

# WEEK 11



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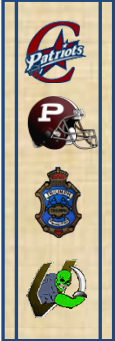
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December 20, 2020

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# DE-FENCE!



**T.J. Carrie**  
Las Vegas Assassins

Assassins' corner *T.J. Carrie* helps break up a pass to *Charles Clay* in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter action in Las Vegas' 10-9 win over Budapest. With LV's top two starting CBs out of action, Carrie was pressed into action in a starting role. He delivered a Game MVP performance, flying all over the field to make 9 tackles and picking off *Aaron Rodgers* to cut short a North Star drive. Carrie was not the only defensive star. *Demario Davis* added 15 tackles and blocked an extra point.



Who was slick  
in Week  
Eleven?

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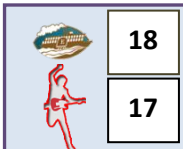
Christian  
McCaffrey  
RB  
Chino Convicts

18 Car-129 Yds, 6 Rec-47 Yds. 8 1<sup>st</sup>  
Ds. Kept chains moving despite keys.



Demario Davis  
LB  
Las Vegas  
Assassins

15 T, 1 PD, 1 STF, 1 KB. Blocked extra  
point was difference in win vs Stars.



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**Michael Dickson** pinned New Jersey back at its 1-yard line, setting up a **Karl Van Noy** safety for the game's first points. **Nyheim Hines** returned the free kick 36 yards to set up a FG to make it 5-0 for Erieau. But **Case Keenum** got into a rhythm for New Jersey, going 10 of 13 for 113 yards and a TD in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter to build up a 17-5 NJ lead. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half belonged to the Cadillac. **Kyler Murray's** play-action TD pass to **Mark Andrews** on 4<sup>th</sup> & 2 and **Austin Seibert's** 42-yard FG got Erieau within 2, then a **Deebo Samuel** fumble set up the eventually game-winning kick with 1:37 left.

12-18-2020 Stone Pony Shore Temp:57 Wind:0-10 None Line:ERI by 4 MVP:Murray HFA:

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Erieau (5-6)	5	0	7	6	18
2019 New Jersey (1-10)	3	14	0	0	17

### Scoring Summary

1 10:55	Erieau	Safety Van Noy	2-0
1 8:34	Erieau	FG Seibert 47 (4-8-2:07)	5-0
1 0:03	New Jersey	FG Boswell 31 (13-62-8:27)	5-3
2 6:53	New Jersey	TD Hill 3 run (Boswell) (10-71-4:56)	5-10
2 0:56	New Jersey	TD Keenum 20 pass to Samuel (Boswell) (12-76-4:21)	5-17
3 4:02	Erieau	TD Murray 13 pass to Andrews (Seibert) (13-89-7:46)	12-17
4 9:40	Erieau	FG Seibert 43 (9-35-4:27)	15-17
4 1:37	Erieau	FG Seibert 30 (13-48-5:02)	18-17

### Passing

ERI: Murray 26/16 164 Yds TD  
 NJ: Keenum 37/26 235 Yds TD

### Rushing

ERI: Murray 7/36, McCoy 10/32, Moss 5/11, Gore 2/8, Hines 4/4  
 NJ: Hill 9/47 TD, Montgomery 7/22, Cohen 2/9, Gallman Jr. 3/5, Samuel 1/4

### Receiving

ERI: Higgins 6/71, Andrews 3/31 TD, Johnson 3/40, Moss 2/13, Ellison 1/2, Arcega-Whiteside 1/7  
 NJ: Samuel 6/64 TD, McLaurin 5/36, Chark Jr. 5/53, Griffin 4/27, Cohen 3/34

### Defense

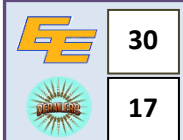
ERI: Van Noy 2-Sks 4-Tk, Houston Sk 6-Tk, Diggs FF 7-Tk, Allen 8-Tk  
 NJ: Quinn Sk 4-Tk, Bradberry 9-Tk

### Injuries

ERI: Peppers 2, Staley 2, Gordon 1, Henry 1  
 NJ: Walker 4, Griffin 1

### Misc

ERI:  
 NJ:



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**Duron Harmon** picked off **Lamar Jackson** on the game's first play to set up a 24-yard TD pass from **Baker Mayfield** to **Nelson Agholor**. Jackson was picked off again on the next series, setting up a **Rodrigo Blankenship** FG. Jackson rebounded with a 56-yard pass to **Robert Woods**, which set up a **Tevin Coleman** TD run, but the Irish came right back with a 66-yard catch-and-run TD to **Vernon Davis**. After Mayfield found **Trey Quinn** at the goal line for a 6-yard TD to open the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, the Derailers were forced to the air, but Jackson struggled, throwing 2 more picks to seal the upset for the Irish.

