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2000 Mountain West Conference Football Standings

Team	Conference		Points					Overall		Points						
	W	L	For	Opp	Hm	Rd	Pct	W	L	For	Opp	Hm	Rd	Nu	Pct	Streak
Colorado State	3	0	61	50	2-0	1-0	1.000	6	1	185	108	3-0	2-1	1-0	.857	Won 4
New Mexico	2	1	88	50	1-0	1-1	.667	4	4	176	174	2-2	2-2	0-0	.500	Won 1
San Diego State	2	1	57	36	0-1	2-0	.667	2	5	83	147	0-3	2-2	0-0	.286	Won 1
Air Force	3	2	141	134	1-1	2-1	.600	5	2	223	153	3-1	2-1	0-0	.714	Lost 1
UNLV	2	2	102	66	2-0	0-2	.500	4	3	200	110	4-0	0-3	0-0	.571	Won 1
BYU	2	2	67	57	2-1	0-1	.500	4	5	188	225	3-2	1-2	0-1	.444	Won 1
Utah	1	2	52	54	0-2	1-0	.333	2	5	132	147	0-4	2-1	0-0	.286	Lost 1
Wyoming	0	5	74	191	0-2	0-3	.000	1	8	157	322	1-3	0-5	0-0	.111	Lost 6

This Week's Schedule:

ESPN/AP	Game (record)	Site	Time/TV	Series/Last Meeting
Saturday, October 28				
24/RV	COLORADO STATE (6-1, 3-0)	Qualcomm Stadium (71,400)	6 p.m. PDT	San Diego State leads, 11-8
-	SAN DIEGO STATE (2-5, 2-1)	San Diego, Calif.		1999, San Diego State 17-10
-	UTAH (2-5, 1-2)	University Stadium (31,218)	1 p.m. MDT	Utah leads, 27-12-2
-	NEW MEXICO (4-4, 2-1)	Albuquerque, N.M.	(ESPN+Plus)	1999, Utah 52-7
-	AIR FORCE (5-2, 3-2)	Notre Dame Stadium (80,012)	11:30 a.m. MDT	Notre Dame leads, 19-5
19/19	Notre Dame (5-2)	South Bend, Ind.	(NBC)	1996, Air Force 20-17 (OT)
-	UNLV (4-2, 2-2)	Vaught-Hemingway Stadium (50,577)	11 a.m. PDT	First Meeting
-	Ole Miss (4-3, 2-3)	Oxford, Miss.		

Last Week's Results:

Thursday, October 26
BYU 19, Wyoming 7 (at Provo, Utah -- 56,422 attendance)

Saturday, Oct. 21

COLORADO STATE 24, UTAH 17 (at Salt Lake City, Utah -- 37,505 attendance)
NEW MEXICO 29, AIR FORCE 23 (at Colorado Springs, Colo. -- 40,446 attendance)
SAN DIEGO STATE 16, BYU 15 (at Provo, Utah -- 61,194 attendance)
UNLV 42, WYOMING 23 (at Las Vegas, Nev. -- 19,967 attendance)

Thursday Night Recap

In its first of two consecutive ESPN Thursday night games, BYU evened its league record to 2-2 with a 19-7 victory over Wyoming. With the win, BYU head coach LaVell Edwards registered career victory No. 255 to tie Tom Osborne as the sixth winningest coach in college football history. Cougar safety Tyson Smith established a Mountain West Conference record with three interceptions. BYU scored 19 unanswered second-half points to secure the victory.

Games Available on ESPN GamePlan

Utah at New Mexico



MEDIA SERVICES

Mountain West Conference Information

Information on the Mountain West Conference and its eight member institutions is available in several ways. For those with internet access, the official MWC website (www.mountainwestconf.com) is the best source. The site is maintained by John Romo of the MWC communications staff and hosted through FANsOnly. Each football box score will be made available on the website immediately following each game. Updated conference statistics and standings, along with conference leaders will also be available on a daily basis. The MWC website also provides links to each school's official website, and sport specialty sites that post national polls, etc. In addition, the MWC Newsstand provides links to stories from newspapers around the MWC and nation.

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Teleconference

This call is open to media only. The teleconference will be held every Tuesday beginning Tuesday, August 29 and concluding Tuesday, Dec. 5. The audio clips from each head coach and Commissioner Thompson will be made available each Tuesday by 3 p.m. on the official MWC website - www.mountainwestconf.com. A replay of the MWC Football Teleconference will also be available by phone at (402) 220-1394.

Media Call-in Number: (719) 457-2657

Mountain/Pacific

10:30 a.m./9:30 a.m.	Moderator, MWC
10:32 a.m./9:32 a.m.	Ron McBride, Utah
10:42 a.m./9:42 a.m.	LaVell Edwards, BYU
10:52 a.m./9:52 a.m.	Rocky Long, New Mexico
11:02 a.m./10:02 a.m.	Sonny Lubick, Colorado State
11:12 a.m./10:12 a.m.	Fisher DeBerry, Air Force
11:22 a.m./10:22 a.m.	Vic Koenning, Wyoming
11:32 a.m./10:32 a.m.	John Robinson, UNLV
11:42 a.m./10:42 a.m.	Ted Tollner, San Diego State
11:52 a.m./10:52 a.m.	CraigThompson, MWC Commissioner

Call Schedule

COACHES TELECONFERENCE

Mountain West Conference head coaches will be available on a media teleconference each Tuesday throughout the season. Each coach will be available for 10 minutes, with the call scheduled to start at 10:30 a.m. (MT). You can find the teleconference schedule on the left hand side of the page.

WEEKLY HONORS

Derrick Lewis (San Diego State), Jomar Butler (San Diego State) and Nate Tandberg (San Diego State) were named Mountain West Conference Players of the Week for their performances on the football field last weekend. All three players captured the award for the first time in their careers, while the Aztecs become the first MWC team to sweep the weekly football awards.

Derrick Lewis, San Diego State, WR, Junior (MWC Offensive Player of the Week)

Junior Derrick Lewis played a critical part in San Diego State's victory at BYU on Saturday. The New Orleans, La., product had four key receptions for 129 yards. Three of Lewis' catches were over 30 yards and resulted in Aztec scores. His first reception was 46 yards, marking SDSU's longest play from scrimmage of the game, and led to its first touchdown. In the third quarter, Lewis hauled in a 35-yard pass from quarterback Lon Sheriff that helped set up the Aztecs second touchdown of the game. With 12 seconds to play in the game, he came up with his biggest catch of the day, a 39-yard reception that allowed SDSU to kick the game-winning field goal.

Jomar Butler, San Diego State, LB, Junior (MWC Defensive Player of the Week)

Jomar Butler tallied his second straight double figure tackle game in the 16-15 victory at BYU. Butler, a junior from Carson, Calif., recorded 16 tackles (15 unassisted), three tackles for loss, two pass break ups and a quarterback sack. On the day, the Aztecs held the Cougars to 63 yards rushing on 34 carries and one touchdown.

Nate Tandberg, San Diego State, K, Senior (MWC Special Teams Player of the Week)

Nate Tandberg clinched San Diego State's second victory in Provo in 13 attempts with a 36-yard field goal with one second remaining in the contest. The senior from San Diego, Calif., was also 2-for-2 on extra points.

LAST WEEK

All eight Mountain West Conference schools were involved in league play last Saturday. For the fourth time this year, and third in as many weeks, **Colorado State** needed a fourth-quarter rally to pull out a 24-17 win at **Utah**. The Rams scored 14 unanswered points in the final quarter as Matt Newton delivered scoring strikes of 45 yards to Joey Cuppari and 40 yards to Pete Rebstock in leading CSU to victory. Four Utah turnovers, including three interceptions -- one of which was returned for a touchdown -- made it difficult for the Utes offense to get on track. **New Mexico** held the **Air Force** ground attack to 145 yards rushing, while the Lobos offense ran for 251 yards, enroute to a 29-23 road victory over the Falcons. Holmon Wiggins led the UNM ground game with 99 yards. Air Force attempted to rally scoring 16 fourth-quarter points, but came up short. A Nate Tandberg 36-yard field goal with 0:01 remaining gave **San Diego State** a 16-15 triumph at **BYU**. The Cougars took a 15-13 lead with 0:46 left on Owen Pochman's 50-yard field goal, but were unable to hold off the Aztecs. Derrick Lewis led the SDSU attack with four catches for 129 yards, while BYU's Margin Hooks hauled in nine passes for 124 yards. Jeremi Rudolph rushed for 102 yards and a touchdown in leading **UNLV** to a 42-23 win over **Wyoming**. Both teams moved the ball offensively with the Rebels totaling 368 yards of total offense to the Cowboys 365. Wyoming quarterback Jay Stoner completed 27-of-41 pass attempts for 231 yards and two touchdowns.



