



# YOUNG BUCKS/SILVER BUCKS

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## YOUNGS DOWN SILVERS 12-0 IN CHILLY BOWL

Some games are won on the field and some games are won off the field. The Young Bucks had been revitalized the previous year by **Big Boy Bob Nicolls** who lead them back to glory after being crushed by the Silver Bucks in 1993. But **Big Boy Bob** was not available and neither was **Greg Bubby Bundy**. The Silver Bucks were brimming with confidence as they taunted the Young Bucks with their theme of 'Number five in ninety-five.' **Paul Night Train Yoder**, the Silver Bucks' 1993 MVP, was back and so it seemed were the Silver Bucks' winning ways.

Like a taxi cab driver, life often takes unexpected turns. After BINGO **Night Train Yoder** was mesmerized with a flying windup bird that someone won as a prize. Paul's eyes followed the bird as it gracefully flew across the room. The Young Buck management, seeing a weakness, took advantage of the opportunity to lure the '93 MVP over to their side with the promise of securing a flying windup bird for his own. The next morning the Silver Bucks were stunned when **Paul Night Train Yoder** took his side with the Young Bucks. The Silver Bucks never recovered from the shock.

Turkey Bowl XIII kicked off under a gray sky, with the temperature hovering around freezing. **Paul Night Train Yoder** had an immediate impact as he threw long to **Too Small Dale Nicolls** down to the Silver Buck 5 yard line. Two plays later, **Night Train Yoder** threw to **Too Small Nicolls** again. Too Small managed to outreach the others to pull in the first touchdown of the game. The Young Buck scoring drive took four plays. The extra point was no good so the score after one series was 6-0.

After an initial completion by **Quick Kyle Kauffman** from a beanieless **Jolt'n Jim Ridge** both offenses turned cold. The next six series ended in interceptions by **Night Train Yoder** (3), **Crazy Legs John Lewis** (2), and **Hammerin' Hank Grover**. **Jamm'n Jake Grover** also picked up a sack during the defensive domination.

The Silver Offense then turned to their short yardage game as **Jolt'n Jim** completed one pass to **Big Don Nicolls**, and two to **Crazy Legs Lewis**. After gaining field position the Silver Bullet defense responded with an interception by **Nifty Neil Chessin** who returned the pigskin to the Young 40 yard line. The Young defense responded by employing their Blitzburg package. The all-time Turkey Bowl sack leader, **Mad Dog Gary Grover**, set the



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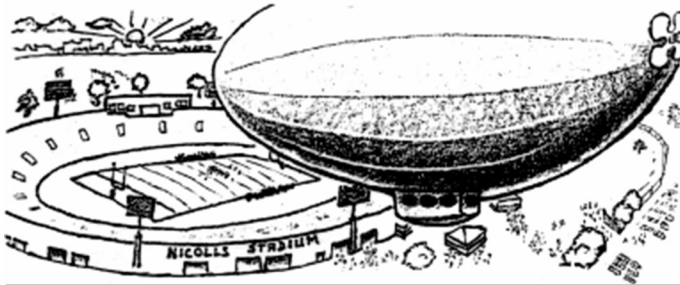


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WE DON'T HAVE A BLIMP (YET)...

but welcome to another exciting Turkey Bowl game.

There is nothing quite like a late fall Saturday in Nicolls Stadium. We are proud of both of our football teams — the Silver Bucks and the Young Bucks. They are part of a long tradition of family fun and fellowship. Having a good time is our goal for Turkey Bowl XIV.

Enjoy the game — Donald J. Nicolls, Esq.

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tone with his first sack followed by *Cap'n Crunch Kevin Blucker's* sack. *Cap'n Crunch Kevin* ended the agony with an interception.

The Silver bullets were not to be outdone as *Jamm'n Jake* made a beautiful play on the ball and intercepted a Young pass along the sideline and returned it down to the Young Buck 20. After a completion to the two yard line a Silver score was imminent. What happened next turned out to be the key play of the game. A Silver pass hit the receiver near the goal line and popped into the hands of an alert *Mad Dog Grover* who made the interception. The sack master showed he could play defensive back with the best.

