

# Redskins Chip Off Piece of the Rock

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LANGHORNE, Pa. — You could say the Neshaminy High School football team was singing in the rain and Council Rock was all wet.

Certainly it looked like two teams heading in opposite directions after Neshaminy disposed of the Indians by a score of 21-7 last night.

Using a dominating defense and an opportunistic offense, Neshaminy (3-2) ran its Suburban One National League record to 2-0 and now appears primed to make a major impact on this year's race.

As for Council Rock, which showed remarkably little fight once things started going wrong last night, it's gut check time for Walt Snyder's troops (1-2-1, 0-2).

"This team's really coming together," said an elated Neshaminy coach Dick Bedesem, whose club got blown off the field last year by the Rock. "I can't say enough about how well we played tonight, especially the defense."

Council Rock got on the board first when Neshaminy botched a punt late in the first period. Taking over on the Redskin 9, the Indians got into the endzone when Jamal Ferguson leaped over the pack to score from two yards out.

On its next possession, however, Council Rock fumbled on its own 15. Two plays later, Neshaminy quarterback Tim Ford scored on a five-yard keeper and the game was tied.

Two touchdowns off two turnovers. Anybody's game in the second half, right?

Wrong!

After holding Neshaminy at the

start of the second half and taking over on its own 48, Council Rock elected to try a pass on third and nine. Quarterback Greg Young's pass was right on the money, but unfortunately it went right to Neshaminy's Tom Gorniak, who bolted down the left sideline 54 yards for a touchdown.

Although few realized it at the time, that was the ball game.

"You can't give up a touchdown like that," moaned Rock coach Walt Snyder. "That was just a poor play. It was 7-7 and anybody's game. You just can't do that."

But Council Rock did. After that, the Indians didn't do much of anything else.

"I'll have to look at the films," replied Snyder when asked what was wrong with his newly-installed Power-I. "Hey, I'm not stupid," he added when reminded his offense cost the team the game.

Whatever, Neshaminy regained the ball after Gorniak's touchdown and started marching down the field. The Redskins really appeared in business when Ford took off on a 54-yard run down to the CR five, but that play was called back for clipping.

Council Rock then held on downs, but it didn't make any difference. Neshaminy got the ball right back and started another drive, which culminated in a two-yard TD run by Ford half way through the final quarter.

Throughout the game, Redskin fullback Bill Clemens was a major force, piling up 71 yards on 12 carries. More importantly, Clemens gives the 'Skins a strong inside rushing game after having to sit out the first four games.

"He just became eligible today,"

said Bedesem. "He's a big help out there. Clemens is the first legitimate fullback we've had for the wishbone and he opens things up."

In deep trouble, Council Rock finally opened things up and started moving the ball against Neshaminy's prevent defense. The Indians got all the way to the Neshaminy seven, but Butch Lange then intercepted a ball in the end zone.

"The whole defense was great," Bedesem said, "but I'm really happy for the defense backs. They had been taking a beating (against Bensalem) and making mistakes. They're our best athletes and tonight played really well."

"Sure, they gave us our first two touchdowns, but it just goes to show you what a total team effort will do. The defense picked up our offense and then the offense did the job."

Snyder, too, was suitably impressed with Neshaminy's wishbone.

"They execute that wishbone very well," he said. "That Ford is one tough nut. He took a pounding out there, but kept coming at us."

"Still, it all came back to that interception. That killed us."

Yes, Council Rock was also singing last night. Singing the blues, that is, to what's shaping up as a tough season.

## H.S. Football

Neshaminy 21,  
Council Rock 7

	CR	N
First Downs .....	9	9
Yards Rushing .....	94	110
Yards Passing .....	95	7
Total Yards .....	189	103
Passes, Comp., Int. ....	19-9-2	2-1-0
Punts, Average .....	4-34	2-29
Fumbles, Lost .....	2-1	1-1
Penalties, Yards .....	4-40	3-35

### SCORING

FIRST: CR — Ferguson 1 run (McElrath kick).

SECOND: N — Ford 5 run (Waterbor kick).

THIRD: N — Gorniak 46 interception return (Waterbor kick).

FOURTH: N — Ford 2 run (Waterbor kick).

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Council Rock

RUSHING: Dillman 12-58; Ferguson 15-35, 1 TD; Young 5-1.

PASSING: Young 9-19-2, 95 yards.

RECEIVING: Czepukaitis 3-42; Ferguson 3-15; Seely 2-23; J. Schramek 1-15.

#### Neshaminy

RUSHING: Clemens 12-71; Dougherty 7-22; Ford 16-17, 2 TDs; Waterbor 5-12; McClave 1-4; Gorniak 1-(-17).

PASSING: Ford 1-2-0, 7 yards.

RECEIVING: Waterbor 1-(-7).