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The Wyoming Cowboys (2000-01 Record: 9-3, 0-0 in the MWC)

							2000-01 Avgs.		
Probable Starters							PPG	RPG	APG
F	# 4	Ugo Udezue	6-8	245	RJr.	Enugu, Nigeria	6.6	5.2	1.1
F	#22	Josh Davis	6-8	235	Jr.	Salem, Ore.	12.5	10.5	2.0
F	# 5	Uche Nsonwu-Amadi	6-10	260	RSo.	Enugu, Nigeria	11.0	8.0	1.7
F	#10	Chris McMillian	5-10	180	Jr.	Brea, Calif.	5.6	2.6	4.6
G	#44	Marcus Bailey	6-5	190	So.	Cheyenne, Wyo.	17.5	4.3	2.5
Reserves									
F	#00	Ronell Mingo	6-9	230	Jr.	Los Angeles, Calif.	6.8	3.9	1.0
F/C	#13	Alex Dunn	6-10	220	Fr.	Sioux Rapids, Iowa	(Will redshirt)		
G	#14	Brett McFall	6-0	180	Sr.	Olathe, Kan.	4.3	2.0	2.8
G/F	#20	David Rottinghaus	6-5	195	Fr.	Charles City, Iowa	5.1	2.3	0.7
G/F	#23	Scottie Vines	6-2	190	Jr.	Alexander City, Ala.	2.1	1.9	1.3
G	#24	Paris Corner	6-1	193	RJr.	Beaumont, Texas	5.2	1.5	1.0
F	#25	Joe Ries	6-8	225	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo.	1.8	1.0	0.4
Head Coach: Steve McClain (Chadron State '84)							Overall: 46-25 (.648), 3rd season At Wyoming: Same		
Assistant Coaches: Leroy Washington (Montana '88), John Adams (Iowa State '95) and Sidney Coles (Marshall '98)									

Game No. 13: Mon. Jan. 8, 2001, Salt Lake City, Utah, 10:00 p.m., M.T.

The Utah Utes (8-6, 0-0 in the Mountain West Conference)

							2000-01 Avgs.		
Probable Starters							PPG	RPG	APG
F	#31	Britton Johnsen	6-9	205	So.	Murray, Utah	7.4	4.9	1.9
F	#40	Phil Cullen	6-9	215	Jr.	Chelan, Wash.	9.9	4.9	0.9
C	#34	Chris Burgess	6-10	245	Jr.	Irvine, Calif.	7.1	5.7	0.8
G	#10	Kevin Bradley	6-0	170	Jr.	Los Angeles, Calif.	10.6	3.4	2.7
G	#15	Nick Jacobson	6-4	200	Fr.	Fargo, N.D.	6.3	1.0	1.0
Reserves									
G	# 5	Marc Jackson	6-0	170	Fr.	Salt Lake City, Utah	0.7	0.6	0.6
G/F	# 4	Mike Walkenhorst	6-4	195	So.	Salt Lake City	0.0	0.0	0.0
G	#11	Travis Spivey	6-1	205	Jr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C.	4.2	2.4	2.5
C	#13	Cameron Koford	7-0	215	Jr.	Plain City, Utah	3.3	1.7	0.7
G	#20	Jonathan Taylor	6-2	170	Jr.	Salt Lake City	0.0	1.0	0.0
G/F	#21	Trace Caton	6-4	215	So.	Alamosa, Colo.	3.0	0.6	0.9
G	#25	Greg Schow	6-0	155	Fr.	Salt Lake City, Utah	1.0	0.0	0.0
F/C	#32	Jon Godfread	6-10	245	Fr.	Grand Forks, N.D.	(Hasn't yet played)		
G/F	#35	Jeff Johnsen	6-4	200	Jr.	Murray, Utah	9.2	3.0	2.6
F/C	#41	Lance Allred	6-10	240	Fr.	Salt Lake City, Utah	3.4	2.2	0.1
F	#42	Mike Puzey	6-8	230	So.	Roy, Utah	2.1	2.1	0.1
C	#52	Nate Althoff	6-11	265	Sr.	Delano, Minn.	9.4	3.0	0.1
Head Coach: Rick Majerus (Marquette '70)							Overall: *360-125 (.742), 17th season At School: *261- 73 (.781), 12th season *These were Coach Majerus's records entering this season		
Assistant Coaches: Dick Hunsaker (Weber State '77), Jeff Strohm (E. Illinois '88), and Jason Shelton (Lipscomb '91)									

Comparative Stats: Here is how the Wyoming Cowboys and Utah Utes compare statistically.

	FG-FGA	%	3P-3PA	%	FT-FTA	%	Reb. Avg.	Avg. Pts. Given Up	Scoring Avg.
Wyoming	311-725	.429	54-214	.252	221-319	.693	43.8	65.9	74.8
Utah	347-735	.472	96-251	.382	236-333	.709	37.6	60.3	73.3
UW Margins		-.043		-.130		-.016	+6.2	-5.6	-1.5

Cowboys in the NCAA Statistical Rankings: As of the most recent NCAA statistical rankings (Dec. 18, 2000), here are the categories in which the Wyoming Cowboys rank.

Category	Wyoming Ranking
Rebounding	Josh Davis, Tied No. 21, 10.3 rebounds per game
Individual Free-throw %	Marcus Bailey, No. 20, 91.5 percent



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Cowboys and Opponents Receiving Votes in National

Polls: The Wyoming Cowboys are tied for **No. 46** in this week's Associated Press Media Poll, and are tied for **No. 47** in this week's ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll.

(Dec. 17)	(Dec. 18)
ESPN/USA Today	Associated Press
Wyoming T47th	Wyoming T 46th
•Creighton 35th	•New Mexico 36th
•BYU Tie 43rd	

Cowboys in the Polls in 2000-

2001: Here is how the Wyoming Cowboys have been ranked throughout the 2000-01 season.

Week of Poll	ESPN/ USA Today	AP
Preseason	Tie No. 45	No. 49
Nov. 12-13	Tie No. 45	No. 42
Nov. 19-20	Tie No. 45	Tie No. 41
Nov. 26-27	No. 55	Tie No. 42
Dec. 3-4	No. 53	Tie No. 46
Dec. 10-11	Tie No. 51	Tie No. 55
Dec. 17-18	No. 34	Tie No. 45
Dec. 24-25	Tie No. 47	No Rank
Jan. 1	Tie No. 47	Tie No. 46

National Ratings -- Part Two: A couple of other early rankings have Wyoming among the nation's elite.

Jeff Sagarin's NCAA basketball ratings which appear in USA Today list Wyoming **No. 65 in the nation** as of Jan. 3, 2001.

The unofficial **RPI rating on www.collegerpi.com** ranks Wyoming **No. 67 in the nation** as of Jan. 4, 2001. The **CollegeRPI.com** site is an unofficial duplication of the Ratings Percentage Index (RPI) utilized by the NCAA.

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Television Schedule: The list below is a tentative one. Other TV games may be added as the 2000-01 season approaches.

Below is a listing of television games that will be carried in the state of Wyoming by either **ESPN**, **ESPN2**, **ESPN Regional (ERT)** or **SportsWest TV**.

Date	Game
Mon., Jan. 8	at Utah (ESPN)
Sat., Jan. 13	at CSU (SWTV)
Sat., Jan. 20	Utah (ERT)
Mon., Jan. 22	BYU (SWTV)
Sat., Jan. 27	at Air Force (ERT)
Mon., Jan. 29	at New Mexico (SWTV)
Sat., Feb. 3	SDSU (SWTV)
Mon., Feb. 5	UNLV (ESPN)
Sat., Feb. 10	CSU (SWTV)
Thu., Feb. 15	at BYU (SWTV)
Sat., Feb. 17	at Creighton (ESPN)
Mon., Feb. 26	New Mexico (ESPN)
Sat., March 3	at UNLV (SWTV)

The Wyoming Cowboys Continue to Receive Votes in the National

Polls: This week's ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll shows the Wyoming Cowboys received two points to tie for **No. 47**. Wyoming received one point in this week's Associated Press Media Poll to tie for **No. 46**. Below are the most recent College Basketball Polls.

ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll (Jan. 1)		Associated Press (Jan. 1)	
Rank	2000-01 Record	Rank	2000-01 Record
1. Michigan State	10-0	1. Michigan State	10-0
2. Stanford	10-0	2. Stanford	10-0
3. Duke	10-1	3. Duke	10-1
4. Wake Forest	11-0	4. Wake Forest	11-0
5. Tennessee	12-1	5. Florida	9-1
6. Florida	9-1	6. Tennessee	12-1
7. Kansas	10-1	7. Kansas	10-1
8. Illinois	10-3	8. Virginia	9-0
9. Virginia	9-0	9. Illinois	10-3
10. Connecticut	11-1	10. Connecticut	11-1
11. Seton Hall	8-2	11. Seton Hall	8-2
12. Wisconsin	8-1	12. Wisconsin	8-1
13. Syracuse	10-1	13. North Carolina	8-2
14. North Carolina	8-2	14. Syracuse	10-1
15. Arizona	7-3	15. Oklahoma	10-1
16. Oklahoma	10-1	16. Arizona	7-3
17. Maryland	8-3	17. Maryland	8-3
18. Alabama	9-1	18. Alabama	9-1
19. USC	9-2	19. Georgetown	10-0
20. Georgetown	10-0	20. USC	9-2
21. Mississippi	11-1	21. Notre Dame	8-2
22. Texas	9-2	22. Mississippi	11-1
23. Iowa	10-2	23. Iowa State	10-1
24. Cincinnati	9-2	24. Texas	9-2
25. Notre Dame	8-2	25. Cincinnati	9-2

ESPN/USA Today Others Receiving Votes: Iowa State 40, Xavier 33, Arkansas 27, Missouri 15, Utah State 14, St Bonaventure 11, South Florida 10, UNC Charlotte 10, Boston College 9, **Creighton 7**, Villanova 6, Fresno State 6, North Carolina State 5, College Of Charleston 5, Richmond 5, Marshall 5, Mississippi St 5, Georgia Tech 4, **BYU 4**, Southern Miss 4, Purdue 3, **Wyoming 2**, Dayton 2, Toledo 2, Oklahoma State 1, Memphis 1, Vanderbilt 1, Georgia State 1, Oregon 1, Pepperdine 1.

