

WEEK

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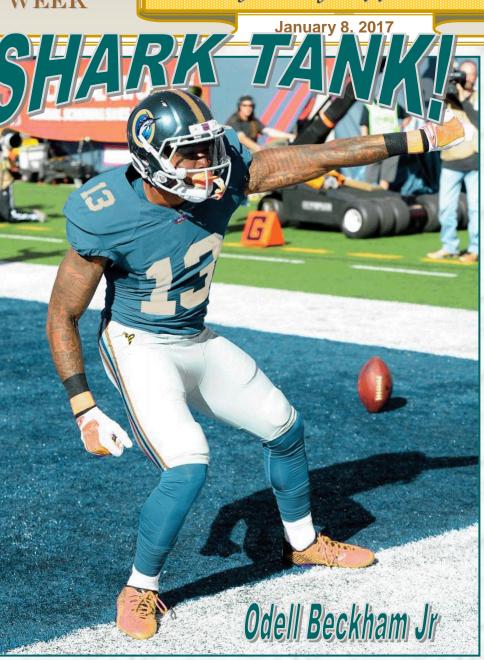
WEST



2016

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Odell **Beckham** celebrates after sprinting 80 yards down the sideline for his second TD catch of the game. It was the play that broke the game open for the Swordfish after three quarters of back-andforth action with Atlantic Division-leading North Stars. The Swordfish would recover an onside kick after this play and put the game away on the ensuing drive to emerge 52-32 victors.

In other league action, the withstood Triumph offensive barrage by the Hawks to remain unbeaten with a 36-29 win; the LA Knights and QB, Teddy Bridgewater turned the tables on the Cubs with a 22-17 victory on the road; and Cowtown got out in front of York 24-3 in the 3rd quarter, but struggled to hang on as the Excaliburs' comeback fell short in a 31-23 loss.







SOUTH



Who was slick in Week Twelve?

"BRYLCREEM" THE EFL'S FIRST SPONSOR



Antonio Brown
WK
Twin Cities
Triumph

4 Rec, 108 yards, 3 TDs. Doubled all day and still caught game-winner.



Paul Posluszny
ILB
Sebastian
Swordfish

9 T, 1 Defl, 1 INT (74-yds), TD. His pick-six shifted the momentum.









When you're in a rush! 12 Games, 12 Highlights!

By Chris Sherma

Week 12 had its share of thrillers and clunkers: In Sebastian, Odell Beckham Jr hugged the sideline for an 80-yard catch-and-run in the 4th quarter to gain the edge in a thrilling 52-32 win over Markham; At Chino, Cam Newton connected with Marvin Jones for a 44yard TD pass to take the lead in the 4th quarter as the Convicts robbed the Monarchs, 30-22; (3) In Twin Cities, the Triumph survived an all-out assault by the Brooklin offence when Antonio Brown caught a 16-yard game-winning TD pass from Carson Palmer with 1:52 left for a 36-29 Triumph win; 🚜 🐆 In St. Charles, the Violators stayed in the playoff hunt when *Ezekiel Elliott* dove through the line for an 8-yard TD run to give Virden a 28-24 win over the Chargers; Jun Aurora, the stubborn Wolverines held off the Mustangs until the 4th quarter when *Matt Ryan* finally cracked the end zone with an 8-yard cross to *Corey Coleman* as Aurora snuck past Toronto, 10-3; Gwinnett Coliseum, Victor Beasley stripped Kirk Cousins and corner Sean Smith returned it 49 yards for a TD that would make the difference for the Glads in a 17-10 win over South Carolina; Scarborough, Isaiah Crowell rushed for 196 yards, including a 43yarder late in the 4th quarter to set up the game-winning FG as the Wrecking Balls stunned the Blue Eagles, 17-16; 🕵 In Iowa City, LA QB **Teddy Bridgewater** threw for 392 yards and 3 TD passes, including a 65-yarder to **Brandin Cooks**, as the Knights surprised the Cubs, 22-17; 💯 In York, *Matt Hasselbeck* hit *Mike Evans* down the sideline for a 58-yard TD pass to spark his team to a 24-3 lead then the Corn Kings held on in the 4th quarter for a 31-23 victory over the Excaliburs; At Patriot Place in Charleswood, Lamar Miller ran for a TD and caught another as the defence held *Marcus Mariota* in check in a 20-7 Pats victory over the Cannibals; Mathieu, picked off Philip Rivers and returned it 38 yards for a TD to open the scoring as the Thunder Lizards romped over the Spartans, 34-17, Mohave, Ryan Fitzpatrick converted 3rd & 20 with a 43-yard TD pass to Allen Robinson as the Hellfire dumped Erieau, 30-14.

HAWKS



PASSING: Alex Smith, 23 of 38, 278 yds, 3 TDs, 0 INT **RUSHING**: Ryan Mathews, 11C, 115yds, (10.5), 1 TD RECEIVNG: DeAndre Hopkins, 10 for 164yds, 52LG, 2 TDs

DEFENCE: Stephon Tuitt, 8 T, 1 SK, 3 HUR KICKING: Zach Hocker. 2 of 3 XPA. 1 of 1 FGA. 5 Pts

TRIUMPH



36

PASSING: Carson Palmer, 18 of 30, 281 yds, 5 TDs, 0 INT RUSHING: Doug Marton, 26C, 124yds, (4.8), 0 TD

RECEIVNG: Antonio Brown, 4 for 108yds, 53LG, 3 TDs DEFENCE: Ziggy Ansah, 5 T, 1 SK, 1 FF KICKING: Robert Aguayo, 4 of 4 XPA, 4 Pts

| 01-05-2017 Wilhalla | Stadium Temp: 70 Wind: MVP: Carson Palmer | | | BRH | TCT |
|----------------------|---|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | First Downs | 25 | 20 |
| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | | Rushes | 29-204 | 26-124 |
| 2015 Brooklin (6-6) | 7 10 6 6 29 | | Passes | 38-23-278 | 30-18-281 |
| 2015 Twin Cities (12 | -0) 7 7 7 15 36 | | Sacked | 1-7 | 2-15 |
| 1 9:31 Twin Cities | TD Palmer 15 pass to Eifert (Aguayo) (7-43-3:22) | 0-7 | Fumble | 4 | 1 |
| 1 2:08 Brooklin | TD Mathews 1 run (Hocker) (12-92-7:19) | 7-7 | Penalties | 7-54 | 4-20 |
| 2 3:59 Brooklin | TD Smith 52 pass to Hopkins (Hocker) (5-98-2:43) | 14-7 | Turnovers | 1 | 0 |
| 2 2:01 Twin Cities | TD Palmer 53 pass to Brown (Aguayo) (5-80-1:58) | 14-14 | Missed Tackles | 9 | 7 |
| 2 0:00 Brooklin | FG Hocker 23 (12-75-1:58) | 17-14 | Blitzes | 1 | 0 |
| 3 9:43 Twin Cities | TD Palmer 5 pass to Martin (Aguayo) (9-80-4:03) | 17-21 | Time | 32:43 | 27:17 |
| 3 1:24 Brooklin | TD Smith 16 pass to Hopkins (no good) (10-73-5:41) | 23-21 | Third Down | 4-10 | 5-11 |
| 4 12:29 Twin Cities | TD Palmer 30 pass to Brown (Aguayo) (7-80-3:55) | 23-28 | Fourth Down | 2-3 | 1-2 |
| 4 5:20 Brooklin | TD Smith 8 pass to Gronkowski (2 - failed) (14-80-7:09) | 29-28 | Red Att/Td/Fg | 4/3/1 | 4/3/0 |
| 4 1:52 Twin Cities | TD Palmer 16 pass to Brown (2 - Brown) (8-80-3:28) | 29-36 | Net Offense | 475 | 390 |
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CANNIBALS



PASSING: Marcus Martioa, 20 of 33, 230 yds, 1 TD, 0 INT

RUSHING: Eddie Lacy,141C, 73yds, (5.2), 0 TD

RECEIVNG: Emmanuel Sanders, 5 for 54yds, 13LG, 0 TD

DEFENCE: A'Shawn Robinson, 3 T, 1 SK, 1 STF KICKING: Chandler Cantanzaro. 1 of 1 XPA. 1 Pt

PATRIOTS



20

PASSING: Blake Borltes, 12 of 20, 9 yds, 1 TD, 0 INT RUSHING: Lamar Miller, 17C, 122yds, (7.2), 1 TD RECEIVNG: Sammy Watkins, 3 for 31yds, 14LG, 0 TD **DEFENCE**: Cameron Heyward, 4 T, 2 SK, 1 PD, 4 HUR

KICKING: Ryan Succop, 2 of 2 XPA, 2 of 2 FGA, 8 Pts

| 01-05-2017 Patriot Place Temp: 75 Wind: MVP: Lamar M | Miller | | CAR | СНР |
|--|-----------------|----------------|-----------|----------|
| | | First Downs | 20 | 14 |
| 1 2 3 4 Tot | | Rushes | 26-109 | 27-142 |
| 2015 Carthage (3-9) 7 0 0 0 7 | | Passes | 33-20-230 | 20-12-92 |
| 2015 Charleswood (6-6) 0 14 6 0 20 | | Sacked | 5-36 | 1-4 |
| | | Fumble | 3 | 0 |
| Scoring Summary | | Penalties | 4-43 | 4-28 |
| 1 9:23 Carthage TD Mariota 13 pass to Langford (Catanzaro) (| 11-99-5:32) 7-0 | Turnovers | 2 | 0 |
| 2 3:17 Charleswood TD Miller 4 run (Succop) (14-97-8:33) | 7-7 | Missed Tackles | 3 | 3 |
| 2 0:23 Charleswood TD Bortles 3 pass to Miller (Succop) (4-19-2:05 | 5) 7-14 | Blitzes | 17 | 25 |
| 3 7:52 Charleswood FG Succop 39 (5-15-0:56) | 7-17 | Time | 33:13 | 26:47 |
| 3 0:29 Charleswood FG Succop 22 (6-44-2:37) | 7-20 | Third Down | 6-12 | 4-12 |
| | | Fourth Down | 0-3 | 1-1 |
| | | Red Att/Td/Fg | 1/1/0 | 3/2/1 |
| | | Net Offense | 303 | 230 |
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VIOLATORS



28

PASSING: Derek Carr, 16 of 23, 224 yds, 2 TDs, 0 INT RUSHING: Ezekiel Elliott, 18C, 82yds, (4.6), 1 TD

RECEIVNG: Michael Floyd, 6 for 97yds, 27LG, 1 TD **DEFENCE**: Melvin Ingram, 6 T, 3 SK, 2 PD

KICKING: Josh Scobee. 4 of 4 XPA. 4 Pts

CHARGERS



PASSING: Carson Wentz, 22 of 33, 265 yds, 1 TD, 0 INT RUSHING: Darrren Sproles, 9C, 70yds, (7.8), 1 TD

RECEIVNG: Terrance Williams, 6 for 129yds, 43LG, 0 TD DEFENCE: Kevin Minter, 9 T, 2 STF

KICKING: Steven Hauschka, 2 of 2 XPA, 0 of 1 FGA, 2 Pts

| 01-07-2017 St.Charle | es Stadium Temp: 72 Wind: MVP: <i>Derek Carr</i> | | | VV | STC |
|-----------------------|---|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | First Downs | 22 | 26 |
| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | | Rushes | 30-120 | 23-148 |
| 2015 Virden (5-7) | 7 7 7 7 28 | | Passes | 23-16-224 | 33-22-265 |
| 2016 St. Charles (5-7 | 7) 7 9 0 8 24 | | Sacked | 0-0 | 4-37 |
| | | | Fumble | 0 | 2 |
| Scoring Summary | | | Penalties | 7-69 | 4-40 |
| 1 4:14 St. Charles | TD Allen 5 run (Hauschka) (9-70-5:24) | 0-7 | Turnovers | 0 | 1 |
| 1 0:11 Virden | TD Carr 26 pass to Bryant (Scobee) (8-80-4:03) | 7-7 | Missed Tackles | 5 | 6 |
| 2 11:52 St. Charles | Safety Dial (Holding-Offense) | 7-9 | Blitzes | 13 | 19 |
| 2 8:21 St. Charles | TD Wentz 20 pass to Wright (Hauschka) (6-60-3:22) | 7-16 | Time | 29:29 | 30:31 |
| 2 0:57 Virden | TD McCluster 4 run (Scobee) (14-85-7:19) | 14-16 | Third Down | 3-8 | 3-8 |
| 3 7:24 Virden | TD Carr 8 pass to Floyd (Scobee) (12-75-7:29) | 21-16 | Fourth Down | 3-4 | 1-2 |
| 4 9:57 St. Charles | TD Sproles 1 run (2 - Sproles) (8-77-3:59) | 21-24 | Red Att/Td/Fg | 3/3/0 | 4/3/0 |
| 4 6:33 Virden | TD Elliott 8 run (Scobee) (7-80-3:24) | 28-24 | Net Offense | 344 | 376 |
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CADILLAC



