

Colorado Rush celebrated its 15th birthday in style on Monday during the clubs annual awards banquet.

The celebration of Colorado Rush players, coaches, staff and parents was capped with several very special awards.



Rush Hall of Fame: Long time Colorado Rush coach and Rush Soccer Technical Director Andrew Kummer was inducted into the Rush Hall of Fame for his contributions to the Rush over the last 15 years. Kummer, who was not told about the award prior to the event, commented, "It came as a total shock. The whole time Dave Dengerink (at right) was giving the induction speech I was flying through thoughts in my head about what to day. But it is a true honor. I am proud to have been part of this organization and worked with some of the best people in the country." Kummer was on hand to recognize the Colorado Rush team that finished as USYS National Runners up last summer at U18.



Spirit of Rush Award: In the spring of 2011, New Mexico Rush player Warren Roberson was climbing in the Sandia Mountains outside of Albuquerque when he slipped and fell resulting in a broken neck. Warren was rushed to Craig

hospital in Denver where months of surgeries, rehabilitation and hard work have taken Warren from the hospital room, to walking up on stage to receive the award. There were few dry eyes in the house after hearing about Warren's incredible journey. Please see the interview below with Warren for more.

Colorado Rush Technical Director Erik Bushey shared his thoughts on the night, "The night was a wonderful celebration complete with special guests, entertaining videos, good music and great players. Andrew is well deserved of the Hall of Fame award and it was great to see so many of our players and volunteers receive recognition. After only 15 years, we are still in our infancy compared to the rest of the world but we look forward to the next 100 years!"