Sun Devils started with a

19-point scoring blitz in the final four minutes of the first half to wrestle momentum away from the Buffs. Carpenter hit Michael Jones on a 12-yard scoring pass to cap a 12-play, 80-yard march to get on the board, and then pulled to within 14-13 on a 26-yard interception return by Troy Nolan, though the PAT kick sailed wide.

Following a CU punt, ASU had another crack in the half, though starting at its own 14 with 1:25 left. Using the two-minute offense to perfection and also capitalizing on a key fourth down play along the way, Carpenter drove the Sun Devils 86 yards in 71 seconds, finding Kyle Williams on a 22-yard pass play for the go-ahead score.

Arizona State used two short scoring drives for touchdowns in the third quarter to pull away from the Buffs, as both possessions started on CU's side of the 50 and took just nine plays between them.

The Sun Devils doubled up the Buffs on offense, owning a 407-204 edge in yards, and for the second straight week the opponent had as substantial advantage in time of possession (nearly an eight-minute edge for ASU). It was just the eighth time since 1993 that the Buffaloes had a two-score lead at any point in a game and didn't hold on for the win.

<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Arizona State</b> .....	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>33</b>

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Wheatley 35 interception return (Eberhart kick)	7- 0	14:06	1Q
COLORADO — McKnight 10 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	14- 0	6:21	1Q
Arizona State — Jones 12 pass from Carpenter (Weber kick)	14- 7	4:11	2Q
Arizona State — Nolan 26 interception return (kick failed)	14-13	3:03	2Q
Arizona State — Williams 22 pass from Carpenter (pass failed)	14-19	0:14	2Q
Arizona State — Torain 7 run (Weber kick)	14-26	9:37	3Q
Arizona State — Jones 20 pass from Carpenter (Weber kick)	14-33	1:27	3Q

Attendance: 58,417 Time: 3:41

Weather: 102 degrees, clear skies, variable winds

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	ARIZONA ST.
First Downs .....	15	22
Third Down Efficiency .....	4-18	5-18
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	0-4	2-3
Rushes—Net Yards .....	26-32	44-138
Passing Yards .....	172	269
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	47-17-1	37-19-1
Total Offense .....	204	407
Return Yards .....	52	54
Punts: No-Average .....	8-40.2	8-37.9
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	1-1	3-2
Penalties/Yards .....	7/45	12/136
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	3-20	2-16
Time of Possession .....	26:09	33:51
Drives/Average Field Position .....	17/C36	15/AS30
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	1-1 (7)	2-2 (14)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Sumler 16-34, Celestine 2-17, Ellis 2-0, Moyd 1-minus 2, Williams 1-minus 2, Nelson 1-minus 7, Hawkins 2-minus 7, Team 1-minus 1. **Arizona State:** Torain 17-91, Carpenter 11-21, Herring 10-19, Nance 5-18, Burgess 1-minus 11.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 43-16-1, 162, 1 td; Nelson 3-1-0, 10; DiLallo 1-0-0, 0. **Arizona State:** Carpenter 37-19-1, 269, 3 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** McKnight 6-63, J.Sanders 3-35, Williams 3-22, Sprague 2-14, Geer 1-32, Sumler 1-4, Robinson 1-2. **Arizona State:** Jones 6-96, McGaha 3-47, Miller 3-29, Burgess 2-29, Thompson 2-26, Williams 1-22, Kimbrough 1-14, Torain 1-6.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 7-39.1 (48 long, 4 In20); Suazo 1-48.0 (0 In20). **Arizona State:** Johnson 8-37.9 (47 long, 1 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** McBride 4-17. **Arizona State:** Williams 2-27, Kimbrough 1-1, Thompson 1-0.

**Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 5-102, McKnight 1-21. **Arizona State:** Tryon 2-46, McGaha 1-14.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Wheatley 1-35, 1 td. **Arizona State:** Nolan 1-26, 1 td.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 14,3—17; Dykes 6,5—11; Jones 7,3—10; Burney 4,4—8; Walters 3,4—7; Smart 3,3—6; R.Brown 2,3—5; Barrett 3,0—3; Lucas 2,1—3; Nicolas 2,1—3.

**Arizona State:** James 6,3—9; Jones 4,1—5; Wooten 3,2—5; Baloney 4,0—4; Tryon 3,1—4; Nolan 3,1—4; Goethel 1,3—4.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Dizon 2-13, Nicolas 1-7. **Arizona State:** James 1-9, Munns 1-7.

**Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Walters 2, Wheatley 2, C.Brown, Dykes, Jones. **Arizona State:** Tryon 3, Baloney 2, James 2, Barrett, Goethel 1, Nolan.

**GAME NOTES**

The 102 degree temperature at kickoff was the warmest in school history, eclipsing the 99 degrees at kick on Sept. 21, 2002 at UCLA... Arizona State became just the 11th school (out of 47 with multiple games) to win its first two games in the series with Colorado; the fourth Pac-10 team to do so, joining Oregon State, UCLA and USC... Arizona State had 12 penalties, including seven of the personal foul variety, as CU earned a school record seven first downs by penalty... All seven Colorado penalties were on the offense... CU was without the services of tailback Hugh Charles, who missed the game with a strained hamstring; the Buffs running game never got untracked, netting just 49 yards on 23 tries when allowing for sacks and kneeldowns... CU was 1-of-22 on second down trying to earn a new set of downs, quite often leaving long situations on third down tries, as Colorado was 4-of-13, with the average distance-to-go from 9 yards... **DT Brandon Nicolas** recorded his first career quarterback sack in the game... **P Matt DiLallo's** first two punts were inside-the-20 boots, as his first four of the season were such before recording a touchback on his third kick of the game... CU is now 1-3 in ASU Sun Devil Stadium, 1-2 in Fiesta Bowls and 0-1 against host Arizona State... **QB Cody Hawkins** suffered his first loss as a starting quarterback dating back to Pop Warner ball, as he is now 60-1... It was CU's seventh straight road games, dating back to a 30-16 loss at Iowa State in 2005, its longest road losing streak since dropping 10 in a row over the 1980 and 1981 seasons (0-5 both years; CU won its last road game in '79 and their first in '82)... **CB Terrence Wheatley** returned a first quarter interception 35 yards for a touchdown, the second INT for a score in his career. His first came his sophomore year on Oct. 30, 2004 in Boulder when he returned one 37 yards for CU's only touchdown in a 31-7 loss to No. 8 Texas. It was CU's first interception since the Kansas game last year (Oct. 28, game 9), and was Wheatley's 11th for his career, tying him for sixth on CU's all-time pick list with **Steve Rosga** (1992-96) and **Ben Kelly** (1997-99)... **QB Nick Nelson** and **P Tom Suazo** saw their first college action in the game... **WR Scotty McKnight** caught 14 passes for 169 yards and two touchdowns in CU's first two games; he is rapidly approaching last year's leading numbers, as TE Riar Geer led CU last season in all three categories (24-261-3)... **ILB Jordan Dizon** had 17 tackles and has moved into 12th place all-time at Colorado, as he has 321 for his career. He is the nation's third active leading tackler, and his two sacks against ASU gave him 10 for his career, bumping him up into a tie for 29th in CU annals.

**GAME #3—FLORIDA STATE 16, COLORADO 6***(September 15; Boulder)*

BOULDER — The opportunities were there for a second straight week but the Colorado Buffaloes couldn't capitalize before a "blacked-out" crowd of nearly 53,000 and a national television audience as the Florida State Seminoles escaped their first-ever trip to Boulder with a 16-6 victory.

In a game where CU dominated both the possession time and the play count on a warm night, Florida State did not wear down until late in the game, holding the Buffaloes scoreless for over 56 minutes until Colorado broke through with a touchdown to extend the nation's fifth longest active scoring streak to 225 games.

But the Cody Hawkins 11-yard pass to Tyson DeVree in the end zone, on fourth down at that, came quickly (eight plays and 71 yards in 58 seconds), but was just too late. CU got the ball back and again drove deep into FSU territory, but were rebuffed with two seconds remaining on a Tony Carter interception, his second of the game, with his theft in the end zone all but preserving the win.

The teams dueled to a scoreless tie after one quarter, but the Seminoles took command of the scoreboard in the second, using a 36-yard touchdown run by

Antone Smith to take a 7-0 lead and then a 31-yard field goal by Gary Cismesia to work to 10-0 lead. Cismesia would add field goals from 27 yards in the third and 37 early in the fourth to build a secure two-score lead for FSU.

Colorado couldn't swing momentum back its way until its final two drives in the game, though an interception by Brad Jones was ruled an incomplete pass by the Atlantic Coast Conference officiating crew, with no stoppage of the game for a review of the play. It happened on the second play of the second half, and had it been allowed, CU would have been in business inside the FSU 30.

Regardless, CU had its chances, driving four times deep into Seminole territory but could only produce the one score. Two missed field goals didn't help the Buffaloes, along with crucial wild center snaps in the shotgun that cost CU 31 yards in losses at inopportune times.

The CU defense had little to apologize for, containing Florida State to just 221 yards on offense and to 1-of-13 conversions on third down.

Florida State .....	0	10	3	3	—	16
COLORADO .....	0	0	0	6	—	6

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
Florida State — Antone Smith 36 run (Gary Cismesia kick)	0-7	10:45	2Q
Florida State — Gary Cismesia 31 FG	0-10	4:31	2Q
Florida State — Gary Cismesia 27 FG	0-13	5:16	3Q
Florida State — Gary Cismesia 37 FG	0-16	13:37	4Q
COLORADO — Tyson DeVree 11 pass from Cody Hawkins (pass failed)	6-16	3:39	4Q

Attendance: 52,951 Time: 3:31

Weather: 77 degrees, partly cloudy, winds from the southwest at 5 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	FLORIDA ST.
First Downs .....	21	10
Third Down Efficiency .....	5-18	1-13
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	1-1	0-0
Rushes—Net Yards .....	25-(-27)	37-95
Passing Yards .....	306	126
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	54-34-2	18-8-0
Total Offense .....	279	221
Return Yards .....	17	104
Punts: No-Average .....	8-44.2	8-46.8
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	2-0	0-0
Penalties/Yards .....	7/37	10/86
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	3-22	2-15
Time of Possession .....	34:08	25:52
Drives/Average Field Position .....	13/C20	14/FS38
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	1-3 (6)	3-3 (9)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Sumler 8-14, Charles 4-9, Lockridge 4-2, Ellis 1-0, Robinson 1-0, J.Smith 2-minus 9, Hawkins 3-minus 12, Team 2-minus 31. **Florida State:** A.Smith 19-66, Edwards 5-15, Parker 1-14, McDaniel 1-9, Sims 3-4, Weatherford 6-minus 9, Team 2-minus 4.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 53-34-2, 306, 1 td; Team 1-0-0, 0. **Florida State:** Weatherford 18-8-0, 126, 0 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** McKnight 6-62, Charles 5-41, DeVree 4-55, Williams 4-25, Geer 4-14, Crawford 3-19, J.Smith 2-40, Sprague 2-28, Sumler 2-16, Jagoras 1-8, Ellis 1-minus 2.

**Florida State:** Carr 3-61, Fagg 2-31, A.Smith 2-16, Parker 1-18.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 8-44.2 (56 long, 0 In20). **Florida State:** Gano 8-46.8 (56 long, 3 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** Robinson 1-11, McBride 3-6. **Florida State:** Parker 6-84. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 3-74. **Florida State:** none.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** none. **Florida State:** Carter 2-20.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 9,3—12; Hypolite 8,2—10; Smart 3,4—7; Nicolas 5,1—6; Dykes 4,2—6; Walters 2,4—6; Burney 2,2—4; Lucas 3,0—3; Wheatley 2,0—2.

**Florida State:** Nicholson 7,4—11; Carter 6,1—7; Hayes 6,0—6; Moffett 4,2—6; Garvin 5-0, Thacker 5,0—5; Watson 5,0—5.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Hypolite 2-14, Nicolas 1-8. **Florida State:** Boston 1-8, Brown 1-7.

**Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** C.Brown, Jones, Wheatley. **Florida State:** Robinson 2, Garvin, Nicholson, Watson.

**GAME NOTES**

Florida State improved to 2-1 on the season, while the Buffs dropped to 1-2... The 8:15 p.m. kickoff was the latest in Folsom Field history, and with the game taking 3 hours and 31 minutes, the ending time of 11:46 was the latest a game ever ended in Boulder in CU annals... *in any sport* (the previous latest ending for football was 11:27; a women's NCAA regional game ended at 11:39 in the early 90s)... Colorado had allowed 173 yards in the first quarter in two games (86.5 per), but FSU mustered just 22 in the opening stanza... CU held the ball for 11:39 in the first quarter, only the second quarter in the first nine that the Buffs held an advantage... Matt DiLallo had his first 50-plus yard punt of the season (55 in the second quarter); it came on his 12th kick of the season (the average LOS for his punts was the CU 46; six of his first nine were inside-the-20)... The Buffaloes had 33 rushing yards in the first half, one more than for the entire game the previous week at Arizona State, but had 60 yards in losses in the second half to finish at minus-27; at one point, CU rushed nine straight times for negative yards... Two true freshmen saw action in the game **WR Josh Smith** (who started), and **TB Brian Lockridge**... The scoreless first quarter was just the second involving the Buffaloes over the last 48 games (dating back to 2003); the only other was the 2006 Kansas State game... Colorado attempted 54 passes, tied for the second most in school history; CU tried 55 against Washington State in 2003, and then later that year tossed 54 against Kansas. The 34 completions were the second most, trailing only the 38 against Kansas in '03. This was the 35th 300-yard passing game in CU history... Colorado's defense limited Florida State to 221 yards of offense on 55 plays; the Seminoles picked up 81 of them on their only two plays longer than 20 yards in the game. Of the 55 plays, 36 gained three yards or less. It was the fewest yards by an opponent since New Mexico State had 181 in Boulder on Sept. 10, 2005... Florida State converted just 1 of 13 third down plays (though it went for 45 yards), the best CU defense in that situation since 1999, when Kansas (1-of-13), Baylor (1-of-13) and KSU (1-of-14) were all held in check... Tony Carter picked off two passes for Florida State, the first opponent to steal two versus a CU team since 2004... FSU completed just 44 percent of its passes (8-of-18), the first CU opponent in 18 games not to complete over 50 percent of its throws... **PK Kevin Eberhart** missed two field goal tries; four of his five career misses at this point of his career have been against the Seminoles.

**GAME #4—COLORADO 42, MIAMI—OHIO 0***(September 22; Boulder)*

BOULDER — Cody Hawkins threw for two touchdowns and ran for a third as he was one of many stars on offense and defense as Colorado stifled Miami (Ohio) at every turn in defeating the RedHawks, 42-0.

The Buffaloes, unable to get anything going on the ground the previous game against Florida State, had three different players run for 90 or more yards just seven days later, picking up 359 rushing yards as a team. With Hawkins passing for 275 more, Colorado amassed 634 total yards, or 495 more than its visitors from Oxford, Ohio.

Colorado needed a fourth down pass to get on the scoreboard as time dwindled in the first quarter. Hawkins floated a 1-yard toss to tight end Tyson DeVree to open the scoring, capping a 16-play, 72-yard drive that used almost eight minutes on the clock. The Buffs came right back with an 80-yard drive to go up 14-0 early in the second quarter, utilizing a Hugh Charles 22-yard run and then a 24-yard Hawkins to Josh Smith pass to get inside the MU red zone. Demetrius Sumler knocked it in from the 1 to complete the drive.

Hawkins topped off CU's next scoring effort with a 1-yard run, and then piloted a

successful two minute drive to end the half, engineering a 10-play, 84-yard march in just 1:45 and finishing it off with a 3-yard touchdown pass to sophomore tied end Patrick Devenny, his first reception and score of his career, which also came in his first career game played.

If the game wasn't already salted away, Charles burst through the line and scored from 17 yards out to put CU ahead 35-0 with 32 seconds left in third quarter, basically sealing the outcome. Brian Lockridge polished things off with a 43-yard run with just over nine minutes left in the game.

Charles (123), Sumler (91) and Lockridge (90) combined for 314 rushing yards, helping CU to dominate in first downs (33-6) and time of possession (40:24 for Colorado).

Miami only ventured into Colorado territory three times, and had just 11 yards of offense for nine plays on the Buff side of the 50, never penetrating deeper than the CU 38-yard line. The RedHawks were held under 100 yards in both rushing (44) and passing (95) in being limited to 139 yards overall.

Miami-Ohio .....	0	0	0	0	—	0
COLORADO .....	7	21	7	7	—	42

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — DeVree 1 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	7- 0	4:19	1Q
COLORADO — Sumler 1 run (Eberhart kick)	14- 0	12:44	2Q
COLORADO — Hawkins 1 run (Eberhart kick)	21- 0	6:26	2Q
COLORADO — Devenny 3 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	28- 0	0:15	2Q
COLORADO — Charles 17 run (Eberhart kick)	35- 0	0:32	3Q
COLORADO — Lockridge 43 run (Eberhart kick)	42- 0	9:03	4Q

Attendance: 45,243 Time: 3:04

Weather: 79 degrees, clear skies, winds from the east at 6 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	MIAMI
First Downs .....	33	6
Third Down Efficiency .....	12-17	3-14
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	2-3	0-1
Rushes—Net Yards .....	63-359	17-44
Passing Yards .....	275	95
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	30-19-2	32-11-0
Total Offense .....	634	139
Return Yards .....	93	25
Punts: No-Average .....	2-42.0	10-49.2
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	1-1	1-0
Penalties/Yards .....	5/39	5/45
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	0-0	0-0
Time of Possession .....	40:24	19:36
Drives/Average Field Position .....	12/C30	12/M23
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	5-6 (35)	0-0 (0)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 17-123, Sumler 14-91, Lockridge 14-90, Nelson 3-13, Ellis 5-13, Sprague 1-11, Moyd 2-9, Hawkins 2-8, Williams 1-5, Celestine 1-3, Robinson 1-minus 4, Team 2-minus 3. **Miami-Ohio:** Sykes 9-29, Jones 2-9, Raudabaugh 2-8, Kokal 1-2, Merriweather 2-0, Rogers 1-minus 4.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 30-19-2, 275, 2 td. **Miami-Ohio:** Raudabaugh 32-11-0, 95, 0 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** McKnight 3-60, Solder 3-50, J.Smith 3-44, Crawford 2-27, Sprague 2-21, DeVree 2-20, Celestine 1-37, Ellis 1-9, Sanders 1-4, Devenny 1-3.

**Miami-Ohio:** Harris 3-22, Sykes 2-0, Elliott 1-35, Jones 1-16, Robinson 1-7, Woods 1-5, Shepard 1-5, Rogers 1-5.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 2-42.0 (48 long, 2 In20). **Miami-Ohio:** Richardson 10-49.2 (64 long, 2 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** McBride 7-92, Robinson 1-1. **Miami-Ohio:** Harris 2-10.

**Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 1-27. **Miami-Ohio:** Rogers 6-138.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** none. **Miami-Ohio:** Hudson 1-13, Thompson 1-0.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dykes 5,1—6; Jones 4,2—6; Smart 4,1—5; Dizon 3,2—5; Duren 3,2—5; Burney 2,1—3; Nicolas 2,1—3; Perri 2,1—3; Walters 1,2—3; Herrod 2,0—2.

**Miami-Ohio:** Bostic 10,3—13; Mullins 9,4—13; Wilson 7,6—13; Gaines 6,3—9; Gafford 3,4—7; Hudson 6,0—6; Thompson 5,0—5.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** none. **Miami-Ohio:** none. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Wheatley 3, Barrett, C.Brown, Burney, Walters. **Miami-Ohio:** Gaines 2, Thompson, Wilson.

**GAME NOTES**

Colorado had 359 rushing yards in the game, the first time it topped 300 yards on the ground since going for 331 against Iowa State in Boulder on Nov. 16, 2002 (a 41-27 win) and its most since 372 at Missouri the week before (Nov. 9, 2002, a 42-35 overtime win)... Colorado's 634 yards on offense tied for its 11th most in its history, the highest team total since setting the school record with 767 against San Jose State in 1999... CU has played only one other Mid-American Conference team, that being 30 years ago almost to the day (Sept. 17, 1977 against Kent State in Boulder)—both games ended with the same final score (42-0)... Colorado ran 93 plays in the game, 15 for zero yardage (11 incompletions) and four for negative yards (including the last two plays of the game on kneeldowns)... CU's 33 first downs tied for the eighth most in its history, the most since 34 against NMSU in 2005 (its 40:24 in possession time was the first 40-plus minute effort since 40:14 in that same game against the Aggies); 12 different Buffs earned first downs... Colorado's first scoring drive took 16 plays and consumed 7:48; both season highs for plays and time in a scoring drive. It's the longest time-wise since a 15-play, 75-yard drive that took 7:51 against Iowa State last year; it's the most plays since a 17-play drive (55 yards, 7:55) against Kansas in 2004... This was the first five-plus touchdown game by the Buffs in the Dan Hawkins Era, and just the second 4-TD game... Colorado topped 200 yards in both rushing (359) and passing (275), improving to 33-2 since 1989 when hitting 200 in both... The 386-yard improvement in rushing from the previous week (-27 vs. Florida State) was a school best, topping the 349 yards CU picked up between the Stanford (153) and Missouri (502) games in 1991... Colorado's defense posted its first shutout since a 34-0 win at Oklahoma State in 2005, limiting Miami to 139 yards of total offense, the lowest by an opponent since Baylor mustered just 114 yards on Nov. 13, 1999 (a 37-0 CU win in Waco). Colorado outgained Miami by 495 yards (634-139), but it was only the fourth largest (positive) difference in game for the Buffaloes.



**GAME #5—COLORADO 27, OKLAHOMA 24***(September 29; Boulder)*

BOULDER — Oklahoma scored late to pad the final score in its 2006 game with Colorado; the Buffaloes' answer a year later was the ultimate as Kevin Eberhart made a 45-yard field goal to complete the fourth biggest comeback in school history as CU dealt the No. 3 Sooners a stunning 27-24 defeat.

Eberhart's kick topped off a Colorado rally after Oklahoma had built a 24-7 lead by the middle of the third quarter, as he "sandwiched" the 20-point rally with a 41-yard field goal on the front end that had cut the lead to 24-10 with 4:10 remaining in the quarter. That was his career long, until he bested it when the Buffs needed it most. He drilled the kick as time ran out, only the fourth such instance in school history where the Buffs won on a score as time expired, and the second field goal.

In-between, Cody Hawkins threw a pair of touchdown passes, one on fourth down and the other following a muffed punt deep in the Sooner end that would eventually help CU end a 14-game losing streak to ranked teams.

For the third time in four games, Tyson DeVree snared a scoring toss from Hawkins on a fourth down play, none bigger than this one as it polished off a 62-yard march. Hugh Charles (23 yards) and Byron Ellis (12) had a pair big running plays on the drive. That cut the Sooner lead to 24-17 on the second play of the fourth quarter.

With just under five minutes remaining, Reggie Smith muffed a Matt DiLallo punt, as Gardner McKay raced down on the coverage unit to distract him enough to cough up

the ball. Justin Drescher recovered at the Oklahoma 16, and three plays later, Hawkins hit Dusty Sprague with a 15-yard dart into the end zone for the tying score.

The Buffs then snuffed out the Sooners in three plays, and Michael Cohen's 45-yard line drive punt was perfect for a big return. Chase McBride delivered, returning the kick 31 yards to the midfield stripe. A 16-yard pass from Hawkins to Kendrick Celestine set CU up at the OU 35, and three running plays moved the ball eight yards closer as time ticked down to the 2-second mark, setting up Eberhart's heroics.

Oklahoma took a 7-0 lead late in the first quarter, capitalizing on the first of two D.J. Wolfe interception returns. Sam Bradford hit Juaquin Iglesias on a 13-yard touchdown pass after the Sooners took over at the CU 11. The Buffs tied it two possessions later when Hugh Charles dashed around the right side for a 25-yard scoring run. OU built a 17-7 halftime lead, the second touchdown coming on an impressive 3-play, 80-yard drive capped by a 34-yard run by Allen Patrick. A Garrett Hartley field goal capped an 11-play drive 48 seconds before intermission.

Colorado's defense shined for a third straight game, holding the Sooners to 37 points under their scoring average, as well as 332 yards below its average offense per game entering the game. OU had just 230 yards offensively, its fourth lowest total ever against a CU team; exactly half of the yards came on just four plays, meaning the potent Sooner attack spent most of the day stifled as it went three-and-out six times on the afternoon.

Oklahoma.....	7	10	7	0	—	24
COLORADO .....	0	7	3	17	—	27

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
Oklahoma — Iglesias 13 pass from Bradford (Hartley kick)	0- 7	1:49	1Q
COLORADO — Charles 25 run (Eberhart kick)	7- 7	8:26	2Q
Oklahoma — Patrick 34 run (Hartley kick)	7-14	7:37	2Q
Oklahoma — Hartley 28 FG	7-17	0:48	2Q
Oklahoma — Patrick 17 run (Hartley kick)	7-24	12:23	3Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 41 FG	10-24	4:10	3Q
COLORADO — DeVree 4 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	17-24	14:50	4Q
COLORADO — Sprague 15 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	24-24	4:05	4Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 45 FG	27-24	0:00	4Q

Attendance: 50,031 Time: 3:22

Weather: 68 degrees, mostly cloudy skies, winds from the northeast at 6 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	OKLAHOMA
First Downs .....	19	12
Third Down Efficiency .....	6-19	1-9
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	2-3	0-0
Rushes—Net Yards .....	46-161	27-118
Passing Yards .....	220	112
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	36-22-2	19-8-2
Total Offense .....	381	230
Return Yards .....	87	92
Punts: No-Average .....	5-44.2	7-43.7
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	4-0	2-1
Penalties/Yards .....	6/45	3/27
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	1-8	2-13
Time of Possession .....	38:54	21:06
Drives/Average Field Position .....	15/C36	13/O37
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	2-3 (14)	3-3 (17)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 24-110, Sumler 13-37, Ellis 5-29, Hawkins 3-minus 8, Team 1-minus 7. **Oklahoma:** Patrick 18-96, Murray 6-19, Bradford 2-3, Brown 1-0.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 36-22-2, 220, 2 td. **Oklahoma:** Bradford 19-8-2, 112, 1 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** Charles 5-48, Williams 4-43, DeVree 3-20, J.Smith 2-33, Sprague 2-30, Celestine 2-25, Ellis 2-8, Sumler 1-9, McKnight 1-4. **Oklahoma:** Iglesias 2-15, Finley 1-43, Gresham 1-21,

Patrick 1-12, Johnson 1-11, Pleasant 1-9, Murray 1-1.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 5-44.2 (50 long, 3 In20). **Oklahoma:** Cohen 7-43.7 (59 long, 1 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** McBride 4-87. **Oklahoma:** Smith 3-31.

**Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 4-114, Ellis 1-19. **Oklahoma:** Iglesias 2-51, Murray 1-19.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Dykes 1-0, Walters 1-0. **Oklahoma:** Wolfe 2-61.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 8.5—13; Dykes 5.1—6; Smart 4.1—5; Burney 3.2—5; Jones 4.0—4; Barrett 3.1—4; Wheatley 2.1—3; Harris 1.1—2; Walters 1.1—2.

**Oklahoma:** Lofton 8.8—16; Reynolds 11.4—15; Smith 12.1—13; Harris 7.3—10; L.Baker 4.2—6; D.J. Wolfe 4.1—5; McCoy 1.4—5; Walker 4.0—4; Holmes 4.0—4.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Dizon 1-8. **Oklahoma:** Smith 1-8, Granger 1-5. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Burney, Nicolas, Smart, Wheatley. **Oklahoma:** Davis, Harris, Lofton, Smith, Wolfe.

**GAME NOTES**

The Buffs snapped a 5-game losing streak to the Sooners, as Colorado's last win over OU had been a 38-24 verdict in Boulder in 1999; two of the losses came in Big 12 Championship games (2002, 2004)... The Sooners' touchdown with 1:40 left in the first quarter following an interception was the first against the CU defense in nearly seven quarters; had the Buffs reached seven full quarters, it would have marked the first time in 30 seasons CU held an opponent without a TD that long (season finale in '77, a 23-0 shutout over Kansas State, and the first three quarters of the '78 opener against Oregon)... In the first half, OU averaged 7.8 yards on first down (13 plays, 102 yards), while CU netted just 1.8 (13 plays, 24 yards); Colorado did bounce back to average 5.8 per try in the third quarter and 4.5 for the game... Colorado dominated time of possession for a second straight week (38:54, including 21:30 in the second half); that was likely a factor in CU outgaining the Sooners 219-56 after halftime... This was Dan Hawkins' first win over a ranked team at Colorado, and his third in 13 games as a head coach; his other two wins over ranked teams came against #8 Fresno State (35-30 in 2001) and #19 TCU in the 2003 Fort Worth Bowl (34-31)... Colorado improved to 7-5 in Big 12 Conference openers... Thirty-five years ago, the Buffs toppled No. 2 Oklahoma in Boulder, 20-14, in the signature anniversary game for CU in the series his year... Oklahoma had been held to 24 points or less in a half just twice in its non-conference game schedule, much less to that few in a game; the Sooners came in with 246 points and a 61.5 average, but the latter number "dropped" to 54.0... CU's rally from 17 down tied the fourth largest comeback in school history; it was the biggest in a decade, when CU came back from 18 down (35-17) at Iowa State to win 43-38 on Nov. 8, 1997.

**GAME #6—COLORADO 43, BAYLOR 23**

(October 6; Waco)

WACO, Texas — Cody Hawkins passed for 293 yards and two touchdowns, Demetrius Sumler scored three times and Kevin Eberhart tied a school record with five field goals as Colorado raced to a 40-9 third quarter lead in coasting to a 43-23 win over the Baylor Bears.

The victory snapped a 7-game road losing streak for the Buffaloes, which had not won outside the state's borders since a 23-20 verdict at Kansas State in October 2005.