PASSING: Case Keenum, 17 of 27, 239 yds, 1 TD, 1 INT

RUSHING: DuJuan Harris, 3C, 55yds, (18.1), 1 TD RECEIVNG: Kenny Britt, 4 for 111yds, 32LG, 0 TD

DEFENCE: Brian Robison, 7 T, 1 STF

KICKING: Stephen Gostkowski. 2 of 2 XPA. 2 Pts

HELLFIRE



30

PASSING: Ryan Fitapatrick, 27 of 35, 267 yds, 3 TDs, 0 INT RUSHING: Ronnie Hillman, 21C, 89yds, (4.2), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Allen Robinson, 7 for 120yds, 43LG, 1 TD

DEFENCE: TJ Green, 6 T, 1 PD, 1 INT (2yds)

KICKING: Sebastan Janikowski, 3 of 3 XPA, 3 of 3FGA,12 Pts

| 01-06-2017 The Fier | y Depths Temp: 94 Wind: Calm None MVP: Ryan Fitzpa | trick | | ERI | мон |
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| | | | First Downs | 13 | 25 |
| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | | Rushes | 17-113 | 34-140 |
| 2016 Erieau (0-12) | 0 7 0 7 14 | | Passes | 27-17-239 | 35-27-267 |
| 2015 Mohave (6-6) | 10 3 14 3 30 | | Sacked | 2-17 | 1-4 |
| | | | Fumble | 1 | 0 |
| Scoring Summary | | | Penalties | 8-85 | 13-103 |
| 1 9:58 Mohave | TD Fitzpatrick 8 pass to Hillman (Janikowski) (7-70-3:21) | 0-7 | Turnovers | 2 | 0 |
| 1 5:30 Mohave | FG Janikowski 25 (7-20-3:23) | 0-10 | Missed Tackles | 3 | 2 |
| 2 8:31 Mohave | FG Janikowski 21 (17-89-8:41) | 0-13 | Blitzes | 6 | 21 |
| 2 2:45 Erieau | TD Harris 48 run (Gostkowski) (3-89-1:53) | 7-13 | Time | 20:25 | 39:35 |
| 3 11:11 Mohave | TD Fitzpatrick 43 pass to Robinson (Janikowski) (8-64-3:3 | 7-20 | Third Down | 2-9 | 6-14 |
| 3 5:07 Mohave | TD Fitzpatrick 10 pass to Jones (Janikowski) (7-39-4:21) | 7-27 | Fourth Down | 0-2 | 0-0 |
| 4 14:02 Erieau | TD Keenum 17 pass to Marshall (Gostkowski) (7-84-2:05) | 14-27 | Red Att/Td/Fg | 2/1/0 | 7/2/3 |
| 4 4:56 Mohave | FG Janikowski 25 (15-83-8:50) | 14-30 | Net Offense | 335 | 403 |
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MONARCHS



22

PASSING: Eli Manning, 18 of 39, 216yds, 2 TDs, 0 INT

RUSHING: Matt Forte, 10C, 40yds, (4.0), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Allen Hums, 5 for 103yds, 45LG, 1 TD DEFENCE: Olivier Vemon, 7 T, 2 SK, 2 STF KICKING: Josh Lambo 1 of 2 XPA. 3 of 3 FGA. 10 Pts

CONVICTS



30

PASSING: Cam Newton, 20 of 32, 258 yds, 3 TDs, 0 INT

RUSHING: Adrian Peterson, 18C, 97yds, (5.4), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Marvin Jones, 4 for 78yds, 42LG, 1 TD DEFENCE: DeMarcus Ware, 3 T, 1 SK, 2 HUR KICKING: Dan Bailey, 3 of 3 XPA, 1 of 3 FGA, 6 Pts

| 01-07-2017 The Big House Temp: 77 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: <i>Cam Newton</i> | | | MVM | СНІ |
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| 1 2 3 4 Tot 2015 Mission Viejo (4-8) 0 9 13 0 22 2015 Chino (6-6) 7 10 0 13 30 1 3:29 Chino TD Newton 5 run (Bailey,D) (13-58-5:35) 2 10:25 Mission Viejo FG Lambo 20 (14-81-7:54) 2 7:54 Mission Viejo TD Manning 45 pass to Hurns (no good) (1-45-0:13) 2 1:45 Chino FG Bailey 35 (5-21-1:41) 2 0:00 Chino TD Newton 43 pass to Wright (Bailey,D) (4-59-0:33) 3 13:19 Mission Viejo FG Lambo 20 (5-16-1:33) 3 12:20 Mission Viejo TD Manning 10 pass to Powell (Lambo) (2-7-0:54) 3 3:29 Mission Viejo FG Lambo 35 (14-39-3:45) 4 14:00 Chino TD Newton 42 pass to Jones (2 - failed) (11-80-4:29) 4 10:10 Chino TD Newton 11 pass to Woodhead (Bailey,D) (3-56-1:07) | R P P S S O-7 F F S P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P P | First Downs Rushes Passes Facked Fumble Penalties Furnovers Missed Tackles Blitzes Fime Fhird Down Fourth Down Red Att/Td/Fg Net Offense | 17 24-82 39-18-216 3-20 0 11-93 0 4 36 27:20 5-18 1-2 4/1/3 278 | 24 29-117 32-20-258 4-22 2 5-50 2 0 26 32:40 7-16 1-1 4/2/1 353 |

KNIGHTS



22

PASSING: Teddy Bridgewater, 20 of 35, 392 yds, 2 TDs, 0 INT

RUSHING: Frank Gore, 28C, 66yds, (2.4), 1 TD **RECEIVNG**: Brandin Cooks, 7 for 143yds, 65LG, 1 TD

DEFENCE: Sean Lee, 7 T, 1 PD, 2 STF

KICKING: Grea Zuerlein. 1 of 3 XPA. 1 of 1 FGA. 4 Pts

CUBS



PASSING: Russell Wilson, 17 of 29, 254yds, 2 TDs, 0 INT RUSHING: Tavon Austin, 9C, 48yds, (5.3), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Tyler Lockett, 4 for 102yds, 34LG, 0 TD DEFENCE: Fletcher Cox, 7 T, 5 STF, 1 HUR KICKING: Jason Myers, 2 of 2 XPA, 1 of 3 FGA, 5 Pts

| 01-07-2017 Joe Ferguson Stadium Temp: 41 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: <i>Teddy B</i> | | LAK | ICC | |
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| | First Downs | 22 | 17 | |
| 1 2 3 4 Tot | | Rushes | 33-93 | 20-105 |
| 2015 Los Angeles (9-3) 0 10 12 0 22 | | Passes | 35-20-392 | 30-17-254 |
| 2015 Iowa City (8-4) 0 0 7 10 17 | | Sacked | 0-0 | 2-21 |
| | Fumble | 1 | 0 | |
| Scoring Summary | Penalties | 7-73 | 9-65 | |
| 2 12:28 Los Angeles FG Zuerlein 20 (12-67-6:44) | 3-0 | Turnovers | 1 | 0 |
| 2 5:44 Los Angeles TD Bridgewater 8 pass to Matthews (Zuerlein) (9-92-4:22) | 10-0 | Missed Tackles | 7 | 8 |
| 3 12:27 Los Angeles TD Gore 3 run (no good) (2-82-0:59) | 16-0 | Blitzes | 27 | 5 |
| 3 9:30 Iowa City TD Wilson 25 pass to Randle (Myers, J) (2-37-0:53) | 16-7 | Time | 35:44 | 24:16 |
| 3 4:32 Los Angeles TD Bridgewater 65 pass to Cooks (no good) (2-62-1:06) | 22-7 | Third Down | 5-14 | 0-11 |
| 4 11:37 Iowa City TD Wilson 15 pass to Randle (Myers,J) (4-83-1:59) | 22-14 | Fourth Down | 0-1 | 1-1 |
| 4 5:28 Iowa City FG Myers 20 (10-87-2:49) | 22-17 | Red Att/Td/Fg | 4/2/1 | 2/1/1 |
| | | Net Offense | 485 | 338 |
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T-LIZARDS



34

PASSING: Drew Brees, 20 of 35, 256 yds, 2 TDs, 1 INT RUSHING: Darren McFadden, 21C, 182yds, (8.7), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Calvin Johnson, 6 for 87yds, 23LG, 2 TDs

DEFENCE: Tyrann Mathieu, 2 T, 2 PD, 1 HUR, 1 INT (38yds) KICKING: Phil Dawson. 4 of 4 XPA. 4 Pts

SPARTANS



17

PASSING: Philip Rivers, 18 of 34, 199 yds, 2 TDs, 3 INTs RUSHING: Devonta Freeman, 18C, 78yds, (4.2), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Rashard Higgins, 4 for 70yds, 39LG, 1 TD DEFENCE: Telvin Smith, 4 T, 3 PD, 1 STF, 1 FF KICKING: Travis Coons, 2 of 2 XPA, 1 of 1 FGA, 5 Pts

| 01-05-2017 Thermop | oylae Stadium Temp: 30 Wind: 5-15 None MVP: Darr | en McFadden | | DTL | PIC |
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| | | | First Downs | 24 | 18 |
| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | | Rushes | 31-210 | 20-77 |
| 2015 Durham (6-6) | 7 10 3 14 34 | | Passes | 35-20-256 | 34-18-199 |
| 2015 Pickering (4-8) | 0 10 0 7 17 | | Sacked | 4-28 | 0-0 |
| | | | Fumble | 1 | 0 |
| Scoring Summary | | | Penalties | 6-53 | 1-10 |
| 1 2:28 Durham | TD Mathieu 38 interception return (Dawson,P) | 7-0 | Turnovers | 1 | 3 |
| 2 11:08 Pickering | FG Coons 25 (12-66-6:09) | 7-3 | Missed Tackles | 2 | 11 |
| 2 5:25 Durham | TD Brees 11 pass to Johnson (Dawson,P) (8-59-2:49) | 14-3 | Blitzes | 8 | 8 |
| 2 1:05 Pickering | TD Rivers 7 pass to Tate (Coons) (8-63-4:12) | 14-10 | Time | 35:32 | 24:28 |
| 2 0:21 Durham | FG Dawson 49 (5-42-0:31) | 17-10 | Third Down | 8-14 | 2-10 |
| 3 0:57 Durham | FG Dawson 27 (14-69-7:16) | 20-10 | Fourth Down | 0-1 | 1-1 |
| 4 10:12 Durham | TD Brees 23 pass to Johnson (Dawson,P) (8-86-4:22) | 27-10 | Red Att/Td/Fg | 4/2/1 | 3/2/1 |
| 4 2:45 Durham | TD Booker 6 run (Dawson,P) (2-6-0:57) | 34-10 | | | |
| 4 0:30 Pickering | TD Rivers 10 pass to Higgins (Coons) (7-80-2:10) | 34-17 | Net Offense | 438 | 276 |
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CORN KINGS



31

PASSING: Matt Hasselbeck, 19 of 30, 265 yds, 3 TDs, 0 INT RUSHING: LeGarrette Blount, 23C, 121yds, (5.3), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Mike Evans, 5 for 104yds, 58LG, 1 TD

