

1951 Tredyffrin-Easttown Bulldogs



The Head Coach of the 1951 Bulldogs was Ernie Meyer. His Assistant Coaches were Bob Keehn and Earl Metzler. The exciting offense scored 190 points over their opposition while the stalwart defense held the enemy to less than 70 points the entire year.

The team amassed a seven and three record with a rousing win over arch-rival West Chester 32-0 in the Annual Thanksgiving Day Tilt.

Frank Della Penna and Randy McAusland were unanimous choices of the Chester County sports writers for the All Ches-Mont League First Team. Frank was named as a halfback, and Randy was named at wing post. Guy Mitchell was selected to the Second Team as right

tackle. Receiving Honorable Mention were Guard Dave Irete, Fullback John Conti and Quarterback Bob Lee.



Frank Della Penna



David Irete



John Conti



Randy McAusland



Guy Mitchell



David Irete



John Conti



Bob Lee

Bulldogs Blast Bridgeport In League Opener

Frank Della Penna

Leads Attack

T-E Scores Touchdowns

In Every Period, Plus Safety

Competition in the Ches-Mont League opened Saturday afternoon with a hard-hitting Tredyffrin-Easttown High eleven scoring in every period to defeat Bridgeport High, 28-0. The game was played at Bridgeport.



Frank Della Penna



Bob Ramsay



Bob Lee

Led by veteran Frank Della Penna, Coach Ernie Meyer's Bulldogs led off with a touchdown and a safety in the opening period and never relinquished the initiative. They moved to the Dragon two in a 70-yard march from the opening kick-off but lost the ball on a fumble. A moment later they scored a safety when Bob Ramsay broke through to down a Bridgeport back behind the goal line.

Della Penna got under way in the same period with a 35-yard scoring romp. In the second period, Bob Ramsay, the line hero of the day, recovered a fumble on the enemy 30 and on the first play, Della Penna went all of the way to score.



Randy McCausland



John Conti

Bob Hughes

Taking the second half kick-off, Tredyffrin-Easttown marched 70 yards to a score. The TD came on a 20-yard pass from Bob Lee to Randy McCausland. John Conti and Della Penna sparked the ground attack in this drive and repeated another 70 yard march which resulted in the final touchdown. Bob Hughes scored this one on a nine-yard sweep around end. Hughes added two extra-points with placements.

T-E Lineup

Ends: Knight, Hamilton, McCausland, D. Hughes

Tackles: Mitchell, Lucas

Guards: Irete, R. Ramay, DeHaven F. Alleva, A. Alleva, DiZitis

Centers: Patton, C. Ramsy, Johnson

Backs: Lee, Gasser, Rosato, Hammond, Aigeldinger, R. Hughes, Della Penna, Conti

T-E Scoring

Touchdowns: Della Penna-2, McCausland-1, R. Hughes-1; Safety: R. Ramsay; PAT: Hughes-2

Daily Local News

September 17, 1951

T-E Bulldogs Score Second Grid Verdict *Lee and Della Penna in 40-yard Scoring Jaunts Against St. Matthew's*

Tredyffrin-Easttown High retained its unbeaten status under the lights at Berwyn last night when it ran up a 25-6 score against hitherto unbeaten St. Matthew's of Conshohocken. Bobby Lee and Frank Della Penna, T-E veterans, each ran 40 yards for touchdowns.

Daily Local News

September 22, 1951

Conti Hero As Bulldogs Whip Radnor Rivals

Big Fullback Scores Three Times, One on 82-Yard Run, in 33-6 Victory



John Conti

Fullback John Conti was the hero as Tredyffrin-Easttown High hung one on its neighborhood rival, Radnor High, by a 33-6 score, in their annual game under the lights on Teamer Field in Berwyn last night.

Conti scored three of the five touchdowns which gave the Bulldogs their clear margin of superiority. His most sensational effort was an 82-yard romp in the second quarter. Prior to that he had scored from the one at the end of a 67-yard T-E march.

To round out his performance, the burly senior skirted end for 10 yards and a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Ably aiding and abetting Conti in the point productions were Frank Della Penna and Bob Hughes, Coach Ernie Meyer's capable halfbacks. Della Penna raced 25 yards for a touchdown early in the second quarter. Conti had a hand in this touchdown through the interception of a pass to gain possession at the enemy's 40-yard line. Conti carried to the 30 and Della Penna to the 25 to set-up the touchdown scamper.

