

BALD EAGLE FOOTBALL 2003



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LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY BALD EAGLE FOOTBALL



Enrollment: 4,500
Colors: Crimson, White
Affiliation: NCAA II
Conference: Pennsylvania State
Athletic-West
Home Field: Hubert Jack Stadium
Capacity/Surface: 3,500/Artificial Turf
Head Coach: Mark Luther
Alma Mater/Year: Penn State/1992
Record at LHU (Years): 10-23 (3 years)
Career Record (Years): same
2002 Team Record: 4-7, 1-5 PSAC West
Head Coach Phone: 570/893-2250
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 41/15
Starters Returning: 6 offense, 11 defense,
0 specialty

Basic Offense: Multiple I / **Basic Defense:** 4-3
Assistant Coaches: Terry Szucs (*Lock Haven, 1975/Ass't Head Coach/Defensive Backs*),
Chris Sprague (*Ithaca, 1989/Offensive Line*),
Jeff Anderson (*Pennsylvania State, 1992/Linebackers*), Pat Leone (*Video Technician/Kickers*), John Allen (*JMU, 1996/Wide Receivers*), Frank Leaks (*Iowa State, 1984/Running Backs*), Jason Grassi (*Lock Haven, 2000/Defensive Line*).

2003 BALD EAGLE FOOTBALL (1-2, 0-0 PSAC West)

9/6	at Towson	L, 19-50
9/13	at Kutztown	L, 3-7
9/20	BLOOMSBURG	W, 17-15
9/27	MANSFIELD	7 p.m.
10/4	at Cheyney	1 p.m.
10/11	CALIFORNIA (PA)*	2 p.m.
10/18	at Shippensburg*	1 p.m.
10/25	INDIANA (PA)*	1 p.m.
11/1	at Slippery Rock*	1 p.m.
11/8	at Clarion*	1 p.m.
11/15	EDINBORO*	1 p.m.

*PSAC West contest
HOME GAMES LISTED IN BOLD CAPS
#Homecoming

2002 LHU RESULTS (4-7, 1-5 PSAC West)

8/31	at Northeastern	L, 0-48
9/14	KUTZTOWN	W, 21-14
9/21	at Bloomsburg	L, 23-47
9/28	at Mansfield	W, 33-30
10/5	CHEYNEY#	W, 34-0
10/12	at California (Pa.)*	L, 19-34
10/19	SHIPPENSBURG*	W, 26-13
10/26	at Indiana (Pa.)*	L, 14-31
11/2	SLIPPERY ROCK*	L, 7-14
11/9	CLARION*	L, 31-34
11/16	at Edinboro*	L, 14-37

*PSAC West contest

MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY MOUNTAINEER FOOTBALL



Nickname: Mountaineers
Location: Mansfield, Pa.
Enrollment: 3,368
Colors: Red & Black
Affiliation: NCAA Division II
Conference: Pennsylvania State Athletic (PSAC)
Home Field: Van Norman Field
Capacity/Surface: 3,000/Natural Grass
Head Coach: Chris Woods
Record at Mansfield (Years): 5-15-0 (2 yrs)
Career Record (Years): 5-15-0 (2 yrs)
Head Coach Phone: 570/662-4460
2002 Team Record: 3-7, 2-4 Eastern Division
Lettermen Returning/Lost: 40/13
Starters Returning: 7 offense, 7 defense,
2 specialty
Basic Offense: Multiple / **Basic Defense:** 3-4
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2003 MOUNTAINEER FOOTBALL (3-0, 0-0 PSAC EAST)

9/6	BOWIE STATE	W, 20-0
9/13	BUFFALO STATE	W, 19-0
9/20	at Westminster	W, 50-17
9/27	at Lock Haven	7 p.m.
10/4	at Millersville*	1 p.m.
10/11	KUTZTOWN*	1 p.m.
10/18	at E. Stroudsburg*	1:05 p.m.
10/25	CALIFORNIA (PA)	1 p.m.
11/1	CHEYNEY*	1 p.m.
11/8	at Bloomsburg*	1 p.m.
11/15	WEST CHESTER*	1 p.m.

