

Bucks is expecting IOUs

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West stalled, Latronica returned a punt 30 yards to the Bucks' 31, and four plays later, James Franklin laced a 19-yard touchdown pass over the middle to Mike Frederick with only 31 seconds left in the half. And suddenly, Neshaminy led, 14-13.

Franklin, who had thrown for four touchdowns in the first two weeks of the season, was just 6 of 20 for 81 yards Friday night. He completed no passes to the blur named Jon Hall, who dropped four catchable passes. That probably was because C. B. West dropped five defenders into coverages and blitzed its middle linebacker, Brennan, on almost every passing down.

"They really stopped the long ball, and we didn't get any long ones," Franklin said. "But stats aren't everything."

"With us hitting them over the middle," he said, "we started to try to run the ball. It opened up the middle for us."

With 10:56 left in the game, Neshaminy, working its way into the wind, pushed its lead to 21-13 when Franklin turned a rollout to the left sideline into a 3-yard touchdown run.

Then came Crazy Bounce No. 2.

On second-and-10 at the C. B. West 48, Moylan rolled left for a Bucks playbook staple — a screen pass to Gilbert. But the ball slapped off Gilbert's hands, hit Frederick's face-mask, then popped 10 feet in the air.



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Neshaminy's Kelly turns corner for long run from scrimmage.

The 6-foot, 5-inch, 230-pound Frederick snatched the ball as if it were a rebound, then turned into the headwind. Alone. Forty long yards later, the Redskins had a two-touchdown lead with only 9:23 left in the game.

"They knew it was coming," Chaump said of the Neshaminy defense. "I think that's one of the biggest plays our defense has ever come up with."

C. B. West netted no first downs on its last three possessions of the game. And Latronica iced the victory with a 12-yard gallop on a fourth-down draw play with 2 minutes left in the game.

"We respected them for a long time because of the streak," Latronica said. "We needed them to respect us, but I

don't know if they respect us. Yet."

As he stood outside a funeral Bucks locker room for the second time in five days, Pettine sensed that this might be a season in which C. B. West could receive a lot of overdue IOUs from the last five years.

"These teams are frustrated, licking their chops," he said somberly. "They can smell the blood now."

Neshaminy	0	14	0	13	—	27
Central Bucks West	7	6	0	0	—	13

CBW: Soncini 25 pass from Moylan (Warren kick)

CBW: Brennan 1 run (kick failed)

NES: Altman 5 run (Ramos kick)

NES: Frederick 19 pass from Franklin (Ramos kick)

NES: Franklin 3 run (Ramos kick)

NES: Frederick 40 interception return (kick blocked)