

# Sluggish Buffalo offense assures Husker victory

By Kevin Warneke

The 1982-83 men's basketball season will go down in the history books as a winning season thanks to a sluggish Colorado offense.

By defeating the Buffaloes 68-56 Saturday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center, Nebraska assured its 10th consecutive winning season.

Nebraska's offense could not get in gear at the beginning of the game and fell behind 18-15, with less than half of the first period remaining.

But the Nebraska defense held tough as Colorado went 6:27 without a basket. Then Colorado's Rob Gonzalez slipped through to hit a jumper from the left side with 2:14 remaining in the half.

Meanwhile, Nebraska racked up a 32-19 lead behind the shooting of Greg Downing.

"We started out awfully slow tonight. We couldn't

move offensively," Nebraska Coach Moe Iba said. "We spurted and then played pretty well."

Nebraska dominated the second half, allowing Colorado to pull within eight points on only two occasions.

The game marked the re-emergence of Lenard Johnson in the pivot position. Johnson, who only two weeks earlier had contemplated hanging up his jersey, tallied nine points in eight minutes of playing time.

"He did awfully well," Iba said. "I thought we needed some defense on the other end of the floor. He gave us that, plus some offense."

Johnson, who was perfect from the floor as well as the line, was not worried about his lack of practice at the center position.

"It's been a long time since I've played center," he said. "It's like my home in there in the middle, so I don't really need the practice."

The Huskers were led in scoring by Claude Renfro,

whose 13 points marked a new career high. Dave Hoppen and Downing each added 12 points to aid the Husker cause. Hoppen ruled the boards by pulling down eight rebounds.

Colorado was led by Randy Downs who took game high honors with 15 points. The Huskers were successful in shutting down Colorado's two leading scorers, Jay Humphries and Billy Houston.

Houston was held to six points and Humphries totaled nine points.

A sellout crowd of 14,438 saw Nebraska up its conference record to 5-3 and join Oklahoma and Oklahoma State in second place of the conference standings.

"It would have been nice if Oklahoma had won for the whole league," Iba said. "But if you start worrying about someone else you forget what your goals are."

Nebraska travels to Manhattan, Kan., to try to make it two-in-a-row against Kansas State on Wednesday.

# Huskers prove they're better than their record shows

By Barry Trevarrow and Ward W. Triplett III

Nebraska used more than good basketball Saturday night as the Cornhuskers defeated Colorado 96-89 at the Bob Devaney Sports Center, breaking a seven-game Husker losing streak that tied an all-time record for consecutive losses by a Husker women's basketball team.

A pink elephant, that showed up at the Nebraska pre-game meeting, acted as cheerleader for the Huskers while an anonymous telegraph sent to Cathy Owen earlier in the week provided inspiration contributing to the victory. The message wished the team good luck. The author said he supported the team and knew the Huskers were better than their record indicates.

The win makes Nebraska 12-10 overall

and 3-6 in the Big Eight.

Nebraska Coach Colleen Matsuhara praised the Husker team effort.

"We knew we were a better basketball team than our record indicated," Matsuhara said. "We just needed the extra effort in blocking out and filling the passing lanes. All those little things had been out of sync. It was a total team victory."

Nebraska picked up a quick 9-2 advantage when Terri Parriott hit a shot from the right baseline 1:41 into the game. However, Colorado stormed back with two jumper shots from guard Diane Heimstra and a three-point play by Julie Hoehing. Hoehing gave Colorado a 20-15 lead when she scored with 10:20 left in the first half.

Parriott and reserve Crystal Coleman, who came off the bench to lead Nebraska with 13 first half points, turned the Hus-

kers around. Coleman's three point play with 4:03 left gave Nebraska a 34-27 lead. Sonija Nelson's shot from the free throw stripe made the margin nine before Colorado was able to close within five, 42-37, at half.

Nebraska's Debra Powell came out of the locker room hot. Powell scored all of her game-high 22 points in the second half as Nebraska opened up a 11-point lead with 12:29 left in the game. Baskets by Huskers Chris Leigh, Powell, Coleman, Parriott and Owen helped to maintain the lead. Powell and Kathy Hagerstrom then combined to score Nebraska's next 18 points. Colorado could get no closer than six points for the rest of the game.

Buffalo Coach Sox Walseth complimented the Husker performance. "Nebraska handled the ball and shot

awfully well," Walseth said. "They did a good job against our zone. If they're a seventh place team in this league, then it's a pretty tough league."

Hagerstrom finished with 17 points for the Huskers while Coleman added 16 and Parriott had 12. Julie Hoehing led Colorado with 19 while Heimstra added 18. Lisa VanGoor, the Buffalo's 6-3 center, fouled out with 7:44 left in the game and finished with 16 points and 11 rebounds.

"Not being able to play VanGoor 40 minutes hurt us a lot," Walseth said. "We don't have much depth."

Matsuhara said she is glad to end the losing streak.

"I think other people made more of the losing streak than we did," Matsuhara said. "But we didn't want any part of a new record like that."

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