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Arizona faced off against Central Washington in the CRC championship semifinals, with CWU pulling off the upset, holding on to get a 5-0 win. The unusually low score shows the level of effort each team put forth to keep the other out of their own try zone.



Central Washington's Tim Stanfill pictured in a match against Army. (Photo by Marvin Dangerfield)

Arizona did well to contain CWU's speedster Tim Stanfill at the beginning. Arizona was awarded a penalty for CWU diving over at the ruck and they kick to touch deep. Arizona pushed close but CWU stole the ball in a ruck and used offloading well to take the ball the other way. Another turnover saw Arizona get their hands on the ball but tackled into touch before anything could come of it. CWU worked the ball left off the lineout to Stanfill who broke a tackle and almost stumbled before reaching the line but he dove over to score. Aaron Lee could not add the extras so the score stood at 5-0 at halftime.

CWU had another chance to score in the second half but Peter Tiberio put forth a massive effort

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to stop a big CWU run and possible try by chasing down the ball carrier and knocking the ball out of his hands as he was stretching to touch it down. CWU pushed close again but Arizona's Chris Elkins stole the ball in tackle. Arizona made a break and kicked downfield. Elkins came closest to scoring a try for Arizona when he pushed over the line in the grasps of two defenders. He tried to roll but the ball was held up. After the 5-meter scrum, Arizona camped out on the CWU five-meter line but couldn't come away with anything. CWU got a penalty and kick to touch to relieve the pressure.

After doing so well in yesterday's matches, Arizona seemed to be losing their composure against a determined CWU side. Repeated penalties against Arizona did not help their cause. Arizona was able to make one last break but the ref called a knock on after fulltime hooter to end the game.

CWU has been pegged as the underdog in the tournament but continue to defy the odds. They bounced back from their first loss to Army yesterday and went on to beat Navy and North Carolina. CWU advances to the semifinals to face Dartmouth.