

# Sports

## Huskers hope to rebuff Colorado

**The Men:**  
Colorado (14-10, 5-6) at Nebraska (15-9, 5-6) Saturday, 3:10 p.m.

Pos.	Colorado	Yr.	Ht.	Pts.	Reb.
G	Mike Reid	So.	6-1	8.0	3.0
G	Jay Humphries	Sr.	6-3	15.5	3.3
C	Randy Downs	So.	6-9	14.5	5.6
F	Vince Kelley	Sr.	6-7	11.5	7.0
F	Alex Stivrins	Jr.	6-7	12.5	10.0

Pos.	Nebraska	Yr.	Ht.	Pts.	Reb.
G	Eric Williams	Sr.	6-2	7.5	2.5
G	David Ponce	Sr.	5-10	7.7	1.6
C	Dave Hoppen	So.	6-11	20.3	6.9
F	Stan Cloudy	Sr.	6-4	13.7	6.8
F	Ronnie Smith	Jr.	6-9	2.2	2.4

**The Series:** Colorado leads 52-40. The Buffaloes defeated Nebraska 60-57 in Boulder Jan. 28.

**The Game:** For the fifth consecutive game, Nebraska is playing for a share of third place in the Big Eight Conference. By defeating Oklahoma State 67-

raska center Dave Hoppen. Twenty-one of Nebraska's 23 baskets were the result of assists.

"It's a new season, part three for the six teams fighting for the two remaining home court berths in the Big Eight playoffs," Apke said. "Hopefully, the Buffs are ready to do something."

**The Women:**  
Colorado (9-15, 2-9) at Nebraska (15-9, 5-6), Saturday, 5:30 p.m.

Pos.	Colorado	Yr.	Ht.	Pts.	Reb.
G	Julie Moore	Fr.	5-7	3.8	1.1
G	Daine Hiemstra	Sr.	5-11	18.1	3.0
C	Patty Slighter	Jr.	6-1	9.8	6.9
F	Aileen Murray	Jr.	5-9	3.6	4.7
F	Julie Hoehing	Sr.	5-10	10.7	6.1

Pos.	Nebraska	Yr.	Ht.	Pts.	Reb.
G	Stacy Imming	Fr.	5-8	8.8	2.6
G	Kelli Benson	Sr.	5-7	7.7	3.0
C	Angie Miller	Fr.	5-10	14.2	7.0
F	Terri Parriott	Jr.	5-11	6.2	3.6
F	Debra Powell	Jr.	5-9	18.9	7.0

**The Series:** Nebraska leads 6-4 after defeating Colorado 91-77 in the first meeting at Boulder.

**The Game:** Nebraska's slim chances of finishing fourth in the Big Eight ride on Saturday's game with Colorado. The Huskers finish the regular season with 9-2 Kansas State and Oklahoma.

The Lady Buffs have lost four straight conference games, and have fared miserably on the road. Colorado has lost 10 consecutive games away from home since defeating Wyoming in early December.

Diane Hiemstra continues to lead Lady Buff scorers with an 18.1 point average. Touted as an All-American candidate, Hiemstra has taken up the void left by injured Lisa VanGoor, who is being redshirted.

Nebraska's shooting touch was never better than in the first half against Oklahoma State. The Huskers were 18 of 27 from the floor as Debra Powell and Angie Miller connected on 12 of 13 shots.

Nebraska experienced foul trouble in the second half and lost, 87-78.

Nebraska Coach Kelly Hill said she anticipates a change in the conference policy of assigning officials that have been approved by the Big Eight.

"The only stipulation we have is that no alum can officiate," Hill said. "But I could get my brother because he attends Colorado."

## Nebraska Basketball

64 in Stillwater Wednesday, Nebraska kept pace with Iowa State and Colorado.

The Buffaloes bounced Missouri 73-66 in Boulder as Vince Kelley and Jay Humphries combined for 35 points. Kelley's 19 points included 11 of 15 shooting from the foul line.

Alex Stivrins added 10 points. The Lincoln East product returns to his hometown for the first time as a Buffalo.

"I'm sure he's looking forward to playing there," Colorado Coach Tom Apke said. "Alex will play with the same intensity as he has been, but I'm sure he'll want to play well there."

