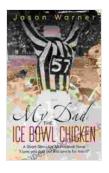
My Dad the Ice Bowl Chicken: A Heartwarming Tale of Family, Football, and Fate

In the annals of football history, the Ice Bowl of 1967 stands as one of the most iconic games ever played. The Green Bay Packers, led by legendary coach Vince Lombardi, faced off against the Dallas Cowboys in the NFL Championship Game at Lambeau Field in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The game was played in sub-zero temperatures, with a wind chill factor of -48 degrees Fahrenheit. The Packers won the game 21-17, but the victory came at a great cost. Bart Starr, the Packers' star quarterback, suffered a concussion in the game and was forced to leave early. The Packers' victory was bittersweet, but for one young boy, the game had a much more personal meaning.



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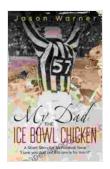




That young boy was John Lardinois. His father, Dick Lardinois, was a member of the Packers' coaching staff. John was 10 years old at the time

of the Ice Bowl, and he remembers that day vividly. "My dad was so excited about the game," John said. "He had been working long hours, and he was really looking forward to spending time with his family on Christmas Eve." But as the game progressed, John could see that his father was becoming increasingly anxious. "I remember him pacing back and forth on the sidelines," John said. "He was worried about Bart Starr, and he was worried about the team." As the game went into overtime, John's father became even more agitated. "He was pacing back and forth, and he was pulling his hair," John said. "I could tell that he was really stressed out." Then, something amazing happened. John's father spotted a chicken in the stands. The chicken was sitting on the lap of a young girl, and it was wearing a Packers jersey. John's father smiled. "That's it," he said. "That's our good luck charm." John's father ran over to the girl and asked if he could borrow the chicken. The girl agreed, and John's father took the chicken back to the sidelines. He placed the chicken on the bench next to him, and he told the team that this was their good luck charm. The Packers went on to win the game, and John's father credited the chicken with helping them to victory. "The chicken was our good luck charm," John said. "It gave us hope, and it helped us to believe that we could win." After the game, John's father took the chicken home with him. The chicken became a member of the Lardinois family, and they named it "Chicken." Chicken lived with the Lardinois family for many years, and he became a beloved member of the family. John said that Chicken was a constant reminder of the Ice Bowl, and of the power of hope. "Chicken was a symbol of hope for our family," John said. "He showed us that anything is possible, and that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope." John's father passed away in 2019, but Chicken continues to live with John and his family. John said that Chicken is a constant reminder of his father, and of the special bond that they shared. "Chicken is a part of our family," John said. "He's a

reminder of my dad, and of the special bond that we had." John Lardinois's story is a heartwarming tale of family, football, and fate. It is a story that shows us that anything is possible, and that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope.

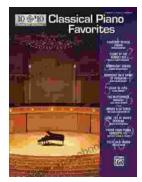


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