



Bufs to host NCAA skiing championship in 2010

National meet will be at Steamboat

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The University of Colorado last won an NCAA skiing title in 2006, when the Bufs hosted the meet in Steamboat Springs.

While the Bufs surely hope to capture their next title this season, they'll at least have the chance to repeat the magic of 2006 in 2010. The NCAA announced Tuesday that CU will host the 2010 national championships in Steamboat Springs.

"The University of Colorado is excited and honored to bring the NCAA Skiing Championships back to Colorado," CU athletic director Mike Bohn said in a statement. "This is another great opportunity for the University and the state of Colorado to demonstrate the commitment to the sport of skiing. We look forward to hosting the championships and providing a first-class experience for all the other universities and student-athletes who will be participating."

The NCAA says slalom and Nordic events will be at Howelsen Hill and giant slalom will be at Mount Werner at the Steamboat Mountain Resort March 10-13.

"It was a pleasure to work with everybody in Steamboat in 2006 and we should be able to build on our existing relationships and structure and put together an even better championship in 2010," CU ski coach Richard Rokos said.

The Bufs also hosted the 1993 championships in Steamboat. The resort was also host in 1968, 1969 and 1979.

The 2009 championships are scheduled for March 11-14 at Bethel and Rumford, Maine.



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Big 12 honors CU's Russell

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Kate Russell's start to her Colorado soccer career continued to rise on Tuesday when the freshman midfielder was named the Big 12 newcomer of the week.

Russell received the honor for scoring the game-winning goal in a 3-2 win at Texas Tech on Friday and notching an assist in a 3-0 home win over San Francisco on Sunday.

The Silver Creek graduate is tied with Nikki Marshall for most points on the team with five. Russell has two goals and one assist this season.

Russell became the fifth Buffalo to earn Big 12 newcomer of the week honors, joining Marshall (three times in 2006) and Kara Linder (Aug. 29, 2006), Fran Munnely (Sept. 24, 2002) and Orly Ripmaster (Oct. 7, 2003).

Colorado (2-1-1) returns to action at noon on Sunday against James Madison.



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