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Montana’s defense has crippled offenses all season. Can they continue to dominate when it’s Crunch time?

MONTANA vs. Richmond
Montana football is known for offense. Strong armed quarter­backers who amass thousands of yards through the air and receivers while standing behind mammoth lineman. It’s the kind of football Griz fans have grown to love.

But with the offense shaky at times this year, the defense has picked things up and has set the intensity for the season, while winning games along the way.

Regardless of their strong performances, rarely do the defensive players get the credit they deserve. Sure, a crushing hit might make the highlight reels or an interception might get your name mentioned in a story, but just about the only time the defense is ever really noticed is when it gives up too many points.

You never hear any mention of defensive tackle Taylor Martin taking on two or three blockers so line­backer Troy Steinau is unlocked and able to make the tackle. Calvin Coleman and Daman Parker are never applauded for coverage so tight that a quarterback would rather throw it away than risk getting pummeled by end Mike Martin and Petek on the line, or defensive back Calvin Coleman.

Defense isn’t pretty. It’s facing lineman 100 pounds heavier than you, while tackling them back twice as fast as you are.

Defensive is waiting for the run as you sprint downfield trying to cover receivers eight inches taller than you, while trying to chase down quarterbacks twice as fast as you are.

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“Defense is emotion,” defensive coordinator Mike Broseke says. “It’s controlled rage. It’s kids flying around and kids making plays.”

And once again the season ended with a first­round playoff loss to Youngstown State, 30­27.

“We knew we were better than that,” Parker says. “We were physically outplayed by Youngstown State and that game got us in the weight room so we could be more physical, more aggressive this season. We’ve never going to let people come in here and push us around again.”

Doeren says that effort in the weightroom by the defensive backs is the reason why they’re more intense, more aggressive and better overall players this season.

“They stayed here all summer and worked their butts off,” Doeren says. “Eight defensive backs had 100 percent attendance in weight training this summer. That says a lot about their work ethic. And that summer training keeps you healthy and that correlates into a successful season.”

SCHEN: When Dennehy left and a new coaching staff was hired, Griz fans weren’t thinking about a new defensive coach that would initiate a defensive scheme that would cause sleepless nights for quarterbacks. Griz fans were worried about the offense. Would UM still throw the ball? Would games still be high scoring?

While Griz fans lost sleep over the possible loss of a passing offense, Broseke was hoping to earn the respect of his players while devising a system that would shut down the offense­ heavy Big Sky.

Broseke and his coaches decided to implement a gap defense. The gap defense makes Griz players the aggressors from the snap of the ball.

In the gap system, each man has an area that they’re not to allow anyone to get through. For instance, the tackles’ gap may be between the center and guard. Only middle linebacker Dan Decontee is responsible for two gaps.

“This scheme allows us to stay focused,” Steinau says. “Everyone is in a piece to the puzzle. Everyone has a gap they’re responsible for and if everyone does their job, we’re not going to be beat.”

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More zone coverage was added to take advantage of the threat, which has allowed them to create big plays. The new scheme allowed Kentucky's overall offense to be more effective in the first half of the game before being taken out of the game and players were tired of the constant pressure.

"We got good coaches who believe in us and are calling good schemes," Petek says. "They make it easy for us because (the schemes) let the players go out there and play. Our game. And if you have coaches who believe in kids and kids who believe in coaches, you'll have a successful defense."

COHESIVENESS

While the new defensive schemes have utilized the talent, the coaches have also made playing football more fun for the players.

"Everyone is having so much fun this year and that's made all the difference," Petek says. "The coaches have set up a system that allows us to make plays and this year has been so much more enjoyable because of it."

Parker says in previous years there was burn-out with the same game and players were tired of football, but this year coaches create an atmosphere where players don't want the season to end until they have National Championship rings on their fingers.

"There's a comfort level with everyone," Parker says. "Everyone is relaxed and keeps their cool because they're not concerned with anything but getting their job done on the field."

But the comfort on the field carries over to being used to the players around you. Having confidence in their abilities as well as your own. And when you see experienced leaders like Martin joking with referees or Boomer having so much fun racing down running backs or intercepting passes, it creates an atmosphere where players can succeed.