Apke is 0-4 at the Sports Center, including a 68-56 defeat last season. "I haven't had a lot of success there, either at Colorado or at Creighton."

Nebraska used a patient passing offense to score 56 points in the first 32 minutes against Oklahoma State. The Huskers' 67.6 percent shooting came on only 34 attempts.

"We took a little more time passing," said Neb-



Colorado Sports Information

Colorado guard Jay Humphries shows the form which has made him one of the most sought-after guards in the country. Saturday night the Buffaloes play Nebraska in a battle for third place in the Big Eight.

## NBA courting CU's Humphries; Big Eight is first

By Kevin Warneke

The National Basketball Association is calling Jay Humphries, but the University of Colorado senior guard is putting the league on hold — at least for awhile.

The 6-3 senior from Inglewood, Calif., caught the attention of NBA scouts, according to David Plati, assistant sports information director at Colorado. Twenty of the 23 NBA teams have inquired about Humphries, Plati said.

"Some people have said that he could be the second guard to go in the draft," Plati said. "The Philadelphia 76ers think he could fit in with their team and also with the run-and-gun Denver Nuggets and San Antonio Spurs."

While not ready to concede that Humphries is a hot commodity for NBA teams, Nebraska Coach Moe Iba said that Humphries is an excellent guard and one of the best in the conference.

"Jay Humphries is a quick guard and shoots the ball well," Iba said. "He does a lot for Colorado."

Humphries said he is aware of the attention he is receiving from NBA scouts but tries to put it out of his mind.

"Every now and then I think about it," he said. "After a game someone will tell me that there were scouts in the stands, but I just try and go out and play ball," he said.

Humphries said he is more concerned with Colorado's performance in the Big Eight than with professional basketball.

Colorado is currently tied for third in the conference with a 5-6 record. The season hasn't been a disappointment, Humphries said.

"We've lost a few close games that we shouldn't have," he said. "But that's the story of Colorado basketball. They lose the close ones. But everyone's not packing it in."

As the Buffaloes finish their season and gear up for the conference tournament, Humphries said he has noticed his role on the team has changed.

He no longer has to carry the team in scoring, he said, because of the supporting cast of Alex Stivrins, Vince Kelley and Randy Downs.

Humphries is leading the Buffaloes in scoring with a 15.5 average. But three other Colorado players are averaging in double figures.

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## Baseball team may grab title

By Scott Ahlstrand

Featuring a mix of experienced lettermen, junior college transfers and talented freshmen, the Nebraska baseball team will be a strong contender for the Big Eight title according to Coach John Sanders.

"Our speed will help us both offensively and defensively. We've got a real good makeup of players. They work well with each other," Sanders said. "We may have a problem in that we're not as deep in numbers as we usually are. But we've got a lot of versatile players who can play several positions."

The strength of the Huskers should lie in their infield. Returning starters Kurt Eubanks and Turner Gill will handle second base and shortstop, while junior college All-American first baseman Mike Duncan and third baseman Scott Hooper handle the corners.

Eubanks has been a starter at second base for most of the last two years for Nebraska, and was elected one of this year's tri-captains.

Gill, though signed to play professional football for the Montreal Concordes this summer, will compete for the second year for the Huskers.

"I made the commitment to play baseball and that's what I intend to do," Gill said. "The people with the Concordes understand this and have given me their OK."

Hooper, a utility player last year, combines with Gill to give the Huskers superior speed on the left side of the infield.

In Duncan, Nebraska captured one of the most recruited players in the nation. An All-American for Southern Idaho last year, Duncan currently is one of the 44 finalists for the 25-man United States Olympic baseball team. Duncan impressed his new teammates enough to be named tri-captain last fall.

The competition for the starting outfield spots should be wide open this year, but junior Jeff Carter and freshman Paul Meyers appear to have the upper hand.

Carter played several positions for the Huskers last year and brings a versatility to the squad.



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## Stretch

Nebraska pitcher Tom Holmes prepares for the Huskers' season opener against Wayne State March 1. Although they don't have as much depth this year, Coach John Sanders says the Huskers show a lot of versatility with a number of seasoned players.