Sumler's 7-yard catch early in the second quarter was the second touchdown thrown by Hawkins and propelled the Buffs to what turned out to be an insurmountable 17-0 lead. It came after CU dominated the first period, with Hawkins and Dusty Sprague playing catch on the first possession of the game. Sprague caught three passes for 81 yards on the drive, with the last one a 26-yard bullet for the game's first score. Eberhart missed his first field goal attempt early in the quarter, but came back to drill a 41-yard effort later in the quarter for a 10-0 CU lead.

Sumler scored on a 3-yard run just two plays after Ryan Walters recovered a Baylor fumble at the Bears 26-yard line. Hawkins completed a 23-yard pass to

Kendrick Celestine to the three, setting up Sumler's touchdown and a 24-3 CU lead. After a Baylor touchdown, Eberhart kicked three field goals in the next six minutes to run the lead to 33-9; within that trio of kicks was a career-best 54-yard kick as time expired in the first half, a play that was possible because D.J. Dykes sprinted some 30 yards up field to fair catch a short Baylor punt with just four seconds left before halftime.

The second half dragged a bit, especially since it was a hot, humid evening. Sumler added his third score on a 2-yard run midway through the third quarter to give CU its big lead at 40-9; the Bears added a couple of late cosmetic scores well after the game was decided, with Eberhart closing the Buff scoring with a 30-yard chip shot, as his first four efforts were all in excess of 40 yards.

Hugh Charles ran 19 times for 109 yards and Hawkins completed 17 of 26 passes in pacing a balanced Buffalo offense. Eberhart tied the school mark for field goals made (5), attempted (6) as well as points scored by a kicker for a game (19).

Baylor quarterback Blake Szymanski also entered the record book, as he completed 36 of 60 passes, both school marks, for 410 yards.

<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Baylor</b> .....	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>23</b>

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Sprague 26 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	7- 0	11:44	1Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 41 FG	10- 0	2:09	1Q
COLORADO — Sumler 7 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	17- 0	11:43	2Q
Baylor — Brewster 26 FG	17- 3	7:29	2Q
COLORADO — Sumler 3 run (Eberhart kick)	24- 3	4:36	2Q
Baylor — Whitaker 2 run (kick failed)	24- 9	4:04	2Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 44 FG	27- 9	1:00	2Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 54 FG	30- 9	0:00	2Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 42 FG	33- 9	10:35	3Q
COLORADO — Sumler 2 run (Eberhart kick)	40- 9	6:08	3Q
Baylor — Akers 18 pass from Szymanski (Allen kick)	40-16	1:08	3Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 30 FG	43-16	10:49	4Q
Baylor — Finley 4 run (Allen kick)	43-23	5:04	4Q

Attendance: 32,376 Time: 3:32

Weather: 90 degrees, mostly cloudy skies, winds from the south at 11 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	BAYLOR
First Downs .....	18	24
Third Down Efficiency .....	5-15	6-15
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	1-2	1-2
Rushes—Net Yards .....	42-157	18-55
Passing Yards .....	293	410
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	27-17-1	60-36-2
Total Offense .....	450	465
Return Yards .....	90	24
Punts: No-Average .....	2-49.0	5-32.8
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	1-1	2-1
Penalties/Yards .....	11/105	10/71
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	0-0	1-7
Time of Possession .....	33:05	26:55
Drives/Average Field Position .....	14/C43	14/B28
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	4-5 (24)	4-6 (23)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 19-109, Sumler 15-38, Lockridge 3-15, Robinson 1-2, Ellis 1-0, Jagoras 1-minus 2, Hawkins 2-minus 5. **Baylor:** Whitaker 11-26, Szymanski 4-18, Finley 3-11.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 26-17-1, 293, 2 td; Lockridge 1-0-0, 0. **Baylor:** Szymanski 60-36-2, 410, 1 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** Sprague 5-95, J.Smith 2-103, Celestine 2-31, Charles 2-13, Sumler 2-12, Williams 2-10, McKnight 1-16, Robinson 1-13. **Baylor:** Whitaker 11-166, Gettis 8-99, Taylor 5-61, White 4-23, Finley 3-17, Buerck 3-15, Akers 2-29.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 2-49.0 (56 long, 2 In20). **Baylor:** Epperson 4-36.2 (40 long), Allen 1-19.0.

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** Robinson 1-42, Dykes 1-7. **Baylor:** Bennett 1-11. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 3-54. **Baylor:** Gettis 7-126, McElroy 1-7.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Dizon 1-37, Barrett 1-4. **Baylor:** Stiggers 1-23.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 11,4—15; Smart 6,4—10; Dykes 7,1—8; Jones 3,2—5; McKay 4,0—4; Wheatley 4,0—4; Harris 3,0—3; Hypolite 2,1—3.

**Baylor:** Crawford 2,7—9; Bell 4,4—8; Pawelek, 2,6—8; Moore 1,7—8; Lake 2,5—7; Widemon 2,3—5; Francis 2,3—5.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** none. **Baylor:** Rhodes 1-7. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** C.Brown 4, Burney, Hypolite, Smart, Wheatley. **Baylor:** Widemon 2, Moore.

**GAME NOTES**

Colorado opened 2-0 in the Big 12 for the sixth time in the 12-year history of the conference (previously done in 1996, 1998, 2001, 2002, 2005)... Colorado's 30-point first half was its highest since half leading Texas A&M 31-10 at intermission on Oct. 8, 2005... the 43 points were the most since a 44-13 win over Kansas that same season (Oct. 22) and were the second most points by the Buffs in the last 41 games... CU is now **19-4** the week after playing a top 5 team dating back to 1986... Colorado has now doubled its win total over last year's 2-10 mark; it's the 16th time in school history (118 seasons) that the Buffs will have at least doubled its win total from the previous season. This tied for the seventh quickest in doing so, but the second fastest in the last 75 seasons (1892, 1894, 1907, 1917, 1933, 1985)... The 60 passing attempts by Baylor were the fifth-most ever against CU (the most since Texas Tech set the record of 65 against CU in 2002); the 36 completions tied for the third most... The last team to throw for over 400 yards against CU was Colorado State, with 403 in the 2004 season opener... **WR Dusty Sprague** came in with eight catches for 93 yards and almost equaled the yards on CU's first scoring drive, as he caught three passes for 81 yards on CU's 7-play, 82-yard possession to open the game; he finished with five for 95 and the score... **TE Nate Solder** made his first career start tonight... **ILB Jordon Dizon** made his first interception of his career, coming in the first quarter; **DE Alonzo Barrett** had his first career interception, and the first interception by a CU defensive lineman since **DE Abraham Wright** at Oklahoma State on Oct. 1, 2005... **TB Cory Nabors** saw his first career action, in the first half on kickoff coverage; **DT Eric Lawson** played for the first time as a Buff (in the fourth quarter)... This was the **27th time** in CU history the Buffaloes had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same game, the first time since it happened three times in 2004 (**TB Hugh Charles** 20-122 rush; **WR Josh Smith** 2-103 receiving).

**GAME #7—KANSAS STATE 47, COLORADO 20**

(October 13; Manhattan)

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Kansas State won the battle on every front, offense, defense and special teams, as the Wildcats gained over 200 yards rushing and passing in running away from the Colorado Buffaloes, 47-20.

K-State jumped to early leads of 10-0 and 17-3, and the Buffs were on their heels from the on-set, playing catch-up the entire evening. Though still a 10-point game after an impressive touchdown drive early in the second half, CU only had the ball one time after the first quarter needing just one score to tie or take the lead. A huge special teams play by the Wildcats sealed the verdict.

Hugh Charles' 1-yard touchdown run cut the KSU lead to 30-20 with 4:37 left in the third quarter, and the Wildcats came back with a 39-yard Brooks Rossman field goal to inch the lead back to 33-20. The Buffs stalled on their next possession, and when punter Matt DiLallo couldn't cleanly handle a low snap, K-

State's Daniel Gonzalez had an opening to block the kick, with Courtney Herndon scooping the ball up and taking it six yards for a touchdown.

Four Colorado turnovers (three interceptions) contributed to 10 KSU points along with going 2-or-14 combined on third and fourth downs kept CU from getting into any kind rhythm. Ten of CU's 16 possessions used less than 1:45 of clock time, none of which produced points. Defensively, K-State ran off a season-high seven plays of 20 or more yards against the Buffs, including the longest play from scrimmage on the year, a 68-yard James Johnson touchdown run that closed the scoring.

Despite Charles finishing the game with a career-high 171 yards, the Buffs were unable to string back-to-back wins together away from home for the first time in consecutive weeks since 1994.

<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Kansas State</b> .....	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>47</b>

<b>SCORING SUMMARY</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Qtr</b>
Kansas State — Johnson 5 run (Rossman kick)	0- 7	7:29	1Q
Kansas State — Rossman 20 FG	0-10	4:06	1Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 50 FG	3-10	1:44	1Q
Kansas State — Murphy 20 run (Rossman kick)	3-17	0:25	1Q
COLORADO — Behrens 1 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	10-17	12:12	2Q
Kansas State — Rossman 36 FG	10-20	7:57	2Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 24 FG	13-20	4:37	2Q
Kansas State — Rossman 52 FG	13-23	0:00	2Q
Kansas State — Murphy 28 pass from Freeman (Rossman kick)	13-30	6:19	3Q
COLORADO — Charles 1 run (Eberhart kick)	20-30	4:34	3Q
Kansas State — Rossman 39 FG	20-33	2:11	3Q
Kansas State — Herndon 6 blocked punt return (Rossman kick)	20-40	0:29	3Q
Kansas State — Johnson 68 run (Rossman kick)	20-47	3:58	4Q

**Attendance:** 46,637 **Time:** 3:34

**Weather:** 63 degrees, cloudy skies, winds from the east at 10 mph (gusting to 20 mph)

<b>TEAM STATISTICS</b>	<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>KANSAS ST.</b>
First Downs .....	22	20
Third Down Efficiency .....	1-12	4-15
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	1-4	0-0
Rushes—Net Yards .....	36-188	39-249
Passing Yards .....	223	214
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	41-19-3	28-15-0
Total Offense .....	411	463
Return Yards .....	12	49
Punts: No-Average .....	5-27.8	6-42.0
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	2-1	1-0
Penalties/Yards .....	10/91	7/62
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	0-0	2-12
Time of Possession .....	29:19	30:41
Drives/Average Field Position .....	16/C26	16/KS37
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	3-4 (17)	3-4 (13)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 22-171, Behrens 3-29, Ellis 1-14, Sumler 3-5, Lockridge 3-0, Hawkins 3-minus 5, Team 1-minus 26. **Kansas State:** Johnson 20-159, Patton 12-40, Murphy 3-37, Freeman 4-13.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 41-19-3, 223, 1 td. **Kansas State:** Freeman 27-15-0, 214, 1 td; Nelson 1-0-0, 0.

**Receiving—Colorado:** McKnight 6-63, DeVree 3-40, Sprague 3-14, J.Smith 2-70, Williams 1-13, Charles 1-9, Ellis 1-7, Crawford 1-6, Behrens 1-1. **Kansas State:** Nelson 4-93, Murphy 4-47, Brown 2-25, Mastrud 2-22, Patton 1-12, Johnson 1-9, Pooschke 1-6.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 4-34.8 (41 long, 0 In20, 1 blk); Team 1-0. **Kansas State:** Reyer 6-42.0 (47 long, 0 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** McBride 4-12, Robinson 1-0. **Kansas State:** Gonzalez 1-9, Murphy 2-minus 2.

**Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 6-128, Ellis 3-37. **Kansas State:** Patton 4-85, Johnson 1-11. **Interceptions—Colorado:** none. **Kansas State:** McKinney 1-32, Baldwin 1-4, Carney 1-0.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 9.4—13; Burney 6.1—7; Dykes 5.2—7; Wheatley 5.2—7; Jones 4.3—7; Hypolite 6.0—6; Barrett 5.0—5; Smart 2.3—5; Nicolas 3.1—4; C.Brown 2.1-3; Duren 1.2—3. **Kansas State:** McKinney 10.2—12; Roland 2.6—8; Watts 2.6—8; Houlik 3.4—7; Garvin 4.2—6; Campbell 2.4—6; Walker 1.5—6.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** none. **Kansas State:** Manu 1-7, Roland 1-5. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Barrett, C.Brown, Burney, Dizon, Duren, Wheatley. **Kansas State:** McKinney 2, Garvin.

**GAME NOTES**

CU had scored in seven consecutive quarters entering the game, extending that to 10 before being shutout in the fourth quarter... **FB Jake Behrens** gained 23 yards on a rush to open the game on his first career touch; his first career reception in the second quarter (1-yard) was his first collegiate touchdown... First career starts tonight were made by Behrens, **TB Brian Lockridge** and **OT Ryan Miller**.... **PK Tyler Cope** made his sixth solo tackle on kickoff coverage in the first half, the most by any CU kicker in recent memory... **QB Cody Hawkins** extended a pair of school records, as he threw a touchdown pass in his seventh straight game from his career on-set, and well as an interception for the seventh straight game. The record for the most consecutive games with a touchdown pass at any time in a career is nine (**Koy Detmer**, the first nine games of the '96 season)... **PK Kevin Eberhart** made both his field goal tries to extend his streak to seven; he made the second longest of his career (50 yards) in this game... CU had a punt blocked for the first time since the Arizona State game last year; the last time an opponent scored a touchdown on a blocked punt return was in the 2005 Big 12 Championship game, when Brandon Foster recovered the ball in the end zone for a Texas touchdown... This was the seventh time in the 12 year history of the league CU played back-to-back league games away from home, and CU still has never has never swept the pair, going 0-2-5 (losing both twice with five splits)... Colorado still owns the best intra-division record in the North since the start of the '01 season at 21-10, with a 9-7 road mark; K-State is third (19-13, with Nebraska in-between at 20-12)... The 47-20 loss (27 points) was the largest margin of defeat in Dan Hawkins' 19 games at Colorado, and the first time an opponent scored 40 or more points... Colorado allowed over 400 yards to the opponent in back-to-back games for the first time since the end of the '05 season (Nebraska, Texas in the Big 12 title game)... **ILB Jordon Dizon** had 13 tackles, cracking the top 5 all-time at CU as he passed Chad Brown and Laval Short into fifth place with 375 for his career... **TB Hugh Charles** had the ninth 100-yard rushing game of his career, his fourth in a row (the most since **TB Chris Brown** had eight consecutive games reaching the century mark in 2002). It was a career-high for Charles, as his best previous game of 132 yards came against Oklahoma State in Stillwater in 2005... **CB Terrence Wheatley** (6-128 kickoff returns) became just the fifth player in CU history to record 1,000 kickoff return yards, ending the game with 1,065 for his career.



**GAME #8—KANSAS 19, COLORADO 14**

(October 20; Boulder)

BOULDER — An expected offensive shootout never materialized with defense ruling the roost as the No. 15 Kansas Jayhawks left Folsom Field a winner for the first time in 12 years in dealing the Colorado Buffaloes a 19-14 setback.

Ill-timed and costly turnovers thwarted CU's chances of knocking off the 11th undefeated, ranked team at Folsom since 1989. The biggest may have come late in the first quarter, as after stopping KU cold on its first two possessions, the Buffs drove to the Jayhawk 13-yard line where Hugh Charles lost control of the ball while trying to stretch for a first down, with Kendrick Harper recovering for KU. Colorado had a sure three and may have taken it for six, setting a different tone for the game.

Instead, Kansas took over and drove to the CU 31, where Scott Webb made a 48-yard field goal to put the Jayhawks up 3-0 just 78 seconds into the second quarter. That lone score stood at halftime, as the Buffs were well into KU territory three times before the halftime gun, with only a missed field goal, an interception and an incomplete pass into the end zone to show for it.

Colorado stormed out of the lockerroom and drove 80 yards in 10 plays to open the third quarter, with Cody Hawkins executing a perfect fake "fumble" in throwing to a wide open Tyson DeVree for a 27-yard touchdown. Hawkins pretended to fumble the ball, and with several offensive linemen yelling, "Fumble!," Kansas bought it and left DeVree all by himself.

But the lead was short-lived, as KU countered with a 58-yard drive in just five plays to go

up 10-7, the big play a 27-yard pass from Todd Reesing to Marcus Henry that set Kansas up at the Buff 2. Jake Sharp took it in from there, and KU moved ahead for good. Webb added a 35-yard field goal two minutes later to make the score 13-7.

The backbreaker came after CU punter Matt DiLallo pinned KU at its 6-yard line with 2:31 left in the third. The Jayhawks methodically marched 94 yards in 15 plays, converting four third down plays and using over seven minutes of possession time (7:08) with Reesing connecting with tight end Derek Fine on a 4-yard TD throw. Reesing was stopped short on a 2-point try, and the 'Hawks were up 19-7 with 10:23 to play.

After swapping three downs and out possessions, the Buffs used another 10-play, 80-yard drive to cut the lead down to five. A pair of passes from Hawkins to DeVree gained 34 yards, and then a 27-yard reception by Patrick Williams had CU in business at the KU 5. From there, Hawkins hit Byron Ellis with a 5-yard throw as he leaped into the end zone.

The game had a storybook feel to it, but it was not meant to be for the Buffs. CU stuffed KU and forced a punt, taking over at its own 42 with 2:16 left. But a sack (with a face mask that was at first called and then waved off), fumble and two incomplete passes, the last of which went in and out of Josh Smith's hands, ended the rally.

Kansas improved to 7-0 with the win, but was held well under its season averages of 50.3 points and 515.8 yards of total offense.

Kansas .....	0	3	10	6	—	19
COLORADO .....	0	0	7	7	—	14

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
Kansas — Webb 48 FG	0- 3	13:42	2Q
COLORADO — DeVree 27 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	7- 3	9:50	3Q
Kansas — Sharp 2 run (Webb kick)	7-10	8:20	3Q
Kansas — Webb 35 FG	7-13	6:13	3Q
Kansas — Fine 4 pass from Todd Reesing (run failed)	7-19	10:23	4Q
COLORADO — Ellis 5 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	14-19	3:42	4Q

Attendance: 51,940 Time: 3:19

Weather: 75 degrees, partly cloudy skies, winds from the west at 17 mph (gusting to 25 mph)

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	KANSAS
First Downs .....	19	17
Third Down Efficiency .....	5-17	7-16
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	1-3	0-1
Rushes—Net Yards .....	33-66	33-180
Passing Yards .....	287	153
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	45-27-2	29-20-0
Total Offense .....	353	333
Return Yards .....	3	9
Punts: No-Average .....	4-41.8	5-43.8
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	3-1	3-2
Penalties/Yards .....	4/35	3/21
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	1-6	3-24
Time of Possession .....	30:53	29:07
Drives/Average Field Position .....	13/C33	12/K31
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	1-2 (7)	3-3 (16)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 11-39, Lockridge 4-23, Ellis 3-12, Williams 2-10, Sumler 4-6, Behrens 2-4, Celestine 1-minus 10, Hawkins 6-minus 18. **Kansas:** Reesing 7-84, Sharp 15-53, McAnderson 7-44, Fields 1-2, Team 3-minus 3.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 44-27-2, 287, 2 td; Team 1-0-0-0. **Kansas:** Reesing 29-20-0, 153, 1 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** DeVree 7-90, J.Smith 4-53, Williams 3-50, Celestine 3-24, Sprague 2-14, McKnight 2-13, Geer 2-10, Ellis 2-7, Crawford 1-21, Charles 1-5. **Kansas:** Sharp 6-18, Henry 5-81, Meier 3-15, Fine 3-13, McAnderson 2-9, Fields 1-17.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 4-41.8 (47 long, 2 In20). **Kansas:** Tucker 5-43.8 (53 long, 0 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** McBride 3-6, McKay 0-minus 3. **Kansas:** Webb 2-0. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 4-95. **Kansas:** Herford 2-36.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** none. **Kansas:** McClinton 1-9, Thorton 1-0.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 9.5—14; Smart 7.3—10; Jones 5.3—8; Dykes 4.4—8; C.Brown 5.2—7; Wheatley 3.3—6; Nicolas 4.0—4; Burney 3.1—4; Walters 1.3—4. **Kansas:** Holt 12.3—15; Mortensen 9.2—11; Stuckey 7.1—8; Thorton 5.2—7; Talib 4.0—4; Harper 3.1—4; Rivera 3.1—4.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Barrett 1-6. **Kansas:** Laptad 1-10, McClinton 1-9, Wheeler 1-5. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Smart. **Kansas:** Larson, McClintock.

**GAME NOTES**

The 33 points were the lowest combined in the series since a 20-7 Colorado win in 1996; this marked the first time the winning team did not score at least 20 since a 17-10 CU win in 1986... CU went from 11 penalties the previous week at Kansas State (and 21 over the last two games) to four, none in the first half... Colorado averaged just 1.7 yards per first down play in the first half (15 plays, 26 yards), but came back to average 5.4 in the second (16-87)... Eleven different players earned CU's 18 first downs by rushing or passing (the 19th was by penalty)... Colorado made Kansas earn its yards in plus territory, as KU ran 33 plays on CU's side of the 50 for 127 yards (3.8 per)... KU came into the game the NCAA leader in kickoff return average (31.4), but averaged just 18.0 on two returns... **DE Alonzo Barrett** had his first quarterback sack of the season—and just CU's second in the last five games...

**QB Cody Hawkins** had a touchdown pass for the eighth straight game, a CU record at the on-set of career by five (old mark was three) to move within one of the all-time record of nine, set by Koy Detmer during the 1996 season... **TB Hugh Charles** had his string of 100-yard games snapped at four, which had tied the fifth longest streak in school history; This was the 19th time that Colorado played the Sunflower State schools in back-to-back games, the sixth straight year at that; the Buffs have now dropped both games back-to-back for the second consecutive year but for just the fourth time in the 19; the Buffs have swept KU and KSU nine times in this fashion with the other six split. The two will play back-to-back again in 2008, 2009, 2012 and 2013... **PK Mason Crosby** attended the game, as the Green Bay Packer rookie traveled back to Boulder during his team's bye week... CU found out the morning of the game that former TE **Tennyson McCarty** ('97) had passed away; his body was found in the mountains, near a vehicle parked in a turnout on the Peak-to-Peak Highway northeast of Peaceful Valley. He was 32.

**GAME #9—COLORADO 31, TEXAS TECH 26***(October 27; Lubbock)*

LUBBOCK, Texas — In 2003, Colorado jumped to an early 14-0 lead here against Texas Tech, but couldn't hold the lead in an eventual five-point loss. Fast-forward four years later, where this time CU got up by that same score but this time did all the right things in leaving Jones AT&T Stadium with a five-point win, 31-26.

The win improved Colorado to 5-4 on the season and dramatically increased the Buffaloes' chances for a bowl invitation; it also enabled CU to sweep the three Big 12 South Division schools for the first time since 1998.

Hugh Charles rushed for 121 yards and a touchdown and caught five passes, one for a score, while Cody Hawkins threw for 123 yards and two TDs as the pair led CU's offense, which played a near-perfect game in the sense that it did not turn the ball over, did not allow a sack and had just one penalty.

But for CU to have won, it needed to neutralize the Red Raiders' high-powered offense, which came into the game ranked first overall (558 yards per game) as well as in passing (488 yards). The Buffaloes never let Tech establish any kind of consistent rhythm, harassing quarterback Graham Harrell all afternoon. Though he came close to getting his usual yardage, he threw 62 passes for 431, he was sacked three times, hurried nine times and most important, intercepted four times.

Terrence Wheatley made three of those picks, the first Buff to snare a hat-trick of interceptions in a game since 1982, with two coming in crunch time when the Red

Raiders tried to rally in the fourth quarter. He was named the Walter Camp National and Big 12 Conference defensive player of the week for his efforts.

The other theft was made by Jordon Dizon, whose 42-yard return for a touchdown early in the second half put the Buffaloes ahead, 24-6. Dizon, the nation's leading tackler, added another 12 to his stat sheet, including 10 solo.

Colorado built the 14-0 lead on its first two possessions in very workman like fashion. Charles' 31-yard run around the left side capped a 10-play, 91-yard drive for the first score, with Hawkins connecting with Riar Geer on a 2-yard fourth down pass for the second, polishing off a 12-play, 75-yard effort. All Tech could muster before halftime was a pair of Alex Trlica field goals, the second coming as time expired.

After Dizon's score, Texas Tech would never have the ball again needing just one score to tie or take the lead. After it cut the lead to 24-13, CU countered with another monster drive, one that covered 75 yards in 13 plays with Hawkins and Charles teaming up on a 6-yard TD pass and catch. TTU answered that with a score at the end of the third quarter, a Harrell to Michael Crabtree 19-yard touchdown pass that nearly was picked off by Wheatley.

Tech pulled to within the final margin with just 2:08 remaining, but CU forced that drive to take 17 plays and use up most of the remaining time, and when Tyson DeVree scooped up a Tech onside kick attempt, the win was cemented for the Buffs.

<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Texas Tech</b> .....	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>26</b>

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Charles 31 run (Eberhart kick)	7- 0	8:13	1Q
COLORADO — Geer 2 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	14- 0	13:38	2Q
Texas Tech — Trlica 30 FG	14- 3	5:12	2Q
Texas Tech — Trlica 48 FG	14- 6	0:00	2Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 44 FG	17- 6	11:05	3Q
COLORADO — Dizon 42 interception return (Eberhart kick)	24- 6	10:50	3Q
Texas Tech — Morris 31 pass from Harrell (Trlica kick)	24-13	9:20	3Q
COLORADO — Charles 6 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	31-13	4:00	3Q
Texas Tech — Crabtree 19 pass from Harrell (pass failed)	31-19	0:07	3Q
Texas Tech — Britton 7 pass from Harrell (Trlica kick)	31-26	2:08	4Q

Attendance: 49,084 Time: 3:29

Weather: 58 degrees, clear skies, winds from the northeast at 10 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	TEXAS TECH
First Downs .....	19	29
Third Down Efficiency .....	7-16	3-9
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	2-2	3-3
Rushes—Net Yards .....	44-217	12-39
Passing Yards .....	132	431
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	27-16-0	63-46-4
Total Offense .....	349	470
Return Yards .....	76	2
Punts: No-Average .....	4-43.8	1-38.0
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	2-0	1-0
Penalties/Yards .....	3/30	5/31
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	3-12	0-0
Time of Possession .....	34:05	25:55
Drives/Average Field Position .....	10/C34	11/T25
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	2-3 (14)	3-3 (16)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 20-121, Ellis 6-23, Hawkins 5-20, Sumler 7-19, Celestine 2-17, Lockridge 2-10, Sprague 2-7. **Texas Tech:** Crawford 2-31, Lewis 2-10, Britton 1-3, Harrell 6-0, Morris 1-minus 5.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 26-15-0, 123, 2 td; McKnight 1-1-0, 9. **Texas Tech:** Harrell 62-46-4, 431, 3 td; Team 1-0-0, 0.

**Receiving—Colorado:** Charles 5-26, J.Smith 3-56, Geer 2-13, Williams 2-12, Hawkins 1-9, McKnight 1-6, DeVree 1-6, Ellis 1-4. **Texas Tech:** Crabtree 12-131, Morris 10-125, Britton 7-62, Amendola 7-57, Lewis 5-20, Walker 2-11, Leong 1-11, Reese 1-9, Crawford 1-5.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 4-43.8 (54 long, 1 In20). **Texas Tech:** LaCour 1-38.0 (38 long, 1 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** McBride 1-4. **Texas Tech:** Amendola 1-2, Morris 1-0. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 4-82, DeVree 1-0. **Texas Tech:** Lewis 2-58, Britton 2-45.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Wheatley 3-30, Dizon 1-42. **Texas Tech:** none.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 10,2—12; C.Brown 7,2—9; Wheatley 7,0—7; Walters 4,3—7; Jones 3,4—7; Smart 3,4—7; Burney 5,1—6; Dykes 4,1—5; McKay 4,0—4; Nicolas 3,0—3.

**Texas Tech:** Duncan 6,2—8; Garcia 5,2—7; McBath 4,3—7; Wall 5,1—6; Williams 2,4—6; Parker 5,0—5; Hunter 3,1—4.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Hypolite 1-7, Jones 1-3, Nicolas 1-2. **Texas Tech:** none. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** C.Brown, Dykes, Wheatley. **Texas Tech:** Parker 2, Hines, Williams.

**GAME NOTES**

For the first time in the 9-game series, the visiting team left as the victor... Colorado survived the Tech offensive challenge and extended its streak to 41 games where the opponent has not gained 500 yards... **CB Terrence Wheatley** earned national player of the week honors for his three interceptions... ILB Jordon Dizon scored his first career points with his interception return for six... Colorado was 7-of-16 on third downs, the average length to go being 5.2 yards (10 of 16 tries from five yards or less, going 6-10); by comparison, Tech was 3-of-9 but on average had 8.3 yards to earn... Colorado's 217 rushing yards was its second most of the season to date (the Buffs had 359 against Miami-Ohio)... **P Matt DiLallo** had a solid day, with his second longest punt of the year (54 yards); his gross average was 43.8 and his net was 37.3, knocked down a bit due to only the second touchback in 38 punts this year... This was CU's first turnover-free game in 2007 (last was at Nebraska in the '06 season finale)... The Buffs had just three penalties and have just seven over the last two games... **QB Cody Hawkins** tied the school record for consecutive games throwing a touchdown pass with nine... TB Hugh Charles busted into the school's top 10 in all-time rushing as his fifth 100-yard game in the last six pushed him to 2,352 career yards (ninth all-time)... ILB Jordon Dizon had 12 tackles to become the fourth player in school history to reach the 400 mark (ending with 403)... This marked the 13th time in school history that CU did not commit a turnover or allow a quarterback sack (improving to 13-0 when those circumstances occur)... **PK Tyler Cope** made his seventh solo tackle on kickoff coverage; if school records were kept for that, he'd own it; CU kickers had three this decade before this season... Colorado posted its first sweep of the South Division since 1998, and once again owns the best record against the South by any North team at 21-15... Lubbock proved hospitable for Colorado this weekend, as the CU cross country teams left here Friday with titles, the 12th straight by the men and ninth in a row by the women.