AIR FORCE FALCONS
5-2, 3-2 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 4 at Army

What You Should Know:

- ★ Junior wide receiver Ryan Fleming had a career-high 10 catches for 104 yards last week against New Mexico. His 10 receptions are the most in Air Force history and ranks second on the Mountain West Conference single-game chart.
- ★ Air Force leads the MWC in four-of-eight offensive categories. The Falcons sit atop the league in scoring offense (31.9 ppg), rushing offense (277.4 ypg), total offense (427.0 ypg), and third-down conversions (43.9 pct). They rank second in pass efficiency (143.2), first downs (165) and fourth-down conversions (71.4 pct).
- ★ Senior tight end Andy Malin, a biochemistry major with a 3.9 gpa, rescheduled his medical school interview with Harvard. After scoring 35 on his board exams, Harvard Medical School contacted Malin for an interview which he asked to reschedule upon learning they wanted to meet October 27th, the day before the Notre Dame game.
- ★ The Falcons rank fifth nationally in rushing offense, averaging 277.4 yards per game.

Key Stat: Since 1994 the Falcons are 14-7 under Fisher DeBerry following losses.



BYU COUGARS
4-5, 2-2 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 2 at Colorado State

What You Should Know:

- ★ Senior safety Tyson Smith established a Mountain West Conference record with three interceptions during the Cougars win over Wyoming. The three INTs ties the BYU single-game record, shared by six other players.
- ★ With 2,713 career receiving yards, Margin Hooks has moved into second place on the Cougars' all-time receiving yards list. He is 353 yards shy of passing Eric Drage and becoming BYU's career leader.
- ★ Senior place-kicker Owen Pochman has amassed a team-leading 56 points this season and a school record 303 points over his career. He has also made 49 consecutive extra points dating back to Sept. 25, 1999 when Virginia blocked his PAT.
- ★ The Cougars lead the Mountain West Conference in passing offense, averaging 282.4 yards per game.
- ★ Senior WR Margin Hooks has the fourth longest receptions streak in the country, with a catch in 33 straight games.
- ★ Quarterback Charlie Peterson broke Jim McMahon's school record of 154 consecutive pass attempts without an interception. Peterson threw 164 passes without an interception.

Key Stat: The BYU defense registered four INTs in its last outing.



COLORADO STATE RAMS
6-1, 3-0 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 2 vs. BYU

What You Should Know:

- ★ Quarterback Matt Newton has started every game since the 1999 season opener. He has thrown a touchdown pass in 17 of his 19 starts.
- ★ Colorado State recorded its fourth fourth-quarter comeback of the season, and third in as many weeks, in its 24-17 win over UNLV. For the first time under Sonny Lubick, CSU has posted multiple games in which it overcame a fourth quarter deficit.
- ★ Wide receivers Pete Rebstock and Frank Rice have each caught at least one pass in every game this season. Rice has 30 catches for 472 yards, while Rebstock checks in with 28 for 390.
- ★ The Ram defense has held five of their past six opponents to less than 300 yards total offense, holding the opposition to an average of 277 yards per game over that span.
- ★ Pete Rebstock is second in the Mountain West and eighth in the country in punt returns, averaging 16.7 yards.
- ★ Linebacker Rick Crowell leads the Mountain West Conference with an average of 11.8 tackles per game.
- ★ CSU leads the Mountain West in scoring defense, holding opponents to 15.4 points a game, to rank 17th nationally. The Rams also rank 15th in the country in pass defense and second in the MWC, with a 174.0 yards per game average.

Key Stat: Five of CSU's games this season have been decided by seven points or less -- the Rams have won four of them.



NEW MEXICO LOBOS
4-4, 2-1 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 4 vs. San Diego State

What You Should Know:

- ★ New Mexico churned out a season-best 421 yards of total offense in last week's win at Air Force.
- ★ The Lobos defense has held their last four opponents to less than 300 yards total offense. In each of the four games, the UNM defense has held the opposition to an average of 128.25 yards below their per game averages.
- ★ The Lobos tied a school record by registering their third blocked kick of the season against Air Force, marking the fourth time in school history they have blocked three kicks in a season. New Mexico has capitalized on the blocks, returning two for touchdowns.
- ★ Senior linebacker Rantie Harper has returned to the starting lineup with a bang. Starting each of the last two games after missing time with a leg injury, Harper has combined to register 26 tackles.
- ★ The Lobos created 14 turnovers in their last five games. They lead the Mountain West Conference and rank 31st in the nation with a turnover margin of +4.
- ★ New Mexico leads the MWC in rushing defense, holding opponents to an average of 119.9 yards per game. However, in their three league games, the Lobos have held their MWC brethren to an average of 77 yards per game on the ground.

Key Stat: New Mexico leads the Mountain West Conference in sacks with 31 for 240 yards in losses.



SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS
2-5, 2-1 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 4 at New Mexico

What You Should Know:

- ★ For the second time this season the Aztecs will be trying to knock off a Top 25 opponent this weekend for the first time since November 7, 1996, when they knocked off No. 16 Wyoming 28-24.
- ★ San Diego State has won four of its last five conference games dating back to last season.
- ★ Junior linebacker Jomar Butler is leaving his imprint on opponent ball carriers of late. Butler recorded his second consecutive double-figure tackle effort in SDSU's 16-15 win over BYU. He was credited with 16 tackles, including 15 solo stops, three tackles for loss for minus 12 yards, two pass break-ups and one sack.
- ★ San Diego State is one of only three schools to open the 2000 season with four games against teams from Bowl Championship Series conferences.
- ★ The Aztecs have been hit hard by the injury bug this season. They have lost five starters for the year (OL Chris Williams and Zach LaMonda, TE Gray McNeill, DE Akbar Gbaja-Biamila and QB Jack Hawley).

Key Stat: The Aztecs have allowed a total of 10 points in the second half of Mountain West Conference games this season.



UNLV REBELS
4-3, 2-2 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 4 at Utah

What You Should Know:

- ★ The Rebels defense registered a Mountain West Conference 2000 season single-game high eight sacks in last week's victory over Wyoming. Defensive end Anton Palepoi tallied a career-best four sacks in the game.
- ★ Quarterback Jason Thomas leads the Mountain West Conference with a pass efficiency rating of 172.0. Thomas also ranks among the league leaders in total offense (3rd-210.6), passing average per game (6th-152.3), scoring (3rd-6.3) and rushing (8th-58.3).
- ★ UNLV's two losses in Mountain West Conference play are by a combined four points.
- ★ The UNLV defense has been stingy in the red zone this season. Of the 16 times opponents have been inside the Rebel 20-yardline, they have come away with points 11 times, having to settle for field goals on four occasions.
- ★ The Rebels have had three players rush for over 100 yards in a game this season. Kevin Brown accomplished the feat for the third time with 134 yards at Colorado State. Jeremi Rudolph has rushed for over 100 yards in each of the last two games, and Jason Thomas rushed for 107 yards against Iowa State.
- ★ The Rebel defense has held opponents scoreless in 14 of the last 24 quarters.

Key Stat: All of UNLV's wins this season have been at home.