*PSAC East Home Games in BOLD CAPS

2002 MANSFIELD RESULTS (3-7, 2-4 PSAC East)

9/7	E.STROUDSBURG*	L, 14-31
9/14	at Buffalo State	W, 20-19
9/21	WESTMINSTER	L, 21-24
9/28	LOCK HAVEN	L, 30-33
10/5	MILLERSVILLE*	W, 12-6
10/12	at Kutztown*	L, 22-32
10/26	at California (Pa.)	L, 9-17
11/2	at Cheyney*	W, 49-17
11/9	BLOOMSBURG*	L, 6-17
11/16	at West Chester*	L, 7-9

*PSAC East Home Games in BOLD CAPS

Game #4 vs. Mansfield University
Sept. 27, 2003 - Hubert Jack Stadium - Lock Haven, Pa. - 7 p.m.

THE GAME

The Lock Haven football team (1-2) will host the undefeated Mansfield University (3-0) Mountaineers on Sat., Sept. 27, under the lights at Hubert Jack Stadium. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. The game can be heard locally on WBPZ-1230 AM and online at www.nsnsports.com.

THE SERIES

Lock Haven will defend a 39-18-4 series advantage over the Mountaineers, a match-up that dates back to 1906. Since 1980, LHU owns a 6-4-1 record in games played versus Mansfield at Jack Stadium.

The Bald Eagles have won the last six games, most recently logging the 33-30 victory in 2002 on Van Norman Field.

The last time Mansfield won against LHU was in 1996, when the Mountaineers defeated The Haven in a low-scoring, 6-3 affair.

First Meeting.....1906; Mansfield 29, Lock Haven 0
The Last Time MU Won.....1996, 6-3 at Hubert Jack Stadium
The Last Time LHU Won.....2002, 33-30 at Van Norman Field
The Last Time LHU Won at Hubert Jack Stadium.....2000, 24-0
The Last Time MU Won at Hubert Jack Stadium.....1996, 6-3

THE LAST TIME VERSUS MANSFIELD

The Bald Eagles survived a fourth-quarter scare and improved to 2-2 overall with a 33-30 win over Mansfield (1-3) in the fourth week of the 2002 season. Wide receiver Marcus Burkley caught two touchdown passes, including a 60-yard strike, to help secure the victory.

LHU took a 14-7 lead by halftime, with Burkley scoring on a 17-yard reception from Tim Storino and Rob Carey boasting a 70-yard punt return for touchdown. Mansfield's Steve Smith caught a 15-yard pass from Travis Motley to put the Mounties on the scoreboard.

Second-half scoring included a 10-yard rush by The Haven's Maurice Walker. Marcus Burkley broke through the defense for a 60-yard touchdown catch in the opening minutes of the fourth quarter, then running back Justin Marshall powered his way into the endzone for a three-yard score to give LHU its 33 points.

Mansfield's Keefe Richards made a 22-yard field goal in the third, then Steve Smith posted his second touchdown of the game on a 23-yard reception in the fourth period. With Lock Haven leading, 33-17, a strong Mansfield challenge unfolded in the game's final four minutes but the Mountaineers ran out of time before they could overtake the Bald Eagles. The final Mansfield points came from Arnaldo Santiago, escorting a four-yard pass from Motley into paydirt, and Smith, who tallied his third touchdown catch of the day on a 34-yard connection.

THE COACHES

Lock Haven is led by fourth-year mentor **Head Coach Mark Luther (Penn State, '92)**. The 2002 PSAC West Coach of the Year, Luther's Bald Eagles went 4-7 last season -- the first four-win season since 1998. He owns a 10-23 overall mark in three seasons at the helm of the Lock Haven gridders. Luther assumed the head role following five years of service as an LHU assistant from 1994-1998, acting as defensive coordinator, recruiting coordinator and administrative assistant to former head coach Nick Polk.

