

Ingles: Buffs game may decide bowl berth

Colorado will be ready to play Saturday because they think this game will decide which of the two teams will go to a major bowl and it could do that, said Guy Ingles, a graduate assistant coach on the Nebraska freshman football team.

Ingles traveled to Boulder, Col. last Saturday to scout the Buffaloes' 17-13 victory over previously unbeaten Missouri. Colorado is 5-2 (losing to Louisiana State University (17-6) and Oklahoma (34-7), and defeating Wisconsin (28-25), Baylor (52-28), Iowa State (23-16) and Air Force (38-17).

"Colorado shouldn't have lost to LSU," Ingles said. "And they gave away 19 points to Oklahoma."

Offensively, the Buffaloes will run out of the I slot and pro I formations, he said.

"Their I-slot formation is like our offense," he said. "And their pro-I formation, with two receivers and a flanker, is similar to Kansas, except Colorado doesn't have the passing game that Kansas has."

Colorado's quarterback is sophomore Clyde Crutcher. Ingles said he is a good scrambling quarterback who also can pass well. After seven games, Crutcher has rushed for 198 yards in 49 carries and has completed 32 of 53 passes for 459 yards. He has thrown three touchdowns passes.

Ingles said the Buffaloes have "some of the conference's best running backs" in two seniors, fullback Charlie Davis and fullback Bo Matthews. Another running back who started earlier this year was freshman Billy Waddy.

So far this year, Waddy has 372

yards in 68 carries. Matthews has 339 yards in 56 carries and Davis has 261 yards in 56 carries.

Colorado's offensive line is led by center William McDonald. Colorado Head Coach Eddie Crowder has said McDonald now will get the recognition he deserves with Oklahoma's Tom Brahaney and Nebraska's Doug Dumler.

Receiving for the Buffaloes are senior J.V. Cain, tight end, and J.B. Dean, split end, and sophomore wingback David Logan. Ingles described Cain and Logan as "big play people."

After seven games, Cain has 10 catches for 237 yards and two touchdowns. Logan has 13 catches for 200 yards and three touchdowns and Dean has four catches for 56 yards.

Collectively, Colorado will use a

five man front, two linebackers and four defensive secondary men. Ingles said the Buffalo defense is "experienced, but aggressive and seems more disciplined than in the past."

Leading tacklers for Colorado are junior linebackers Jeff Geiser with 85 total tackles, 28 of them unassisted, and Ed Shoen with 65 tackles, 27 of them unassisted.

Nebraska split end Frosty Anderson, who has been out for three weeks with a shoulder dislocation, will return to the Husker lineup to test Colorado's defensive secondary. The Buffalo secondary has 14 interceptions to the Huskers' 11.

The game will begin at 1:30 in Memorial Stadium. The 13th-ranked Huskers lead in the series 19-11-1 and last year beat Colorado in Boulder 33-10.



The UNL soccer team closes its season with an eight-team tournament Sunday in Memorial Stadium. Sixteen games will be played, starting at 8 a.m.

Husker frosh face unbeaten Colorado

Colorado and Nebraska will send their freshman teams against each other for the first time ever this afternoon, with the Baby Buffs hoping to continue a long winning streak and the Husker frosh hoping to start another one.

Colorado's freshmen haven't lost since 1968 and are riding a 20 game win streak, including a 4-0 mark this season. The Nebraska tilt will be their season finale.

Coach Jim Ross' Huskers, whose 15-game win string was stopped by Missouri earlier this season, will be playing at home for the first time this year in the 1:30 contest at Memorial Stadium. They are coming off a 13-3 win over the Oklahoma freshman team and have a 2-1 record.

The Husker defense, led by linebacker King Block, has been a strong point all season. It has allowed only 29 first downs and averages of 135 yards rushing and 47 yards passing to three opponents. The Huskers have not been scored upon in the fourth quarter.

Offensively, Ross again will call on quarterback Randy Garcia to lead an attack that is averaging 269 total yards a game.

Garcia is the individual team leader in total offense and has connected on nearly 65 per cent of his passes for 249 yards and two touchdowns.

His leading receiver is split end Rocke Loken, who has latched onto 14 passes for 198 yards and one touchdown.

Other individual leaders are I-back Dave Gillespie in rushing and Block in scoring. Block has 13 points on three field goals (tying a freshman record) and four extra points.

Colorado, coached by baseball mentor Irv Brown, is led by quarterback Tom Tesone, a high school All-American who leads the team in passing, ranks third in rushing and also returns kickoffs and punts.

The Huskers have beaten Kansas State 10-7, in addition to the win over Oklahoma and the 24-22 loss to Missouri.

The Nebraska freshmen will close their season Nov. 9 against the Iowa State frosh in Memorial Stadium.

Sprained ligaments spoil start for sophomore back O'Leary

As for a Nebraska sophomore I back John O'Leary, a sprained ligament, it only happens in the movie.

I'm sure you've seen the picture more than once. The college football player gets his first start, plays sporadically and scores the winning touchdown.

O'Leary got his first start last week against Oklahoma State University, and for a while, it looked like he was going to win his Academy Award. That is, until he got hurt.

On Nebraska's first offensive possession of the game, O'Leary carried the ball four times for 26 yards or almost seven yards a carry.

Then on the Cornhuskers' first play of its third offensive possession, the native of Port Washington, N.Y., carried for three yards and at the same time sprained ligaments in his left knee.

"I was really mad. But it was one of those things which you can't say or do anything about," he said.

O'Leary carried the ball only three more times during the game and finished with 40 yards in eight carries.

Although O'Leary wouldn't make a prediction for the Nebraska-Colorado game, I will bet he will say that a high conference standing and a future major bowl bid are at

stake Saturday and the Huskers aren't going to let those opportunities slip away. I pick Nebraska, 24-10.

My predictions on other Big 8 games: Oklahoma 42, Iowa State 14, at Norman, Okla. That is, if the Sooners (2-0 in conference, 5-0 overall) hold down the score. The Cyclone: 10-3 in conference, 2-4 overall.

bill bennett on the bench

As the seventh-ranked defensive team in the league, but won't stop Oklahoma's top-ranked offensive team.

Missouri 24, Kansas State 14, in Columbia, Mo. The Tigers (2-1 in conference, 6-1 overall) need more offensive punch, or they could lose this game.

Oklahoma State 24, Kansas 21, at Lubbock, Okla. It will be the run vs. the pass as the Cowboys' 10-1-1 in conference, 3-2-1 overall, warhorse attack challenges the Jayhawks' (2-1 in conference, 5-2 overall) passing game.



Senior Lynn Hall will lead the UNL cross country team in the Big 8 Cross Country Tournament Saturday at Norman, Oklahoma.



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