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Wyoming Cowboys to Play Brown and Gold Game on Saturday, 2010 Team Captains Announced Thursday Saturday's Spring Game Set for War Memorial Stadium

Laramie, Wyo. (April 15, 2010) -- Spring practice will conclude for the Wyoming Cowboys on Saturday, April 17 with the annual Brown and Gold Game. The No. 1 offense and No. 2 defense will team up on the Brown Team, with the No. 2 offense and No. 1 defense combining on the Gold Team. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m. in Wyoming's War Memorial Stadium and is free to the public.

At Thursday afternoon's practice, head coach Dave Christensen announced to his team the four team captains for the 2010 season as voted by their teammates. The two defensive captains will be senior free safety **Chris Prosinski** and junior linebacker **Brian Hendricks**. The two offensive captains for the 2010 season will be senior wide receiver **David Leonard** and sophomore quarterback **Austyn Carta-Samuels**.

Carta-Samuels becomes only the second sophomore in school history to be named a team captain. The only other sophomore to earn that honor was wide receiver **Ryan McGuffey** back in 2001.

On Saturday, Prosinski and Hendricks will lead the Gold team, while Leonard and Carta-Samuels will lead the Brown squad.

"These four were voted on by their teammates, with each player being allowed to vote for four captains" said Christensen. "All four of these young men represent everything this program is about. They do the right things, they work extremely hard and they provide great leadership and motivation to their teammates."

This year's Spring Game will include four 12-minute quarters. The clock will run continuously, except for the final two minutes of each half which will be timed like an actual game. Unlike the other two major scrimmages of the spring, this Saturday's Spring Game will be scored like a normal game.

At halftime of the game, the six players who were selected as the most improved at their positions by the Wyoming coaching staff will be announced. There will be a Most Improved Player named at the positions of: offensive back, offensive line, receiver, defensive back, defensive line and linebacker.

As the Cowboys enter their final of 15 spring practices on Saturday, Christensen has seen a number of positives coming out of his team's work the past five weeks.

"It has been a very productive spring," said Christensen. "We've been able to get our new defense installed, and I like the direction that is going. I think our kids grasped the new defensive system well, and I think we are a little further along than I thought we would be at this point in time.

"We of course did have a number of players on the defensive line that missed time during the spring and will have to get back up to speed, but I think it has been very productive from a defensive standpoint.

"Offensively, we were able to get back to a lot of things we initially wanted to do with this offense when we first came here. I think we were a much sharper offense this spring than we were last year.

"I believe we've improved in the areas of wide receiver and offensive line. I look forward to the progress we will be able to make in the 25 or so fall practices we will have before we kick next season off."

Before those fall practices begin in early August, Christensen knows that having his players maintain their conditioning in the summer is also critical. With that in mind, he said that his student-athletes will follow the same pattern this summer as they did a year ago.

"I believe virtually all of our returning kids are staying around this summer to lift, go to summer school, work out on their own in the evenings and make progress toward getting their degrees," said Christensen. "All of our new signees will be here for four weeks in the summer to take two summer school classes, live in the dorms and work out with our strength and conditioning staff. Then they'll go home for the remaining four or five weeks of summer before coming back for the start of fall camp."

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Weather permitting, Saturday's Brown and Gold Game will be held in War Memorial Stadium. Fans will need to sit in the lower west side of the stadium, due to ongoing construction on the east side.

If the weather is inclement, the Spring Game will take place in the Indoor Practice Facility. If the scrimmage is moved indoors, fans will be allowed to watch the game from the west end zone of the Indoor Practice facility but will not be allowed on the sidelines due to safety concerns. Only media members with press credentials who are covering the scrimmage will be allowed on the sidelines.

2010 University of Wyoming Football Spring Practice Schedule

Saturday, March 6	9:00 a.m. (Non-contact, Practice #1)
Tuesday, March 9	3:30 p.m. (Non-contact, Practice #2)
Thursday, March 11	3:30 p.m. (Pads, Practice #3)
SPRING BREAK: Friday, March 12 Through Saturday, March 20	
Tuesday, March 23	3:30 p.m. (Pads, Practice #4)
Thursday, March 25	3:30 p.m. (Pads, 50% Scrimmage , Practice #5)
Saturday, March 27	9:00 a.m. Practice Begins / 9:45 a.m. Scrimmage (Scrimmage #1 , Practice #6)
Tuesday, March 30	3:30 p.m. (Pads, Practice #7)
Thursday, April 1	3:30 p.m. (Pads, 50% Scrimmage , Practice #8)
EASTER BREAK: Friday, April 2 Through Sunday, April 4	
Tuesday, April 6	3:30 p.m. (Pads, Practice #9)
Thursday, April 8	3:30 p.m. (Pads, Practice #10)
Friday, April 9	3:30 p.m. (Shells, Practice #11 and Coaches' Clinic)
Saturday, April 10	9:00 a.m. (Scrimmage #2 , Practice, #12)
Tuesday, April 13	3:30 p.m. (Pads, Practice #13)
Thursday, April 15	3:30 p.m. (Non-contact, Practice #14)
Saturday, April 17	2:00 p.m. (Spring Game , Practice #15)

