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# FOOTBALL

## 1965

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Kneeling L to R—Bob Davenport, Russ Houk, Ron Noval; standing—Dick Mentzer, Doug Boelhouwer

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### PRESS and RADIO INFORMATION

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**BLOOMSBURG STATE COLLEGE**

**Bloomsburg**

**Pennsylvania**

## GENERAL INFORMATION



Dr. Harvey A. Andruss  
President, Bloomsburg State College

Russell Houk, Lock Haven S. C. '52  
Athletic Director and Head Football Coach

Robert Davenport, Bucknell U. '52  
Line Coach

Ronald Novak, California S. C. '58  
Assistant Freshman Coach

Richard Mentzer, Shippensburg S. C. '30  
Freshman Coach

Douglas Boelhouwer, Rutgers U. '59  
Assistant Freshman Coach

Boyd F. Buckingham, Bloomsburg S. C. '43  
Director of Development

Bruce C. Dieterick, Penn State U. '47  
Information Specialist and  
Sports Publicity

Kenneth Adams, Bloomsburg S. C. '67  
Team Manager

## ATHLETIC INFORMATION

Member ..... NCAA, NAIA, PSCAC  
Colors ..... Maroon and Gold  
Nickname ..... Huskies  
Home Field ..... Athletic Park  
Capacity ..... 3,000  
Press Table ..... Accomodations for 8 persons

## COLLEGE INFORMATION

Denomination ..... Non-Denominational  
Conducted by ..... Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Year Founded ..... 1839  
Enrollment ..... 2900

## BLOOMSBURG STATE COLLEGE FOOTBALL ROSTER 1965

No.	Name	Class	Pos.	Age	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
86	*Bonacci, Mike, Sr.		E	22	5'11	186	Carbondale
83	*Dotto, Jerry, Sr.		E	22	6'2	186	Upper Darby
40	*Eddowes, Wayne, Sr.		HB	21	5'11	170	Wyncote
63	*Letcavage, Bob, Sr.		G	22	5'10	199	Shamokin
60	*Mulka, John, Sr.		G	21	5'7	170	Taylor
87	*Osborne, Ed, Sr.		E	21	6'3	195	Boothwyn
30	*Martin, Clip, Sr.		FB	20	6'0	190	Emporium
13	McManimen, Gary, Sr.		HB	21	5'11	185	North Hills
40	*Robinson, Jerry, Sr.		E	20	5'11	165	Athens
44	Vargo, Thomas, Sr.		HB	20	5'11	177	Riverside
70	*Davis, Ray, Jr.		T	25	6'3	256	Bloomsburg
77	*Denes, Barry, Jr.		T	20	6'4	228	Bethlehem
61	*Force, Dave, Jr.		G	21	6'0	183	Berwick
64	*Greco, Dick, Sr.		G	22	5'8	215	Mt. Carmel
33	Henry, Terry, Jr.		FB	20	5'6	190	Hershey
13	*Hunter, William, Jr.		HB	20	5'11	177	Lewisburg
41	*Johnson, Otis, Jr.		HB	22	5'11	174	Bristol
83	*Lowe, Joseph, Jr.		E	20	6'3	185	Morrisville
76	*Perry, King, Jr.		G	19	5'11	190	Aldan
52	*Schaefer, Bernard, Jr.		C	20	6'2	195	Seafood, N. J.
43	*Schraeder, Gerald, Jr.		HB	20	5'8	180	Alden Station
81	Tucker, Bob, Jr.		E	20	6'3	200	Hazleton
50	*Zarski, John, Jr.		T	23	6'2	215	Shenandoah
80	Zenyuk, Paul, Jr.		E	22	6'2	198	Natalie
62	Zindell, Ray, Jr.		G	20	5'11 1/2	206	Southampton
	<del>Davis, Charles, So.</del>		HB	19	5'8	165	Kingston
32	DeFrancisco, Mike, So.		HB	19	5'10	175	Bethlehem
14	Farrelly, John, So.		QB	19	5'9	175	West Mifflin
54	Gerst, Joe, So.		HB	19	5'8	167 157	Danville
78	Herrold, William, So.		T	18	6'5	308	Shamokin
85	Kurcharski, Stan, So.		E	20	6'1	180	Archibald
10	Lichtel, Richard, So.		QB	18	5'11	171	Shamokin
22	Masich, Jim, So.		HB	19	5'9	150 140	Berwick
20	Mitchell, Sidney, So.		QB	19	5'7	160	Athens
75	Moul, William, So.		T	18	6'2	205	Spring Grove
21	Novak, Mike, So.		HB	19	5'7	151	Stowe
84	Rudy, Russell, So.		E	18	6'0	190	Reading
76	SurrIDGE, Robert, So.		G	19	6'1	212	Kingston
34	Watto, John, So.		FB	19	6'0	180	Summit Hill

\*Lettermen

## OUTLOOK FOR '65

Compared to a year ago when Russ Houk took over the helm of the Huskies Gridiron fortunes, the prospects of at least a break-even season are much brighter. Last year being the first year under the freshman rule, Houk was handicapped with lack of depth from the start. Then the team experienced a series of key injuries that finally resulted in only twenty some players available for duty. Thus, a rather dismal 2-win, 5-loss, 1-tie record resulted.