UTAH UTES
2-5, 1-2 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 4 vs. UNLV

What You Should Know:

- ★ Utah leads the Mountain West Conference in total defense, allowing 299.6 yards per game to rank 22nd nationally; and in pass defense, giving up 167.7 yards per contest, which ranks eighth in the nation.
- ★ The Utes rank 10th in the nation in kickoff return yards. Their 24.2 yards per return average also leads the MWC.
- ★ Starting wide receiver Cliff Russell broke his wrist in the first half of last week's Colorado State game. Russell, the team's leading receiver with 35 receptions, is expected to be out 4-6 weeks.
- ★ The following Utes lead the Mountain West Conference: Darnell Arceneaux - total offense (214.6 ypg), Patrick Dyson - kickoff returns (28.7 ypr), Steve Smith - all purpose yards (172.2 ypg). Dyson and Smith also rank fifth and seventh in the nation in their respective categories.
- ★ Four of Utah's six passing touchdowns this season have come in the last two games.
- ★ Two of the three interception returns for touchdown this season in the Mountain West Conference have been registered by Utah defensive backs.

Key Stat: Over the last two seasons the Utes are 9-5 on the road and 8-7 at home.



WYOMING COWBOYS
1-8, 0-5 MWC
Next Game: Nov. 11 vs. Utah

What You Should Know:

- ★ Freshman wide receiver Ryan McGuffy shattered the Wyoming freshman receiving record of 25 catches for 456 yards set by Wendell Montgomery in 1996. Nine games into the season, McGuffy has 53 catches for 519 yards. He averages 5.89 grabs a game to rank 19th in the nation.
- ★ Jay Stoner has attempted 96 passes over the last three games, completing 69 for 670 yards and five touchdowns.
- ★ Punter Tom Waring ranks ninth in the nation in punting, averaging a Mountain West Conference leading 43.7 yards per punt.
- ★ Senior quarterback Jay Stoner ranks second on Wyoming's all-time passing yards list with 7,587 career yards. He needs 359 yards to overtake Tom Corontzos and move into first place.
- ★ Place kicker Aaron Elling has made 8-of-10 field goal attempts this season, including a career-long 52 yarder. His only miss was from 54 yards out. He has also converted all 15 PAT's.
- ★ Linebacker Kwabena Peparah leads the Mountain West Conference with 87 tackles. Teammate Patrick Chukwurah is tied with Peparah for the league lead with 51 solo tackles.

Key Stat: The Cowboys are holding opponents to an average of 16.3 yards per kickoff return.



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**CURRENT MWC HEAD
COACHING RECORDS**

Air Force - Fisher DeBerry
Overall:131-71-1 (17th season)
School:131-71-1 (17th season)

BYU - LaVell Edwards
Overall:255-100-3 (29th season)
School:255-100-3 (29th season)

Colorado State - Sonny Lubick
Overall:84-47 (12th season)
School:63-28 (8th season)

New Mexico - Rocky Long
Overall:11-20 (3rd season)
School:11-20 (3rd season)

San Diego State - Ted Tollner
Overall:65-57-1 (11th season)
School:39-37 (7th season)

UNLV - John Robinson
Overall:111-46-4 (14th season)
School:7-11 (2nd season)

Utah - Ron McBride
Overall:73-51 (11th season)
School:73-51 (11th season)

Wyoming - Vic Koenning
Overall:1-8 (1st season)
School:1-8 (1st season)

**MOUNTAIN WEST LEADER BOARD
(THROUGH OCT. 21)**

200-Yard Passing Games		
	No.	High
Bret Engemann, So., BYU	2	416 (Virginia)
Charlie Peterson, Jr., BYU	5	376 (San Diego State)
Jay Stoner, Sr., Wyoming	4	339 (Air Force)
Matt Newton, Sr., Colorado State	5	327 (Colorado)
Lon Sheriff, So., San Diego State	2	317 (Wyoming)
Jason Thomas, So., UNLV	2	259 (Air Force)
Darnell Arceneaux, Sr., Utah	2	230 (San Diego State)
Jack Hawley, Sr., San Diego State	1	219 (Arizona State)
Mike Thiessen, Sr., Air Force	1	203 (BYU)

300-Yard Passing Games		
	No.	High
Bret Engemann, So., BYU	1	416 (Virginia)
Charlie Peterson, Jr., BYU	2	376 (San Diego State)
Jay Stoner, Sr., Wyoming	1	339 (Air Force)
Matt Newton, Sr., Colorado State	1	327 (Colorado)
Lon Sheriff, So., San Diego State	1	317 (Wyoming)

100-Yard Rushing Games		
	No.	High
Nate Scott, Jr., RB, Wyoming	1	192 (Central Mich.)
Holmon Wiggins, Jr., RB, New Mexico	1	168 (Wyoming)
Luke Staley, So., BYU	1	167 (UNLV)
Kevin Brown, Sr., RB, UNLV	3	134 (Colorado State)
Adam Tate, Jr., RB, Utah	3	133 (Utah State)
Mike Thiessen, Sr., QB, Air Force	2	126 (Wyoming)
Cecil Sapp, So., RB, Colorado State	1	119 (E. Tenn. St.)
Rashaan Sanders, So., RB, Colorado State	1	116 (Nevada)
Jason Thomas, So., QB, UNLV	1	107 (Iowa State)
Duan Ruff, Jr., RB, Colorado State	1	106 (Nevada)
Jeremi Rudolph, Sr., UNLV	2	103 (Nevada)

100-Yard Receiving Games		
	No.	High
Jonathan Pittman, Sr., BYU	2	161 (Virginia)
Ryan Fleming, Jr., Air Force	3	145 (BYU)
Steve Smith, Sr., Utah	1	143 (San Diego State)
Cliff Russell, Jr., Utah	2	141 (Arizona)
Nate Turner, Sr., UNLV	2	140 (Iowa State)
J.R. Tolver, So., San Diego State	1	129 (Wyoming)
Derrick Lewis, Sr., San Diego State	1	129 (BYU)
Margin Hooks, Sr., BYU	1	124 (San Diego State)
Troy Mason, So., UNLV	2	122 (BYU)
Frank Rice, Sr., Colorado State	2	113 (Colorado)
Ryan McGuffey, Fr., Wyoming	1	101 (New Mexico)
Scotty McKay, Sr., Air Force	1	101 (Wyoming)
Pete Rebstock, Jr., Colorado State	1	100 (New Mexico)

Multiple Touchdown Games - Rushing		
	No.	High
Mike Thiessen, Sr., Air Force	2	4 (Wyoming)
Brian McDonald, Jr., BYU	1	3 (Virginia)
Luke Staley, So., BYU	1	3 (Utah State)
Adam Tate, Jr., Utah	1	3 (Utah State)
Jeremi Rudolph, Sr., UNLV	2	2 (N. Texas, Air Force)
Larry Ned, Sr., San Diego State	2	2 (Wyoming, BYU)
Nate Beard, Sr., Air Force	1	2 (Navy)
Duan Ruff, Jr., Colorado State	1	2 (Nevada)
Cecil Sapp, So., Colorado State	1	2 (E. Tenn. St.)
Nate Scott, Jr., Wyoming	1	2 (Central Mich.)
Jason Thomas, So., UNLV	1	2 (Nevada)

Multiple Touchdown Games - Passing		
	No.	High
Mike Thiessen, Sr., Air Force	2	4 (BYU)
Matt Newton, Sr., Colorado State	2	4 (Colorado)
Jay Stoner, Sr., Wyoming	4	3 (Nevada)
Rudy Caamano, So., New Mexico	3	3 (NMSU, NAU, Wyoming)
Darnell Arceneaux, Sr., Utah	1	3 (San Diego State)
Jason Thomas, So., UNLV	3	2 (Iowa State/N. Texas, CSU)
Charlie Peterson, Jr., BYU	2	2 (Miss. State, Syracuse)
Bret Engemann, So., BYU	1	2 (Virginia)
Lon Sheriff, So., San Diego State	1	2 (Wyoming)

Multiple Touchdown Games - Receiving		
	No.	High
Jonathan Pittman, Sr., WR, BYU	2	2 (Miss. State, Syracuse)
Nate Turner, Sr., WR, UNLV	2	2 (Iowa State, Nevada)
Steve Smith, Sr., WR, Utah	1	2 (San Diego State)
Ryan McGuffey, Fr., WR, Wyoming	1	2 (Arizona)
Frank Rice, Sr., WR, Colorado State	1	2 (Colorado)
Ryan Fleming, Jr., WR, Air Force	1	2 (BYU)
Qualario Brown, Sr., RB, Air Force	1	2 (BYU)
Cliff Russell, Jr., WR, Utah	1	2 (Washington State)