Third-year **Head Coach Chris Woods (Davidson, '91)** guided his 2002 Mountaineers to a 3-7 overall record and a 2-4 PSAC Eastern Division mark, the program's most wins since the 1996 season. Woods arrived in Mansfield in 2000 as defensive coordinator before becoming the head coach in March of 2001. Prior to his move to Division II, he worked at several of the top Division III programs in the nation, including Wittenberg University and Plymouth State College.

SCOUTING MANSFIELD

The Mansfield University Mountaineers enter Jack Stadium with a 3-0 record after defeating Westminster College, 50-17. The first time since 1994 that the Mountaineers have opened the season with a 3-0 mark, Mansfield shutout its first two opponents and though it allowed Westminster 17 points in the first half, clamped down to hold them scoreless in the final two quarters.

Senior quarterback Travis Motley surpassed the 6,000 yard career passing mark last Saturday, going 12-for-18 for 265 yards and four touchdowns. On the season, he has thrown for eight touchdowns and is second in the PSAC in efficiency (157.0) and tied for second in passing yards per game (200.3).

On the opposite end is receiver Joe Bennett, the conference leader in receiving yards per game with a 129.7 average each time out. Bennett set a new MU record and was the PSAC East Player of the Week with four touchdown catches for 210 yards against Westminster. Dan Bennett aids in the passing game, averaging 42.3 yards per game with two touchdowns.

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The Mansfield ground game has also done damage to opposing defenses, in large part due to freshman running back Earnest McNeal. McNeal posted 198 yards and two scores last Saturday, and leads the PSAC with an average 151.7 yards per outing. Jason Roscoe (45.7 ypg) and Paul Garofalo (20.3 ypg) also add to the mix.

A relatively experienced front line utilizes juniors Ryan McClellan and Lucas Ingersoll at both tackle slots, senior Nick DeSantis and junior Chris Farris at guard positions along with a red-shirt freshman at center, Jamar Foulks.

Defensively, the Mountaineers go with four linebackers headlined by All-American inside linebacker Dan Holland. Holland has 27 stops on the season including 15 solo tackles. Sophomore outside linebackers Randy Reinert (13 TT) and Robert Smiley (9 TT, 2.5 TFL) join Holland as does fellow inside linebacker Andre Turner (17 TT, 1 TFL).

Up front, junior nose guard Brian DeCecco (15 TT) leads Mansfield with four tackles for loss. Sophomore tackles Mike Donati (10 TT, 2.5 TFL) and Keith Slezak (9 TT, 2 TFL) are also on the first line of defense.

The secondary utilizes cornerbacks Ryan Geishouser (13 TT), the team leader with four pass breakups, and Ronnie Montgomery (17 TT), who has a team best three interceptions. The strong safety is Joe Frick (10 TT, 2 FF) and Daricus Haynes (10 TT) starts at free safety.

Field goal kicker Chris Negro is 0-1 and 1-for-3 in extra point attempts, while Sean Hair is 4-of-5 in point after attempts. Brandon Fields handles the punting, averaging 31.3 yards per punt.

BALD EAGLE NOTES...

THE OFFENSE

After breaking into Bloomsburg territory only twice in the first half, the Bald Eagle offense put up 17 points in the final two quarters to overtake the Huskies. The 142 yards on the ground was the most generated this season, due primarily to the talents of junior **Maurice Walker (North Braddock/Woodland Hills)** and sophomore **Chelstan Anderson (Halifax/Halifax)**. Walker leads LHU averaging 66.7 yards per game with one touchdown. Anderson, averaging 38.3 yards per game, scored versus Bloomsburg on a series of gains capped off with his one yard push up the middle for six points.

Halfback **Josh Stadulis (Willow Grove/Academy of the New Church)** added 16 yards rushing and 11 on a catch against the Huskies, and is fourth on the rushing list with a 5.7 yard contribution per game. Back-up halfback **Travis Diehl (Williamsport/Williamsport)** (4.0 ypg) has also been a solid option.