12-18-2020 New Era Stadium Temp:34 Wind:30-40 None Line:BUF by 12 MVP:Mayfield HFA:

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 East Elmhurst (3-8)	17	0	10	3	30
2019 Buffalo (7-4)	7	3	0	7	17

### Scoring Summary

1 14:36	East Elmhurst	TD Mayfield 24 pass to Agholor (Blankenshi) (1-24-0:12)	7-0
1 11:19	East Elmhurst	FG Blankenship 35 (4-2-0:52)	10-0
1 9:28	Buffalo	TD Coleman 6 run (Elliott,J) (3-66-1:43)	10-7
1 6:30	East Elmhurst	TD Mayfield 66 pass to Davis (Blankenshi) (2-80-0:57)	17-7
2 0:00	Buffalo	FG Elliott 47 (5-30-0:53)	17-10
3 9:59	East Elmhurst	TD Mayfield 6 pass to Quinn (Blankenshi) (9-58-4:53)	24-10
3 2:19	East Elmhurst	FG Blankenship 47 (9-44-5:18)	27-10
4 12:02	Buffalo	TD Dillon 7 run (Elliott,J) (11-75-5:17)	27-17
4 4:15	East Elmhurst	FG Blankenship 37 (15-56-7:43)	30-17

### Passing

EE: Mayfield 39/28 333 Yds 3 TDs Int  
 BUF: Jackson 23/14 182 Yds 4 Int

### Rushing

EE: Mayfield 7/23, Murray 10/21, Kelley 5/9  
 BUF: Jackson 17/82, Coleman 4/20 TD, Johnson 5/15, Dillon 3/12 TD

### Receiving

EE: Murray 9/61, Quinn 7/77 TD, Agholor 4/53 TD, Hurns 3/36, Davis 3/76 TD  
 BUF: Woods 8/125, Tate 4/44, Erickson 1/9, Dillon 1/4

### Defense

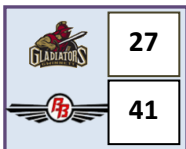
EE: Ramsey Int 11-Tk, Smith Int 5-Tk, Harmon Int 4-Tk, Simon Sk 3-Tk  
 BUF: Hicks Int FF 14-Tk

### Injuries

EE: Thielen 5, Anderson 3, Charlton 2  
 BUF: Abram 4, Thomas 3, Dunbar 1, Joseph 1, Coleman 1

### Misc

EE:  
 BUF: |



The Gladiators, under rookie **Tua Tagovailoa** gave the Bombers, under **Jared Goff** as good as they got over the game's first four series, which all resulted in TDs and a 14-14 tie early in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Tua was the first to blink and, after the game's first punt, Goff connected with **Chase Claypool** on a long fly for a 36-yard TD pass to put Bruxelles in front 21-14. Georgia battled back with a pair of field goals, but kicks were not enough to turn back the tide of the Bomber attack. Goff added two more TD passes, including a second deep strike to Claypool, to run away with the game in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half.

12-17-2020 The Fortress Temp:77 Wind: Line:GEO by 4 MVP:Goff HFA:ON(5)

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Georgia (2-9)	14	6	0	7	27
2019 Bruxelles (7-4)	7	14	13	7	41

**Scoring Summary**

1 12:20 Georgia	TD Tagovailoa 10 pass to Stills (Bass) (9-75-2:40)	7-0
1 8:48 Bruxelles	TD Goff 3 pass to Sherman (Prater) (9-70-3:24)	7-7
1 4:31 Georgia	TD Tagovailoa 8 pass to Jacobs (Bass) (6-67-4:07)	14-7
2 14:04 Bruxelles	TD Goff 3 pass to Kelce (Prater) (12-75-5:27)	14-14
2 8:34 Bruxelles	TD Goff 36 pass to Claypool (Prater) (6-78-2:58)	14-21
2 2:51 Georgia	FG Bass 48 (12-45-5:39)	17-21
2 0:13 Georgia	FG Bass 30 (10-26-1:37)	20-21
3 11:05 Bruxelles	TD Goff 25 pass to Valdes-Scantling (no good) (7-60-3:55)	20-27
3 3:46 Bruxelles	TD Thompson 7 run (Prater) (11-75-5:42)	20-34
4 13:19 Georgia	TD Tagovailoa 10 pass to Robinson (Bass) (9-70-5:17)	27-34
4 8:22 Bruxelles	TD Goff 51 pass to Claypool (Prater) (5-69-2:04)	27-41