*Emilie Pancake Ridge* caught a pass at the 30, but afterwards the Youngs could not advance against the stingy Silver defense. The half ended with the score Youngs 6, Silvers 0.

The Silver Bucks came out fired up after *Big Don's* half time speech. *Hammerin' Hank* completed two passes to *Crazy Legs Lewis* and one to *Dandy Dean Kauffman*. After stalling out in Young territory, *Hammerin' Hank* got the Silvers back on offense by coming up with the 11th interception of the game. The Silver express rolled down to the Young 20 but were not able to take advantage of the numbers. *Mad Dog Grover* had been taken from the field with a bloody nose after he met with one of the Silver Bucks up close and personal.

The Silver Bucks were relentless as *Dandy Dean* picked off another pass. *Mad Dog Grover* returned to the game but the Silver express rambled on as *Hammerin' Hank* completed passes to three different Silver receivers.

*Game Breaker Bruce Nicolls* realized the Youngs needed to

put more points on the board if they were going to hold off the Silver charge. On third down he found *Night Train Yoder* at the Silver 35. On fifth down *Game Breaker Bruce* found *Too Small Dale* in the back of the end zone for six. After the extra point failed it was 12-0. The game had just been put on ice.

The Silver spirit was still alive. *Quick Kyle* returned the kickoff up the sideline to the 30. *After Hammerin' Hank* hit *Dandy Dean* at mid-field, he connected with *Jamm'n Jake* on a fly pattern and came within 15 yards of the Young Bucks' goal line. After the Youngs took over on downs, *Quick Kyle* pinned the Young Bucks deep in their own territory with a sack. *Hammerin' Hank* again advanced the ball to the Young Buck 10 on a pass to *Dandy Dean*, but the Young defense stiffened again.

The Young Bucks started to eat up the clock. *Game Breaker Bruce* ended the drive with a pass to *Skiin' Ian Nicolls* who caught the ball three yards from the Silver goal line but was stopped short. The Young defense that had played so well all day ended the game with a sack by *Bobby Bubba Smith* and an interception by *Night Train Yoder*. The final score of Turkey Bowl XIII was Young Bucks 12, Silver Bucks 0. *Dandy Dean* was awarded the game's MVP honors. *Dandy Dean* finished strong with five receptions and one interception all in the second half. (DEN)

## TURKEY BOWL

The Turkey Bowl XIV kickoff will be Saturday, November 30, 1996 at 10:30 a.m. in Nicolls Stadium, New Castle, Pennsylvania. As usual the starting time is tentative because NBC has not finalized its schedule. A new cable sports network, CRN, may also make a bid to cover the game.

Groundskeeper Big Don Nicolls reports that he is hoping for a week without rain or snow to get rid of some wet spots on the field. Otherwise the turf is in good condition.

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## WORDS OF WISDOM

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*Grandma Betty Grover* says:

- ◆ Praise does wonders for the sense of hearing.
  - ◆ Cats are smarter than dogs. You've never seen eight cats pulling a sled through the snow, have you?
  - ◆ You're never a loser until you stop trying.
  - ◆ Most rules for success don't work unless you do.
  - ◆ The goal in marriage is not to think alike, but to think together. (CRN)
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## OFF THE FIELD

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Overheard in the Sky Box at Nicolls Stadium last year:

- ◆ My husband shouldn't be playing out there. He's had knee operations and has to wear knee pads — but, he won't quit. Just a big kid, I guess.
  - ◆ Well, at least my husband doesn't play anymore. He insists on doing the video work — why, he can't even climb that hill anymore. He lost his voice — and he's still out there.
  - ◆ Just look at my husband running around out there like a teenager. Last year I had to drive all the way home while he slept in the backseat.
  - ◆ Well, at least my hubby had enough sense to listen to me. He's inside this year. I just told him, "No more pies if he goes out there this year".
  - ◆ Hey, Grandma, (Five heads turned to answer) where's Aunt Ruth's Fudge? (CRN)
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## MEMORIES