"This group is a lot like the '96 group (the strong defensive group that helped the Grizzlies advance to the National Championship game) in the fact that they're all really close," Petek says. "The biggest thing is they all have fun doing what they're doing and enjoy what we have going here."

Brooke says no other sport is more contingent on how each player executes. A victory or defeat is dependent on how well the team plays together.

"No individual is more important than the group, and the group is only as strong as its weakest link," Brooke says. "And there's some players on this defense that have played better than their abilities, because they'll do whatever they can to help the team win."

But when you look through the roster, there are no weak links on this defense. Even when defensive end Justin Klein suffered injuries at the beginning of the year, Justin Brannon and Jeramiah Butenschoen have stepped up. Deonte has been a solid force at the "mike" linebacker position after transferring from BYU. Young filled in for Jason Miller when he suffered injuries and Coleman improved to all-conference status. Petek and Boomer had All-American years, while Huntberger, Parker, Steinait, Martin and Mertes are having as strong a year as they ever have.

The Griz know another record in the playoffs depends on how well they play defense and if they are able to stop Richmond's option offense. And coaches let them know that if each man does his job, fills his gaps, plays his part, the Griz move a step closer to Chattanooga.

A shut-out is defense's greatest accomplishment and the Griz haven't forced a "goose egg" since a 48-0 defeat of Idaho State in '97. It's not the glamour of 80-yard touchdown bombs or as fan-friendly as a high-scoring shoot-out, but when a defense gets a goose egg, there's nothing more beautiful in football.

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**Scouting Report:**

**W. Kentucky vs. Appalachian State**

**Courtney Lowery**

**GameDay Kaarin**

Balance is what will draw the fine line between Western Kentucky and Appalachian State when each other Saturday to determine who will take on the winner of the Griz/Richmond game in the semi-finals.

Appalachian State (9-3) is the I-AA master of the switch up. A balanced effort between the ground and the air spurred the Hilltoppers to their 10th yards and passed for two and for three touchdowns and 128 yards in the first half of the game before being taken out for a "breather." Western Kentucky's overall offense is not flashy, but it is steady and solid. The key to beating Appalachian State's defense may be to pass, pass and pass.

Moore's defense is geared toward defending the running game, leaving it unsteady when matched up against offenses not reluctant to put the ball in the air, he said.

"That definitely has hurt us. We recruit our defensive players because they have good against the run," he said. "We don't have a corner who can match up with a guy for the full 60 minutes. And, if Appalachian travels to Missoula next weekend, it won't be the snow in the air that will scare the Hilltoppers, but brown things spiraling in the air."

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W. Kentucky's shut-out of Florida A&M was no exception. Led by Buck Buchanan Award candidate Eric Wimbash who tops the team with 130 tackles and four sacks on the season, the Western Kentucky defense forced A&M to turn the piggie over a total of six times on the afternoon.

Offensively, Western Kentucky will have quarterback Jason Johnson on the field Saturday, despite rumors he suffered a concussion against A&M. Johnson carried 16 times last Saturday for 95 yards in the first half of the game before being taken out for a "breather." Western Kentucky's overall offense is not flashy, but it is steady and solid. The key to beating Appalachian State's defense may be to pass, pass and pass.

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Philadephia's special teams coach, have been arguing all season about what would happen if the Griz and Western Kentucy met in the playoffs, Harbaugh said.

Old layoffs never die – especially in football.

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Montana
No.1
2000 Record • 11-1 Overall, 8-0 Big Sky (1st)
1999 Record • 9-3 Overall, 7-1 Big Sky (1st)

Offense

Jimmy Farris
Wide Receiver
6-0, 195 senior from Lewiston, Idaho
We know, we know. G'DK's been giving Farris endless props since the advent of this publication. He's the only man in the history of the world to appear on our cover three times. Frankly, we can't help it. He's just THAT damn good. And lately, he's been playing out of his mind. Six catches, 178 yards and three touchdowns against Eastern Illinois, not to mention one ESPN appearance thanks to fellow Grid receiver Etu Molden. And you thought we were just blowing smoke when we said he was faster than a horse.