Hughes got into the scoring column with the last touchdown of the game. It came on an interception which put Hughes in the clear for a 40-yard ramble into the pay-off zone.

Della Penna added three extra-points during the game, two on placement kicks and one on a plunge.

The Bulldogs now have a 3-1 record, having defeated Bridgeport, St. Matthew's and Radnor. Their one defeat was at the hands of Conshohocken, September 29 by a score of 12-13.

T-E Scoring

Touchdowns: Conti-3, Della Penna-1, R Hughes-1; PAT: Della Penna-3

Daily Local News

October 6, 1951



Frank Della Penna



Bob Lee



Dom Rosato

Bob Hughes

T-E Bulldogs Top Scorers

Main Liners Have 114 Point Total

Tredyffrin-Easttown High boosted its point total over the 100 mark when it ran up a 26-7 count against Upper Merion High last Saturday. The Bulldogs have come up with double figures even in the game which they lost, for a total of 114 points in five games. Their opponents have been limited to 32.

Daily Local News

October 17, 1951

Bulldogs Notch Grid Victory

Della Penna and Lee Pace 37-13 Win Over Trojans

Tredyffrin-Easttown High and Downingtown High, top teams in the ChesMont League, both won games in final appearances prior to their clash on Teamer Field, in Berwyn, next Friday night.

The T-E Bulldogs scored in every period on their home gridiron last night for a 37-13 decision over Pottstown High, a ChesMont rival.

Frank Della Penna and Bob Lee each scored two touchdowns in the T-E victory. Della Penna tabbed his first on a 10-yard end run and his second on a 43-yard run. Lee scored on runs of 30 and 35 yards. Dom Rosato caught a pass from Lee in the end zone for another Bulldog six-pointer, and Bob Hughes went 20 yards for the last one.

Daily Local News

October 27, 1951

Whippets Defeat T-E by 8-0 Margin

Downingtown High shattered the hopes of Tredyffrin-Easttown High for ChesMont League title glory as it whipped the Bulldogs, 8-0, on muddy Teamer field in Berwyn last night.

Downingtown went ahead in the first period when its linemen swarmed over Frank Della Penna as he attempted to punt from behind his own goal line. The two-point edge held until the final quarter when it was boosted by six on the lone touchdown of the evening.

Daily Local News
November 3, 1951

Phantoms Jolt T-E Out of ChesMont Race

Tredyffrin-Easttown High, the early favorite among title contenders in the ChesMont League, was virtually eliminated from the race by a stunning 20-7 defeat at the hands of Phoenixville High in the Irontown, Saturday afternoon.

The Berwyn eleven led 7-0 at halftime on Bob Lee's 11-yard end run and Frank Della Penna's conversion in the second quarter.

Phoenixville came back in the third period with two touchdowns and added a third in the final quarter.

Daily Local News
November 12, 1951

T-E Host To Warriors In Annual Game

Both Need Victory in Big Final to Salvage Glory from Season

Meeting for the 46th time since 1903, West Chester High and Tredyffrin-Easttown High will resume one of the oldest scholastic football feuds of the Philadelphia area when they clash on Teamer Field, in Berwyn, at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The Main Liners, rated as top-heavy favorites, will be seeking their first win over the Warriors since they took a 7-6 decision in 1948. The 1949 game resulted in a 6-all tie and last year the outcome favored West Chester, 19-2.

Likely Starters

The starting backfield combination for T-E on offense will find Bob Lee as quarterback, flanked Frank Della Penna and Dom Rosato as halfback and John Conti at fullback. On defense Gerry Gasser, Bob Hughes and Eric Hammond will get into action.

The Bulldog line has Charles Hamilton and Randy McCausland as ends, Lou Alleva and Joe Lucas as tackles, Bob Ramsay and Dave Irete as guards and "Butch" Patton at center. Richard Ramsay, Anthony Alleva and Guy Mitchell are defensive linemen.

