

Opposing defenses didn't always get a good look at tailback Derek Loville (32), but they'll get another chance this year. Loville is one of 10 returning starters on the offense.

Ducks pin hopes on the offense

New coach will lead veteran squad

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While the Oregon Duck Football team returns 10 starters on offense, one crucial man won't be back this year.

Last winter, after a dismal end to what could have been the Oregon Ducks' best season in years, offensive coordinator Bob Toledo left his job with the team behind to take a similar position with Texas A&M.

The man hired to replace Toledo was Mike Bellotti, the head coach at Cal State-Chico the last five years. This year, Bellotti is the quarterback

coordinator

Adapting to Bellotti's style hasn't been difficult, according to senior tailback Derek Loville. He says the major change is just the terminology

"It's still the same game plan, but we're trying to get the offensive backs out in the passing game more. There's no real need for us (the tailbacks) to stay in and block because there's an obvious size difference. He'd (Bellotti) rather have us out there catching the ball," Loville says.

Despite the lack of strategy changes in a squad that finished with a five-game losing streak, there is some grudging confidence held in the Ducks by the media. Outstanding junior quarterback Bill Musgrave (who separated his shoulder midway through last season. sending the Ducks into their tailspin) has been noted as a possible all-American and Heisman Trophy candidate.

Musgrave appears on the regional cover of Street and

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