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2000 ALL-MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.—The 2000 All-Mountain West Conference teams and honorees as voted by the league's eight head coaches:

Offensive Player of the Year

Matt Newton, Sr., QB, Colorado State
Mike Thiessen, Sr., QB, Air Force

Defensive Player of the Year

Rick Crowell, Sr., LB, Colorado State

Freshman of the Year

Jason Kaufusi, DL, Utah
Brandon Ratcliff, DB, New Mexico

Coach of the Year

Sonny Lubick, Colorado State
John Robinson, UNLV

All-Mountain West First-Team

Offense

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>School</u>
WR	Ryan Fleming	Jr.	Air Force
WR	Pete Rebstock	Jr.	Colorado State
OL	John Greer**	Sr.	UNLV
OL	Tim Stuber	Sr.	Colorado State
OL	Doug Kaufusi	Jr.	Utah
OL	David Heldebrand	Sr.	Air Force
OL	Justin Borvansky	Sr.	Colorado State
TE	Jose Ochoa	Jr.	Colorado State
QB	Matt Newton	Sr.	Colorado State
QB	Mike Thiessen	Sr.	Air Force
RB	Jeremi Rudolph	Sr.	UNLV
RB	Cecil Sapp	So.	Colorado State
PK	Owen Pochman	Sr.	BYU
PR/KR	Pete Rebstock	Jr.	Colorado State

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Defense

DL	Patrick Chukwurah	Sr.	Wyoming
DL	Setema Gali	Sr.	BYU
DL	Brian Johnson	Jr.	New Mexico
DL	Anton Palepoi	Jr.	UNLV
LB	Rick Crowell**	Sr.	Colorado State
LB	Kautai Olevao	Sr.	Utah
LB	Justin Ena	Jr.	BYU
DB	Andre Dyson**	Sr.	Utah
DB	Kevin Thomas	Jr.	UNLV
DB	John Howell	Sr.	Colorado State
DB	Will Demps	Jr.	San Diego State
P	Aaron Edmonds	Jr.	BYU

**--Unanimous Selection

All-Mountain West Second-Team**Offense**

WR	Steve Smith	Sr.	Utah
WR	J.R. Tolver	So.	San Diego State
OL	Jon Samuelson	Sr.	New Mexico
OL	Adam Goldberg	So.	Wyoming
OL	David Moreno	Jr.	San Diego State
OL	Jason Scukanec	Jr.	BYU
OL	Matt Dayoc	Sr.	Air Force
TE	Tevita Ofahengaue	Sr.	BYU
RB	Adam Tate	Jr.	Utah
RB	Luke Staley	So.	BYU
PK	Dave Adams	Sr.	Air Force
PR/KR	Steve Smith	Sr.	Utah

Defense

DL	Chris Hoke	Sr.	BYU
DL	Hans Olsen	Sr.	BYU
DL	Jerome Haywood	Jr.	San Diego State
DL	Pete Hogan	So.	Colorado State
LB	Mike Barnett	Sr.	New Mexico
LB	Jomar Butler	Jr.	San Diego State
LB	C.J. Zanotti	Sr.	Air Force
DB	Jared Lee	Sr.	BYU
DB	Ricky Sharpe	So.	San Diego State
DB	Justin Gallimore	Jr.	Colorado State
DB	Stephen Persley	Jr.	New Mexico
P	Brian Simnjanovski	So.	San Diego State

*Because of a tie for first-team quarterback, there is no second-team quarterback.

Honorable Mention

Air Force: Terrance Barreau, OL; Qualario Brown, RB; Wes Glisson, DB; Chris Jessop, TE; Scotty McKay RB; Ben Miller, OL; Corey Nelson, LB; Justin Pendry, DL; Matt Pommer, LB. BYU: Ben Archibald, OL; Margin Hooks, WR; Aaron McCubbins, OL; Ford Poston, OL; Dustin Rykert, OL. Colorado State: Jamie Bennett, DL; Broc Finlaysaon, OL; Joey Huber, P; C.W. Hurst, PK; Broderick Lancaster, OL; Mike

Mackenzie, DL; Frank Rice, WR; David Shohet, OL, Aaron Sprague, DB; David Vickers, LB. New Mexico: Jarrod Baxter, RB; Walter Bernard, DB; Rantie Harper, DB; David Mauer, LB; Cort Moffitt, P; Brandon Ratcliff, DB; Henry Stephens, DL; Holmon Wiggins, RB. San Diego State: Brian Berg, LB; Mike Houghton, OL; Johnathan Ingram, OL; Chester Pitts, OL; Brian Russell, DB; Lon Sheriff, QB. UNLV: Randy Black, DB; Sam Brandon, DB; Kevin Brown, RB; Ray Cheetany, P; Troy Mason, PR/KR; Tony Terrell, OL; Nate Turner, WR. Utah: Andy Bowers, DL; Brandon Dart, DB; Patrick Dyson, DB; Jordan Gross, OL, Jason Kaufusi, DL; Ma'ake Kemoeatu, DL; Steve McKane, OL; Matt Nickel, TE; Jason Potter, DB; Michael Richardson, OL/TE; Cliff Russell, WR; Garrett Smith, DL; Ed Ta'amu, OL; Wes Tufaga, LB. Wyoming: Aaron Elling, PK; Lamar James, DB; Ryan McGuffey, WR; Kwabena Peprah, LB, Jay Stoner, QB.

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