DEFENCE: Greg Hardy, 3 T, 1 SK, 1 STF, 1 HUR KICKING: Nick Novk. 4 of 4 XPA. 1 of 1 FA. 7 Pts

EXCALIBURS



23

PASSING: Tom Brady, 22 of 38, 351 yds, 3 TDs, 1 INT RUSHING: Derrick Henry, 11C, 80yds, (7.3), 0 TD **RECEIVNG**: James Jones, 7 for 106yds, 29LG, 2 TDs

DEFENCE: Geno Atkins, 3 T, 1 SK, 1 HUR KICKING: Blair Walsh, 2 of 3 XPA, 1 of 1 FGA, 5 Pts

| 01-08-2017 Camelot | Temp: 47 Wind: 0-5 MVP: <i>Matt Hasselbeck</i> | | | cow | YOR |
|--------------------|--|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | First Downs | 25 | 23 |
| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | | Rushes | 32-165 | 26-122 |
| 2015 Cowtown (8-4) | 0 17 14 0 31 | | Passes | 32-21-276 | 38-22-351 |
| 2015 York (6-6) | 3 0 7 13 23 | | Sacked | 2-18 | 1-10 |
| | | | Fumble | 0 | 1 |
| Scoring Summary | | | Penalties | 4-35 | 8-61 |
| 1 3:15 York | FG Walsh 28 (12-66-4:51) | 0-3 | Turnovers | 0 | 1 |
| 2 6:38 Cowtown | FG Novak 40 (10-59-6:01) | 3-3 | Missed Tackles | 7 | 5 |
| 2 2:53 Cowtown | TD Hasselbeck 58 pass to Evans (Novak) (6-73-1:55) | 10-3 | Blitzes | 24 | 14 |
| 2 2:05 Cowtown | TD Hasselbeck 6 pass to Fitzgerald (Novak) (3-32-0:41) | 17-3 | Challenges | 1-1 | 0-0 |
| 3 8:26 Cowtown | TD Hasselbeck 13 pass to Fitzgerald (Novak) (12-80-6:34) | 24-3 | Time | 32:40 | 27:20 |
| 3 6:13 York | TD Brady 35 pass to Ertz (Walsh,B) (4-84-2:08) | 24-10 | Third Down | 8-14 | 5-12 |
| 3 3:03 Cowtown | TD Asiata 13 run (Novak) (9-72-3:02) | 31-10 | Fourth Down | 0-0 | 1-2 |
| 4 13:42 York | TD Brady 11 pass to Jones (no good) (10-80-4:21) | 31-16 | Red Att/Td/Fg | 6/3/1 | 4/2/1 |
| 4 3:00 York | TD Brady 17 pass to Jones (Walsh,B) (6-64-1:51) | 31-23 | Net Offense | 423 | 4/2/1 |

NORTH STARS



32

PASSING: Tyrod Taylor, 19 of 34, 274 yds, 3 TDs, 1 INT RUSHING: Tyrod Taylor, 9C, 71yds, (7.9), 1 TD

RECEIVNG: Brandon Marshall, 6 for 93yds, 47LG, 2 TDs **DEFENCE**: Calais Campbell, 8 T, 1 SK, 2 STF, 1 HUR, 1 BLK

KICKING: Josh Brown. 3 of 3 XPA. 1 of 1 FGA. 6 Pts

SWORDFISH



52

PASSING: Andy Dalton, 17 of 28, 346 yds, 5 TDs, 0 INT RUSHING: CJ Anderson, 7C, 49yds, (7.0), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Odell Beckham Jr, 7 for 165yds, 80LG, 2 TDs **DEFENCE**: Paul Posluszny, 9 T, 1 PD, 1 INT (74yds-TD) KICKING: Adam Vinatieri, 3 of 3 XPA, 1 of 2 FGA, 6 Pts

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28:33 3-10 2-3 4/3/1 491

| 01-05-2017 The Fish | Tank Temp: | 76 | Wind | : | MVP: Andy Dalton | | | MAR |
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| | 1 | L 2 | 3 | 4 | Tot | | First Downs | 28 |
| 2015 Markham (9-3 | - | 7 10 | 7 | 8 | 32 | | Rushes | 24-143 |
| 2015 Sebastian (11- | | | 20 | | 52 | | Passes | 47-25-323 |
| 2013 300030011 (11 | | , 1. | , 20 | / | 32 | | Sacked | 1-9 |
| 1 10:56 Markham | TD Taylor 11 | pass t | o Johi | nson (Br | own,J) (8-72-3:59) | 7-0 | Fumble | 3 |
| 2 13:14 Markham | TD Taylor 1 ru | ın (Br | own,J |) (11-82 | -5:19) | 14-0 | Penalties | 3-52 |
| 2 10:39 Sebastian | TD Dalton 44 | pass t | o Bal | dwin (2 | - Anderson) (4-80-2:35) | 14-8 | Turnovers | 4 |
| 2 7:20 Markham | FG Brown 46 | (7-33- | -3:08) | | | 17-8 | Missed Tackles | 6 |
| 2 2:26 Sebastian | TD Dalton 17 | pass t | o Bal | dwin (Vi | natieri) (5-30-2:24) | 17-15 | | |
| 3 10:03 Sebastian | TD Dalton 26 | pass t | o Bed | kham Jr | . (2 - Baldwin) (11-80-4:5 | 17-23 | Dropped Passes | 4 |
| 3 9:44 Markham | TD Taylor 47 | pass t | o Mar | shall (Bi | rown,J) (1-47-0:13) | 24-23 | Blitzes | 13 |
| 3 7:11 Sebastian | TD Forsett 11 | run (| 2 - fai | led) (6-8 | 0-2:33) | 24-29 | Time | 31:27 |
| 3 4:20 Sebastian | TD Posluszny | 74 int | ercep | tion ret | urn (2 - failed) | 24-35 | Third Down | 5-10 |
| 4 11:25 Markham | TD Taylor 3 pa | ass to | Mars | hall (2 - | Thomas) (14-77-7:41) | 32-35 | Fourth Down | 2-4 |
| 4 11:09 Sebastian | TD Dalton 80 | pass t | o Bed | kham Jr | . (Vinatieri) (1-80-0:16) | 32-42 | Red Att/Td/Fg | 4/3/0 |
| 4 9:11 Sebastian | TD Dalton 12 | pass t | o Bal | dwin (Vi | natieri) (4-57-1:51) | 32-49 | | |
| 4 6:29 Sebastian | FG Vinatieri 3 | 3 (4-4 | -1:37 |) | | 32-52 | Net Offense | 457 |

WRECKING BALL



17

PASSING: Jared Goff, 10 of 14, 85 yds, 0 TD, 0 INT RUSHING: Isaiah Crowell, 22C, 196yds, (8.9), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Brian Hartline, 7 for 64yds, 16LG, 1 TD DEFENCE: James Harrison, 6 T, 2 SK, 2 STF KICKING: Chris Boswell. 2 of 2 XPA. 1 of 2 FGA. 5 Pts

BLUE EAGLES



16

PASSING: Aaron Rodgers, 23 of 39, 258 yds, 2 TDs, 1 INT RUSHING: Aaron Rodgers, 4C, 35yds, (8.8), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Davante Adams, 7 for 77yds, 22LG, 2 TDs DEFENCE: Ndamukong Suh, 6 T, 1 STF, 1 HUR KICKING: Dan Carpenter, 1 of 2 XPA, 1 of 1 FGA, 4 Pts

| 01-07-2017 Bluffs Stad | ium Temp: 28 Wind: Calm None MVP: Isaiah Crowell | |
|------------------------|--|-------|
| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | |
| 2016 New Jersey (3-9) | 0 0 7 10 17 | |
| 2015 Scarborough (3-9 |) 6 10 0 0 16 | |
| | | |
| Scoring Summary | | |
| 1 7:53 Scarborough | TD Rodgers 2 pass to Adams (no good) (15-80-7:07) | 0-6 |
| 2 12:40 Scarborough | TD Rodgers 12 pass to Adams (Carpenter) (11-89-6:30) | 0-13 |
| 2 0:00 Scarborough | FG Carpenter 21 (11-74-2:33) | 0-16 |
| 3 8:48 New Jersey | TD Goff 1 run (Boswell) (9-95-5:58) | 7-16 |
| 4 8:07 New Jersey | TD Hoyer 4 pass to Hartline (Boswell) (15-84-7:48) | 14-16 |
| 4 1:31 New Jersey | FG Boswell 19 (5-51-0:37) | 17-16 |
| | | |

| | NJ | SBE |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| First Downs | 17 | 21 |
| Rushes | 34-232 | 23-79 |
| Passes | 25-19-160 | 39-23-258 |
| Sacked | 1-9 | 2-10 |
| Fumble | 1 | 0 |
| Penalties | 13-126 | 5-45 |
| Turnovers | 1 | 1 |
| Missed Tackles | 3 | 9 |
| Blitzes | 46 | 38 |
| Time | 31:50 | 28:10 |
| Third Down | 6-13 | 7-16 |
| Fourth Down | 2-2 | 2-3 |
| Red Att/Td/Fg | 4/2/1 | 3/2/1 |
| Net Offense | 383 | 327 |

REGULATORS



10

PASSING: Kirk Cousins, 27 of 44, 307 yds, 0 TD, 1 INT RUSHING: Ameer Abdullah, 17C, 87yds, (5.1), 0 TD

RECEIVNG: Jordan Payton, 5 for 92yds, 42LG, 0 TD **DEFENCE**: Luke Kuechly, 12 T, 1 SK, 1 STF, 1 INT (27yds) KICKING: Justin Tucker. 1 of 1 XPA. 1 of 3 FGA. 4 Pts

GLADIATORS



17

PASSING: Ben Roethlisberger, 5 of 8, 82 yds, 1 TD, 0 INT RUSHING: LeSean McCoy, 20C, 106yds, (5.3), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Jeremy Maclin, 5 for 70yds, 25LG, 1 TD DEFENCE: Vic Beasley Jr, 4 T, 2 SK, 1 STF, 1 HUR, 1 FF KICKING: Cairo Santos, 2 of 2 XPA, 1 of 2 FGA, 5 Pts

| 01-05-2017 Gwinnett Coliseum | Temp: 54 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: Jeremy Maclin | n |
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| | | |
| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | |
| 2015 South Carolina (4-8) | 3 0 0 7 10 | |
| 2015 Gwinnett (8-4) | 3 0 7 7 17 | |
| | | |
| Scoring Summary | | |
| 1 7:22 Gwinnett FG Santos | 29 (12-67-4:06) | 0-3 |
| 1 4:13 South Carolina FG Tuck | er 49 (5-21-2:55) | 3-3 |
| 3 9:09 Gwinnett TD Roethli | sberger 25 pass to Maclin (Santos) (9-80-5:51) | 3-10 |
| 4 2:17 Gwinnett TD Smith | 9 yd fumble recovery (Santos) | 3-17 |

4 0:17 South Carolina TD Cousins 1 run (Tucker,J) (9-85-1:53)

| | sc | GWG |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| First Downs | 24 | 13 |
| Rushes | 22-89 | 24-116 |
| Passes | 44-27-307 | 21-10-127 |
| Sacked | 3-26 | 3-19 |
| Fumble | 2 | 0 |
| Penalties | 13-95 | 7-36 |
| Turnovers | 2 | 1 |
| Missed Tackles | 4 | 4 |
| Blitzes | 19 | 8 |
| Time | 34:01 | 25:59 |
| Third Down | 3-11 | 3-11 |
| Fourth Down | 0-1 | 0-0 |
| Red Att/Td/Fg | 2/1/0 | 2/0/1 |
| Net Offense | 370 | 224 |
| | | |

WOLVERINES



3

PASSING: Ryan Tannehill, 22 of 33, 235yds, 0 TD, 1 INT RUSHING: DeMarco Murray, 16C, 51yds, (3.2), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Dwayne Harris, 7 for 73yds, 17LG, 0 TD

DEFENCE: Jalen Ramsey, 6 T, 1 PD (1-3pass) KICKING: Mike Nugent. 0 of 0 XPA. 1 of 2 FGA. 3 Pts