Daily Local News November 21, 1951



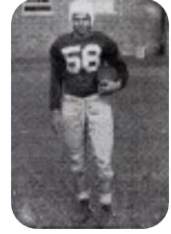
Bob Lee



Frank Della Penna



Dom Rosato



John Conti



Gerry Gasser



Eric Hammond



Charley Hamilton



Randy McCausland



Lou Alleva



Joe Lucas



Bob Ramsay



David Irete



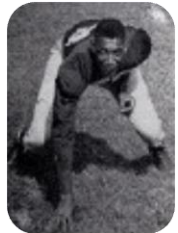
"Butch" Patton



Dick Ramsay



"Funzy" Alleva



Guy Mitchell

Warriors and Bulldogs Work for Big Game

Thanksgiving Day Clash at Berwyn Gridiron Looms as "Must" Tilt for Old Rivals

Two groups of scholastic gridirers who really mean business are at work daily in preparation for the Thanksgiving Day game which will be played on Teamer Field in Berwyn.

This year it comes up as a "must" game for both Tredyffrin-Easttown High, the host, and West

Chester High, the invader. As usual it will be played at 10 A.M.

For West Chester it will be the first appearance on Teamer field. The last time it was the Main Line's turn to play host the game was played in Villanova stadium.

The new field at Berwyn, dedicated to the memory of Samuel O. Teamer, former coach and athletic leader at T-E High, was put into used last season. It not only provides a splendid playing area but also adequate accommodations for spectators. The permanent stands and temporary stands will provide

seating capacity for 4,500 fans next Thursday morning.

Insofar as titles are concerned there will not be anything at stake when the Warriors and Bulldogs tangle, T-E, it is true, has an outside chance of getting into a tie for top rating in the ChesMont League. But it is so slim that it doesn't provide any real motive to inspire the protégés of Coach Ernie Meyer. In this game, however, no motive other than the desire to defeat an old rival is required to assure exciting action.

Daily Local News
November 15, 1951

MARGIN OF VICTORY BIGGEST SINCE 1915

Frank Della Penna Leads Attack Bulldogs Net Five Touchdowns Against Warriors

High-powered Tredyffrin-Easttown High scored in every period as it rolled up a 32-0 score against West Chester High School in their annual Thanksgiving morning grid finale before nearly 5,000 fans on Teamer Field at Berwyn.

All of the starting backs figured in point-production for the T-E Bulldogs along with a sub halfback who performed sensationally in the final period.

Della Penna Tops

Frank Della Penna, six-foot, 190-pound senior fullback, who scored the first of five T-E touchdowns, led an attack which gave the Main Liners an edge of 400 yards to 111 gained from scrimmage. The first time Coach Meyer's eleven gained possession, it marched 45 yards for a touchdown. Bob Lee intercepted a pass at his own 40 and returned it to the Warrior 45. Della Penna went into action with a series of line thrusts that netted first downs at the 31, the 20 and the 10. From the ten,

Della Penna smashed to the three. John Conti and Della Penna gained to the one in two more plays and then Big Frank crashed over.

Conti Scores Second

Della Penna returned a punt from the West Chester 45 to the 21, setting off a scoring drive. Conti smashed to a first down at the nine. After Della Penna moved the ball to the three, Conti crashed over tackle for the touchdown.

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Rosato Gets Loose

The homesters took the ball at their own 10 and, with Della Penna and Conti alternating, moved to midfield in a series of three first downs. On what appeared to be an end formation to the right, Bob Lee handed the ball to Dom Rosato, traveling the opposite direction. Rosato sliced through the right side

of the West Chester line and went 50 yards to score.

Lee Catches Defense Off Guard

T-E began to march early in the fourth quarter, moving from its own 25 to the West Chester 45 in two first downs. At this point, Quarterback Lee, who had not carried the ball previously, caught the West Chester defense off guard on a bootleg play that sent him

scampering around his own right end and into the clear for a 45-yard scoring jaunt. Della Penna raced around end for the PAT.

Hughes Shows Class

Bob Hughes, alternate for Rosato at right halfback, got into the action ...