2000 NATIONAL POLLS

Associated Press Top 25

(Oct. 22)

Rk	School	Rec	Pts	Pvs
1.	Nebraska (67)	(7-0)	1,747	1
2.	Virginia Tech	(7-0)	1,605	2
3.	Oklahoma (3)	(6-0)	1,599	3
4.	Miami Fla	(5-1)	1,532	4
5.	Clemson	(8-0)	1,495	5
6.	Florida St	(7-1)	1,420	6
7.	Oregon	(6-1)	1,309	7
8.	Florida	(6-1)	1,247	8
9.	Washington	(6-1)	1,141	9
10.	Kansas St	(7-1)	1,072	10
11.	TCU	(6-0)	1,014	11
12.	Ohio St	(6-1)	881	14
13.	Georgia	(6-1)	872	12
14.	So Mississippi	(5-1)	853	15
15.	Michigan	(6-2)	762	16
16.	Purdue	(6-2)	688	17
17.	South Carolina	(7-1)	671	18
18.	Oregon St	(6-1)	668	19
19.	Notre Dame	(5-2)	555	20
20.	Mississippi St	(4-2)	365	13
21.	No Carolina St	(5-1)	289	24
22.	Texas	(5-2)	206	NR
23.	Northwestern	(5-2)	204	25
24.	Arizona	(5-2)	201	21
25.	Auburn	(6-2)	129	NR

MWC teams receiving votes: Colorado State - 65 (26th).

ESPN/USA Today Top 25

(Oct. 22)

Rk	School	Rec	Pts	Pvs
1.	Nebraska (58)	(7-0)	1,474	1
2.	Virginia Tech	(7-0)	1,394	2
3.	Oklahoma (1)	(6-0)	1,307	4
4.	Clemson	(8-0)	1,306	3
5.	Miami Fla	(5-1)	1,255	5
6.	Florida St	(7-1)	1,181	6
7.	Florida	(6-1)	1,101	7
8.	Kansas St	(7-1)	973	8
9.	Washington	(6-1)	950	9
10.	Oregon	(6-1)	936	11
11.	TCU	(6-0)	881	10
12.	Georgia	(6-1)	809	12
13.	Ohio St	(6-1)	799	13
14.	So Mississippi	(5-1)	709	15
15.	Michigan	(6-2)	678	16
16.	Purdue	(6-2)	541	17
17.	Oregon St	(6-1)	526	18
18.	South Carolina	(7-1)	491	19
19.	Notre Dame	(5-2)	333	22
20.	Texas	(5-2)	302	21
21.	Mississippi St	(4-2)	300	14
22.	No Carolina St	(5-1)	215	25
23.	Arizona	(5-2)	140	20
24.	Colorado St	(6-1)	129	NR
25.	Auburn	(6-2)	124	NR

MWC teams receiving votes: Air Force - 2 (39th).

MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE WEEKLY RADIO SHOW

The Mountain West Conference has forged a partnership with Nevada Sports Network, Las Vegas, for a weekly radio show, dubbed "This Week in the Mountain West." The show is being produced through a joint effort by the Nevada Sports Network, formerly Elmore Sports Network, Las Vegas, and the Talk America Radio Network, also of Las Vegas. The Talk America Radio Network spans more than 400 affiliates nationwide.

Program content will showcase football and basketball, highlighting the latest news from around the conference. The weekly show will also feature interviews with coaches, student-athletes and special guests, and provide updates on each of the 19 sports and 18 championships sponsored by the Mountain West Conference.

"This Week in the Mountain West" will join the Big Ten, SEC and Big 12 conferences as weekly national radio shows dedicated to highlighting the latest news throughout their respective conferences. The 30-minute show will discuss the past week in football and basketball throughout the season, and feature in-depth analysis of upcoming games in the conference.

"This Week in the Mountain West" will be picked up by radio stations across the country, including Armed Forces Radio and Cable Radio Network. The broadcast will be fed on CD-Rom and ISDN in a 30-minute format. Parties interested in broadcasting the show should contact Alex Shelton at the Nevada Sports Network (702-269-6518) or Dan Butterly at the Mountain West Conference (719-533-9513). The following is a list of current clearances:

<u>Radio Station (city)</u>	<u>*Potential Listeners</u>	<u>^Time of broadcast (local)</u>
Armed Forces Radio	1 million homes	
Cable Radio Network	2 million homes	
KALL910 AM (Salt Lake City)	1 million homes	
KATD 990 AM (San Francisco)	2.8 million homes	
KCBL1340 AM (Fresno)	870,478 homes	
KFBC 1240 AM (Cheyenne)	77,000 homes	
KGME 1360 AM (Phoenix)	2,931,004 homes	
KGU - The Ball (Honolulu)	872,478 homes	
KIIX 600 AM (Fort Collins)	300,000 homes	6 p.m. Friday
#KKOB 770 AM (Albuquerque)	678,633	3:30 p.m. Saturday
KOGO 600 AM (San Diego)	2,780,592 homes	12:30 p.m. Saturday
KPLY 1270 AM (Reno)	750,000 homes	
KRLV 1340 AM (Las Vegas)	1.1 million homes	
KVET 98.1 FM (Austin)	1,105,909 homes	
KVOR 740 AM (Colo. Springs)	490,378 homes	6 a.m. Saturday
KBAD 920 AM (Las Vegas)	1.1 million homes	Saturday mornings
KOWB (Laramie)	30,000 homes	
WJOX 690 AM (Birmingham)	908,508 homes	
WBOB 1160 AM (Cincinnati)	1,948,264 homes	
WHEN 620 AM (Syracuse)	734,640 homes	
WHBQ 506 AM (Memphis)	1,093,427 homes	

* source: Population Estimates Program, Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, D.C. 20233

#Reaches Los Angeles, Montana, Arizona, Wyoming, New Mexico, Colorado

^Broadcast times yet to be determined by radio station at time of release. Check local listings or call the radio station for broadcast time. Times may vary week to week depending on game times.



Regular Season Home

Attendance Figures

Team	G	Total	Avg.	High
Air Force	4	186,213	46,554	50,324
BYU	5	301,403	60,281	63,318
Colorado State	3	84,329	28,110	31,700
New Mexico	4	99,562	24,891	30,830
San Diego State	3	75,208	25,070	30,931
UNLV	4	86,410	21,603	27,578
Utah	4	154,822	38,706	41,352
Wyoming	4	63,917	15,980	19,050
Total	31	1,051,864	33,932	63,318

Regular Season Road/Neutral Sites

Attendance Figures

Team	G	Total	Avg.	High
Air Force	3	74,874	24,958	37,151
BYU	4	201,062	50,266	60,435
Colorado State	4	175,885	43,972	67,466
New Mexico	4	133,278	33,320	42,238
San Diego State	4	153,855	38,464	44,973
UNLV	3	127,299	42,433	60,191
Utah	3	92,216	30,739	45,300
Wyoming	5	246,879	49,376	76,128
Total	30	1,205,348	40,179	76,128

MWC vs. Nonconference Opponents

Conference	W	L	Pct.
ACC	1	1	.500
Big 12	1	3	.250
Big East	0	1	.000
Big Ten	0	1	.000
Big Sky	2	0	1.000
Big West	4	1	.800
Independents	1	0	1.000
MAC	1	0	1.000
Mid-American	0	0	.000
Pac-10	0	8	.000
SEC	0	2	.000
WAC	2	1	.667
Other	1	0	1.000
Total	13	18	.419

Mountain West Conference Record Book Update

Single Game Team Records

Total Offense - Plays
 1. 94, by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge (9/2/00)
 2. 92, by BYU vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Total Offense - Yards
 1. 698, by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge (9/2/00)
 2. 625, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Total Offense - Points
 1. 55, by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge (9/2/00)
 4. 51, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Total Offense - First Downs
 1. 38, by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge (9/2/00)
 3. 32, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Total Offense - First Downs Rushing
 1. 30, by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge (9/2/00)
 2. 26, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Total Offense - First Downs Passing
 2. 21, by BYU vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)
 5. 16, by Wyoming vs. Air Force (10/14/00)