**Passing**

GEO: Tagovailoa 33/16 190 Yds 3 TDs  
BRX: Goff 36/26 336 Yds 5 TDs Int

**Rushing**

GEO: Jacobs 19/90, Tagovailoa 2/8, Robinson 2/2, Bernard 1/1  
BRX: Fournette 12/49, Thompson 2/12 TD, Goff 4/10, Williams 4/10, Morgan 3/4

**Receiving**

GEO: Robinson 4/39 TD, Akins 3/36, Stills 3/60 TD, Jacobs 3/26 TD, Landry 1/11  
BRX: Kelce 5/58 TD, Waller 5/53, Fournette 4/31, Claypool 4/112 2 TDs, Westbrook 3/41

**Defense**

GEO: Edmunds 14-Tk, Whitehead Int 3-Tk, Fulton 8-Tk  
BRX: Kuechly 10-Tk, Phillips Sk FF Tk, Smith Sk 4-Tk

**Injuries**

GEO: Johnson III 1, Wylie 1, Baun 1  
BRX: Moreau 2, Johnson 2

**Misc**

GEO: 10/81 Penalties  
BRX:



**Ryan Tannehill** completed 20-yard passes to **Julio Jones** and **DeVante Parker** to set-up a 9-yard check down to **JP Holtz** for the game's first score. **Tre'Davious White** then picked off **Matt Ryan** on the next series, to set up a FG drive. Cobb County would add another FG before the half to lead 13-0 while completely shutting down the Mustangs' attack. After a squib kick to open the 3<sup>rd</sup> gave them good field position, the Coyotes added another TD but the failed two-point convert kept their lead at 19. Ryan finally broke out with a pair of 62-yard bombs for TDs, but the effort was too little, too late.

12-19-2020 Coyote Field Temp:62 Wind:0-5 Heavy Rain Line:CB by 4 MVP:Tannehill HFA:ON(5)

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Aurora (7-4)	0	0	7	10	17
2019 Cobb County (10-1)	7	6	6	3	22

**Scoring Summary**

1 10:49 Cobb County	TD Tannehill 9 pass to Holtz (McManus) (5-59-2:24)	0-7
2 14:48 Cobb County	FG McManus 35 (15-60-8:25)	0-10
2 5:54 Cobb County	FG McManus 29 (13-75-7:15)	0-13
3 11:49 Cobb County	TD Tannehill 11 pass to Parker (2 - failed) (9-63-3:06)	0-19
3 6:48 Aurora	TD Ryan 62 pass to Washington (Lutz) (10-80-5:01)	7-19
4 11:04 Cobb County	FG McManus 34 (9-41-5:13)	7-22
4 9:20 Aurora	FG Lutz 54 (5-39-1:37)	10-22
4 1:58 Aurora	TD Ryan 62 pass to Adams (Lutz) (5-81-1:46)	17-22

**Passing**

AUR: Ryan 23/10 207 Yds 2 TDs Int  
CB: Tannehill 33/24 321 Yds 2 TDs

**Rushing**

AUR: Drake 14/92  
CB: Peterson 17/65, Mostert 16/62, Tannehill 4/6

**Receiving**

AUR: Adams 4/91 TD, Drake 3/9, Washington 2/96 TD, Edelman 1/11  
CB: Cooks 6/77, Parker 5/75 TD, Jones 5/94, Cook 3/35, Uzomah 2/19, Holtz 2/16 TD

**Defense**

AUR: Davenport Sk FF 7-Tk, Peterson 10-Tk, Williams 10-Tk, Davison Sk 3-Tk  
CB: Golden 2-Sks 4-Tk, White Int 4-Tk

**Injuries**

AUR: Jernigan 3, Peterson 1  
CB: Williams 1

**Misc**

AUR:  
CB: 10/85 Penalties, 40:20 TOP



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Mitch Trubisky engineered drives of 62 and 56 yards following turnovers on downs by the Swordfish, finding Melvin Gordon III and DJ Moore for TD passes to give the Triumph an early 14-0 lead. Late in the 2nd, Damien Williams broke off a 30-yard run that helped set up a 5-yard TD run by Jonathan Taylor. That sparked the Sebastian offence. Dwayne Haskins went 3 of 3 for 69 yards to set up a Chase Edmunds 4-yard TD run on the first drive of the 2nd half then a Levi Wallace interception set up a TD run by Williams to make it 19-14. The Fish dominated the rest of the way.