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- ◆ The freezing COLD weather.
- ◆ Too Small Dale Nicolls' high jump above five defending Silver Bucks to pull in a long pass at the goal line from Paul Night Train Yoder.
- ◆ The Silver Bucks passing game: Hammerin Hank Grover's sharp passes to Dandy Dean Kauffman (6 caught), Crazy Legs John Lewis ( 5 caught), Big Don Nicolls (3), Jamm'n Jake Grover (2), and Nifty Neil Chessin. Hammerin Hank caught three passes from Jolt'n Jim Ridge.
- ◆ The Young Bucks also had the ball in the air. The catches were by Too Small (4), and one each by Emilie Ridge, Cap'n Crunch Kevin Blucker, Skiin' Ian Nicolls and Paul Night Train Yoder.
- ◆ Suzy Yoder's Turkey Bowl dance around the down-marker pole to keep warm.
- ◆ Dandy Dean Kauffman, receiving the MVP award, said, "Well, I've accomplished fifty percent of the goals that I set for myself for today." Hmmm — what else?? (CRN)

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## LET'S TALK TURKEY

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Fun E. Bone reported from Virginia that *Ruth Ann Lewis*, famous for her 'Aunt Ruth's Fudge', is hesitant about a new line of fudge called '*Grandma Ruth's Fudge*'.

From the *Bundy* huddle: When asked what they would say to a reporter about the Turkey Bowl game this year, we got these answers:

*James*: If I get in the game it will be fun, good times, it will be all I like. If I get to try an extra point this year, I'm gonna blast through the Silver Bucks defense. They won't stop me this time.

*Jonathan*: I'd run under their legs and blast into the end zone.

*Joel*: I'd stiff arm the Silver Bucks.

The Young Bucks have finally become politically correct. Until last year the Young Bucks had a strong discriminatory sex policy — NO GIRLS, WOMEN, or FEMALES would ever play on their team. Last year, reluctantly against strong pressure from feminist groups, they brought in *Emilie Bryan Ridge*. Or — were they fooled by Emilie's middle name.

Silver Bucks — Young Bucks — Red-Shirt Bucks. Winners all. Some of the Silver Bucks are close to retirement, some of the Young Bucks are leaning on the forty-year line, and not-so patiently waiting are ten Red-Shirt Bucks — waiting to get in the big game. You've seen them: *Cody* (6) and *Jeffrey* (3) *Grover*; *Brian* (1) *Grover*; *Speedy James Bundy* (8), *Jonathan 'Robin Hood' Bundy* (6), and *Joel 'The Crusher' Bundy* (4); *Bobby Road-Runner Nicolls* (5) and *Danny 'Batman' Nicolls* (4); *Miami Max* (5) and *Gallopn' Jack* (2) *Elder*.

Last summer in the Tetons, *Lindsay Kauffman* was invited to 'go along' on a fishing trip with her dad, *Dandy Dean*, her brother, *Quick Kyle*, and *Bobby Bubba Smith*. Those fishing experts told Lindsay to observe them to learn how to catch a fish. Those experts aren't talking — but, we heard that only one fish was caught. No — not by those fishing experts — by Lindsay.

The Turkey Bowl has been played in a wide range of weather conditions. We had the Snow Bowl in '71 and the Mud Bowl in '92. Perhaps, the '95 game may become known as the Refrigerator Bowl, the Freezer Bowl, or the Chill Bowl. The temperature was at 32 degrees, a cloudy sky, and a slight breeze. It was C-O-L-D — COLD. The cheerleaders — *Jessica* and *Katie Nicolls*, *Lindsay Nicolls*, and *Jamie Grover* — did a few cheers early in the game and then left for the warmth of the club house or the sky box. *Suzy Yoder* handled the sideline markers this year, and during the second half we saw her dancing around the pole to keep warm. (CRN)