**GAME #10—MISSOURI 55, COLORADO 10**

(November 3; Boulder)

BOULDER — Chase Daniel threw five touchdown passes as Missouri became the first team to roll up over 500 yards of offense on Colorado in some four years as the No. 9 Tigers defeated the Buffaloes, 55-10.

The Buffs jumped out to leads of 7-0 and 10-7 but couldn't keep up with the potent Mizzou offense, as the Tigers put on a 24-point blitz in the second quarter to take a 31-10 halftime lead, then kept CU at an arm's length with 17 more in the third.

Daniel, an emerging contender for the Heisman Trophy, threw three of scoring passes in the first half, the last of which to tight end Chase Coffman built the 31-10 lead. He and Coffman then hooked up two more times in the third quarter. The only other player to ever throw for five TD's against the Buffaloes was Indiana's Tim Clifford in a 49-7 Hoosier win in Boulder in 1980.

Three Buff turnovers led to 17 Tiger points, the first with a tad bit of controversy, something not new to the series between these two. On the first play of the second quarter, CU quarterback Cody Hawkins appeared to have his arm going forward, but officials ruled a fumble on the play, giving the Tigers the ball at their own 48. Three plays later, Daniel hooked up with freshman speedster Jeremy Maclin on a 46-yard touchdown play, putting Missouri ahead for good at 14-10.

Colorado had struck first, thanks to an interception off a batted pass by defensive tackle George Hypolite. He snagged the ball at the MU 17 and returned it to the 11, where three plays later, Byron Ellis scored from two yards out for a 7-0 Colorado lead. The Tigers came right back, with Daniel hitting Martin Rucker on a short 3-yard TD pass, with the score set up by a 72-yard bomb to William Franklin to the CU 5 on the first play of the drive.

Defense then took over for both teams, as neither could do much on their next two possessions. After stopping the Tigers cold in three plays at the CU48, Alonzo Barrett blocked an Adam Crossett punt and the Buffs took over at the Tiger 37. CU picked up one first down and worked to a fourth-and-5 at the 7, where Kevin Eberhart kicked a 24-yard field goal for the 10-7 lead.

While Missouri was in the process of pulling away, the Buffs were stifled by the Tiger defense, which forced six straight three-and-outs following the Eberhart field goal. Colorado was held to a season-low 196 yards overall on offense, also a Missouri best defensively. MU had 598 total yards in running 87 plays to CU's 58.

Hawkins completed 12-of-25 passes for 100 yards and an interception, with no touchdowns for the first time in his college career. Daniel shined, as the junior was 26-of-44 for 421 yards with the five scores and one pick.

Missouri.....	7	24	17	7	—	55
COLORADO.....	10	0	0	0	—	10

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Ellis 2 run (Eberhart kick)	7- 0	13:27	1Q
Missouri — Rucker 3 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	7- 7	12:18	1Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 24 FG	10- 7	2:10	1Q
Missouri — Maclin 46 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	10-14	14:04	2Q
Missouri — Wolfert 27 FG	10-17	10:02	2Q
Missouri — Temple 4 run (Wolfert kick)	10-24	5:54	2Q
Missouri — Coffman 25 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	10-31	1:32	2Q
Missouri — Coffman 23 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	10-38	9:29	3Q
Missouri — Wolfert 23 FG	10-41	6:58	3Q
Missouri — Coffman 5 pass from Daniel (Wolfert kick)	10-48	0:45	3Q
Missouri — Washington 3 run (Wolfert kick)	10-55	4:23	4Q

Attendance: 51,483 Time: 3:33

Weather: 67 degrees, clear skies, winds from the south at 5 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	MISSOURI
First Downs.....	7	25
Third Down Efficiency.....	3-17	10-17
Fourth Down Efficiency.....	0-0	0-0
Rushes—Net Yards.....	30-84	42-169
Passing Yards.....	112	429
Passes (Att-Comp-Int).....	28-14-1	45-27-1
Total Offense.....	196	598
Return Yards.....	22	32
Punts: No-Average.....	11-37.1	5-28.0
Fumbles: No-Lost.....	5-2	1-0
Penalties/Yards.....	12/94	4/35
Quarterback Sacks—Yards.....	2-20	2-11
Time of Possession.....	25:43	34:17
Drives/Average Field Position.....	16/C33	17/M37
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points).....	2-2 (10)	6-6 (34)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 14-55, J.Smith 3-13, Lockridge 3-12, Sumler 3-6, Hawkins 4-4, Ellis 1-2, Nelson 2-minus 8. **Missouri:** Washington 8-48, Woods 5-32, Temple 10-27, Daniel 6-24, Jackson 4-23, Maclin 4-12, Rucker 1-6, Alexander 1-2, Team 3-minus 5.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 25-12-1, 100; Nelson 3-2-0, 12. **Missouri:** Daniel 44-26-1, 421, 5 td; Patton 1-1-0, 8.

**Receiving—Colorado:** Sprague 4-43, Ellis 3-8, Williams 2-27, Geer 1-11, DeVree 21-7, McKnight 1-7, J.Sanders 1-6, Charles 1-3. **Missouri:** Maclin 6-108, Rucker 6-26, Coffman 5-60, Alexander 3-46, Franklin 2-109, Perry 2-60, Washington 1-8, Goldsmith 1-6, Saunders 1-6.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 11-37.1 (47 long, 1 In20). **Missouri:** Crossett 4-35.0 (45 long, 2 In20, 1 blk), Team 1-0.

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** Barrett 1-15, McBride 1-1. **Missouri:** Maclin 4-23. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Wheatley 4-108, Charles 3-78, Robinson 1-10. **Missouri:** Maclin 2-44.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Hypolite 1-6. **Missouri:** Moore 1-9.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** C.Brown 11,1—12; Dizon 8,2—10; Jones 4,5—9; Smart 5,2—7; Walters 4,3—7; Burney 3,4—7; Wheatley 4,1—5; Dykes 3,2—5; Harris 4,0—4; Lucas 3,1—4;

Barrett 2,2—4. **Missouri:** Moore 7,4—11; Gettis 8,1—9; Alexaner 3,2—5; Christopher 4,0—4; Weatherspoon 3,1—4; Garrett 3,1—4; Chavis 2,2—4.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Harris 1-12, Dizon 1-8. **Missouri:** Corbett 1-6, Chavis 1-5. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** McKay 3, C.Brown, Burney, Smart, Walters. **Missouri:** Sulake, Terrell.

**GAME NOTES**

This was Missouri's first win at Folsom Field since 1997 and just their second in the last 12 tries here... Colorado scored 10 points in the first quarter; Missouri had allowed 22 in its first nine games combined... CU did not have a first down in four second quarter possessions, going three plays and out all four times (MU scored 24 points and outgained CU 229-14 in the period)... In the weird stat of the night, Mizzou ran 10 plays in the red zone for 3 yards in the first half, but had 37 for 358 outside of it (for the game, it ran 17 in the red zone for 21 total)... Eight of CU's 12 penalties were called on freshmen or redshirt frosh... **TB Byron Ellis** scored the second rushing touchdown of his career to open the game's scoring; his other sent last year's game with Baylor into overtime (he caught a TD pass against Kansas earlier in the season)... The 72-yard pass play on Missouri's first series (Daniel to Franklin) was the longest by a CU opponent this season (the longest since the same weekend last year, when Josh Freeman and Jordy Nelson hooked up on a 74-yard pass play for Kansas State n Nov. 4, 2006)... **S Lionel Harris** recorded his first career sack in the fourth quarter, CU's first (and only) of the game... **QB Cody Hawkins** consecutive games streak with at least one touchdown pass came to an end at nine, leaving him tied with Koy Detmer for the school record... **P Matt DiLallo** had a career-high 11 punts tonight; his old high had been eight... The first half took one hour, 47 minutes to play (game time was 3:33)... **OLB Nate Vaiomounga** celebrated his 18th birthday; he's the youngest Buff... Missouri became the first opponent to score 50-plus points at Folsom since, well, Missouri... the Tigers won 59-20 on Oct. 8, 1983... The 45-point loss was CU's third worst loss in its home history, trailing a 103-0 loss to Colorado Mines on Nov. 22, 1890 and a 62-0 loss to Oklahoma on Nov. 3, 1962 (45 years ago to the day); it was the 12th largest margin of defeat in school annals overall. It was CU's second most-lopsided loss to Missouri (MU won 57-0 in Columbia in 1962; it ties for the fourth largest margin of victory in the series, trailing that 57-point game and two CU wins (55-7 in 1991 and 49-3 in 1989).



**GAME #11—IOWA STATE 31, COLORADO 28**

(November 10; Ames)

AMES, Iowa — It was a tale of two halves with a controversial ending as the Iowa State Cyclones rallied from a 21-0 halftime deficit to defeat the Colorado Buffaloes, 31-28.

In game that CU appeared to tie twice in the final seconds, the 21-point lead equaled the largest the Buffs had ever had in their history but did not finish with a win.

Iowa State completed a run of 31 straight points with 10 in the fourth quarter to take a 31-21 lead, its final score coming after CU's Hugh Charles' fumbled at the Buff 43; Alexander Robinson scored from nine yards out with 4:07 remaining. But the Buffs countered with a 64-yard drive in 10 plays that used just 81 seconds, with Cody Hawkins completing three passes to Dusty Sprague, including conversion throws on third and fourth down, and two to Scotty McKnight, the latter a 9-yard touchdown pass to pull CU to within three.

Colorado held Iowa State on the next possession and took over at its own 28 with 46 seconds left. A pair of 15-yard throws from Hawkins to Josh Smith set CU up at the Iowa State 42. After an incomplete pass, Hawkins hit Tyson DeVree twice, the first for eight yards but the second for just one on 3rd-and-2; with CU out of time outs and the clock running, the field goal team sprinted out onto the field, and Kevin Eberhart nailed a 50-yard kick to apparently tie the game. But the officials called a delay of game on the Buffs for snapping the ball before they signaled it ready for play, and penalized CU five yards. With the clock reset at :01, CU snapped it again

and Eberhart drilled a 55-yarder, but this time, the refs claimed CU did not snap it in time and the clock hit zero before long-snapper Justin Drescher hiked the ball.

The stage was set for the wild fourth quarter after each team had a three-touchdown period. The Buffs opened the scoring on the second play of the second quarter, with Hawkins sneaking in on a 1-yard keeper. The score held at 7-0 until Lionel Harris intercepted a Bret Meyer pass at the Iowa State 28 with 3:04 remaining, where two plays later Hugh Charles took it in from eight yards out and a 14-0 lead. The Buff defense held ISU to three downs and out with the offense taking over at the CU 8 with 1:43 left. Hawkins directed a six-play, 92-yard march, culminated with a 28-yard touchdown pass to Riar Geer on fourth down; that was set up by a 47-yard run by Brian Lockridge, CU's longest rushing play of the season.

Iowa State knotted the score in a seven-minute span in the third quarter. After taking over on the CU 43 when the Buffs came up short on fourth down, the Cyclones took just three plays to get into the end zone, as Robinson scored on a 13-yard run to close the gap to 21-7. Meyer and Todd Blythe then hooked up a two touchdown passes, the latter from 55 yards out that tied the game with 5:27 left in the period.

CU held the edge in offense, 419-351, as the Cyclones had most of their offense (191 yards) in the third quarter, simultaneously while the Buffaloes went five straight possessions without a first down.

COLORADO .....	0	21	0	7	—	28
Iowa State .....	0	0	21	10	—	31

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Hawkins 1 run (Eberhart kick)	7-0	14:46	2Q
COLORADO — Charles 8 run (Eberhart kick)	14-0	2:49	2Q
COLORADO — Geer 28 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	21-0	0:25	2Q
Iowa State — Robinson 13 run (Culbertson kick)	21-7	11:53	3Q
Iowa State — Blythe 12 pass from Meyer (Culbertson kick)	21-14	8:31	3Q
Iowa State — Blythe 55 pass from Meyer (Culbertson kick)	21-21	5:27	3Q
Iowa State — Culbertson 24 FG	21-24	12:21	4Q
Iowa State — Robinson 9 run (Culbertson kick)	21-31	4:07	4Q
COLORADO — McKnight 9 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	28-31	2:40	4Q

Attendance: 45,487 Time: 3:28

Weather: 46 degrees, mostly cloudy skies, winds from the southeast at 15-20 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	IOWA STATE
First Downs .....	17	18
Third Down Efficiency .....	3-15	7-17
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	2-3	0-0
Rushes—Net Yards .....	32-157	42-162
Passing Yards .....	262	189
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	40-23-0	27-13-1
Total Offense .....	419	351
Return Yards .....	-2	0
Punts: No-Average .....	7-36.6	7-35.0
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	2-1	0-0
Penalties/Yards .....	8/80	5/56
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	2-13	1-6
Time of Possession .....	27:08	32:52
Drives/Average Field Position .....	15/C34	15/C34
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	3-3 (21)	4-4 (24)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 21-83, Lockridge 5-61, J.Smith 2-16, Sprague 1-2, Sumler 1-0, Hawkins 2-minus 5. **Iowa State:** Robinson 29-127, Meyer 11-25, Arnaud 2-10.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 40-23-0, 262, 2 td. **Iowa State:** Meyer 19-9-1, 149, 2 td; Arnaud 8-4-0, 40.

**Receiving—Colorado:** McKnight 5-54, Sprague 4-55, Geer 3-40, J.Smith 3-32, Charles 2-40, J.Sanders 2-17, Robinson 2-15, DeVree 2-9. **Iowa State:** Blythe 4-124, Robinson 4-6, Hamilton 2-36, Barkema 2-17, Catlett 1-6.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 7-36.6, (57 long, 2 In20). **Iowa State:** Brandtner 7-35.0 (51 long, 1 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** none. **Iowa State:** Blythe 2-0. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Charles 6-161. **Iowa State:** Moses 2-47, Bass 1-14, Catlett 1-10.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Harris 1-minus 2. **Iowa State:** none.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 10,1—11; Harris 5,4—9; Barrett 7,1—8; Hypolite 7,1—8; Dykes 6,2—8; Smart 0,7—7; Lucas 3,2—5; Nicolas 3,1—4; Burney 3,0—3; Jones 3,0—3. **Iowa State:** Ja.Smith 9,2-11; Bowen 7,2—9; Je.Smith 5,3—8; Brown 3,4—7; Banks 3,4—7; Bell 4,2—6.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Hypolite 2-13. **Iowa State:** Bowen 1-6. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Burney, Dykes, Jones, Lucas. **Iowa State:** Parker 2, Braaksma, Je.Smith.

**GAME NOTES**

This was the 500th road game in CU history (record of 255-227-18, 52.8 winning percentage)... It was also Coach **Dan Hawkins** 47th birthday (he dropped to 1-2 on the ol' b-day)... It was just the third time in school annals the Buffs couldn't hang on after building a 20-point or more lead; this loss matched the previous largest lead, also a 21-0 advantage at Kansas in 1950 in which the Jayhawks rallied for a 27-21 win... **Riar Geer's** 28-yard reception was the fifth by Colorado on fourth down this season, all by tight ends (his second, **Tyson DeVree** had the other three)... **S Lionel Harris** had his third career interception subbing for the injured **S Ryan Walters**; it led to a second quarter touchdown... **CB Terrence Wheatley** (foot) also did not dress, with **CB Gardner McKay** making his first career start in his place... **TB Brian Lockridge's** 47-yard run near the end of the first half was the longest by a Buff this season, besting his 43-yard TD run for a score against Miami-Ohio... The 55-yard field goal by Eberhart at the end of the game, had it been allowed, would have been a career long... **P Matt DiLallo** had only his third touchback of the season (56 punts)... **ILB Jordon Dizon** had three third down stops, as he tied school records for the most in a season (18) as well as for a career (47)... **TB Hugh Charles** had 284 all-purpose yards (161 kickoff, 83 rushing, 40 receiving) giving him 3,295 for his career, moving into sixth all-time... **Senior WR Dusty Sprague** became the ninth player in CU history to catch 100 passes, ending the day with 102 for 1,239 for his career; he also moved into the top 10 in all-time receiving yards... This marked the **233rd** consecutive game Colorado had scored in, adding to the fifth longest active streak in the nation and tying the ninth longest of all-time.

**GAME #12—COLORADO 65, NEBRASKA 51***(November 23; Boulder)*

BOULDER — Only one defense ever took over and it was only for quarter-and-a-half, but it was enough as Colorado used back-to-back interceptions to wrestle the lead and momentum away from Nebraska as the Buffaloes became bowl-eligible with a 65-51 win over the Cornhuskers.

On a day where the teams combined for 116 points, 1,128 yards and 54 first downs, the only zero on the scoreboard came in the third quarter when Colorado (6-6) started a run of 34 consecutive points to turn a 35-24 deficit into a 58-35 lead.

The Buffaloes game plan was to rush for 300 yards on the Husker defense, and though coming up just short with 277, CU also got 241 passing for a balanced attack that produced points in every quarter. But after barely breaking a sweat in taking a 17-7 lead late in the first quarter, Nebraska, playing its last game under coach Bill Callahan, stormed back with a 28-7 spree that had the Buffaloes on their heels.

And then Colorado's live buffalo mascot, Ralphie IV, perhaps making her final appearance at Folsom Field, led the Buffaloes out for the third quarter. The quarter CU had been outsourced 123-59 coming into this game.

The Buffs earned one first down and then punted, and forced Nebraska into a third-and-12 from its 9. Husker quarterback Joe Ganz sat in the pocket and fired downfield, failing to see CU redshirt freshman corner Jimmy Smith peel off his man and make the interception. He returned his first career pick 31 yards for a touchdown and CU was within 35-31.

Then on Nebraska's very next play, Lionel Harris was in the right place at the right time to snare a tipped Ganz pass at the CU 45, returning it 32 yards to the Nebraska 23. A holding penalty backed the Buffs up 10 yards, but it was a minor inconvenience, as it took just four plays for CU to drive in for the go-ahead score, with Hugh Charles taking it in from 9 yards out and a 38-35 Buff lead.

The CU defense, which had allowed the Huskers 275 yards in the second quarter and 393 in the first half, held NU to just 40 in the third and on the Nebraska's next possession, Alonzo Barrett blocked a Dan Titchener punt. CU's Butkus Award finalist linebacker Jordan Dizon pounced on the ball and took it to the Nebraska 25, where four plays later, Charles scored again from the 1-yard line to make the score 44-35; the Buffs missed the PAT, but it would not matter in the long run.

Charles' run came after a 22-yard pass from Cody Hawkins to Dusty Sprague on a third-and-8 at the Husker 23; originally ruled a touchdown, replay review placed the ball at the half-yardline. The decision delayed CU taking a two-score lead by four seconds, and Nebraska would not be within a single score of taking the lead the rest of the way.

The Buffaloes finished their 34-point blitz with touchdowns from Scotty McKnight (a 10-yard pass from Hawkins), and a third Charles touchdown run, a 2-yard effort that put the Buffs up by 23 with just 4:16 remaining.

It was the first time in Charles' career that he scored three times in a game, one which he should remember as a fond farewell for the Folsom Field fans who chanted, "Hugh! Hugh!" much of the day. He had 327 all-purpose yards in the game (169 rushing, 125 returns, 33 receiving), the sixth-most in school history.

Nebraska rankled CU a year earlier by not taking a knee with 23 seconds remaining, scoring a cosmetic touchdown in a 37-14 win. This time around, the Huskers added two late fluff scores to avoid their fifth 20-plus point loss of the season.

And when CU got the ball back with 26 seconds left, the Buffs did the classy thing and took a knee, officially ending Nebraska's year at 5-7. For the second time in the last four seasons, a CU season-ending win has kept their rival out of the postseason, Nebraska's only two times it has remained home for the holidays since 1968.

Nebraska .....	14	21	0	16	—	51
COLORADO .....	17	7	20	21	—	65

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
COLORADO — Eberhart 25 FG	3- 0	12:49	1Q
Nebraska — Ganz 28 run (Henery kick)	3- 7	12:13	1Q
COLORADO — Hawkins 5 run (Eberhart kick)	10- 7	7:21	1Q
COLORADO — Sprague 4 run (Eberhart kick)	17- 7	2:38	1Q
Nebraska — Lucky 2 run (Henery kick)	17-14	0:16	1Q
Nebraska — Ganz 8 run (Henery kick)	17-21	6:19	2Q
Nebraska — Purify 25 pass from Ganz (Henery kick)	17-28	3:04	2Q
COLORADO — DeVree 11 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	24-28	2:38	1Q
Nebraska — Peterson 16 pass from Ganz (Henery kick)	24-35	0:23	2Q
COLORADO — Smith 31 interception return (Eberhart kick)	31-35	10:26	3Q
COLORADO — Charles 9 run (Eberhart kick)	38-35	8:10	3Q
COLORADO — Charles 1 run (Eberhart kick)	44-35	5:19	3Q
COLORADO — McKnight 10 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	51-35	14:32	4Q
COLORADO — Charles 2 run (Eberhart kick)	58-35	4:16	4Q
Nebraska — Purify 9 pass from Ganz (Lucky pass from Ganz)	58-43	2:08	4Q
COLORADO — Ellis 28 run (Eberhart kick)	65-43	1:23	4Q
Nebraska — Purify 4 pass from Ganz (Hill pass from Ganz)	65-51	0:26	4Q

Attendance: 51,403 Time: 3:56 Weather: 24 degrees, cloudy skies, winds from the north at 12 mph

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	NEBRASKA
First Downs .....	26	28
Third Down Efficiency .....	10-16	2-11
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	0-0	2-3
Rushes—Net Yards .....	52-277	20-126
Passing Yards .....	241	484
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	29-17-0	58-31-3
Total Offense .....	518	610
Return Yards .....	176	14
Punts: No-Average .....	5-39.6	5-35.2
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	0-0	3-0
Penalties/Yards .....	7/65	10/57
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	1-5	0-0
Time of Possession .....	33:57	26:03
Drives/Average Field Position .....	16/C41	16/N28
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	8-8 (58)	5-5 (37)

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 33-169, Sprague 6-48, Ellis 4-34, Hawkins 5-15, Smith 3-14, Team 1-minus 3. **Nebraska:** Lucky 12-69, Ganz 6-37, Hardy 2-20.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 29-17-0, 241, 2 td. **Nebraska:** Ganz 58-31-3, 484, 4 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** DeVree 4-51, Celestine 3-34, McKnight 3-34, Smith 2-20, Robinson 1-35, Charles 1-33, Sprague 1-22, Geer 1-8, Williams 1-4. **Nebraska:** Purify 11-136, Lucky 8-115, Nunn 4-88, Holt 2-49, Peterson 2-46, Swift 2-32, Hardy 1-11, Castille 1-7.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 5-39.6, (48 long, 2 In20). **Nebraska:** Titchener 4-44.0 (48 long, 2 In20, 1 blk); Team 1-0.

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** McBride 3-29, Barrett 1-17, Dizon 0-5. **Nebraska:** Grixby 1-14.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** C.Brown 1-51, Harris 1-32, J.Smith 1-31. **Nebraska:** none.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 12,4—16; Walters 4,3—7; Smart 4,2—6; C.Brown 3,2—5; Dykes 4,0—4; Jones 4,0—4; Harris 3,0—3; Barrett 2,1—3; Lucas 2,0—2; Burney 1,1—2; Nicolas 0,2—2.

**Nebraska:** Octavien 7,5—12; McKeon 7,3—10; Murillo 7,1—8; Ruud 6,2—8; Asante 5,2—7; Eisenhart 4,3—7; Blue 5,0—5; Suh 4,1—5.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Jones 1-5. **Nebraska:** none.

**Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** C.Brown 2, Burney 2, McKay 2, Dizon, Harris, Nicolas, Smart, J.Smith, Walters. **Nebraska:** Suh 2, Green, Ruud.

**GAME NOTES**

Smith, who was one of two players subbing for injured All-Big 12 cornerback **Terrence Wheatley**, was the 14th Colorado player since 1992 to return his first career interception for a touchdown... Charles finished his career as CU's sixth all-time leading rusher with 2,659 yards, but used his all-around day to move up four notches and finish second in all-purpose yards with 3,622 for his career, trailing only Eric Bieniemy's 4,351-yard total from 1987-90... The 10th annual **Buffalo Heart Award**, presented by the "Fans behind the Bench," was awarded postgame to **ILB Jordan Dizon**; it annually goes to the senior who the fans believe has best exemplified heart, grit, determination and desire during their CU career... This was the highest scoring game in the series, eclipsing the 98 points scored six years ago to the day in a 62-36 Colorado win... The 65 points by Colorado were the most by the Buffs since a 66-14 win over NE Louisiana in 1995... When Ralphie IV opened the game with her run, she was wearing a THANKS HANK blanket, which was presented to retiring CU president **Hank Brown** in a halftime ceremony.

**GAME #13 (INDEPENDENCE BOWL)—ALABAMA 30, COLORADO 24***(December 30; Shreveport, La.)*

SHREVEPORT, La. — It was a game of two halves, or rather a game of fifths. Alabama owned a commanding 27-0 lead after the first 24 minutes of play, and though Colorado dominated the last three-fifths of the game, the Buffaloes fell short in their comeback, succumbing 30-24 to the Crimson Tide in the 32nd Annual PetroSun Independence Bowl.

A pair of Leigh Tiffin field goals and three touchdown passes to three different receivers by John Parker Wilson built a 27-0 lead for Alabama with 12:20 to play in the second quarter. At that juncture, the Crimson Tide also owned staggering edges in total yards (235-27), first downs (12-1) and total plays (27-12). CU picked up one first down on its next possession but then had to punt, followed by 'Bama moving from its 20 to the CU 44 in five plays with six minutes left in the half.

Then the play that would swing momentum to CU for the first time all game occurred. Wilson had completed 13-of-15 passes to that point, but Ryan Walters intercepted his next throw at the Buff 22 and returned it to the Alabama 43. From there, the offense finally exuded some confidence and marched into the end zone in eight plays, capped by a 4-yard pass from Cody Hawkins to Tyson DeVree.

The Buffs forced Alabama to punt and took over on their own 45 with 1:11 to play in the half. Hawkins and DeVree hooked up on three straight pass plays that picked up 29 yards and had CU in field goal range at the Tide 26-yard line. Hawkins spiked the ball to stop the clock and after a 1-yard pass to Patrick Williams, CU had a 3rd-and-9 at the 25 but the clock was running under 10 seconds. The Buffs took a chance for the end zone, and it paid off when Hawkins hit a streaking Dusty Sprague for the score with just four seconds on the clock. When the smoke cleared, Hawkins completed 8-of-9 passes on the two touchdown drives that brought the Buffs to within 27-14 at halftime.

Walters' interception and increased pressure on Wilson (one sack, four hurries) threw the Tide's offense off track. UA ran just six plays for 28 yards in the third quarter, but the

Buff's couldn't capitalize. CU drove to the 'Bama 29 to open the half, but Kevin Eberhart missed a 48-yard field goal. He came back and made a 39-yard field goal that cut the lead to 10, though it was a bit of a letdown for the Buffs who had started the drive on their own 3 and had marched to the Tide 24 before a holding penalty helped stall the drive.

CU drove to the Alabama 30 on its next possession before a sack of Hawkins by Wallace Gilberry, the defensive player of the game, disrupted the drive. The teams wound up trading punts, and after CU regained possession, Hawkins was intercepted at the CU 22 by Darren Mustin. CU's defense stiffened and forced a third Tiffin field goal, but it put Alabama up 30-17 with 4:36 remaining.

The game was not over, however, as Colorado drove 69 yards in five plays in just 45 seconds. Hawkins hit DeVree for 27 yards to the 'Bama 42, and then Williams for 28 more to the 14. After two incomplete throws, he found DeVree in the back of the end zone for the touchdown, with Eberhart's PAT kick pulling CU to within one score, 30-24.

The Tide earned two first downs after CU kicked off deep, eventually punting into the end zone with one second left. From its own 20, the Buffs tried the 'ol "pass it and lateral it to whoever you can," picking up 25 yards in the process from Hawkins to Scotty McKnight, who pitched it to Daniel Sanders and he to Cody Crawford. But time ran out on CU.

Colorado rallied to outgain the Tide, 397-388, basically dominating the last 36 minutes. Hawkins (322 yards, 3 TDs) and DeVree (9-94 receiving) were CU's offensive stars, while Walters (8 tackles, an interception, one sack and one PBU) and Butkus Award runner-up Jordon Dizon (14 tackles) led the Buff defense.

Alabama .....	20	7	0	3	—	30
COLORADO .....	0	14	3	7	—	24

SCORING SUMMARY	Score	Time	Qtr
Alabama — Tiffin 41 FG	0- 3	11:30	1Q
Alabama — Tiffin 24 FG	0- 6	9:13	1Q
Alabama — Brown 15 pass from Wilson (Tiffin kick)	0-13	5:09	1Q
Alabama — Caddell 34 pass from Wilson (Tiffin kick)	0-20	1:31	1Q
Alabama — Stover 31 pass from Wilson (Tiffin kick)	0-27	12:20	2Q
COLORADO — DeVree 4 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	7-27	2:05	2Q
COLORADO — Sprague 25 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	14-27	0:04	2Q
COLORADO — Eberhart 39 FG	17-27	3:00	3Q
Alabama — Tiffin 26 FG	17-30	4:36	4Q
COLORADO — DeVree 14 pass from Hawkins (Eberhart kick)	24-30	3:51	4Q

TEAM STATISTICS	COLORADO	ALABAMA
First Downs .....	19	22
Third Down Efficiency .....	9-16	7-14
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	0-1	0-0
Rushes—Net Yards .....	28-75	37-132
Passing Yards .....	322	256
Passes (Att-Comp-Int) .....	40-24-2	32-19-1
Total Offense .....	397	388
Return Yards .....	41	17
Punts: No-Average .....	4-31.8	4-45.0
Fumbles: No-Lost .....	1-0	2-1
Penalties/Yards .....	4/30	4/21
Quarterback Sacks—Yards .....	1-8	1-8
Time of Possession .....	30:21	29:39
Drives/Average Field Position .....	13/C31	13/A31
Red Zone: Scores-Attempts (Points) .....	2-2 (14)	3-3 (13)

Attendance: 47,043 Time: 3:20 Weather: 49 degrees, clear, winds from the southwest at 1 mph

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Colorado:** Charles 14-69, Sprague 2-14, Smith 3-10, Ellis 5-6, Lockridge 2-minus 8; Hawkins 1-minus 8; Team 1-minus 8. **Alabama:** Coffee 19-72, Upchurch 12-34, Wilson 4-24, Caddell 1-12, Stover 1-minus 10.

