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GRIZZLY SPRING FOOTBALL PRACTICE
ENTERS THIRD WEEK

MISSOULA--

The third week of Grizzly football practice is currently underway, and coach Larry Donovan said he is very pleased with "the overall attitude" of his University of Montana team.

Donovan praised the play of Dennis Bowman, a 6-2, 205-pound junior college transfer from Columbia Basin Junior College.

"Moving Dennis to outside linebacker (from defensive back) has strengthened our outside linebacker core," Donovan said. "He is fitting in well, adjusting to the position."

Defensively, Donovan said interior linemen Arnie Rigoni, Pat Curry and Bret Barrick "continue to impress."

With the loss of all-Big Sky center Guy Bingham the Grizzly staff was concerned with that position. However, Donovan said lettermen Tom Perez and Brian Caraway "have both improved steadily."

Also on offense, Donovan said quarterback Bart Andrus "is improving daily on finding receivers." He also said Rocky Klever is "displaying versatility as a runner, passer and kicker."

Other players Donovan praised are defensive backs Jay Becker, Steve Chalcraft and John Kovacich. Offensively he singled out tight end Mike Alex. "Mike is blocking well and displaying good speed down the middle, taking pressure off our wide receivers," Donovan said.