

# 2011

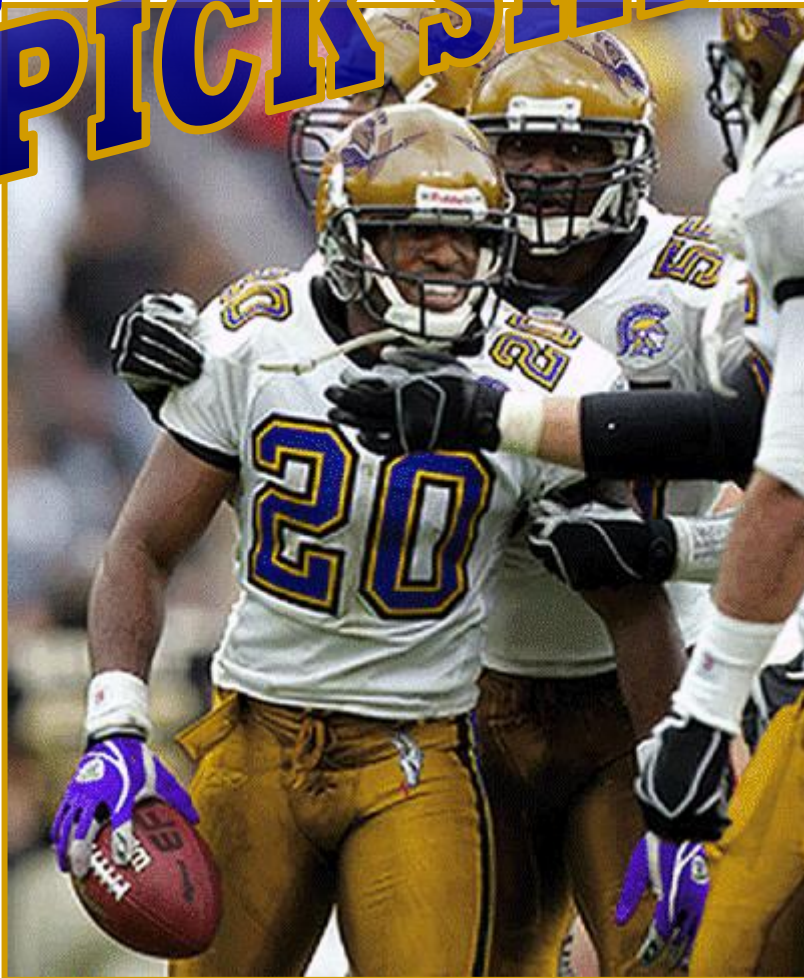


# 2011

## WEEK FIVE IN REVIEW

November 6, 2011

# PICK SIX!



Pickering's Ronde Barber is congratulated by teammates after his second interception return for a TD. The Spartans smashed the Pats 55-24.

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#### COMMENT

"Occupy Wall Street," "BE-Ware the Undertakers," "Re-Match, No-Match," "Jack Wannabe," "Around the EFL," and more – Spats McChad

#### PREDICTIONS

Never mind what Vegas says, everything will fall into place!! – Jimmy the Geek



*Who was slick  
in Week Five?*

**"BRYLCREEM" THE  
EFL'S FIRST SPONSOR**



Jason Campbell  
QB  
South Carolina  
Regulators

22 of 30 for 264 yards, 2 TDs.  
Clutch on 3<sup>rd</sup> down.



Ronde Barber  
CB  
Pickering  
Spartans

"Pick Six" and led domination that  
held Mustangs to 46 yards passing.

# BARBER SHEARS PATS IN RE-MATCH!



**PICKERING  
SPARTANS**

**55**

**24**

**CHARLESWOOD  
PATRIOTS**



## SPARTAN OF THE GAME

**Ronde Barber**

11 tackles, 1 INT, 2 TDs

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
PICKERING 4-1)	10	24	14	7	-	55
CHARLESWOOD (4-1)	14	3	7	0	-	24

## PATRIOT OF THE GAME

**Adrian Peterson**

13 for 107 yards rushing, 1 TD

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** **Ronde Barber** returned two interceptions for touchdowns, the first on a lateral from Antoine Cason, to lead the rout.

- **Rashad Jennings** rushed for 101 yards and 1 TD on 11 carries.
- **Matt Cassel** completed only 6 passes in 13 attempts with 1 interception, but gained 130 yards and scored 2 TDs.
- **Peyton Manning** attempted 57 passes, completing 32 for 302 yards but also threw 4 interceptions.
- **Oshiomogho Atogwe** made 9 tackles, 4 deflections, 1 run stuff, and returned an interception for a TD to stand out for the defence.

**GAME SUMMARY:** Things got off to a great start for the Patriots in the 2010 EFL Championship re-match when **Melvin Bullitt** picked off a pass from **Matt Cassel** on 3<sup>rd</sup> and long and ran it back 23 yards for the opening TD. A sailing snap over the head of Pats' punter **Jason Baker** on the Pats' next possession gave Pickering the ball at the Charleswood 1 yard line. After getting stuffed for a loss, **Chris Johnson** carried it over from 2 yards on the next play to even the score at 7. **Peyton Manning** responded with passes of 54 and 17 yards to **Santonio Holmes** then connected with **Jason Witten** for a TD from 9 yards out to take back the lead, 14-7. That would be as high as Charleswood would get, however. After a Spartans' field goal, **Oshiomogho Atogwe** picked off Manning as the Pats crossed mid-field and returned it 60 yards for a TD to give Pickering a 17-14 lead. After another **Josh Scobee** field goal to make it 20-14, **Mike Goodson** fumbled away the kick return, giving Pickering the ball at the 23 yard line. **Rashad Jennings** and **Darren Sproles** took them close and Cassel finished it off with a 6-yard TD pass to Sproles to extend the Pickering lead to 27-14 with over six minutes still remaining in the half. The Spartans were not done. Facing 3<sup>rd</sup> and 12 at their 38, Manning's pass to **Jacoby Jones** was picked off by **Antoine Cason**. He lateralled the ball to **Ronde Barber** and he took it 51 yards to the house. A late field goal by Charleswood made it 34-17 at half time. The second half opened well for the Pats with a 74-yard TD run by **Adrian Peterson** to make it 34-24. But optimism would be fleeting for the home team. **Anquan Boldin** broke free after snaring a short slant and took it 78 yards for another TD. **Ronde Barber** added a "pick six" in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to top off a shockingly easy rout.



## THE FANS LOVED

Free-wheeling Spartan secondary

## THE FANS HATED

Peyton playing like Eli



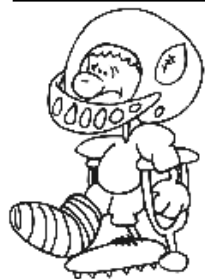
## FAN RATING



11-02-2011 Patriot Place Temp: 75 Wind: MVP: **Ronde Barber**

1 13:26	Charleswood	TD Bullitt 23 interception return (Gostkowski) (0-0-1:25)	0-7
1 7:57	Pickering	TD Johnson 2 run (Scobee) (2-1-0:41)	7-7
1 6:07	Charleswood	TD Manning 9 pass to Witten (Gostkowski) (4-80-1:50)	7-14
1 1:48	Pickering	FG Scobee 30 (8-46-4:11)	10-14
2 13:23	Pickering	TD Atogwe 60 interception return (Scobee) (0-0-3:18)	17-14
2 9:46	Pickering	FG Scobee 31 (7-20-1:34)	20-14
2 6:42	Pickering	TD Cassel 6 pass to Sproles (Scobee) (6-23-2:56)	27-14
2 3:23	Pickering	TD Barber 51 interception return (Scobee) (0-0-3:11)	34-14
2 0:01	Charleswood	FG Gostkowski 32 (13-60-3:11)	34-17
3 14:38	Charleswood	TD Peterson 74 run (Gostkowski) (1-74-0:15)	34-24
3 11:25	Pickering	TD Cassel 78 pass to Boldin (Scobee) (1-78-0:17)	41-24
3 4:24	Pickering	TD Jennings 11 run (Scobee) (8-83-4:30)	48-24
4 10:24	Pickering	TD Barber 29 interception return (Scobee) (0-0-0:13)	55-24

	PIC	CHP
First Downs	12	21
Rushes	35-159	18-82
Passes	13-6-130	57-32-302
Sacked	1-6	2-9
Fumble	0	4
Penalties	3-22	6-52
Turnovers	1	5
Time	26:10	33:50
Third Down	5-12	5-17
Fourth Down	0-0	3-6
Red Att/Td/Fg	5/3/2	2/1/1
Net Offense	283	375



## INJURIES

PICKERING – Louis Murphy (PG-3<sup>rd</sup>).

CHARLESWOOD – Santonio Holmes (5 games); Chris Harris (PG-2<sup>nd</sup>).

## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"When things go bad for us they seem to go really, really bad!" – *Charleswood coach, Jason Findlay.*



# CORN KINGS TORCH HELLFIRE!



**COWTOWN CORN  
KINGS**

**38**

**21**

**MOHAVE  
HELLFIRE**



## COW PLAYER OF THE GAME

**Joe Flacco**

18 of 26, 287 yards, 4 TDs.

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
<b>COWTOWN (4-1)</b>	14	14	7	3	-	38
<b>MOHAVE (0-5)</b>	0	7	7	7	-	21

## HELL PLAYER OF THE GAME

**Benjamin Watson**

10 for 142 receiving, 1 TD

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** **Joe Flacco** posted a 145.5 QB rating for the most efficient day of his Corn King career.

- **Santana Moss** caught 5 passes for 114 yards and 3 TDs, including a 62-yarder.
- **Maurice Jones-Drew** and **Brandon Jackson** combined for 186 yards rushing and 65 receiving yards. Jackson added a rushing TD.
- **Matt Schaub** went 19 of 27 for 231 yards and 1 TD, but was also picked off twice.
- **Chris Ivory** carried the ball 18 times for 95 yards.
- **The Corn Kings** converted 9 of 11 first downs.

**GAME SUMMARY:** Cowtown took the opening drive 80 yards in under 4 minutes on the strength of a 22-yard run by **Maurice Jones-Drew** and a 36-yard pass to **Brandon Jackson** to strike first on a 9-yard TD pass from **Joe Flacco** to **Zach Miller**. The Corn King machine stalled briefly as the teams traded punts then kicked back into gear in the final minutes of the first quarter when Jackson ripped off a 21-yard run and Flacco followed with a 20-yard pass to Miller then a 17-yard TD pass to **Santana Moss**, his first of three on the day, to make it 14-0. Mohave got back in the game with a grinding 85-yard drive that burned nearly 10 minutes off the clock. A 27-yard completion from **Matt Schaub** to **Benjamin Watson** on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 22 kept it alive then six straight runs by **Daniel Thomas**, the last for 19 yards to the end zone, completed the epic journey that breathed life into the fans at the Fiery Depths. But when Cowtown got the ball back they continued to roll like a giant cob over the Mohave defence. A 37-yard pass to **Kevin Walter** sparked a pass-only drive that saw Flacco go 5 for 6 for 80 yards and finish it off with a 15-yard TD toss to Moss to make it 21-7. A mere two minutes later, the Corn Kings added another when Moss broke free behind coverage and carried a medium fly 62 yards to pay dirt for a 28-7 half time lead. **Charles Godfrey** picked off Schaub to start the second half and Jackson broke a 42-yard long run for another TD to make it 35-7. Mohave added two TDs in garbage time to close the margin slightly, but not enough.



**THE FANS LOVED**  
Mighty Joe Flacco

**THE FANS HATED**  
Invisible Mohave 'D'



**FAN RATING**



11-02-2011 The Fiery Depths Temp: 103 Wind: Calm None MVP: **Joe Flacco**

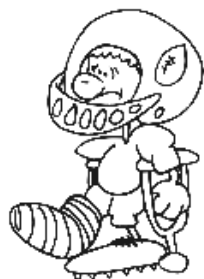
1 11:17 Cowtown	TD Flacco 9 pass to Miller (Mare) (6-80-3:43)	7-0
1 1:46 Cowtown	TD Flacco 17 pass to Moss (Mare) (7-75-3:41)	14-0
2 6:59 Mohave	TD Thomas 19 run (Bironas) (17-85-9:42)	14-7
2 3:44 Cowtown	TD Flacco 15 pass to Moss (Mare) (6-80-3:15)	21-7
2 1:33 Cowtown	TD Flacco 62 pass to Moss (Mare) (3-70-0:44)	28-7
3 14:34 Cowtown	TD Jackson 42 run (Mare) (1-42-0:13)	35-7
3 12:37 Mohave	TD Schaub 1 pass to Watson (Bironas) (4-74-1:51)	35-14
4 14:56 Mohave	TD Tolbert 1 run (Bironas) (9-80-4:19)	35-21
4 8:52 Cowtown	FG Mare 20 (10-58-6:01)	38-21

	COW	MOH
First Downs	21	20
Rushes	32-202	29-138
Passes	26-18-287	27-19-231
Sacked	0-0	3-18
Fumble	1	0
Penalties	2-20	5-25
Turnovers	0	2
Time	31:39	28:21
Third Down	9-11	9-13
Fourth Down	0-0	0-0
Red Att/Td/Fg	4/3/1	4/3/0
Net Offense	489	351

## INJURIES

COWTOWN – Tramon Williams (PG-1<sup>st</sup>); Travis LaBoy (3 games).

MOHAVE – Dan Connolly (PG-1<sup>st</sup>); Pat Sims (PG-3<sup>rd</sup>).



## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"Yep, it was a good game for us." – unflappable Cowtown quarterback, **Joe Flacco**.

# MARKHAM'S 'D' MUCKS UP MANNING!



**VIRDEN  
VIOLATORS**

**17**

**20**

**MARKHAM NORTH  
STARS**



## VIOLATER OF THE GAME

**Dez Bryant**

6 for 138 receiving, 1 TD

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
<b>VIRDEN (2-3)</b>	7	0	3	7	-	17
<b>MARKHAM (2-3)</b>	10	7	0	3	-	20

## NORTH STAR OF THE GAME

**Antoine Winfield**

8 tackles, 2 Def., 1 INT

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** **Mark Sanchez** completed 13 of 21 for 107 yards and 0 picks.

- **Eli Manning** completed 21 of 40 for 270 yards and 2 TDs but also threw 3 interceptions.
- **DeAngelo Williams** rushed for 92 yards and 1 TD on 22 carries.
- Violator receiver **Dez Bryant** caught 6 passes for 138 yards and 1 TD.
- The **Markham defence** deflected 11 passes, forced 3 fumbles and made 3 picks.
- **Stefan Logan** piled up 166 yards returning kicks and punts.

**GAME SUMMARY:** **Antoine Winfield** made his league-leading third interception to snuff out Virden's opening drive and set up a 40-yard **David Akers** field goal, giving Markham an early 3-0 lead. **Eli Manning** atoned for that early miscue with two big completions to **Dez Bryant** – the first for 34 yards and the second for 6 yards and a TD to grab the lead 7-3. The North Stars crossed up the Violators' defence with some clever play-calling, keeping them off-balance with alternating runs and passes to move the ball 78 yards. A pair of 11-yard runs by **DeAngelo Williams**, the second for a TD, put the home team back in front 10-7. Going for the big strike, Manning threw deep on Virden's next series and was picked off by safety, **Chris Hope**, who carried it back 46 yards to the Virden 11 yard line. Four plays later, **Jahvid Best** was across the goal line from 1 yard out to give Markham a two-score lead, 17-7 early in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. From that point the offence on both sides suddenly stopped as the teams managed just one first down between them for the rest of the half. No more points would be scored until Virden finally broke through late in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter with a 37-yard field goal by **Lawrence Tynes**. Markham answered that with a 26-yarder from Akers to regain the 10-point advantage. Virden rallied late with 74-yard drive in which Manning completed 7 of 8 attempts, the last a 10-yard TD pass to **Julio Jones**. But **Terrence Newman** shut down Virden's final opportunity with an interception at his 33 yard line with 25 seconds left.



## THE FANS LOVED

A Markham win...any win!

## THE FANS HATED

Eli's 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> picks.



## FAN RATING

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11-04-2011 The Dawg Pound Temp: 66 Wind: Calm None MVP: **Stefan Logan**

1 11:10	Markham	FG Akers 40 (4-0-1:22)	0-3
1 8:38	Virden	TD Manning 6 pass to Bryant (Tynes) (7-59-2:23)	7-3
1 1:19	Markham	TD Williams 11 run (Akers) (13-78-7:11)	7-10
2 13:40	Markham	TD Best 1 run (Akers) (4-11-1:38)	7-17
3 1:13	Virden	FG Tynes 37 (11-63-5:05)	10-17
4 9:33	Markham	FG Akers 26 (12-51-6:30)	10-20
4 3:54	Virden	TD Manning 10 pass to Jones (Tynes) (9-74-5:32)	17-20

	VV	MAR
First Downs	17	15
Rushes	22-67	36-133
Passes	40-21-270	21-13-107
Sacked	1-7	0-0
Fumble	3	0
Penalties	3-26	4-20
Turnovers	3	0
Time	28:17	31:43
Third Down	8-14	4-13
Fourth Down	0-0	1-1
Red Att/Td/Fg	3/2/1	3/2/1
Net Offense	330	240



## INJURIES

**VIRDEN** – Carlos Dunlap (PG-2<sup>nd</sup>); Madiou Williams (PG-2<sup>nd</sup>).

**MARKHAM** – Jonathan Babineaux (2 games).

## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"That big woman in the stands was a distraction. They should do something about her. What she was doing was not right. – Virden quarterback, **Eli Manning**, commenting on the Fat Lady.