Vince Huntsberger
Strong Safety
5-11, 190 senior from Libby, Mont.
By now you all probably know that Vince was wrongly screwed last week when the know-it-alls who name the Big Sky All-Conference team named him to the second team defense. Vince leads the best D in the Big Sky (ours) in tackles and Conference team named him to the second team defense. Last we checked, the Griz whipped-up on NAU, as well and also beat Eastern Washington, which featured Julian Williams, the other safety who got the mercy vote ahead of Vince.

Grizzly Offense vs.

Grizzly Defense vs.

NUMERICAL ROSTER

1 Tanner Hancock WR/KR 5-8 175 SR
2 Michael Westbrock WR/KR 6-0 190 JR
3 Trey Young FS 6-0 190 SR
4 Dave DeCote FS 6-1 180 FR
5 John Edwards QB 6-1 200 SO
6 Andy Thompson QB 6-3 195 JR
7 Drew Miller QB 6-1 195 SR
8 Jon Farris WR 6-0 190 JR
9 Jason Miller WR 6-2 220 SR
10 Chris Lumper WR 6-1 185 FR
11 Courtney Johnson OL 6-0 210 SO
12 Calvin Coleman CB 5-10 189 JR
13 Daniall Williams CB 5-10 185 SO
14 Ike Mincy TE 6-2 220 SR
15 Andy Petek DE 6-3 235 JR
16 Joel Rosenberg CB 5-10 185 SO
17 Brad Weston LB 6-1 220 FR
18 Showel Jolly LB 5-8 175 JR
19 Scott Holand RB 5-10 185 FR
20 Yanister Humphrey RB 5-10 190 JR
21 Kyle Scholle SS 6-0 194 FR
22 Tony Brown FS 6-1 190 SR
23 Damon Parker CB 5-7 175 SR
24 Derry Williams RB 6-1 210 JR
25 Chris Snyder K/P 6-0 190 FR
26 Tate Hancock RB 5-10 175 FR
27 Brandon Malcolm RB 5-10 175 FR
28 Joel Rosenburg CB 5-10 185 SO
29 Brad Weston LB 6-1 220 JR
30 Ben Drinkwater RB 6-1 195 SR
31 Andy Petek DE 6-3 235 SR
32 Mike Mahoney CB 5-10 170 FR
33 Ike Moyna TE 6-2 202 SO
34 Matt Steinau LB 6-1 220 JR
35 Adam Rooster LB 6-2 230 SR
36 John Fisher TE 6-2 220 JR
37 Jacob Zorn LB 6-3 220 SR
38 Vince Huntsberger SS 5-11 190 JR
39 Dan Orazio LB 6-1 225 FR
40 Jeff Nikolaisen LB 6-0 220 FR
41 Joel Rosette LB 6-1 210 FR
42 Chris Webb OL 6-3 220 SO
43 Joel Robinson LB 5-11 240 FR
44 Chris Corbin LB 6-2 215 FR
45 Dan DeCote LB 6-1 240 JR
46 Jeremiah Rohrmensch TE 6-0 260 SR
47 Casey Ryan OL 6-4 255 JR
48 Derick McFarland OL 6-9 285 FR
49 Luke Rouns NT 6-2 260 FR
50 Joseph Bosnich TE 6-0 220 JR
51 Matt Thueson OL 6-4 298 JR
52 Brian Pelc LB 6-1 220 JR
53 Kamakana Kaimuloa LB 5-11 190 FR
54 John Cahill DE 6-2 240 JR
55 Calvin Coleman DE 6-4 255 JR
56 Dan DeCote DT 6-0 260 SR
57 Cory Short OG 6-2 275 JR
58 Dylan McFarland OC 6-6 265 FR
59 T.J. Oelkers LB 6-1 220 FR
60 Casey Ryan OG 6-4 255 JR
61 Mike Boeker OL 6-6 265 FR
62 Matt Thueson OL 6-4 298 JR
63 Tom Bush DE 6-3 240 FR
64 Andy Petek DE 6-3 220 FR
65 Matt Steinau LB 6-1 220 JR
66 Adam Boomor LB 6-2 230 SR
67 John Fisher TE 6-2 220 JR
68 Joel Robinson LB 5-11 240 FR
69 Calvin Coleman DE 6-4 255 JR
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84 Jeff Rosewood WR 5-10 175 JR
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Montana vs. Richmond