Associated Press Others Receiving Votes: Iowa 138, Xavier 33, Boston College 30, Mississippi State 21, Missouri 19, Marshall 17, Penn State 13, Arkansas 11, Minnesota 11, Richmond 11, **New Mexico 9**, Oklahoma State 5, Fresno State 5, Baylor 4, Oregon 4, Toledo 3, Georgia Tech 2, St Bonaventure 2, Ohio State 2, Vanderbilt 2, **Wyoming 1**, South Florida 1, Villanova 1, College Of Charleston 1, Utah St 1, Georgia St 1, SMU 1.

Bold indicates Wyoming and Wyoming opponents.

Wyoming Has Defeated the Last Six Consecutive Top 25 Teams in The

Arena-Auditorium: Wyoming has enjoyed a great deal of success at home against nationally-ranked teams over the past five seasons. In fact, **UW has posted a 6-0 record at home against the last six nationally-ranked opponents to play in the Double A.**

The last nationally-ranked team to defeat UW in the Dome of Doom was the Cincinnati Bearcats on Dec. 17, 1994, in a game that saw LaZelle Durden hit three free throws with no time left on the clock for a one-point victory (81-80). Cincinnati was ranked No. 17 in the nation at the time.

Here is a breakdown of the Cowboys' success against Top 25 ranked teams in the Arena-Auditorium over the past five seasons.

Wins Over Top 25 Ranked Teams

Feb. 28, 2000	88-61	Win over No. 24 ranked Utah
Jan. 14, 1999	96-93	Win over No. 20 ranked TCU
Feb. 12, 1998	62-56	Win over No. 5 ranked Utah
Jan. 10, 1998	58-55	Win over No. 10 ranked New Mexico
Feb. 12, 1996	80-76	Win over No. 7 ranked Utah
Jan. 13, 1996	61-58	Win over No. 25 ranked New Mexico

Cowboys 9-3 Record Matches Best Start in McClain Era, A Win at Utah Would Give Cowboys Best Start in McClain Era:

Wyoming's 9-3 record matches the best start by a Steve McClain team at Wyoming. In McClain's first season (1998-99), Wyoming started out 9-3. Last season (1999-2000), the Cowboys were 8-4 through 12 games.

McClain's '98-'99 squad went on to lose its 13th game of the season to go to 9-4. A year ago, Wyoming won its 13th game to improve to 9-4 through 13 games.

Notes From This Week in Cowboy Basketball:

- The four-point loss to LSU (69-73) on Jan. 3, 2001, marked the first time this season that Wyoming shot better from the field than their opponent and lost. Wyoming shot 39.7 percent for the game, while LSU hit on 38.1 percent of its shots.

- The LSU game also marked the first time this season that UW had more assists than its opponent and lost -- Wyoming had 15 assists to LSU's 13.

- Wyoming's bench kept them in the game at the LSU Tigers. The Pokes received 38 points from their bench, while the Wyoming starters scored 31.

- Freshman David Rottinghaus led the way off the bench for the Cowboys against LSU with a career high 16 points. It was Rottinghaus' first double-figure scoring game of his career.

- Rottinghaus also pulled down a career high six rebounds against the Tigers.

- Junior Ronell Mingo also scored in double figures coming off the bench in the LSU game. Mingo scored 11 points, for his third double-figure scoring game of the season.

- Wyoming concluded its non-conference home schedule undefeated for the 2000-01 season with a 72-65 home win over Wichita State on Dec. 30, 2000. UW posted a 5-0 home record against non-conference opponents this season. It is the second consecutive season that Wyoming has been undefeated at home in non-conference competition.

- The Cowboys have defeated the last 17 consecutive non-conference opponents to visit the Arena-Auditorium. UW head coach Steve McClain has posted a 17-1 (.944) home record in non-conference games at UW.

- A balanced attack has been a key to Wyoming's success thus far this season. For the season, Wyoming has had nine different individuals on its 11-man roster score in double figures in at least one game.

2000-01 Wyoming Cowboy Basketball Schedule

Overall Record: 9-3 **Home:** 5-0 **Away:** 2-3 **Neutral:** 2-0
MWC Record: 0-0 **Home:** 0-0 **Away:** 0-0

November

Thu., Nov. 9	Slovakia Select (Exh.)	Laramie, Wyo.	W 99-63
Tue., Nov. 14	California All-Stars (Exh.)	Laramie, Wyo.	W 102-80
Sat., Nov. 18	UC Riverside	Laramie, Wyo.	W 77-59
Mon., Nov. 27	Denver	Laramie, Wyo.	W 70-55

December

Fri., Dec. 1	Creighton	Laramie, Wyo.	W 78-74
Sun., Dec. 3	Montana State#	Billings, Mont.	W 77-62
Thu., Dec. 7	at Cal State Northridge	Northridge, Calif.	L 71-74
Sat., Dec. 9	at Cal State Fullerton	Fullerton, Calif.	W 78-61
Sat., Dec. 16	Oregon State#	Casper, Wyo.	W 65-53
Tue., Dec. 19	Delaware State	Laramie, Wyo.	W 92-64
Thu., Dec. 21	at South Carolina	Columbia, S.C.	L 67-78
Sat., Dec. 23	at Akron	Akron, Ohio	W 81-73
Sat., Dec. 30	Wichita State	Laramie, Wyo.	W 72-65

January

Wed., Jan. 3	at LSU	Baton Rouge, La.	L 69-73
Mon., Jan. 8	at Utah*	Salt Lake City, Utah	10:00 p.m. (ESPN)
Sat., Jan. 13	at Colorado State*	Fort Collins, Colo.	7:00 p.m. (SWTV)
Sat., Jan. 20	Utah*	Laramie, Wyo.	1:00 p.m. (ERT)
Mon., Jan. 22	Brigham Young*	Laramie, Wyo.	7:00 p.m. (SWTV)
Sat., Jan. 27	at Air Force*	Colorado Springs, CO	1:00 p.m. (ERT)
Mon., Jan. 29	at New Mexico*	Albuquerque, N.M.	7:00 p.m. (SWTV)

February

Sat., Feb. 3	San Diego State*	Laramie, Wyo.	4:00 p.m. (SWTV)
Mon., Feb. 5	UNLV*	Laramie, Wyo.	10:00 p.m. (ESPN)
Sat., Feb. 10	Colorado State*	Laramie, Wyo.	4:00 p.m. (SWTV)
Thu., Feb. 15	at Brigham Young*	Provo, Utah	7:00 p.m. (SWTV)
Sat., Feb. 17	at Creighton	Omaha, Neb.	10:00 a.m. (ESPN)
Sat., Feb. 24	Air Force*	Laramie, Wyo.	4:00 p.m.
Mon., Feb. 26	New Mexico*	Laramie, Wyo.	10:00 p.m. (ESPN)

March

Thu., March 1	at San Diego State*	San Diego, Calif.	8:00 p.m.
Sat., March 3	at UNLV*	Las Vegas, Nev.	8:30 p.m. (SWTV)
Thu.,-Sat., March 8-10	Mountain West Conference Tournament	Las Vegas, Nev.	TBA (ESPN)
Thu.,-Sun., March 15-18	NCAA Tournament First and Second Rounds	TBA	TBA (CBS)

Bold indicates home games.

#Indicates neutral-site games.

*Indicates Mountain West Conference games.

All times listed are Mountain time and subject to change.

ERT stands for ESPN Regional TV, also known as ESPN+Plus

SWTV stands for SportsWest TV

2000-01 Wyoming Schedule Includes Six Opponents Who Played in Postseason a Year Ago:

Wyoming's 2000-2001 schedule will feature six opponents who earned either a 2000 NCAA or NIT berth. Wyoming will play those six tournament teams a total of 11 games during the upcoming season. Here are those six tournament teams and when they are scheduled to play the Cowboys.

2000 NCAA Participants

Creighton	in Laramie, Nov. 30
	in Omaha, Feb. 17
LSU	in Baton Rouge, Jan. 3
Utah	in Salt Lake City, Jan. 8
	in Laramie, Jan 20
UNLV	in Laramie, Feb. 5
	in Las Vegas, March 3

2000 NIT Participants

BYU	in Laramie, Jan. 22
	in Provo, Feb. 15
New Mexico	in Albuquerque, Jan. 29
	in Laramie, Feb. 26

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McMillian Stretches Streak of Consecutive Starts to 71 Games -- Every Game of His Career:

Junior guard Chris McMillian has started every game of his career. McMillian's streak currently sits at 71 consecutive games.

McMillian is also the iron man of the Cowboys, leading UW in minutes played at 30.0 minutes per game. He is the only Cowboy averaging 30 minutes per game.

Starting Balance: Entering this week, Wyoming has enjoyed amazing balance from its starters. The leading scorer is sophomore Marcus Bailey at 17.5 points per game down to junior Chris McMillian at 5.6 points per game. Three starters are averaging in double figures -- Bailey (17.5 ppg), Josh Davis (12.5) and Uche Nsonwu-Amadi (11.0).

Here is the current scoring averages of UW's starters this season:

Marcus Bailey, Guard	17.5 ppg
Josh Davis, Forward	12.5 ppg
Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, Center	11.0 ppg
Ronell Mingo, Forward*	6.8 ppg
Ugo Udezue, Forward*	6.6 ppg
Chris McMillian, Guard	5.6 ppg

(*Mingo and Udezue have shared time in the starting lineup.)