Rushing - Attempts
 3. 71, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Rushing - Yards
 1. 583, by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge (9/2/00)
 2. 432, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Rushing - Touchdowns
 1. 7, by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge (9/2/00)
 2. 6, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Longest Rush
 1. 95, by Wyoming vs. Central Michigan (9/16/00)

Passing - Attempts
 2. 58, by BYU vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)
 3. 57, by San Diego State vs. Arizona State (8/31/00)

Passing - Completions
 2. 34, by BYU at Virginia (9/2/00)
 34, by BYU vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Passing - Yards
 2. 447, by BYU at Virginia (9/2/00)
 4. 376, by BYU vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Longest Pass
 2. 81, by Air Force at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Field Goal Attempts
 1. 6, by BYU vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Punt Return Yards
 3. 150, Dolorado State at Nevada (9/30/00)

Interception Return Yards
 3. 83, Colorado State at Utah (10/21/00)

Fewest Yards Allowed
 4. 146, Utah at Arizona (9/2/00)

Fewest Passing Yards Allowed
 2. 11, Utah at Arizona (9/2/00)

Most Penalty Yardage
 1. 159, by BYU vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Margin of Victory
 49 points by Air Force vs. Cal State-Northridge

Non-conference Records

Team	vs. Ranked Opp.	vs. BCS	vs. Div I opp.	Overall
Air Force	0-0	0-0	3-0	3-0
BYU	0-1	1-3	2-3	2-3
Colorado State	1-0	1-1	2-1	3-1
New Mexico	0-0	0-2	1-3	1-3
San Diego State	0-1	0-4	0-4	0-4
UNLV	0-0	0-1	2-1	2-1
Utah	0-0	0-3	1-3	1-3
Wyoming	0-0	0-2	1-3	1-3
Totals	1-2	2-16	11-18	13-18

MWC RED ZONE NUMBERS

Team	Times		TDs (Rush/Pass)	FGs	Opponents			
	Inside 20	Total Scores			Inside 20	Scores	TDs (Rush/Pass)	FG
Air Force	31	27	20 (15/5)	7	21	18	14 (1/6)	4
BYU	27	22	17 (12/5)	5	26	20	17 (12/5)	3
Colorado State	25	20	15 (12/3)	5	15	13	10 (5/5)	3
New Mexico	23	18	16 (9/7)	2	23	19	16 (7/9)	3
San Diego State	15	12	8 (6/2)	4	25	17	14 (7/7)	3
UNLV	26	23	19 (13/6)	4	16	11	7 (5/2)	4
Utah	19	10	9 (8/1)	1	16	12	7 (5/2)	5
Wyoming	17	11	10 (4/6)	1	37	33	29 (21/8)	4



Week 9 Game Previews

Colorado State at San Diego State

Saturday, October 28
Qualcomm Stadium (71,400)
San Diego, Calif.
6 p.m. (PT)

GAME NOTES

Colorado State has won four of the last five games vs. San Diego State. The visitor has won three of the last four games, including two consecutive victories for the Rams at Qualcomm Stadium. The Aztecs are 8-3 on their home field against Colorado State and have won four of their last five conference games, dating back to last season.

THE SERIES

San Diego State leads, 11-8. Last meeting: San Diego State 17-10, October 16, 1999 in Fort Collins, Colo.

THE COACHES

Sonny Lubick is 84-47 overall in 11-plus years as a head coach and 63-28 during his seven-plus year tenure at Colorado State. Ted Tollner is in his seventh season at the helm of the Aztecs and 11th overall as a head coach. He is 39-37 at SDSU and 65-57-1 lifetime. Before coming to SDSU in 1994, Tollner was the head coach at Southern California (1983-86).

Players to Watch – Colorado State (6-1, 3-0 MWC)

Passer: Matt Newton (7 GP, 205-121-11, 59.0 Pct, 1,544 Yds, 10 TD, Longest Pass - 59 Yds)
Rusher: Cecil Sapp (7 GP, 100 Att., 476 Yds, 4.8 Avg Per Rush., 6 TD, Longest Rush - 54 Yds)
Receiver: Frank Rice (7 GP, 30 Rec., 472 Yds, 15.7 Avg Per Rec., 3 TD, Longest Rec. - 59 Yds)
Tackler: Rick Crowell (6 GP, 55-26-81, 1 Sack, 5 TFL, 1 INT, 2 PBU)

Players to Watch – San Diego State (2-5, 2-1 MWC)

Passer: Lon Sheriff (6 GP, 162-82-7, 50.6 Pct, 1,025 Yds, 2 TD, Longest Pass - 46 Yds)
Rusher: Larry Ned (6 GP, 139 Att., 357 Yds, 2.6 Avg Per Rush, 6 TD, Longest Rush - 22 Yds)
Receiver: J.R. Tolver (7 GP, 37 Rec., 463 Yds, 12.5 Avg Per Rec., 0 TD, Longest Rec. - 34 Yds)
Tackler: Jomar Butler (7 GP, 47-10-57, 2 Sack, 5 TFL, 1 INT, 2 PBU, 1 QB Hurry, 2, Caused Fumbles, 1 Fumble Recovery)

Utah at New Mexico

Saturday, October 28
University Stadium (31,218)
Albuquerque, N.M.
1 p.m. (MT), ESPN+Plus

GAME NOTES

Utah has won five straight and 10 of the last 13 games. The Utes have outscored the Lobos by a combined score of 108-24 over the last three contests. This marks the 39th consecutive season the two teams have met, dating back to 1961. The teams first played in 1938. Each team has had a memorable performance at the other's expense: in 1989 New Mexico quarterback Jeremy Leach rewrote the Lobo record book, throwing for 622 yards and four touchdowns on 41-of-68 passing; in 1976 Daniel Hagemann and Jack Steptoe connected for a 98-yard touchdwon, the longest pass play in Utah history.

THE SERIES

Utah leads, 27-12-2. Last meeting: Utah 52-7, November 13, 1999, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

THE COACHES

Utah coach Ron McBride has compiled a 73-51 overall record in 10-plus seasons at the helm of the Utes. McBride has a 7-3 career mark vs. New Mexico. New Mexico's Rocky Long is in his third season at the helm of the Lobos and is 11-19 in his two-plus seasons in Albuquerque. Prior to his days at New Mexico, Long was the defensive coordinator for UCLA.

Players to Watch – Utah (2-5, 1-2 MWC)

Passer: Darnell Arceneaux (7 GP, 153-86-8, 56.2 Pct, 1,260 Yds, 6 TD, Longest Pass - 74 Yds)
Rusher: Adam Tate (5 GP, 102 Att., 422 Yds, 4.1 Avg Per Rush, 4 TD, Longest Rush - 18 Yds)
Receiver: Cliff Russell (7 GP, 35 Rec., 467 Yds, 13.3 Avg Per Rec., 3 TD, Longest Rush - 48 Yds)
Tackler: Jason Kaufusi (7 GP, 21-28-49, 11 TFL, 3 PBU, 5 QB Hurry, 6 Sacks)

Players to Watch – New Mexico (4-3, 2-1 MWC)

Passer: Rudy Caamano (7 GP, 116-73-5, 62.9 Pct, 847 Yds, 9 TD, Longest Pass - 34 Yds)
Rusher: Holmon Wiggins (7 GP, 127 Att., 521 Yds, 4.1 Avg Per Rush., 2 TD, Longest Rush - 23 Yds)
Receiver: Ted Iacenda (7 GP, 17 Rec., 182 Yds, 10.7 Avg Per Rec., 2 TD, Longest Rec. - 25 Yds)
Tackler: David Mauer (7 GP, 25-19-44, 9 Sacks, 7 TFL, 1 INT, 1 PBU, 1 Caused Fumble)



Week 9 Game Previews

Air Force at Notre Dame
Saturday, October 28
Notre Dame Stadium (80,012)
South Bend, Ind.
11:30 a.m. (MT), NBC

GAME NOTES

This has been a series of streaks as Notre Dame won the first 11 games, Air Force the next four and the Irish the next eight prior to an Air Force victory in the last meeting. The teams played in the first overtime game in Notre Dame Stadium in their last meeting in 1996. Notre Dame is 118-22-5 vs. service academy teams. Air Force and Notre Dame meet next on October 19, 2002, in Colorado Springs.

