

# Are You Ready For Some Football *History*?

Is your organization looking for a speaker to entertain as well as inform at your next gathering? Well then, your search is over. Many people think they know football, but chances are they have never heard many of the stories contained in this informative and unique series of lectures.



**RANDY SNOW**  
FOOTBALL HISTORIAN

## About Randy:

He has been researching football history for many years. Randy attended his first NFL game in 1975, first USFL game in 1983, first CFL game in 1994 and first Arena Football League game in 2000. He has also been a member of the Professional Football Researchers Association since 2011 and is listed on the Toastmasters District 62 Speaker's Bureau. He resides in Kalamazoo, Michigan, but will go just about anywhere for a football game or a great football story.

## Presentations Available

### *Gridiron Integration: African-American Triumphs and Struggles for Equality in Football (20-30 minutes)*

Hear the stories, both tragic as well as inspirational, of African-American players who paved the way for others to follow including Charles Follis, Johnny Bright, Ernie Davis, Willie Throver, Doug Williams, and Ulysses "Crazy Legs" Curtis. This lecture is particularly relevant during African-American History Month in February.

### *Iconic Figures in Football History (20-30 minutes)*

Players and coaches who made an impact on the game throughout the years are profiled. Men like Walter Camp, Glenn "Pop" Warner, Jim Thorpe, Bronko Nagurski, Knute Rockne, John Heisman and the Four Horsemen of Notre Dame.

### *Pro Football Leagues: Past, Present and Future (20-30 minutes)*

Learn about professional football leagues that have come and gone over the years like the All American Football Conference (1946-1949), the World Football League (1974-1975) and the United States Football League (1983-1985). You will also learn about the ones that enjoy continued success today, such as the National Football League, the Canadian Football League and the Arena Football League.

### *The History of Football - 101 (1 hour)*

This lecture includes many of the same topics included in the previous lectures including iconic figures in football history and pro football leagues from the past, present and future as well as trivia questions and more.



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## ***A Unique Perspective on Football History***

Randy Snow offers a one-of-a-kind perspective on the history of football. He has not only conducted extensive research into football events and historic figures, but has also travelled thousands of miles to personally visit many of the places where football history was made or is now preserved. He has visited the final resting places of many legendary football icons such as Notre Dame Coach Knute Rockne in South Bend, Indiana, Walter Camp (the Father of American Football) in New Haven Connecticut, Charles Follis (the first African-American pro football player) in Wooster, Ohio, Notre Dame legend George Gipp in Calumet, Michigan, college coach John Heisman in Rhineland, Wisconsin and NFL legends Bronko Nagurski in International Falls, Minnesota and Jim Thorpe in Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania. He has attended and written about games in many various football leagues including the NFL, CFL, USFL, the Arena Football League, several indoor football leagues, women's tackle football leagues, 8-Man high school football and even a college football game in Canada. He was a season ticket holder of the Grand Rapids Rampage of the Arena Football League from 2003-2008. He also attended games in the United States Football League from 1983-1985 and the Canadian Football League beginning in 1994. He has made several visits to the Canadian Football Hall of Fame in Hamilton, Ontario, the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Indiana and the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio,

## ***Operation Gridiron Airlift (2008-2010)***

For three years, Randy collected new and used footballs and shipped them to U.S. Troops serving overseas. About 500 footballs found their way to deployed servicemen and women in Italy, Afghanistan and Guantanamo Bay. Pro, college and high school teams donated to the cause including the Detroit Lions, Michigan State, Western Michigan, Central Michigan, Purdue, Arizona State, West Virginia and the United States Air Force Academy.

## ***First-Hand Football Experience and Professional Affiliations***

Randy was a member of the Arena Football League Writer's Association from 2005-2008 and in 2010. In 2006, he launched his own web site called [www.theworldoffootball.com](http://www.theworldoffootball.com), which contains news, links, trivia, upcoming events, original content and much more from all across the worldwide football landscape. He has been a member of the Professional Football Researchers Association as well as Toastmasters International since 2011. From 2009-2012, he spent his Thursday and Friday nights as a member of a football stats crew for a local high school's JV and Varsity football teams. He has written over 350 articles on a variety of football subjects for various web sites and print publications with an emphasis on the rich history of the game of football.

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## ***Publications Randy has written for;***

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Kalamazoo Weekly

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WorldofFootball.com web site

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