The freshman rule change-over will begin to pay off this year as over 50 percent of the regulars will be from last year's frosh team which posted a 2-2 record. The main contribution of this year's sophomores will be size to bolster last year's underweight line. Players like Big "Hoagie" Herrold (at 6'5"—308 pounds is probably one of the largest players in college ball in Pennsylvania), hard-hitting Bob Surridge and Bill Moul, both over 200 pounds, are bound to bring a smile to any coach's face.

Houk will have to rely on sophomore quarterbacks Dick Lichtel and John Farrelly, as Bob Opie from last year's squad did not report. Other promising offensive halfback sophomores are Joe Gerst (outstanding as a frosh) and Mike Novak, who will support returning scatbacks, Gerald Schraeder and Otis Johnson.

Untried newcomers to the backfield are Tom Vargo, an outstanding wrestler under Houk, Jim Masich, Gary McManimen, and Terry Henry, a graduate from Hershey Junior College. Senior Clip Martin is back at fullback with sophomore John Watto ready to go.

Veteran linemen returning are Bob Letcavage, Barry Denes, Dick Greco, John Zarski, Jack Mulka, King Perry, Dave Force. Bernard Schaefer will replace John Whitlock at center who suffered a severe knee injury.

A fine selection of ends are available in Bob Tucker, Joe Lowe, Paul Zenyuh, Stan Kurcharski, Ed Osborne, Jerry Doto, Mike Bonnacci, Russell Rudy. Line backers will consist of Zarski, Martin, Kurcharski, and defenders Jerry Robinson, Wayne Eddows, Doto and Masich.

### VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 18—Shippensburg .....	A
(Scrimmage)	
Sept. 25—Lock Haven .....	A—8:00
*Oct. 2—Mansfield .....	A—2:00
Oct. 8—Brockport ..	H—8:00
*Oct. 16—West Chester .....	H—2:00
(Homecoming)	
*Oct. 23—Millersville ..	A—2:00
*Oct. 29—Cheyney .....	H—8:00
*Nov. 6—Kutztown .....	A—2:00
*Nov. 12—E. Stroudsburg ..	H—8:00
Nov. 20—State Playoff—Eastern Site	
*League Games	

### FRESHMAN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Oct. 14—Shippensburg .....	H—2:00
Oct. 18—Kutztown .....	A—2:00
Oct. 29—Susquehanna .....	H—2:00
Nov. 3—Lock Haven .....	A—2:00

## THE COACHING STAFF

**Head Coach Russ Houk**, a product of Lincoln High School in Ellwood City, attended Duke University and learned his first intercollegiate football lessons under one of the country's outstanding grid teachers, Wallace Wade. Houk later transferred to Lock Haven State College and won several varsity letters in football, wrestling and track. In addition to being head football coach at B.S.C., he also serves as Athletic Director and Head Wrestling Coach. He has been extremely successful at B.S.C. in wrestling, having won five Pennsylvania State College Championships and three national titles in N.A.I.A. competition.

Houk was an outstanding lineman at Lock Haven and later coached high school football at South Williamsport and Muncy before moving to Bloomsburg in 1957. In addition to his wrestling coaching duties at B.S.C., he served as assistant football coach at B.S.C. from 1957 to 1961.

**Line Coach Bob Davenport**, a native of Berwick, Pennsylvania, and a newcomer to the B.S.C. coaching staff, has had valuable experience coaching high school teams at Clark Summit, Pa., Berwick, Pa., and Vineland, N. J. During this period, he produced several championship teams and had an overall record of 34 wins and 24 losses. Bob captained his Freshman team at Bucknell University in 1948, and played varsity during the '49-'50-'51 seasons. As a center and line backer, he was instrumental in helping the '51 Bucknell team remain unbeaten and untied.

**Backfield Coach Ron Novak** is a native of California, Pa., where he graduated from high school and California State College. Prior to coming to Bloomsburg, he was assistant football and baseball coach at Elizabeth Forward High Schools, Elizabeth, Pa. At California State College, Ron was an outstanding halfback and considered one of the better grid performers of the past 20 years at that college.

**Freshman Coach Dick Mentzer** was a letter winner in football, baseball, and track at both high school and Shippensburg State College. He then coached at Cresson High School, before going to Hollidaysburg where he was head coach, jayvee basketball coach, and head track coach at the Hollidaysburg Senior High School. Following an appointment as head coach at Eastern High, Washington, D. C., his teams logged 120 victories, 53 losses, 6 ties—winning many area championships. Dick joined the BSC coaching staff in 1963 and is also baseball coach.

**Assistant Freshman Coach, Doug Boelhouwer**, a newcomer to the Bloomsburg State College Coaching staff, was born in New Brunswick, New Jersey and is a 1959 graduate of Rutgers University where he played his college football. Prior to coming to Bloomsburg State, Doug was a member of the faculty of South Plainfield High School, New Jersey, where he served as varsity line coach. He will also be head Track Coach at Bloomsburg State College.