# YORK "TEBOWNED" BY LIZARDS!



**DURHAM THUNDER  
LIZARDS**

**20**

**10**

**YORK  
EXCALIBURS**



## LIZARD OF THE GAME

**Philip Rivers**

18 of 27, 192 yds, 1 TD

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
<b>DURHAM (3-2)</b>	7	6	0	7	-	20
<b>YORK (1-4)</b>	0	0	10	0	-	10

## YORK PLAYER OF THE GAME

**Roy Williams**

4 of 60 receiving, 32 long.

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** **Tim Tebow** operating from the 'crossbow,' rushed for 30 yards and 1 TD on 2 carries.

- **Calvin Johnson** caught 7 passes for 75 yards to lead the Durham wide receivers.
- **Tom Brady** completed 20 of 40 passes for 207 yards, 1 TD and 1 INT.
- **Brandon Jacobs** carried the ball 12 times, gaining 59 yards.
- **Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie** made 5 tackles, 2 deflections and became the first player to intercept Brady this year.
- **Lamarr Houston** had 2 sacks, 1 QB pressure, and 1 run stuff to lead the Durham defensive line.

**GAME SUMMARY:** Trying to jump start a faltering offence, the Excaliburs challenged Durham early by trying to convert a 4<sup>th</sup> and 1 at the Thunder Lizards' 44. **Brandon Jacobs** came up a foot short, turning the ball over on downs. Durham marched the other way and with the help of a facemask penalty against **Daniel Muir** penetrated the York red zone. **Philip Rivers** found **Danny Amendola** in the back of the end zone from 13 yards out to give Durham the early 7-0 lead. York took the kick-off and drove to the Durham 39 yard line where they faced 4<sup>th</sup> down and 6. Again they opted to gamble and again they fell short, giving the ball back to the Lizards, who turned the good field position into a 40-yard **Adam Vinatieri** field goal for a 10-0 lead. The Lizards would add another 3-pointer before the half for a 13-0 advantage. York finally got on the scoreboard early in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter after a 32-yard pass to **Roy Williams** helped set up a 47-yard **Graham Gano** field goal. After forcing a Durham three-and-out, the Yorkies assembled their most sustained drive of the day, covering 65 yards and ending with a 5-yard out pass to **Tony Scheffler** to pull within 3 points. On York's next possession, a shanked punt by **Sav Rocca** gave Durham excellent field position at their 43 yard line. On the ensuing drive, **Tim Tebow** rushed twice for 30 yards and scored on the last from 15 yards to clinch the win for Durham.



**THE FANS LOVED**  
The "Cross-bow"

**THE FANS HATED**  
Brady bottled up



**FAN RATING**

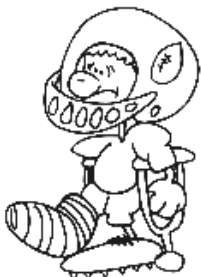


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11-02-2011 Camelot Temp: 64 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: **Philip Rivers**

1 7:53	Durham	TD Rivers 13 pass to Amendola (Vinatieri) (7-57-2:36)	7-0
2 14:56	Durham	FG Vinatieri 40 (8-39-3:18)	10-0
2 0:00	Durham	FG Vinatieri 36 (9-50-1:58)	13-0
3 9:25	York	FG Gano 47 (8-54-3:25)	13-3
3 3:18	York	TD Brady 5 pass to Scheffler (Gano) (10-65-5:05)	13-10
4 9:21	Durham	TD Tebow 15 run (Vinatieri) (8-57-4:51)	20-10

	DTL	YOR
First Downs	16	20
Rushes	25-132	24-99
Passes	28-18-192	40-20-207
Sacked	3-12	2-14
Fumble	1	0
Penalties	7-63	6-40
Turnovers	0	1
Time	28:31	31:29
Third Down	8-15	4-14
Fourth Down	0-0	0-3
Red Att/Td/Fg	3/2/0	1/1/0
Net Offense	312	292



## INJURIES

**DURHAM** – Jared Allen (PG-1<sup>st</sup>); Dwayne Bowe (PG-2<sup>nd</sup>);

**YORK** – None.

## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"I'm no more important than Philip. I just have a gift." – Durham QB, **Tim Tebow**.



# CONVICTS FINALLY WIN!



**CHINO  
CONVICTS**

**23**

**20**

**SCARBOROUGH  
BLUE EAGLES**



CONVICT OF THE GAME
<b>Cam Newton</b>
7 for 102 rushing, 1 TD.

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
<b>CHINO (1-4)</b>	7	10	0	3	3	23
<b>SCARBOROUGH (3-2)</b>	3	3	14	0	0	20

BLUE EAGLE OF THE GAME
<b>Brandon Marshall</b>
10 for 155 receiving, 50 Long.

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** **Cam Newton** passed for 113 yards on 18 completions in 32 attempts.

- **Chad Henne** completed 28 of 53 for 278 yards, 1 TD and 2 INTs in place of injured **Aaron Rodgers**.
- **Josh Cribbs** rushed twice from scrimmage for 53 yards.
- **The Chino Defence** deflected 11 passes and stuffed 5 runs
- Scarborough running back, **Ray Rice** was held to just 48 yards on 24 carries, but scored a TD.
- **Justin Tuck** had a monster game, making 10 tackles, 1 sack, 2 deflections, 1 run stuff, and 3 QB pressures.

**GAME SUMMARY:** **Billy Cundiff** booted a 55-yard field goal with 6 minutes remaining in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to tie the game and force overtime. He then won it on a 36-yard field goal with just 2:23 remaining in extra time to tally Chino's first victory of the season and hand Scarborough their second consecutive loss. Chino got off to a fast start when **Brodney Pool** picked off **Chad Henne** deep in Blue Eagles' territory and returned it 10 yards for a touchdown at the 6 minute mark of the 1st quarter. The Convicts used the unconventional running game to build a 17-6 half time lead, getting a 34-yard TD run by rookie quarterback **Cam Newton** on the naked bootleg and a 29-yard Cundiff field goal set up by a 53-yard end around by **Josh Cribbs**. Scarborough surged back in the second half to take the lead with two quick 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter touchdowns: the first an 11-yard run by **Ray Rice**, set up by a 21-yard pass to **Brandon Marshall**; and the second a 7-yard TD pass to **Jermaine Gresham** after a 19-yard punt return by **CJ Spiller** set up a short field starting at the Chino 35 yard line. Brutal defences took over on both sides after that with the Convicts gradually winning the field position battle. Starting on their own 44 yard line, a 17-yard drive, keyed by **Derrick Mason's** 14-yard reception on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 9, was enough to get Chino in position for Cundiff's game-tying kick.



**THE FANS LOVED**  
Brees bending the Virden 'D'

**THE FANS HATED**  
Eli Manning's 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, & 10<sup>th</sup> picks



**FAN RATING**



11-05-2011 Bluffs Stadium Temp: 51 Wind: 0-10 None MVP: **Cam Newton**

1 5:58 Chino	TD Pool 10 interception return (Cundiff) (0-0-1:43)	7-0
1 3:56 Scarborough	FG Janikowski 43 (6-49-1:54)	7-3
2 11:35 Chino	TD Newton 34 run (Cundiff) (4-55-2:17)	14-3
2 7:46 Chino	FG Cundiff 29 (7-54-2:23)	17-3
2 0:11 Scarborough	FG Janikowski 55 (8-25-1:21)	17-6
3 10:15 Scarborough	TD Rice 11 run (Janikowski) (7-49-3:38)	17-13
3 4:20 Scarborough	TD Henne 7 pass to Gresham (Janikowski) (8-45-4:11)	17-20
4 6:10 Chino	FG Cundiff 55 (7-19-2:38)	20-20
5 2:23 Chino	FG Cundiff 36 (8-35-4:48)	23-20

	CHI	SBE
First Downs	13	19
Rushes	29-199	31-51
Passes	32-18-113	53-28-278
Sacked	3-24	1-7
Fumble	0	2
Penalties	7-45	10-59
Turnovers	0	2
Time	32:08	40:29
Third Down	4-16	9-22
Fourth Down	0-0	2-2
Red Att/Td/Fg	1/0/1	2/2/0
Net Offense	288	322

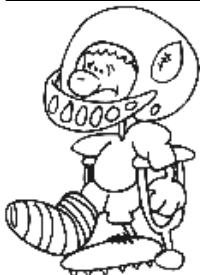
## INJURIES

**CHINO** – Aqib Talib (5 games); Chad Ochocinco (3 games).

**SCARBOROUGH** – DeSean Jackson (3 games); Antonio Cromartie (2 games).

## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"Cam gives us another dimension to our game, no doubt. The absence of Aaron Rodgers today gave us another one." – *Chino coach Rob Nazar.*



# KNIGHTS RIDE MUSTANGS TO 5<sup>TH</sup> WIN!



**GARLAND  
MUSTANGS**

**10**

**27**

**LOS ANGELES  
KNIGHTS**



## MUSTANG OF THE GAME

**Matt Ryan**  
22 of 32, 194 yards

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
<b>GARLAND (1-4)</b>	7	3	0	0	-	10
<b>LOS ANGELES (5-0)</b>	14	3	7	3	-	27

## KNIGHT OF THE GAME

**Jamaal Charles**  
19 for 116 rushing, 1 TD

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** **Josh Freeman** completed 16 of 26 for 142 yards and 1 TD for a share of the league lead with 9.