There's No Place Like Home: Once again this season, the Wyoming Cowboys have posted an outstanding home record. **Wyoming has begun the 2000-01 season with a perfect 5-0 record at home.**

Wyoming ended the 1999-2000 season with a 12-1 (.923) home record, 6-1 (.857) in Mountain West home games. That ranked as the second best home record in the Mountain West Conference. Only Utah, at 17-0, 7-0 in the MWC, had a better home winning percentage among MWC teams. UNLV also posted a 6-1 MWC home record to match Wyoming's conference mark.

How Good Are the Cowboys at Home the Past Few Years? How good are the Wyoming Cowboys at home? **During the Steve McClain era, Wyoming has posted a 29-3 (.906) home record overall and a 12-2 (.857) home record in conference games.**

In the history of the Arena-Auditorium, Wyoming holds a **201-63 (.761) home record since the Double A opened in the last game of the 1981-82 season. In conference home games, UW is 101-45 (.692).**

2000-01 Preseason Honors
ESPN The Magazine Preseason Issue

Steve McClain, Head Coach

Ranked No. 4 on Dick Vitale's All-Sportscenter Team (Coaches Who Need Some PT on TV for more PR)

Ugo Udezue

Ranked No. 7 in the nation at Center
First Team All-Mountain West Conference
Mountain West Conference Player of the Year

Josh Davis

Ranked No. 14 in the nation at Power Forward
Ranked No. 1 on Dick Vitale's All-Rip Van Winkle Team (Sleepers You'll Hear About)
First Team All-Mountain West Conference

Wyoming

Wyoming picked No. 3 in Mountain West Conference
Wyoming picked as an NCAA Tournament team
Wyoming Frontcourt ranked Best in the MWC

The Sporting News Preseason Issue

Josh Davis

Ranked No. 14 in the nation at Power Forward
First Team All-Mountain West Conference
Mountain West Conference Player of the Year
Most Versatile Player in Mountain West Conference

Chris McMillian

Second Team All-Mountain West Conference
Best Playmaker in Mountain West Conference
Best Player Under 6-0 in Mountain West Conference

Ugo Udezue

Second Team All-Mountain West Conference

Wyoming

Wyoming picked No. 3 in Mountain West Conference
Wyoming picked as an NCAA Tournament team

Doctors of Dunk: With the Cowboys exciting up-tempo style, complimented by a stronger inside game this season, we are going to keep track of Wyoming and its opponents dunks throughout the 2000-01 season.

The Cowboys have already recorded **48 dunks in 12 games for a 4.0 dunk per game average.** The Cowboy defense has allowed **only 19 opponent dunks thus far in the 2000-01 season for a 1.6 dunk per game average.**

Here is a game-by-game dunk comparison, as well as Wyoming's dunk leaders:

Wyoming Dunks		Opponent Dunks	
vs. UC Riverside	6 dunks	UC Riverside	0 dunks
vs. Denver	7 dunks	Denver	0 dunks
vs. Creighton	4 dunks	Creighton	3 dunks
vs. Montana State	3 dunks	Montana State	0 dunks
at CS Northridge	3 dunks	CS Northridge	4 dunks
at CS Fullerton	4 dunks	CS Fullerton	1 dunk
vs. Oregon State	1 dunk	Oregon State	1 dunk
vs. Delaware State	9 dunks	Delaware State	6 dunks
at South Carolina	2 dunks	South Carolina	1 dunk
at Akron	4 dunks	Akron	1 dunk
vs. Wichita State	3 dunks	Wichita State	1 dunk
at LSU	<u>2 dunks</u>	LSU	<u>1 dunk</u>
Totals	48 dunks		19 dunks

Wyoming Individual Doctors of Dunk

Josh Davis	18 dunks
Uche Nsonwu-Amadi	16 dunks
Marcus Bailey	4 dunks
Ronell Mingo	4 dunks
David Rottinghaus	2 dunks
Scottie Vines	2 dunks
Paris Corner	1 dunk
Joe Ries	<u>1 dunk</u>
Totals	48 dunks

McMillian No. 4 on UW Career Assist List, McFall Also Breaks Into Top 10: Chris McMillian is ranked in the Top 10 in career assists at Wyoming. McMillian currently ranks **No. 4 in career assists at Wyoming.**

Senior Brett McFall also broke into the UW Career Top 10 on Dec. 3, 2000, with one assist versus Montana State. **McFall currently ranks No. 8 on the UW Career list.**

Below is a breakdown of the Cowboy greats who rank as the top assist men in school history.

Wyoming Career Assist Leaders

1.	Sean Dent, 1984-88	502
2.	Fennis Dembo, 1985-88	410
3.	Mike Jackson, 1980-83	357
4.	Chris McMillian, 1999-	299
5.	LaDrell Whitehead, 1995-97	274
6.	Maurice Alexander, 1991-92	273
7.	David Murray, 1993-94	244
8.	Brett McFall, 1998	241
9.	Anthony Johnson, 1980-83	237
10.	Anthony Blakes, 1999-00	229

McMillian Continues Climb Up Wyoming Career

Steal List: Chris McMillian has earned his way into the Wyoming Career Top 10 list in steals as only a junior. McMillian is currently **No. 4 on the UW career steal list.** **McMillian has 110 career steals.** Here is the UW Career Top 10 entering this week.

Wyoming Career Steal Leaders

1.	Sean Dent, 1984-88	249
2.	Fennis Dembo, 1985-88	176
3.	LaDrell Whitehead, 1995-97	150
4.	Chris McMillian, 1999-	110
	Anthony Blakes, 1999-00	108
6.	Tim Breaux, 1989-92	106
7.	Jeron Roberts, 1995-98	104
8.	Maurice Alexander, 1991-92	102
9.	David Murray, 1993-94	101
10.	Reggie Fox, 1987-89	99
	Josh Davis, 1999-	89
	Brett McFall, 1998-	84

McFall Ranks Among UW Career Leaders in Three-

Point Field Goals: Brett McFall enters this week with **100 career threes to rank No. 8 in Wyoming school history.** McFall led the Pokes in threes for the 1999-2000 season with 57 threes.

His 57 threes for the '99-2000 campaign ranked as the eighth best single-season total in school history.

Wyoming Career Three-Point Field-Goal Leaders

1.	LaDrell Whitehead 1995-97	168
2.	Reggie Fox 1987-89	165
3.	Fennis Dembo 1985-88	143
4.	Bradley Mann 1997-00	136
5.	Jeron Roberts 1995-98	132
6.	Maurice Alexander 1991-92	118
7.	Tim Breaux 1989-92	105
8.	Brett McFall 1998-	100
9.	Roman Totta 1993-94	95
10.	Anthony Blakes 1999-00	75

Davis No. 6 in Career Blocks at UW: Wyoming junior Josh Davis moved into **the No. 6 spot among all-time Cowboys in career blocked shots** when he blocked two shots against Akron on Dec. 23, 2000. He passed former Cowboy **Reggie Page, who blocked 82 shots from 1989-90.**

Here is how Davis currently ranks.

Wyoming Career Blocked Shot Leaders

1.	Theo Ratliff, 1992-95	425
2.	Eric Leckner, 1985-88	164
3.	Reginald Slater, 1989-92	100
4.	Bill Garnett, 1979-82	97
5.	Fennis Dembo, 1985-88	95
6.	Josh Davis, 1999-	89
7.	Reggie Page, 1989-90	82
8.	Tony Martin, 1982-84	71
9.	Jeff Allen, 1995-98	66
10.	Charles Bradley, 1978-81	57

McClain Teams Among Top Scoring Teams in UW

History: In his first two seasons as Wyoming's head coach **Steve McClain** made an immediate impact on the Cowboy program. The Pokes ended the '99-2000 season averaging **82.8 points per game**, which ranked **No. 5 in school history.** Wyoming averaged **81.6 points per game** in McClain's first season as head coach (1998-99), which ranked **No. 8 all-time at UW.**

Currently the Cowboys are **averaging 74.8 points per game for the 2000-01 season.**

Rank	Wyoming Team	Scoring Average
1.	1965-66	91.0
2.	1964-65	86.3
3.	1967-68	85.6
4.	1969-70	83.9
5.	1999-2000	82.8
6.	1990-91	82.5
7.	1968-69	82.2
8.	1998-99	81.6
9.	1987-88	78.3
10.	1977-78	78.0
	1963-64	78.0

McClain's Pokes Also Among Best Rebounding

Teams in School History: This season, Wyoming is **averaging 43.8 rebounds per game**, which would rank **No. 6** in school history in rebounding average.

The 1999-2000 Cowboys were also among the best rebounding teams in school history. Wyoming averaged **40.6 rebounds per game** which ranked **No. 9 in school history** at the time.

The Pokes '98-'99 rebounding average of **43.4 per game** ranked **No. 6 in Wyoming school history** entering this season.

Here is a listing of the greatest rebounding teams in Cowboy history.

Rank	Wyoming Team	Rebounding Average
1.	1965-66	54.5
2.	1964-65	52.0
3.	1967-68	47.3
4.	1968-69	46.5
5.	1966-67	44.0
6.	2000-01	43.8
7.	1998-99	43.4
8.	1980-81	42.0
9.	1951-52	40.7
10.	1999-2000	40.6

Cowboy Sports Network to Broadcast Cowboys on Radio:

The 2000-01 Wyoming Basketball season will mark the third year that Cowboy games will be broadcast live on the Cowboy Sports Network.

KFBC Radio in Cheyenne, Wyo., is the flagship station for the network.

Bringing the play-by-play description of Cowboy games to Poke fans will be seven-time Wyoming "Sportscaster of the Year" **Dave Walsh**. Walsh is in his 17th year as "Voice of the Cowboys."

Joining Walsh in the booth again this year as color analyst is longtime Cowboy broadcaster and UW Sports Information Director **Kevin McKinney**. McKinney will be entering his 29th season as color commentator for UW basketball.

Dave Montgomery will serve as executive producer, and **J.D. Harris** will be the studio host.

