The University of Utah handed Colorado State their fifth straight College Premier Division loss Friday night, riding five tries from scrumhalf Don Pati to a 74-19 victory.

Pati returned to scrumhalf now that his hamstring has healed and he posed all sorts of problems to Colorado State. Thretton Palamo returned to the lineup and was highly effective.

"They are very athletic," said CSU Head Coach Blake Stevens. "They have a lot of fast kids, and Thretton steps in side you and around you or moves the ball to some really fast kid. They were impressive."

"It was good to get our lineup back after running out a different lineup each week," said Utah flanker Mike Juszczak. "We have some good chemistry going and we were improved on defense. I think the forward pack in general played really well."

Pati was the chief beneficiary of the pack's go-forward, and darted in and around the CSU D to stake the Utes to a 31-0 halftime lead.

The Rams bounced back, though, getting three tries in late.

"All of our tries were ten, 11 phases and working our way down the field," said Stevens. "We had trouble on defense, but we went into the second half hoping to get something out of the game, and offensively we showed something. We had good quick ball and that led to our tries."

Utah Head Coach Blake Burdette was pleased with his team's defensive performance, and happy to have Palamo back in the lineup, for now. But he was really, really pleased with being

able to rest some starts and sub out some others in anticipation of Saturday's match with Wyoming.

"It was good to have Don back at #9, he brings a lot to the team," said Burdette. "But we were also able to rest about ten guys and we used all our subs, so we should be able to take care of business tomorrow."

Utah 74
Tries: Pati 5, Palamo, Lauti, Jenkins, Loser 2, Metcalf
Convs: Lauti 8
Pens: Lauti

Colorado State 19
Tries: Vieira, Slinkard, Karas
Convs: Walker