Richmond Defense

CB  Jason Hill 10

Jonathan Wilfong 32

DE  Josh Spraker 84

LB  Marcus Neal 36

LB  Mac Janney 5

FS  Chad Blackstock 4

Andrew Bogle 53

LB  Randy Witham 38

LB  Mark Thompson 16

SS  David Giles 13

Richmond Offense

WR  Ryan Tolhurst 3

T  Justin McElfish 77

G  Eric Beatty 64

C  David Pustylnik 51

QB  Sean Gustus 15

FB  Scott Fulton 45

TB  TyRonne Turner 24

David McNair 81

Montana O-line will have to stop the Big Mac from getting to Drew.

DE  Randy Witham 38

LB  Mark Thompson 16

SS  David Giles 13

Numerical Roster

1  J.R. Purnell  JR  DB  5-9  200
2  Ronald Smith  JR  DB  5-10  165
3  Ryan Tolhurst  JR  WR  6-0  205
4  Chad Blackstock  JR  LB  6-2  245
5  Mac Janney  SR  DB  6-1  240
6  Claude Diga  SO  FB  5-11  205
7  Adrian Archie  SO  LB  6-3  240
8  Cordell Roane  SO  WR  5-9  170
9  Jason Hill  JR  DB  5-8  170
10  Fred Hanes  JR  DL  6-2  280
11  D'Angelo Wills  JR  DB  5-2  205
12  David Giles  JR  DB  5-8  180
13  Warith Alkebu-Lan  SO  DB  5-8  185
14  David Brown  JR  LB  6-2  265
15  RF  Andrew Bogle  JR  DL  5-9  260
16  Mark Thompson  SO  LB  6-2  220
17  Ramon Richardson  JR  DB  6-0  210
18  Tony Curli  JR  CB  6-2  210
19  Kenny Dantler  FB  RB  5-10  195
20  David Edwards  FB  RB  6-1  210
21  Matt Barkley  SO  DB  5-9  185
22  TyRonne Turner  SR  TB  5-8  185
23  Wellness Mavridis  JR  LB  6-1  220
24  Harold Hill  SR  DB  5-7  175
25  Majicce Newbold  SO  DB  5-10  185
26  Jonathan Wilfong  JR  DE  6-2  275
27  Jermaine Stately  SO  DB  6-0  220
28  Carl Rhodes  SO  DB  5-11  175
29  Marcus Neal  SR  LB  6-0  235
30  Randy Witham  JR  DE  6-2  230
31  Deshaun Goddard  SO  RB  5-10  210
32  Jesse Noit  JR  DE  6-3  245
33  Tom Mahoney  JR  PR/K  6-2  195
34  Scott Fulton  JR  FB  5-10  230
35  Doug Kuch  JR  PK  5-9  180
36  Vinny Murray  SO  PK/K  6-1  210
37  Brian Stockhaus  JR  OL  6-0  255
38  Patrick Janney  JR  FB  5-11  290
39  Andrew Bogle  JR  OL  5-10  265
40  Chris Collier  SR  OL  6-0  225
41  Eric Beatty  SR  OL  6-4  295
42  Tom Mahoney  JR  P/K  6-2  195
43  David Pustylnik  JR  DB  6-4  255
44  Ken Farrar  JR  OL  5-10  290
45  Jon Wilson  JR  OL  6-1  250
46  Josh Rutledge  JR  OL  6-3  260
47  Joe Wilson  JR  OL  5-3  275
48  Justin McElfish  SO  OL  6-5  290
49  Ben Von Schuch  JR  OL  6-3  260
50  Anthony Ciampoli  JR  OL  6-5  280
51  Dan McHale  SO  WR  5-11  180
52  Boyd Olsen  SR  WR  6-1  180
53  Josiah Spraker  JR  OL  6-2  255
54  David Lewandowski  SR  T/E/O  6-0  245
55  Matt Muir  JR  TE  6-3  230
56  Rob Samuel  JR  LB  6-3  235
57  Mike Willard  JR  TE  6-3  225
58  Kyle Kupchik  FR  LB  6-1  205
59  Jason Houston  FR  TE/FB  6-3  245
60  Steve Beyer  SO  DE  6-3  255
61  Russell Sullivan  JR  LB  6-4  235