Steve McClain Radio Coach's

Show: The Steve McClain Radio Coach's Show will air on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Mountain time during the 2000-01 season, beginning on Tuesday, Nov. 21.

The show will be originated by KFBC Radio of Cheyenne, Wyo., and will be carried by a number of Cowboy Sports Network affiliates.

Wyoming head coach **Steve McClain** will be joined by the "Voice of the Cowboys" **Dave Walsh**.

Fans are encouraged to call-in with questions for Coach McClain during the call-in segment of the show.

The only week's that shows are not planned are the week of Christmas (Tuesday, Dec. 26) and the week of New Year's (Tuesday, Jan. 2).

Steve McClain Conference Call:

Wyoming head coach Steve McClain will be featured on a weekly conference call for media members during the 2000-01 basketball season.

Due to the Cowboys playing on different days of the week, the day of the conference call will vary from week-to-week. Weekly advisories will be sent out by the Wyoming Sports Information Office. If you have any questions about the weekly conference call, please contact the UW Sports Information Office at **(307) 766-2256**.

The phone number to connect to the conference call each week is **(307) 766-1007**, after you hear a beep dial **2256**.

If you have any problems connecting to the conference call, please call the Wyoming Sports Information Office at (307) 766-2256 or the UW Conferencing Service at (307) 766-3071.

This week's conference call will be held on Friday, Jan. 5, 2001, at 11:30 a.m., immediately following the MWC conference call.

Steve McClain One of the Top Coaches in Wyoming History Through His First Two Seasons:

University of Wyoming head basketball coach Steve McClain posted an impressive record through his first two seasons as the Cowboys' head coach.

Mountain West Conference media members named him the MWC Coach of the Year for the 1999-2000 season. McClain concluded his second season at UW having won 62.7 percent of his games with a record of 37-22. **He currently holds a 46-25 (.648)** record in his third year at Wyoming.

In the 95 seasons of Wyoming Basketball, 31 Cowboy squads have won 17 or more games. Only two coaches in the history of Wyoming Basketball have won more than 17 games in each of their first two seasons as head coach -- Willard Witte (1930-31 and 1931-32) and **Steve McClain (1998-99 and 1999-2000)**.

Here is a breakdown of the most successful Wyoming Basketball Coaches through their first two seasons at UW.

UW's Winningest Coaches Through Their First Two Seasons (Based on Wins)

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| 1. Benny Dees (1987-88 and 1988-89 Seasons) | 40-23 (.635) |
| 2. Steve McClain (1988-89 and 1999-2000 Seasons) | 37-22 (.627) |
| Willard Witte (1930-31 and 1931-32 Seasons) | 37- 6 (.860) |
| 4. Jim Brandenburg (1978-79 and 1979-80 Seasons) | 33-22 (.600) |
| 5. Don DeVoe (1976-77 and 1977-78 Seasons) | 29-25 (.537) |
| 6. George McLaren (1928-29 and 1929-30 Seasons) | 28-10 (.737) |
| 7. Joby Wright (1993-94 and 1994-95 Seasons) | 27-29 (.482) |
| 8. Stewart Clark (1924-25 and 1925-26 Seasons) | 21-11 (.656) |
| 9. Everett Shelton (1939-40 and 1940-41 Seasons) | 20-16 (.556) |

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Wyoming's Josh Davis Participates in USA Basketball Men's National Team Trials:

University of Wyoming sophomore Josh Davis participated in the USA Basketball National Team Trials, May 26-28, 2000, in Colorado Springs, Colo., at the Olympic Training Center. He was one of only 30 players in the nation, aged 20 or younger, who was invited to participate.

From the trials, the World Championship for Young Men Qualification Team was selected by USA Basketball's Collegiate Committee. The head coach of the team was Jim Boeheim from Syracuse University. The team competed in the COPABA World Championship for Young Men Qualification Tournament that included teams from North, South and Central America.

"This is a great opportunity," said Davis, upon being notified of his selection. "I'm honored to be invited to participate, and hopefully I can make the team and represent Wyoming and the U.S. in Brazil this summer. I'm looking forward to the challenge."

Davis was not selected to the final squad, but did have an opportunity to showcase his skills against the top young players in the nation.

"This was great experience for Josh," said UW head basketball coach Steve McClain. "Anytime you get invited to compete with the top players in the country, it is a great challenge to see where you stack up against those players. I think it was an excellent learning opportunity for Josh, as well. It provided him a chance to play at a very high level of competition, and gave him a chance to grow as a basketball player and develop his game. In addition to Josh's personal development, this was also great exposure for our program."

After the team trials were completed on May 28, those selected to the team reunited on July 15-22 for a week-long training camp. On July 23, the team departed for Sao Paulo, Brazil, where the tournament was held July 26-30.

The USA World Championship for Young Men Qualifying Team is one of several teams fielded by USA Basketball, including the 2000 USA Olympic Team and the 2000 USA Hoop Summit Team.

Davis was named a First Team All-Mountain West Conference honoree last season by conference coaches. The junior from Salem, Ore., led Wyoming in scoring (14.3 points per game) and rebounding (8.7 rebounds per game) for the 1999-2000 season.

The Mountain West Conference Heads Into Its Second

Season: A year ago, the University of Wyoming joined some old rivals to form the Mountain West Conference. Wyoming reunited with Air Force, Brigham Young, Colorado State, New Mexico, UNLV, San Diego State and Utah to form the new league.

The 2000-01 season promises to be an outstanding one for Mountain West Conference Basketball with a number of teams receiving votes in the national polls.

The 2000-01 MWC season will culminated with the 2001 Mountain West Conference Tournament to be held at the Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas, Nev., March 8-10, 2001.

2000-01 Mountain West Conference Standings

(As of Thursday, Jan. 4, 2001)

Team	MWC Games	All Games
1. New Mexico	0-0 (-----)	10-1 (.900)
2. Wyoming	0-0 (-----)	9-3 (.750)
3. San Diego State	0-0 (-----)	8-3 (.727)
4. BYU	0-0 (-----)	10-4 (.714)
5. Colorado State	0-0 (-----)	8-4 (.667)
6. UNLV	0-0 (-----)	8-5 (.615)
7. Utah	0-0 (-----)	8-6 (.571)
8. Air Force	0-0 (-----)	4-8 (.333)

Wyoming's Mountain West Conference Players of the Week:

Here are Wyoming's 2000-01 Mountain West Conference Players of the Week.

2000-01 Wyoming MWC Players of the Week

Marcus Bailey, MWC Player of the Week, Dec. 4, 2000

Mountain West Conference Media Vote Cowboys Second in 2000-01 Preseason Poll, Josh Davis and Ugo Udezue Earn Preseason All-Conference Honors:

The Mountain West Conference released its 2000-01 Preseason Media Poll on Oct. 4, 2000, and the **Wyoming Cowboys were picked to finish second in the league race.** Wyoming juniors **Josh Davis** and **Ugo Udezue** were both selected to the **MWC First Team All-Conference squad** in voting by 32 MWC media members.

Here is the preseason poll along with the five-man preseason All-Conference team.

Rank (First-place Votes)	Total Points
1. Utah (18)	233
2. Wyoming (7)	207
3. UNLV (6)	199
4. Brigham Young (1)	178
5. New Mexico	136
6. Colorado State	90
7. San Diego State	65
8. Air Force	44

Preseason All-MWC Team

Josh Davis, Jr., Forward, Wyoming
Ugo Udezue, Jr., Forward, Wyoming
Kaspars Kambala, Sr., Center, UNLV
Terrell Lyday, Sr., Guard, BYU
Mekeli Wesley, Sr., Forward, BYU

Top Returning Player

Kaspars Kambala, Sr., Center, UNLV

Top Newcomer

Chris Burgess, Jr., Forward/Center, Utah

2000-01 Mountain West Conference Leaders: Here are Wyoming's players who rank among the Mountain West Conference leaders, along with where Wyoming ranks as a team in a number of statistical categories for the 2000-01 season.

Mountain West Team Rankings

(As of Thursday, Jan. 4, 2001)

Category	Wyoming's Team Ranking
Scoring Offense	No. 4, 74.8 points per game
Scoring Defense	No. 7, 65.9 points per game
Scoring Margin	No. 6, +8.8 points per game
Field-Goal Percentage	No. 8, .428
3-Point FG Percentage	No. 8, .252
3-Point FGs Per Game	No. 8, 4.50 threes per game
Free-Throw Percentage	No. 4, .693
Rebounding Average	No. 1, 43.8 rebounds per game
Opponents' Reb. Avg	No. 6, 38.1 rebounds per game
Rebounding Margin	No. 3, +5.8 rebounds per game
Offensive Rebounds	No. 1, 15.75 offensive rebounds / game
Defensive Rebounds	No. 1, 28.17 defensive rebounds / game
FG Percentage Defense	No. 3, .390 (Opponents' FG %)
3-Point FG % Defense	No. 4, .307 (Opponents' 3-Pt. FG %)
Assists	No. 3, 17.25 assists per game
Turnover Margin	No. 4, +0.50
Assist/Turnover Ratio	No. 1, 1.16 to 1.00
Blocked Shots	No. 3, 4.75 blocked shots per game
Steals	No. 4, 7.33 steals per game

Mountain West Individual Rankings

Category	Wyoming Individual Rankings
Scoring	Marcus Bailey, No. 3, 17.5 ppg Josh Davis, Tied No. 10, 12.5 ppg Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, No. 18, 11.0 ppg
Rebounding	Josh Davis, Tied No. 1, 10.5 rpg Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, Tied No. 3, 8.0 rpg Ugo Udezue, No. 12, 5.2 rpg Marcus Bailey, No. 20, 4.3 rpg
Offensive Rebounds	Josh Davis, No. 1, 3.92 off. rpg Marcus Bailey, No. 5, 2.58 off. rpg Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, No. 7, 2.17 off. rpg Ronell Mingo, Tied no. 15, 1.58 off. rpg
Defensive Rebounds	Josh Davis, No. 1, 6.58 def. rpg Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, No. 3, 5.83 Ugo Udezue, No. 8, 3.89 def. rpg
Field-Goal Percentage	Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, No. 3, .612 Marcus Bailey, Tied No. 14, .481
3-Point FG Percentage	No one
3-Point FGs Per Game	No one
Free-throw Percentage	Marcus Bailey, No. 1, .896 Chris McMillian, No. 15, .667
Assists	Chris McMillian, No. 3, 4.58 apg Brett McFall, No. 11, 2.82 apg
Blocked Shots	Ronell Mingo, No. 3, 1.75 bspg Josh Davis, No. 6, 1.25 bspg Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, Tied No. 7, 0.92 Ugo Udezue, No. 13, 0.56 bspg
Steals	Josh Davis, Tied No. 6, 1.58 spg Chris McMillian, Tied No. 10, 1.17 spg David Rottinghaus, No. 14, 1.10 spg
Assist-to-Turnover Ratio	Chris McMillian, No. 6, 1.62 to 1.00

2000-01 Double-Double

Cowboys: Josh Davis, Uche Nsonwu-Amadi and Ugo Udezue have each recorded double-doubles for the 2000-01 season. Here is a breakdown of this season's double-double Cowboys.

