

With six returning players along with two new freshmen, the Rams are ready to hit the links and set new lows in the 2009-10 season. The previous 2008-09 season was filled with broken records and the women's golf team plans to continue breaking them this year. Four of the returning players put their names in the Colorado State University record book at least one time after the 2008-09 season.



Head Coach Angie Hopkins returns for her eighth year with the Rams after earning her second Mountain West Conference Coach of the Year award.

Also returning are four top players, senior Kasey Claussen, junior Natalie Stone, sophomore Melissa Martin and sophomore Brianna Espinoza. All four returning players set career-low scores last season and are eager to set new career-low scores this season.

Fast Facts

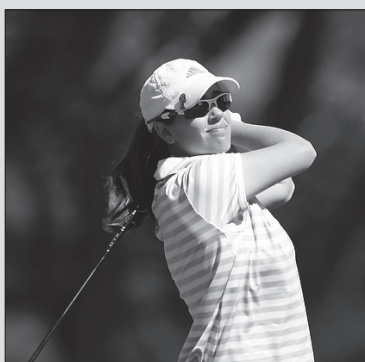
- Best individual finish: Senior Kasey Claussen finished second out of 90 players at the New Mexico State Invitation with a score of 216 (even par).
- Twice set the CSU record for low 3-round total team score. Posted 870 at the CU tournament and then shot 869 at UNLV. School record was set in 2004 at 876.
- Senior Kasey Claussen ties the school record at the New Mexico State tournament. Claussen fired a 67 (-5) in the final round.
- Sophomores Brianna Espinoza and Melissa Martin placed seventh and ninth at the Mountain West Conference Championships
- Senior Kasey Claussen honored with two awards: MWC All Conference Team and Rotary Club Most Valuable Player
- Coach Angie Hopkins earns second MWC Coach of the Year honor

2008-2009 Season Results

Date	Tournament	1st-2nd-3rd = Total	Finish			
9/8-9	Ptarmigan Ram Fall Classic	299-295-289=883	8	2/15-17	Aztec Spring Invitational	308-331-311=950 13
9/18-20	Branch Law Firm/Dick McGuire	305-292-301=898	5	3/16-17	Baylor Spring Invitational	316-318-314=948 8
9/29-30	Heather Farr/CU Memorial	289-295-286=870	4	3/24-25	Dixie Classic	299-308-292=899 2
10/13-15	Price's "Give 'Em Five"	309-314-295=918	7	3/28-29	MountainView	297-294-305=896 7
10/27-29	Las Vegas Collegiate Showdown	298-289-282=869	11	4/16-18	MWC Championships	314-307-300=921 4

Kasey Claussen:

- Finished the 2008-09 season with a career-low round of 67 in the Price's "Give 'Em Five" Invite in New Mexico
- Ranked 18th in the nation in par three scoring with a stroke average of 3.09
- Her average stroke was 75.14, seventh in the Mountain West Conference
- Named to the 2009 MWC all-conference team and earned the 2009 Rotary Club MVP award



Natalie Stone:

- Finished 13th at the Heather Farr/CU Memorial Tournament, setting a career-low round of 69
 - Ranked 16th in the Mountain West Conference with a stroke average of 76.85
 - Set a career-low score of 216 during the 2008-09 season at the Heather Farr/CU Memorial Tournament



Brianna Espinoza:

- Low Ram finisher at the Mountain West Conference championships finishing in seventh place with her score of 228
- Ended the season with a career-low round of 69 and a career-low score of 220 in the Las Vegas Collegiate Showdown
- Named to the 2009 MWC academic all-conference team.



Melissa Martin:

- 2009 CWGA Stroke Play Champion
- With a stroke average of 75.93, Martin is 10th best in the Mountain West Conference
- Set her season low finish in ninth place at the Mountain West Conference championships in Seaside, Calif., with a score of 230