- **Cedric Benson** rushed for 108 yards and 1 TD on 23 carries.
- Knights' wide receiver, **Roddy White** added to his league-leading total with 7 receptions for 64 yards and 1 TD.
- **Peyton Hillis** caught 3 passes for 44 yards to lead all receivers with a 14.7 average.
- **The Knights' Defence** held Garland to just 1 3<sup>rd</sup> down conversion in 10 attempts and negative-2 yards rushing.
- **Wes Welker** caught just 4 passes in 9 targets for 30 yards.

**GAME SUMMARY:** Mustangs' rookie, **Patrick Peterson** returned **Steve Weatherford's** punt 89 yards for a quick opening touchdown. It would turn out to be their lone highlight for game. The Knights replied with the **Cedric Benson** show, handing the ball off to him 8 times in a 12-play drive, the last carry good for a 2-yard TD run to tie the game. After a quick Garland three-and-out, **Eric Weems** broke a 42-yard punt return to give the Knights great field position in Garland territory. That set up a 1-yard TD run by **Jamaal Charles**, giving Los Angeles a 14-7 lead late in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. The teams traded field goals to maintain the 7-point differential heading into half time. The half time adjustments by LA's "Blue Shield" defence were more than the Mustangs could handle. They completely shut down the Garland running game, forcing it backwards 2 yards, and kept **Matt Ryan** cautious and ineffective through the air. Their answer on offence was to attack the Mustangs' defensive line with a steady does of Charles to start the second half. He carried 4 times for 43 yards on the Knights' second possession of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, setting up a 1-yard TD pass to **Roddy White** to give Los Angeles a 24-10 lead. The same pattern continued, with Garland stalling on the attack and Los Angeles pounding the ball into the line in reply. A frustrated **Cliff Avril** tried to tear off Charles' head at the end of a 10-yard run and was flagged 15 yards to set up the final score, a 34-yard field goal by **Dan Carpenter** at the start of a dead boring final quarter football.



**THE FANS LOVED**  
LA's Burst & Bash running tandem

**THE FANS HATED**  
Powerless Mustang attack



**FAN RATING**

★ ½

11-04-2011 Round Table Stadium Temp: 82 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: **Jamaal Charles**

1 13:41	Garland	TD Peterson 89 punt return (Gould) (0-0-0:56)	7-0
1 6:24	Los Angeles	TD Benson 2 run (Carpente,D) (12-76-7:12)	7-7
1 0:32	Los Angeles	TD Charles 1 run (Carpente,D) (7-43-3:38)	7-14
2 12:25	Garland	FG Gould 20 (8-82-2:56)	10-14
2 4:46	Los Angeles	FG Carpenter 20 (13-74-7:29)	10-17
3 5:45	Los Angeles	TD Freeman 1 pass to White (Carpente,D) (8-48-4:28)	10-24
4 14:57	Los Angeles	FG Carpenter 34 (7-39-2:14)	10-27

	<b>GDM</b>	<b>LAK</b>
First Downs	8	24
Rushes	3--2	45-250
Passes	32-22-194	26-16-142
Sacked	2-12	1-3
Fumble	0	0
Penalties	5-46	4-18
Turnovers	0	0
Time	21:13	38:47
Third Down	1-10	9-14
Fourth Down	0-0	0-1
Red Att/Td/Fg	1/0/0	5/3/1
Net Offense	180	389

## INJURIES

**GARLAND** – Eric Weddle (PG-1<sup>st</sup>);

**LOS ANGELES** – Ed Johnson (3 games); Casey Wiegmann (PG-1<sup>st</sup>); Cedric Benson (PG-1<sup>st</sup>).

## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"I can't really say I wasn't effective, because I didn't touch the ball, man!" – *Garland's starting running back, Matt Forte, commenting on his -4 yards rushing in 2 carries.*



# UNDERTAKERS KILL FINAL DRIVE TO SURVIVE!



**DEATH VALLEY  
UNDERTAKERS**

**34**

**31**

**GWINNETT  
GLADIATORS**



## UNDERTAKER OF THE GAME

**Drew Brees**

22 of 32, 294 yds, 3 TDs.

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
DEATH VALLEY (4-1)	0	21	10	3	-	34
GWINNETT (3-2)	7	7	10	7	-	31

## GLADIATOR OF THE GAME

**Ben Roethlisberger**

18 of 33, 376 yds, 1 INT, 2 TDs.

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** **Andre Johnson** continued his recent domination with 6 receptions for 116 yards and 1 TD.

- **Braylon Edwards** caught 9 passes for 94 yards and 1 TD.
- **Rashard Mendenhall** bounced back after a poor Week 4 with 118 yards rushing and 1 TD on 28 carries.
- Death Valley's **Fearsome Foursome** combined for 24 tackles, 3 sacks, 4 deflections, and 2 QB Pressures to slow down Big Ben.
- **LeSean McCoy** and **Ahmad Bradshaw** combined for 109 yards on 18 carries while Bradshaw scored a TD.
- Gwinnett's **Jeremy Maclin** caught 5 passes for 154 yards and 1TD while **Reggie Wayne** caught 4 for 133 yards and another TD.

**GAME SUMMARY:** Trailing by 3 points with 1:33 remaining in the game, **Ben Roethlisberger** directed his team 74 yards in 44 seconds, spurred on by passes of 29 yards to **Reggie Wayne** and 35 yards to **Jeremy Maclin**, to give Gwinnett a 1<sup>st</sup> and goal at the Death Valley 7 yard line with less than one minute remaining in the game. But with **DeMarcus Ware** zeroing in on the blitz, Big Ben lofted the ball in the air a split second too early and Undertaker safety, **William Moore** jumped the route for the game-saving interception in the end zone. It ended a lively back-and-forth offensive display by both teams that saw Death Valley match Gwinnett TD for TD through most of the 1<sup>st</sup> half until a botched snap to Glads' punter **Andy Lee** set the Undertakers up at the Gwinnett 20. **Drew Brees** took full advantage, hitting **Braylon Edwards** on a short slant which was good for 18 yards and a TD to give his team a 21-14 lead heading into the locker room. It was a lead that would hold up the rest of the way even as Gwinnett managed to overcome part of a 17-point deficit in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Roethlisberger connected deep with Maclin for a 78-yard TD pass to pull within 10 points, 31-21. After trading field goals, the Glads made it a one-score game mid-way in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter on a Big Ben 3-yard TD scramble. The Undertakers looked poised to put the game away on a late 4<sup>th</sup> quarter march into the Gwinnett red zone. Rejecting a field goal attempt for a 6-point lead, Death Valley failed to convert 4<sup>th</sup> and 5, setting up the dramatic final drive.



## THE FANS LOVED

Big Plays, dramatic finish

## THE FANS HATED

When the game ended



## FAN RATING



11-02-2011 Gwinnett Coliseum Temp: 74 Wind: 5-15 None MVP: **Drew Brees**

1 9:49 Gwinnett	TD Bradshaw 4 run (Brown,J) (9-80-5:03)	0-7
2 11:38 Death Valley	TD Mendenhall 1 run (Kasay) (12-61-6:45)	7-7
2 6:38 Gwinnett	TD Roethlisberger 24 pass to Wayne (Brown,J) (9-67-4:54)	7-14
2 2:55 Death Valley	TD Brees 48 pass to Johnson (Kasay) (6-71-3:37)	14-14
2 1:23 Death Valley	TD Brees 18 pass to Edwards (Kasay) (2-20-0:35)	21-14
3 11:11 Death Valley	FG Kasay 40 (8-50-3:38)	24-14
3 7:28 Death Valley	TD Brees 22 pass to Gronkowski (Kasay) (4-62-2:17)	31-14
3 7:07 Gwinnett	TD Roethlisberger 78 pass to Maclin (Brown,J) (1-78-0:15)	31-21
3 1:56 Gwinnett	FG Brown 24 (9-66-3:51)	31-24
4 10:37 Death Valley	FG Kasay 35 (15-46-6:13)	34-24
4 5:56 Gwinnett	TD Roethlisberger 3 run (Brown,J) (10-68-4:33)	34-31

	DVU	GWG
First Downs	23	20
Rushes	33-121	21-113
Passes	32-22-294	33-18-376
Sacked	3-19	4-25
Fumble	2	1
Penalties	3-30	5-44
Turnovers	0	1
Time	34:30	25:30
Third Down	8-15	9-13
Fourth Down	2-3	0-1
Red Att/Td/Fg	5/2/1	4/2/1
Net Offense	396	464

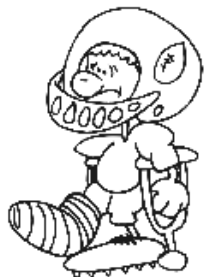
## INJURIES

DEATH VALLEY – Leon Hall (PG-1<sup>st</sup>)

GWINNETT – Dunta Robinson (1 game-DOUBTFUL); Casey Hampton (1 game-DOUBTFUL); Kris Dielman (2 games)

## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"If I don't throw that interception, we win the game. If I throw that interception...well you saw what happened!" – Gwinnett QB, **Ben Roethlisberger**.