Player	2000-01 Double-Doubles
Josh Davis	4
Uche Nsonwu-Amadi	1
Ugo Udezue	1
Totals	6

Double-Double Cowboys -- Part Two:

Josh Davis led the way in double-doubles for the Cowboys in the 1999-2000 season. He ended the season with 12 double-doubles in scoring and rebounding for the 1999-2000 season. Davis has 20 double-doubles for his career.

Here is a breakdown of Wyoming's current Cowboys who've recorded double-doubles in their careers.

Player	2000-01 Double-Doubles	Career Double-Doubles
Josh Davis	4	20
Uche Nsonwu-Amadi	1	1
Ugo Udezue	1	10
Totals	6	31

Davis and the Double-Double:

Current junior Josh Davis has had four double-doubles this season. He had 12 double-doubles in 31 games during the 1999-2000 season, and he had four double-doubles as a freshman for a career total of 20 double-doubles.

Josh Davis' Career Double-Doubles

1998-99 Season (Freshman)

22 points, 13 rebounds vs. Arizona
10 points, 11 rebounds vs. Colorado
19 points, 13 rebounds vs. SMU
14 points, 13 rebounds vs. Colorado State

1999-2000 Season (Sophomore)

15 points, 12 rebounds at Hawai'i Pacific
19 points, 14 rebounds vs. Nevada
21 points, 17 rebounds vs. Mt. St. Mary's
15 points, 10 rebounds vs. Montana State
19 points, 14 rebounds at Denver
22 points, 12 rebounds vs. North Texas
23 points, 12 rebounds vs. New Mexico
16 points, 10 rebounds at UNLV
25 points, 14 rebounds at New Mexico
20 points, 11 rebounds at San Diego State
15 points, 13 rebounds vs. BYU
23 points, 17 rebounds vs. Colorado State

2000-01 Season (Junior)

12 points, 15 rebounds vs. Creighton
18 points, 12 rebounds vs. CS Fullerton
17 points, 10 rebounds vs. Oregon State
25 points, 10 rebounds vs. Delaware State

Balance -- Cowboys Have Had Nine Different Players Score in Double Figures This Season: Wyoming has had nine different individuals on its 11-man roster score in double figures this season. Marcus Bailey, Paris Corner, Josh Davis, Brett McFall, Chris McMillian, Ronell Mingo, Uche Nsonwu-Amadi, David Rottinghaus and Ugo Udezue have all scored in double figures in a game this season. **At least three Cowboys have scored in double digits in 10 of 12 Wyoming games this season.**

Balance has been a trademark of Steve McClain's program at Wyoming. In the 1999-2000 season, 12 different Cowboys on the 14-man roster scored in double figures during the season. Five of those players return this year: Marcus Bailey, Josh Davis, Brett McFall, Chris McMillian and Ugo Udezue. Davis was Wyoming's leading scorer a year ago, while McMillian, McFall and Bailey ranked fourth, fifth and sixth respectively. Ugo Udezue missed all but five games last year due to injury, but he was the Cowboys' leading scorer in the 1998-99 season.

Wyoming had at least three individuals score in double figures in 29 of 31 games during the 1999-2000 season.

Balance was a key to the Cowboys' successful season in 1998-99, as well. Of Wyoming's 12-man roster for the 1998-99 campaign, 10 different individuals had double-figure scoring games.

Here is a breakdown of Wyoming's double figure scorers game-by-game for the 2000-01 season.

Game	Players Scoring in Double Figures
UC Riverside	(4) Bailey, Davis, McMillian, Mingo
Denver	(3) Bailey, McFall, Nsonwu-Amadi
Creighton	(4) Bailey, Corner, Davis, Nsonwu-Amadi
vs. Montana St.	(3) Bailey, Davis, Nsonwu-Amadi
at CS Northridge	(3) Bailey, Davis, Mingo
at CS Fullerton	(2) Davis, Udezue
vs. Oregon State	(3) Bailey, Davis, Nsonwu-Amadi
Delaware State	(3) Corner, Davis, Nsonwu-Amadi
at South Carolina	(3) Bailey, Nsonwu-Amadi, Udezue
at Akron	(5) Bailey, Davis, McMillian, Nsonwu-Amadi, Udezue
Wichita State	(3) Bailey, Corner, Davis
at LSU	(3) Bailey, Mingo, Rottinghaus
at Utah	
at CSU	
Utah	
BYU	
at Air Force	
at New Mexico	
San Diego St.	
UNLV	
CSU	
at BYU	
at Creighton	
Air Force	
New Mexico	
at San Diego St.	
at UNLV	

Twenty-Point Pokes: Five current Cowboys have scored 20 or more points in a single game during their Wyoming careers. This season's leader is sophomore **Marcus Bailey**, who has scored 20 or more points on **five occasions** this season.

Current 20-Point Pokes	20-Point Games in 2000-01	Career 20-Point Games
Marcus Bailey	5	5
Josh Davis	1	10
Brett McFall	0	1
Chris McMillian	0	2
Ugo Udezue	0	15
Totals	6	33

Thirty-Point Pokes: Only one current Cowboy has scored 30 or more points in a single game during his career -- that Cowboy is junior **Ugo Udezue**. Udezue scored 30 or more points five times during his sophomore season of 1998-99. His career high is 36 versus Colorado on Dec. 9, 1998.

Udezue missed the 1999-2000 season due to knee surgery. He was granted a medical hardship by the NCAA, and is currently a redshirt junior.

**Steve McClain, Head Basketball Coach
University of Wyoming**

In his third season as head coach of the University of Wyoming, Steve McClain has fans around the state of Wyoming and media members across the country talking about the Wyoming Cowboys.

McClain earned **Mountain West Conference Coach of the Year honors from MWC media members for the 1999-2000 season**. During his first two seasons, his Cowboys defeated two Top 25 ranked opponents, and earned a berth in the 1999 National Invitation Tournament.

Heading into the 2000-01 season, ESPN Magazine's preseason issue listed McClain as a member of **Dick Vitale's All-SportsCenter Team -- the five "Coaches Who Need Some PT on TV for more PR."** Mountain West Conference media selected McClain's 2000-01 Cowboy squad to finish second in the Mountain West Conference Preseason poll, and both ESPN Magazine and The Sporting News Preseason College Basketball issues selected the Cowboys as an NCAA Tournament team.

His 37 wins in his first two seasons rank No. 2 in Wyoming school history for the most wins by a head basketball coach in his first two seasons at UW. He also has posted one of the best home records in school history with a **29-3 (.906) record in the Arena-Auditorium**.

Add to those accomplishments the excitement that McClain's up-tempo style has brought to the Cowboys, and you have one of the most exciting teams in the country. A year ago, the Cowboys averaged 82.8 points per game to rank No. 5 in the nation in scoring average. In Coach McClain's first season at UW, the 1998-99 season, the Cowboys averaged 81.6 points per game to rank No. 10 among all NCAA Division I teams.

McClain's first season was highlighted by Wyoming's appearance in the 1999 National Invitation Tournament (NIT), where UW advanced to the NIT Second Round. McClain guided Wyoming to an 81-77 victory over USC in the First Round of the NIT in Laramie, marking the Cowboys' first postseason win since the 1990-91 season. Wyoming posted an 18-10 record, 7-7 in the Western Athletic Conference.

In the 1999-2000 season, McClain led a veteran team into the newly-formed Mountain West Conference. Wyoming earned a 19-12 record for the 1999-2000 campaign, and improved its conference record to 8-6. Along the way, UW defeated Utah and UNLV in Laramie, and swept the season series with New Mexico. The Mountain West Conference was one of the elite basketball conferences in the nation in its first year of existence with Wyoming, Air Force, Brigham Young, Colorado State, UNLV, New Mexico, San Diego State and Utah continuing their longtime rivalries.

Prior to accepting the head-coaching position at Wyoming, McClain served as an assistant coach at Texas Christian University for four seasons. While at TCU, McClain helped lead the Horned Frogs from obscurity to a Top 25 ranking and an NCAA Tournament appearance in 1998.

McClain, 38 (Aug. 15, 1962), was an original member of Billy Tubbs' staff at TCU. The year prior to the Tubbs' staff taking over in Fort Worth, TCU posted a record of 7-20. Two years later, the Horned Frogs posted a 22-13 record, advanced to the Championship Game of the 1997 Western Athletic Conference Tournament and played their way into the Second Round of the National Invitation Tournament. In 1998, TCU joined the elite programs in the country, posting a 27-6 record and leading the nation in scoring at 97.2 points per game. The Horned Frogs earned an NCAA Tournament bid in '98, and ended the season ranked No. 15 in the final Associated Press poll. TCU also became the first team in Western Athletic Conference history to go undefeated in league play, posting a 14-0 record in '98 on way to winning the WAC Pacific Division title.