MUSTANGS

10-17

10

PASSING: Matt Ryan, 16 of 34, 165 yds, 1 TD, 0 INT RUSHING: Kenyan Drake, 9C, 97yds, (10.8), 0 TD RECEIVNG: Julian Edelman, 5 for 52yds, 14LG, 0 TD

DEFENCE: NaVorro Bowman, 10 T, 1 SK,

KICKING: Mason Crosby, 1 of 1 XPA, 1 of 2 FGA, 4 Pts

| 01-07-2017 Candlest | ick Park Temp:57 Wind:0-5 None MVP: Matt Ryan | |
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| | 1 2 3 4 Tot | |
| 2016 Toronto (2-10) | 0 0 3 0 3 | |
| 2015 Aurora (10-2) | 0 3 0 7 10 | |
| | | |
| Scoring Summary | | |
| 2 0:45 Aurora | FG Crosby 30 (7-56-1:06) | 0-3 |
| 3 1:39 Toronto | FG Nugent 18 (8-83-4:03) | 3-3 |
| 4 10:24 Aurora | TD Ryan 8 pass to Gillmore (Crosby) (11-80-6:15) | 3-10 |
| | | |

| | TOR | AUR |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| First Downs | 17 | 21 |
| Rushes | 22-69 | 29-184 |
| Passes | 33-22-235 | 34-16-165 |
| Sacked | 3-28 | 1-9 |
| Fumble | 0 | 1 |
| Penalties | 9-80 | 2-25 |
| Turnovers | 1 | 1 |
| Missed Tackles | 6 | 4 |
| Blitzes | 24 | 12 |
| Time | 31:10 | 28:50 |
| Third Down | 2-11 | 4-15 |
| Fourth Down | 0-1 | 3-4 |
| Red Att/Td/Fg | 3/0/1 | 5/1/1 |
| Net Offense | 276 | 340 |
| | | |







WEEK TWELVE

STANDINGS

| PACIFIC CONFERENCE | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|----|----|---|-------|-------|------|--------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| East | w | L | Т | Pct | Pts | Ave | Орр | Ave | Diff | Home | Div | Conf | |
| Brooklin | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.5 | 340 | 28.3 | 322 | 26.8 | 1.5 | 3 3 0 | 2 2 0 | 4 4 0 | |
| Mohave | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.5 | 288 | 24 | 280 | 23.3 | 0.7 | 4 2 0 | 2 2 0 | 4 4 0 | |
| St. Charles | 5 | 7 | 0 | 0.417 | 248 | 20.7 | 284 | 23.7 | -3 | 3 3 0 | 3 1 0 | 4 4 0 | |
| Carthage | 3 | 9 | 0 | 0.25 | 245 | 20.4 | 358 | 29.8 | -9.4 | 150 | 1 3 0 | 2 6 0 | |
| Central | W | L | Т | Pct | Pts | Ave | Орр | Ave | Diff | Home | Div | Conf | |
| Twin Cities (z) | 12 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 415 | 34.6 | 209 | 17.4 | 17.2 | 600 | 3 0 0 | 8 0 0 | |
| Charleswood | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.5 | 244 | 20.3 | 201 | 16.8 | 3.6 | 3 4 0 | 2 1 0 | 6 2 0 | |
| Virden | 5 | 7 | 0 | 0.417 | 242 | 20.2 | 273 | 22.8 | -2.6 | 3 3 0 | 1 2 0 | 4 4 0 | |
| Erieau | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 106 | 8.8 | 358 | 29.8 | -21 | 050 | 030 | 080 | |
| West | W | L | Т | Pct | Pts | Ave | Орр | Ave | Diff | Home | Div | Conf | |
| Los Angeles | 9 | 3 | 0 | 0.75 | 247 | 20.6 | 154 | 12.8 | 7.8 | 5 1 0 | 4 1 0 | 6 2 0 | |
| Iowa City | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0.667 | 285 | 23.8 | 202 | 16.8 | 6.9 | 2 4 0 | 4 1 0 | 5 3 0 | |
| Chino | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.5 | 276 | 23 | 297 | 24.8 | -1.8 | 4 2 0 | 1 4 0 | 3 5 0 | |
| Mission Viejo | 4 | 8 | 0 | 0.333 | 202 | 16.8 | 293 | 24.4 | -7.6 | 3 3 0 | 1 4 0 | 2 6 0 | |
| | | | | ATL | ANTIC | CONF | ERENCE | | | | | | |
| North | W | L | Т | Pct | Pts | Ave | Орр | Ave | Diff | Home | Div | Conf | |
| Sebastian (y) | 11 | 1 | 0 | 0.917 | 390 | 32.5 | 215 | 17.9 | 14.6 | 5 1 0 | 3 1 0 | 7 1 0 | |
| Cowtown | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0.667 | 289 | 24.1 | 270 | 22.5 | 1.6 | 4 2 0 | 2 2 0 | 5 3 0 | |
| Durham | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.5 | 304 | 25.3 | 242 | 20.2 | 5.2 | 4 2 0 | 2 2 0 | 4 4 0 | |
| Scarborough | 3 | 9 | 0 | 0.25 | 219 | 18.3 | 324 | 27 | -8.8 | 2 4 0 | 1 3 0 | 260 | |
| Atlantic | W | L | Т | Pct | Pts | Ave | Орр | Ave | Diff | Home | Div | Conf | |
| Markham | 9 | 3 | 0 | 0.75 | 325 | 27.1 | 190 | 15.8 | 11.3 | 5 1 0 | 3 0 0 | 6 2 0 | |
| York | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.5 | 258 | 21.5 | 215 | 17.9 | 3.6 | 3 4 0 | 2 1 0 | 3 5 0 | |
| Pickering | 4 | 8 | 0 | 0.333 | 191 | 15.9 | 304 | 25.3 | -9.4 | 2 4 0 | 1 2 0 | 1 7 0 | |
| New Jersey | 3 | 9 | 0 | 0.25 | 152 | 12.7 | 298 | 24.8 | -12.2 | 1 4 0 | 0 3 0 | 170 | |
| South | W | L | Т | Pct | Pts | Ave | Орр | Ave | Diff | Home | Div | Conf | |
| Aurora | 10 | 2 | 0 | 0.833 | 331 | 27.6 | 181 | 15.1 | 12.5 | 6 0 0 | 4 1 0 | 6 2 0 | |
| Gwinnett | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0.667 | 339 | 28.3 | 247 | 20.6 | 7.7 | 5 1 0 | 5 0 0 | 7 1 0 | |
| South Carolina | 4 | 8 | 0 | 0.333 | 207 | 17.3 | 283 | 23.6 | -6.3 | 2 4 0 | 1 4 0 | 4 4 0 | |
| Toronto | 2 | 10 | 0 | 0.167 | 134 | 11.2 | 277 | 23.1 | -11.9 | 150 | 050 | 260 | |

(z)-clinched division

(y)-clinched wildcard

PASSING

| Rk | Player | Team | Att | Cmp | С% | Yards | In | 1% | Lg | TD | TD% | Rate |
|----|----------------|------|-----|-----|------|-------|----|-----|----|----|------|-------|
| 1 | Palmer,C | TCT | 368 | 225 | 61.1 | 3424 | 9 | 2.4 | 65 | 41 | 11.1 | 118.8 |
| 2 | Dalton | SS | 207 | 137 | 66.2 | 2130 | 4 | 1.9 | 82 | 15 | 7.2 | 116.2 |
| 3 | Winston,J | SS | 195 | 119 | 61 | 1575 | 2 | 1 | 91 | 14 | 7.2 | 106.3 |
| 4 | Bridgewater | LAK | 433 | 285 | 65.8 | 3315 | 1 | 0.2 | 79 | 24 | 5.5 | 106.3 |
| 5 | Roethlisberger | GWG | 239 | 152 | 63.6 | 2208 | 9 | 3.8 | 96 | 20 | 8.4 | 105.8 |
| 6 | Taylor,T | MAR | 309 | 193 | 62.5 | 2351 | 2 | 0.6 | 68 | 21 | 6.8 | 105.8 |
| 7 | Hasselbeck | COW | 258 | 174 | 67.4 | 2055 | 5 | 1.9 | 60 | 15 | 5.8 | 102.8 |
| 8 | Wilson,R | ICC | 331 | 200 | 60.4 | 2789 | 6 | 1.8 | 73 | 22 | 6.6 | 102.1 |
| 9 | Smith,A | BRH | 357 | 211 | 59.1 | 2830 | 5 | 1.4 | 73 | 25 | 7 | 101.9 |
| 10 | Brees | DTL | 397 | 236 | 59.4 | 2781 | 7 | 1.8 | 60 | 27 | 6.8 | 96.1 |
| 11 | Newton,C | CHI | 396 | 243 | 61.4 | 2913 | 6 | 1.5 | 78 | 18 | 4.5 | 92.7 |
| 12 | Brady,T | YOR | 392 | 223 | 56.9 | 3021 | 9 | 2.3 | 81 | 22 | 5.6 | 90.7 |
| 13 | Mariota | CAR | 266 | 149 | 56 | 2030 | 8 | 3 | 73 | 18 | 6.8 | 90.6 |
| 14 | Carr,D | VV | 367 | 224 | 61 | 2809 | 10 | 2.7 | 75 | 18 | 4.9 | 89.8 |
| 15 | Ryan,M | AUR | 402 | 244 | 60.7 | 2971 | 12 | 3 | 53 | 19 | 4.7 | 86.8 |
| 16 | McCown,J | STC | 179 | 107 | 59.8 | 1262 | 6 | 3.4 | 85 | 10 | 5.6 | 85.9 |
| 17 | Manning,E | MVM | 369 | 220 | 59.6 | 2330 | 7 | 1.9 | 80 | 16 | 4.3 | 84.6 |
| 18 | Cousins,K | SC | 474 | 292 | 61.6 | 3082 | 11 | 2.3 | 78 | 19 | 4 | 84.2 |
| 19 | Rivers,P | PIC | 364 | 213 | 58.5 | 2403 | 11 | 3 | 66 | 18 | 4.9 | 82.2 |
| 20 | Fitzpatrick | MOH | 392 | 216 | 55.1 | 2520 | 10 | 2.6 | 60 | 21 | 5.4 | 82 |
| 21 | Bortles | CHP | 414 | 232 | 56 | 2601 | 8 | 1.9 | 70 | 15 | 3.6 | 79 |
| 22 | Rodgers,A | SBE | 405 | 213 | 52.6 | 2201 | 9 | 2.2 | 71 | 14 | 3.5 | 70.8 |
| 23 | Tannehill | TOR | 341 | 196 | 57.5 | 2113 | 10 | 2.9 | 66 | 6 | 1.8 | 69.4 |
| 24 | Smith,G | DTL | 20 | 13 | 65 | 211 | 0 | 0 | 45 | 2 | 10 | 133.5 |
| 25 | Weeden | MAR | 74 | 53 | 71.6 | 583 | 1 | 1.4 | 57 | 5 | 6.8 | 111.5 |
| 26 | Luck | MOH | 3 | 2 | 66.7 | 44 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 109.7 |
| 27 | McCown,L | MVM | 10 | 7 | 70 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 102.1 |
| 28 | Wentz | STC | 165 | 99 | 60 | 1335 | 3 | 1.8 | 74 | 11 | 6.7 | 100.4 |
| 29 | Manziel | VV | 2 | 1 | 50 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 95.8 |
| 30 | Osweiler | ICC | 10 | 8 | 80 | 66 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 94.2 |

| Rk | Yards/Attempt | Team | Avg | Rk | Yards/Completion | Team | Avg |
|----|----------------|------|------|----|------------------|------|------|
| 1 | Dalton | SS | 10.3 | 1 | Dalton | SS | 15.5 |
| 2 | Palmer,C | TCT | 9.3 | 2 | Palmer,C | TCT | 15.2 |
| 3 | Roethlisberger | GWG | 9.2 | 3 | Roethlisberger | GWG | 14.5 |
| 4 | Wilson,R | ICC | 8.4 | 4 | Wilson,R | ICC | 13.9 |
| 5 | Wentz | STC | 8.1 | 5 | Mariota | CAR | 13.6 |

| Rk | Times Sacked | Team | No. |
|----|--------------|------|-----|
| 1 | Cousins,K | SC | 37 |
| 2 | Newton,C | CHI | 36 |
| 3 | Brees | DTL | 31 |
| 4 | Carr,D | VV | 29 |
| 5 | Tannehill | TOR | 28 |

| Rk | Yards/Game | Team | Avg | Rk | Pass Gains 25+ | Team | No. | Rk | Bad Passes | Team | No. |
|----|----------------|------|-----|----|----------------|------|-----|----|------------|------|-----|
| 1 | Palmer,C | TCT | 285 | 1 | Palmer,C | TCT | 30 | 1 | Carr,D | VV | 41 |
| 2 | Bridgewater | LAK | 276 | 2 | Wilson,R | ICC | 28 | 2 | Brees | DTL | 34 |
| 3 | Roethlisberger | GWG | 276 | 3 | Carr,D | VV | 22 | 3 | Newton,C | CHI | 34 |
| 4 | Dalton | SS | 266 | 4 | Brady,T | YOR | 22 | 4 | Cousins,K | SC | 33 |
| 5 | Cousins.K | SC | 257 | 5 | Dalton | SS | 21 | 5 | Manning.E | MVM | 31 |