# REGULATORS SURPRISE CUBS!



**SOUTH CAROLINA  
REGULATORS**

**24**

**13**

**IOWA CITY  
CUBS**



## REGULATOR OF THE GAME

**Jason Campbell**

22 of 30, 264 yards, 1 INT, 1 TD

Team	1	2	3	4	OT	Total
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA (1-4)</b>	0	6	7	8	-	21
<b>IOWA CITY (2-3)</b>	14	7	0	7	-	28

## CUB OF THE GAME

**Arian Foster**

29 for 142 rushing, 1 TD.

**HIGHLIGHT REEL:** Regulator running back, **Felix Jones** rushed for 93 yards and 2 TDs on 18 carries

- **Earl Bennett** caught 4 passes for 61 yards and a TD with a long of 35.
- Rookie wide receiver, **A.J. Green** caught 3 passes for 62 yards and a long of 41.
- Cubs' QB **Sam Bradford** completed 10 of 19 passes for 145 yards, 0 TDs and 0 INTs.
- Cub's wide receiver **Mike Wallace** was held to just 1 catch but it was good for 46 yards.
- **E.J. Henderson** made 8 tackles, deflected a pass, and forced a fumble to star for the South Carolina defence.

**GAME SUMMARY:** **Arian Foster's** 1st quarter fumble turned the ball over to the Regulators at the Iowa City 40 yard and the visitors took advantage of their host's early generosity by driving all the way to the end zone, scoring on a 6-yard TD run by running back **Felix Jones** for a 7-0 lead. The Cubs erased that deficit and took the lead after a field goal by **Neil Rackers** and a 4-yard TD run by Foster put them on top 10-7 with a 7:38 remaining in the 1<sup>st</sup> half. But **Jason Campbell** engineered an 80-yard drive, overcoming a sack and converting three 3<sup>rd</sup> downs on the way, to set up Jones' second TD of the game, punched in over right tackle from 1 yard out for a 14-10 South Carolina lead at half time. The Regulators appeared ready to add to their 4-point advantage when they drove 74 yards in 8 plays to open the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, but the Cubs dodged a bullet when **Dezmon Briscoe** fumbled the ball away and Iowa City recovered at their own 7 yard line. **Sam Bradford** proceeded to drive the Cubs into field goal range on the strength of a 35-yard completion to **Larry Fitzgerald** and adept running by Foster. Rackers drilled it home from 48 yards to nudge the Cubbies to within one point, trailing 14-13. They would get no closer, however. Campbell assembled a scrappy drive that featured a 19-yard pass to seldom-used fullback, **Le'Ron McClain** and an 18-yard rumble by Jones to set up a 7-yard TD pass to **Earl Bennett**. The South Carolina defence stiffened and held off a pair of rally attempts while the offence added a field goal for Hal Corson's first win.

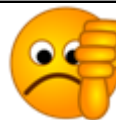


## THE FANS LOVED

235 yards rushing for Johnson

## THE FANS HATED

Invisible Regulator 'D'



## FAN RATING



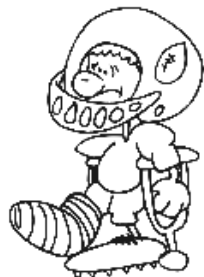
11-04-2011 Joe Ferguson Stadium Temp: 56 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: Jason Campbell

1 3:24	South Carolina	TD Jones 6 run (Kaeding) (6-40-4:00)	7-0
2 13:29	Iowa City	FG Rackers 26 (9-60-4:44)	7-3
2 7:38	Iowa City	TD Foster 4 run (Rackers) (7-74-4:09)	7-10
2 1:26	South Carolina	TD Jones 1 run (Kaeding) (13-80-6:12)	14-10
3 5:32	Iowa City	FG Rackers 48 (9-63-5:02)	14-13
4 14:53	South Carolina	TD Campbell 7 pass to Bennett (Kaeding) (10-70-5:37)	21-13
4 1:47	South Carolina	FG Kaeding 42 (9-38-5:00)	24-13

	SC	ICC
First Downs	20	13
Rushes	30-128	32-147
Passes	31-22-264	19-10-145
Sacked	1-6	0-0
Fumble	2	1
Penalties	7-45	4-20
Turnovers	2	1
Time	34:22	25:38
Third Down	12-14	5-13
Fourth Down	0-0	1-2
Red Att/Td/Fg	4/3/0	2/1/1
Net Offense	386	292

## INJURIES

**SOUTH CAROLINA** – Kendrick Lewis (5 games); A.J. Green (1 game-OUT); Patrick Chung (3 games)  
**IOWA CITY** – Connor Barwin (13 games); Clyde Gates (1 game-QUESTIONABLE); Malcolm Jenkins (PG-2<sup>nd</sup>); Antrel Rolle (PG-2<sup>nd</sup>).



## QUOTE OF THE GAME

"YEEEEEEEEEEHHHHAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA! – South Carolina coach, **Hal Corson** as he ran off the field following the final gun.

## EFL STANDINGS

East	W	L	T	Pct	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Charleswood	4	1	0	0.8	113	22.6	89	17.8	4.8	2 1 0	3 0 0	4 0 0
Virden	2	3	0	0.4	57	11.4	68	13.6	-2.2	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 2 0
York	1	4	0	0.2	54	10.8	101	20.2	-9.4	1 3 0	1 2 0	1 3 0
Mohave	0	5	0	0	56	11.2	130	26	-14.8	0 3 0	0 3 0	0 4 0
West	W	L	T	Pct	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Los Angeles	5	0	0	1	139	27.8	69	13.8	14	2 0 0	3 0 0	4 0 0
Death Valley	4	1	0	0.8	125	25	108	21.6	3.4	1 1 0	2 1 0	3 1 0
Iowa City	2	3	0	0.4	104	20.8	107	21.4	-0.6	1 1 0	1 2 0	2 2 0
Chino	1	4	0	0.2	75	15	100	20	-5	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 4 0
North	W	L	T	Pct	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Cowtown	4	1	0	0.8	132	26.4	69	13.8	12.6	2 0 0	2 1 0	3 1 0
Pickering	4	1	0	0.8	126	25.2	87	17.4	7.8	2 0 0	2 1 0	3 1 0
Durham	3	2	0	0.6	101	20.2	74	14.8	5.4	2 0 0	1 2 0	2 2 0
Markham	2	3	0	0.4	66	13.2	83	16.6	-3.4	2 1 0	1 2 0	1 3 0
South	W	L	T	Pct	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Scarborough	3	2	0	0.6	105	21	96	19.2	1.8	1 2 0	3 0 0	3 1 0
Gwinnett	3	2	0	0.6	123	24.6	95	19	5.6	1 2 0	2 1 0	3 1 0
Garland	1	4	0	0.2	51	10.2	116	23.2	-13	0 2 0	1 2 0	1 3 0
South Carolina	1	4	0	0.2	87	17.4	122	24.4	-7	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 4 0

## PASSING

			Att	Cmp	C%	Yards	In	I%	Lg	TD	TD%	Rate
1	Brees	DVU	160	109	68.1	1282	1	0.6	81	9	5.6	108.4
2	Young, V	GWG	73	45	61.6	524	1	1.4	48	5	6.8	100.5
3	Freeman	LAK	174	115	66.1	1192	2	1.1	65	9	5.2	98.2
4	Roethlisbe	GWG	62	36	58.1	587	1	1.6	78	2	3.2	94
5	Flacco	COW	171	109	63.7	1266	4	2.3	64	9	5.3	93.8
6	Campbell, J	SC	143	93	65	982	3	2.1	41	6	4.2	90.1
7	Cassel	PIC	89	41	46.1	666	2	2.2	78	6	6.7	84.8
8	Manning, P	CHP	174	114	65.5	1140	6	3.4	54	5	2.9	79.2
9	Rodgers	SBE	104	63	60.6	626	1	1	40	1	1	76.8
10	Bradford	ICC	146	84	57.5	1092	4	2.7	49	3	2.1	76.6
11	Rivers, P	DTL	162	101	62.3	1125	6	3.7	62	2	1.2	71.7
12	Brady, T	YOR	161	88	54.7	754	1	0.6	32	2	1.2	68.7
13	Schaub	MOH	156	92	59	876	4	2.6	52	2	1.3	68.2
14	Ryan, M	GDM	171	97	56.7	906	3	1.8	48	1	0.6	66.1
15	Manning, E	VV	167	97	58.1	1191	13	7.8	51	4	2.4	55.8
16	Cutler	CHI	105	66	62.9	536	6	5.7	73	0	0	51.9
17	Sanchez	MAR	91	45	49.5	458	4	4.4	45	0	0	45.9
18	Henne	SBE	67	33	49.3	318	4	6	50	1	1.5	43