Not only did McClain enjoy success as an assistant coach, but he brought to Wyoming an outstanding record as a head coach. In 1994 as the head coach at Hutchinson Community College, he won the National Junior College Championship in only his third season, and was named the National Junior College Coach of the Year.

On April 22, 1998, Steve McClain became the 19th head basketball coach in the history of the University of Wyoming.

At the junior-college level, McClain compiled a 91-16 (.850) record in three seasons, and his teams were known as high-scoring squads. His 1994 National Championship team averaged 90 points per game on way to a 35-4 (.897) record. In 1992-93, the Hutch Dragons compiled a 29-5 (.853) record, averaged 92.6 points and ended the season ranked No. 11 in the NJCAA. His first season as head coach, 1991-92, Hutchinson posted a 27-7 (.794) record.

Prior to becoming head coach at Hutchinson, McClain served as an assistant coach there for five seasons, helping guide the Dragons to the 1988 NJCAA National Championship. Before coaching at Hutchinson, he was also an assistant coach at: Independence Community College in Independence, Kan.; Sioux Empire Junior College in Iowa; and his alma mater Chadron State College in Chadron, Neb.

A native of Orient, Iowa, McClain is a 1984 graduate of Chadron State College. He is married to the former Kim Van Asselt of Hutchinson, Kan.

Steve McClain's Head-Coaching Record									
<u>Season</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Overall</u>			<u>Conference</u>			<u>Finish</u>	<u>Postseason Appearance</u>
		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>%</u>		
1998-99	Wyoming	18	10	.643	7	7	.500	Tied for 4th	Second Round of the NIT
1999-2000	Wyoming	19	12	.613	8	6	.571	Tied for 4th	Semifinals MWC Tournament
<u>2000-01</u>	<u>Wyoming</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>.750</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>----</u>		
	Three Seasons	46	25	.648	15	13	.536		
Steve McClain vs. All Opponents									
	Overall	46-25 (.648)							
	At Home	29- 3 (.906)							
	On the Road	10-19 (.345)							
	Neutral Sites	7- 3 (.700)							
Steve McClain vs. Conference Opponents (Including Conference Tournaments)									
	Overall	16-14 (.533)							
	At Home	12- 2 (.857)							
	On the Road	3-12 (.200)							
	Neutral Sites	1- 0 (1.000)							
	Regular Season	15-13 (.536)							
	Postseason Conference Tournament	1- 1 (.500)							



Return of the "Dome of Doom"

Back in the days of Fennis Dembo and Eric Leckner (1984-85 through 1987-88), Wyoming's Arena-Auditorium earned the nickname the "Dome of Doom." The Arena-Auditorium is one of the most beautiful basketball arenas in the country with a capacity of 15,000.

The last three seasons the Wyoming Cowboys have stirred up visions of the days when Wyoming opponents dreaded playing in the Double A.

Over the past three seasons, the Cowboys boast a home record of 29-3 (.906) overall in the Arena-Auditorium and a 12-2 (.857) record in conference home games.

For the **1999-2000 season**, Wyoming posted a **12-1 (.923)** record at home and a **6-1 (.857) record in conference home games.**

The Arena-Auditorium opened on Feb. 20, 1982, when Wyoming defeated Air Force 59-29. Currently the Cowboys record in the Double A stands at **201-63 (.761)**. In conference games, Wyoming is **101-45 (.692)** in conference regular-season home games.

Great Home Crowds During the 2000-01 Season

9,027	vs. Creighton	Dec. 1, 2000
7,819	vs. UC Riverside	Nov. 18, 2000

Here are some highlights from the past few seasons of home success in the "Dome of Doom."

Wins Over Top 25 Ranked Teams

Feb. 28, 2000	88-61	Win over No. 24 ranked Utah
Jan. 14, 1999	96-93	Win over No. 20 ranked TCU
Feb. 12, 1998	62-56	Win over No. 5 ranked Utah
Jan. 10, 1998	58-55	Win over No. 10 ranked New Mexico
Feb. 12, 1996	80-76	Win over No. 7 ranked Utah
Jan. 13, 1996	61-58	Win over No. 25 ranked New Mexico

Wins on National Television

Feb. 28, 2000	88-61	Win over Utah on ESPN Big Monday
Feb. 27, 1999	79-76	Win over UNLV on ESPN
Jan. 4, 1997	89-61	Win over BYU on ESPN2
Feb. 12, 1996	80-76	Win over Utah on ESPN Big Monday
Jan. 13, 1996	61-58	Win over New Mexico on ESPN2

Wins Over Nationally-Prominent Coaches

Jan. 29, 2000	93-87	Win over San Diego State's Steve Fisher
Jan. 13, 2000	88-83	Win over New Mexico's Fran Fraschilla
Feb. 28, 2000	88-61	Win over Utah's Rick Majerus
Feb. 12, 1998	62-56	Win over Utah's Rick Majerus
Feb. 12, 1996	80-76	Win over Utah's Rick Majerus
Jan. 19, 1995	63-56	Win over Utah's Rick Majerus
Feb. 5, 1994	60-55	Win over Utah's Rick Majerus
Jan. 14, 1999	96-93	Win over TCU's Billy Tubbs
Jan. 8, 1998	65-46	Win over UTEP's Don Haskins
Jan. 15, 1996	72-68	Win over UTEP's Don Haskins
Jan. 10, 1998	58-55	Win over New Mexico's Dave Bliss
Jan. 13, 1996	61-58	Win over New Mexico's Dave Bliss
Jan. 25, 1997	87-74	Win over Fresno State's Jerry Tarkanian
Jan. 27, 1996	96-81	Win over Fresno State's Jerry Tarkanian

Wyoming's Home Records in Arena-Auditorium History

(The Arena-Auditorium opened the last game of the 1981-82 season when Wyoming defeated Air Force 59-29 on Feb. 20, 1982)

Season	Overall Home Records	Conference Home Records	Conference Tournament Records	NIT Records
2000-01	5-0 (1.000)	0-0 (----)		
1999-2000	12-1 (.923)	6-1 (.857)		
1998-99	12-2 (.857)	6-1 (.857)		1-0 (1.000)
1997-98	13-2 (.867)	6-1 (.857)		0-1 (.000)
1996-97	8-3 (.727)	6-2 (.750)		
1995-96	10-4 (.714)	7-2 (.778)		
1994-95	9-5 (.643)	6-3 (.667)		
1993-94	8-5 (.615)	5-4 (.556)		
1992-93	9-4 (.692)	5-4 (.556)		
1991-92	9-4 (.692)	5-3 (.625)		
1990-91	13-5 (.722)	4-4 (.500)	1-1 (.500)	1-0 (1.000)
1989-90	9-5 (.643)	4-4 (.500)		
1988-89	10-6 (.625)	3-5 (.375)		
1987-88	13-1 (.929)	7-1 (.875)		
1986-87	11-3 (.786)	6-2 (.750)		
1985-86	16-3 (.842)	7-1 (.875)	2-1 (.667)	3-0 (1.000)
1984-85	12-4 (.750)	5-3 (.625)		
1983-84	11-3 (.786)	6-2 (.750)	1-0 (1.000)	
1982-83	10-3 (.769)	6-2 (.750)		
1981-82	1-0 (1.000)	1-0 (1.000)		
Totals	201-63 (.761)	101-45 (.692)	4-2 (.667)	5-1 (.833)

Arena-Auditorium Largest Crowds (All Crowds Over 10,000)

Among the more popular draws have been Colorado State (9 crowds above 10,000), UTEP (5), Utah (5), New Mexico (4), Air Force (3) and Louisville (2). But the most popular draw has been Brigham Young, which has attracted 14 crowds of over 10,000 to the Arena-Auditorium.

Rank	Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
1.	1-21-95	Brigham Young	L 52-58	15,218
2.	2-20-88	Colorado State	W 57-50	15,208
3.	2-21-87	Brigham Young	L 63-67	15,182
4.	2-27-88	San Diego State	W 85-59	15,096
5.	1-15-88	Brigham Young	L 67-83	15,087
6.	3-20-86	#Clemson	W 62-57	15,028
	1-10-87	Louisville	L 64-67	15,028
8.	12-5-87	Texas Tech	W 84-65	15,012
	12-19-87	Nebraska	W 87-58	15,012
	2-6-88	New Mexico	W 90-72	15,012
11.	2-20-82	AFA (Arena Opens)	W 59-29	15,004
12.	2-10-96	Brigham Young	L 71-81	13,452
13.	1-25-84	Brigham Young	W 56-55	13,332
14.	3-4-88	Boise State	W 56-50	13,158
15.	1-17-91	Utah	L 83-90	12,867
16.	2-20-86	Brigham Young	W 66-56	12,677
17.	2-25-88	Utah	W 79-56	12,535
18.	1-20-90	Brigham Young	L 60-65	12,517
19.	1-21-84	UTEP	L 46-54	12,493
20.	2-4-88	UTEP	W 73-59	12,337
21.	2-14-98	Brigham Young	W 77-54	12,201
22.	1-19-91	Brigham Young	W 86-80	12,109
23.	3-8-86	*UTEP	L 64-65	12,039
24.	1-17-87	UTEP	W 79-74	12,025
25.	2-20-99	Colorado State	L 75-80	12,009
26.	12-14-87	Georgia State	W 100-89	11,927
27.	1-15-90	Colorado State	L 57-65	11,831
28.	3-17-86	#Loyola-Marymount	W 99-90	11,658
29.	1-23-92	Brigham Young	W 72-67	11,618
30.	2-22-86	Colorado State	W 77-70	11,533
31.	2-9-91	New Mexico	L 83-85	11,511
32.	1-13-88	Air Force	W 81-61	11,341
33.	3-7-86	*New Mexico	W 56-54	11,264
34.	2-26-00	Brigham Young	W 85-70	11,147
35.	1-25-92	Utah	L 79-80	11,137
36.	2-25-89	Colorado State	L 59-62	11,119
37.	1-21-88	Hawai'i	W 81-61	11,081
38.	1-22-83	Brigham Young	L 64-82	11,080
39.	1-24-98	Colorado State	L 46-53	11,014
40.	1-2-88	Stephen F. Austin	W 94-55	10,784
41.	11-27-87	Denver	W 113-82	10,715
42.	3-8-91	*Utah	L 63-69	10,544
43.	1-21-89	Air Force	L 55-58	10,506
44.	2-25-95	Colorado State	W 80-73	10,503
45.	2-6-87	Chicago State	W 75-64	10,453
46.	2-10-90	New Mexico	L 79-82	10,334
47.	12-18-93	Louisville	L 55-72	10,302
48.	1-19-95	Utah	W 63-56	10,262
49.	1-15-94	Colorado State	W 73-58	10,258
50.	1-15-00	Colorado State	L 71-77	10,211
51.	3-7-91	*UTEP	W 71-67	10,048
52.	2-23-89	Brigham Young	W 72-65	10,021
53.	12-4-82	USC	L 55-56	10,016
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3-7-91	San Diego State 56, Utah 67	10,048

