

1950 Colorado College Ice Hockey Team



Back row: Neil Harrison (manager), Jim Starrak, Carl Lawrence, Clark Wilder, Chris Ray, Bill MacDonald, Andy Gambucci, Tony Frasca, Ron Hartwell, Len Maccini, Bud Eastwood, Cam Berry, Burlison White, Gordon Atkinson.

Front row: Harry Whitworth, Rosie Collins (trainer), Cheddy Thompson (head coach), Mike Yalich, Juan Reid (athletic director), Bucky Reinking (team mascot), Roy Ikola.

The 1950 Colorado College Ice Hockey Team, led by head coach Cheddy Thompson and captain Mike Yalich, captured the first NCAA Championship in school history and established a rich tradition of hockey excellence in Colorado Springs.

The Tigers posted an 18-5-1 overall record during their championship season, including victories over rivals such as the University of North Dakota, the University of Minnesota and the University of Denver.

In the semifinals of the NCAA Championship, played at the legendary Broadmoor World Arena in Colorado Springs, the Tigers defeated Boston College, 10-3. Colorado College was led by Carl Lawrence, who scored five goals, and Cam Berry, who registered four assists.

Two days later, Colorado College scored 10 goals in the third period to overpower Boston University, 13-4, and claim the school's first NCAA title. The line of Chris Ray-Ron Hartwell-Harry Whitworth sparked the Tigers by combining for eight goals and seven assists.