## COACHES CORNER

**Big Don:** Men, the Silver Bucks will take the Turkey Bowl this year. We'll get that trophy back. I've spent hours looking at old game films and have come up with what I call the *Off-Def* game plan. Generally, we play either offense or defense — well, I've combined both into one. I've adopted some of General Custer's strategy into our game plan, and it —

**Dandy Dean Kauffman:** Hey, Coach. Custer was a loser. The Indian Young Bucks wiped him out. I can't see how his —

**Big Don:** Well, that's what the Eastern media would have you believe. Just look at his strong line in the center. The Indians couldn't go through his center — a really tough line. Why, they were —

**Ski'n Ian Nicolls:** Grandpa — er, Coach — the Indians didn't have to go through Custer's line. They outflanked him and shot passes — I mean, arrows from outside of the circle. Custer was a goner.

**Big Don:** Well, yes. That brings up the subject of our pass defense. If we can jam the center like Custer, we should be able to put pressure on their quarterback. Then he'll have to hurry his arrows er, ah - passes. That gives Hammerin Hank and Crazy Legs Lewis an extra sec —

**Bubba Bobby Smith:** Uncle Don, the Indians had faster horses than Custer, and they —

**Big Don:** Are you trying to imply that my team —

**Bubba Smith:** Well, we do have younger and faster players than your old Silver Bucks, and we can outrun and outlast the —

**Big Don:** Now that brings up the subject of experience, wisdom, and age over immaturity and youth. So, implementing Custer's last stand strategy into our game plan, we can easily —

**Dandy Dean:** Big Don remember that was Custer's last stand. I'm not ready to bite the arrow. The Silver Bucks can still —

**Bobby Road-Runner Nicolls:** Arrows???? Who's got the arrows?

**Big Don:** I don't seem to be getting a positive response to my Custer strategy. You guys hang around the corral for a while. I'll be back. I'm off through the sagebrush on Old Thunder. Maybe those guys at the Bar J Ranch have some ideas or some pancakes. (CRN)

Justa Dogleg met up with **Too Small Dale Nicolls**, coach of the Young Bucks, at the Olympic Games in Atlanta this summer, and asked about last year's Turkey Bowl game. **Justa:** Too Small Dale. What happened last year? **Too Small:** What do you mean? We won. We shut out the Silver Bucks. They didn't cross the goal line. I told you last year that I had put together a new defense to go with our new 'Jumbo' offense. Hey, it worked great. **Justa:** Yes, but your offense let you down again, and — **Too Small:** The Silver Bucks got very close. They were in the 'red zone' so many times and couldn't score. That's defense. The new defense wor — **Justa:** You brought in a new player — Emilie Ridge — who had a lot of speed. **Too Small:** Oh, yes. She played for the Poland Polecats and wanted to get into the big league. We took a chance and bought her contract, and we — **Justa:** Did you know that the player was a girl? You've never had a girl on the — **Too Small:** Well, we had the name — E. Bryan Ridge — and thought that — **Justa:** When you learned that it was Emilie — a girl, were you pressured to keep her? **Too Small:** Oh, no. Not at all. Em has good speed and gave us more pressure on the Silver Bucks' backfield. She added to our offense shielding our receivers and even caught a pass for good yardage. **Justa:** Too Small, what about your 'Jumbo' offense we've heard so much about? **Too Small:** What about it? We won the game and — **Justa:** Well, the year before you scored 18 points. Then only 12 last year. That doesn't sound like a 'Jumbo' offense to me. Your team hasn't scored 20 points for the past six years. How can you say — **Too Small:** Wait a minute, Justa. Just look at the stats. Since 1990 we've outscored the Silver Bucks 66 to 39 — and won four of the five games. Now, we've done that while playing without aces like Greg Bubby Bundy and Big Boy Bob Nicolls in a couple of those games. Then, if you add in the — **Justa:** How does it look for this year? **Too Small:** This year? Well, we should be at full strength — and that means victory. We also have some good young players coming up the next few years, and with our 'Jumbo' offense and the new 'Zero' defense — well, who could beat us? We feel secure — we've built our bridge into the next century. (CRN)

