1-11-1968

Grizzly grapplers to open 1968 season with double dual meet versus Idaho, Gonzaga

University of Montana--Missoula. Office of University Relations

Follow this and additional works at: http://scholarworks.umt.edu/newsreleases

Recommended Citation
http://scholarworks.umt.edu/newsreleases/3207

This News Article is brought to you for free and open access by the University Relations at ScholarWorks at University of Montana. It has been accepted for inclusion in University of Montana News Releases by an authorized administrator of ScholarWorks at University of Montana. For more information, please contact scholarworks@mail.lib.umt.edu.
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

GRIZZLY GRAPPLERS TO OPEN 1968 SEASON
WITH DOUBLE DUAL MEET VS. IDAHO, GONZAGA

MISSOULA—

Another Grizzly athletic team will get its first taste of competition this weekend when the University of Montana wrestlers travel to Moscow, Idaho for a double dual meet with Gonzaga University and the University of Idaho starting at 2 p.m. MST.

The Grizzly grapplers, coached by Gene Davis of Missoula, former wrestling great at Sentinel High School and Oklahoma State University, are reportedly in pretty good condition going into this first meet.

"The kids came back from the holiday and started practicing again Jan. 2," Davis said Thursday. "They started workouts in November, took a holiday break, and have been working extra hard since returning to school."

The Grizzly matmen hope to improve on last year's third-place finish in the Big Sky Conference tourney at Gonzaga. Idaho State is the defending team champ, and Montana State finished second. Idaho was fourth, and Gonzaga last, in last year's tourney.

Davis feels that Idaho will be the toughest of the two teams this weekend. The Vandals and Bulldogs wrestled each other a week ago, and Idaho won handily.

Two defending champions will be in action for Montana. They are Roy Harrison of Kalispell, who won at 130 pounds but will compete at 137 this year, and Bill Gilboe, heavyweight from Great Falls.

Others competing, with their weights given first, will be: 123--Dan McDonell, Missoula sophomore; 130--Jeff Cunniff, Great Falls sophomore; 145--Terry Hamilton, Kalispell sophomore; 152--Bernie Olson, Kalispell senior; 160--Tom Cooper, Missoula sophomore; 167--Doug Robbins, Great Falls sophomore; 177--Ron Mehrens, Butte sophomore.

Following this weekend's match, Davis' squad will rest for two weeks before meeting Weber State and Montana State in Missoula.