## RUSHING

			Att	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD				Att	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Peterson, A	CHP	106	564	5.3	74	6	11	Tomlinson	VV	84	251	3	17	0
2	Foster, A	ICC	101	540	5.3	72	3	12	Jackson, B	COW	42	242	5.8	42	2
3	Johnson, C	PIC	110	455	4.1	58	3	13	Jackson, S	CHI	74	241	3.3	30	0
4	Ivory	MOH	83	397	4.8	44	0	14	McFadden, D	YOR	49	239	4.9	39	0
5	Charles	LAK	74	376	5.1	19	3	15	Turner, M	DTL	67	234	3.5	19	1
6	McCoy, L	GWG	69	323	4.7	40	3	16	Best	MAR	73	228	3.1	14	3
7	Jones-Drew	COW	63	302	4.8	29	0	17	Benson	LAK	50	223	4.5	26	3
8	Bradshaw	GWG	62	293	4.7	20	2	18	Forte	GDM	41	206	5	59	1
9	Rice, R	SBE	89	291	3.3	38	1	19	Jones, F	SC	48	198	4.1	18	2
10	Mendenhall	DVU	86	277	3.2	21	3	20	Jacobs, B	YOR	48	196	4.1	24	4

## RECEIVING

			No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD				No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	White, R	LAK	41	442	10.8	33	3	11	Amendola	DTL	24	256	10.7	38	1
2	Moss, S	COW	29	427	14.7	64	4	12	Edwards, B	DVU	24	310	12.9	81	2
3	Colston	CHP	28	293	10.5	38	0	13	Miller, Z	COW	23	247	10.7	21	2
4	Johnson, A	DVU	28	346	12.4	48	3	14	Holmes, S	CHP	23	290	12.6	54	2
5	Thomas, M	VV	27	357	13.2	29	0	15	Jennings, G	SC	23	313	13.6	32	4
6	Watson, B	MOH	27	284	10.5	52	1	16	Keller	GDM	23	262	11.4	48	1
7	McCoy, L	GWG	25	252	10.1	48	0	17	Witten	CHP	23	204	8.9	16	3
8	Gonzalez	LAK	25	239	9.6	29	3	18	Bowe	DTL	22	291	13.2	49	0
9	Bryant, D	VV	25	424	17	51	3	19	Marshall, B	SBE	22	265	12	50	0
10	Fitzgerald	ICC	25	251	10	35	1	20	Wayne	GWG	22	394	17.9	47	5

## TACKLES

1	Barber,R	PIC	54	8	Williams,D	GWG	40	15	Cole,T	MAR	33
2	Henders,EJ	SC	52	9	Timmons	YOR	40	16	Scott,B	SBE	33
3	Lewis,R	DVU	51	10	Atogwe	PIC	38	17	Dansby	GDM	32
4	Mayo	DVU	49	11	Urlacher	YOR	38	18	James,B	LAK	32
5	Willis,P	ICC	42	12	Jones,D	MOH	36	19	Finnegan	CHI	31
6	Beason	CHP	41	13	Laurinaiti	GWG	36	20	Brackett	VV	31
7	Whitner	ICC	41	14	Landry,L	VV	33	21	Peterson	GDM	31



## KICKING

			FGA	FGM	FG%	40	50	Lg	Pts
1	Rackers	ICC	18	14	77.8	6	3	55	50
2	Brown, J	GWG	12	11	91.7	3	0	43	45
3	Carpenter, D	LAK	11	9	81.8	3	1	55	43
4	Mare	COW	11	9	81.8	1	0	49	42
5	Kasay	DVU	10	9	90	4	0	49	41
6	Vinatieri	DTL	13	10	76.9	4	0	43	39
7	Cundiff	CHI	12	11	91.7	3	1	55	37
8	Scobee	PIC	9	7	77.8	1	0	42	36
9	Janikowski	SBE	10	7	70	5	2	55	33
10	Gould	GDM	13	10	76.9	3	1	53	33
11	Akers	MAR	8	8	100	2	0	46	30
12	Bironas	MOH	7	7	100	1	0	47	26
13	Tynes	VV	11	5	45.5	1	1	58	21
14	Rayner	CHP	4	4	100	0	0	30	20
15	Kaeding	SC	6	5	83.3	1	0	42	19
16	Gano	YOR	6	4	66.7	1	0	47	18
17	Gostkowski	CHP	2	1	50	0	0	32	9
18	Buehler	SC	1	0	0	0	0	0	4

## INTERCEPTIONS

			No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD				No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Winfield	MAR	3	58	19.3	34	1	11	Clements	DVU	2	2	1	2	0
2	Florence	YOR	2	20	10	20	0	12	Hall, L	DVU	2	0	0	0	0
3	Williams, T	COW	2	30	15	30	1	13	Whitner	ICC	2	4	2	4	0
4	Godfrey	COW	2	38	19	38	1	14	Briggs, L	GWG	2	0	0	0	0
5	McCourty	DTL	2	14	7	14	0	15	Mathis, E	COW	1	0	0	0	0
6	Rodgers-Cr	DTL	2	54	27	29	1	16	Hawthorne	MOH	1	0	0	0	0
7	Tillman	MAR	2	27	13.5	26	0	17	Black, Q	DTL	1	3	3	3	0
8	Bullitt	CHP	2	99	49.5	76	1	18	Hayden	MOH	1	12	12	12	0
9	Atogwe	PIC	2	60	30	60	1	19	Huff	DTL	1	0	0	0	0
10	Talib	CHI	2	72	36	55	1	20	Maulaluga	VV	1	13	13	13	0

## SACKS

1	Allen, J	DTL	5	8	Matthews, C	DVU	3	15	Anderson, M	COW	2
2	Cole, T	MAR	5	9	Orakpo	LAK	3	16	Raji	LAK	2
3	Ware, D	DVU	4	10	Tuck	SBE	3	17	Wimbley	LAK	2
4	Woodley	SBE	4	11	Suggs	SBE	3	18	Fairley	DVU	2
5	Edwards, R	PIC	3	12	Abraham	CHP	3	19	Vanden Bos	PIC	2
6	Sheard	PIC	3	13	Mathis, R	GWG	3	20	Wilkerson	ICC	2
7	Houston, L	DTL	3	14	Williams, D	GWG	3	21	Freeney	SBE	2



# AROUND THE



## With Spats McChad

**ZUCCOTTI PARK** – With no place to live while my condo is under repair, I have been taken in by the kind protestors here in Zuccotti Park. These people can be friendly but they are quite crazy. The few who can string together two or more coherent sentences are the *de facto* “leaders,” but they make it quite clear the moment you refer to them as such that there are no leaders in the Occupy Wall Street movement. They are merely voices in the non-binding, consensus-based collective decision-making process known as the “people’s assembly” (small “p” please), which stretches worldwide in over one thousand cities.

How typical of this younger protest generation that nobody wants to take responsibility for this dull-witted, new age, faux-communist fiasco of a movement. At least the old-fashioned Communists, Marxist-Lenninists and Maoists stood up personally to be counted and the strong among them were not afraid to lead the weak for the collective good. In the good old days we got to execute or imprison the leaders of these movements when they inevitably collapsed under the weight of their own fallacies while we spared their blind followers. Not this new group! When things eventually fall apart for the ‘Occupy’ movements we will have to imprison the whole lot of them.

### ***BRING ON EXPANSION!***

The EFL wants expansion. Two years ago the membership voted to bring in two new teams, but last year they voted to suspend to process due to upheavals in Kutztown and Ringgold. This year, the secretive and dictatorial Committee of Directors that runs the league in the shadows behind the scenes apparently has bigger plans than anyone anticipated. **Yorgo Kaldis**, grim mouthpiece for ‘The Committee’ deadpanned in a rare television interview recently that the league is hoping to expand their expansion to four teams instead of two. When a somewhat astonished **Bob Costas** asked if he was joking, or perhaps attempting to create panic in the teetering rival SFL, Kaldis replied, “The SFL is already panicking and I don’t know what a joke is.”

If this is true (and there is no reason to believe otherwise) then I say bring it on! It does not look as if any of the current ownership groups have plans to move their franchises to New York City so the only way to get a team to the Big Apple may be through expansion. There are no guarantees, of course. The big markets, with the exception of Los Angeles, have been so far unrepresented in the EFL membership; which is a barrier to maximization of revenue. The Chicago bid fell through at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour last year and since then no sounds have emanated from the large Midwest market. The only confirmed bid for expansion in 2012 is from a Virginia consortium led by **Will Blandford**. Where will the others come from? The league is providing few details but Kaldis went on the record saying, “there is enough interest that we believe we will be able to pick and choose.” Let’s hope so – for New York’s sake!

