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GRIZZLIES OPEN INDOOR TRACK  
SEASON THIS SATURDAY IN POCATELLO

MISSOULA--

The 1980 indoor track season for coach Marshall Clark's University of Montana team begins this Saturday, Jan. 19. Clark will take a small contingent to Pocatello, Idaho to compete in the Gem State Invitational.

Clark said he expected this year's Grizzly team "to be much improved, and especially strong in the running events. We will also be much more representative in the field events."

Topping the list of returning veterans are intermediate hurdler Dale Giem, 800-meter runner Larry Weber, distance man Scott Browning, and long and triple jumper Billy Johnson. All were placers in last year's indoor Big Sky Conference championships.

Lettermen Bret Barrick (shot put), Guy Rogers (distances), Brad Shelden (800), Tom Raunig (distances) and Dave Gordon (distances) are other top returnees.

Clark said he would take eight athletes to Pocatello this weekend. The traveling list, and the events, are: Fox, 60-yard hurdles; Giem, 600; Weber, mile or 1,000; Rogers and Shelden, 880; Raunig, 3 mile; Johnson, triple jump; Barrick, shot put; and Rogers, Fox, Shelden and Giem, mile relay.

The Grizzlies' next meet is at the Great Falls Invitational Saturday, Jan. 26.

The remainder of the 1980 indoor schedule:

Feb. 2 -- at Mountain States Invitational, Pocatello; Feb. 9 -- Vandal Indoor, Moscow; Feb. 16 -- Human Race, Moscow; Feb. 22-23 -- Big Sky and Western Athletic Conference Championships, Pocatello; March 1 -- Kimmel Indoor, Moscow; March 7-8 -- NCAAs, Detroit.