

Football standouts get one more game

Bucks County's best square off in an annual all-star contest. Some of them will not play again.

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Central Bucks East running back Bryan Tingle was so happy to be back in football pads that he did not mind finishing off a recent practice with several 40-yard sprints.

Tingle and his North teammates will meet the South tomorrow in the Bucks County Lions Club-Bob Sands Memorial Football Game at William Tennent at 7:30 p.m. The game was first contested at Neshaminy in 1971.

Tingle, who rushed for 1,728 yards last season, has a scholarship to play lacrosse at Delaware and will try to make the football team as a walk-on. He knows, however, that tomorrow's game could be his last.

"This was a dream season for me in the fall," Tingle said. "And I'm just so excited to be back in it and to finally play again. Being away from it, I miss it so much. It just feels so good to be back in pads, and I couldn't ask for a better situation with a better group of guys to play with."

It will be the final football game for some of the players, and some will be trying to get one last look from a college coach in hopes of landing a position at the next level.

"For guys who already are committed, it's nice," said South coach Galen Snyder of Harry S Truman High School. "There will be some college coaches there. [The players] want to do well, so I think it's important to them."

It could also be the last game for North coach Mike Carey, who resigned from his job at Central Bucks West after the 2000 season.

"I feel very good about that decision," Carey said. "I actual-

ly feel like I have a new lease on life. I'm really looking forward to the late summer and early fall, and people have told me that it's just such a great time of the year. What the future holds? We'll see how I feel after football season."

So Carey, along with his father, Leo, and brothers Jim and Pat, cousin Frank Naylor, and former Central Bucks West head coach Mike Pettine have been throwing themselves into preparations for the game.

Carey will call on several of his former players, including quarterback Mike Orihel, running backs Phil DiGiacomo and Bob Warden, offensive linemen Nick Daily and Josh Sands, and tight end Angelo Verillo.

He also has been impressed with Tingle, Quakertown offensive tackle Jake Ogden and tight end Mike Cherrybon, and Pennridge running back Jon Kochan.

On defense, Carey will count on C.B. West end Gavin Potter, C.B. East end Bob Bense, C.B. West linebacker Adam Scholl, Pennridge linebacker Jim Harris, and Pennridge cornerback Rick Nines.

Carey is concerned with stopping the South's passing game and speed — and with good reason.

Snyder will have Truman's Craig Gansworth and Neshaminy's Jeff McDonough at quarterback. They will be handing off to Pennsbury's Rick Harmon and Truman's Trevor Smith.

Providing speed in the receiving corps will be Council Rock's Cory DeForrest. Defensively, Council Rock's Chris Leonetti has impressed at linebacker, and Bristol's Paul Guido and Conwell-Egan's Phil Brazil could help out in the defensive backfield.

"I think we'll have to be quick," Snyder said. "I think they're going to be bigger than us, so we have to be quick."

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