12-17-2020 Wilhalla Stadium Temp:70 Wind: Line:SS by 4 MVP:Taylor HFA:0

Table with 5 columns: Team, 1, 2, 3, 4, Tot. Rows: 2019 Sebastian (5-6), 2019 Twin Cities (2-9)

Scoring Summary

Table with 4 columns: Time, Team, Play Description, Score. Rows: 1 2:12 Twin Cities TD Trubisky 6 pass to Gordon III (Hopkins) (15-62-7:34) 0-7, 2 7:53 Twin Cities TD Trubisky 3 pass to Moore (Hopkins) (12-56-5:52) 0-14, 2 1:53 Sebastian TD Taylor 5 run (Bailey,D) (7-80-2:08) 7-14, 3 11:04 Sebastian TD Edmonds 4 run (no good) (4-73-2:28) 13-14, 3 4:01 Sebastian TD Williams 5 run (2 - failed) (8-52-4:42) 19-14, 3 0:20 Sebastian FG Bailey 24 (6-21-2:48) 22-14, 4 4:23 Sebastian FG Bailey 34 (10-70-5:40) 25-14

Passing

SS: Haskins Jr. 26/18 200 Yds TCT: Trubisky 33/19 150 Yds 2 TDs 2 Int, Winston 5/2 24 Yds

Rushing

SS: Williams 7/54 TD, Taylor 11/37 TD, Haskins Jr. 5/25, McFarland 6/17, Edmonds 4/15 TD TCT: Edwards-Helaire 13/56, Trubisky 3/12, Henderson Jr. 1/2, White 3/2

Receiving

SS: Beckham Jr. 5/70, Taylor 4/52, Williams 3/16, Shenault Jr. 2/18, Reagor 2/21 TCT: Moore 8/68 TD, Edwards-Helaire 5/28, Golladay 4/47, Duvernay 2/20, Gordon III 1/6 TD

Defense

SS: Jones 2-Sks FF 3-Tk, Wallace Int 6-Tk, Dunlap Sk 3-Tk TCT: Green Sk FF 10-Tk, Brooks 8-Tk, Wagner 8-Tk

Injuries

SS: Tate 3, Reagor 2, Brees 2, Edmonds 2 TCT: Brown 5, Roby 3

Misc

SS: 1/10 3rd Down TCT:



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Anthony Barr and Marcus Peters picked off Joe Burrow in Virden territory to keep the Blue Eagles off the scoreboard in the 1st half. Pat Mahomes put a TD on the board with a 2-yard pass to Eric Ebron, but was also picked off in the red zone by Cameron Dantzler to limit Virden's halftime lead to 10-0. Scarborough finally got some points after a Dont'a Hightower interception at the Virden 13 set up a chip shot FG. Trailing 13-3, Scarborough turned it over on downs at the Virden 37 and the Violators drove back to widen their lead to an insurmountable 20-3 on a TD pass to Mohamed Sanu.

12-18-2020 TERRORDOME Temp:70 Wind: Line:SBE by 4 MVP:Mahomes HFA:ON(5)

Table with 5 columns: Team, 1, 2, 3, 4, Tot. Rows: 2019 Scarborough (6-5), 2019 Virden (10-1)

Scoring Summary

Table with 4 columns: Time, Team, Play Description, Score. Rows: 2 14:24 Virden TD Mahomes 2 pass to Ebron (Gonzalez) (12-81-7:16) 0-7, 2 0:00 Virden FG Gonzalez 28 (4-41-0:37) 0-10, 3 11:49 Virden FG Gonzalez 48 (7-32-2:55) 0-13, 3 3:59 Scarborough FG Crosby 28 (4-3-1:34) 3-13, 4 6:26 Virden TD Mahomes 7 pass to Sanu (Gonzalez) (9-63-4:49) 3-20, 4 3:26 Scarborough TD Burrow 7 pass to Carson (Crosby) (9-75-3:00) 10-20, 4 0:00 Virden TD Freeman 9 run (Gonzalez) (7-46-3:13) 10-27

Passing

SBE: Burrow 37/19 134 Yds TD 2 Int VV: Mahomes 29/20 241 Yds 2 TDs 2 Int

Rushing

SBE: Carson 18/114, Burrow 6/47, Yeldon 3/14, Benjamin 2/4 VV: Elliott 18/68, Freeman 8/45 TD

Receiving

SBE: Yeldon 4/14, Crowder 3/43, Robinson II 3/14, Carson 3/12 TD, Edwards 2/24 VV: Cooper 6/102, Sanu 5/58 TD, Ebron 4/26 TD, Elliott 3/23, Brown 2/32

Defense

SBE: Hightower Int 6-Tk, Collins 9-Tk, Dantzler Int 4-Tk VV: Peters Int 9-Tk, Barr Int 4-Tk, Heyward Sk 3-Tk

Injuries

SBE: Yeldon 6, Desir 2, Ward 2, Hill 1 VV: Adderley 6, Guice 5, Ebron 4, Richburg 1