**Passing—Colorado:** Hawkins 39-24-2, 322, 3 td; Team 1-0-0, 0. **Alabama:** Wilson 32-19-1, 256, 3 td.

**Receiving—Colorado:** DeVree 9-94, McKnight 4-67, Smith 2-40, Sprague 2-30, Williams 2-29, Robinson 2-12, Lockridge 1-22, J.Sanders 1-13, Behrens 1-5, D. Sanders 0-10. **Alabama:** Caddell 4-76, Hall 4-58, Walker 4-38, Stover 2-35, Upchurch 2-23, Coffee 2-11, Brown 1-15.

**Punting—Colorado:** DiLallo 3-34.3, (47 long, 1 In20, 1 blk); Team 1-24.0. **Alabama:** Fitzgerald 4-45.0 (51 long, 1 In20).

**Punt Returns—Colorado:** none. **Alabama:** none. **Kickoff Returns—Colorado:** Charles 6-126. **Alabama:** Arenas 3-76, McCall 1-11, Hall 1-7.

**Interceptions—Colorado:** Walters 1-35. **Alabama:** McClain 1-17, Mustin 1-0.

**Tackle Leaders—Colorado:** Dizon 9.5—14; Jones 7.3—10; Smart 4.5—9; Walters 7.1—8; Wheatley 3.2—5; Hypolite 0.5—5; Barrett 2.2—4; Harris 1.3—4; Nicolas 1.2—3; C.Brown 2.0—2; Herrod 2.0—2; Burney 1.1—2. **Alabama:** Johnson 8.5—13; Mustin 6.2—8; Gilberry 4.4—8; Jackson 3.2—5; McClain 2.3—5; Mitchell 3.1—4; Knight 2.2—4; Greenwood 2.0—2.

**Quarterback Sacks—Colorado:** Walters 1-8. **Alabama:** Gilberry 1-8. **Passes Broken Up—Colorado:** Burney, Walters. **Alabama:** McClain 2, Jackson, Johnson.

**GAME NOTES**

Alabama took a 27-0 lead and at one point had outgained the Buffs, 271-52; CU "won" the rest of the way, 24-3, with an edge of 345-117 in total offense from late in the second quarter on... CU had 397 yards, its most ever in a bowl setback... Colorado had four penalties (for 30 yards), the fewest in a bowl since it also recorded four in the '95 Fiesta. The low is just 1, attained in the '90 Orange... **With FS Ryan Walters'** second quarter interception, Colorado extended its run to at least one interception in its last 14 bowl games; the streak started in the '91 Orange Bowl. Walters is the 32nd Buffalo to pick off a pass in a bowl game, and his 35-yard return was the seventh longest in CU bowl history... **QB Cody Hawkins** passed for 322 yards and 3 TDs, just third 300-yard passing game in school bowl history (behind 371 by Koy Detmer in the '96 Holiday Bowl and 333 by Joel Klatt in the '04 Houston Bowl)... **TE Tyson DeVree** caught nine passes for 94 yards and 2 TDs, with the nine receptions the second most in CU bowl annals (trailing 10 by Daniel Graham in the '02 Fiesta); his two scores tied the school record... Alabama was the first team to score on the first possession in a bowl against the CU defense since the 1996 Holiday Bowl, when Washington's Corey Dillon scored on a 2-yard run to give the Huskies a 7-0 lead just 2:56 into the game... CU has now also scored in all 28 of its bowl games in its history, and has scored in 39 of their last 47 bowl quarters, dating back to the 1993 Fiesta... The loss did cause CU to record back-to-back losing seasons for the first time in 22 years (a six-year run between 1979-84); it was the 17th longest active run in the NCAA without going below .500 two straight years.

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## 2007 QUICK SUMMARY

Colorado had some memorable moments in 2007, though finishing with a 6-7 record, ending a run of 22 years where the Buffaloes did not suffer back-to-back losing seasons. That's the bad news; the good news is that it is obvious to all that the team made tremendous strides under second-year head coach Dan Hawkins. The season opener was a thriller, as it took overtime to knock out in-state rival Colorado State, 31-28. The Buffs then dropped tough non-league games at Arizona State and then at home to Florida State, before prepping for conference play with a 42-0 win over Miami, Ohio. The Buffs finished third in the Big 12 North, going 4-4 in league play, and that included a 3-0 mark against the Big 12 South, as the North schools ended years of domination by the South in the season series. Two of CU's most impressive outings of the season came against those rivals, none bigger than a 27-24 win over No. 3 Oklahoma in Boulder; the Buffs fell behind 24-7, but clawed their way back and won on a Kevin Eberhart 45-yard field goal as time ran out. A month later, CU ventured into Lubbock where it had never won in four outings but would leave with a 31-26 win over Texas Tech. CU wrapped the regular season with a 65-51 win over Nebraska, earning an Independence Bowl bid in the process against Alabama. The Crimson Tide stormed to a 27-0 lead, but once CU collected itself, it outscored 'Bama 24-3 over the last two-and-a-half quarters (limiting Alabama to 115 yards in that stretch), but fell just short in losing, 30-24. Senior inside linebacker Jordan Dizon was a consensus All-American, and finished as the runner-up for the Butkus Award, while cornerback Terrence Wheatley and defensive tackle George Hypolite joined Dizon as first-team All-Big 12 performers.

## COACHING STAFF INTACT

There were no changes in CU's full-time coaching staff this off-season, as the same 10 full-time coaches will return for the 2008 season. This is the first time since the 1989 season that the full-time coaching staff remained intact, as Colorado's '88 and '89 staffs were identical. At least one change occurred in every year between 1989 and 2007, for a variety of reasons: several assistants were named head coaches, others moved on to the National Football League, in two cases there were deaths (Ben Gregory, Tom McMahon), and of course the two head coaching changes in the period provided for the most overhaul.

## SPRING AWARDS

The annual award winners for the spring; no changes were made in the awards as they remain the same for a second straight year in the Hawkins Era:

**Eddie Crowder Award**  
**Fred Casotti Award**  
**Joe Romig Award**  
**Hale Irwin Award**  
**Dan Stavelly Award**  
**Bill McCartney Award**  
**John Wooten Award**  
**Dick Anderson Award**  
**Greg Biekert Award**  
**Jim Hansen Award**

Outstanding Leadership  
Most Improved Offensive Back  
Most Improved Offensive Lineman  
Most Improved Defensive Back  
Most Improved Defensive Lineman  
Most Improved Special Teams Player  
Outstanding Work Ethic  
Outstanding Toughness  
Attention to Detail  
Outstanding Academics

**Scotty McKnight**  
**Demetrius Sumler**  
**Ryan Miller**  
**Anthony Perkins**  
**B.J. Beatty**  
**Travis Sandersfeld**  
**Patrick Williams**  
**Jalil Brown**  
**Jeff Smart**  
**Maurice Cantrell**

In addition, the **IRON BUFFALO AWARD** was created in 2007 to honor those at each position who represent hard work, dedication, toughness and total poundage lifted in the weight room. The recipients as selected by Jeff Pitman and the strength and conditioning staff:

Offensive Line  
Defensive Line  
Running Backs  
Tight Ends  
Wide Receivers

**Ryan Miller**  
**Brandon Nicolas**  
**Maurice Cantrell**  
**Patrick Devenny**  
**Patrick Williams**

Linebackers  
Defensive Backs  
Quarterbacks  
Specialists

**Jeff Smart**  
**Cha'pelle Brown**  
**Cody Hawkins**  
**Justin Drescher**

## LOOKING AHEAD

The NCAA recently advised schools on their fall football reporting dates; the below are tentative as Hawkins and his staff need to work with them, but the listed item cannot occur prior to the date listed. The NCAA permits a maximum 29 on-field practice sessions; the tentative dates:

August 4—Players report (p.m.)  
August 5—First practice

August 7—Media Day  
August 9—Practice In Full Gear

August 25—First Day of Classes  
August 31—First Game: CSU (Denver)

**BIG 12 MEDIA DAYS**—This year's Big 12 Conference Football Media Days will take place July 21-23 in Kansas City; Colorado is scheduled on Tuesday, July 22, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. **Dan Hawkins** and three players (**DT George Hypolite**, **C Daniel Sanders** and **FS Ryan Walters**) will be in attendance.

## RALPHIE IV

Colorado's latest live mascot, **Ralphie V**, made her debut at CU's spring game on April 19. As with Ralphie IV, she was donated to CU from a Ted Turner ranch, this time from Vermejo Park Ranch in Northern New Mexico. She was born in October 2006 and was named "Blackout" by CU's Ralphie Handlers as she was the darkest calf in the herd. Now a year-and-a-half old, she weighs in the 700-750 pound range and is lightning fast (she should grow to 1,300). Ralphie program directors **Ben Frei** and **Kevin Priola** worked with **Barney Coppedge** the Bison Manager at Vermejo to bring Ralphie V to Colorado. They continue to supervise the housing and training of both Ralphie IV and Ralphie V. **Gail Pedersen**, assistant to athletic director **Mike Bohn**, coordinates the entire Ralphie program for the athletic department. **Ralphie IV** is not officially retired by any means; she will make some special appearances which could include returning to lead the team on the field for a special game or two.



**POSITION CHANGES / NON-RETURNEES**

There were a few position changes during spring drills: safeties **Kyle Black** (Soph.) and **Jason Espinoza** (Fr.-RS) both moved to wide receiver, while **Nate Solder** shifted from tight end to offensive tackle.

Ten players will not return from the 2007 squad for assorted reasons: **WR Alvin Barnett**, **ILB R.J. Brown**, **PK Tyler Cope**, **OL Joe Fruechtel**, **OG Kai Maiava**, **ILB Greg McCudden**, **OL Wes Palazzi**, **DE Chris Perri**, **PK Justin Simmons** and **WR Jarrell Yates**. Brown's career is done due to medical reasons (concussions); Cope, a walk-on, could no longer afford to attend CU and will attend college in his home state of Oregon; Fruechtel, McCudden and Simmons were also walk-ons. Maiava moved to fullback but only practiced there sparingly before being dismissed from the team in April.

**IN THE POLLS**

Colorado was not ranked in the final regular season *Associated Press* (media) or *USA Today Coaches* polls of 2007 and was last ranked in 2005, when the Buffs peaked at No. 21 in the November 6 coaches' ballot (No. 22 in the AP and Harris Interactive), but dropped out after a Nov. 12 loss at Iowa State. CU was ranked three times in 2005, reaching No. 18 in the BCS Standings at one point (Nov. 6) and had returned to the polls after a 25-month hiatus on October 9. Dating back to the 1989 preseason, CU has been ranked in **185** of the last **310** polls (*AP*; 60%), which includes a tremendous run of 143 consecutive between 1989 and 1997 (the 10th longest streak of all-time). CU has been ranked **292** times in its history, the 21st most all-time. Since 1989, CU has played the fourth most ranked teams in the nation (95), trailing Florida (105), Florida State (99) and Michigan (98).

**SPRING ATTENDANCE**

Former head coach **Bill McCartney** challenged the 1,500-plus in attendance at CU's annual recruiting luncheon in Denver (Feb. 7) to help fill Folsom Field for the spring game. He asked for everyone to stand up who would work hard to bring 50 people with them, and CU promoted the game for a month and timed advertising on radio and TV to heat up in the 10 days prior to the game. The result fell short of filling the stadium but did produce a CU spring record crowd of 17,800. That was the 26th largest crowd for a spring game in the nation; a survey of FBS schools produced 108 that supplied an attendance figure: the national average worked to **12,996**; take out the top 10 and the bottom 10, the 88 in the middle averaged **9,589**. Forty-two schools drew 10,000-plus, with 66 under that figure, and the median number was 6,000. Here are the top five CU spring game crowds in the school's history (#—first team Varsity and Alumni were on the same team and wore black jerseys):

Year	Score	Attendance	Notes
2008	Black 28, Gold 17	17,800	A record crowd come out in answer to coaches Hawk and Mac's challenge to fill Folsom
1989	#White 38, Black 35	13,642	A then-record crowd for the spring game showed up to honor Sal Aunese, who fighting stomach cancer
1990	#White 27, Black 25	11,336	Coming of an 11-1 season, CU was in everyone's top five entering 1990
1991	#Black 21, White 17	10,382	Fans braved 49 degree weather with 17 mph winds and saw the late John Zisch ('48) score on a 53 yard run
1992	#Black 44, White 7	9,617	Perfect weather (61 degrees, sunny) come out after CU signs its top recruiting class in history

**20TH BEST IN THE NATION SINCE 1989**

Colorado has the nation's 20th best record over the last 19 seasons, or since the start of 1989, CU has posted a **148-81-4** record. From opening 1-0 in '89, through the 10th game of the 2005 season, the Buffs owned one of the top 10 overall records in the nation (**247** consecutive weeks); that was snapped with a loss to Nebraska late in 2005. The best Division I-A records from the start of 1989 through all games of 2007:

Rk	School	G	W	L	T	Pct.	vs. AP Ranked Teams		2007
							G	W-L-T	
1	Florida State	238	188	49	1	.792	99	67-31-1	7-6
2	Miami, Fla.	230	179	51	0	.778	88	51-37-0	5-7
3	Nebraska	237	182	54	1	.770	71	36-34-1	5-7
4	Ohio State	236	180	53	3	.769	95	54-38-3	11-2
5	Florida	239	183	55	1	.768	105	59-45-1	9-4
6	Tennessee	237	180	54	3	.766	92	51-38-3	10-4
7	Michigan	233	175	55	3	.758	98	59-37-2	9-4
8	Texas	233	164	67	2	.708	78	37-39-2	10-3
9	Virginia Tech	232	162	68	2	.703	64	30-33-1	11-3
10	Auburn	229	157	69	3	.692	76	33-42-1	9-4
11	Penn State	232	160	71	1	.692	85	40-45-0	8-4
12	Georgia	230	158	71	1	.689	84	36-47-1	11-2
13	Oklahoma	233	158	72	3	.685	75	34-40-1	11-3
14	Southern Cal	234	158	72	4	.684	86	46-39-1	11-2
15	Texas A & M	233	155	76	2	.670	74	29-44-1	7-6
16	Notre Dame	231	153	76	2	.667	88	40-46-2	3-9
17	Alabama	234	154	79	1	.660	82	36-45-1	7-6
18	Brigham Young	238	156	80	2	.660	38	11-26-1	11-2
19	Toledo	222	143	76	3	.651	10	5- 5-0	5-7
20	<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.644</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>41-52-2</b>	<b>6-7</b>

**HISTORICALLY**

Colorado is in its second century of intercollegiate football, as the Buffaloes wrapped up their 118th season of competition having played **1,113** games with an all-time record of **658-419-36**. CU currently stands 17th on the all-time win list and is 23rd in all-time winning percentage (.607; 21st for those schools with at least 50 seasons in Division I-A). Only Texas, Oklahoma and Nebraska from the Big 12 rank ahead of CU on each list, and only 12 Division I schools have played more seasons of intercollegiate football than Colorado. In Boulder, the Buffs are **285-139-10** in 84 seasons on the "hilltop" (Folsom Field). Against Big 12 opposition, CU is **249-216-13** against the other 11 members of the conference, formed in 1996.

**ROAD-SWEET-ROAD: BUFFS 12TH BEST IN ENEMY STADIUMS SINCE '88**

The Buffaloes have enjoyed a lot of success on the road over the last 20 seasons. CU has been victorious 59 of the last 98 times in enemy stadiums with a **59-38-1** overall road record (a 60.7 winning percentage) since the start of the 1988 season. That stands 12th nationally (ninth in raw wins) and third among Big 12 Conference teams in this span; only 11 schools have won 60 percent of their away games in this time frame. During this time frame, CU won a school record 10 straight road games between 1994 and 1996. The Buffaloes own a **48-26-1** mark in their last 74 road conference games (Big 8 & Big 12—six losses at Nebraska, three at Kansas State, two at Iowa State, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas and Texas Tech; and one each at Baylor, Oklahoma State and Texas A&M; the tie was at K-State in 1993). CU is **23-25** on the Big 12 road since 1996 (**2-2** in 2007). The chart to the right does not include neutral site games, despite some being anything but (i.e., Colorado vs. Texas at Irving for the '01 Big 12 title.)

**ON THE ROAD (1988-2007)**

School	G	W	L	T	Pct.
Miami, Fla.	103	75	28	0	.728
Tennessee	93	66	25	2	.720
Florida State	96	68	28	0	.708
Michigan	96	67	26	3	.714
Ohio State	94	66	26	2	.713
Nebraska	97	63	31	3	.665
Florida	81	53	27	1	.660
Notre Dame	94	60	32	2	.649
Texas	96	61	35	0	.635
Southern Cal	109	68	39	2	.633
Alabama	92	56	36	0	.609
<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.607</b>

**THE BUFFALOES IN THE BIG 12**

The Big 12 Conference has wrapped its 12th season, and the Buffaloes are tied for the second most division titles won with four, trailing only Oklahoma's six. Just seven of the schools in the conference have won a division title, with Missouri the first "newbie" to do so in six years. A closer look:

- ➔ **Big 12 Division Titles (including 2007):** Oklahoma 6, **Colorado 4**, Nebraska 4, Texas 4, Kansas State 3, Texas A & M 2, Missouri 1.
- ➔ **Big 12 Championship Game Records:** Oklahoma 5-1, Nebraska 2-2, Texas 2-2, Texas A & M 1-1, Kansas State 1-2, **Colorado 1-3**, Missouri 0-1.

**CU VS. THE BIG 12 NORTH:** Colorado owns the best record in intra-division competition going back to the start of the 2001 season against Big 12 North Division rivals, as the Buffaloes are **22-13**; other records: Nebraska 21-14, Kansas State 19-16, Missouri 16-19, Kansas 14-21 and Iowa State 13-22. Colorado is **13-5** at home in this stretch versus the North, the only losses to NU (2003, 2005), KSU (2006) and KU and MU (2007).

**CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED CHART**

Listed below is the career games played/started, including bowls, for the players on the 2007 Colorado Buffaloes. The players on this year's opening roster collectively had played in 1,053 games, with 273 starts. Recent past numbers entering the year: **1,080/314** (2005), **761/182** (2004), **845/239** (2003), **883/278** (2002), **694/223** (2000) and **790/229** (1999). The list (includes bowls):

Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS	Player	G	GS
ADAMS	22	0	CLARK	0	0	HARRISON	47	29	MELTON	3	0	SIPILI	12	2
ADKINS	0	0	COONEY	0	0	HARTIGAN	0	0	MEYER	0	0	SMART	24	10
AHLES	0	0	COPE	13	—	HAWKINS, C.	13	13	MILLER	10	7	SMITH, B.	10	0
BARR	0	0	CRAWFORD	25	4	HAWKINS, J.	0	0	MODROVSKY	0	0	SMITH, Jm.	13	0
BALLENGER	0	0	DANIELS	0	0	HEAD	16	7	MOYD	18	0	SMITH, Jo.	11	5
BARNETT	25	9	DEVENNY	6	0	HERROD	13	0	NABORS	7	0	SMITH, L.	0	0
BARRETT	42	14	DeVREE	23	6	HUDGINS	0	0	NELSON	3	0	SOLDER	13	4
BEATTY	4	0	DILALLO	25	—	HYPOLITE	37	20	NICOLAS	25	24	SPRAGUE	48	21
BEHRENS, B.	0	0	DIZON	51	47	ILTIS	0	0	OBI	0	0	STENGEL	0	0
BEHRENS, J.	10	3	DRESCHER	25	0	JACKSON	24	11	PALAZZI	8	4	STEVENS	1	0
BISNOW	0	0	DUREN	11	1	JAFFEE	0	0	PERKINS	0	0	SUAZO	1	—
BLACK	0	0	DYKES	13	12	JAGORAS	25	3	PERRI	10	1	SUMLER	12	2
BRACE	21	0	EBERHART	20	—	JONES	38	24	POLUMBUS	48	28	TAU	0	0
BROWN, C.	25	12	ELLIS	47	10	KAYNOR	18	0	POREMBIA	0	0	VAIOMOUNGA	7	0
BROWN, J.	13	0	ESPINOZA	0	0	LAWSON	4	0	ROBINSON	50	3	WALTERS	36	22
BROWN, R.	20	1	FAATAGI	0	0	LOCKRIDGE	9	1	SANDERS, D.	34	28	WHEATLEY	48	30
BURNEY	36	15	FRUECHTEL	0	0	LUCAS	32	14	SANDERS, J.	48	1	WILLIAMS	40	14
BURTON	22	1	GEER	25	17	MAIAVA	10	9	SANDERSFIELD	0	0	WRIGHT	0	0
CANTRELL	29	7	GOREE	0	0	McBRIDE	17	0	SHANAHAN	0	0	YATES	12	0
CELESTINE	12	2	HAM	0	0	McKAY	34	2	SHIELDS	0	0	<b>TEAM</b>	<b>1563</b>	<b>537</b>
CHARLES	49	24	HARRIS	47	8	McKNIGHT	13	5	SIMAS	0	0	<b>2006 Final</b>	<b>1675</b>	<b>538</b>

**LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START:** TB Brian Lockridge, OG Kai Maiava, OT Ryan Miller, WR Josh Smith (2007); CB Cha'pelle Brown, ILB Michael Sipili (2006); Maurice Lucas (2005); ILB Jordon Dizon (2004); ILB Walter Boye-Doe, CB Terrence Wheatley, S Dominique Brooks, OG Brian Daniels, DB Lorenzo Sims (2003).

**LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT QUARTERBACK:** Craig Ochs (2000), Koy Detmer (1992). **IN A SEASON OPENER:** Has not occurred.

**LAST TRUE FRESHMEN TO START AT RUNNING BACK:** Brian Lockridge (2007), Brian Calhoun (2002), Marcus Houston (2000). **IN A SEASON OPENER:** Kent Kahl (1991).

**LAST REDSHIRT FRESHMEN TO START:** QB Cody Hawkins, WR Scotty McKnight, OG Wes Palazzi, TE Nate Solder, TB Demetrius Sumler (2007); OT Paul Backowski, TE Riar Geer, OG Devin Head (2006); OG Daniel Sanders (2005); DE Alex Ligon, LB Thaddeus Washington (2003).

**CAREER CHART WATCH**

Here's where several Buffs are ranked on some of CU's all-time statistical charts heading into the 2008 season (*Note: Colorado does not count bowl stats into career totals to protect past history*):

- ⇒ **QB CODY HAWKINS** is 11th in passing yards (**2,693**), is ninth in completions (**239**), is tied for 10th in attempts (**424**), is eighth in touchdown passes (**19**) and is tied for 17th in interceptions (**15**).
- ⇒ **WR SCOTTY McKNIGHT** is 47th in receptions (**43**) and is 63rd in receiving yards (**488**).
- ⇒ **WR JOSH SMITH** is 69th in receiving yards (**451**).
- ⇒ **WR PATRICK WILLIAMS** is 20th in receptions (**74**) and is 28th in receiving yards (**748**).

**INJURY UPDATE**

Head trainer **Miguel Rueda** expects most of the below to be healthy come the start of fall drills with the exception of **CB Benjamin Burney**, who is planning to redshirt this fall (he may also need additional surgery) and **S Bret Smith**. The injury list:

Pos	Player	Injury	Notes	Expected Return
S	Joel Adams	shoulder surgery	(postseason) cleaned up chronic problems	AUGUST CAMP
CB	Benjamin Burney	knee surgery	(postseason; advanced scope) cleaned up chronic problems, more surgery a possibility	OUT/2009
DE	Drew Hudgins	ruptured Achilles	rehab nearly complete, participated on limited basis	AUGUST CAMP
TB	Brian Lockridge	hernia	diagnosed last week of spring ball, had surgery April 21	AUGUST CAMP
S	Bret Smith	knee (ACL)	injured in winter conditioning, surgery March 18	MID-TO-LATE SEPTEMBER
FS	Ryan Walters	shoulder surgery	(postseason) cleaned up chronic problems	AUGUST CAMP

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

**THE VERTICAL GAME**

Dan Hawkins noted that one thing missing from CU's offense his first season in 2006 that was prevalent of his past offenses at Boise State was the vertical passing game. "By the end of the season, we'd always be up in the 70s or 80s in the number of pass plays over 20 yards," he said. He was definitely on mark with his assessment. In 2006, CU had just **35** total, **18** rushing and **17** passing, the Buffs' fewest overall 20-yard plays since 2000 (38) as well as pass plays of 20 yards or more since 2002 (23), also the last time CU had a quarterback quit the team after the season began). Colorado did have 18 rushing plays of 20 yards or more, and while not an overly large number, it was its most since 2002 and higher than nine of the totals in the 13 season snapshot below. In 2007, CU had 58 plays of 20 yards or longer (66 percent more than last season, more than doubling the pass play count). Here's a look at CU's 20-plus plays in recent memory, going back to 1994, when CU had a high of 76 plays over 20-yards, almost equal in nature (37 rush, 39 pass):

Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass	Season	Total	Rush	Pass
1994	76	37	39	1998	40	11	29	2002	58	35	23	2006	35	18	17
1995	61	11	50	1999	57	12	45	2003	47	5	42	2007	58	18	40
1996	64	12	52	2000	38	8	30	2004	48	13	35				
1997	46	9	37	2001	58	21	37	2005	54	16	38				

**MOST IMPROVED OFFENSES**

Colorado gained 1,027 more yards on offense in 2007 than it had in 2006; it was just the third time in school history the Buffs gained over 1,000 yards more on offense than the previous season, joining the 1957 and 1999 teams that also did so in the same number of games. The '57 team gained 1,167 more yards than the '56 team, and the '99 Buffaloes picked up 1,093 on the '98 squad. Nationally, it turned out to be not all that common, as just 20 teams turned the trick this past fall. Here's a look at teams that have to date gained over 1,000 yards than they did in 2006, provided they played as many or fewer games this season as last year (\*—denotes one more game in 2006 than thus far in 2007):

School	Improvement	2007	2006	School	Improvement	2007	2006	School	Improvement	2007	2006
North Texas	2,115	4,901	2,786	San Diego State	1,285	4,519	3,234	Colorado	1,027	4,524	3,497
Tulsa	2,002	7,053	5,089	*Troy	1,275	5,434	4,159	Temple	1,022	3,610	2,588
Arizona	1,589	4,623	3,034	SMU	1,233	5,067	3,834	Colorado State	1,011	4,546	3,535
Toledo	1,458	5,381	3,923	*Nevada	1,219	5,867	4,648	Mississippi	1,006	4,143	3,137
Kansas	1,404	5,893	4,489	Stanford	1,087	3,870	2,783	<b>Played one more game in 2007 than 2006:</b>			
Northwestern	1,399	5,132	3,733	La.-Lafayette	1,074	4,885	3,811	Washington	1,264	5,125	3,861
Florida Atlantic	1,389	4,957	3,568	Boston College	1,071	5,675	4,604				
Memphis	1,334	5,369	4,035	Air Force	1,059	5,027	3,968				

**MOST IMPROVED TEAMS**

Colorado tied for the ninth most improvement in won-lost record between the 2006 and 2007 seasons, as the Buffs were plus-3½, going from 2-10 to 6-7. Here's a look at the top teams:

School	Improvement	2007	2006	School	Improvement	2007	2006
Illinois	+6½	9-4	2-10	Memphis	+4½	7-6	2-10
Kansas	+5½	12-1	6-6	Bowling Green	+3½	8-5	4-8
UCF	+5	10-4	4-8	Colorado	<b>+3½</b>	<b>6-7</b>	<b>2-10</b>
Air Force	+4½	9-4	4-8	Virginia	+3½	9-4	5-7
Connecticut	+4½	9-4	4-8	Miami-Ohio	+3½	6-7	2-10
Fresno State	+4½	9-4	4-8	Arizona State	+3	10-3	7-6
Mississippi State	+4½	8-5	3-9				

➤ **Dan Hawkins** matched the most improvement between a first and second season as head coach of the Buffaloes, similar to **Bill Mallory** 33 years earlier. Both were plus-4 at the conclusion of the regular season: Mallory's first team went 5-6 in 1974 and turned in a 9-2 regular season in '75 before losing to Texas, 38-21, in the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl.