THE SERIES

Notre Dame leads 19-5. Last Meeting: Air Force 20-17 (OT), 1996, South Bend, Ind.

THE COACHES

Fisher DeBerry has compiled a 131-71-1 overall record in 16-plus seasons at Air Force. His teams are 3-8 vs. Notre Dame. Fighting Irish coach Bob Davie is in his fourth year at Notre Dame with a 26-18 record.

Players to Watch – Air Force (5-2, 3-2 MWC)

Passer: Mike Thiessen (7 GP, 112-61-3, 54.5 Pct, 1,007 Yds, 9 TDs, Longest Pass - 81 Yds)
Rusher: Mike Thiessen (7 GP, 115 Att., 439 Yds, 3.8 Avg Per Rush., 8 TD, Longest Rush - 34 Yds)
Receiver: Ryan Fleming (7 GP, 27 Rec., 548 Yds, 20.3 Avg Per Rec., 4 TD, Longest Rec. - 61 Yds)
Tackler: C.J. Zanotti (7 GP, 22-33-55, 4 Sack, 9 TFL, 2 PBU, 1 Fumble Recovery)

Players to Watch – Notre Dame (5-2)

Passer: Matt LoVecchio (4 GP, 55-32-1, 58.2 Pct, 420 Yds, 6 TD, Longest Pass - 43 Yds)
Rusher: Julius Jones (7 GP, 110 Att., 456 Yds, 4.1 Avg Per Rush., 5 TD, Longest Rush - 56 Yds)
Receiver: David Givens (7 GP, 16 Rec., 221 Yds, 13.8 Avg Per Rec., 2 TD, Longest Rec. - 46 Yds)
Tackler: Anthony Denman (7 GP, 35-23-58, 5 Sacks, 9 TFL)

UNLV at Ole Miss
Saturday, October 28
Vaught-Hemingway Stadium (50,577)
Oxford, Miss.
11 a.m. (PT)

GAME NOTES

This is believed to be the first time two schools with the nickname "Rebels" have met on the gridiron. UNLV is looking for its first road win of the season. Ole Miss is coming off a bye week. The Mississippi offense enters the contest averaging 27.5 points per game and 395 yards total offense, while the Ole Miss defense is allowing 22.3 points per contest and 333.3 yards total offense.

THE SERIES

First meeting.

THE COACHES

John Robinson is in his second season at UNLV and is 7-11 overall. Prior to UNLV, Robinson coached at Southern California for 12 years (1976-82, '93-97) and the NFL's Los Angeles Rams for nine years (1983-91). His college coaching record stands at 111-46-4, while his NFL record was 79-74. Mississippi coach David Cutcliffe is in his second season at the helm of the Ole Miss program with a 13-6 record.

Players to Watch – UNLV (4-3, 2-2 MWC)

Passer: Jason Thomas (7 GP, 99-57-3, 57.6 Pct, 1,066 Yds, 9 TD, Longest Pass - 57 Yds)
Rushing (7 GP, 89 Att., 408 Yds, 4.6 Avg Per Rush., 7 TD, Longest Rush - 72 Yds)
Rusher: Kevin Brown (7 GP, 82 Att., 473 Yds, 5.8 Avg Per Rush., 2 TD, Longest Rush - 53 Yds)
Receiver: Nate Turner (7 GP, 36 Rec., 571 Yds, 15.9 Avg Per Rec., 6 TD, Longest Rec. - 57 Yds)
Tackler: Sam Brandon (7 GP, 30-19-49, 1 TFL, 3 PBU)

Players to Watch - Ole Miss (4-2, 2-2 SEC)

Passer: Romaro Miller (6 GP, 157-92-9, 58.6 Pct, 1,114 Yds, 10 TD, Longest Pass - 67 Yds)
Rusher: Deuce McAllister (6 GP, 81 Att., 446 Yds, 5.5 Avg Per Rush., 8 TD, Longest Rush - 50 Yds)
Receiver: Grant Heard (6 GP, 23 Rec., 297 Yds, 12.9 Avg Per Rec., 4 TD, Longest Rec. - 40 Yds)
Tackler: Syniker Taylor (6 GP, 22-18-40, 3 TFL, 7 PBU, 2 Fumble Recoveries)



MWC BOWL TIE-INS

The Mountain West Conference has three guaranteed bowl berths in 2000. The conference champion is slated for the AXALiberty Bowl in Memphis, Tenn., on Dec. 29. The game will be aired on ESPN starting at 1:30 P.M. (ET) vs. the champion of Conference USA. The Las Vegas Bowl has the second choice from the MWC vs. an at-large opponent in a game scheduled for Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. (PT) on ESPN2. Newly added to the MWC bowl lineup is the Silicon Valley Football Classic on Dec. 31 from San Jose, Calif. The inaugural game will be carried by Fox Sports Net and pits the Mountain West third selection against the third pick from the WAC. The addition of the Silicon Valley Football Classic to the MWC bowl lineup gives the conference six bowl berths in its two-year history.

LAVELL EDWARDS TO CALL IT QUILTS AFTER 2000 SEASON

LaVell Edwards, the seventh-winningest coach in the history of college football, announced on Thursday, Aug. 17, that he will retire as Brigham Young University's head coach at the conclusion of the 2000 season. Edwards, who will be 70 in October, has compiled a 255-100-3 overall record in 28-plus seasons with the Cougars. His teams have won 20 conference titles and have appeared in 22 bowl games. In 1984, he was named National Coach of the Year after BYU finished the season 13-0 and won the National Championship. He entered the 2000 season with the third-most wins (251) and the third-best winning percentage (.723) among active coaches.

EDWARDS TIES TOM OSBORNE

With the Cougars 19-7 victory over Wyoming on October 26th, head coach LaVell Edwards recorded his 255th win, tying him with longtime Nebraska coach Tom Osborne as the sixth winningest coach in college football history.

BROTHER ACT

Utah brothers Patrick and Andre Dyson now also have the Mountain West Conference record book in common. The pair are tied for second place in the conference for longest interception return. Each has returned an INT 58 yards for a touchdown this season. Andre was the first to reach paydirt with his pick coming against California on September 9th. Not to be out done, Patrick got into the act with touchdown return vs. Colorado State, October 21st.

MEMORABLE OUTING

BYU quarterback Charlie Peterson etched his name in the Mountain West Conference record book with his performance against San Diego State. The junior signal-caller threw for 376 yards, on 34-of-58 passing vs. the Aztecs. His numbers rank second all-time in attempts (58), tied for second in completions (34), fourth in passing yards (376), second for most plays (65) and fourth in total offense (366).

INTERCEPTION KING

BYU safety Tyson Smith established a Mountain West Conference record with three interceptions during the Cougars 19-7 win over Wyoming on October 26th. The senior from Mesa, Arz., totaled 44 interception return yards in the game and has four INTs on the season.