Misc

SBE: VV: |



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A chip shot FG by **Joey Slye** and a pair of 6-yard TD runs by **Todd Gurley II** accounted for all of the 1<sup>st</sup> half scoring, as the Cowtown defence clamped down on the Pats' offence, denying them twice on 4<sup>th</sup> down and limiting them to just two 1<sup>st</sup> downs and 83 yards of net offence in the 1<sup>st</sup> half. The Corn Kings kept it up in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, as **Jimmy Garoppolo** and **Allen Lazard** hooked up for a 33-yard TD to cap off the opening drive of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. The Pats dug in and managed a pair of TD drives, but with just 4:38 left, trailing by 16, **TJ Watt's** late pick ended any faint comeback hopes.

12-16-2020 Patriot Place Temp:75 Wind: \*Internet\* Line:COW by 4 MVP:Garoppolo HFA:ON(1)

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Cowtown (7-4)	3	14	6	6	29
2019 Charleswood (2-9)	0	0	6	7	13

Scoring Summary

1 2:29	Cowtown	FG Slye 21 (10-59-4:56)	3-0
2 10:00	Cowtown	TD Gurley II 6 run (Slye) (11-70-5:57)	10-0
2 2:13	Cowtown	TD Gurley II 6 run (Slye) (11-55-4:52)	17-0
3 9:49	Cowtown	TD Garoppolo 33 pass to Lazard (no good) (6-72-2:37)	23-0
3 2:13	Charleswood	TD Watson 1 run (2 - failed) (13-75-7:36)	23-6
4 14:12	Cowtown	FG Slye 51 (8-56-2:46)	26-6
4 11:29	Charleswood	TD Watson 3 pass to Smith Jr. (Carlson) (8-75-2:43)	26-13
4 4:38	Cowtown	FG Slye 46 (5-24-2:19)	29-13

Passing

COW: Garoppolo 31/25 322 Yds TD  
 CHP: Watson 33/15 177 Yds TD Int

Rushing

COW: Gurley II 20/66 2 TDs, Bell 7/27, Washington 4/5, Powell 2/5, Garoppolo 1/3  
 CHP: Watson 10/49 TD, Dobbins 9/45, Kamara 5/25

Receiving

COW: Evans 9/121, Conley 6/74, Bell 5/61, Washington 2/25, Gurley II 1/5, Sprinkle 1/3  
 CHP: Metcalf 8/101, Smith Jr. 2/7 TD, Smith-Schuster 2/25, Dobbins 2/36, Kamara 1/8

Defense

COW: Watt Int 2-FF 5-Tk, Woods FF 6-Tk, Davis III 9-Tk  
 CHP: Trufant 12-Tk, Mills 10-Tk, Sweat FF 6-Tk

Injuries

COW: Cappa 3  
 CHP: Brown 2, Kamara 2

Misc

COW: 9/15 3rd Down|  
 CHP: Watson 3 Fumbles



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Both teams sputtered in a scoreless 1<sup>st</sup> quarter as Peg City whiffed on two 4<sup>th</sup> downs and Durham managed just one 1<sup>st</sup> down and coughed up the ball on a **Nick Chubb** fumble. The Lizards caught a break when they recovered a **Chase Young** strip-sack at the Peg City 15. Two Peg City penalties and 3 plays later, **Josh Allen** snuck it in for a 7-0 lead. From there it was a slow roll to victory as Durham ground down the Pegs defence. Meanwhile, the Durham 'D' kept the Crusaders in check most of the day, holding them to 2/13 on 3<sup>rd</sup> down and 1/5 on 4<sup>th</sup> down and sacking **Kirk Cousins** 5 times.

12-15-2020 True North Field Temp:72 Wind: Line:DTL by 4 MVP:Allen HFA:

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Durham (7-4)	0	14	14	3	31
2019 Peg City (6-5)	0	0	7	7	14

Scoring Summary

2 13:09	Durham	TD Allen 1 run (Pineiro) (4-7-1:01)	7-0
2 1:49	Durham	TD Allen 12 run (Pineiro) (10-75-5:12)	14-0
3 12:32	Peg City	TD Cousins 7 pass to Sutton (Butker) (4-50-2:23)	14-7
3 7:28	Durham	TD Chubb 16 run (Pineiro) (10-75-5:04)	21-7
3 6:09	Durham	TD Penny 1 run (Pineiro) (3-26-1:07)	28-7
4 8:59	Peg City	TD Barkley 26 run (Butker) (7-72-4:12)	28-14
4 1:40	Durham	FG Pineiro 23 (15-70-7:15)	31-14