## TRENDS

1985-2007

Since 1985, when the Buffs returned to their traditional winning ways after six frustrating years, Colorado is **176-100-4**, the 21st best record nationally in this span). In these 280 games, CU has posted the following records (including bowls):

♦ with 400-plus yards total offense	104-18-2	♦ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	85-17-1
♦ with 500-plus yards total offense	52- 5-0	♦ when leading at halftime	143-18-2
♦ when leading in time of possession	116-27-3	♦ when leading after three quarters (143-12-3 in last 158)	147-14-3
♦ when making 20-plus first downs	106-30-1	♦ when scoring 24 or more points	144-20-2
♦ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	68- 8-1	♦ when scoring 14 or more points	173-58-4
♦ when punting three or fewer times	65-13-1	♦ when held to 13 points or less	3-40-0
♦ when scoring first	115-30-1	♦ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	14- 0-0
♦ with zero turnovers (126-46-2 with two or fewer)	33-10-2	♦ when rushing for more yards than passing	103-35-2
♦ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	103-18-1	♦ when passing for more yards than rushing	73-65-2
♦ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	89-11-1	♦ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	95-19-2

## TRENDS II

1989-2007

Since 1989, when the Buffs became a regular in the national rankings, Colorado has posted the nation's 20th best overall record at **148-81-4**. Here are some trends during this time frame (232 games, including bowls):

➤ when running more plays than the opponent	82-30-3	➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	78- 5-1
➤ with 400-plus yards total offense (47-5 with 500-plus)	90-18-2	➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards	53- 2-1
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	99- 6-1	➤ when rushing for 300-plus yards	31- 0-1
➤ when leading in possession time (53-56-1 when not)	95-25-3	➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	34- 2-0
➤ when making 20-plus first downs	93-27-1	➤ when passing for 200-plus yards	80-38-2
➤ when converting 50 percent or better on 3rd down	54- 7-1	➤ when passing for 300-plus yards (10-0-1 400-plus)	25-13-1
➤ when scoring first (83-20-1 the last 104 times)	94-23-1	➤ when passing for more yards than rushing	73-65-2
➤ with zero turnovers (109-43-2 with two or fewer)	27-10-2	➤ when holding edge in 1st downs & possession time	77-18-2
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	79-11-1	➤ when holding edge in field position	118-21-1
➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	73-11-1	➤ when not committing a turnover or allowing a sack	13- 0-0
➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards total offense	63-12-1	➤ when out-rushing the opponent	120-13-3
➤ when average field position is CU 30+ (26-2 40+)	109-34-2	➤ when owning the edge in return yards	112-29-2
➤ when play selection is 50 percent rushing calls	124-28-2		

## TRENDS III

HAWKINS

Some trends of Colorado coach **Dan Hawkins** both overall and at his former school, Boise State; totals are for **89** games including bowls (**61-28**; the Broncos were 53-11 under his guidance in five seasons):

Category	At CU	Overall	Category	At CU	Overall
➤ when scoring 20 or more points (0-17 when not)	8- 5	61-11	➤ when leading after three (8-21 trailing, 2-2 tied)	6- 2	51- 3
➤ when scoring 30 or more points	7- 1	54- 3	➤ when holding opponent under 100 yards rushing	4- 4	36- 6
➤ when scoring 40 or more points	3- 0	38- 2	➤ when holding opponent under 300 yards offense	2- 5	26- 5
➤ when scoring 50 or more points	1- 0	20- 0	➤ when rushing for 200-plus yards	5- 1	37- 1
➤ when holding opponent to 17 points or less	3- 3	32- 3	➤ when rushing for 250-plus yards (7-0 300-plus)	3- 1	25- 1
➤ in games decided by 7 points or less	3- 7	13-12	➤ when rushing for more yards than passing	5- 6	23- 7
➤ with two or fewer turnovers (10-2 with zero)	6-12	44-20	➤ with a 100-yard rusher	6- 3	33- 3
➤ when turnover margin was plus or even	6-10	45-17	➤ when rushing and passing for at least 200 yards	3- 0	28- 0
➤ when scoring first (18-16 when not)	7- 9	43-12	➤ with 400-plus yards total offense (44-2 last 46)	4- 2	48- 4
➤ when leading at halftime	6- 4	49- 7	➤ with 500-plus yards total offense (6-0 with 600-plus)	2- 0	25- 1
➤ when trailing at halftime (4-0 when tied)	2-12	8-20			

## TURNOVERS ARE INDEED COSTLY

**Dan Hawkins** falls in line with most, if not all, head coaches when it comes to turnovers, and that they are one of the single most important factors in winning or losing ball games. He has penalties and rewards daily in the practice dependent on the number of turnovers committed or forced. Gary Barnett drilled home to his teams the importance of taking care of the football, which he learned from the legendary Bill McCartney. Statistics back up the argument, as the below will show that it is definitely better to take than to give over the last 19 seasons, in which CU owns the nation's 20th best overall record:

	Turnovers		+/-	Scoring Off Turnovers		+/-
	Committed	Forced		PF	PA	
148 WINS	247	376	+129	1,257	490	+767
HAWKINS ERA (8 WINS)	12	19	+ 7	59	34	+ 25
81 LOSSES (& 4 TIES)	208	139	- 69	322	683	-361
HAWKINS ERA (17 LOSSES)	31	28	- 3	60	101	- 41
19-SEASON TOTALS (233 Games)	455	515	+60	1,579	1,173	+404
HAWKINS ERA (25 Games)	43	47	+ 4	119	135	- 16



## TWENTY-EIGHT SEE FIRST CU ACTION IN 2007

A total of 28 players stepped on to the field wearing a Colorado Buffalo uniform for the first time in 2007. Twelve players had their first taste of collegiate action in the opener against Colorado State, with three more hitting the field for the first time at Arizona State and two others in game three against Florida State. In game four, the floodgates opened again with seven players making their first appearance. In 2006, 19 players saw their first action, with 14 taking the field for the first time in the opener; 16 saw their first action in 2005 while 24 did so in both 2004 and 2003. The list of Buffs to hit the field for the first time in 2007 (\*—mainly special teams duty):

**TRUE FRESHMEN (7):** WR Kendrick Celestine, \*PK Tyler Cope, TB Brian Lockridge, OL Kai Maiava, OL Ryan Miller, WR Josh Smith,

\*OLB Nate Vaionmunga

**REDSHIRT FRESHMEN (13):** \*ILB B.J. Beatty, \*CB Jalil Brown, QB Cody Hawkins, \*DE Marquez Herrod, DT Eric Lawson, WR Scotty McKnight,

\*TB Cory Nabors, OG Wes Palazzi, \*S Bret Smith, CB Jimmy Smith, TE Nate Solder, OL Keenan Stevens, TB Demetrius Sumler

**SOPHOMORES (4):** FB Jake Behrens, \*TE Patrick Devenny, ILB Jake Duren, DE Chris Perri

**JUNIORS (4):** SS Daniel Dykes, \*WR Steve Melton, QB Nick Nelson, \*P Tom Suazo

**SENIORS (0).**

## EIGHTEEN PLAYERS MAKE FIRST CAREER START IN 2007

Eighteen players made their first CU career starts in 2007 (12 offense, 6 defense). Five came in the opener: **QB Cody Hawkins**, **WR Scotty McKnight**, **OG Wes Palazzi** and **TB Demetrius Sumler** and one on defense, **SS Daniel Dykes**. At Arizona State in game two, **ILB Jake Duren** was in for the first play, and against Florida State in CU's home opener, **ILB R.J. Brown**, **TE Joe Sanders** and **WR Josh Smith** were out there for the first play. **ILB Jeff Smart** made his first start against Miami-Ohio in game four, just days after he was awarded a scholarship. **WR Kendrick Celestine** and **OG Kai Maiava** trotted out there for the first play against Oklahoma in game five, while **TE Nate Solder** did the same at Baylor. **FB Jake Behrens**, **TB Brian Lockridge** and **OT Ryan Miller** made their first starts at Kansas State. Later in the year, **CB Gardner McKay** and **DE Chris Perri** got the opening nods in the Iowa State game. Twenty-four players made their first career starts in 2006, the third-most over the last 23 seasons (15 offense, nine defense). The 24 first-time starters in 2006 were the third-most over the last 23 seasons and were the most since 1998, when there were 27 first-time starters for the Buffaloes, 17 on offense and 10 on defense. The high came in 1984, when 29 made their first starts (15 on offense). The annual number of first-time starters since 1984:

**ANNUAL FIRST-TIME STARTERS:** 1984 (29), 1985 (9), 1986 (15), 1987 (14), 1988 (16), 1989 (7), 1990 (16), 1991 (23), 1992 (15), 1993 (7), 1994 (6), 1995 (11), 1996 (8), 1997 (14), 1998 (27), 1999 (14), 2000 (16), 2001 (12), 2002 (16), 2003 (20), 2004 (12), 2005 (11), 2006 (24), 2007 (18).

## 3-0 VERSUS THE BIG BAD SOUTH

The North Division schools have taken their lumps, not only in games but also publicly, but perhaps things are changing; they are for Colorado. The 31-26 win at Texas Tech gave the Buffaloes a season-sweep against the South Division, the third time CU has done so. This was the eighth time in 12 years that CU won the season series with the South schools. Colorado is 21-15 all-time against the South in the regular season, the best mark of any North Division team. The Buffs also have won the season series against the South in 1996 (3-0), 1998 (3-0), 1999 (2-1), 2000 (2-1), 2001 (2-1), 2002 (2-1) and 2005 (2-1). Seems some had forgotten that the North was the dominant division in this league at the on-set, and these things are in fact cyclical; thanks to CU and Kansas (which also went 3-0), the North won the season series over the South by two games (10-8), its first claim on inter-division play since 2001.

## SPRING GAME ATTENDANCE

It started in February when former CU head coach **Bill McCartney** challenged the 1,500-plus in attendance at CU's annual recruiting luncheon in Denver (Feb. 7) to help fill Folsom Field for the spring game. While filling Folsom didn't happen, the 17,800 in attendance did set a spring record. CU has now had 10,000 or more fans four times attend its final spring scrimmage/game, with the previous best prior to this year of 13,642 in 1989 when many came out to honor **Sal Aunese**, the CU quarterback stricken with stomach cancer the previous month. The next two games drew 11,336 and 10,382 respectively. The national average worked to **12,996**; take out the top 10 and the bottom 10, the 88 in the middle averaged **9,589**. Forty-two schools drew 10,000-plus, with 66 under that figure, and the median number 6,000. CU's crowd ranked 26th in the nation, as just over 1.4 million fans turned out to watch football in the spring. Below are the top five CU spring game crowds in the school's history (#—first team Varsity and Alumni were on the same team and wore black jerseys):

Year	Score	Attendance	Notes
2008	Black 28, Gold 17	17,800	A record crowd come out in answer to coaches Hawk and Mac's challenge to fill Folsom
1989	#White 38, Black 35	13,642	A then-record crowd for the spring game showed up to honor Sal Aunese, who fighting stomach cancer
1990	#White 27, Black 25	11,336	Coming of an 11-1 season, CU was in everyone's top five entering 1990
1991	#Black 21, White 17	10,382	Fans braved 49 degree weather with 17 mph winds and saw the late John Zisch ('48) score on a 53 yard run
1992	#Black 44, White 7	9,617	Perfect weather (61 degrees, sunny) come out after CU signs its top recruiting class in history

In Hawk's first two years, the spring game has attracted 6,400 (2006, cloudy skies, temperature in the low 50s, very windy) and **5,800** last year (perfect weather, 60 degrees, clear skies, just a bit windy at times).

**2008 RECRUITING CLASS****High School (20)**

Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (High School)
BLACKMON, Chance .....	WR	6- 3	185	Tatum, Texas (Tatum)
CUNNINGHAM, Curtis .....	DL	6- 2	270	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)
DANNEWITZ, Ryan.....	OL	6- 6	285	San Jacinto, Calif. (San Jacinto)
DAVIS, Jameson .....	PK	5-11	190	Eagle, Idaho (Eagle)
DEEHAN, Ryan.....	TE	6- 6	230	Poway, Calif. (Poway)
EWING, Vince .....	S	6- 2	200	Carlsbad, Calif. (Carlsbad)
GIVENS, Bryce.....	OT	6- 6	250	Castle Rock, Colo. (Denver Mullen)
HANSEN, Tyler.....	QB	6- 2	205	Murrieta, Calif. (Chaparral)
HICKS, Steven .....	DB	6- 0	185	Tyler, Texas (Whitehouse)
KATOA, Lynn.....	ILB	6- 2	220	Salt Lake City, Utah (Cottonwood)
MAHNKE, Patrick .....	S	6- 2	195	Parker, Colo. (Mountain Vista)
MAJOR, Jon.....	ILB	6- 3	225	Parker, Colo. (Ponderosa)
PERICAK, Will .....	TE	6- 4	235	Boulder, Colo. (Boulder)
POLK, Ray .....	TB	6- 1	200	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Brophy Prep)
RIPPY, Douglas.....	LB	6- 2	220	Trotwood, Ohio (Trotwood-Madison)
SCOTT, Darrell .....	TB	6- 2	215	Ventura, Calif. (St. Bonaventure)
STEWART, Rodney.....	TB/KR	5- 8	180	Westerville, Ohio (Brookhaven)
TUIOTI-MARINER, Maxwell.....	OL	6- 4	300	Corona, Calif. (Corona)
VIGO, Paul .....	ATH	6- 1	205	New Brunswick, N.J. (New Brunswick)
WALLACE, Ryan .....	TE	6- 5	230	Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green)

**Junior College (1)**

Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown (High School/Previous)
MOHLER, Shaun	LB	6- 3	225	Jr.	Newport Beach, Calif. (Corona del Mar/Orange Coast College)

**BUFFS MAKE PRESENCE KNOWN IN RAIDING BEST-IN-WEST SQUAD**

One of the most prestigious teams is the *Long Beach Press-Telegram's* Best-In-West squad, which the paper started selecting in 1977. The first-team consists of 20 top players from the Mountain and Pacific Time zones (and Alaska and Hawai'i). When all was said and done, USC plucked off six of the 20; next on the list? Colorado. CU signed four/three off the list: **TB Darrell Scott** (ranked first, the top point getter, receiving 208 out of a possible 210), **ILB Lynn Katoa** (No. 6 on the list), **ILB Jon Major** (No. 17) and **OT Bryce Givens** (No. 20). Four schools snared two, Arizona State, Notre Dame, UCLA and Washington, with Arizona, and BYU and Texas signing one each.

**GLASS NOTES**

Colorado five-instate recruits all were members of the All-Colorado teams by the *Rocky Mountain News* and/or *Denver Post*... Colorado inked players from nine states overall, with the last two classes representing 15 different states (16 total in **Dan Hawkins'** three classes)... After being shutout in Texas last year (for the first time since 1983), the Buffs landed two from the Lone Star State this time around... Here are some quick tidbits about the **21** members of this year's recruiting class:

**WR Chance Blackmon** is not used to losing; high school, Tatum (Texas), went 42-4 during his three years as a member of the varsity... **DL Curtis Cunningham** had a 4.2 grade point average, on a 4.0 scale, during the fall semester of his senior year while playing football. Wow... **OL Ryan Dannewitz** has done something most people wish they've had the chance to: visit the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y. ... **PK Jameson Davis** signed on to play football at Boise State for Hawkins in 2005, but left shortly thereafter to serve his two-year Mormon Mission in Guatemala; they did not have a scholarship for him upon his return and he chose to seek out Hawkins and special teams coach Kent Riddle at Colorado.

**TE Ryan Deehan** had the kind of unwanted media attention no one would desire; his family lost their Poway, Calif., home to the Southern California wildfires and once it was found out he was a highly touted recruit, the media descended on him. Many of his teammates as well as schoolmates were affected by the fires, but Poway found the resolve to go 12-0 and win the CIF San Diego area title. The last recruit from Poway was a decade ago, as ILB Drew Wahlroos signed in the 1998 class... **S Vince Ewing** is the first Buff from Carlsbad (Calif.) High School since eventual Butkus Award runner-up Ted Johnson signed in the spring of '91... **OT Bryce Givens'** father pitched two seasons in the major leagues with the Milwaukee Brewers (Brian Givens); the younger Givens doesn't have a fastball, but he has pancakes: 150 of them over his last two years as a prep.

**QB Tyler Hansen** is from a quarterback family, as his father played at San Diego State between 1978 and 1983; the younger Hansen was a "1-star" recruit until the services noticed Michigan and Iowa got interested in him after Colorado found him out; he jumped to a "3-star" prospect somehow in early July without playing a game... **DB Steven Hicks** will be reunited with his cousin this October 4 in Boulder, as Nic Redwine is a senior fullback with the University of Texas... **ILB Lynn Katoa** is the first prep recruit from Utah to sign with Colorado since 1991 (DT Kerry Hicks/Salt Lake City Highland); he was the lone member of the high school signees to graduate early and enroll in classes and thus will participate in spring drills... S Patrick Mahnke was the first commit of Colorado's 2008 class, pledging to the Buffs in early June 2007.

**ILB Jon Major** is CU's first recruit from Ponderosa since 1999 (ILB Dryden Dunsmore); along with Cunningham, he is one of two Colorado Chapter/NFF Scholar-Athletes in the class. Both will be honored February 18 at the Denver West Marriott in Golden... **B Shaun Mohler** was the only junior college transfer signed in this year's class; that's the fewest since the 2004 class had a single JUCO... **TE Will Pericak** will attend CU on a football scholarship; the school practically "owes" him that as he has an older brother (Tom) and sister (Zoe) who already attend CU. His mother, Wynn, is the assistant to the vice president of administration for the CU system (Leonard Dinegar).

**Class Notes, continued...**

Pericak took Dan Hawkins' often-said advice of getting out of one's comfort zone; on New Year's Day, with his sister and a friend, he took part in the annual Polar Bear Plunge at Boulder Reservoir (it was about 22 degrees)... **TB Ray Polk's** father, Ray Sr., played four times against the Buffaloes while a member of the Oklahoma State football team between 1981-84; CU faces the Cowboys for the first time since 2005 on November 17.

If **LB Douglas Rippy** challenges you to a game of basketball with his cousins, you'd better bring Allen Iverson with you. He has three cousins who are or have played Division I college basketball: Chris Wright is a freshman forward at Dayton; James Davis signed a letter of intent to play at Toledo beginning this fall; and Greg Moore played at Cincinnati... Rippy and **TB Rodney Stewart** are the first high schoolers from Ohio to sign with the Buffs since 1996 (CB Ben Kelly/Mentor Lake Catholic, Solon)... **TB Darrell Scott** scored 99 career rushing touchdowns; couldn't they have found him one more somewhere?... **OL Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner's** cousin, Pisa Tinoosamoa is a linebacker for the St. Louis Rams... **ATH Paul Vigo** has an impressive resume in community relations work, and is also an avid boxer... **TE Ryan Wallace** has something in common with CU quarterback Cody Hawkins; in high school, Wallace's head coach was his father, Kevin.

Eleven members of the class were team captains, some for multiple seasons (Cunningham, Dannewitz, Deehan, Givens, Hansen, Hicks, Mahnke, Major, Pericak, Polk and Rippy).

**ALL-AMERICANS**

Nine members of the 2008 recruiting class garnered some level of All-America honor; here's a quick look at who was bestowed such recognition (\*—denotes Prep Star Dream Team member):

Player	Recognized By (First-Team unless noted)
Curtis Cunningham	EA Sports (third-team)
Ryan Deehan	PrepStar
Bryce Givens	*PrepStar, SuperPrep
Lynn Katoa	Parade, *PrepStar, SuperPrep; EA Sports (third-team)
Jon Major	Parade, *PrepStar, SuperPrep; EA Sports (third-team)
Shaun Mohler	PrepStar (JUCO)
Ray Polk	PrepStar, SuperPrep
Darrell Scott	Parade, *PrepStar, SuperPrep, <i>USA Today</i> ; EA Sports (second-team)
Max Tuioti-Mariner	*PrepStar, SuperPrep

**RECRUITING CLASS RANKINGS**

Here are the 2008 recruiting class rankings by five organizations, and where Colorado stood with any other mention of Big 12 schools in the top 25:

**SPORTING NEWS**

- Alabama
- Notre Dame
- Florida
- Oklahoma
- Miami
- Florida State
- Georgia
- USC
- Ohio State
- Michigan
- 13 Colorado**
- Texas
- Texas A&M
- Oklahoma State

**RIVALS.COM**

- Alabama
- Notre Dame
- Florida
- Ohio State
- Miami
- Oklahoma
- Georgia
- USC
- Florida State
- Michigan
- Texas
- 15 Colorado**
- Texas A&M
- Missouri

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- Alabama
- Notre Dame
- Miami
- Ohio State
- Georgia
- Michigan
- LSU
- Florida State
- USC
- UCLA
- Oklahoma
- Texas A&M
- Texas
- Nebraska
- 27 Colorado**

**ESPN**

- Miami
- Clemson
- Alabama
- Florida
- Georgia
- Ohio State
- USC
- Oklahoma
- Notre Dame
- Texas
- Nebraska
- 24 Colorado**
- Texas A&M

**CSTV**

- Alabama
- Notre Dame
- Florida
- Ohio State
- Oklahoma
- Georgia
- Texas
- USC
- Miami
- Clemson
- Texas A&M
- 21 Colorado**
- Oklahoma State
- Missouri

**SCORING STREAKS**

The Buffs have scored in a school record **235** consecutive games, last being shutout on November 12, 1988 by Nebraska in Lincoln (7-0). CU has scored in **124** straight games at home (last shutout: a 28-0 loss to Oklahoma on Nov. 15, 1986 in a game where the Sooners did not *attempt* a single pass). The Buffs have scored in **92** consecutive road games (**120** including neutral sites). The Buffs have scored in **150** straight league games (all **100** in Big 12 play, including the four title games, and their final 50 in Big Eight competition, dating back to the '88 shutout at Nebraska). CU has scored in **125** straight games against non-conference opponents (last shutout: a 44-0 loss at home to LSU on September 15, 1979). The home shutout losses to Oklahoma in '86 and LSU in '79 are the only two times CU has not scored at Folsom Field over the course of the last **263** games (all the way back to 1963). CU has been shutout just seven times in its last **466** games (dating to October 5, 1968), but only four schools have administered them: Oklahoma (three times), Nebraska (twice), Louisiana State and Michigan. **Big 12 Conference Consecutive Game Scoring Streaks (through 2007):** Colorado 235, Nebraska 151, Kansas State 140, Texas Tech 130, Oklahoma 121, Kansas 63, Missouri 63, Iowa State 51, Texas A&M 51, Texas 46, Oklahoma State 33, Baylor 11. CU is the last team to shutout both Kansas State (12-0 in 1996) and Oklahoma State (34-0 in 2005).

**SCORING STREAKS II**

The school record **235** consecutive games in which Colorado has scored is the **fourth** longest active streak in the nation. Since the start of the 1993 season, just six Division I-A/FBS schools have scored in every game. The list, through all games of the 2007 season:

School	Streak	Last Shutout	School	Streak	Last Shutout
Michigan	288	Oct. 20, 1984 at Iowa (0-26)	Colorado	235	Nov. 12, 1988 at Nebraska (0-7)
Washington State	273	Sept. 15, 1984 at Ohio State (0-44)	TCU	190	Nov. 16, 1991 at Texas (0-32)
Florida	243	Oct. 29, 1988 vs. Auburn (0-16)	Air Force	181	#—Dec. 31, 1992 vs. Mississippi (0-13)

**235 AND COUNTING**

Colorado's **235**-game scoring streak is now the ninth longest in Division I-A college history; of the top 16 all-time, nine were started in the 1980s while the other five began in the 1970s. Here's that list: (\*—329 games including I-AA games prior to joining I-A in 1992):

School	Streak	Dates	Ended By	School	Streak	Dates	Ended By
Brigham Young	361	9/27/1975 - 11/15/2003	Utah	Colorado	235	11/19/1988 - present	.....
Michigan	288	10/27/1984 - present	.....	Nebraska	233	1/01/1974 - 11/29/1991	Miami, Fla.
Texas	281	11/29/1980 - 10/02/2004	Oklahoma	Florida State	232	9/10/1988 - 11/11/2006	Wake Forest
Washington State	273	10/22/1984 - present	.....	Hawaii	219	12/04/1976 - 11/04/1995	Colorado State
Washington	272	11/14/1981 - 10/16/2004	USC	Arizona	214	9/09/1972 - 12/15/1990	Syracuse
Oregon	267	10/05/1985 - 11/15/2007	UCLA	Virginia	195	9/15/1984 - 10/28/2000	Georgia Tech
UCLA	245	10/02/1971 - 10/17/1992	Arizona State	TCU	190	11/23/1991 - present	.....
Florida	243	11/05/1988 - present	.....	*Nevada	187	9/05/1992 - 12/01/2007	New Mexico

**ANATOMY OF THE SCORING STREAK**

Colorado has more often than not extended its scoring streak rather quickly. In the **235**-game run, CU has scored on its first possession **94** times, plus another three occasions where it scored on returns on its first touch of the game. The Buffs have scored in the first quarter **163** times during the streak, and had it extended by halftime **213** times. A closer look (\*—includes score on a kickoff return to start the 1998 Aloha Bowl; an interception return prior to the first offensive possession in the 2002 Alamo Bowl; and an interception return for a score on the first touch against Arizona State in 2007):

		Scored On/In:						Points Scored-----		
Season	Games	1st Poss.	10	20	30	40	Wins	Losses	Ties	
1988	2	2	2	0	0	0	73	—	—	
1989	12	7	9	2	1	0	452	6	—	
1990	13	4	8	3	1	1	346	22	31	
1991	12	3	7	5	0	0	250	60	19	
1992	12	3	6	4	2	0	287	29	24	
1993	12	4	9	3	0	0	269	83	16	
1994	12	7	11	0	1	0	432	7	—	
1995	12	2	9	3	0	0	399	45	—	
1996	12	5	9	3	0	0	327	25	—	
1997	11	4	7	3	1	0	183	117	—	
1998	12	3*	9	2	0	1	248	54	—	

		Scored On/In:						Points Scored-----		
Season	Games	1st Poss.	10	20	30	40	Wins	Losses	Ties	
1999	12	4	6	3	1	2	313	92	—	
2000	11	3	6	4	1	0	91	161	—	
2001	13	7	10	3	0	0	367	45	—	
2002	14	8*	10	1	2	1	335	63	—	
2003	12	5	9	3	0	0	173	146	—	
2004	13	3	11	0	1	1	245	59	—	
2005	13	5	7	5	0	1	253	52	—	
2006	12	7	10	0	1	1	63	133	—	
2007	13	6*	8	3	1	1	239	92	—	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5345</b>	<b>1315</b>	<b>90</b>	

Colorado has a **150-81-4** record during the scoring streak, averaging **35.6** points in the wins and **16.2** points in the losses (and 23.5 the four tied games). The Buffs have had only nine occasions where they were delayed extending the streak in the fourth quarter.

**SCORING DUEL JUST 25 MILES APART**

Colorado has scored in **235** straight games dating back to 1988; down the road, the NFL **Denver Broncos** have scored in **245** consecutive contests, the longest active streak in the professional ranks, one which dates back to 1992. Their fiercest rivals inflicted the last shutouts of each: Nebraska and the Raiders (then in L.A.). Combined, the pair has scored in **480** straight games. Many traits are eerily similar; the Broncos have extended it on their first possession **96** times, in the first quarter **161** times and by halftime on **233** occasions, although have had to wait to extend it in the fourth quarter just twice.

➤ And if you add in **Air Force's** streak of **181** games, the Front Range trio has a **661**-game streak going among them through games of the 2007 season.



## STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

Here's where the Buffs ranked statistically in select categories in the Big 12 and the NCAA in 2007 (includes bowl games):

TEAM											
B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat	B12	NCAA	Category	Stat
8th	68th	RUSHING OFFENSE .....	144.2	5th	31st	RUSHING DEFENSE .....	128.0	4th	38th	PUNT RETURNS.....	10.3
10th	54th	PASSING OFFENSE .....	234.3	9th	103rd	PASSING DEFENSE .....	261.3	5th	29th	KICKOFF RETURNS.....	22.8
10th	72nd	TOTAL OFFENSE .....	378.5	6th	64th	TOTAL DEFENSE .....	389.3	6th	61st	NET PUNTING .....	34.9
10th	62nd	SCORING OFFENSE.....	27.3	7th	78th	SCORING DEFENSE .....	29.5	8th	83rd	TURNOVER MARGIN .....	-0.31
INDIVIDUAL (Top 25 in conference)											
Rushing				Receivng Yards				Field Goals			
Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm		Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm		Big 12	NCAA	FG/Gm	
Hugh Charles .....	4th	45th	88.2	Josh Smith.....	23rd	.....	44.6	Kevin Eberhart .....	5th	49th	1.23
Demetrius Sumler.....	23rd	.....	27.9	Scotty McKnight .....	27th	.....	42.7	Interceptions	Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Passing	Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Punting	Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	Terrence Wheatley .....	2nd	24th	0.45
Cody Hawkins .....	8th	44th	231.9	Matt DiLallo .....	5th	72nd	39.8	QB Sacks	Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Pass Efficiency	Big 12	NCAA	Rating	Punt Returns	Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	George Hypolite .....	3rd	78th	0.50
Cody Hawkins .....	9th	80th	119.8	Chase McBride.....	4th	43rd	9.6	Jordon Dizon.....	16th	.....	0.31
Total Offense	Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Kickoff Returns	Big 12	NCAA	Avg.	Tackles For Loss	Big 12	NCAA	Avg./Gm
Cody Hawkins .....	10th	50th	230.5	Terrence Wheatley .....	6th	39th	24.8	Jordon Dizon.....	10th	.....	0.85
Hugh Charles .....	17th	.....	88.2	Hugh Charles .....	7th	45th	24.5	George Hypolite .....	10th	.....	0.85
All-Purpose	Big 12	NCAA	Yds/Gm	Scoring	Big 12	NCAA	Pts/Gm	Brandon Nicolas.....	10th	.....	0.85
Hugh Charles .....	4th	26th	148.4	Kevin Eberhart .....	13th	96th	6.9	Tackles	CU uses coaches' video; numbers don't match		
Receptions	Big 12	NCAA	No./Gm	Kick Scoring	Big 12	NCAA	Pts/Gm				
Scotty McKnight .....	24th	.....	3.6	Kevin Eberhart .....	7th	57th	6.9				

## TV LAND

Colorado has had **148** of its last **221** games dating back to 1990 broadcast nationally or regionally (67 percent). That included 11 games in 2007, seven in 2006, 10 in 2005, nine in 2004, seven in 2003, 12 in 2002, 10 in 2001, plus 7 in 2000, 9 in both 1998 and 1999, 10 in 1996 and 1997. Since 1996, when the Big 12 began, **111** of CU's **148** games have been either nationally or regionally televised, an impressive 75 percent (the second most in the Big 12 Conference in that time frame). In addition, CU has had **24** of its last **29** non-conference games televised on a national or regional basis.