RUSHING

RECEIVING

| Rk | Player | Team | Att | Yds | Ave | Lg | TD | Rk | Player | Team | No | Yds | Ave | Lg | TD |
|----|------------|------|-----|------|-----|----|----|----|------------|------|----|------|------|----|----|
| 1 | Martin,D | TCT | 228 | 1193 | 5.2 | 27 | 10 | 1 | Fitzgerald | COW | 93 | 984 | 10.6 | 53 | 12 |
| 2 | Peterson,A | CHI | 238 | 1190 | 5 | 46 | 6 | 2 | Brown,A | TCT | 85 | 1441 | 17 | 55 | 25 |
| 3 | Miller,L | CHP | 191 | 962 | 5 | 28 | 6 | 3 | Cooks | LAK | 81 | 1164 | 14.4 | 75 | 3 |
| 4 | McFadden,D | DTL | 165 | 938 | 5.7 | 48 | 2 | 4 | Green,A | CHI | 80 | 1141 | 14.3 | 73 | 8 |
| 5 | Stewart,J | BRH | 157 | 901 | 5.7 | 41 | 10 | 5 | Cooper,A | VV | 76 | 1089 | 14.3 | 55 | 8 |
| 6 | Ivory | MVM | 149 | 868 | 5.8 | 39 | 5 | 6 | Matthews,J | LAK | 76 | 924 | 12.2 | 79 | 12 |
| 7 | Hillman | MOH | 163 | 833 | 5.1 | 62 | 4 | 7 | Maclin | GWG | 75 | 1263 | 16.8 | 96 | 15 |
| 8 | Blount | COW | 149 | 828 | 5.6 | 46 | 6 | 8 | Jones,J | MOH | 75 | 914 | 12.2 | 38 | 6 |
| 9 | Jennings,R | AUR | 158 | 803 | 5.1 | 56 | 6 | 9 | Evans,M | COW | 67 | 967 | 14.4 | 58 | 3 |
| 10 | Elliott,E | VV | 182 | 800 | 4.4 | 20 | 6 | 10 | Woodhead | CHI | 67 | 671 | 10 | 69 | 3 |
| 11 | Gore | LAK | 215 | 797 | 3.7 | 22 | 5 | 11 | Baldwin,D | SS | 64 | 1267 | 19.8 | 91 | 13 |
| 12 | Freeman,D | PIC | 154 | 670 | 4.4 | 27 | 2 | 12 | Decker | DTL | 63 | 691 | 11 | 42 | 10 |
| 13 | Lacy | CAR | 141 | 668 | 4.7 | 38 | 2 | 13 | Hopkins,D | BRH | 61 | 1130 | 18.5 | 73 | 7 |
| 14 | Gurley | COW | 117 | 658 | 5.6 | 30 | 5 | 14 | Hilton | DTL | 59 | 1089 | 18.5 | 71 | 7 |
| 15 | Anderson,C | SS | 105 | 645 | 6.1 | 28 | 9 | 15 | Gates | NJ | 59 | 536 | 9.1 | 45 | 4 |
| 16 | Crowell | NJ | 121 | 620 | 5.1 | 63 | 2 | 16 | Boldin | AUR | 58 | 838 | 14.4 | 49 | 4 |
| 17 | McCoy,L | GWG | 126 | 618 | 4.9 | 26 | 6 | 17 | Gronkowski | BRH | 58 | 869 | 15 | 59 | 10 |
| 18 | Forsett | SS | 99 | 608 | 6.1 | 38 | 3 | 18 | Barnidge | LAK | 57 | 644 | 11.3 | 43 | 3 |
| 19 | Bernard | YOR | 140 | 607 | 4.3 | 33 | 2 | 19 | Hurns | MVM | 56 | 879 | 15.7 | 66 | 6 |
| 20 | LangfordJ | CAR | 103 | 564 | 5.5 | 24 | 3 | 20 | Tate,G | PIC | 56 | 497 | 8.9 | 20 | 2 |
| 21 | Sims,C | SBE | 93 | 559 | 6 | 47 | 2 | 21 | Johnson,C | DTL | 54 | 827 | 15.3 | 60 | 10 |
| 22 | Abdullah,A | SC | 119 | 556 | 4.7 | 39 | 1 | 22 | Marshall,B | MAR | 54 | 918 | 17 | 60 | 10 |
| 23 | Murray,D | TOR | 147 | 555 | 3.8 | 25 | 0 | 23 | Landry,J | GWG | 53 | 770 | 14.5 | 77 | 6 |
| 24 | Drake | AUR | 73 | 546 | 7.5 | 79 | 3 | 24 | Bryant,M | VV | 51 | 820 | 16.1 | 75 | 4 |
| 25 | Hill,J | ICC | 121 | 546 | 4.5 | 55 | 5 | 25 | Witten | CHP | 49 | 473 | 9.7 | 26 | 3 |

RETURNS

| Rk | Player | Team | No | Yds | Ave | Lg | TD | Rk | Player | Team | No | Fc | Yds | Ave | Lg | TD |
|----|------------|------|----|------|------|-----|----|----|------------|------|----|----|-----|------|----|----|
| 1 | Cunningham | DTL | 29 | 900 | 31 | 97 | 1 | 1 | Greene | SC | 12 | 2 | 171 | 14.3 | 77 | 1 |
| 2 | Abdullah,A | SC | 32 | 964 | 30.1 | 103 | 1 | 2 | Amendola | SS | 25 | 19 | 258 | 10.3 | 76 | 1 |
| 3 | Patterson | МОН | 42 | 1242 | 29.6 | 105 | 1 | 3 | Brown,A | TCT | 27 | 14 | 257 | 9.5 | 86 | 2 |
| 4 | Harris,D | TOR | 43 | 1246 | 29 | 106 | 1 | 4 | Hammond Jr | CHP | 16 | 0 | 137 | 8.6 | 29 | 0 |
| 5 | Ross,R | COW | 28 | 755 | 27 | 95 | 1 | 5 | Kerley | COW | 25 | 16 | 198 | 7.9 | 58 | 0 |
| 6 | Lockett | ICC | 27 | 681 | 25.2 | 42 | 0 | 6 | Lockett | ICC | 32 | 7 | 244 | 7.6 | 89 | 1 |
| 7 | Ellington | GWG | 28 | 704 | 25.1 | 41 | 0 | 7 | Harris,D | TOR | 27 | 3 | 200 | 7.4 | 61 | 1 |
| 8 | Whalen | CHI | 23 | 563 | 24.5 | 49 | 0 | 8 | Jones,C | CAR | 24 | 7 | 166 | 6.9 | 64 | 1 |
| 9 | Jones,T | SBE | 36 | 875 | 24.3 | 44 | 0 | 9 | Crowder | SBE | 24 | 4 | 165 | 6.9 | 26 | 0 |
| 10 | Huff,J | MVM | 31 | 745 | 24 | 41 | 0 | 10 | Ervin | MAR | 32 | 11 | 217 | 6.8 | 14 | 0 |
| 11 | Marshall,J | ERI | 56 | 1325 | 23.7 | 37 | 0 | 11 | Weems,E | NJ | 15 | 15 | 98 | 6.5 | 27 | 0 |
| 12 | Smith,R | NJ | 33 | 721 | 21.8 | 41 | 0 | 12 | Mumphery | BRH | 20 | 9 | 128 | 6.4 | 20 | 0 |
| 13 | Bolden,O | YOR | 14 | 294 | 21 | 40 | 0 | 13 | Bray | DTL | 21 | 12 | 121 | 5.8 | 13 | 0 |
| 14 | Jones,J | STC | 13 | 265 | 20.4 | 32 | 0 | 14 | Tate,G | PIC | 18 | 14 | 103 | 5.7 | 17 | 0 |
| 15 | Archer | STC | 14 | 285 | 20.4 | 31 | 0 | 15 | Thomas,D | YOR | 22 | 2 | 122 | 5.5 | 15 | 0 |

DEFENCE

| | INTERCEPTIONS | | | | | | SACKS | | | | TACKLES | | | | |
|----|---------------|------|----|-----|------|----|-------|----|------------|------|---------|----|------------|------|-----|
| Rk | Player | Team | No | Yds | Ave | Lg | TD | Rk | Player | Team | No. | Rk | Player | Team | Bo. |
| 1 | Coleman,K | YOR | 5 | 106 | 21.2 | 27 | 1 | 1 | Miller,V | YOR | 16 | 1 | Smith,D | ERI | 98 |
| 2 | Amerson | LAK | 5 | 55 | 11 | 45 | 1 | 2 | Dunlap,C | SS | 13 | 2 | Worrilow | МОН | 91 |
| 3 | Peters,M | SBE | 4 | 38 | 9.5 | 32 | 0 | 3 | Jones,C | SS | 13 | 3 | Wright,K | МОН | 90 |
| 4 | Green,T | MOH | 4 | 20 | 5 | 18 | 0 | 4 | Mercilus | MOH | 12 | 4 | Barwin | ICC | 88 |
| 5 | Davis,T | DTL | 4 | 19 | 4.8 | 19 | 0 | 5 | Ansah | TCT | 11 | 5 | Posluszny | SS | 86 |
| 6 | Thomas,E | AUR | 4 | 120 | 30 | 84 | 1 | 6 | Ogbah | CAR | 10 | 6 | Smith,M | STC | 86 |
| 7 | Ramsey | TOR | 4 | 61 | 15.3 | 21 | 0 | 7 | Atkins,G | YOR | 10 | 7 | Graham,B | SC | 83 |
| 8 | Johnson,K | MOH | 3 | 49 | 16.3 | 49 | 0 | 8 | Matthews,C | BRH | 10 | 8 | Harris Jr. | TCT | 83 |
| 9 | Breaux | SS | 3 | 41 | 13.7 | 22 | 0 | 9 | Ware,D | CHI | 10 | 9 | Simon,J | TOR | 82 |
| 10 | Talib | CHP | 3 | 85 | 28.3 | 46 | 0 | 10 | Short | LAK | 10 | 10 | Ramsey | TOR | 81 |
| 11 | Slay | TCT | 3 | 24 | 8 | 24 | 0 | 11 | Mack,K | MVM | 10 | 11 | Jones,D | SBE | 79 |
| 12 | Barr | VV | 3 | 41 | 13.7 | 30 | 0 | 12 | Watt,J | AUR | 10 | 12 | David | CHP | 79 |
| 13 | Johnson,T | VV | 3 | 66 | 22 | 37 | 1 | 13 | Donald | MOH | 9 | 13 | Johnson,D | MVM | 77 |
| 14 | Jones,A | PIC | 3 | 29 | 9.7 | 14 | 0 | 14 | Casey,J | TCT | 9 | 14 | Smith,S | GWG | 75 |
| 15 | Gay,W | YOR | 3 | 14 | 4.7 | 8 | 0 | 15 | Ingram,M | VV | 9 | 15 | Smith,J | GWG | 74 |
| 16 | Grimes,B | BRH | 3 | 29 | 9.7 | 17 | 0 | 16 | Avril | AUR | 9 | 16 | Carr,B | TOR | 73 |
| 17 | Gilmore,S | ICC | 3 | 39 | 13 | 38 | 0 | 17 | Harrison,J | NJ | 8 | 17 | Smith,T | PIC | 72 |
| 18 | Woodson | LAK | 3 | 25 | 8.3 | 25 | 0 | 18 | Hayes,W | YOR | 8 | 18 | Ryan,L | SBE | 72 |
| 19 | Rodgers-Cr | DTL | 3 | 46 | 15.3 | 26 | 0 | 19 | Hughes,J | TCT | 7 | 19 | Davis,D | ERI | 68 |
| 20 | Hargreaves | LAK | 3 | 70 | 23.3 | 52 | 0 | 20 | Cox,F | ICC | 7 | 20 | Acker | STC | 68 |