### ***‘BE-WARE’ THE UNDERTAKERS!***

**Ben Roethlisberger’s** two-game “timeout” was lifted by coach, **Dave Birdsall** just in time for him to face his “former team” or, to phrase it more accurately, a franchise that Big Ben played for when it had a different name and a very different roster. The faces, the look and the names have changed almost completely since Roethlisberger was a member of the Crimson Hawks (now the Undertakers), but Undertaker **DeMarcus Ware** remembers his days playing on the defensive side of Big Ben’s team. As a result, he was openly itching to get his shots in for all the bad memories of horrendous losses, going back to the days of the pitiable Meadowlands Swamp Dogs, for which he lays the blame at the feet of Big Ben and his maddening inconsistency. “*I can say it now,*” Ware told **Death**, the Undertakers’ grim beat writer, before the game against Gwinnett, “*most of the time he was with us, Ben stunk! When he did play well he’d go out celebrating and get arrested. He was arrested every time and the cops always let him go! Pacman is a boy scout next to Ben!*”

When told of Ware’s comments, Ben replied, “*F^\*% him!*” But in the end, it was Big Ben who F^\*#ed himself with a little help from his old friend. With less than a minute remaining in the game, trailing 34-31, the Gladiators faced 1<sup>st</sup> and goal at the Death Valley 7 yard line after two long passes from the hand of our anti-hero to **Reggie Wayne** and **Jeremy Maclin** covered 64 yards in a mere 22 seconds. The table was set for a *Heroic Moment* for the first year Gladiator pivot



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facing his old team. With the capacity crowd at the Coliseum on their feet, Ben dropped back to pass as the most dangerous pass rusher in Death Valley's 'Fearsome Foursome' came at him from the blind side. He lunged past left tackle **Sam Baker** with long arms extended to wrap up his prey. Sensing he was in danger, Ben lofted a floater high into the corner of the end zone, but not high enough. Undertakers' safety, **William Moore** leaped and picked it out of thin air for the game-saving interception. Big Ben didn't get to see it. He lay underneath a frothing and bellowing Ware, who took a little more time than usual to pick himself off the turf to celebrate.

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP RE-MATCH IS NO-MATCH**

Just call them the **Pick-Sixing Spartans!** The heralded re-match of last year's Championship game turned into the season's biggest anti-climax as the Spartans demolished the Patriots 55-24 on the strength of three interception returns for touchdowns. **Peyton Manning** doubled his total over the first four games of the season by throwing 4 picks in a single game against his cross-conference rival. This was Charleswood's game to lose and they did not disappoint, literally throwing away a game they were favoured by the majority to win.

Manning, who has a free hand to call his own plays at the line, seemed determined to personally beat the team that had deprived him of a Championship ring last year. **Adrian Peterson**, the league's leading rusher, saw the ball only 13 times while Peyton attempted a whopping 57 passes. An inspired Spartans' secondary responded to Manning's challenge and ended up humbling him in front of his home town fans. While we all know it's a passing league, running backs like Peterson skew

the formula when injected into the game plan. With 107 yards, Peterson made the most of his chances but one has to wonder what he would have done with more touches.

Still, it would have been difficult for Charleswood to overcome the lost fumble and the bad punt snap in addition to the four Manning picks, with the running game alone. This was just a bad day for the Pats while the Spartans, who got a good day from **Rashad Jennings** and a 78-yard catch-and-run from **Anquan Boldin**, reaped the full rewards of opportunism.

#### **UNBEATEN KNIGHTS BEAT DOWN NAGS**

The Mustangs devised an ingenious game plan to try and crack the Blue Shield. Designed to take the Knights by surprise, Garland used the weaker part of their offence to attack the strongest part of the Knights' defence.

It's called "challenging" your opponent. It can work wonderfully when the team doing the challenging has something to challenge *with*. But when you are the Garland Mustangs, trying to spread out the defence with 4 and 5 wide receiver sets does not work against a team with an excellent pass rush and two All Pro cornerbacks shutting down the only two *real* weapons you have in the vertical passing game. As the game played itself out to its inevitable conclusion, **Peyton Hillis** and **Matt Forte** paced the sidelines in obvious distress. Were they wondering what might have been if they had been permitted to challenge the softer edges of the Knights' defensive line or were they quietly cursing their coach?

While it's never easy facing the Knights' defence, it becomes much harder when half of the offence – the better half – doesn't even get into the game. The Mustangs set a league record they cannot be proud of for most futile performance in the ground game with negative 2 yards rushing on 3 carries – as a *team!* The Knights countered with 250 yards rushing as **Jamaal Charles** and **Cedric Benson** both topped 100 yards on the day. The result was an easy 27-10 win for the EFL's only remaining unbeaten team.

#### **'BAOW CHICK-A-BAOW WAOW!'**

The Hellfire's troubles are producing lively and "hot" comment in the local media. **Jack Wannabe**, a controversial local writer who covers several sports franchises in the Mohave area, weighed in with some observations of the 0-5 Hellfire after their embarrassing 38-21 loss at home to Cowtown. Although I cannot reprint them in their entirety, both for copyright and journalistic standards reasons, I can tell you that it involved dubbing the visitors from Cowtown, "Porn Kings" due to the manner in which they handled the Mohave defence.

It was a fitting analogy, except that I am sure the Hellfire did not enjoy the experience one bit. 489 total yards and 38 points by the Cowtown offence more than nullified Mohave's best offensive display so far this year. But the fact that two of their three touchdowns came in garbage time does not change the mildly consoling fact that they managed to score more than 20 points for the first time this season. If you want to read Jack Wannabe's comments, follow this link:

<http://jacquewanabe.blogspot.com/2011/11/efls-hellfire-drop-to-0-5.html>



### TRANSCENDENT QUARTERBACKS

The latest rumour to surface in Camleot is that **Tom Brady's** girlfriend is chopping up *psilocybin* mushrooms and tossing them into his salads to expand his vision on the field. If true, it seems to be expanding the number of receivers he sees as well. In a 20-10 loss at home against Durham, York's third consecutive loss, it certainly appeared that a transcendent Brady was seeing things on the field that others were not. This observation about a quarterback is usually meant as a compliment, but in this case it is an extravagant explanation for Brady's perplexing inefficiency – not only in this game, but throughout the entire season so far.

In an otherwise achingly boring game, the other topic worth discussing was Durham's occasional quarterback, **Tim Tebow**, who scored the touchdown that put the game out of reach for York on a 15-yard dive play that only he, as a quarterback of sorts, could pull off against a keying run defence.

Tebow is a unique sports figure who transcends team loyalties and stats. In limited action, Durham's colourful back-up has posted a 70.8 QB rating – boosted by his single completion in 5 attempts being good for a TD – and has rushed 4 times for 28 yards and 2 TDs. To score 3 touchdowns in 4 games while only seeing the field for about 6 minutes is a fairly impressive accomplishment. On the other hand, not being suitable for the remaining available minutes is not so impressive and speaks to how far Tebow has to go before he will be considered a viable starting QB. But, as I have mentioned before, don't tell that to his fans. The blinkered zealots from football's Christian right wing see nothing but Messiah in lefty's long looping delivery and on-field praying.

### AROUND THE EFL

The Convicts finally notched a mark in the WIN column against an unlikely victim. The Scarborough Blue Eagles lost their second straight game for the first time since they dropped a 23-22 decision as the Florida Dragons to this same Chino squad in Week 15 of the 2007 season. Folks; "2007" is no typo. It has been four years since that franchise lost two games in a *single season*, let alone two in a row. Interestingly, in two 15-1 seasons following Florida's pedestrian inaugural campaign their only two losses came at the hands of these same Chino Convicts. In fact, Chino, at 4-1, is the only team with an all-time regular-season winning record against the Scarborough/Florida franchise. Purists may wish to put an asterisk beside this win, however. The offensively challenged Convicts got a big hand from Scarborough's **Chad Henne**, starting in place of the injured **Aaron Rodgers**. On the Blue Eagles' second possession, Henne threw his third "pick six" of the season to put his team behind early and went on to post a game day QB rating of 58.5 trying to carry his team against the Great Wall of Chino. **Billy Cundiff's** 36-yard field goal with 2:23 remaining in overtime prevented the Convicts from becoming the first EFL team in history to play for a tie before winning a game.

