

**WEEK THIRTEEN**

**COLORADO STATE AT AIR FORCE**

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. -- Cole Fagan 's Thanksgiving feast consisted of yards and carries.

Turns out, the junior fullback had quite the appetite.

Fagan rushed for 260 yards, the third-most in Air Force history, and line-backer Kyle Floyd thwarted a late drive with an interception to help the Falcons hold off Colorado State 27-19 on Thursday.

Fagan gouged the Colorado State defense with run after run up the middle, including an early 3-yard score. He finished 15 yards shy of the school record set by Chad Hall in 2007.

In all, Fagan carried the ball 34 times, averaging 7.6 per carry. His longest run was a 56-yard gallop.

"I still look at the numbers and don't believe it," Fagan said.

The Rams tried to adjust to Fagan by overloading one side. And when they did, the Falcons countered by sending him the other way.

"We couldn't stop him," Colorado State coach Mike Bobo said. "When you can't stop the fullback in the option, you can't stop the option."

Kadin Remsberg sealed the win with a late score as the Falcons (5-7, 3-5 Mountain West) won their third straight over Colorado State (3-9, 2-6).

Rams receiver Preston Williams turned in a big afternoon with 12 catches for 248 yards and three scores. His third TD brought the Rams to within 20-19 with 9:53 remaining, but Wyatt Bryan's game-tying extra point was blocked by defensive lineman Ben Harris. Bryan also missed an extra point earlier in the game.

The Falcons went on a time-consuming drive, 11-play drive that culminated in Remsberg's score, giving Air Force a 27-19 lead.

Colorado State was on the move when Floyd stepped in front of a K.J. Carta-Samuels pass and allowed Air Force to secure the Ram-Falcon Trophy.

"Huge for me, but I think it was even bigger for the team," Floyd said.

Collin Hill started the game for the Rams and threw two TD passes. After an interception in the third quarter, he was checked out by the doctors and the team elected to keep him out. Carta-Samuels took over.

Colorado State's defense came up with a goal-line stand in the third quarter. Hill and the offense took over at the 1 and had a promising drive going until Air Force safety Jeremy Fejedelem picked off a pass. The Falcons turned it into a 39-yard field goal that extended their lead to 20-13.

**THE TAKEAWAY**

Colorado State: The Rams haven't won at Falcon Stadium since 2002.

Air Force: The Falcons still have a slim chance at making a bowl should not enough teams reach the six-win mark. They are among the leaders in the Academic Progress Rate, which puts them at the top of the list.

**KEEP THE TURKEY WARM**

Colorado State played on Thanksgiving for the first time since 1978. The Rams are 15-25-2 all-time on the holiday.

For Air Force, playing on turkey day is rare, with this game marking just the third occasion. The team is now 1-2.

**AURORA UPDATE**

The Air Force falcon named Aurora attended the game Thursday. She's expected to make a full recovery from injuries she suffered at West Point during a prank before the annual football game between the service academies earlier this month.

**GREAT GRAB**

With a defender close by, Air Force receiver Marcus Bennett tipped a pass to himself in the end zone for a 16-yard score. A thing of beauty -- or so QB Donald Hammond III was informed.

"I was on the ground," Hammond cracked.

**STELLAR SEASON**

Williams finished with 1,345 yards receiving -- third-most in school history for a season. His 96 receptions are tied for second-most.

Asked if he will return next season to Fort Collins, the junior simply said: "I haven't decided. I want to talk things over with my family first."

**SO CLOSE**

Fagan wound up 3 yards shy of 1,000 yards rushing for the season.

"It's better to get the win than that personal stuff," Fagan said.

Final	1	2	3	4	T
CSU	0	13	0	6	19
AFA	7	10	0	10	27

**Scoring Summary -----**

	CSU	AFA
<b>FIRST QUARTER</b>		
AFA TD 5:48		
Cole Fagan 3 Yd Run (Jake Koehnke Kick)		7
13 plays, 80 yards, 5:54	0	7
<b>SECOND QUARTER</b>		
AFA TD 10:34		
Marcus Bennett 16 Yd pass from Donald Hammond III (Jake Koehnke Kick)	0	14
4 plays, 74 yards, 1:35	0	14
CSU TD 7:07		
Preston Williams 34 Yd pass from Collin Hill (Wyatt Bryan PAT failed)	6	14
10 plays, 92 yards, 3:21	6	14
AFA FG 1:09		
Jake Koehnke 29 Yd Field Goal	6	17
12 plays, 63 yards, 5:58	6	17
CSU TD 0:26		
Preston Williams 58 Yd pass from Collin Hill (Wyatt Bryan Kick)	13	17
5 plays, 75 yards, 0:43	13	17
<b>FOURTH QUARTER</b>		
AFA FG 13:49		
Jake Koehnke 39 Yd Field Goal	13	20
18 plays, 76 yards, 6:51	13	20
CSU TD 9:53		
Preston Williams 31 Yd pass from K.J. Carta-Samuels (Wyatt Bryan PAT blocked)	19	20
9 plays, 75 yards, 3:56	19	20
AFA TD 3:35		
Kadin Remsberg 4 Yd Run (Jake Koehnke Kick)	19	27
11 plays, 75 yards, 6:18	19	27

Team Stats	CSU	AFA
First Downs	20	30
Total Yards	437	474
Total Plays	56	83
Avg Gain Per Play	7.8	5.7
Net Yards Rushing	64	393
Rushes	24	67
Yards Per Rush	2.7	5.9
Net Yards Passing	373	81
Comp-Att	19-32	8-16
Yards Per Pass	11.7	5.1
Times Sacked	3	0
Yds Lost To Sacks	-18	0
Interceptions	2	0
Punts	4	2
Punt Average	43.3	48.5
Penalties	8	1
Penalty Yards	75	15
Fumbles	0	1
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Possession	21:29	38:31

**Individual Stats**

**RUSHING**

CSU	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
24 Izzy Matthews	10	52	5.2	13	0
32 Marcus McElroy	4	10	2.5	5	0
46 Adam Prentice	2	9	4.5	8	0
1 K.J. Carta-Samuels	2	1	0.5	9	0
15 Collin Hill	5	-6	-1.2	2	0

AFA	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
34 Cole Fagan	34	260	7.6	56	1
28 Joseph Saucier	3	50	16.7	33	0
33 Taven Birdow	10	44	4.4	12	0
24 Kadin Remsberg	12	34	2.8	14	1
5 Donald Hammond III	4	10	2.5	7	0
25 Christian Mallard	1	0	0.0	0	0

**PASSING**

CSU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
15 Collin Hill	13	23	284	12.3	2	1	2 10
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1 K.J. Carta-Samuels	6	9	89	9.9	1	1	164.2
<b>AFA</b>							
5 Donald Hammond III	8	16	81	5.1	1	0	113.2

**RECEIVING**

CSU	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
11 Preston Williams	12	248	20.7	58	3
81 Olabisi Johnson	4	88	22.0	47	0
9 Warren Jackson	1	21	21.0	21	0
16 Cameron Butler	1	11	11.0	11	0
85 Trey McBride	1	5	5.0	5	0

AFA	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
8 Marcus Bennett	3	34	11.3	16	1
10 Andrew Smith	2	25	12.5	13	0
33 Taven Birdow	1	9	9.0	9	0
34 Cole Fagan	1	9	9.0	9	0
24 Kadin Remsberg	1	4	4.0	4	0