Passing

DTL: Allen 23/11 125 Yds  
 PCC: Cousins 31/15 158 Yds TD

Rushing

DTL: Chubb 21/111 TD, Gibson 6/29, Penny 3/26 TD, Allen 3/16 2 TDs, Mattison 6/8  
 PCC: Barkley 12/104 TD, Cousins 5/12, Johnson 1/6, Jones 5/4

Receiving

DTL: Kupp 6/81, Hilton 2/20, Chubb 2/12, Gibson 1/12  
 PCC: Sutton 4/50 TD, Allen 4/56, Higbee 3/35, Barkley 1/8, Jones 1/3, Boyle 1/5

Defense

DTL: Young 2-Sks 2-FF 2-Tk, Armstead Sk FF 4-Tk, Sherman FF 6-Tk, Jones Sk 3-Tk  
 PCC: Allen FF 11-Tk

Injuries

DTL: Johnson 7  
 PCC:

Misc

DTL: 12 Missed Tackles  
 PCC: Cousins 3 Fumbles, Hilliard 3/95 KR, 2/13 3rd Down, 1/5 4th Down



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Chino struck fast, scoring TDs on their first two possessions, with **Dak Prescott** hitting on a 35-yard long fly to **Michael Gallup** and **Mark Ingram** finishing off a grinding drive with a 2-yard dive. Brooklin struck back with **Derek Carr** finding **Randall Cobb** on a 19-yard cross for a TD, but the missed extra point meant the Hawks trailed by 8 at the half. Brooklin came away empty on the first drive of the 3<sup>rd</sup> as they failed to convert on 4<sup>th</sup> & goal, but hit on a FG late in the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cobb's second TD catch, late in the 4<sup>th</sup>, got Brooklin in a position to tie, but the 2-point convert failed and the Convicts held on.

12-16-2020 The Big House Temp:77 Wind:10-20 None No Line MVP:McCaffrey HFA:ON(3)

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Brooklin (7-4)	0	9	3	6	18
2019 Chino (6-4-1)	14	3	0	3	20

Scoring Summary

1 11:40 Chino	TD Prescott 35 pass to Gallup (McLaughlin) (6-65-3:14)	0-7
1 2:46 Chino	TD Ingram II 2 run (McLaughlin) (12-70-5:53)	0-14
2 11:46 Brooklin	TD Carr 19 pass to Cobb (no good) (10-75-6:00)	6-14
2 4:49 Chino	FG McLaughlin 44 (13-49-6:51)	6-17
2 0:57 Brooklin	FG Bullock 50 (11-53-3:41)	9-17
3 3:28 Brooklin	FG Bullock 25 (11-54-5:25)	12-17
4 9:07 Chino	FG McLaughlin 26 (8-45-4:06)	12-20
4 2:29 Brooklin	TD Carr 12 pass to Cobb (2 - failed) (13-75-6:38)	18-20

Passing

BRH: Carr 46/32 325 Yds 2 TDs  
CHI: Prescott 30/16 183 Yds TD

Rushing

BRH: Hyde 10/57, Breida 2/19  
CHI: McCaffrey 18/129, Ingram II 13/74 TD

Receiving

BRH: Hopkins 9/94, Cobb 6/78 2 TDs, Perriman 5/62, Jeffery 4/42, Fells 3/25  
CHI: McCaffrey 6/47, Fitzgerald 6/69, Gallup 2/53 TD, Jones Jr. 1/12, Ricard 1/2

Defense

BRH: Apple 9-Tk, Simmons 8-Tk  
CHI: Conley 11-Tk, Terrell 11-Tk, Carter Sk 4-Tk, Adams FF 5-Tk

Injuries

BRH: Jeffery 5, Elliott 4, Engram 2, McPhee 1, Scott 1  
CHI: Short 2, Adams 1, Beachum 1, Skura 1

Misc

BRH: 16 Missed Tackles  
CHI: |



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Pickering struck first and suddenly with a medium slant from **Philip Rivers** that **Marquise Brown** took all the way for a 76-yard TD. The Pilots responded with a drive to the Pickering 1, where **Sam Darnold** and **Hunter Renfrow** converted 4<sup>th</sup> & goal with a short hitch for the equalizing TD. Seattle's defence then joined the fray. **Sean Murphy-Bunting** and **Kareem Jackson** picked off Rivers to set up a TD and a FG; then **Olivier Vernon** blocked a punt and **Khalil Mack** pounced on it in the end zone for a 24-7 Pilots' lead. The Spartans battled back to within 3 points but ran out of time.

