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The University of Montana's improving track team hosts a dual meet with Montana State University Saturday at Dornblaser Stadium. Field events are slated for a 1:30 p.m. start with the first running event to begin at 2:15 p.m.

Montana has dominated the UM-MSU matchup in recent years and will be heavily favored Saturday. The two schools did not meet last year, but UM has won the last five meetings by large margins.

Montana State's strongest event is the triple jump. The Bobcat's Rich Charlson is the defending Big Sky champion in the event and has jumped 48-10½. Teammate Joe Stanbury is close on his heels with a 46-4 leap.

Stanbury is a versatile athlete. In addition to the triple jump, he will compete in the high hurdles, long jump and high jump.

MSU also has some fine competitors in 6-8 high jumper Jim Johnson, 197-10 javelin tosser Bob Cichosz and 9.6 sprinter Mike Flynn.

Coach Harley Lewis' Grizzly cindermen recorded a bundle of season bests in last Saturday's Montana Invitational.

Marks drawing Lewis' praise were Joe Epler's 14.6 high hurdles, Steve Ralston's 156-5 discus toss, Doug Darko's 4:12.6 mile, Bob Bronson's 1:54.8 880-yard dash, Mike Hale's 6-8 high jump and Mike Dahlstrom's 203-7 javelin toss.

"We are progressing well and I am pleased," Lewis said. "Our distance men doubled in the mile and two-mile and although they lost to two fresh Idaho runners I was happy with their efforts."

Bronson's 880 time enthused Lewis. "Bob is really coming in that event," Lewis said. "He has only three races behind him, but already looks like he'll be a great half-miler."

Dahlstrom is battling back from a sore elbow that sidelined him last year and his breaking the 200-foot barrier in the javelin indicates the Missoula sophomore may be on his way back. Dahlstrom threw the spear 227 feet in high school.