KICKING

| Rk | Player | Team | FGA | FGM | FG% | 40 | 50 | Lg | Pts |
|----|------------|------|-----|-----|------|----|----|----|-----|
| 1 | Brown,J | MAR | 25 | 22 | 88 | 7 | 2 | 54 | 99 |
| 2 | Bailey,D | CHI | 26 | 23 | 88.5 | 5 | 0 | 46 | 94 |
| 3 | Crosby | AUR | 24 | 17 | 70.8 | 3 | 1 | 53 | 89 |
| 4 | Vinatieri | SS | 16 | 14 | 87.5 | 2 | 0 | 45 | 86 |
| 5 | Santos | GWG | 19 | 13 | 68.4 | 1 | 0 | 41 | 81 |
| 6 | Succop | CHP | 22 | 19 | 86.4 | 3 | 0 | 47 | 80 |
| 7 | Walsh,B | YOR | 22 | 18 | 81.8 | 8 | 2 | 53 | 78 |
| 8 | Janikowski | MOH | 16 | 14 | 87.5 | 1 | 0 | 46 | 76 |
| 9 | Hocker | BRH | 14 | 12 | 85.7 | 0 | 0 | 39 | 70 |
| 10 | Novak | COW | 22 | 14 | 63.6 | 7 | 0 | 46 | 70 |
| 11 | Dawson,P | DTL | 16 | 10 | 62.5 | 3 | 0 | 49 | 68 |
| 12 | Aguayo | TCT | 7 | 6 | 85.7 | 2 | 0 | 42 | 63 |
| 13 | Carpenter | SBE | 16 | 11 | 68.8 | 1 | 0 | 41 | 57 |
| 14 | Myers,J | ICC | 19 | 11 | 57.9 | 2 | 0 | 43 | 57 |
| 15 | Catanzaro | CAR | 11 | 8 | 72.7 | 3 | 1 | 55 | 53 |
| 16 | Coons | PIC | 16 | 11 | 68.8 | 1 | 0 | 42 | 53 |
| 17 | Hauschka | STC | 16 | 9 | 56.3 | 3 | 1 | 51 | 52 |
| 18 | Lambo | MVM | 10 | 10 | 100 | 3 | 0 | 44 | 52 |
| 19 | Boswell | NJ | 14 | 11 | 78.6 | 2 | 1 | 52 | 50 |
| 20 | Tucker,J | SC | 16 | 8 | 50 | 2 | 1 | 53 | 47 |





Who's Hot?



17-28,346yds, 5 TDs 36 FP When he is healthy he is making the most of a great situation in Sebastian.

Antonio Brown (TCT)

4 - 108, 3 TDs, 31 FP The red in this box is not red enough to reflect how red hot this guy has been all year.

Lamar Miller (CHP)

122 yards, 2 TDs (1/1) 25 FP As long as his QB can't find open receivers expect him to ring the Fantasy bell.



Who's Cold?

Ryan Tannehill (TOR)

22-33,235yds, 1 INT 7 FP 0 TD passes and 5 INTs in past three weeks are not impressive even in TO.

Jordan Reed (MAR)

7 - 71, 0 TDs, 7 FP Has not caught a TD in 8 weeks and hasn't cracked 100yds all year.

Travis Benjamin (STC)

0 - 0, 0 TDs, 0 FP I had to check to see if he was injured. He was targeted just 3 times against Virden.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

I am stuck on who should be my 3rd WR this week, Sterling **Shepard or Michael Crabtree? –** Chuck(Anaheim)

Both face expansion competition this week, which is a plus. The Manning-Crabtree chemistry has not been good, making him erratic. Shepard and Rivers are on the same page, but the Toronto D is better. Shepard is coming off injury. Go with Crabs and cross fingers.



Jonathan Stewart, RB (BRH) Any Brooklin running back is a good play, but Stewart is tops. The Cannibals can't stop the run and the Hawks will be running out the clock.

Ryan Fitzpatrick (26FP) is really good. Pick him up when he is facing soft competition.

Darren McFadden (20FP) had his best yardage day of the season but remains a fantasy disappointment as he failed to find the end zone again.

My smart pick, WR *Michael* Floyd (16FP) came through with a respectable performance as the no.1 target for **Derek Carr** (17FP) in Virden's 28-24 win.

Newton Cam (29FP) simmering quietly, with 17 total TDs over the past six weeks. He is officially back to being himself again, even as **Adrian Peterson** (10FP) continues to underwhelm owners who grabbed him in the 1st round.

Doug Baldwin (30FP) hasn't slowed down since the return of Odell Beckham Jr (28FP). In fantasy terms he is on par with his flashy teammate.

The **Scarborough Defence** (4FP) gave up 196 rushing yards to **Isaiah Crowell** (20FP). They have proven inept all year, killing otherwise strong keeper teams that drew them as a top 10 D.



NEW YORK – As my long time readers know, nothing much surprises me when it comes to the EFL. This is due to my shrewd and pitiless analysis of the facts and my vast network of informants embedded in the league and in every franchise. If only I could reveal all that I know about the inner workings of the league office and the dark forces that work behind the scenes to disrupt the natural path of the Scarborough franchise. Alas, some tales are just too sensitive and dangerous to be told – even for the greater good of investigative journalism.

However, the 2016 season has been different from the others insofar as I have been raising my eyebrows more often than usual this year (causing irritating tension in my *corrugator supercilii* muscle). Among those eye-openers I would group in the "mild" category is the emergence of the Sebastian Swordfish as a powerhouse – perhaps *the* powerhouse – in the league. All the signs pointed to an improvement but I cannot claim to have expected that it would be so dramatic. So, what's going on in Sebastian this year? Let's take a closer look, shall we......

FLORIDA REVIVAL

In their first four seasons in the league the Sebastian Swordfish won a total of 11 games. Twelve weeks into 2016 and the Swordfish have already matched that four-season win total. The suddenness of the turnaround, although not totally unexpected, has only recently begun to have the effect of awakening the slumbering football fan base of Greater Florida from hibernation.

The State that once came to a full stop on Sundays to revel in the dominance of the legendary Florida Dragons has largely ignored the Sebastian Swordfish since their expansion entrance into the EFL in 2012. This is not only because of the team's struggles. The location of Sebastian itself, an old fishing village tucked away in a less-traveled area of Florida's east coast, is far from all of the State's major population centers – the closest being Orlando, at 91 miles. On top of that, the highway infrastructure is built to bypass Sebastian rather than reach it. Finding the Fish Tank is the first challenge facing fans from outside Indian River County. Sitting through a Swordfish game, until this year, was the second.

But now football fans from as far away as Tampa and Jacksonville are joining diehards from West Palm Beach, Orlando and Miami to make the long and troublesome trek to Florida's football's hinterland to watch the Swordfish. This revival of football fever in the Orange State is translating into increased media coverage and steadily growing attendance – a trend that reached its inevitable climax this week with the first mid-season sellout at The Fish Tank in the team's history.

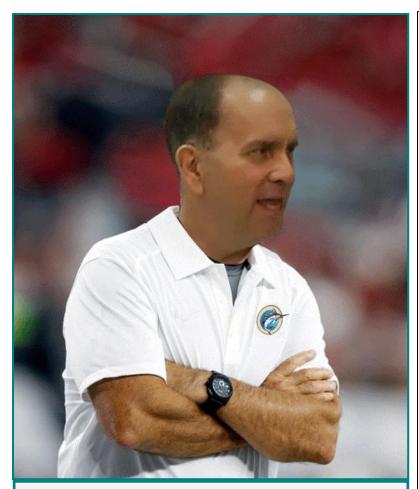
"These fans see the Markham game as a litmus test," my buddy **Jean Boisvert** of the *Swampland Proof* (who covers the Swordfish) explained to me over the phone prior to Sebastian's Week 12 home date. "They have been slow to believe in this team, despite the record. It looks like they are finally ready to believe, *if* the Swordfish can beat the North Stars."

With the focus of nationwide media attention shifting to the dwindling number of genuine playoff contenders, the division-leading Swordfish are also in the national spotlight like never before. This has put little-known coach **Russ Lemmon** under the microscope. Who is this guy? And does he have what it takes to coach a team to the Championship?

A soft-spoken gentleman with just the slightest hint of a southern drawl, Lemmon comes across as even-keeled and unflustered by adversity – both good traits for a coach who, before this year, had built up an unimpressive 11-53 lifetime record. Although such sustained failure would get most coaches fired, nobody in the local Sebastian media desired his removal for the simple reason that they admired him for taking on the job at all. His teams had been bad by any measure. Also at play was Lemmon's standing in the community. He was a respected 'sand assessor,' a local historian; the owner of Treasure Coast Tours Inc., as well as editor of the county's most widely circulated daily, *Lemmon Lines*. He was also one of the 'Six Old Grouches' of Sebastian, a venerable position in the community. Sebastianites *wanted* Russ to succeed, so they largely turned the other way when his teams failed miserably on the football field.

But this year the team was clearly a contender coming out of training camp. Even if the locals were in Lemmon's corner, the pitiless national media would not pull punches if the Swordfish failed to live up to expectations. That national media was making hay of the upcoming battle between Markham and the Swordfish, with many staking their reputations on the North Stars humbling the "inexperienced" Swordfish.

"The Swordfish have improved but the games are getting bigger every week," commented **Skope Boylezz** on ESPN's *EFL Countdown*. "This week they go against Markham – a team coached by a master with a championship on his resumé. I



"Yes, that's what I said!" barks Swordfish Coach, Russ Lemmon at his special teams coach. A brief sideline dispute between the two preceded a daring second onside-kick attempt. This time the Swordfish recovered and would put the game away over Markham.

expect Darrin Jones to school Russ Lemmon on the big stage this week."

It was a sentiment echoed by other mainstream analysts, albeit in politer tones than the brash Boylezz. "This is a dress rehearsal for the playoffs," declared **Peter Prince** of *North America Today* during an interview on *Mick & Mick in the Morning*. The two Irishmen pressed on Prince to elaborate.

"Sebastian has to be considered one of the favourites to represent the Atlantic Conference in the championship game, based on their record," Prince began to explain. "Markham is a team they could face. This is a big game for that reason. Russ Lemmon has never coached in a big game, so all eyes will be on how he responds against a proven veteran coach like Darrin Jones. It will be a difficult challenge – not one that he can't overcome, but difficult all the same."

As is usually the case with the serpent-tongued Prince, there is a strong sub-text to this seemingly innocuous analysis which is obvious when you listen to him speak. He, too, felt that Lemmon was about to get a wake-up call. Well, it turned out to be the other way around.

To summarize, the Swordfish took a couple of haymakers at the start: they gave up a touchdown on the game's opening drive; turned the ball over on downs on their first possession; and basically watched as the North Stars carved up them up on an 11-play, 82-yard drive that ended with *Tyrod Taylor* sneaking it across the goal line from about 1 foot to make it 14-0. To many first time observers of the Swordfish, the 4th down gamble at

the Markham 33 that left them empty-handed on their first drive had a manic edge to it that bordered on panic. But veteran Swordfish watchers (of which there is only one) saw the continuation of a recent trend.