## CAPITAL RETURNS

CU's success often correlates directly with if it owns a hefty margin in return yards, as was the case in the 2001, 2002 and 2004 seasons—when the Buffs won the Big 12 North. The Buffs had advantages of **854-417** (2001), **803-607** (2002) and **574-499** (2004) in return yards, which includes all return yardage other than those on kickoffs (in 2006, the opponent had the upper hand at **390-277**, but for 2007, CU had **677** and owned a **269-yard** edge on the enemy). And the Buffs have **41** return and/or non-offensive touchdowns over the last nine seasons (37 regular season, four bowl game), tied for the seventh most in the nation for this span. The overall list through games of 2007:

School	99	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	Bowls	Total	School	99	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	Bowls	Total
Virginia Tech	8	6	7	7	10	6	6	5	8	3	66	Boise State	2	4	3	4	4	6	7	3	1	6	40
Kansas State	9	5	2	12	6	4	5	8	7	1	59	Nebraska	6	7	5	6	4	2	4	0	3	3	40
Texas	6	6	6	7	9	2	7	8	5	3	59	Southern California	9	4	8	1	8	3	5	2	0	0	40
Miami, Fla.	3	13	11	5	9	8	3	1	1	3	57	California	6	3	1	8	1	2	4	8	5	0	38
Oklahoma	4	7	6	8	9	3	3	4	7	2	53	Hawaii	0	1	7	5	3	8	0	5	9	0	38
Fresno State	5	5	3	5	4	6	6	4	5	2	45	East Carolina	7	5	4	5	4	3	0	3	2	3	36
<b>COLORADO</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>41</b>	San Jose State	5	7	1	7	5	4	3	1	3	0	36
Notre Dame	4	6	4	9	3	3	5	4	3	0	41	Texas Tech	3	7	8	5	3	2	3	2	1	1	35
N.C. State	3	2	4	9	10	5	2	2	3	1	41	Wake Forest	1	2	2	3	6	5	3	3	10	0	35
Ohio State	1	7	3	3	4	6	6	4	4	3	41	TCU	5	3	4	6	3	1	3	3	5	1	34

**2007 LEADERS:** Wake Forest 10, Hawai'i 9, Connecticut 8, South Florida 8, Virginia Tech 8 (+1 Bowl), Cincinnati 7, Kansas State 7, Oklahoma 7, Troy 7, Army 6, Mississippi State 6, Missouri 6, UCF 6, UCLA 6; Texas 5 (+1 Bowl), nine others with 5: Arizona State, Arkansas, California, Fresno State, Kansas, Michigan State, Oregon State, Texas, TCU, Utah State.

## GRADUATION STAT(U)S

Fourteen of CU's 17 seniors on the 2007 roster graduated by May 2008: **PK Kevin Eberhart** (Aerospace Engineering) and **TE Joe Sanders** (Ethnic Studies) graduated in May '07, with four earning their degrees in December: **TE Tyson DeVree** (Education), **OT Edwin Harrison** (Communication), **OT Tyler Polumbus** (Business Management), **WR Dusty Sprague** (Business Management). Eight more earned degrees in May '08: **DE Alonzo Barrett** (Sociology), **TB Hugh Charles** (Sociology), **ILB Jordon Dizon** (Economics), **TB Byron Ellis** (Integrative Physiology), **SS Lionel Harris** (Sociology), **FB Samson Jagoras** (Integrative Physiology), **WR Chase McBride** (Geography) and **WR Stephone Robinson** (double in Business Management & Sociology); and in addition, Eberhart earned his master's in Aerospace Engineering. **CB Terrence Wheatley** (Economics), **WR Alvin Barnett** (Ethnic Studies) and **QB Bernard Jackson** (Ethnic Studies) are candidates for next summer; Wheatley is very close, but took the semester off to train for the draft.

► **NOTE:** Over the last six years (2002-07), CU has had **110** of its **128** seniors, including medicals, graduate; that translates to 85.9 percent (with six of the 18 non-grads still in school and looking to graduate within the next year, while four are in the NFL). NCAA numbers will not match these (it doesn't allow a school to count transfers who graduate, i.e., Wayne Lucier ('02), WR Mike Duren ('04) and DeVree, Jagoras and McBride in '07, but it does count against a school if it had a player transfer. It's one of the reasons the numbers are skewed to be lower than they really are, especially at tougher academic schools like Colorado.

## COLORADO BY THE NUMBERS IN 2007

- 0:00** The amount of time CU led against Oklahoma, as the Buffs won on the final play of the game.
- 1-4** Colorado's record against the North Division, opening 0-4 for the first time against North foes.
- 3-0** Colorado's record against the South Division, its first undefeated run against the division since 1998.
- 3** The number of seasons **TB Hugh Charles** led CU in rushing, just the seventh player to do so in school history.
- 3 & 115** The number of points and yards CU held Alabama to in the final 35 minutes after falling behind 27-0 in the Independence Bowl.
- 16** The number of tackles **FS Ryan Walters** had in the season opener, the third highest total in school history that did not lead the team in a game.
- 22-13** Colorado owns the best intra-division mark over the last five seasons against fellow Big 12 North teams at 22-13.
- 22** The number of tackles in 83 defensive plays by **ILB Jordan Dizon** against Colorado State, the most tackles by a Buff defender in 10 seasons.
- 23** The number of tackles Dizon had against CSU when adding in one he had on special teams.
- 25** The number of years in-between CU players intercepting three passes in a game (Terrence Wheatley 2007, Victor Scott 1982).
- 28** Colorado made its 28th bowl appearance when it took the field against Alabama in the PetroSun Independence Bowl.
- 31.3** The number of points below its average coming in (50.3) that the Buffs held Kansas to on the scoreboard.
- 34.4** The completion percentage for Miami-Ohio (11-of-32), the first CU opponent to complete less than 40 percent of its passes in 39 games.
- 45.0** Terrence Wheatley's kickoff return average for three returns against Colorado State.
- 53.3** The school record for average kickoff return for a single game (minimum 3), set by Walter Stanley versus Oklahoma in 1980.
- 62** The number of punt return yards Colorado had in the 2007 season opener against Colorado State (1 over half of the total—123—CU had in '06).
- 65** The number of points Colorado scored against Nebraska, bringing the total scored on Nov. 23 this decade against the Huskers to 127.
- 66** The number of combined yards **WR Patrick Williams** gained on the first plays of the year for 2005 and 2006 (42 on a reception against Montana State in 2006, 24 on a reverse against CSU in 2007; both are CU records for the longest gains on the first play of the year for both disciplines).
- 92** The number of consecutive PAT kicks made by Buff kickers until a miss in the Nebraska game (second longest streak in CU history; record: 111).
- 100** Dan Hawkins picked up his 100th career victory as a college coach with the 65-51 win over Nebraska.
- 106** The number of receiving yards by **WR Scotty McKnight** against Colorado State, the most ever by any CU player in his first career game.
- 112** The number of points scored by Colorado in games 4 through 6, the most in a three-game span since 2002.
- 171** The number of rushing yards by **TB Hugh Charles** against Kansas State, a career-high and the most by a Buff since 2004.
- 235** Colorado has scored in 235 consecutive games, the fifth longest active streak in the nation (and the 11th longest of all-time).
- 291** The number of receiving yards by **WR Scotty McKnight** in the first four games in 2007, which was 30 more than CU's 2006 leader (Riar Geer).
- 327** The number of all-purpose yards by **TB Hugh Charles** against Nebraska, sixth most in school history (169 rush, 33 receiving 125 return).
- 720** The number of days between field goal attempts in a game for senior **PK Kevin Eberhart** (last was Sept. 10, 2005 before this year's opener).
- 1027** The number of additional yards in the regular season on offense CU gained in 2007 as compared to 2006 (just one of 20 teams to do so).

## FINAL 2007 BIG 12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

North Division (+2)						conference-----					overall-----					
School (AP/Coaches)	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up (Bowl)					
Missouri (#4/#5).....	7	1	.875	335	181	12	2	.857	558	326	A30 Illinois (St. Louis)					
Kansas (#7/#7).....	7	1	.875	318	169	12	1	.923	556	213	A30 FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL					
<b>COLORADO</b> .....	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.500</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>.462</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>A30 Colorado State (Denver)</b>					
Kansas State.....	3	5	.375	285	278	5	7	.417	422	370	A30 LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE					
Nebraska .....	2	6	.250	257	339	5	7	.417	401	455	A30 WESTERN MICHIGAN					
Iowa State .....	2	6	.250	141	285	3	9	.250	218	381	A28 SOUTH DAKOTA STATE					
South Division (-2)						conference-----					overall-----					
School (AP/Coaches)	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	Next Up (Bowl)					
Oklahoma (#8/#8).....	6	2	.750	280	172	11	3	.786	592	284	A30 UT-CHATTANOOGA					
Texas (#10/#10).....	5	3	.625	284	223	10	3	.769	484	329	A30 FLORIDA ATLANTIC					
Texas Tech (#22/#23).....	4	4	.500	273	238	9	4	.692	532	337	S 3 at Southern Methodist					
Texas A & M.....	4	4	.500	190	213	7	6	.538	361	337	A30 ARKANSAS STATE					
Oklahoma State.....	4	4	.500	283	266	7	6	.538	450	384	A30 Washington State (Seattle)					
Baylor.....	0	8	.000	108	352	3	9	.250	218	444	A30 WAKE FOREST					

## CONFERENCE CHARTS

## On The Big 12 Road

School	W	L	Pct.
Texas	31	11	.738
Oklahoma	27	15	.643
Nebraska	25	22	.532
Kansas State	25	23	.521
Texas A&M	24	24	.500
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>.479</b>
Texas Tech	20	28	.417
Oklahoma State	15	32	.319
Missouri	15	32	.319
Iowa State	11	37	.229
Kansas	10	38	.208
Baylor	2	46	.042

Does not include neutral site games  
OU-UT, '96 OSU-TTU or '98 NU-OSU  
or '07 KU-MU.

## Inter-Division (North vs. South)

School	W	L	Pct.
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>.583</b>
Kansas State	20	16	.556
Nebraska	20	16	.556
Missouri	19	17	.528
Iowa State	9	27	.250
Kansas	8	28	.222

## Inter-Division (South vs. North)

School	W	L	Pct.
Texas	29	7	.806
Oklahoma	25	11	.694
Texas A&M	21	15	.583
Texas Tech	19	17	.528
Oklahoma State	17	19	.472
Baylor	8	28	.222

(does not include title games)

## 2007 Network TV Appearances

School	Tot	ABC	FSN	ESPN	Oth
Oklahoma	13	6	5	1	1
Texas	12	6	3	2	1
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
Missouri	10	3	4	2	1
Texas A&M	10	3	3	3	1
Kansas	9	3	3	2	1
Oklahoma State	9	3	3	2	1
Kansas State	8	1	2	3	2
Nebraska	8	4	1	2	1
Texas Tech	8	4	1	1	2
Baylor	6	0	3	0	3
Iowa State	6	1	2	0	3

Does not include pay-per-view; does  
include other packages (TBS, ESPN, etc.).  
INCLUDES BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIP GAME.

## vs. Ranked Non-League Teams

School					G W L T Pct.				
AP, since 1990; by games played									
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.500</b>				
Texas	23	8	13	2	.364				
Nebraska	14	8	6	0	.571				
Oklahoma	13	6	7	0	.462				
Texas A&M	12	4	8	0	.333				
Texas Tech	12	0	12	0	.000				
Baylor	10	2	8	0	.200				
Missouri	9	1	8	0	.111				
Iowa State	9	1	8	0	.111				
Kansas	6	0	6	0	.000				
Oklahoma State	6	0	6	0	.000				
Kansas State	4	1	3	0	.333				

(regular season; does not include bowls)

**FINAL SPRING SCRIMMAGE STATS (THREE MAIN SCRIMMAGES, APRIL 5-12-19)**

Team Statistics	Hawkins	Nelson	Ballenger	Black	Totals
Points	60	35	34	7	136 (Defense 0, Special Teams 14)
Plays/Yards	138/788	100/595	66/382	19/26	323/1791 ( 5.5)
First Downs	45	32	16	5	98
3rd Down Efficiency	17-30	11-21	4-16	3-4	35-71 (49.3)
4th Down Efficiency	0-1	0-1	1-2	0-0	1- 4 (25.0)
Red Zone (pts)	5-6 (27)	5-5 (35)	4-5 (31)	0-1 (0)	14-17 (10 TD, 4 FG, 3 FGA)
Penalties	.....	.....	.....	.....	26-209 (Offense 20-135, Defense 4-44, Special Teams 2-30)

Rushing	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
Arthur Jaffee	21	148	7.1	1	33t
Demetrius Sumler	33	139	4.2	1	16
Corey Nabors	24	108	4.5	0	10
Kevin Moyd	25	103	4.1	1	19
Brian Lockridge	16	79	4.9	1	15
Josh Smith	8	58	7.3	0	19
Cody Hawkins	7	31	4.4	0	11
Nick Nelson	5	30	6.0	1	11
Matt Ballenger	5	23	4.6	0	11
Patrick Williams	1	12	12.0	0	12
Steve Melton	1	11	11.0	0	11
Cody Crawford	1	6	6.0	0	6
Kyle Black	8	4	0.5	0	7
Patrick Williams	1	- 4	-4.0	0	-4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>748</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>33t</b>
(Quarterback Sacks)	17	89)			

Passing (*)	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Rating
Cody Hawkins (23)	70-42- 1	60.0	523	6	56t	6/30	148.19
Nick Nelson (16)	49-32- 0	65.3	376	3	31	4/26	149.97
Matt Ballenger (17)	32-16- 1	50.0	222	3	30	6/30	132.97
Kyle Black (2)	2- 0- 0	0.0	0	0	0	1/ 3	0.00
<b>Totals (58)</b>	<b>153-90- 2</b>	<b>58.8</b>	<b>1121</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>56t</b>	<b>17/89</b>	<b>143.64</b>
(*—drives engineered)							

Receiving	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
Patrick Devenny	12	244	20.3	3	45t
Patrick Williams	11	139	12.6	1	25t
Cody Crawford	9	78	8.7	1	13
Demetrius Sumler	8	113	14.1	2	56t
Jason Espinoza	6	110	18.3	1	29
Kevin Moyd	6	96	16.0	2	28
Luke Walters	6	36	6.0	0	11
Josh Smith	5	77	15.4	0	31
Scotty McKnight	5	52	10.4	0	15
Maurice Cantrell	5	27	5.4	1	9t
Markques Simas	4	34	8.5	0	15
Brian Lockridge	3	32	10.7	0	17
Steve Melton	2	28	14.0	1	24t
Corey Nabors	2	19	9.5	0	15
Devin Shanahan	2	15	7.5	0	8
Cameron Ham	2	11	5.5	0	9
Arthur Jaffee	1	6	6.0	0	6
Jake Behrens	1	4	4.0	0	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>1121</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>56t</b>

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
Jason Espinoza	9	91	10.1	0	45
Cody Crawford	3	66	22.0	0	25
Jimmy Smith	1	23	23.0	1	12
Josh Smith	1	4	4.0	0	4
Markques Simas	1	0	0.0	0	0
Markques Simas	0	36	...	1	...
Anthony Wright	0	11	...	1	...

Kickoff Returns	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
Josh Smith	5	180	36.0	0	56
Scotty McKnight	2	59	29.5	0	40
Patrick Williams	2	50	25.0	0	25
Demetrius Sumler	1	39	39.0	0	39
Cha'pelle Brown	1	17	17.0	0	17
Kevin Celestine	1	13	13.0	0	13

(\*—no longer on team.)

Interception Returns	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
*Jake Duren	1	12	12.0	0	12
Travis Sandersfeld	1	0	0.0	0	0

Placekicking	PAT	FG-A	Pct.	(distances)	KO	TB	Ret	Avg
Jameson Davis	7-7	2-8	.250	53wr,30wr,42,42.27wl, 49blk,62s,31wr	10	2	33.9	
Aric Goodman	9-10	4-7	.571	29wl,41,43,42,37wr,41wl, 44	7	2	21.8	
Alex Metskas	2-2	0-0	.000		0	0	...	
(l—wide left; r—wide right; s—short; b—blocked)								

Punting (Situational)	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	In20	Blk	TB
Matthew DiLallo (0-0)	10	385	38.5	51	1	2	0
Tom Suazo (0-0)	5	187	37.4	54	1	3	0
Team	5	0	0.0	0	0	0	0

Tackles-----						
Defensive	UT	AT-TOT	TFL	QBS	3DS	
Bryan Stengel	13	8— 21	3-12	1- 9	3	
Brad Jones	10	11— 21	3-12	2-11	1	
Anthony Perkins	14	6— 20	1- 4		1	
Marcus Burton	11	9— 20	2-18	1-14	1	
Daniel Dykes	12	6— 18	3-17	2-11		
Jeff Smart	7	9— 16	1- 3			
Jimmy Smith	11	3— 14	1- 2		1	
Michael Sipili	6	8— 14	2- 9	1- 3		
Jalil Brown	9	4— 13				
Brandon Gouin	8	4— 12	3- 8			
Cha'pelle Brown	7	5— 12	1- 1		1	
Travis Sandersfeld	9	2— 11	1- 8	1- 8		
B.J. Beatty	8	2— 10	3-12	1- 5	1	
Gardner McKay	6	4— 10	1- 1			
Lamont Smith	6	4— 10	1- 4	1- 4		
Taj Kaynor	4	5— 9	1- 1		1	
Tyler Ahles	3	5— 8	1-14			
Marquez Herrod	3	5— 8	1- 2			
Lagrone Shields	5	2— 7			1	
Matt Meyer	3	4— 7			1	
*Jake Duren	2	5— 7	1- 1			
Eric Lawson	2	5— 7	1- 1			
Maurice Lucas	1	4— 5			1	
Conrad Obi	3	1— 4	1- 1	1- 1		
George Hypolite	3	1— 4	2- 9	2- 9	1	
Jason Brace	2	2— 4	2- 9	2- 9		
Eugene Goree	2	2— 4	1- 2	1- 2	1	
Tyler Sale	1	3— 4	1- 2	½-2		
Anthony Wright	0	4— 4				
*Justin TenEyck	0	4— 4				
Nate Vaiomounga	2	1— 3	1- 1		1	
Kevin Cooney	1	2— 3	2- 4	½-1		
Brandon Nicolas	1	2— 3				
Tony Poremba	1	1— 2				
Daniel Modrovsky	1	1— 2				
David Goldberg	0	2— 2				
Tony Poremba	1	0— 1				

Tackles For Zero (4)—Burton, Jones, Nicolas, Shields.

Hurries (14)— Shields 3, Hypolite 2, Stengel 2, Beatty, Goree, Jones, Kaynor, Lucas, Meyer, Smart.

Quarterback Chasedowns (1)—Beatty.

Fumble Recoveries (1)—Ji.Smith.

Forced Fumbles (4)—J.Brown, Duren, Smart, Ji.Smith.

Passes Broken Up (14)—C.Brown 2, Hypolite 2, Obi 2, J.Brown, Duren, Lucas, Meyer, Obi, Perkins, Ji.Smith, Stengel.

Blocked Punts (5)—Crawford 3, Simas, Ji.Smith.

Blocked Field Goals (1)—Williams.

# 2007 FINAL UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BUFFALO FOOTBALL STATISTICS

Won 6, Lost 6 (4-4 Big 12)

RESULTS/Attendance (◆—Big 12 Game)		Time	Attendance	
S 1	Colorado State (Denver)..... (OT)	W 31-28	3:36	68,133
S 8	at Arizona State.....	L 14-33	3:41	58,417
S 15	FLORIDA STATE.....	L 6-16	3:31	52,951
S 22	MIAMI-OHIO.....	W 42- 0	3:04	45,243
S 29	◆ OKLAHOMA.....	W 27-24	3:22	50,031
O 6	◆ at Baylor.....	W 43-23	3:32	32,376
O 13	◆ at Kansas State.....	L 20-47	3:34	46,637
O 20	◆ KANSAS.....	L 14-19	3:19	51,940
O 27	◆ at Texas Tech.....	W 31-26	3:29	49,084
N 3	◆ MISSOURI.....	L 10-55	3:33	51,483
N 10	◆ at Iowa State.....	L 28-31	3:28	45,487
N 23	◆ NEBRASKA.....	W 65-51	3:56	51,403

SCORE-BY-QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	—	Total
COLORADO.....	82	96	79	71	3	—	331
Opponents.....	52	115	123	63	0	—	353

TEAM STATISTICS	Colorado	Opponents
FIRST DOWNS.....	234	236
by rushing.....	90	75
by passing.....	124	148
by penalty.....	20	13
FIRST DOWN PLAYS/YARDS.....	382/2008	371/2326
average gain on first down.....	5.3	6.3
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY.....	67-194	60-173
percentage.....	34.5	34.7
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY.....	13-26	9-16
percentage.....	50.0	56.8
RUSHING ATTEMPTS.....	457	387
yards gained.....	2082	1781
yards lost.....	282	249
NET RUSHING YARDS.....	1800	1532
average per rush.....	3.94	3.96
average per game.....	150.0	127.7
PASSING ATTEMPTS.....	436	443
passes completed.....	243	254
had intercepted.....	15	15
completion percentage.....	55.7	57.3
NET PASSING YARDS.....	2724	3141
average per attempt.....	6.25	7.09
average per completion.....	11.2	12.4
average per game.....	227.0	261.8
OBs sacked/yards lost.....	16/110	19/130
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS.....	893	830
TOTAL NET YARDS.....	4524	4673
AVERAGE GAIN PER PLAY.....	5.07	5.63
AVERAGE PER GAME.....	377.0	389.4
FUMBLES-LOST.....	26-10	18-6
PENALTIES/YARDS.....	84/696	80/656
Offensive.....	44/291	37/244
Defensive.....	22/225	22/217
Special Teams.....	18/180	21/195
Bench/Fans/NCAA Unsportsmanlike.....	0/0	0/0
TURNOVERS (Margin: -4/-0.33).....	25	21
TOTAL RETURN YARDS.....	677	408
Punt Returns: No-Yards.....	40-411	30-206
Interceptions: No-Yards.....	15-266	15-200
Misc. (Fumble/Blk. FG) Returns.....	0-0	2-2
KICKOFF RETURNS: No-Yards.....	60-1380	54-1044
average per return.....	23.0	19.3
PUNTS.....	63	71
yards.....	2495	2875
average.....	39.6	40.5
yard deductions: returns/touchbacks.....	206/60	411/140
net yards.....	2229	2324
net average.....	35.4	32.7
DEFENSIVE/tackles for loss.....	67-259	66-226
quarterback sacks/yards.....	19/130	16/110
quarterback hurries.....	47	67
passes broken up.....	63	53
forced fumbles.....	8	9
BLOCKED KICKS (Special Teams).....	2	1
TIME OF POSSESSION.....	376:44	343:16
average per game.....	31:24	28:36
TIME SPENT IN THE LEAD (tied 130:11).....	280:56	308:53
TIMES PENETRATED OPPONENT 20.....	44	43
scores/td,fg.....	36/30,6	39/27,12
GOAL-TO-GO SITUATIONS.....	29	18
scores/td,fg.....	25/24,1	16/13,3
TOTAL DRIVES.....	168	167
drives ended by: TD.....	38	42
FG Made/FG Miss.....	15/8	16/3
Punt.....	63	71
Downs/TO.....	11/24	7/18
SAF/Clock.....	0/9	0/10
TOTAL POINTS.....	331	353
average per game.....	27.6	29.4

RUSHING		—avg. per—										High
Player	G	Att	Gain	Loss	NET	att.	game	TD	Long	10+	5+	Game
Hugh Charles.....	11	185	1022	33	989	5.3	89.9	8	41	28	73	171
Demetrius Sumler.....	11	100	351	16	335	3.4	30.5	4	30	8	24	91
Brian Lockridge.....	8	38	227	14	213	5.6	26.6	1	47	4	16	90
Byron Ellis.....	12	32	133	2	131	4.1	10.9	2	28	4	9	34
Dusty Sprague.....	12	10	68	0	68	6.8	5.7	1	19	2	7	48
Patrick Williams.....	12	6	39	2	37	6.2	3.1	0	24	1	3	24
Josh Smith.....	10	10	43	9	34	3.4	3.4	0	13	1	3	16
Jake Behrens.....	9	5	33	0	33	6.5	3.7	0	23	1	2	29
Kendrick Celestine.....	11	6	37	10	27	4.5	2.5	0	17	2	3	17
Kevin Moyd.....	6	4	18	2	16	4.0	2.7	0	9	0	2	9
Stephone Robinson.....	11	5	9	4	5	1.0	0.5	0	6	0	1	7
Samson Jagoras.....	12	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	-0.2	0	-2	0	0	-2
Nick Nelson.....	3	6	13	15	-2	-0.3	-0.7	0	7	0	1	13
Cody Hawkins.....	12	40	89	100	-11	-0.3	-0.9	3	12	1	7	20
Team (k-downs, snaps).....	-	9	0	73	-73	.....	.....	-	-1	...	...	...

PASSING							—avg. per—						TOTAL OFFENSE		
Player	G	Att	Com	Int	(T)	Pct.	Yards	att.	comp.	TD	Long	Sacked	Att.	Yards	Avg.
Cody Hawkins .....	12	424	239	15	(7)	56.4	2,693	6.4	11.3	19	65	14/97	464	2,682	5.8
Nick Nelson .....	3	6	3	0	(0)	50.0	22	3.7	7.3	0	10	2/13	12	20	1.7
Scotty McKnight .....	12	1	1	0	(0)	100.0	9	9.0	9.0	0	9	0/0	1	9	9.0
Brian Lockridge.....	8	1	0	0	(0)	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0/0	39	213	5.5
Matt DiLallo.....	12	1	0	0	(0)	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0/0	1	0	0.0
Team ( <i>spiked passes</i> ) -		3	0	0	...	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0/0	12	-73	-6.1
NCAA Ratings: Hawkins 117.4; Nelson 80.8. Consecutive Passes W/O INT: Hawkins 70, Nelson 6.															