Arena-Auditorium Largest Crowds (All Crowds Over 10,000, By Season)

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Non-Conference Home Winning

Streak: With its 5-0 home record this season, the Wyoming Cowboys completed their non-conference home schedule undefeated for the second consecutive season. Wyoming posted a 6-0 non-conference home record for the 1999-2000 season.

Wyoming has now defeated the last 17 consecutive non-conference opponents to visit the Arena-Auditorium.

Cowboy Home Winning Streak Improves to Ten Games:

The Wyoming Cowboys have built a 10-game home winning streak in the Arena-Auditorium, dating back to Jan. 29, 2000, when they defeated San Diego State 93-87.

Wyoming ended the 1999-2000 season with a five-game winning streak. Wyoming defeated San Diego State, UNLV, Air Force, BYU and Utah in its last five home games of the '99-2000 season.

The Cowboys have begun the 2000-01 season with five home victories to stretch their home winning streak to 10 games.

The last time Wyoming won 10 consecutive home games was from the end of the 1998-99 season through the beginning of the 1999-2000 season. That streak ran from a Feb. 25, 1999, home win over Air Force through a Jan. 13, 2000, home victory over New Mexico.

UW's next home game will be Jan. 20, 2001, when they host Utah on an ESPN Regional (ERT) telecast beginning at 1:00 p.m., Mountain time.

First Mountain West Conference Call Set for Jan. 5, 2001:

The Mountain West Conference will host three conference calls of its eight men's basketball coaches this season.

The first of the three calls will be on Friday, Jan. 5, 2001, beginning at 10:00 a.m., Mountain time.

The other two calls will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 7 and Monday, March 5.

Wyoming head coach Steve McClain will be featured from 11:12 to 11:22 a.m.

To connect to the call, phone (719) 457-2629. The confirmation number for the Jan. 5 call is 408630.

Time (M.T.)	Coach
10:00 a.m.	MWC Moderator
10:02 a.m.	Steve Fisher, SDSU
10:12 a.m.	Steve Cleveland, BYU
10:22 a.m.	Dale Layer, Colorado State
10:32 a.m.	Fran Fraschilla, UNM
10:42 a.m.	Max Good, UNLV
10:52 a.m.	Dick Hunsaker, Utah
11:02 a.m.	Joe Scott, Air Force
11:12 a.m.	Steve McClain, Wyoming
11:22 a.m.	Craig Thompson, MWC Commissioner

Game No. 14: Sat. Jan. 13, 2001, Fort Collins, Colo., 7:00 p.m., M.T. The Colorado State Rams (9-4, 0-0 in the Mountain West Conference)

						2000-01 Avgs.			
Probable Starters						PPG	RPG	APG	
F	#33	Brian Greene	6-8	225	So.	Thornton, Colo.	7.5	5.6	2.3
F	#40	Garrett Patik	6-7	210	Sr.	Buffalo, Wyo.	7.7	5.8	1.5
C	#44	David Fisher	6-10	220	Sr.	Fordland, Mo.	11.8	3.5	1.0
G	#11	Andy Birley	6-4	180	So.	Vancouver, Wash.	5.7	1.4	3.5
G	#32	John Sivesind	6-3	195	Sr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.	12.7	2.6	2.6
Reserves									
G	#	1 Jonathan Sanders	6-8	190	Fr.	Denver, Colo.	1.8	1.8	0.8
G	#	3 Ron Grady	6-3	185	Sr.	Beaverton, Ore.	11.1	4.1	1.6
G	#	10 Aki Palmer	5-9	175	Sr.	Fort Collins, Colo.	7.7	2.5	3.1
G	#	14 Derrick Mansell	6-1	175	So.	Santa Ana, Calif.	(Hasn't yet played)		
F	#	15 R'Cell Harris	6-8	235	Jr.	Livermore, Calif.	3.8	2.1	0.5
G	#	21 Jon Rakiacki	6-3	185	Fr.	Fruita, Colo.	(Hasn't yet played)		
F	#	25 Matt Brown	6-9	215	Jr.	Roseburg, Ore.	6.9	2.7	1.3
F	#	50 Adrian Hayes	6-7	190	Fr.	Austin, Texas	1.8	1.8	0.4
C	#	54 Matt Nelson	7-0	220	Fr.	Morton Grove, Ill.	(Hasn't yet played)		
Head Coach: Dale Layer (Eckerd College '80)									
Overall:						9-4 (.692), 1st season			
At School:						Same			
Assistant Coaches: Bill Perkins (Eckerd '79), Bill Peterson (Eckerd '79) and Buzz Williams (Oklahoma City '94)									

ESPN Features Wyoming and Utah on Opening Night of Mountain West Conference Play:

The Wyoming Cowboys and Utah Utes will be the featured game on the opening night of the 2001 Mountain West Conference schedule.

The game will be part of **ESPN's Big Monday** lineup on Jan. 8, 2001. **Bob Carpenter** will describe the play-by-play action. He will be joined by **Jimmy Dykes**, who will add color analysis.

It will be the first of **three Big Monday appearances for the Cowboys**. Wyoming will **host two Big Monday games -- against UNLV on Feb. 5 and against New Mexico on Feb. 26**. All three games will begin at 10:00 p.m., Mountain time.

Wyoming will also be featured in a Saturday ESPN telecast in a non-conference game at Creighton on Saturday, Feb. 17. That game will be a morning tilt, beginning at 10:00 a.m., Mountain time.

Wyoming and Utah Meet on ESPN Big Monday for the Second

Consecutive Time in the Series: The Wyoming Cowboys and Utah Utes will tip off the second season of Mountain West Conference play when they play in Salt Lake City, Utah, on **ESPN's Big Monday, Jan. 8, 2001**. The game will begin at 10:00 p.m., Mountain time.

Wyoming and Utah have a history of playing on ESPN's Big Monday. The last time the two teams met was in an **ESPN Big Monday game on Feb. 28, 2000, in a game won by Wyoming 88-61 in Laramie.**

Also in the 1995-96 season, Wyoming hosted Utah on **Big Monday on Feb. 12, 1996. That game also was won by Wyoming 80-76.**

Here is Wyoming and Utah's previous Big Monday meetings.

Big Monday Dates on ESPN	Result	Location
Feb. 28, 2000	Wyoming won 88-61	Laramie, Wyo.
Feb. 12, 1996	Wyoming won 80-76	Laramie, Wyo.

Cowboys and Utes Meet in Matchup of Preseason Conference

Favorites: The Utah Utes and Wyoming Cowboys enter this season as the preseason favorites to win the 2001 Mountain West Conference Men's Basketball title.

Utah was picked first with 18 first-place votes and 233 total points in voting by conference media members. **Wyoming was picked second with seven first-place votes and 207 total points.**

For the complete listing of the MWC Preseason media poll see page nine of this release.

Wyoming Cowboys' Season Capsule

Wyoming's 2000-01 Record: 9-3 (.750)
Wyoming's 2000-01 MWC Record: 0-0 (----) in the MWC
Last Time Out for Wyoming:
Wyoming lost to LSU 69-73 on Jan. 3, 2001,
in Baton Rouge, La.
Current Win/Loss Streak: Lost 1
UW Head Coach (Alma Mater): Steve McClain(Chadron St.'84)
McClain's Overall Record: 46-25 (.648), 3rd season
McClain's Record at Wyoming: Same
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 5/9
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/2 (Including one from 98-99)
1999-00 Record: 19-12, 8-6 T4th in MWC
1999-00 Postseason:
Defeated Colorado State 74-68 in the MWC Tournament
Lost at UNLV 92-97 in the MWC Tournament

UW Series Record vs. Utah: Wyoming trails 66-80
UW Record versus in Laramie: Wyoming leads 42-27
UW Record versus on the Road: Wyoming trails 22-51
UW Record versus at Neutral Sites: Tied at 2-2
Last Meeting versus:
Wyoming defeated Utah 88-61 in Laramie, Wyo.
on Nov. 27, 1999, (Televised on ESPN Big Monday)

UW Series Record vs. CSU: Wyoming leads 113-78
UW Record versus in Laramie: Wyoming leads 67-36
UW Record versus on the Road: Wyoming leads 43-42
UW Record versus at Neutral Sites: Wyoming leads 3-0
Last Meeting versus:
Wyoming defeated Utah 88-61 in Laramie, Wyo.
on Nov. 27, 1999, (Televised on ESPN Big Monday)

Utah Utes' Season Capsule

2000-01 Record: 8-6 (.571)
2000-01 Conference Record: 0-0 (.000) in the Mountain
West Conference

Last Time Out:
Utah defeated Long Beach State 80-67 on Jan. 3, 2001,
in Salt Lake City, Utah

University Location: Salt Lake City, Utah
Current Win/Loss Streak: Won 1
Head Coach (Alma Mater): Rick Majerus (Marquette '70)
Coach's Overall Record: 360-125 (.742), 17th season*
Coach's Record at School: 261-73 (.781), 12th season*
*Coach Majerus' records at the beginning of the 2000-01 season
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 4/6
Starters Returning/Lost: 1/4
1999-00 Record: 23-9, 10-4 Tie 1st in MWC
1999-00 Postseason:

Defeated Air Force 74-65 in the MWC Tournament
Lost to BYU 54-58 in the MWC Tournament
Defeated Saint Louis 48-45 in the NCAA Tournament
Lost to Michigan State 61-73 in the NCAA Tournament

Games Prior to Playing Wyoming:
None

Cowboy Injury Report: Entering this week, senior **Brett McFall** was the only player on the Wyoming roster who was nursing an injury. McFall had a sore left foot. He suffered a fracture to the same foot during the summer of 2000. McFall missed the Wichita State game on Dec. 30, 2000, but did come back to play nine minutes at LSU on Jan. 3, 2001.