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**Brown Team
Numerical Roster**

<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ex.</u>	<u>Hometown (Last School)</u>
1	James Caraway	CB	5-11	185	So.	1L	Topeka, Kan. (Highland Park)
3	Travis Burkhalter	WR	6-1	191	Sr.	3L	Eufaula, Okla. (Eufaula)
3D	Patrick Hartford	LB	6-0	222	So.	SQ	Rock Springs, Wyo. (Rock Springs)
5	Austyn Carta-Samuels	QB	6-2	215	So.	1L	San Jose, Calif. (Bellarmine College Prep)
6	Alex Toney	LB	6-1	220	Sr.	2L	Las Vegas, Nev. (Shadow Ridge)
16	Kenny Browder	CB	5-11	175	So.	1L	Round Rock, Texas (Stony Point)
19	Will Isom	SS	6-0	205	RFr.	SQ	Lyman, Wyo. (Lyman)
21	Larry Mitchell	FS	6-3	197	RFr.	RS	Fort Worth, Texas (North Crowley)
22	Tedder Easton *	RB	5-11	225	RFr.	RS	Columbia, Mo. (Rock Bridge)
27	Todd Knight	LB	6-2	210	RFr.	RS	Aurora, Colo. (Grandview)
28	Austin McCoy *	P/K	6-3	202	Jr.	2L	Winter Haven, Fla. (Winter Haven)
29	Luke Ruff	SS	5-11	190	So.	1L	Castle Rock, Colo. (Douglas County)
31	Jeff Roueche	LB	6-3	220	RFr.	RS	Niwot, Colo. (Niwot)
32	Alvester Alexander	RB	5-11	208	So.	1L	Houston, Texas (C.E. King)
33	David Leonard	WR	6-4	200	Sr.	3L	Overland Park, Kan. (Shawnee Mission West)
34	Matt Birkeness	DE	6-4	226	So.	SQ	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)
36	Eric Mitchell	FS	6-0	195	Jr.	2L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)
43	Devyn Harris	LB	6-3	225	RFr.	RS	Fountain, Colo. (Fountain-Fort Carson)
45	Bryson Studnicka	DT/DE	6-3	240	Jr.	2L	Clay Center, Neb. (Clay Center)
47	Greg Saydjari	DT	6-1	216	So.	HS	Skowhegan, Maine (Skowhegan)
51	Ian Watts *	K	6-3	180	So.	1L	Philadelphia, Pa. (Radnor)
53	Kevin Bell *	K	5-8	180	So.	HS	Casper, Wyo. (Kelly Walsh)
58	Jordan Van Royen *	LS	6-0	225	Sr.	1L	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Phoenix CC, Ariz.)
59	Reece Hall	LB	5-10	190	Sr.	SQ	Sheridan, Wyo. (Sheridan)
60	Nick Carlson	C	6-4	290	So.	1L	Arlington Heights, Ill. (Prospect)
72	Clayton Kirven	OT	6-6	305	Jr.	2L	Buffalo, Wyo. (Buffalo)
74	Nick Puetz	OG	6-4	315	Jr.	JC	Salina, Kan. (Coffeyville CC, Kan.)
75	Sam Sterner	OG	6-4	302	Sr.	3L	Waconia, Minn. (Waconia)
76	Josh Leonard	OT	6-4	296	So.	1L	Helena, Mont. (Helena)
80	Chris McNeill	WR	6-1	175	So.	1L	Simi Valley, Calif. (Notre Dame)
82	Kyle Cobb *	WR	6-2	210	Jr.	TR	Woodland Park, Colo. (CSU-Pueblo)
88	Josh Smith *	WR	6-3	215	Fr.	HS	Manchester, N.H. (Manchester Memorial)
89	Zach Bolger	WR	5-10	185	Sr.	1L	Casper, Wyo. (Jamestown College, N.D.)
93	Eric Brooks	DT	6-2	236	RSo.	RS	Monrovia, Calif. (Arizona Western CC, Ariz.)

* Indicates Players Who Will Play on Both Teams in Brown and Gold Game

Injured Players Who Won't Play in Brown and Gold Game

7D#	Rodney Jaynes	WR	6-4	205	RFr.	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Hales Franciscan)
14	David Tooley	WR	6-5	210	So.	1L	Moberly, Mo. (Moberly)
20	Nehemie Kankolongo	RB	5-11	200	Fr.	HS	Coquitlam, British Columbia (Centennial)
25	James Davis	WR	5-9	190	Jr.	SQ	Monrovia, Calif. (Monrovia)
50	Mike Purcell	DT	6-3	276	So.	1L	Highlands Ranch, Colo. (Highlands Ranch)
78	Thomas Vonashek	OT	6-9	302	RFr.	RS	St. Simons Island, Ga. (Glynn Academy)
81	Matt Cobb	WR	6-1	208	RFr.	RS	Woodland Park, Colo. (Coronado)
85	Mark Willis	DE	6-4	225	RFr.	RS	Oak Park, Ill. (Oak Park & River Forest)
92	Spencer Bruce	DE	6-5	230	RFr.	RS	Gillette, Wyo. (Campbell County)
94	Max Gustafson	DT	6-4	210	RFr.	RS	Casper, Wyo. (Natrona County)
97	Alex Stover	DT	6-3	282	Jr.	2L	Gretna, Neb. (Gretna)

#Rodney Jaynes is focusing on his academics this spring and will not play in the Brown and Gold game.