RECEIVING				—avg. per—						high games	
Player	G	No.	Yards	rec.	game	TD	Long	20+	10+	rec	yards
Scotty McKnight .....	12	43	488	11.3	40.7	4	40	7	19	8	8-106
Tyson DeVree .....	11	28	308	11.0	28.0	6	29	3	14	7	7-90
Dusty Sprague.....	12	27	336	12.4	28.0	2	28	5	14	5	5-95
Patrick Williams.....	12	27	265	9.8	22.1	0	31	3	11	5	5-59
Hugh Charles.....	11	24	233	9.7	21.1	1	33	4	10	5	5-48
Josh Smith .....	10	23	451	19.6	45.1	0	65	9	16	4	2-103
Riar Geer.....	12	14	128	9.1	10.7	2	32	2	5	4	3-40
Byron Ellis.....	12	12	39	3.3	3.3	1	9	0	0	3	1- 9
Kendrick Celestine .....	11	11	151	13.7	13.7	0	37	3	5	3	1-37
Joe Sanders .....	12	8	71	8.9	5.9	0	14	0	3	3	3-35
Cody Crawford .....	12	7	73	10.4	6.1	0	20	2	2	3	2-27
Demetrius Sumler.....	11	6	41	6.8	3.7	1	12	0	2	2	2-16
Stephone Robinson .....	11	5	65	13.0	5.9	0	35	1	2	1	1-35
Nate Solder .....	12	3	50	16.7	4.2	0	23	1	2	3	3-50
Samson Jagoras .....	12	2	12	6.0	1.0	0	4	0	1	1	1- 8
Cody Hawkins .....	12	1	9	9.0	0.8	0	9	0	0	1	1- 9
Patrick Devenny.....	6	1	3	3.0	0.5	1	3t	0	0	1	1- 3
Jake Behrens.....	9	1	1	1.0	0.1	1	1t	0	0	1	1- 1

SCORING		Touchdowns----- 2Pt.									
Player	G	Total	Rush	Rec.	Ret.	PAT	EP-EPA	FG-FGA	Saf	DEX	PTS
Kevin Eberhart.....	12	0	0	0	0	0-0	38-39	15-23	--	--	83
Hugh Charles.....	11	9	8	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	54
Tyson DeVree.....	11	6	0	6	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	36
Demetrius Sumler.....	12	5	4	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	30
Scotty McKnight.....	12	4	0	4	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	24
Byron Ellis.....	12	3	2	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	18
Cody Hawkins.....	12	3	3	0	0	0-2	0-0	0-0	--	--	18
Dusty Sprague.....	12	3	1	2	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	18
Riar Geer.....	11	2	0	2	0	1-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	14
Jake Behrens.....	9	1	0	1	0	0-2	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
Patrick Devenny.....	6	1	0	1	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
Jordan Dizon.....	12	1	0	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
Brian Lockridge.....	8	1	1	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
Jimmy Smith.....	12	1	0	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
Terrence Wheatley.....	10	1	0	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	--	6
COLORADO.....	12	41	19	19	3	1-2	38-39	15-23	0	0	331
Opponents.....	12	44	18	24	2	2-5	37-39	16-19	0	0	353

PUNTING			In had Ret. Net Net									
Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	20	50+	TB	blk	Yds.	Yds	Avg.
Matt DiLallo.....	12	61	2447	40.11	57	22	6	3	1	200	2187	35.8
Tom Suazo.....	1	1	48	48.00	48	0	0	0	0	0	48	48.0
Team.....	12	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	6	-6	-6.0
COLORADO .....	12	63	2495	39.60	57	22	6	3	1	206	2229	35.4
Opponents.....	12	71	2875	40.49	64	14	13	7	1	411	2324	32.7

FIELD GOALS	G	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+	Total	Pct.	Long
Kevin Eberhart.....	12	0-0	4-5	3-6	6-10	2-2	0-0	15-23	65.2	54
(38.41wr, 22.35) (-) (37wr, 46wl) (-) (41.37wr, 45) (36wr, 41.44, 54.42, 30) (50.24) (46wl) (25wl, 44) (24) (43wl) (25)										
Opponents.....	12	0-0	7-7	6-6	3-4	1-1	0-0	16-19	84.2	52

KICKOFF RETURNS	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
Terrence Wheatley.....	10	37	919	24.8	68	0
Hugh Charles.....	11	14	364	26.0	34	0
Byron Ellis.....	12	5	71	14.2	19	0
Scotty McKnight.....	12	1	21	21.0	21	0
Stephone Robinson.....	11	1	10	10.0	10	0
Tyson DeVree.....	11	1	0	0.0	0	0
R.J. Brown.....	3	0	2	.....	2	0
Team.....	12	1	-7	-7.0	-7	0



Colorado Football Statistics / 2-2-2

DEFENSIVE

		Tackles					---For Loss---			Miscellaneous									
Pos	Player	G	Plays	UT	AT	—	TOT	Avg.	Sacks	Other	TZ	3DS	QBP	QCD	FR	FF	PBU		
LB	Jordon Dizon.....	12	796	120	40	—	160	13.3	4-29	7-13	14	19	8	2	0	1	3		
DB	Daniel Dykes.....	12	743	60	23	—	83	6.9	0-0	0-0	3	7	4	0	0	2	3		
LB	Jeff Smart.....	12	677	43	37	—	80	6.7	0-0	4-16	4	8	6	2	2	1	5		
LB	Brad Jones.....	12	703	45	27	—	72	6.0	2- 8	2- 4	5	9	7	2	0	0	3		
DB	Ryan Walters.....	11	705	31	32	—	63	5.7	0-0	0-0	2	4	2	3	1	2	5		
DB	Benjamin Burney.....	12	796	37	18	—	55	4.6	0-0	4-27	1	6	0	2	0	0	8		
DT	George Hypolite.....	12	684	34	10	—	44	3.7	6-42	5-11	6	5	7	1	0	0	1		
DB	Cha'pelle Brown.....	12	531	34	8	—	42	3.5	0-0	2- 4	0	10	1	0	0	0	12		
DB	Terrence Wheatley.....	10	615	32	10	—	42	4.2	0-0	1- 2	1	4	1	1	0	1	10		
DT	Brandon Nicolas.....	12	711	28	9	—	37	3.1	3-17	8-16	11	10	3	0	0	0	2		
DE	Alonzo Barrett.....	12	538	29	7	—	36	3.0	1- 6	5-16	5	5	5	2	0	0	2		
DE	Maurice Lucas.....	12	487	24	6	—	30	2.5	2-16	3- 3	3	3	2	0	0	0	1		
DB	Lionel Harris.....	10	192	18	5	—	23	2.3	1-12	1- 4	0	1	0	0	0	0	1		
DB	Gardner McKay.....	12	271	16	0	—	16	1.3	0-0	1- 3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	5	
LB	Jake Duren.....	9	82	8	5	—	13	1.4	0-0	1- 1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1		
LB	R.J. Brown.....	3	102	7	5	—	12	4.0	0-0	1- 1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0		
DL	Chris Perri.....	9	121	5	2	—	7	0.8	0-0	2- 4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0		
DT	Marquez Herrod.....	8	71	3	1	—	4	0.5	0-0	1- 4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0		
DB	Jimmy Smith.....	6	99	3	1	—	4	0.7	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1		
DB	Jalil Brown.....	3	27	1	2	—	3	1.0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
LB	B.J. Beatty.....	2	8	1	0	—	1	0.5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
DT	Taj Kaynor.....	8	55	0	1	—	1	0.1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
DT	Jason Brace.....	11	90	0	0	—	0	0.0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
DT	Eric Lawson.....	4	18	0	0	—	0	0.0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
LB	Nate Vaionmounga.....	4	8	0	0	—	0	0.0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

TOUCHDOWN SAVES (16): Dykes 6, Wheatley 3, Burney 3, Walters 2, C.Brown, Dizon, McKay, J.Smith 1.  
INTERCEPTIONS CAUSED (5): C.Brown, Burney, Dizon, Nicolas, Walters. SAFETIES (0).  
SACKS FOR 0 (0; deducted from TFL count).

ATTENDANCE

Site	G	Attend.	Average	High	W-L
In Boulder.....	6	303,051	50,508.5	52,951	3-3
On The Road.....	5	232,001	46,400.2	58,417	2-3
Neutral.....	1	68,133	68,133.0	68,133	1-0

PUNT RETURNS

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
Chase McBride.....	11	33	316	9.6	43	0
Alonzo Barrett.....	12	2	32	16.0	17	0
Stephone Robinson.....	11	4	54	13.5	42	0
Daniel Dykes.....	12	1	7	7.0	7	0
Jordon Dizon.....	12	0	5	...	5	0
Gardner McKay.....	12	0	-3	...	-3	0

INTERCEPTION RETURNS

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
Terrence Wheatley.....	10	5	65	13.0	35t	1
Jordon Dizon.....	12	2	79	39.5	42t	1
Lionel Harris.....	10	2	30	15.0	32	0
Cha'pelle Brown.....	12	1	51	51.0	51	0
Jimmy Smith.....	6	1	31	31.0	31t	1
George Hypolite.....	12	1	6	6.0	6	0
Alonzo Barrett.....	12	1	4	4.0	4	0
Daniel Dykes.....	12	1	0	0.0	0	0
Ryan Walters.....	11	1	0	0.0	0	0

FUMBLE RETURNS

Player	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TD
None						

SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

Player	UT	UT/20	AT	AT/20	FF	FR	KSD	WB	DP	BLK	RK	FFC	FDF	Points	Player	UT	UT/20	AT	AT/20	FF	FR	KSD	WB	DP	BLK	RK	FFC	FDF	Points
Jalil Brown.....	10	2	3	0	1	0	7	0	1	0	0	5	2	= 31	Kevin Moyd.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	= 4
Gardner McKay.....	7	1	2	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	1	1	= 19	Benjamin Burney.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 3
Joel Adams.....	3	0	6	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	= 16	Lionel Harris.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	= 3
*Daniel Dykes.....	4	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	= 13	#Brad Jones.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 3
R.J. Brown.....	3	1	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	= 12	Jeff Smart.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 3
Cory Nabors.....	6	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 11	Jimmy Smith.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 3
Tyler Cope.....	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 9	Dusty Sprague.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	= 3
Cha'pelle Brown.....	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 8	Alonzo Barrett.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	= 2
Marquez Herrod.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 8	Jake Behrens.....	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 2
Bret Smith.....	1	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 7	Cody Crawford.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 2
Nate Solder.....	2	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 7	Justin Drescher.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	= 2
Nate Vaionmounga.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 7	Samson Jagoras.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 2
Patrick Williams.....	2	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 7	Jarrell Yates.....	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 2
Byron Ellis.....	2	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 6	Patrick Devenny.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	= 1
Jordon Dizon.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	= 5	Tyson DeVree.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	= 1
Joe Sanders.....	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	= 5	Scotty McKnight.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 1
Maurice Cantrell.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 4	Demetrius Sumler.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	= 1

BLOCKED KICKS SUMMARY (2)—Barrett 2 (MU/punt; NU/punt). \*—includes 1 point for sprint up field for FC with :04 left (1H) at Baylor to set up FG; #—includes 1 point for QB sack on 2-pt attempt at Texas Tech.

KEY: UT—Unassisted Tackle; UT/20—Unassisted Tackle Inside-the-20; AT—Assisted Tackle; AT/20—Assisted Tackle Inside-the-20; TZ—Tackles For Zero; 3DS—Third/Fourth Down Stops (tackles, INTs or PBUs); QBP—Quarterback Pressure; QBC—Quarterback Chasedowns; FF—Forced Fumble; FR—Fumble Recovery (Opponent on defense or CU or Opponent on special teams); PBU—Passes Broken Up; KSD—Knockdown or Springing Block on Kick Return; WB—Wedge Break; DP—Downed Punt (meaningful); BLK—Blocked Kick; RK—Recovered Blocked Kick, Punt or On-side kick; FFC—Forced Fair Catch; FDF—First Downfield (on kickoff).  
A defensive game played is credited only when a player is in for at least one defensive play; defensive tackles do not include special team tackles.  
NOTE: Defensive/special team statistics compiled from coaches' video; NCAA/Big 12 Stats ARE NOT ACCURATE.

AT-A-GLANCE SUMMARIES

Game	Score	1	2	3	4	OT	Tot	Ru	Pa	Pn	Att	Yards	TD	Att-Com	Int	Yards	TD	Att	Yards	Yards	No-Avg.	No-Lost	No/Yds	Downs	Sacks	F.Pos.	Poss.	
COLORADO .....	31	14	3	8	3	3	18	6	10	2	28	129	1	32	18-1	201	2	60	330	62	2-36.5	3-2	4/30	6-14	3-24	C	44	22:59
Colorado State.....	28	7	7	14	0	0	25	11	13	1	56	157	1	27	20-1	229	3	83	386	3	4-41.5	1-0	6/49	11-19	1- 6	CS	34	27:01
COLORADO .....	14	14	0	0	0	0	15	3	5	7	26	32	0	47	17-1	172	1	73	204	52	8-40.2	1-1	7/45	4-18	3-20	C	36	26:09
Arizona State.....	33	0	19	14	0	0	22	9	13	0	44	138	1	37	19-1	269	3	81	407	54	8-37.9	3-2	12/136	5-18	2-16	AS	30	33:51
COLORADO .....	6	0	0	0	0	6	21	2	17	2	25	-27	0	54	34-2	306	1	79	279	17	8-44.2	2-0	7/37	5-18	3-22	C	20	34:08
Florida State.....	16	0	10	3	3	3	10	3	6	1	37	95	1	18	- 8-0	126	0	55	221	104	8-46.8	0-0	10/86	1-13	2-15	FS	38	25:52
COLORADO .....	42	7	21	7	7	7	33	19	12	2	63	359	4	30	19-2	275	2	93	634	93	2-42.0	1-1	5/39	12-17	0- 0	C	30	40:24
Miami-Ohio.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	2	4	0	17	44	0	32	11-0	95	0	49	139	25	10-49.2	1-0	5/45	3-14	0- 0	M	23	19:36
COLORADO .....	27	0	7	3	17	17	19	6	12	1	46	161	1	36	22-2	220	2	82	381	87	5-44.2	4-0	6/45	6-19	1- 8	C	36	38:54
Oklahoma.....	24	7	10	7	0	0	12	5	6	1	27	118	2	19	- 8-2	112	1	46	230	92	7-43.7	2-1	3/27	1- 9	2-13	O	37	21:06
COLORADO .....	43	10	20	10	3	3	18	6	12	0	42	157	2	27	17-1	293	2	69	450	90	2-49.0	1-1	11/105	5-15	0- 0	C	43	33:05
Baylor.....	23	0	9	7	7	7	24	3	19	2	18	55	2	60	36-2	410	1	78	465	24	5-32.8	2-1	10/71	6-15	1- 7	B	28	26:55
COLORADO .....	20	3	10	7	0	0	22	11	9	2	36	188	1	41	19-3	223	1	77	411	12	5-27.8	2-1	10/91	1-12	0- 0	C	26	29:19
Kansas State.....	47	17	6	17	7	7	20	7	11	2	39	249	3	28	15-5	214	1	67	463	49	6-42.0	1-0	7/62	4-15	2-12	KS	37	30:41
COLORADO .....	14	0	0	7	7	7	19	4	14	1	33	66	0	45	27-2	287	2	78	353	3	4-41.8	3-1	4/35	5-17	1- 6	C	33	30:53
Kansas.....	19	0	3	10	6	6	17	8	8	1	33	180	1	29	20-0	153	1	62	333	9	5-43.8	3-2	3/21	7-16	3-24	K	31	29:07
COLORADO .....	31	7	7	17	0	0	19	12	6	1	44	217	1	27	16-0	132	2	71	349	76	4-43.8	2-0	3/30	7-16	3-12	C	34	34:05
Texas Tech.....	26	0	6	13	7	7	29	3	25	1	12	39	0	63	46-4	431	3	75	470	2	1-38.0	1-0	5/31	3- 9	0- 0	TT	25	25:55
COLORADO .....	10	10	0	0	0	0	7	4	3	0	30	84	1	28	14-1	112	0	58	196	22	11-37.1	5-2	12/94	3-17	2-20	C	35	25:43
Missouri.....	55	7	24	17	7	7	25	9	15	1	42	169	2	45	27-1	429	5	87	598	32	5-28.0	1-0	4/35	10-17	2-11	M	37	34:17
COLORADO .....	28	0	21	0	7	7	17	4	12	1	32	157	2	40	23-0	262	2	72	419	-2	7-36.6	2-1	8/80	3-15	2-13	C	34	27:08
lowa State.....	31	0	0	21	10	10	18	8	8	2	42	162	2	27	13-1	189	2	69	351	0	7-35.0	0-0	5/36	7-17	1- 6	IS	34	32:52
COLORADO .....	65	17	7	20	21	21	26	13	12	1	52	277	6	29	17-0	241	2	81	518	176	5-39.6	0-0	7/65	10-16	1- 5	C	41	33:57
Nebraska.....	51	14	21	0	16	16	28	7	20	1	20	126	3	58	31-3	484	4	78	610	14	5-35.2	3-0	10/57	2-11	0- 0	N	28	26:03

**SCORING DRIVES (Game-By-Game)**

Opponent	Plays	Yards	Time	Result	Qtr	(Down) How	PAT	Quarterback
Colorado State	6	83	2:08	TD	1	(2) McKnight 24 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Colorado State	4	46	1:32	TD	1	(2) DeVree 10 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Colorado State	5	25	0:37	FG	2	(2) Eberhart 38 FG	.....	Hawkins
Colorado State	14	86	5:55	TD	3	(1) Sumler 3 run <i>Geer pass from Hawkins</i>	.....	Hawkins
Colorado State	7	29	1:55	FG	4	(4) Eberhart 22 FG	.....	Hawkins
Colorado State	4	7	.....	*FG	OTI	(4) Eberhart 35 FG	.....	Hawkins
Arizona State	6	17	1:46	*TD	1	(3) McKnight 10 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Florida State	8	71	0:58	TD	4	(4) DeVree 11 pass from Hawkins <i>No good (2-pt.)</i>	.....	Hawkins
Miami-Ohio	16	72	7:48	TD	1	(4) DeVree 1 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Miami-Ohio	10	80	4:16	TD	2	(1) Sumler 1 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Miami-Ohio	3	54	1:15	TD	2	(2) Hawkins 1 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Miami-Ohio	10	84	1:45	TD	2	(2) Devenny 3 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Miami-Ohio	7	69	2:10	TD	3	(2) Charles 17 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Miami-Ohio	11	91	5:31	TD	4	(1) Lockridge 43 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Oklahoma	8	69	4:01	TD	2	(2) Charles 25 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Oklahoma	10	50	4:01	FG	3	(4) Eberhart 41 FG	.....	Hawkins
Oklahoma	9	62	3:32	*TD	4	(4) DeVree 4 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Oklahoma	3	16	0:39	*TD	4	(2) Sprague 15 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Oklahoma	6	23	2:51	FG	4	(4) Eberhart 45 FG	.....	Hawkins
Baylor	7	82	3:16	TD	1	(2) Sprague 26 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Baylor	4	0	0:56	FG	1	(4) Eberhart 41 FG	.....	Hawkins
Baylor	8	41	3:37	*TD	2	(2) Sumler 7 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Baylor	2	26	0:16	*TD	2	(1) Sumler 3 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Baylor	7	35	3:04	FG	2	(4) Eberhart 44 FG	.....	Hawkins
Baylor	1	0	0:04	FG	2	(1) Eberhart 54 FG	.....	Hawkins
Baylor	8	44	3:24	FG	3	(4) Eberhart 42 FG	.....	Hawkins
Baylor	7	79	3:35	TD	3	(3) Sumler 2 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Baylor	11	59	5:19	FG	4	(4) Eberhart 30 FG	.....	Hawkins
Kansas State	7	29	2:22	FG	1	(4) Eberhart 50 FG	.....	Hawkins
Kansas State	7	78	3:13	TD	2	(2) Behrens 1 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Kansas State	9	70	3:20	FG	2	(4) Eberhart 24 FG	.....	Hawkins
Kansas State	5	76	1:45	TD	3	(1) Charles 1 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Kansas	10	80	5:10	TD	3	(3) DeVree 27 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Kansas	10	80	3:18	TD	4	(1) Ellis 5 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Texas Tech	10	91	4:31	TD	1	(3) Charles 31 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Texas Tech	12	75	5:01	TD	2	(4) Geer 2 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Texas Tech	11	47	3:55	FG	3	(4) Eberhart 44 FG	.....	Hawkins
Texas Tech	13	76	5:20	TD	4	(2) Charles 6 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Missouri	3	11	0:50	*TD	1	(3) Ellis 2 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Missouri	7	30	2:46	FG	1	(4) Eberhart 24 FG	.....	Hawkins
Iowa State	10	49	3:59	TD	2	(1) Hawkins 1 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Iowa State	2	28	0:15	*TD	2	(1) Charles 8 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Iowa State	6	92	1:18	TD	2	(4) Geer 28 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Iowa State	10	64	1:21	TD	4	(2) McKnight 9 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	6	55	1:08	FG	1	(4) Eberhart 25 FG	.....	Hawkins
Nebraska	11	74	4:44	TD	1	(3) Hawkins 5 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	6	52	2:49	TD	1	(2) Sprague 4 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	6	80	1:39	TD	2	(1) DeVree 11 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	4	33	1:52	*TD	3	(2) Charles 9 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	4	25	1:11	TD	3	(1) Charles 1 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	10	84	4:43	TD	4	(3) McKnight 10 pass from Hawkins	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	1	2	0:04	*TD	4	(1) Charles 2 run	Eberhart	Hawkins
Nebraska	5	37	0:45	TD	4	(2) Ellis 28 run	Eberhart	Hawkins

(\*—scored following a turnover)

Yards Per Play—TD Drives: 7.9 (284-2242); FG Drives: 5.82 (90-524); Non-Scoring Drives: 3.4 (519-1758).

**Drive Analysis**

DISTANCE	COLORADO		OPPONENT	
Length	TD	FG	TD	FG
(minus)	—	0	—	0
0—9	1	3	0	1
10—19	3	0	3	0
20—29	3	4	0	3
30—39	2	2	1	2
40—49	3	2	4	2
50—59	2	3	9	5
60—69	4	0	12	1
70—79	8	1	6	4
80—89	9	0	3	1
90—99	3	0	1	0

**GAME OPENING DRIVES**

Game	COLORADO			OPPONENT		
	Pts	FD	Yds	Pts	FD	Yds
Colorado State	7	4	83	7	5	77
Arizona State	0	0	-7	0*	0	4
Florida State	0	0	9	0	0	4
Miami-Ohio	0	1	21	0	1	14
Oklahoma	0	1	31	0	0	0
Baylor	7	3	82	0	1	-7
Kansas State	0	0	3	0	1	23
Kansas	0	2	30	0	2	32
Texas Tech	7	4	91	0	2	23
Missouri	7	1	11	0*	0	-2
Iowa State	0	2	33	0	1	16
Nebraska	3	2	55	0	0	5

**SECOND HALF OPENING DRIVES**

Game	COLORADO			OPPONENT		
	Pts	FD	Yds	Pts	FD	Yds
Colorado State	0	0	8	7	3	77
Arizona State	0	1	10	7	3	46
Florida State	0	3	34	0	1	8
Miami-Ohio	0*	3	57	0	1	20
Oklahoma	0*	0	0	0	0	3
Baylor	3	2	44	0	0	1
Kansas State	0	2	31	0	0	-5
Kansas	7	4	80	7	3	58
Texas Tech	3	3	47	0*	0	0
Missouri	0	0	18	0	0	-3
Iowa State	0	0	9	7	2	43
Nebraska	0	1	11	0*	0	8

(\*—drive ended by a turnover.)

**POSSESSIONS AT-A-GLANCE**

	Avg.		3-Plays	Snaps/
	No.	Snaps	& Out*	TD
Colorado	168	5.32	50	23.5
Opponent	167	4.97	49	19.8

(\*—less if there is a turnover; must not have earned a first down or scored a touchdown.)

**LONGEST PLAYS****COLORADO**

Yards	Opponent	Player(s)
65	Baylor	Josh Smith pass from Cody Hawkins
47	Iowa State	Brian Lockridge run
43	Miami-Ohio	Brian Lockridge run (TD)
41	Nebraska	Hugh Charles run
40	Kansas State	Scotty McKnight pass from Cody Hawkins
40	Kansas State	Josh Smith pass from Cody Hawkins
38	Florida State	Josh Smith pass from Cody Hawkins
38	Baylor	Josh Smith pass from Cody Hawkins
37	Miami-Ohio	Kendrick Celestine pass from Cody Hawkins
37	Kansas State	Hugh Charles run
35	Nebraska	Stephone Robinson pass from Cody Hawkins
33	Nebraska	Hugh Charles pass from Cody Hawkins

Number of plays 20-plus yards in length: 58 (40 pass, 18 rush)

Number of plays 40-plus yards in length: 6 (3 pass, 3 rush)

**Returns**

Type	Yards	Opponent	Player
KICKOFF	68	Colorado State	Terrence Wheatley
PUNT	43	Colorado State	Chase McBride
INTERCEPTION	51	Nebraska	Cha'pelle Brown
FUMBLE	0	N/A	

Number of returns 20+ yards in length: 55 (43 kickoff, 5 punt, 7 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

Number of returns 30+ yards in length: 20 (10 kickoff, 3 punt, 7 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

**OPPONENT**

Yards	Opponent	Player(s)
72	Missouri	William Franklin pass from Chase Daniel
68	Kansas State	James Johnson run (TD)
62	Baylor	Brandon Whitaker pass from Blake Szymanski
55	Iowa State	Todd Blythe pass from Bret Meyer (TD)
53	Kansas	Todd Reesing run
46	Missouri	Jeremy Maclin pass from Chase Daniel (TD)
45	Florida State	Greg Carr pass from Drew Weatherford (TD)
45	Missouri	Jared Perry pass from Chase Daniel
43	Oklahoma	Joe Jon Finley pass from Sam Bradford
40	Kansas State	James Johnson run
40	Kansas State	Jordy Nelson pass from Josh Freeman
38	Nebraska	Marlon Lucky pass from Joe Ganz

Number of plays 20-plus yards in length: 59 (44 pass, 15 rush)

Number of plays 40-plus yards in length: 11 (8 pass, 3 rush)

**Returns**

Yards	Yards	Opponent	Player
KICKOFF	36	Baylor	David Gettis
PUNT	44	Florida State	Preston Parker
INTERCEPTION	33	Oklahoma	D.J. Wolfe
FUMBLE	2	Miami-Ohio	Jerrid Gaines

Number of returns 20+ yards in length: 36 (28 kickoff, 2 punt, 6 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

Number of returns 30+ yards in length: 9 (6 kickoff, 1 punt, 2 interception, 0 fumble, 0 misc.)

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FIRST DOWN RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Hugh Charles .....	105	515	4.9	10	3	28
Demetrius Sumler .....	51	201	3.9	5	3	30
Brian Lockridge .....	17	92	5.4	2	1	43t
Byron Ellis .....	18	65	3.6	3	0	14
Dusty Sprague .....	6	49	8.2	2	0	19
Patrick Williams .....	2	29	14.5	1	0	24
Jake Behrens .....	3	29	9.7	1	0	23
Kendrick Celestine.....	5	24	4.8	2	0	17
Josh Smith.....	6	18	3.0	0	0	7
Kevin Moyd.....	2	12	6.0	0	0	9
Cody Hawkins.....	2	6	3.0	0	1	5
Stephone Robinson.....	4	5	1.2	0	0	6
Nick Nelson.....	1	- 2	-2.0	0	0	- 2
Team .....	5	- 50	-10.0	0	0	- 1

FIRST DOWN PASSING

Player	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	FD	TD	Long	Sacked
Cody Hawkins.....	144-82- 4	56.9	1059	36	3	65	8/53
Scotty McKnight.....	1- 1- 0	100.0	9	0	0	9	0/ 0
Nick Nelson.....	1- 0 0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0/ 0
Team .....	1- 0 0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0/ 0

FIRST DOWN RECEIVING

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Scotty McKnight.....	20	266	13.3	11	1	40
Josh Smith.....	11	273	24.8	8	0	65
Hugh Charles .....	9	118	13.1	6	0	33
Tyson DeVree .....	8	104	13.0	4	1	29
Patrick Williams .....	7	34	4.9	1	0	10
Dusty Sprague.....	6	54	9.0	2	0	12
Riar Geer .....	5	58	11.6	1	0	32
Kendrick Celestine.....	4	72	18.0	2	0	37
Cody Crawford .....	3	22	7.3	0	0	9
Byron Ellis .....	3	5	1.7	0	1	-2
Demetrius Sumler .....	2	13	6.5	0	0	9
Nate Solder .....	1	23	23.0	1	0	23
Joe Sanders.....	1	11	11.0	0	0	11
Cody Hawkins.....	1	9	9.0	0	0	9
Samson Jagoras .....	1	4	4.0	0	0	4
Stephone Robinson.....	1	2	2.0	0	0	2

NON-OFFENSIVE SCORES (3)

vs. Opponent	Player	Play
Arizona State	Terrence Wheatley	35 interception return
Texas Tech	Jordon Dizon	42 interception return
Nebraska	Jimmy Smith	31 interception return

QUARTERBACK SACKS (19-130)

Colorado State (3-24): Lucas 2-16, Hypolite 1-8; Arizona State (3-20): Dizon 2-13, Nicolas 1-7; Florida State (3-22): Hypolite 2-14, Nicolas 1-8; Miami-Ohio (0-0); Oklahoma (1-8): Dizon 1-8; Baylor (0-0); Kansas State (0-0); Kansas (1-6): Barrett 1-6; Texas Tech (3-12): Hypolite 1-7, Jones 1-3, Nicolas 1-2; Missouri (2-20): Harris 1-12, Dizon 1-8; Iowa State (2-3): Hypolite 2-13; Nebraska (1-5): Jones 1-5.

