



Stamps sign two defenders

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The Calgary Stampeders have locked up two key members of their defensive secondary.

The Canadian Football League club announced Wednesday that safety Trey Young and defensive back Coby Rhinehart had signed contract extensions. Terms were not disclosed.

"Both of these players showed last year that they can play at a high level," said Stampeders general manager Jim Barker in a press release. "In signing these two players to long-term contracts we are able to bring more stability to our secondary."

Young, 25, who played college ball at Montana, joined the Stamps during the 2005 season and led the club in interceptions with four. Young also made 47 defensive tackles, 16 special-team tackles and a pair of quarterback sacks.

The six-foot, 210-pound native of Chicago had originally signed with the club as a free agent last April.

"It was a big decision for me to make. At the same time I'm very excited with my decision to stay in Calgary long term," said Young. "From the experience that I have gained from my first professional season I'm looking forward to a great 2006 season and years to come."

Rhinehart, who also has one year as a Stampeder under his belt, played 12 games for the club last season as a CFL rookie. The former Arizona Cardinal chalked up 43 defensive tackles, 12 special-teams tackles, five knockdowns and an interception.

The five-foot-10, 194-pounder played his college ball at Southern Methodist University.

"I really enjoyed this past season playing in the CFL and look forward to the upcoming seasons," said Rhinehart, a 29-year-old Dallas native.

"As a defensive unit I felt we were able to achieve great chemistry, especially given that we were all new to playing with each other. Heading into 2006 we should be able to take the next step and build on what we were able to accomplish this past year."

Eskis Sign Kicker

The Edmonton Eskimos re-signed veteran Sean Fleming on Wednesday, bringing back their kicker for a 15th season with the club.

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