"Russ Lemmon is taking it to teams and he doesn't care who you are," **Jean Boisvert** explained to me. "He went for a 4th & 4 at mid-field on the opening drive of the Brooklin game and it worked out for him. In the same game he went for 4th & 11 at the Hawks' 32 while holding a 21-3 lead. He didn't make that one but it didn't end up costing him either. Against the Corn Kings he went for it on 4th & 1 at his own 29 in the second quarter of a 14-7 game! People thought he was insane. He didn't convert and ended up giving up a field goal. But he won that game and all is forgiven."

What Jean saw as a trend appears to me to be part of a new, ultra-aggressive strategy, as future events would demonstrate. Down 14-0, *Andy Dalton* caught the Stars in a run-key and aired it out to *Doug Baldwin*, who carried it the rest of the way for a 44-yard TD catch. But what he did next again caught observers off-guard. Instead of going for a near-certain single, he kept his offence on the field to attempt a two-point convert. They made it, and the Markham lead had shrunk to 14-8.

"The way Russ sees it," explains Jean, "if his team can't make one yard, they don't deserve to win. That's what he told me after the Cowtown game."

"But what about two yards – in the red zone?" I countered.

"I don't know, I haven't asked him that," replied Jean.

I guess once you feel that way about one yard, it's only a matter of time before you feel the same away about 2 yards; or 3 yards; or even 13 yards from an opponent's 39 yard line – as Lemmon showed when he attempted a 4th & 13 on his team's opening drive against Cowtown. That was another fail, but again it did not cost him directly.

Once the Swordfish offence had drawn blood, the tone of the game changed completely as the crowd started to get into it. With the fish bowl-shaped walls of the Fish Tank acting as an amplifier, the reverberating crowd noise soon became unbearable. The North Stars never lost their composure, but they were clearly struggling to communicate. *Kyle Long* didn't hear a call at the line and missed his block on *Carlos Dunlap*, who stoned back-up *Alex Collins* and stripped the ball out for a turnover at the Markham 30. Dalton hit Baldwin five plays later for a 17-yard touchdown. This time they went for the conventional extra point, putting them within a field goal, trailing 17-15 at half time.

Sebastian opened the second half with a message. Odell Beckham Jr hit the score sheet with a 26-yard TD catch, followed

by a successful 2-point conversion to Baldwin to take a 23-17 lead. Then Lemmon pulled another stunner; he attempted an onside kick! To say it caught everyone by surprise is an understatement.

"I didn't see that one coming," admitted Jean to me. "Either did the North Stars; which is probably why he did it."

The gambit was unsuccessful, however, and Markham responded to the opening with a 47-yard bomb to *Brandon Marshall* for a TD to regain the lead, 24-23. Had things not gone the way they did later, the post-game analysis would have been critical. At the time, TV commentator, **Phil Mimms** remarked: "looks like the Swordfish are a little overanxious."

Lemmon would later double-down on this strategy and the effect would be much different. But before that, his team responded with poise to the big play by shearing through the Markham defence with the help of a 47-yard pass interference penalty on *Darrelle Revis* to take a 29-24 lead on an 11-yard run by *Justin Forsett*. From that point on, Markham, or more accurately, their quarterback, seemed to press. On the ensuing possession, Taylor looked for *Jordan Reed* down the seam but instead found Swordfish linebacker *Paul Posluszny*, who picked off the pass and returned it 74 yards for a touchdown. Again the Swordfish went for two and were unsuccessful, but with a 35-24 lead they had seized the momentum.

Markham responded early in the 4th quarter with another TD pass to Marshall and a successful two-point convert to pull within a field goal, trailing 35-32. But soon after Sebastian would put Markham away like nobody has put away a good North Stars team before. They delivered a vicious one-two punch: the left jab coming on an 80-yard catch-and-run by Beckham; and the right-hand roundhouse coming on a 12-yard TD pass to Baldwin after a successful onside kick. They would go on to add a field goal and win the game by the eye-popping score of 52-32.

"The second onside kick took incredible balls," Jean chortled. "But again, nobody was expecting it – even after he had done it once before. You could see the wind escape from the Markham bench after that."

I could not have put it any better myself. Watching the game film, it was clear to me that Sebastian had beaten the North Stars on more than the scoreboard. They took away their mojo. Ever the gentlemen, *Darrin Jones* complemented his opponent after the game:

"They wanted this win and they took it from us. Kudos to Russ for making the bold calls that let it happen," he said in admiration. "We knew this would be a tough game on their field. Hopefully we will get another shot at them."

As for **Russ Lemmon**: he explained his decision to go for the surprise onside kick, thusly: "The way I see it; if we can't recover an onside kick when we need to, we don't deserve to win."

AROUND THE EFL

The quality of play this season has not held up to previous standards, in my humble opinion. But there seem to be a few exceptions to this rule every week.

On a chilly day at open air Joe Ferguson Stadium in Iowa, this year's rising new star, *Teddy Bridgewater*, proved the critics wrong by airing it out against the Cubs' defence to the tune of 392 yards and 3 touchdowns, as the LA Knights subdued the Cubs, 22-17 and grabbed sole possession of first place in the West Division. Many had predicted a repeat of the Cubs' dominating victory over Bridgewater back in Week Six. But not only did Sir Teddy perform well, it was he who dominated. The Cubs' defensive line, the heart of their defence, looked worn out by the third quarter as they were asked to do everything. The Knights smartly kept pounding the ball on the ground, despite limited success, to soften them up. With little or no blitz pressure to help them out, the four man rush eventually faltered, leaving Bridgewater all the time in the world.

At Wilhalla Stadium in Minneapolis, the perfect Triumph faced their stiffest challenge since Week One, but still emerged triumphant, scoring a 36-29 victory over Brooklin. The high-flying Hawks' attack tore through the Twin Cities defence for 475 net yards of offence, gaining success both on the ground and through the air. While the offence was impressive to watch, the inadequate Brooklin defence played a "break-not-bend" style in surrendering 5 touchdown passes to MVP favourite, *Carson Palmer*. Three of those scores went to another MVP favourite, *Antonio Brown* who, with 25 TD catches on the year, is just 3 away from the league record. Following a familiar script, it was Brown who snared the game-winner with 1:52 left in the game.

At Camelot in York, the curiously successful Corn Kings put some distance between themselves and their principal competition for the second wild card with a 31-23 road win over York. The visitors built a 24-3 lead then hung on for dear life as Tom Brady woke up, a little too late, in the second half. The win was a bit of an upset, but the principal story from a Cowtown perspective was Coach Coghlin's decision to start *Matt Hasselbeck* over a healthy *Joe Flacco*. Although he did not announce a starter until the morning of the game, the near unanimous opinion in the media was that Flacco would start. But in the end, going with the hot hand trumped loyalty to his starter of seven years. The move proved savvy in the short term. But a clearly tired Hasselbeck, unable to move around late in the game, fell to injury in the 4th quarter and will be out next week. How Flacco will respond next week against hated rival Durham will be something to keep an eye on.

And finally, in a game that was in no way fun to watch, but attracted the attention of a train wreck, the New Jersey Wrecking Balls scored 17 points in the second half to beat the Blue Eagles, 17-16 at Bluffs Stadium in Scarborough. Unlike last week, when the Eagles' collapse seemed inevitable against a resurgent Thunder Lizards team, this week's 4th quarter fiasco left a mark. *Isaiah Crowell* broke a 43-yard run to set up the game-winning field goal with under two minutes remaining. *Aaron Rodgers*, shut out in the second half, finished the game with a pick. The whole mess provoked this year's annual fan football riot in Scarborough, causing an estimated \$2 million in damage to the already rickety stadium and sending 15 people to hospital.

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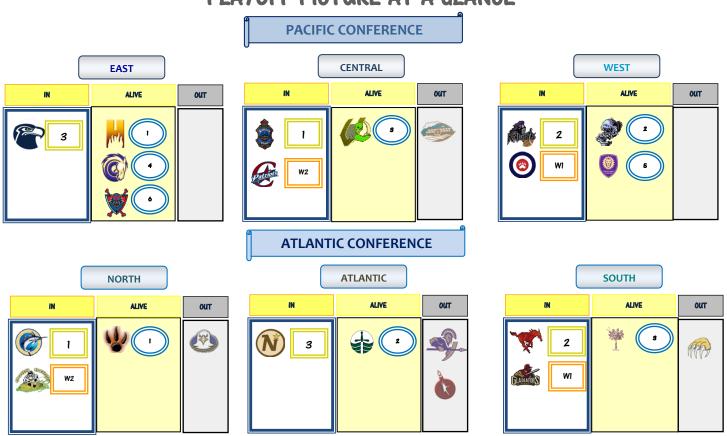
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GAMES TO WATCH

TWIN CITIES @ LOS ANGELES (line – TRIUMPH by 3)

INJURIES: Twin Cities - Oday Aboushi (OUT); Los Angeles - Le'Veon Bell (OUT), Robert Quinn (OUT).

Can anybody beat the Triumph? I admit; I never saw this team as a candidate to go undefeated. Entering the season with just three wide receivers and an offensive line at minimum staffing indicated this was not a perfect roster. But events are proving that they might be well worthy of the honour of perfection. The impact of Carson Palmer has been pivotal in allowing the coach to bring all of the weapons in the offence to bear; and while the offence is a little thin the defence is well-stocked and deep. This week they defend their perfect record against another surprise: the West Division-leading LA Knights. Teddy Bridegwater came of age last week with a banner performance against a Cubs teams that had muzzled him in their first meeting this year. While the 'Blue Shield' is the reason many pundits felt LA would be competitive this year, their quarterback is the reason they have risen to the next level. This game will be another big test for LA's rising star; like stages in a video game, the tests keep getting harder. Not only will the

Triumph offence not let up, the defence – at all levels – will be a tough nut to crack. **PICK: TWIN CITIES**

AURORA @ MARKHAM (line – MUSTANGS by 1)

INJURIES: Aurora – K'Waun Williams (QUESTIONABLE), Shaq THOMPSON (DOUBTFUL); **Markham** – Andre Ellington (OUT), Leon Hall (OUT), Tim Hightower (OUT).

The situation remains intense for the North Stars as they face another division leader in back-to-back weeks. Things did not work out against the Swordfish, but the sting of that loss will fade quicker if they can hobble the Mustangs and secure the tie-breaker for the second seed in the conference. It is a lukewarm consensus that places the Mustangs as slim favourites on the road here. Trouble putting away the beaten down Wolverines last week has chased some support from their corner. But the sight of Dawgs giving up 52 points and almost 500 yards last week prevented the line from tipping the other way. I cannot pretend to know which Mustangs team will show up: the one that mowed down the best of the west with apparent ease in successive weeks; or the one that struggled to finish off drives in the red zone against a 20th-ranked defence. One thing I do know is that the elite Aurora corners are a match for Markham's star corners, which means Tyrod Taylor will have to make his reads with precision. Matt Ryan hasn't wowed much this year; but expect him to make his reads a little more often in a game that will be dominated by defence. **PICK: AURORA**

COWTOWN @ DURHAM (line – THUNDER LIZARDS by 6)

INJURIES: Cowtown – Greg Hardy (PROBABLE), Ka'Deem Carey (OUT), Derrick Carrier (OUT), Matt Hasselbeck (OUT), Koa Misi (OUT); **Durham** – Terron Armstead (OUT), Dee Milliner (OUT), Thomas Morsetad (OUT), Xavier Su'a-Filo (OUT).