Richmond No. 8
2000 Record • 10-2, 7-1 Atlantic 10 (Tied for first)
1999 Record • 5-6, 3-5 A-10

Offense

TyRonne Turner Tailback

5-8, 185, senior from Clinton, Md.

To be honest with you, we here at GDK have no idea how to pronounce this guy's name. It could be 'Ty-rown" or maybe "Ty-Ron" or even "Ty-Ronn-ee." We're just not sure.

Regardless, Mr. Turner should see a lot of action on Saturday if the Spiders stick to the game plan that got them here: the option (cue ominous music). Turner is Richmond's leading scorer, scoring seven rushing touchdowns this season. When QB Gustus doesn't keep the ball, he usually dishes it to Turner for a 4.9 yard average.

Harold Hill Cornerback

5-7, 175, senior from Voorhees, N.J.

We here at GDK think it's really cute when a team has two brothers who both play the same position. Such is the case with Richmond's starting cornerbacks, Harold and Jason Hill. Jason was the big hero last week, picking off Youngstown and taking the ball 44 yards for the winning score. You can bet Harold wants to match little bro's efforts with a big game this week. Harold has some work to do, though: he only has 49 tackles this year, half of what Jason's got.

Defense

Numerical Roster
Ryan Disvich
GameDay Kaimin

In the past huge Big Sky conference, the option is usually a single play, not an entire offense. But when the Richmond University Spiders ventured into the unfriendly confines of Washington-Grizzly Stadium to take on the Griz in the I-AA quarterfinal, they will bring with them a complete option attack.

The last time UM faced a predominantly option team was in 1998 when the Southern Utah Utahns dove into Missoula and pitched back out with a 45-28 win and almost 500 yards of rushing. But that was then and as most members of the Grizzly defense will point out, this is now. And the rejuvenated UM defense is looking forward to the challenge.

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Around the I-AA:

The Lehigh Mountain Hawks are the I-AA football equivalent of the Backstreet Boys. No matter how well this clean-cut bunch of choir boys does — no matter how staggeringly they get no points against the Hawks this game. None of Lehigh's opponents this season have scored more than 18 points against the Hawks this year. The team has a 32-1 regular season record since 1997, winning the Patriot League for the third straight time this year. And yet the Hawks received a lowly No.10 seed into the 2000 playoffs, which forced them to go on the road against Gateway Conference champion Western Illinois in the first round. The jilted Mountain Hawks responded, ravaging the Leathernecks 37-7.

Saturday, they'll swoop into Missoula and pitched back into Grizzlyworld, that much is for sure. Montana's won 11 of the last 12 meetings with the Hawks, including the 37-7 blowout in last year's opening round contest. The last time UM faced a predominantly option team was in 1998 when the Southern Utah Utahns dove into Missoula and pitched back out with a 45-28 win and almost 500 yards of rushing. But that was then and as most members of the Grizzly defense will point out, this is now. And the rejuvenated UM defense is looking forward to the challenge.

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You're damn right. Unfortunately, for that dream to ever be both teams will have to advance to the I-AA finals in Chattanooga, Tenn. For Hofstra that means completing the arduous task of shaking down the Georgia Southern Southern Belles. The Squeaky-clean image, along with the perhaps misguided notion that Patriot League athletes are little more than unwashed masses (us). Little is likely to change this season, unless the Mountain Hawks can topple powerhouse Delaware on Saturday.
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Richmond 10, Youngstown State 3
Appalachian State 33, Troy State 30
Western Kentucky 27, Florida A&M 0

Georgia Southern 42, McNeese State 14
Delaware 49, Portland State 14
Lehigh 37, Western Illinois 7
Hofstra 31, Furman 24

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