12-18-2020 Kingdome Temp:70 Wind: Line:PIC by 4 MVP:Murphy-Bunti HFA:ON(1)

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Pickering (3-8)	7	0	3	14	24
2019 Seattle (5-6)	0	17	7	3	27

Scoring Summary

1 2:56 Pickering	TD Rivers 76 pass to Brown (Zuerlein) (1-76-0:16)	7-0
2 13:26 Seattle	TD Darnold 1 pass to Renfrow (Lambo) (11-75-4:30)	7-7
2 10:05 Seattle	TD Akers 6 run (Lambo) (3-9-1:36)	7-14
2 0:00 Seattle	FG Lambo 36 (7-18-1:51)	7-17
3 12:28 Seattle	TD Mack blk punt ret -2 (Lambo)	7-24
3 1:16 Pickering	FG Zuerlein 46 (12-46-7:46)	10-24
4 8:20 Pickering	TD Rivers 4 pass to Williams (Zuerlein) (3-12-1:01)	17-24
4 4:14 Seattle	FG Lambo 51 (6-39-3:49)	17-27
4 0:54 Pickering	TD Rivers 6 pass to Shepard (Zuerlein) (15-75-3:20)	24-27

Passing

PIC: Rivers 38/25 278 Yds 3 TDs 2 Int  
SEA: Darnold 17/11 112 Yds TD

Rushing

PIC: Sanders 14/45, Jackson 2/14, Swift 7/5  
SEA: Mack 23/84, Akers 1/6 TD, Harry 1/4, Deguara 1/1

Receiving

PIC: Brown 6/120 TD, Williams 5/53 TD, Shepard 4/42 TD, Sanders 4/19, Ridley 4/42  
SEA: Renfrow 3/64 TD, Miller 2/16, Asiasi 2/15, Robinson 2/15, Mack 1/3, Deguara 1/-1

Defense

PIC: Kinlaw 2-Sks FF 4-Tk, Okwara Sk 5-Tk, Ward Int 4-Tk, Amukamara 8-Tk  
SEA: Curry 2-Sks 4-Tk, Murphy-Bunting Int 8-Tk, Jackson Int 6-Tk, Brockers Sk 3-Tk

Injuries

PIC: Randall 3, Joseph 3, Shepherd 2, Dennard 1  
SEA: Hunt 5, Williams 1, Massie 1

Misc

PIC: 9/66 Penalties  
SEA: 9/68 Penalties



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A 56-yard slant to **Danny Amendola** set up a **Derrick Henry** TD run then a **Kevin Byard** interception on the Cubs' first series set up a TD pass to **Zach Ertz**, for an early 14-0 York lead. The Cubs worked to erase that deficit with two long drives, resulting in a TD pass to **AJ Brown** and a TD run by **James Connor**. A fumbled punt return by Amendola set up the go-ahead TD run by **Joe Mixon** from 21 yards and **Justin Tucker** tacked on a FG before the half to finish a 24-point 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Meanwhile, the Cubs' 'D' tightened like a vice around **Tom Brady** for the remainder, leading to an easy Cubs' victory.

12-15-2020 Joe Ferguson Stadium Temp:42 Wind:0-5 None Line:YOR by 1 MVP:Mixon

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 York (5-6)	14	0	0	3	17
2019 Iowa City (6-4-1)	0	24	3	3	30

#### Scoring Summary

1 10:22 York	TD Henry 7 run (Hauschka) (7-78-4:31)	7-0
1 3:52 York	TD Brady 10 pass to Ertz (Hauschka) (5-59-2:40)	14-0
2 13:02 Iowa City	TD Wilson 10 pass to Brown (Tucker,J) (11-75-5:50)	14-7
2 5:58 Iowa City	TD Conner 6 run (Tucker,J) (8-76-4:42)	14-14
2 1:45 Iowa City	TD Mixon 21 run (Tucker,J) (2-29-0:30)	14-21
2 0:00 Iowa City	FG Tucker 45 (8-38-1:13)	14-24
3 8:27 Iowa City	FG Tucker 48 (13-45-6:29)	14-27
4 13:55 York	FG Hauschka 35 (8-35-2:13)	17-27
4 8:02 Iowa City	FG Tucker 47 (6-47-2:17)	17-30

#### Passing

YOR: Brady 36/16 185 Yds TD  
ICC: Wilson 38/26 293 Yds TD Int

#### Rushing

YOR: Henry 15/90 TD  
ICC: Mixon 17/106 TD, Conner 12/53 TD, Wilson 4/9, Armstead 1/6

#### Receiving

YOR: Ertz 8/57 TD, Amendola 4/75, Davis 2/44, Snell Jr. 1/3, Johnson 1/6  
ICC: Kirk 7/55, Beasley 6/55, Brown 4/101 TD, Lockett 4/46, Mixon 3/28, Conner 2/8