Player Injury and Status

Brett McFall Injured left foot
Didn't play vs. Wichita St.
Played nine minutes at LSU

Colorado State Rams' Season Capsule

2000-01 Record: 9-4 (.692)
2000-01 Conference Record: 0-0 (.000) in the Mountain
West Conference

Last Time Out:
CSU defeated Texas Pan American 71-62 on Jan. 4, 2001,
in Fort Collins, Colo.

University Location: Fort Collins, Colo.
Current Win/Loss Streak: Won 3
Head Coach (Alma Mater): Dale Layer (Eckerd College '80)
Coach's Overall Record: 9-4 (.692), 1st season
Coach's Record at School: Same
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 8/4
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1
1999-00 Record: 18-12, 8-6 T4th in MWC
1999-00 Postseason:

Lost to Wyoming 68-74 in the MWC Tournament
Games Prior to Playing Wyoming:
None

Wyoming Faces Utah in Third Oldest Rivalry for

the Cowboys: The Wyoming Cowboys and Utah Utes will be playing for the 147th time this comind Monday, Jan. 8, 2001. UW trails in the overall series 66-80. Wyoming's only two older rivalries are with Colorado State (191 games) and BYU (149).

The Cowboys hold a convincing advantage in games played in Laramie at 42-27. Over the last 10 meetings in Laramie, UW is 6-4 against Utah.

Wyoming also holds a 2-0 advantage in ESPN Big Monday games versus the Utes -- winning in the 1999-2000 and 1995-96 seasons on Big Monday.

Wyoming trails 22-51 in games versus the Utes in Salt Lake City.

The last time Wyoming won in Salt Lake City was Feb. 22, 1992, when the Cowboys defeated Utah 70-57.

Wyoming was led by Tim Breaux, who scored 26 points. Travis Butler scored 16 and pulled down 12 rebounds for Wyoming, and Reggie Slater scored 15 and grabbed eight rebounds for the Pokes.

Wyoming and CSU Share Two Common Opponents

-- Creighton and Denver: The Wyoming Cowboys and CSU Rams have shared two common opponents during the 2000 -01 season -- both have played Creighton and Denver.

Wyoming played both Creighton and Denver in Laramie, Wyo. CSU went on the road to play Creighton, while they hosted Denver in Fort Collins, Colo.

Here is how the Cowboys and Rams fared against Creighton and DU.

Date	Wyoming vs.	CSU vs.
Nov. 27	Win over DU 70-55	Dec. 18 Win over DU 80-53
Dec. 1	Win over CU 78-74	Dec. 6 Loss at CU 51-74

The 192nd Meeting of "The Border War" -- Oldest Rivalry for Both Wyoming and CSU:

Wyoming and Colorado State will be meeting for the 192nd time on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2001.

Wyoming leads the overall series 113-78.

"The Border War" rivalry began on Jan. 27, 1911, when Colorado State won in Laramie 19-17.

The two teams have met every season since, except for two -- in the 1922-23 season and the 1943-44 season (due to World War II).

"The Border War" is the oldest basketball rivalry for both schools.

University of Wyoming Fast Facts

General Information

Location: Laramie, Wyo.
 Founded: 1886
 Enrollment: 10,600
 President: Dr. Philip L. Dubois
 Director of Athletics: Lee Moon
 Faculty Representative: Dr. Janet Constantinides
 Colors: Brown & Wyoming Prairie Gold
 Nickname: Cowboys, Pokes
 Conference: Mountain West
 Stadium: War Memorial
 Capacity: (33,500)

Basketball Coaching Staff

Basketball Office Phone: (307) 766-5114

Head Coach

Steve McClain (Chadron State '84)

Assistant Coaches

Leroy Washington (Montana '88)

John Adams (Iowa State '95)

Sidney Coles (Marshall '98)

Administrative Staff

Steve Gosar, Graduate Assistant Manager

Basketball Office Staff

Mary Johnson, Cowboy Basketball Office Manager

2000 Squad Breakdown

Starters Returning/Lost: 4/2
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 5/9

Newcomers (5)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
13	Alex Dunn	F/C	6-10	220	Fr.
00	Ronell Mingo	F/C	6-9	230	Jr.
25	Joe Ries	F	6-8	225	Fr.
20	David Rottinghaus	G/F	6-5	195	Fr.
23	Scottie Vines	G/F	6-2	190	Jr.

Starters Returning (4)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
44	Marcus Bailey	G/F	6-5	190	So.
22	Josh Davis	F	6-8	235	Jr.
10	Chris McMillian	G	5-10	180	Jr.
4	Ugo Udezue	F/C	6-8	245	RJr.

(Ugo Udezue started in the 1998-99 season. He missed the 1999-2000 season due to knee surgery.)

Starters Lost (2)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
5	Anthony Blakes	G/F	6-2	188	Sr.
0	LeDarion Jones	F	6-7	232	Sr.

Lettermen Returning (5)

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Lettermen Lost (9)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.
3	Aaron Abrams	G/F	6-4	205	Fr.
32	Fayssal Akacem	F	6-8	180	Fr.
5	Anthony Blakes	G/F	6-2	188	Sr.
23	Mark Curry	G	6-3	180	Jr.
40	Justin French	F	6-6	210	Sr.
0	LeDarion Jones	F	6-7	232	Sr.
33	Antone Lostetter	F/C	6-8	217	Sr.
52	Bradley Mann	G/F	6-6	190	Sr.
55	Andy Young	G	6-0	165	Jr.

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 Laramie, WY 82071

"The Border War" -- Wyoming vs. Colorado State as Close as a Series Can Get:

Wyoming holds a 35-game advantage over its border rival Colorado State. The Cowboys lead in the overall series 113-78.

The series began in 1911. The two teams didn't play in the 1922-23 season nor during the 1943-44 season (due to World War II). The longest win streak in the series is owned by the Cowboys as they posted 31-straight victories from the 1939-40 season through 1950-51.

This season marks the 56th consecutive season the two teams have played.

A year ago Colorado State swept the regular-season series, winning both in Fort Collins (79-78) and in Laramie (77-71). **But the Cowboys came back to defeat the Rams 74-68 in the first round of the MWC Tournament in Las Vegas.**

Since the 1969-70 season, both teams have been members of the same conference. **In WAC competition, the series was as close as it could get. The two teams played 62 times, with the WAC series ending up tied at 31-31.**

In WAC regular-season games, UW trailed by two games, 29-31. Wyoming held a 2-0 advantage in WAC Tournament games -- winning in El Paso, Texas, in 1984 and in Provo, Utah, in 1988.

The Pokes held a 16-14 WAC advantage in Laramie. CSU held a 17-13 WAC advantage in Fort Collins.

In WAC contests between the two schools in Laramie, 22 of the 30 meetings were decided by 10 points or less (.733).

In WAC games between the two archrivals in Fort Collins, 23 of 30 meetings were decided by 10 or less points (.767).

Including the two WAC Tournament games, which were decided by four and two points respectively, **47 of 62 WAC contests in the "Border War" or 75.8 percent were decided by 10 points or less.**

All three Mountain West Conference meetings have been decided by 10 points or less.

Wyoming-CSU Series Breakdown

Overall Series Record UW leads 113-78
vs. CSU in Laramie UW leads 67-36
vs. CSU on the Road UW leads 43-42
vs. CSU at Neutral Sites UW leads 3-0

MWC Series Record UW trails 1-2
vs. CSU in Laramie UW trails 0-1
vs. CSU in Fort Collins UW trails 0-1
vs. CSU at Neutral Sites UW leads 1-0

WAC Series Record Tied 31-31
WAC Regular-Season UW trails 29-31
WAC Tournament UW leads 2-0
WAC Games in Laramie UW leads 16-14
WAC Games in Ft. Collins UW trails 13-17

Last 10 Seasons UW trails 10-11
Last 10 Seasons in Laramie Tied 5-5
Last 10 Seasons in Ft. Collins UW trails 4-6
Last 10 Seasons at Neutral Sites UW leads 1-0

MWC Games in the Series Decided by 10 Points or Less

In Laramie 1 of 1, 1.000
In Fort Collins 1 of 1, 1.000
Neutral 1 of 1, 1.000
Total 3 of 3, 1.000

WAC Games in the Series Decided by 10 Points or Less

In Laramie 22 of 30, .733
In Fort Collins 23 of 30, .767
Neutral 2 of 2, 1.000
Total 47 of 62, .758

Deep, Deep, Deep: When the Wyoming Cowboys took the court for the 2000-01 season, Coach Steve McClain said that he felt he had a very deep team. His prediction has come true as 11 different players have taken the court for the Cowboys to date and eight have scored in double figures. Here are some other stats that indicate the depth of the Cowboy squad.

Cowboys Who Have Played 11
Double Figure Scorers 9
Players Who Have Scored 11
Players Averaging 20+ Minutes 5
Players Averaging 10+ Minutes 10