Daily Local News

November 23, 1951

ChesMont League All Stars Announced

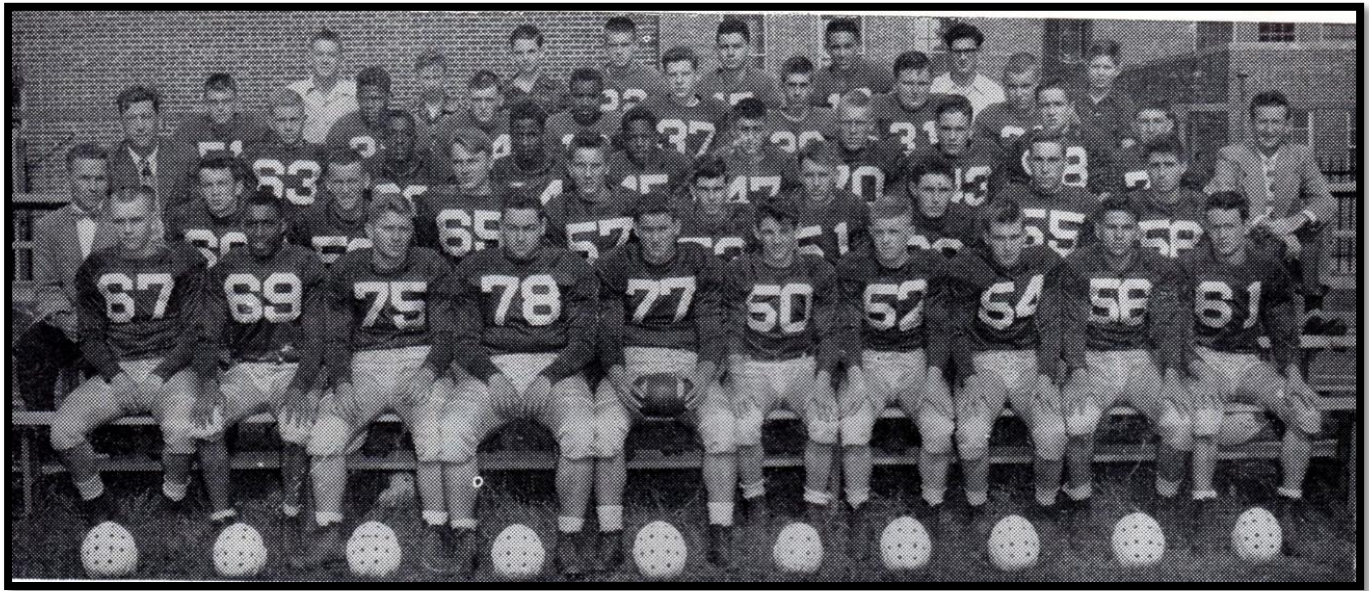
The scribes picked their first team backfield without a dissenting vote. The young men were Frank Della Penna of Tredyffrin-Easttown, Johnny Talerico of Downingtown, George Bracelin of Phoenixville and Stan Chaplin of Pottstown.

Bulldog Randy McCausland was a unanimous choice for one of the First Team wing posts. Guy

Mitchell was nominated to the Second Team as right tackle. Guard Dave Irete, Backs John Conti and Bob Lee received Honorable Mention.

Daily Local News

November 27, 1951



The 1951 Bulldogs

Red	White				Red	White			
55	55	Dom Rosato	12	Back	63	63	Butch Patton	11	Center
56	56	John Conti	12	Back	57	57	Chet Knight	11	End
62	62	Al McQuiston	12	Back	60	60	Dick Hughes	11	End
77	77	Frank Della Penna	12	Back			G. Hey	11	End
58	58	Dick Ramsay	12	Center	50	50	David Irete	11	Guard
54	54	Randy McAusland	12	End	53	53	Nunzio DiVitis	11	Guard
67	67	Charley Hamilton	12	End	43		Charles DeHaven	11	Guard
52	52	Bob Ramsay	12	Guard			Tom Mateer	11	Guard
61	61	Funzy Alleva	12	Guard			Mike Pasquarelli	11	Guard
69	69	Guy Mitchell	12	Tackle			Bill Hays	11	Tackle
75	75	Joe Lucas	12	Tackle	66	66	Bob Hughes	10	Back
78	78	Lou Alleva	12	Tackle			Basil Jackman	10	Back
51	51	Harold Aigeldinger	11	Back			William Hilton	10	Back
59	59	Gerry Gasser	11	Back			Fred Domenick	10	Back
64	64	Bob Lee	11	Back	47		Lou Capetola	10	Back
65	65	Eric Hammond	11	Back	68	68	Ab Johnston	10	Center
70	70	Paul Von Plonski	11	Back			Bob Rossiter	10	Center
45		Donnie Edwards	11	Back	71	71	Dom DiAddezio	10	Guard
		Lawrence							
		Cummings	11	Back	37		Bill King	10	Tackle
		J. Sloan	11	Back					