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Individual

LONGEST SCORING RUN— 43, Brian Lockridge vs. Miami-Ohio  
LONGEST NON-SCORING RUN— 47, Brian Lockridge at Iowa State  
LONGEST SCORING PASS— 28, Riar Geer from Cody Hawkins at Iowa State  
LONGEST NON-SCORING PASS— 65, Josh Smith from Cody Hawkins at Baylor  
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN— 68, Terrence Wheatley vs. Colorado State  
LONGEST PUNT RETURN— 43, Chase McBride vs. Colorado State  
LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN— 51, Cha'pelle Brown vs. Nebraska  
LONGEST PUNT— 56, Matt DiLallo vs. Florida State, at Baylor  
LONGEST FIELD GOAL— 54, Kevin Eberhart at Baylor  
MOST TOUCHDOWNS— 3, Demetrius Sumler at Baylor; Hugh Charles vs. Nebraska  
MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS— 33, Hugh Charles vs. Nebraska  
MOST RUSHING YARDS— 171, Hugh Charles at Kansas State  
MOST PASS ATTEMPTS— 53, Cody Hawkins vs. Florida State  
MOST PASS COMPLETIONS— 34, Cody Hawkins vs. Florida State  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN— 3, Cody Hawkins at Kansas State  
MOST PASSING YARDS— 306, Cody Hawkins vs. Florida State  
MOST TOUCHDOWN PASSES— 2, Cody Hawkins on seven occasions  
MOST RECEPTIONS— 8, Scotty McKnight vs. Colorado State  
MOST RECEIVING YARDS— 106, Scotty McKnight vs. Colorado State  
MOST TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS— 56, Cody Hawkins vs. Florida State  
MOST TOTAL OFFENSE— 294, Cody Hawkins vs. Florida State  
MOST FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED— 6, Kevin Eberhart at Baylor  
MOST FIELD GOALS MADE— 5, Kevin Eberhart at Baylor  
MOST TACKLES— 22, Jordon Dizon vs. Colorado State  
MOST SOLO TACKLES— 17, Jordon Dizon vs. Colorado State, at Arizona State  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS— 3, Terrence Wheatley at Texas Tech (*tied school record*)  
MOST QUARTERBACK SACKS— 2, on four occasions (Hypolite 2, Dizon, Lucas)  
MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS— 3, on eight occasions (Hypolite 3, Dizon 2, Nicolas 2, Lucas)  
MOST PASSES BROKEN UP— 4, Cha'pelle Brown at Baylor  
MOST THIRD/FOURTH DOWN STOPS— 4, Jordon Dizon at Arizona State  
MOST QUARTERBACK HURRIES— 3, Jordon Dizon and Daniel Dykes at Texas Tech  
KNOCKDOWN BLOCKS (OL)— 14.5, Daniel Sanders at Texas Tech  
MOST SPECIAL TEAM POINTS— 10, Jalil Brown vs. Missouri

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN RUSHING

Player	Att.	FD	Pct.	Yards	Avg.	TD	3/4-&-1 Att.	FD
Nick Nelson.....	2	2	100.0	6	3.0	0	2	2
Josh Smith.....	1	1	100.0	13	13.0	0	0	0
Brian Lockridge .....	4	3	75.0	5	1.3	0	0	0
Cody Hawkins.....	17	9	52.9	59	3.5	1	5	5
Dusty Sprague.....	2	1	50.0	7	3.5	0	0	0
Byron Ellis.....	5	2	40.0	11	2.2	1	2	2
Hugh Charles .....	8	3	37.5	39	4.4	1	3	1
Demetrius Sumler .....	13	4	30.8	13	1.0	1	6	3
Jake Behrens .....	1	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	1	0
Samson Jagoras.....	1	0	0.0	-2	-2.0	0	0	0
Team.....	2	0	0.0	-15	-15.0	0	0	0

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN PASSING

Player	Att-Com-Int	Pct.	Yards	FD	TD	Long	Sacked
Cody Hawkins.....	153-77- 7	50.3	846	51	7	31	5/38
Nick Nelson.....	4- 2- 0	50.0	16	1	0	10	1/ 6
Matt DiLallo .....	1- 0- 0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0/ 0

THIRD-FOURTH DOWN RECEIVING

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	FD	TD	Long
Tyson DeVree.....	14	140	10.0	9	4	27
Dusty Sprague .....	13	169	13.0	9	0	27
Patrick Williams .....	12	127	10.6	9	0	18
Scotty McKnight.....	9	96	10.7	5	1	31
Hugh Charles .....	7	65	9.3	5	0	13
Josh Smith.....	5	91	18.2	5	0	30
Kendrick Celestine .....	5	51	10.2	3	0	23
Riar Geer .....	4	42	10.5	2	2	28t
Cody Crawford.....	2	25	12.5	1	0	20
Stephone Robinson.....	2	22	11.0	2	0	13
Joe Sanders.....	2	13	6.5	1	0	9
Demetrius Sumler .....	2	9	4.5	1	0	5
Samson Jagoras.....	1	8	8.0	0	0	8
Byron Ellis.....	1	4	4.0	0	0	4

By Opponent (2)	Player	Play
Arizona State	Troy Nolan	26 interception return
Kansas State	Courtney Herndon	6 blocked punt return

Team Bests/Highs

MOST FIRST DOWNS— 33, vs. Miami-Ohio  
MOST RUSHING ATTEMPTS— 63, vs. Miami-Ohio  
MOST RUSHING YARDS— 359, vs. Miami-Ohio  
MOST PASS ATTEMPTS— 54, vs. Florida State  
MOST COMPLETIONS— 34, vs. Florida State  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS THROWN— 3, at Kansas State  
MOST PASSING YARDS— 306, vs. Florida State  
MOST OFFENSIVE PLAYS— 93, vs. Miami-Ohio  
MOST TOTAL OFFENSE— 634, vs. Miami-Ohio  
FEWEST FUMBLES— 0, vs. Nebraska  
MOST FUMBLES— 5, vs. Missouri (2 lost)  
FEWEST TURNOVERS— 0, at Texas Tech; vs. Nebraska  
MOST TURNOVERS— 4, at Kansas State  
MOST TIME OF POSSESSION— 40:24, vs. Miami-Ohio  
LONGEST TOUCHDOWN DRIVE— 92 yards (6 plays), at Iowa State  
LONGEST FIELD GOAL DRIVE— 70 yards (9 plays), at Kansas State

Defensive Bests

FEWEST FIRST DOWNS ALLOWED— 6, by Miami-Ohio  
FEWEST RUSHING ATTEMPTS ALLOWED— 12, by Texas Tech  
FEWEST RUSHING YARDS ALLOWED— 39, by Texas Tech  
FEWEST PASS ATTEMPTS ALLOWED— 18, by Florida State  
FEWEST PASS COMPLETIONS ALLOWED— 8, by Florida State & Oklahoma  
FEWEST PASSING YARDS ALLOWED— 95, by Miami-Ohio  
MOST INTERCEPTIONS— 4, at Texas Tech  
FEWEST TOTAL PLAYS ALLOWED— 46, by Oklahoma  
FEWEST TOTAL YARDS ALLOWED— 139, by Miami-Ohio  
MOST FUMBLES FORCED— 2, at Arizona State, vs. Kansas  
MOST TURNOVERS GAINED— 4, at Texas Tech  
MOST PASSES BROKEN UP— 12, vs. Nebraska  
MOST QUARTERBACK SACKS— 3, on four occasions  
MOST QUARTERBACK HURRIES— 9, at Texas Tech  
MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS— 10, vs. Colorado State, vs. Florida State

## OFFENSIVE LINE STATISTICS

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			
HARRISON .....	60	73	79	56	64	47	58	67	44	42	65	68	723	68.0	3	1½	5	3	95% / Texas Tech	8 / Colorado State	7 (3)	0			
HEAD .....	60	73	79	70	82	69	19	11	27	19	10	18	537	38.5	2	1	8	3	86% / Florida State	8 / Miami-Ohio	5 (2)	0			
MAIAVA .....	—	—	—	40	70	47	77	70	71	55	69	76	575	74.0	5	2	8	3	92% / Iowa State	12 / Oklahoma	3 (2)	4			
MILLER .....	—	—	—	37	18	22	77	78	71	58	72	81	514	54.0	3	1	11	4	83% / Oklahoma	8.5 / Nebraska	4 (0)	0			
PALAZZI .....	60	73	79	76	12	22	—	8	—	—	—	—	330	26.0	0	1½	9	2	77% / Baylor	7.5 / Arizona State	0 (0)	0			
POLUMBUS .....	60	73	79	93	82	69	77	78	71	58	72	81	893	68.0	4	1	9	4	97% / Nebraska	10 / Baylor	10 (3)	1			
D. SANDERS .....	60	73	79	83	82	69	77	78	71	58	72	81	883	88.5	5	0	5	2	91% / Iowa State	14.5 / Texas Tech	8 (3)	3			
STEVENS .....	—	—	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	1.0	0	0	0	0	80% / Miami-Ohio	1 / Miami-Ohio	1 (0)	0			

**KEY:** Play count in bold indicates game grade of 80 percent or better; KD—Knockdown block (can be split between players; if column doesn't add up to whole number, then was split with a tight end); TDB—Touchdown Blocks (direct); QBS—Quarterback Sacks Allowed; PRS—Pressures Allowed; PEN—Penalties.

**FG/PAT TEAM PLAY COUNT (66):** Jagoras 66, Polumbus 66, D. Sanders 66, J. Sanders 66, Solder 66, Geer 62, Harrison 43, Miller 38, Head 30, Palazzi 19, Devenny 6

(Snappers: Drescher 66; Holders: McKnight 66; Kickers: Eberhart 66); includes one play where penalty was accepted and a FG taken off the board and two at end of ISU.

**PUNT TEAM SNAPS (64, includes fakes):** Drescher 64.

## GAME-BY-GAME INDIVIDUAL CHARTS

## RUSHING

	CHARLES			ELLIS			HAWKINS			LOCKRIDGE			MOYD			SUMLER			WILLIAMS			HAWKINS			NELSON			CELESTINE		
Opponent	Att	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	Att	Yds	TD	A-C-I	Yds	TD	A-C-I	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD
Colorado State .....	0	0	0	3	4	0	3	2	0	----	DNP	----	1	9	0	16	85	1	2	24	0	31-18-1	201	2	----	DNP	----	0	0	0
Arizona State .....	----	INJ	----	2	0	0	2	-7	0	----	DNP	----	1	-2	0	16	34	0	1	-2	0	43-16-1	162	1	3- 1-0	10	0	0	0	0
Florida State .....	4	9	0	1	0	0	3	-12	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	14	0	0	0	0	53-34-2	306	1	----	DNP	----	0	0	0
Miami-Ohio .....	17	123	1	5	13	0	2	8	1	14	90	1	2	9	0	14	91	1	1	5	0	30-19-2	275	2	0- 0-0	0	0	1	37	0
Oklahoma .....	24	110	1	5	29	0	3	-8	0	----	INJ	----	0	0	0	13	37	0	0	0	0	36-22-2	220	2	----	DNP	----	2	25	0
Baylor .....	19	109	0	1	0	0	2	-5	0	3	15	0	----	INJ	----	15	38	2	0	0	0	26-17-1	293	2	----	DNP	----	2	31	0
Kansas State .....	22	171	1	1	14	0	3	-5	0	3	0	0	----	INJ	----	3	5	0	0	0	0	41-19-3	223	1	----	DNP	----	0	0	0
Kansas .....	11	39	0	3	12	0	6	-18	0	4	23	0	----	INJ	----	4	6	0	2	10	0	44-27-2	287	2	----	DNP	----	3	24	0
Texas Tech.....	20	121	1	6	23	0	5	20	0	2	10	0	----	INJ	----	7	19	0	0	0	0	26-15-0	123	2	----	DNP	----	0	0	0
Missouri.....	14	55	0	1	2	1	4	4	0	3	12	0	----	DNP	----	3	6	0	0	0	0	25-12-1	100	0	3- 2-0	12	0	0	0	0
Iowa State .....	21	83	1	0	0	0	2	-5	1	5	61	0	----	DNP	----	1	0	0	0	0	0	40-23-0	262	2	----	DNP	----	----	DNP	----
Nebraska .....	33	169	3	4	34	1	5	15	1	----	DNP	----	0	0	0	----	DNP	----	0	0	0	29-17-0	241	2	----	DNP	----	3	34	0

## RECEIVING

Opponent	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD	No	Yds	TD							
Colorado State.....	1	15	0	0	0	0	1	10	1	-2	0	0	8	106	1	0	0	0	1	9	0	----INJ----	0	0	0	5	59	0						
Arizona State.....	----	INJ----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	32	0	6	63	1	1	2	0	3	35	0	2	14	0	3	22	0				
Florida State.....	5	41	0	3	19	0	4	55	1	-2	0	0	4	14	0	6	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	40	0	2	28	0	4	25	0	
Miami-Ohio.....	0	0	0	2	27	0	2	20	1	1	9	0	0	0	0	3	60	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	3	44	0	2	21	0	0	0	0	
Oklahoma.....	5	48	0	0	0	0	3	20	1	2	8	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	33	0	2	30	1	4	43	0	
Baylor.....	2	13	0	0	0	0	----	INJ----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16	0	1	13	0	0	0	0	2	103	0	5	95	1	2	10	0	
Kansas State.....	1	9	0	1	6	0	3	40	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	6	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	70	0	3	14	0	1	13	0	
Kansas.....	1	5	0	1	21	0	7	90	1	2	7	1	2	10	0	2	13	0	----	DNP-----	0	0	0	0	4	53	0	2	14	0	3	50	0	
Texas Tech.....	5	26	1	0	0	0	1	6	0	1	4	0	2	13	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	56	0	0	0	0	2	12	0	
Missouri.....	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	3	8	0	1	11	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	4	43	0	2	27	0
Iowa State.....	2	40	0	0	0	0	2	9	0	0	0	0	3	40	1	5	54	1	2	15	0	2	17	0	3	32	0	4	55	0	0	0	0	
Nebraska.....	1	33	0	0	0	0	4	51	1	0	0	0	1	8	0	3	34	1	1	35	0	0	0	0	2	20	0	1	22	0	1	4	0	

## DEFENSIVE

Opponent	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	PD	Other	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	PD	Other	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	PD	Other	
Colorado State .....	1, 1—2	0—0	.....	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	1, 0—1	0	.....	5, 1—6	1—1	.....	4, 1—5	0	.....	17, 5—22	1—2	FF,3DS	7, 2—9	0	1-3DS	
Arizona State .....	3, 0—3	0—0	1-TZ	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	2, 0—2	1	0	.....	2, 3—5	0—0	TZ,3DS	4, 4—8	0	.....	14, 3—17	3-14	4-3DS	6, 5—11	1	3-3DS
Florida State .....	1, 0—1	0—0	3DS,TZ	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	0, 0—2	1	0	.....	0, 1—1	0—0	.....	2, 2—4	0	TFL	9, 3—12	0—0	3DS,TZ	4, 2—6	0	QBH
Miami-Ohio .....	1, 0—1	0—0	PBU	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	1, 0—1	1	3DS	.....	.....	.....	2, 1—3	1	3DS	3, 2—5	10—0	2-3DS	5, 1—6	0	.....	
Oklahoma .....	3, 1—4	1-2	TZ,3DS	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	0, 0—0	0	3DS,QH	.....	.....	.....	3, 2—5	1	.....	8, 5—13	1—8	3DS,QBS	5, 1—6	0	INT,3DS	
Baylor .....	1, 0—1	1—1	INT,QH	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	2, 0—2	4	3DS	.....	.....	.....	1, 0—1	1	3DS	11, 4—15	2—6	INT,2-3DS	7, 1—8	0	TDS	
Kansas State .....	5, 0—5	1-7	3DS,PD	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	2, 1—3	1	3DS	.....	.....	.....	6, 1—7	1	3-3DS	9, 4—10	0—0	3-TZ, 3DS	5, 2—7	0	TDS	
Kansas .....	2, 1—3	1-6	QBS,TZ	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	5, 2—7	1	TFL	.....	.....	.....	3, 1—4	0	.....	9, 5—14	1—1	2-3DS	4, 4—8	0	FF	
Texas Tech. ....	1, 0—1	0—0	QBH	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	7, 2—9	1	2-3DS	.....	.....	.....	5, 1—6	0	TFL	10, 2—12	0—0	INT/TD,3H	4, 1—5	1	3-QBH	
Missouri .....	2, 2—4	1-2	BLK (P)	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	11, 1—12	1	2-3DS	.....	.....	.....	3, 4—7	1	TFZ	8, 2—10	3-11	QBS,QBH	3, 2—5	0	FF	
Iowa State .....	7, 1—8	0—0	2-3DS	.....	DNP	.....	0, 0—0	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	3, 0—3	1	3DS, QD	10, 1—11	0—0	3-3DS, 3-TZ	6, 2—8	1	TFZ	
Nebraska .....	2, 1—3	1-4	BLK (P)	0, 0—0	0—0	.....	3, 2—5	2	INT,2-3D	.....	.....	.....	1, 1—2	2	3DS	12, 4—16	0—0	3DS,TZ,PD	4, 0—4	0	.....	

Opponent	UT,AT-TK	PD	Other	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT,AT-TK	PD	Other												
Colorado State	-----ST ONLY-----			-----ST ONLY-----			5, 1	6	3-13	QBS	3, 5	8	0	0	1-3DS	-----SUSP-----			6, 2	8	2-16	2-QBS	1, 0	1	0	-----				
Arizona State	1, 0	1	0	-----	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	2, 0	2	0-0	TZ	7, 3	10	0	0	2-3DS	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	2, 1	3	0	0	-----	0, 0	0	0	-----
Florida State	-----INJ-----			-----ST ONLY-----			8, 2	10	3-15	2-3DS	1, 0	1	0	0	3DS,PD	-----DNP-----			3, 0	3	1-1	3DS	1, 0	1	0	3DS				
Miami-Ohio	0, 0	0	0	-----	2, 0	2	1-4	-----	0, 0	0	0	QBH	4, 2	6	1-2	2-3DS	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	1, 0	1	0	0	3DS, H	0, 0	0	0	-----	
Oklahoma	1, 1	2	0	-----	-----ST ONLY-----			1, 0	1	0-0	-----	4, 0	4	0	0	TZ	-----DNP-----			1, 0	1	0-0	TZ	0, 0	0	0	-----			
Baylor	3, 0	3	0	-----	0, 1	1	0-0	QBH	2, 1	3	0-0	3DS,PD	3, 2	5	0	0	-----	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	4, 0	4	0	TFL	
Kansas State	1, 0	1	0	-----	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	6, 0	6	1-3	3DS,2H	4, 3	7	0	0	TZ,3DS	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	2, 0	2	0	0	-----	1, 0	1	0	-----
Kansas	0, 0	0	0	-----	-----ST ONLY-----			1, 2	3	0-0	TZ,QH	5, 3	8	0	0	QBH	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	2, 0	2	0	-----		
Texas Tech.	0, 0	0	0	-----	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	1, 0	1	1-7	3DS,H	3, 4	7	1-3	QBS,H	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	1, 0	1	1-1	-----	4, 0	4	0	-----		
Missouri	4, 0	4	0	QBS	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	1, 2	3	0-0	INT	4, 5	9	1-2	QBH	0, 1	1	0-0	-----	3, 1	4	1-1	-----	1, 0	1	3	3DS		
Iowa State	5, 4	9	0	INT	1, 0	1	0-0	TFZ	7, 1	8	3-15	2-TZ	3, 0	3	0	0	3DS,PBU	-----DNP-----			3, 2	5	0	0	2-TZ, PD	1, 0	1	0	-----	
Nebraska	3, 0	3	1	INT	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	0, 1	1	0-0	QBH	4, 0	4	1-5	QBS,TZ	0, 0	0	0-0	-----	2, 0	2	0	0	QBH	1, 0	1	2	FF	

Opponent	UT	AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT	AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT	AT-TK	TFL	Other	UT	AT-TK	PD	Other	UT	AT-TK	PD	Other									
Colorado State .....	4	1	-5	2-3 3-3DS	-----SUSP-----	0	0	0 0-0	.....	2	3	-5	0 0-0 2-3DS	8	8	-16	0	1-3DS	4	2	-6	0	INT						
Arizona State .....	2	1	-3	1-7 3DS	-----SUSP-----	2	0	-2 0-0 3DS	.....	3	3	-6	1-1 FF,FR	3	4	-7	2	FF,3DS	1	0	-1	2	INT/TD						
Florida State .....	5	1	-6	3-10 3DS	-----SUSP-----	-----DNP-----	3	4	-7	2-4 3DS	2	4	-6	0 3DS,TZ	2	0	-2	1	QBH	.....	.....	.....	.....						
Miami-Ohio .....	2	1	-3	1-1 2-3DS	2	1	-3	0 0-0 TFZ	.....	3	2	-5	1-1 3DS	4	1	-5	0 0-0 TFZ	1	2	-3	1	.....	.....	.....					
Oklahoma .....	1	0	-1	0-0 PBU	0	0	-0	0-0	.....	0	0	-0	0-0	.....	4	1	-5	0-0 3DS,2H	1	1	-2	0	INT	2	1	-3	1	3DS	
Baylor .....	1	0	-1	0-0	.....	2	0	-2 2-4	.....	1	0	-1	0-0	.....	6	4	-10	0 0-0 4DS,PD	1	1	-2	0	FR	4	0	-4	1	FF	
Kansas State .....	3	1	-4	0-0 0-TFZ	0	0	-0	0-0	.....	1	2	-3	0-0 PBU	.....	2	3	-5	0-0 3DS,PQ	2	0	-2	0	.....	5	2	-7	1	QCD	
Kansas .....	4	0	-4	2-8 TZ,3DS	1	0	-1	0-0	.....	-----DNP-----	7	3	-10	1-1 FR,PBU	1	3	-4	0	FF,3DS	3	3	-6	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Texas Tech .....	3	0	-3	1-2 QBS,TZ	0	0	-0	0-0	.....	0	0	-0	0-0	.....	3	4	-7	0 0-0	.....	4	3	-7	0	.....	7	0	-7	1	3-INT
Missouri .....	1	1	-2	0-0 TZ	0	0	-0	0-0	.....	1	0	-1	0-0	.....	5	2	-7	0-0 3DS,PBU	4	3	-7	1	.....	4	1	-5	0	TFZ	
Iowa State .....	3	1	-4	1-2 2-TZ, H	0	0	-0	0-0	.....	0	1	-1	0-0	.....	0	7	-7	0-0	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----
Nebraska .....	0	2	-2	0-0 3DS,TZ	0	1	-1	0-0	.....	-----DNP-----	4	2	-6	0-0 TZ,PBU	4	3	-7	1	.....	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----	-----INJ-----



## DRIVE ENGINEERING

Quarterback	Drives										Points	Pts./	Quarterback		**Directing Offense		
	Started	TD	FG	FGA	PNT	DWN	TRN	SAF	CLK	RPL			Drive	Efficiency*	Plays	Yards	Avg.
CODY HAWKINS .....	162	38	15	8	59	11	24	0	7	0	310	<b>1.91</b>	32.7%	39.4%	854	4501	5.3
NICK NELSON.....	6	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	<b>0.00</b>	0.0%	0.0%	27	97	3.6
COLORADO .....	168	38	15	8	63	11	24	0	9	(0)	310	<b>1.85</b>	31.5%	38.4%	881	4598	5.2
OPPONENTS.....	167	42	16	3	71	7	18	0	10	(0)	340	<b>2.04</b>	34.7%	38.9%	825	4678	5.7

[\*—second number is the percentage the QB has put his team in position to score, allowing for missed field goals and minus drives ended by the clock. \*\*—excludes kneel-downs, spiked passes and fake/muffed punt plays when not actually directing offense: CU 12-(-74), Opponent 5-(-5)].

## KICKOFF ANALYSIS

Kicker	No.										Opp.	OSY	Ret.	ASY	Ret.
	Total	Ret.	FC	MF	NA	TB	In20/25	EZ+	OB	OnS	SQB				
TYLER COPE.....	58	49	0	0	1	6	5/22	4	2	(0)	(1)	1646	1416	O28	O29
KEVIN EBERHART.....	5	4	0	0	0	0	0/1	0	1	(1)	(0)	141	106	O28	O27
OPPONENTS.....	66	58	1	0	0	6	10/23	3	1	(1)	(1)	1816	1619	C28	C28

(KEY: MF—muffed; NA—no attempt at a return; EZ+—through or over end zone; OSY—Opponent Starting Yardline; Ret—averages using returned kicks only. OnSides (OnS), short squibs (SQB) and free kicks are omitted in figuring the above; out-of-bounds are not; returns may not add to team totals due to those credited on on-side kicks; free kicks following safeties NOT included.) **FREE KICKS:** none.

## FIRST DOWN TENDENCIES

Team	Rushing-----			*Passing-----			Overall-----			Times Gained-----					Miscellany-----				Second Half		
	Plays	Yards	Avg.	Plays	Yards	Avg.	Plays	Yards	Avg.	20+	10+	5+	2-	0	Neg.	TD	QBS	TO	Att	Yds	Avg.
COLORADO .....	227	993	4.4	155	1015	6.5	382	2008	<b>5.26</b>	28	63	149	173	82	39	12	8	8	198	1100	5.56
Opponents .....	188	927	4.9	183	1399	7.6	371	2326	<b>6.27</b>	27	85	162	165	84	33	15	7	6	183	1052	5.75

(\*—kept like the NFL in that quarterback sacks are deducted from passing to present the accurate picture.)

## YARDS GAINED ANALYSIS

Team	1st Down-----			2nd Down-----			3rd Down-----			4th Down-----			Season-----			*By Quarter-----				Opp. Territory-----			Breakdown--		
	Att	Yards	Avg.	Att	Yards	Avg.	Att	Yards	Avg.	Att	Yards	Avg.	Att	Yards	Avg.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Att	Yards	Avg.	+	0	-
COLORADO .....	382	2008	5.3	291	1562	5.4	194	855	4.4	26	99	3.8	<b>893</b>	<b>4524</b>	<b>5.07</b>	1240	1116	1158	1003	393	1742	4.4	577	240	75
Opponents .....	371	2326	6.3	270	1284	4.8	173	968	5.6	16	95	5.9	<b>830</b>	<b>4673</b>	<b>5.63</b>	979	1469	1209	1000	383	1986	5.2	526	230	74

\*—Overtime Yards: Colorado 7, Opponent 16. **Drives In Opponent Territory (minus those with 50+scores):** Colorado 97/168 (57.7%, 18.0 yards per drive); Opp. 91/164 (55.5%, 21.8 ypd).

## THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY ANALYSIS

	3rd Down and-----														Second				
Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11-14	15-19	20+	Rush	Pass	Half	Total	Pct.	
COLORADO .....	11-17	8-18	10-22	3-17	4-11	5-11	4-16	7-17	4-10	5-16	3-19	3-16	0- 4	21-50	46-144	31-97	<b>67-194</b>	34.5	
Opponents .....	8-12	7-12	6-14	4-12	5-13	3-11	6-15	10-21	3-10	2-13	5-22	1-14	0- 4	15-43	45-130	30-88	<b>60-173</b>	34.7	

**AVERAGE YARDS TO GO:** Colorado 7.2 (194/1395); Opponents 7.8 (173/1344). **SECOND DOWN EFFICIENCY:** Colorado 89-291 (30.6%; 1-4 yds: 35-62), Opponent 77-270 (28.5%; 1-4 yds: 38-58).

## TURNOVER ANALYSIS

Location	Opp			Pct./	Own Territory-----										Opponent Territory-----					By Quarter-----					Last 2 Min./OT**	
Team	TO	PTS	(TD,FG)	Pts.	EZ/G-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	49-60	39-30	29-20	19-10	9-G/EZ	Total (TD*)	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	1st-H	2nd-H				
COLORADO .....	25	81	(10, 4)	22.9 (353)	0	1	1	1	7	3	5	3	2	2	= 25 (1)	5	7	7	6	0	2 (2)	1 (0)				
Opponents .....	21	84	(12, 0)	25.4 (331)	0	1	2	3	6	3	2	1	2	1	= 21 (3)	6	4	4	6	1	0 (0)	1 (1)				

**First Offensive Play After Gaining Turnover:** Colorado 18-79, 4.4 avg., 23 long, 1 TD (12-24 rush/6-4-0, 55 pass/2 10+); Opponent: 23-165, 7.2, 68 long, 2 TD (14-109 rush/9-5-0, 56 pass/3 10+).

(\*—interception or fumble returns for a touchdown; \*\*—number in parenthesis is number of turnovers in last 2-minutes while team is protecting lead or trying to tie or go ahead.)

## YARDS LOST DUE TO PENALTIES

	Colorado	Opponent
Times Penalized After Offensive Gain.....	10	8
Yards Lost Due To Penalties.....	161	151
Touchdowns Cost.....	2	0
First Downs Lost.....	7	5

## GOAL-TO-GO SITUATIONS

Team	Summary-----										GTG Plays-----			1-Yard Line	
	Total	TD	FG	FGA	TO	DWN	CLK	Plays	TDs	Pct.	Plays	TDs	Pct.	Plays	TDs
COLORADO.....	29	24	1	2	2	0	0	52	24	46.2	10	7			
OPPONENTS.....	18	13	3	0	1	0	1	43	13	30.2	0	0			

## EXPANDED PUNTING

Player	Punts	Yards	Avg.	Spot	Ret.	Yards	Return	Return	Returned	Avg.	In20/10/5	TB	FC	60+	No.	Yds.	Avg.	No.Yards	No.	Yds.	Avg.
MATT DiLALLO.....	61	2447	40.11	C36	29	200	6.9	44	52.5	35.85	22/4/3	3	13	0	12	522	43.5	8-311	53	2136	40.3
TOM SUAZO.....	1	48	48.00	C20	0	0	0.0	0	100.0	48.00	0/0/0	0	3	0	1	48	48.0	0- 0	1	48	48.0
(Average Spot—the yardline where punts average from: DiLallo 61/2194; Suazo 1/20)																					

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## AVERAGE STARTING FIELD POSITION

	Colorado	Opponent
Drives Started .....	168	167
Cumulative Starting Yardlines .....	5730	5388
Average Field Position.....	C34	O32
Drives Started In Plus Territory.....	31	23
Scores/TD,FG.....	18/11,7	14/9,5
FGA/Punts/Downs/Clock.....	4/3/0/1	0/4/1/1
Turnovers/Ran Out Clock.....	3/2	1/2
Points.....	97	78
Drives Started Inside/At Own 20 .....	30 (20/10)	45 (29/16)
Points Scored (TD) .....	77 (11)	54 (6)

## SCORING PERCENTAGE INSIDE-THE-20 (Red Zone)

	Colorado	Opponent
Times Penetrated Opponent 20.....	44	43
Total Scores .....	36	39
Touchdowns (Rush/Pass).....	30 (16/14)	27 (13/14)
Field Goals-Attempts .....	6-10	12-12
Turnovers/Downs/Punts/Clock .....	3/1/0/0	1/1/0/2
Scores From Outside the 20/TD,FG .....	17/8.9	19/15.4
Scoring Percentage (TD Pct.).....	81.8 (68.2)	90.7 (62.8)
Total Red Zone Plays/Yards (Avg.) .....	125/337 (2.7)	117/374 (3.2)
Third Down Efficiency .....	8-24/33.3	7-25/28.0
Fourth Down Efficiency.....	4-5/80.0	3-4/75.0
*Ran Out Clock Not Trying To Score.....	1	0

(\*—not included in total count above; the 20 IS NOT in the Red Zone)

## FIRST DOWNS EARNED

Player	Rush				Pass				Rec.				Total (3/4)	
	9	123	0	—	132	(63)			39	0	15	—	54	(11)
CODY HAWKINS.....	9	123	0	—	132	(63)			39	0	15	—	54	(11)
HUGH CHARLES .....	0	0	20	—	20	(6)			0	0	16	—	20	(6)
SCOTTY McKNIGHT .....	4	0	16	—	20	(6)			1	0	18	—	19	(6)
DUSTY SPRAGUE.....	2	0	15	—	17	(9)			0	0	16	—	16	(12)
JOSH SMITH .....	13	0	2	—	15	(5)			0	0	16	—	16	(12)
PATRICK WILLIAMS.....	10	0	0	—	10	(3)			6	0	2	—	8	(2)
TYSON DeVREE .....	2	0	7	—	9	(4)			0	0	4	—	4	(3)
DEMETRIUS SUMLER .....	6	0	2	—	8	(2)			0	0	4	—	4	(3)
BRIAN LOCKRIDGE .....	3	1	0	—	4	(2)			0	0	4	—	4	(2)
KENDRICK CELESTINE ..	0	0	2	—	2	(0)			0	0	2	—	2	(1)
BYRON ELLIS .....	0	0	2	—	2	(0)			1	0	0	—	1	(0)
RIAR GEER.....	0	0	1	—	1	(1)			0	0	1	—	1	(1)
NICK NELSON .....														
STEPHON ROBINSON..														
CODY CRAWFORD.....														
NATE SOLDER.....														
JAKE BEHRENS.....														
JOE SANDERS .....														

## FUMBLES

Player	No-Lost
DiLALLO	1-0
ELLIS	1-0
NELSON	1-0
ROBINSON	1-0
WHEATLEY	1-0
McBRIDE	2-0
R.BROWN	1-1
JAGORAS	1-1
J.SANDERS	1-1
WILLIAMS	1-1
CHARLES	2-2
HAWKINS	6-2
CENTER SNAP	7-2