Signal caller **Troy Wile (Fayetteville/Chambersburg Area)** completed 11 of 18 pass attempts against Bloomsburg, including his first collegiate touchdown. He is currently eighth in the PSAC in pass efficiency (108.31) and average per game (93.7 ypg). On the season he owns a 59.6 completion percentage for 281 yards and a touchdown.

The Bald Eagles can go to one of several able receivers including senior **Marcus Burkley (Pittsburgh/Woodland Hills)**. Burkley caught five passes for 43 yards last Saturday, and leads LHU receivers with 33.0 yards per game. **Rafael Smith's (Pittsburgh/Woodland Hills)** 30 yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter was the first of his collegiate career and gave LHU the lead against Bloomsburg. Other players on the depth chart include seniors **Adam Angelici (Bethel Park/Bethel Park)** and **Scott Anderson (Cortland, Ohio/Lakeview)** along with sophomore **Danson Mwaura (Leola/Conestoga Valley)** and red-shirt freshman tight end **Jason Walther (Elizabethtown/Elizabethtown)**.

Manning the front line is the task of center **Jason Scott (Linden/Williamsport)**, guards **Eric Scaife (Philipsburg/Philipsburg-Osceola)** and **Steve Szoboscan (Elizabethtown/Elizabethtown)** and tackles **Kevin Scheidler (Millersburg/Millersburg Area)** and **Bill Cook (York/Central York)**.

THE DEFENSE

The Haven defense and special teams handed the ball off to the offense in Bloomsburg territory on four occasions in the second half, creating four Huskie turnovers in the form of three interceptions and a fumble recovery on a botched BU punt return.

Linebacker **Derrick Metz (Roaring Spring/Central)** is tied for third on the PSAC tackles list with 29 on the season. Metz also leads LHU with two interceptions, including one with a 36-yard return that set up a Haven field goal last Saturday, and owns a share of the team high of four tackles for loss. Fellow linebacker **Charles Cannon (Braddock Hills/Woodland Hills)** also has four stops behind the line of scrimmage and has 17 tackles on the season. Senior outside linebacker **Dan Wissinger (Johnstown/Ferndale Area)** is second on the squad with 18 tackles.

The Bald Eagle defensive line starts junior tackles **Jarrod Hendricks (Rockton/DuBois Area)** (6 TT, 1 TFL) and **Jason Kasheta (Carbondale/Carbondale Area)** (1 TT). Joining Hendricks and Kasheta are defensive ends **Nathan Eck (Jersey Shore/Jersey Shore)** (10 TT, 1.5 TFL) and junior **Dustin Shaffer (Mayport/Redbank Valley)** (7 TT, 1 TFL, 1 FR).

Cornerbacks **Rob Carey (North Braddock/Woodland Hills)** and **Ngoyi Mukusa (Jim Thorpe/Jim Thorpe)** add solid support, Mukusa totaling 14 stops while Carey has 12 on the season. Strong safety **Winston Alspaugh (Carlisle/Boiling Springs)** (13 TT) had five tackles and provided the coverage on Bloomsburg's intended receiver on a failed two-point conversion attempt that would have tied the game had it been successful. Free safety **John Scullin (Boiling Springs/Boiling Springs)** (9 TT) got his first pick of the season in the deciding fourth quarter against Bloomsburg.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Seniors **Rob Carey** and **Marcus Burkley** continue to position themselves deep on kick-off returns and Carey takes punt return duties, forcing opponents to follow last year's trend of redirecting the kicks away from the talented duo.

Freshman punter/placekicker **Dan Hagerman (Scottdale/Southmoreland)** split the uprights from 22 yards out to add a crucial three points to LHU's two touchdowns for its 17-point total. Hagerman was also 2-for-2 on point after kicks.