Another team cracked the goose egg under the 'W' column in Week Five. Despite missing most of their secondary and their best defensive lineman, the Regulators' defence rose to the occasion and surprised the Cubs at Joe Ferguson Stadium. They marginalized **Sam Bradford** while managing to "contain" **Arian Foster** to 142 yards and 1 TD on 29 carries - a 93-yard improvement on their performance against **Chris Johnson** the week before. But the real cause of South Carolina's first victory of the season was an impressive performance under pressure by quarterback **Jason Campbell**. In spite of 8 QB pressures, 1 sack and 3 knockdowns, Campbell singed the Cubs' secondary for 264 yards passing. More importantly, South Carolina converted 12 of 14 third downs under Campbell's unexpectedly calm and deliberate leadership. In the end, it was not a narrow victory for **Hal Corson's** Southern Comfort Crew. They held their lead for most of the game and finished 11 points up on the shocked Cubbies, who fell to 2-3.

Just when I had written off Markham as a "Winnemucca class" team (1-15 two years running for those who don't remember the league's worst franchise) **Darrin Jones'** crew responded with a defiant 20-17 victory over Virden to rise to 2-3. They did it in their usual inconspicuous manner, leaving analysts puzzling over how to explain it (the mind-numbing effects of 11 consecutive punts and only 2 plays over 25 yards – both by the losing team – will blunt the faculties of even the sharpest commentators). Finally, in the wisdom of those who decide such things, **Stefan Logan** was awarded the Game MVP honour for the marvellous accomplishment of averaging 25 yards per kick return and 16.5 yards per punt, accumulating 166 yards in real estate – a full 69% of the total yards gained by the offence. Markham is a real TEAM - they win and lose as one - making it difficult to find a single standout or a single goat (although **Mark Sanchez** is always a viable candidate for that dishonour). The Markham secondary gets honours for having picked off three passes, but dare not boast too loudly about it considering the source – **Eli Manning** has thrown 13 passes to his opponents, more than double the number thrown by the next in line.

### MVP WATCH

Long time readers will remember I like to speculate about the league's most valuable players, but I have never broached the subject so early in the season. Unlike last year's Pickering-Florida love-in, this season boasts many candidates for the EFL crown and therefore, more potential candidates for MVP. It's only Week Five, but if the trend continues, LA's **Josh Freeman** will have my vote for the offence while Cowtown's **Tramon Williams** will get my endorsement for the defence. The Knights are the only remaining unbeaten team and, although he did not dominate against Garland, Freeman's presence meant respect for the pass that opened up room for the running game. Meanwhile, Williams, leading the league in deflections and second in interceptions with 2, is the only explanation for the shocking dominance of the Corn Kings' defence, the main reason they are 4-1.

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## JIMMY THE GEEK GIVES YOU HIS PICKS FOR WEEK SIX EFL ACTION



### JIMMY'S Week SIX picks

#### **CHARLESWOOD @ GWINNETT (line – GLADS by 4)**

I admit it. I am freaked out by Peyton Manning's imitation of his brother Eli in the Pats' blowout loss to Pickering last week. Fortunately for Peyton, Gwinnett's secondary is currently decimated by injuries. Asante Samuel is out and Dunta Robinson is doubtful while the world-beating safety Troy Polamalu questionable. With Casey Hampton also doubtful to start, the Pats have to feel optimistic that they will score some points. The question remains: how many will the Gwinnett offence score back? Big Ben returns for good and is looking dangerous despite a last minute interception in last week's loss to Death Valley. This is shaping up to be a very close contest with the home field tilting the outcome in favour of the home team, but not quite enough for them to beat the spread. **PICK:**

**CHARLESWOOD**

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA @ MOHAVE (line – REGULATORS by 1)**

Proof that the offensive line matters can be found in Mohave. After blaming Matt Schaub and the skill players for one of the worst offences in football after four weeks, the Hellfire attack picked up last week when their battered offensive line faced a weak defensive line in Cowtown. Although it didn't help them win the game, it did show them that they can score when the quarterback has time to throw. That confidence booster should carry over this week against a much worse defence riddled by injuries. Forced to start a rookie, Major Wright, at safety, the Regulators will be highly exposed against a Mohave offence happy to welcome back Hakeem Nicks at wide receiver to compliment Terrell Owens. Expect Jason Campbell to get a wake-up call against Champ Bailey and the Mohave secondary. Felix Jones will find out too late that he can run against the Hellfire line and Mohave will finally win one. **PICK: MOHAVE**

#### **VIRDEN @ SCARBOROUGH (line – BLUE EAGLES by 5)**

The main action on this game in Vegas is the "pick line" for Eli Manning: over/under 2. With Darelle Revis and Michael Griffin patrolling the secondary behind a terrifying pass rush, the odds are good that the Scarborough defence could do all the important scoring. With Aaron Rodgers back in action, the offence should account for some scores as well. The Violators continue to compete in games despite mediocre talent but there has to be a point at which the smoke and mirrors no longer fools opponents. On the road at Bluffs Stadium, against a great team smarting from an unexpected two-game losing streak, the Blue Eagles may be the opponent that shows Virden who they really are. I will up the ante on the 5-point spread and call a "Blue Eagle blowout." **PICK: SCARBOROUGH**

#### **YORK @ GARLAND (line – EXCALIBURS by 2)**

Strangely, two 1-4 teams meet and the visitor is favoured. This is strictly due to the "Tom Brady Effect," since the Mustangs hold the edge statistically over York in both offence and defence. Old notions die hard and the notion that Tom Brady is still an elite quarterback is dying harder than most. People want to be sure that he is actually drinking, on drugs or on psychedelic substances before betting against him. Well, I need no such reassurances – I have seen enough. Intoxicants or not, if his poor performance to date is not enough to convince you that the Mustangs are the team to beat this week, the absence of Jason Peters at left tackle and Cullen Jenkins at defensive end for York should end the debate. **PICK: GARLAND**

### **MARKHAM @ CHINO (line – CONVICTS by 3)**

For a split second I chuckled and motioned to check off the Convicts, but then caught myself. The Convicts of 2011 are not the Convicts of previous years – they are no lock to win against any team, even Markham. The North Stars remain terrible, in spite of their victory last week against Virden, but they are still the North Stars and are therefore always a candidate to score an upset in unpredictable circumstances. So, is this a game that anyone can win? Theoretically, yes; practically, no. The Great Wall of Chino prevents any realistic chance of a Markham offensive push, leaving Darrin Jones' hopes in the hands of their defence, which is missing Jonathan Babineaux and isn't very good anyway. It appears I have come full circle. **Pick: CHINO**

### **DURHAM @ LOS ANGELES (line – KNIGHTS by 3)**

The Thunder Lizards have the most efficient defence in football and are No. 1 against the pass, but don't bank on an easy road win for the Dinosaurs as a result. Stats can be deceiving and the only statistic that counts is the W-L record, where Durham has faltered twice and the Knights have not. If I had Michael Turner or Michael Bush in my fantasy pool I would be avoiding them this week against an excellent run defence and looking to start Jamaal Charles on the other side against a Durham line that scares nobody. Josh Freeman will have to respect Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie and Adrian Wilson, but not for too long. Expect a close game, possibly overtime.

**Pick: LOS ANGELES**

### **PICKERING @ DEATH VALLEY (line – UNDERTAKERS by 6)**

In spite of the 'Fearsome Foursome' quartet of linebackers, the Undertakers are ranked last in the league in defensive efficiency, surrendering 384 yards per game. The great equalizer is that they also lead the league in turnovers with 12, a +8 ratio and are ranked second in sacks. The Spartans are becoming a one-dimensional team on offence – a luxury they cannot afford against a team like Death Valley. If Chris Johnson and Rashad Jennings are their only weapons deployed here they will stall eventually and be forced to the air, where the Undertakers will bend a bit before breaking you with a big sack or a turnover. Meanwhile, Drew Brees is leading the EFL in passer rating and Andre Johnson is officially part of the offence again after a slow start. The Undertakers could find themselves in trouble in the running game, where Rashard Mendenhall is occasionally hot, but mostly cold. If Death Valley cannot establish the run it will slow them down enough to make this game nearly *dead-even* (pardon the pun). The final result can go a field goal either way. **Pick: PICKERING**

### **IOWA CITY @ COWTOWN (line – CORN KINGS by 8)**

There is no team more surprising so far this season than Cowtown. That means that either the experts were wrong about the Corn Kings' prospects or the team is due for a letdown soon. This week they host a Cubs team that is nursing wounds inflicted by the last-place Regulators in Week Five. The Cubs are looking forward to a game where they should be able to control the ball on the ground and exploit the play-action. If they get behind, however, their young quarterback will almost certainly struggle against the Corn Kings' nickel and dime packages. Joe Flacco is looking good these days and will provide a passing threat that cannot be ignored, but Maurice Jones-Drew is the principal weapon the Cubs must look for. Patrick Willis is back in, which could make all the difference on defence. The key to victory for Cowtown is to force some mistakes from the young Iowa QB and hope they can slow down Foster. Iowa City needs to listen to Deron Redding's motivational CD #5 – *'You Are What You Are,'* and play their game without fear. **Pick: IOWA CITY**