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Ex.</u>	<u>Hometown (Last School)</u>
1D	DeJay Lester	WR	6-2	195	Jr.	JC	Layton, Utah (Snow CC, Utah)
2	Marcell Gipson	CB	5-10	183	Sr.	2L	Dallas, Texas (Kimball)
2D	Mazi Ogbonna	WR	6-1	190	Jr.	JC	Westbury, N.Y. (Snow CC, Utah)
4	Tashaun Gipson	CB	6-0	195	Jr.	2L	Dallas, Texas (Kimball)
7	Shamiel Gary	SS	6-1	210	So.	1L	Tulsa, Okla. (Booker T. Washington)
8	Brian Hendricks	LB	6-1	228	Jr.	2L	Burlington, Colo. (Burlington)
15	Ben Durbin	DT/DE	6-3	250	So.	SQ	Gilbert, Iowa (Gilbert)
16D	Eli Zent	QB	6-1	200	RFr.	HS	Shoshoni, Wyo. (Shoshoni)
17	Keith Lewis	LB	5-11	207	Sr.	3L	Evergreen Park, Ill. (Mt. Carmel, Chicago, Ill.)
18	Dax Crum	QB	6-4	219	Sr.	1L	Phoenix, Ariz. (Mesa CC, Ariz.)
22	Tedder Easton *	RB	5-11	225	RFr.	RS	Columbia, Mo. (Rock Bridge)
23	Ghaali Muhammad	LB	6-0	225	So.	1L	St. Joseph, Mo. (Central)
24	Chris Prosinski	FS	6-1	210	Sr.	3L	Buffalo, Wyo. (Buffalo)
28	Austin McCoy *	P/K	6-3	202	Jr.	2L	Winter Haven, Fla. (Winter Haven)
41	Andrew Meredith	CB	6-0	190	RFr.	RS	Green River, Wyo. (Green River)
42	Brandon Miller	WR	6-0	180	RFr.	RS	Parker, Colo. (Mountain Vista)
44	Josh Biezuns	DE	6-2	245	Jr.	2L	Prior Lake, Minn. (Prior Lake)
51	Ian Watts *	K	6-3	180	So.	1L	Philadelphia, Pa. (Radnor)
52	Gabe Knapton	DE	6-3	248	Jr.	2L	Mead, Colo. (Skyline)
53	Kevin Bell *	K	5-8	180	So.	HS	Casper, Wyo. (Kelly Walsh)
57	Jack Tennant	OG	6-4	305	Sr.	2L	Mahomet, Ill. (Mahomet-Seymour)
58	Jordan Van Royen *	LS	6-0	225	Sr.	1L	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Phoenix CC, Ariz.)
64	Travis Hillen	OT	6-5	295	Jr.	SQ	Thornton, Colo. (Thornton)
65	Kyle Magnuson	OG	6-6	313	So.	SQ	Elkhart, Ind. (Concord)
66	Chance McClaren	OT	6-0	250	RFr.	RS	Aurora, Colo. (Smoky Hill)
69	John Hutchins	OT	6-5	295	Jr.	1L	Inver Grove Heights, Minn. (Simley)
70	Skyler Hinton	OG	6-4	305	Fr.	HS	Columbia, Mo. (Rock Bridge)
77	Brandon Self	C	6-3	303	Jr.	SQ	Shawnee, Okla. (Shawnee)
79	Scott Criss	C	6-5	265	RFr.	RS	Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep)
82	Kyle Cobb *	WR	6-2	210	Jr.	TR	Woodland Park, Colo. (CSU-Pueblo)
83	T.J. Smith	WR	6-3	205	RFr.	RS	Tulsa, Okla. (Booker T. Washington)
88	Josh Smith *	WR	6-3	215	Fr.	HS	Manchester, N.H. (Manchester Memorial)
95	Patrick Mertens	DT	6-5	269	RFr.	RS	Sterling, Colo. (Sterling)

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Experience Codes

1L	One-Year Letterman
2L	Two-Year Letterman
3L	Three-Year Letterman
HS	High School Player the Previous Season
JC	Junior College Player the Previous Season
RS	Redshirted Previous Season
SQ	Squad Member Previous Season But Didn't Earn Letter
TR	Transfer From Another Four-Year School