The Corn Kings' record puts them a full two games ahead of Durham for a wild card berth, but Vegas appears to be tossing aside such technicalities and focusing on the baseline fundamentals that stubbornly suggest the Thunder Lizards are the better team. That may be, but there is something to be said about finding a way to win, and the Corn Kings have been better at that than the talent-laden Thunder Lizards – at least so far. Durham's failure to execute with consistency on offence coupled with alarming lapses in the previously bulletproof secondary has resulted in one of the league's more disappointing campaigns. At this point the only path to redemption would be a table run beginning this week against their hated rivals. History is on their side. Cowtown's Week One upset was an anomaly in the big picture and facilitated by a rare missed field goal by veteran Phil Dawson. Durham will be aching for revenge and will take aim at a rusty, turnover-prone Joe Flacco, returning from extended injury, to get it. **PICK: DURHAM**

GAMES OF NOTE

ST. CHARLES @ MOHAVE (line - HELLFIRE by 6)

INJURIES: St. Charles – Justin Ellis (OUT), Jimmy Graham (OUT); **Mohave** – Jay Ajayi (OUT), Tevin Coleman (OUT), Garrett Graham (OUT), Joseph Randle (OUT), Pierre Thomas (OUT), Tim Wright (OUT).

In Week One the Chargers snuffed out the Hellfire in OT after coming from behind in the late stages of the 4th. It was the first volley of a surprisingly robust effort to break into the post-season by the expansion upstarts that still continues into this week. Vincent Jackson had a big day but, curiously, it would turn out to be his last as he has been used sparingly since. Notoriously erratic Mohave recovered from that pie in the face to mount their own run at the division, jerry-rigging together wins with a combination of automatic fire from the mad machine gunner, Ryan Fitzpatrick and timely takeaways by the defence. They currently sit in first position out of the wildcard spots, poised to break in if they can manage to win the games they should win. And this is one of those. The Chargers signalled last week that they will rise and fall the rest of the way with the future of their franchise leading the way. Carson Wentz looks good; certainly good enough to leave a mark on the Hellfire secondary. The question is whether the Charger defence can withstand a few direct hits by free-fire Fitzy. Guns will be ablaze in this one! **PICK: ST. CHARLES**

YORK @ GWINNETT (line – GLADIATORS by 6)

INJURIES: York – Omar Bolden (QUESTIONABLE), Jason Peters (DOUBTFUL), Josh Doctson (OUT), Micah Hyde (OUT), Max Tuerk (OUT), Nate Washington (OUT); **Gwinnett** – Morgan Burnett (PROBABLE), John Jenkins (PROBABLE), Jesse James (OUT), Mychal Kendricks (OUT), Kyle Williams (OUT).

If you cannot remember why Tom Brady is considered one of the greats take a look at his second half performance against the Corn Kings last week. Okay, so he fell short of leading his team to glorious victory. But he did turn the tables on a defence that appeared to have a stranglehold on him and his wounded receiving corps. One felt all he needed was a couple of extra minutes and the ending might have been different. And that is the sum of the incongruity at the root of the Excaliburs' woes – they appear to have what it takes to be a contender but fall a little short every time. They enter this game with a fair but rapidly diminishing shot at a wild card berth, but can dramatically improve their chances with a win here over one of the teams they need to catch. The Glads, however, are not in let-up mode with a tough four-game stretch remaining on their schedule. With a fully healthy offence at his disposal Big Ben

will be fully equipped to test the York corners while avoiding the predatory Kurt Coleman and the dodgy LeSean McCoy will force Von Miller to respect the ground game. Nevertheless, with a season in the balance and with the memory of Brady's near comeback last week still fresh, I am betting the Swords keep it uncomfortably close. **PICK: YORK**

CHARLESWOOD @ CHINO (line – CONVICTS by 3)

INJURIES: Charleswood – Frankie Hammond Jr. (OUT), Johnathan Hankins (OUT), Justin Hardy (OT), Robert Nkemdiche (OUT); Chino – Travaris Cadet (OUT), Keshawn Martin (OUT), Sheldon Rankins (OUT).

Both teams are deep in the tangled weeds of the murky and highly contested race for the second wild card spot in the Pacific, with the Pats currently owning the tie-breaking advantage over the Convicts in a tight three-way race with Mohave. The winner will deal a damaging blow to the loser by securing a tie-breaker while gaining a game. The Pats' hold on the last playoff spot is tenuous. The passing game under Blake Bortles has fallen short of "game manager" level, leaving Lamar Miller to shoulder a burden he cannot carry. The defence is keeping the defending Champs treading water in the playoff pool. The Convicts are in cautious recovery mode after a brutal start to the season by their quarterback, but they too are a shaky contender with many questions. This one is too close to call, but since I have to put my chips down I'll go with the home team. **PICK: CHINO**

CARTHAGE @ BROOKLIN (line – HAWKS by 11)

INJURIES: Carthage – None; **Brooklin** – Alshon Jeffery (OUT).

I like the Hawks, but the first time they faced the Cannibals they were deadlocked at the gaudy score of 34-34 with 5 minutes left and needed a big play in the dying seconds to escape with the win. Marcus Mariota is capable of keeping his team on pace with the enemy in a firefight, so the double-digit line creates a tempting wager despite the shoddy quality of the Cannibal defence; which has been backing up its reputation as one of the league's worst. The Hawks continue to soar high on offence, second only to Sebastian in net yards per game. The defence, with several good players but no dominant stars, has been the principal culprit in dragging the team down to a mediocre 500 record and forcing them to punch their way out of a ring against the likes of St. Charles and Mohave. Injuries are not a factor, but Brooklin would love to have Alshon Jeffery back soon. Will the Cannibals score their points? Sure they will. But the Hawks at home will keep the pressure on and breakout in the end. **PICK: BROOKLIN**

IOWA CITY @ VIRDEN (line – CUBS by 3)

INJURIES: Iowa City – None; **Virden** – Prince Amukamara (OUT), Anthony Barr (OUT), Nick Folk (OUT), Ja'Waun James (OUT), Trumaine Johnson (OUT), Dontari Poe (OUT), Aldon Smith (OUT).

The Cubs and Violators have something in common; they both look better than their records. But where the psychotic slashers can always claim injuries as an excuse for lack of performance, the historically healthy Cubbies have no ready explanation for their failure to emerge as a force on the football field worthy of their press. Their home loss to LA last week was always possible, but deep down we all thought it would be the Cubs who would expose the Knights as the Pretender to the Western Throne, not the other way around. Teddy Bridgewater stood unfazed in the pocket, as the Iowa pass rush wheezed, and picked apart the Cubs' secondary for nearly 400 yards. Deron Redding's crew now faces the challenge of playing catch-up and must take care of strong, but wounded opponents like Virden. The 3-point spread would be wide under perfect circumstances. But the list of missing impact players on Virden's defence is long – about as long as this game will seem for the home team. **PICK: IOWA CITY**

HOLIDAY LEFTOVERS

MISSION VIEJO @ ERIEAU (line – MONARCHS by 4)

INJURIES: Mission Vejo – Larry DONNELL (OUT), Kareem Jackson (OUT), Markus Kuhn (OUT), Cecil Shorts III (OUT), Gabe Wright (OUT); Erieau – Joey Bosa (OUT), Percy Harvin (OUT), Justin Houston (OUT), Daniel Kilgore (OUT), Marshawn Lynch (OUT), Tony Romo (OUT).

As the Monarchs fall to the back of the pack in the wide open hunt for a Pacific wild card berth few are bothering to talk about why. This was a team expected to put a scare into big name opponents on any given Sunday and handle the middlers and newbies with relative ease. Well, here they are: barely better than a field goal favourite to beat the league's hands down worst team. The problem is not so much their defence, which has been middle of the pack due to a stinky secondary, but Eli Manning and the offence. Putting faith in the younger Manning to turn this franchise's fortunes around is beginning to look like a big mistake – at least in the short term. Well, everyone in Ferraroland will feel a little better about everything after this game. Like a stiff shot of whisky, the Cadillac will create the temporary illusion that all is well and better days are ahead. **PICK: MISSION VIEJO**

SEBASTIAN @ SCARBOROUGH (line – SWORDFISH by 11)

INJURIES: Sebastian – Justin Pugh (PROBABLE), Ahmad Brooks (PROBABLE), Danny Amendola (DOUBTFUL), Daniel Herron (OUT); **Scarborough** – Ryan Kalil (OUT), Derrick Morgan (OUT), Paul Soliai (OUT), Justin Tuck (OT).

The only way this season could get any worse for Scarborough would be for them to lose to Erieau. But since they don't play that cross-conference expansion basket case, it is safe to say the Eagles have hit rock bottom for 2016. They are now in the time worn loser position of having nowhere to go but up. But going up will be as difficult as it could possibly be this week against the Atlantic Conference-leading Swordfish; a team becoming increasingly confident and aggressive in its on field execution. The Swordfish can clinch the North Division with a win. Expect them to clinch the North right here. **PICK: SEBASTIAN**

PICKERING @ TORONTO (line – SPARTANS by 1)

INJURIES: Pickering – Sen'Derrick Marks (OUT), Charles Tillman (OUT); **Toronto** – Chris Canty (OUT), Leonard Hankerson (OUT), Damontre Moore (OUT), LaAdrian Waddle (OUT).

The Wolverines showed signs of life in pushing the mighty Mustangs to the wall last week. But all that life was on the defensive side of the ball. The offence fared better than expected but still failed to score a TD for the third straight game. The Spartans mounted token resistant against Durham and officially fell out of the playoff picture. Never a genuine contender, the Spartans still banked on staying in the race up until the final weeks then playing the spoiler role. It must be driving Gus Konstantakos batty that his team cannot even do that this week against equally-eliminated Toronto. Nevertheless, this will be a competitive game in the sense that both teams will give it their all – that's just the way they are. **PICK: PICKERING**

SOUTH CAROLINA @ NEW JERSEY (line – REGULATORS by 1)

INJURIES: South Carolina – Jeremy Butler (QUESTIONABLE), Keenan Allen (OUT), Laquon Treadwell (OUT); **New Jersey** – Jared Goff (QUESTIONABLE), Jeremy Zuttah (QUESTIONABLE), Nolan Carroll (OUT), Antonio Gates (OUT), Rob Housler (OUT), Chris Johnson (OUT), Robert McClain (OUT), Michael Ola (OUT), JT Thomas III (OUT), Cameron Wake (OUT).

The Regulators are not dead yet but they hanging by a thread. Simply put: they need to win the rest of their games and hope for lots and lots of help – the kind of help that usually comes from God. But if there is a God governing the football universe, He/She has not been smiling on South Carolina this year. It looks like the critical injury situation that has ruined their season won't settle down until they are comfortably out of the playoff picture. The Wrecking Balls have also been devastated by injuries, but it cannot be said that they had viable prospects to be wrecked by them. Under the circumstances this expansion franchise will take its three wins and call their season a success. For the Regulators, there is no redemption – unless that miracle is in the works.

PICK: SOUTH CAROLINA





FROM THE EFL ARCHIVES – By the end of Week 12 of the 2010 EFL season the playoff picture looked like this: Chino (9-3) and Florida (12-0) had clinched their divisions while Pickering (11-1) and Durham (9-3) had clinched wild card berths. Everything else was up for grabs in theory, but the Pats (9-3) were the clear favourites to win the East. Technically, everyone was still alive for a shot at a wild card. Yes, everybody – even lowly Garland and Cowtown sharing the cellar at 2-10. That should tell you, if nothing else does, about the state of balance, or imbalance in the

league that year. Balance if you looked at the middle ten teams; imbalance if you compared those with the top four. There had been plenty of competitive games to that point, but most had lost something from the fact that the competitors not named Florida, Pickering, Charleswood or Chino knew deep down they didn't stand a chance to win it all. The Spartans and Dragons just kept rolling over opponents. Even when the scores appeared respectable, like Mohave falling 28-17 to Pickering that week, the games themselves were never in doubt. Mohave was never in the game and scored 2 TDs in garbage time.

The Corn Kings were suffering their worst season and by Week 12 the franchise was desperate for a spark. They unveiled a special "third uniform" – a bright golden-yellow corn niblet-patterned eyesore that immediately made everything worse. The players were embarrassed to wear it and the networks reveled in their ugliness. When the Patriots stopped laughing, they set about administering a 45-28 beat down to teach the Corn Kings a lesson. There are still photos of those uniforms on the Internet. Just Google 'Worst Football uniforms all time' – they make up the first dozen returns.