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2003 BALD EAGLE STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing	GP	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
Maurice Walker	3	55	200	66.7	1
Chelstan Anderson	3	25	115	38.3	2

Passing	GP	Comp.	Att.	Pct.	Yds.	Int.	TDs
Troy Wile, Jr.	3	28	47	59.6	281	2	1
Tim Storino	2	4	16	25.0	52	0	0

Receiving	GP	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	Rec/G	TDs
Marcus Burkley	3	10	99	9.9	3.3	0
Rafael Smith	2	7	105	15.0	3.5	1

Defense	GP	UA	A	Total	Int.	Sack	TFL/Yds
Derrick Metz (LB)	3	18	11	29	2	0	4/7
Charles Cannon (LB)	3	10	7	17	0	0	4/13
Dan Wissinger (LB)	3	11	7	18	0	0	1/2
Ngoyi Mukusa (CB)	3	10	4	14	1	0	0

2003 MOUNTAINEER STATISTICAL LEADERS

Rushing	GP	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
Earnest McNeal	3	60	455	7.6	4
Jason Roscoe	3	40	137	3.4	0

Passing	GP	Comp.	Att.	Pct.	Yds.	Int.	TDs
Travis Motley	3	35	70	50.0	601	1	8

Receiving	GP	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	Rec/G	TDs
Joe Bennett	3	16	389	24.3	5.3	6
Dan Bennett	3	8	127	15.9	2.7	2

Defense	GP	UA	A	Total	Int.	Sack	TFL/Yds
Dan Holland (LB)	3	15	12	27	0	0	1/3
R. Montgomery (CB)	3	12	5	17	3	0	0
Andre Turner (LB)	3	10	7	17	1	0	1/1
Brian DeCecco (NG)	3	10	5	15	0	1	4/13

RECORD MAKERS

Where current Bald Eagles stand in the LHU career record books:

<i>Receptions</i>	Marcus Burkley (T-9th) - 103 (2000-pr.)
<i>Receiving Yardage</i>	Marcus Burkley (6th) - 1705 yds (2000-pr.)
<i>Touchdown Receptions</i>	Marcus Burkley (4th) - 14 (2000-pr.)
<i>Tackles</i>	Derrick Metz (8th) - 277 (2000-pr.)
<i>Interceptions</i>	Rob Carey (9th) - 10 (2000-pr.)

DID YOU KNOW? The last time Mansfield opened the season with a 3-0 record was 1994 -- that season the Mountaineers defeated Lock Haven, 26-21, at Jack Stadium. The Haven is 4-3 in games against Mansfield when the Mountaineers have gone 3-0 to start the season:

1994 - Mansfield 26, LHU 21	1961 - LHU 43, Mansfield 19
1983 - LHU 13, Mansfield 10	1946 - Mansfield 7, LHU 6
1964 - LHU 28, Mansfield 13	1912 - Mansfield 47, LHU 6
1963 - LHU 32, Mansfield 30	

UP NEXT: LHU will travel to O'Shields-Stevenson Stadium to take on Cheyney University on Sat., Oct. 4, in a 1 p.m. contest.



*Denotes conference divisional game

AROUND THE PSAC

GAMES THIS WEEKEND... September 27

West Chester at Shippensburg, 1 p.m.
East Stroudsburg at Edinboro, 1 p.m.
Bloomsburg at Slippery Rock, 6 p.m.
Kutztown at Clarion, 6 p.m.
Cheyney at California, 7 p.m.
Millersville at IUP, 7 p.m.
Mansfield at Lock Haven, 7 p.m.

RECENT RESULTS... September 20

W.Va. Wesleyan 16, California 14	Mansfield 50, Westminster 17
Cheyney 17, West Liberty St. 16	Millersville 13, Bowie St. 7
Clarion 23, Glenville St. 20	E. Stroudsburg 35, Shepherd 7
Edinboro 39, Tiffin 14	Lock Haven 17, Bloomsburg 15
IUP 28, New Haven 7	Delaware 49, West Chester 7
Shippensburg 35, Kutztown 12	Slippery Rock 35, Fairmont St. 14