Mountain West Conference Record Book Update
Individual Single Game

Total Offense - Most Plays

2. 65 (58-7), Charlie Peterson, Jr., (BYU) vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Total Offense - Yards Gained

2. 422, Bret Engeman, So., (BYU) at Virginia (9/2/00)

4. 366, Charlie Peterson, Jr., (BYU) vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Rushing - Attempts

t-1. 32, Adam Tate, Jr., (Utah) at Utah State (9/30/00)

Rushing - Yards Gained

4. 192, Nate Scott, Jr., (Wyoming) vs. Central Mich. (9/16/00)

Rushing - Touchdowns

t-1. 4, Mike Thiessen, Sr., (Air Force) vs. Wyoming (10/14/00)

Longest Rushing Play

1. 95, Nate Scott, Jr., (Wyoming) vs. Cent. Mich. (9/16/00)

Passing - Attempts

2. 58, Charlie Peterson, Jr., (BYU) vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

3. 57, Jack Hawley, Sr., (San Diego St.) vs. Arizona St. (8/31/00)

Passing - Completions

2. 34, Bret Engeman, So., (BYU) at Virginia (9/2/00)

34, Charlie Peterson, Jr., (BYU) vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Passing - Yards

2. 447, Bret Engeman, So., (BYU) at Virginia (9/2/00)

4. 376, Charlie Peterson, Jr., (BYU) vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Passing - Touchdowns

t-1. 4, Matt Newton, Jr., (CSU) vs. Colorado (9/2/00)

4, Mike Thiessen, Sr., (Air Force) vs. BYU (9/9/00)

Longest Pass Play

2. 81, Mike Thiessen, Sr., to Scotty McKay, Sr., (Air Force) at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Receiving - Receptions

t-2. 10, Cliff Russell, Jr., (Utah) vs. Arizona (9/2/00)

10, Ryan Fleming, Jr., (Air Force) vs. New Mexico (10/21/00)

t-5. 9, Margin Hooks, Sr., (BYU) vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

Receiving - Yards

1. 161, Jonathon Pittman, Sr., (BYU) at Virginia (9/2/00)

4. 143, Steve Smith, Sr., (Utah) at San Diego St. (10/14/00)

Scoring - Total Points

t-1 24, Mike Thiessen, Sr., (Air Force) at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Scoring - Touchdowns

t-1 4, Mike Thiessen, Sr., (Air Force) at Wyoming (10/14/00)

Longest Field Goal

t-4 52, Aaron Elling, Sr., (Wyoming) vs. Air Force (10/14/00)

Longest Punt

1. 78, Cort Moffitt, So., (New Mexico) vs. Texas Tech (8/26/00)

Punt Return Yards

3. 143, Pete Rebstock, Jr., (CSU) at Nevada (9/30/00)

Longest Punt Return

3. 77, Holmon Wiggins, Jr., (New Mexico) at New Mexico St. (9/16/00)

5. 66, Pete Rebstock, Jr., (CSU) at Nevada (9/30/00)

Kick Return Yards

4. 129, Paul Peterson, Jr., (BYU) at Syracuse (9/30/00)

Longest Kick Return

1. 98, Patrick Dyson, Sr., (Utah) vs. Air Force (9/23/00)

Interceptions

1. 3, Tyson Smith, Sr., (BYU) vs. Wyoming (10/26/00)

Longest Interception Return

t-2. 58, Andre Dyson, Sr., (Utah) at California (9/9/00)

58, Patrick Dyson, Sr., (Utah) vs. Colorado State (10/21/00)

Most Punts

1. 11, Cort Moffitt, So., (New Mexico) vs. Oregon St. (9/9/00)

Field Goals Attempted

1. 6, Owen Pochman, Sr., (BYU) vs. San Diego State (10/21/00)

MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Defense</u>	<u>Special Teams</u>
Aug. 28	HOLMON WIGGINS (Jr., RB, UNM)	JUSTIN ENA (Jr., LB, BYU)	VLADIMIR BOROMBOZIN (Jr., PK, UNM)
Sept. 4	BRET ENGEMANN (So., QB, BYU)	WILL DEMPS (Jr., SS, SDSU)	DALLAS THOMPSON (Sr., PK/P, AFA)
Sept. 11	MIKE THIESSEN (Sr., QB, AFA)	ANDRE DYSON (Sr., DB, Utah)	PETE REBSTOCK (KR/PR, CSU)
Sept. 18	NATE SCOTT (Jr., RB, Wyo)	RICK CROWELL (Sr., LB, CSU)	HOLMON WIGGINS (Jr., PR, UNM)
Sept. 25	LUKE STALEY (So., RB, BYU)	COREY NELSON (Sr., OLB, AFA)	PATRICK DYSON (Sr., KR, Utah)
Oct. 2	JASON THOMAS (So., QB, UNLV)	KEVIN THOMAS (Jr., CB, UNLV)	PETER REBSTOCK (Jr., PR/KR, CSU)
Oct. 9	LON SHERIFF (So., QB, SDSU)	C.J. ZANOTTI (Sr., LB, AFA)	RAY CHEETANY (Sr., PK/P, UNLV)
Oct. 16	MIKE THIESSEN (Sr., QB, AFA)	RICK CROWELL (Sr., LB, CSU)	RHETT NELSON (So., CB, CSU)
Oct. 23	DERRICK LEWIS (Jr., WR, SDSU)	JOMAR BUTLER (Jr., LB, SDSU)	NATE TANDBERG (Sr., PK, SDSU)

NATIONAL AWARD WATCH LISTS

DOAK WALKER AWARD

Scotty McKay, Sr., RB, Air Force
Larry Ned, Sr., RB, San Diego State

BRONCO NAGURSKI AWARD

Patrick Chukwurah, LB, Wyoming
Rick Crowell, LB, Colorado State
Chris Hoke, DT, BYU
Jared Lee, S, BYU
Kautai Oleveo, LB, Utah

JIM THORPE AWARD

Jared Lee, Sr., DB, BYU
Andre Dyson, Sr., DB, Utah
Kevin Thomas, Jr., DB, UNLV

RAY GUY AWARD

Ray Cheetany, Sr., UNLV



2000 MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TELEVISION SCHEDULE

(National and regional broadcasts as of October 9, 2000)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>	<u>TV</u>	<u>Nat./Reg.</u>
Sat., Aug. 26	BYU vs. Florida State (Advantedge Pigskin Classic, Jacksonville, Fla.)	FSU 29-3	ABC	national
Sat., Aug. 26	New Mexico at Texas Tech (Transamerica Hispanic College Fund Classic)	TT 24-3	Fox Sports Net SW College Sports SE	regional
Thur., Aug. 31	Wyoming at Auburn	Auburn 35-21	ESPN %	national
Thur., Aug. 31	Arizona State at San Diego State	ASU 10-7	ESPN2	national
Sat., Sept. 2	BYU at Virginia	BYU 38-35 ot	ABC %	regional
Sat., Sept. 2	Colorado vs. Colorado State (at Mile High Stadium, Denver)	CSU 28-24	ESPN2	national
Sat., Sept. 2	Arizona at Utah	Arizona 17-3	ESPN2	national
Sat., Sept. 9	Utah at California	Cal 24-21	Fox Sports Bay Area	regional
Sat., Sept. 9	Wyoming at Texas A&M	A&M 51-3	Fox Sports Net %	national
Sat., Sept. 9	Illinois at San Diego State	Illini 49-13	ESPN2	national
Thur., Sept. 14	Mississippi State at BYU	MSU 44-28	ESPN	national
Sat., Sept. 23	UNLV at BYU	BYU 10-7	ESPN+Plus	regional
Sat., Sept. 23	Air Force at Utah	AFA 23-14	ABC	regional
Sat., Sept. 23	San Diego State at Oregon State	OSU 35-3	Fox Sports NW	regional
Sat., Sept. 30	Air Force at UNLV	UNLV 34-13	ABC	regional
Sat., Sept. 30	BYU at Syracuse	Syr. 42-14	ESPN2 %	national
Sat., Oct. 7	New Mexico at Colorado State	CSU 17-14	ESPN+Plus	regional
Sat., Oct. 7	San Diego State at Wyoming	SDSU 34-0	ABC	regional
Sat., Oct. 14	UNLV at Colorado State	CSU 20-19	ESPN2	national
Sat., Oct. 14	Utah at SDSU	Utah 21-7	ESPN+Plus	regional
Sat., Oct. 21	San Diego State at BYU	SDSU 16-15	ESPN+Plus	regional
Thur., Oct. 26	Wyoming at BYU	BYU 19-7	ESPN	national
Sat., Oct. 28	Air Force at Notre Dame	12:30 p.m. CT	NBC %	national
Sat., Oct. 28	Utah at New Mexico	1 p.m. MT	ESPN+Plus	regional
Thur., Nov. 2	BYU at Colorado State	6 p.m. MT	ESPN	national
Sat., Nov. 4	UNLV at Utah	1 p.m. MT	ESPN+Plus	regional
TBA	TBA	TBA	ESPN2	national
Sat., Nov. 11	New Mexico at UNLV	1 p.m. MT	ESPN+Plus	regional
Thur., Nov. 16	Wyoming at Colorado State	6 p.m. MT	ESPN	national
Sat., Nov. 18	San Diego State at Air Force	1 p.m. MT	ESPN+Plus	regional
Fri., Nov. 24	BYU at Utah	4 p.m. MT	ESPN	national
Thur., Dec. 21	Las Vegas Bowl	5 p.m. PT	ESPN2	national
Fri, Dec. 29	AXALiberty Bowl	12:30 p.m. CT	ESPN	national
Sun, Dec. 31	Silicon Valley Football Classic	3:30 p.m. PT	Fox Sports Net	national

% - Appearance as part of opponent conference TV package.

The remaining ESPN2 games and the option weeks (listed above) in the ESPN+Plus schedule will be announced during the season (e.g., six-day or 12-day picks). Several additional appearances will take place via local TV packages (e.g., SportsWest Productions, KJZZ-TV) and nonconference opponent TV exposures.

2000 MOUNTAIN WEST CONFERENCE FOOTBALL ON ESPN+PLUS

Market	Affiliate	Market	Affiliate
Albuquerque, N.M.	KRQE-TV	Phoenix, Ariz.	KUSK-TV
Boise, Idaho	KTRV-TV	Pocatello, Idaho	KFXP-TV
Casper, Wyo.	KLWY-TV	Portland, Ore.	KOIN-TV
Cedar Rapids, Iowa	KWKB-TV	Reno, Nev.	KREN-TV
Cheyenne, Wyo.	KWYF-TV	Salt Lake City, Utah	KJZZ-TV
Colorado Springs, Colo.	KXRM-TV	San Diego, Calif.	4 San Diego
Denver, Colo.	KPXC-TV	Seattle, Wash.	KTWB-TV
Detroit, Mich.	WADL-TV	Tucson, Ariz.	KTTU-TV
Grand Junction, Colo.	KFQX-TV	Twin Falls, Idaho	KXTF-TV
Kansas City, Mo.	Metro Sports	Wichita, Kansas	KWCV-TV
Las Vegas, Nev.	KFBT-TV	Yuma/El Centro, Calif.	KECY-TV
Memphis, Tenn.	TV Memphis		



2000 Mountain West Conference Schedule/Results

AIR FORCE FALCONS (5-2, 3-2 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
9/2	W 55-6	Cal State-Northridge (KXRM/KXTU)	50,166
9/9	W 31-23	BYU* (KXRM/KXTU, KSL)	45,277
9/23	W 23-14	at Utah* (ABC Regional)	37,151
9/30	L 13-34	at UNLV* (ABC Regional)	22,321
10/7	W 27-13	Navy (KXRM/KXTU)	50,324
10/14	W 51-34	at Wyoming*	15,452
10/21	L 23-29	New Mexico* (KXRM/KXTU, KRQE)	40,446
10/28		at Notre Dame (NBC)	
11/4		at Army	
11/11		Colorado State*	
11/18		San Diego State* (ESPN+)	

SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS (2-5, 2-1 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
8/31	L 7-10	Arizona State (ESPN2)	30,931
9/9	L 13-49	#21/21 Illinois (ESPN2)	26,779
9/16	L 3-17	at Arizona	44,973
9/23	L 3-35	at Oregon State (Fox Sports NW)	32,027
10/7	W 34-0	at Wyoming* (ABC Regional)	15,661
10/14	L 7-21	Utah* (ESPN+)	17,498
10/21	W 16-15	at BYU* (ESPN+)	61,194
10/28		Colorado State*	
11/4		at New Mexico* (4 San Diego, KRQE)	
11/18		at Air Force* (ESPN+)	
11/25		UNLV* (KLAS, 4 San Diego)	

BYU COUGARS (4-5, 2-2 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
8/26	L 3-29	vs. #2/2 Florida State (ABC)	54,260
9/2	W 38-35	at Virginia (ABC Regional)	60,435
9/9	L 23-31	at Air Force* (KXRM/KXTU, KSL)	45,277
9/14	L 28-44	Mississippi State (ESPN)	60,278
9/23	W 10-7	UNLV* (ESPN+)	60,191
9/30	L 14-42	at Syracuse (ESPN2)	43,090
10/6	W 38-14	Utah State (KSL)	63,318
10/21	L 15-16	San Diego State* (ESPN+)	61,194
10/26	W 19-7	Wyoming* (ESPN)	56,422
11/2		at Colorado State* (ESPN)	
11/18		New Mexico* (KSL, KRQE)	
11/24		at Utah* (ESPN)	

UNLV REBELS (4-3, 2-2 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
9/9	L 22-37	at Iowa State (KFBT)	35,408
9/16	W 38-0	North Texas	16,544
9/23	L 7-10	at BYU* (ESPN+)	60,191
9/30	W 34-23	Air Force* (ABC Regional)	22,321
10/7	W 38-7	Nevada (Cox Cable)	27,578
10/14	L 19-20	at Colorado State* (ESPN2)	31,700
10/21	W 42-23	Wyoming* (Cox Cable, KGWN)	19,967
10/28		at Ole Miss	
11/4		at Utah* (ESPN+)	
11/11		New Mexico* (ESPN+)	
11/25		at San Diego State* (KLAS, 4 San Diego)	
12/2		at Hawai'i	

COLORADO STATE RAMS (6-1, 3-0 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
9/2	W 28-24	vs. #24/25 Colorado (ESPN2)	67,466
9/9	W 41-7	East Tennessee State (KTVD/KTVS)	25,122
9/16	L 10-13	at Arizona State (KTVD)	51,911
9/30	W 45-14	at Nevada (KTVD/KTVS)	19,003
10/7	W 17-14	New Mexico* (ESPN+)	27,507
10/14	W 20-19	UNLV* (ESPN2)	31,700
10/21	W 24-17	at Utah* (KTVD, KJZZ)	37,505
10/28		at San Diego State*	
11/2		BYU* (ESPN)	
11/11		at Air Force*	
11/16		Wyoming* (ESPN)	

UTAH UTES (2-5, 1-2 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
9/2	L 3-17	Arizona (ESPN2)	41,352
9/9	L 21-24	at California (Fox Sports Bay Area)	43,500
9/16	L 21-38	Washington State (KJZZ)	38,814
9/23	L 14-23	Air Force* (ABC Regional)	37,151
9/30	W 35-14	at Utah State (KSL)	29,814
10/14	W 21-7	at San Diego State* (ESPN+)	17,498
10/21	L 17-24	Colorado State* (KTVD, KJZZ)	37,505
10/28		at New Mexico* (ESPN+)	
11/4		UNLV* (ESPN+)	
11/11		at Wyoming* (KJZZ)	
11/24		BYU* (ESPN)	

NEW MEXICO LOBOS (4-4, 2-1 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
8/26	L 3-24	at Texas Tech (Fox Sports SW/KRQE)	42,238
9/2	L 14-31	Boise State	22,090
9/9	L 20-28	Oregon State	30,830
9/16	W 16-13	at New Mexico State	23,087
9/23	W 35-28	Northern Arizona	21,553
9/30	W 45-10	Wyoming* (KRQE, KGWN)	25,089
10/7	L 14-17	at Colorado State* (ESPN+)	27,507
10/21	W 29-23	at Air Force* (KXRM/KXTU, KRQE)	40,446
10/28		Utah* (ESPN+)	
11/4		San Diego State* (KRQE, 4 San Diego)	
11/11		at UNLV* (ESPN+)	
11/18		at BYU* (KSL, KRQE)	

WYOMING COWBOYS (1-8, 0-5 MWC)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn
8/31	L 21-35	at Auburn (ESPN)	76,128
9/9	L 3-51	at Texas A&M (Fox Sports Net)	69,273
9/16	W 31-10	Central Michigan	19,050
9/23	L 28-35	Nevada (KGWN)	13,754
9/30	L 10-45	at New Mexico* (KRQE, KGWN)	25,089
10/7	L 0-34	San Diego State* (ABC Regional)	15,661
10/14	L 34-51	Air Force*	15,452
10/21	L 23-42	at UNLV* (Cox Cable, KGWN)	19,967
10/26	L 7-19	at BYU* (ESPN)	56,422
11/11		Utah*	
11/16		at Colorado State* (ESPN)	

Rankings from polls the week of the game