#### Defense

YOR: Alualu Sk FF 3-Tk, Henderson 10-Tk, Byard Int 5-Tk, Ya-Sin 8-Tk, Whitehead 8-Tk  
ICC: Hayward Jr. FF 5-Tk

#### Injuries

YOR: Scherff 4  
ICC: Pierre-Paul 2, Dissly 1

#### Misc

YOR:  
ICC: 37:35 TOP



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A 31-yard punt return by **Mecole Hardman** set up the Assassins with good field position near mid-field and **Carson Wentz** took advantage, completing 4 of 4 for 48 yards on a five-play drive that ended with a 13-yard TD pass to **Jerry Jeudy** and a rare early 10-0 lead for Vegas. That would be it for the Assassins' offence, but their defence held up masterfully until mid-way in the 4<sup>th</sup> when a Wentz interception led to **Aaron Rodgers** connecting with **Charles Clay** for the apparent tying TD. But the extra point was blocked by **Demario Davis** in a play that ended up being the difference in the game.

12-17-2020 Assassin's Den Temp:74 Wind: Line:BUD by 4 MVP:Carrie HFA:ON

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2019 Budapest (8-3)	0	0	3	6	9
2019 Las Vegas (4-7)	10	0	0	0	10

#### Scoring Summary

1 8:27 Las Vegas	FG Fairbairn 43 (11-50-6:28)	0-3
1 3:55 Las Vegas	TD Wentz 13 pass to Jeudy (Fairbairn) (5-53-2:28)	0-10
3 11:36 Budapest	FG Myers 33 (8-60-3:21)	3-10
4 7:17 Budapest	TD Rodgers 14 pass to Clay (no good) (7-57-3:32)	9-10

#### Passing

BUD: Rodgers 37/18 194 Yds TD 2 Int  
LV: Wentz 38/29 205 Yds TD Int

#### Rushing

BUD: Rodgers 5/19, Williams 10/13, Johnson 5/12  
LV: Lewis 12/55, Wentz 9/15

#### Receiving

BUD: Diggs 6/81, Watkins 4/48, Jefferson 3/22, Clay 2/24 TD, Williams 1/9, Hollister 1/7  
LV: Thomas 9/72, Lewis 7/19, Jeudy 6/52 TD, Pascal 4/44, Graham 3/18

#### Defense

BUD: Haden FF 14-Tk, Harris Sk FF 3-Tk, David Int 6-Tk, Jordan Sk FF 2-Tk  
LV: Davis 15-Tk, Carrie Int 9-Tk, Barrett 2-Sks 4-Tk, Leonard Int 4-Tk, Williams

#### Injuries

BUD: Britt 3, Diggs 1  
LV: Wise Jr. 1, Jackson 1

#### Misc

BUD:  
LV: 4 Fumbles. all recovered



Near the end the win.



WEEK ELEVEN

STANDINGS & STATS

EFL 2020 Official Standings

East	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Cobb County	10	1	0	.909	W2	355	32.3	217	19.7	12.5	5 1 0	3 0 0	7 1 0
Buffalo	7	4	0	.636	L1	273	24.8	237	21.5	3.3	3 3 0	1 2 0	5 3 0
Bruxelles	7	4	0	.636	W2	329	29.9	263	23.9	6.0	5 1 0	1 2 0	4 4 0
New Jersey	1	10	0	.091	L9	242	22.0	332	30.2	-8.2	1 5 0	1 2 0	1 7 0
Central	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Viriden	10	1	0	.909	W6	381	34.6	219	19.9	14.7	5 1 0	4 0 0	7 1 0
Peg City	6	5	0	.545	L1	328	29.8	296	26.9	2.9	2 4 0	3 1 0	6 2 0
Charleswood	2	9	0	.182	L2	228	20.7	365	33.2	-12.5	0 6 0	1 3 0	2 6 0
Twin Cities	2	9	0	.182	L3	164	14.9	254	23.1	-8.2	1 5 0	0 4 0	2 6 0
West	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Chino	6	4	1	.591	W4	288	26.2	260	23.6	2.5	4 1 1	2 0 1	4 3 1
Iowa City	6	4	1	.591	W1	278	25.3	263	23.9	1.4	4 1 0	2 0 1	4 3 1
Seattle	5	6	0	.455	W1	224	20.4	249	22.6	-2.3	3 4 0	0 3 0	3 5 0
Las Vegas	4	7	0	.364	W1	207	18.8	243	22.1	-3.3	3 3 0	1 2 0	2 6 0
North	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Durham	7	4	0	.636	W1	213	19.4	177	16.1	3.3	3 1 0	2 1 0	5 3 0
Cowtown	7	4	0	.636	W2	224	20.4	166	15.1	5.3	3 3 0	2 1 0	5 3 0
Scarborough	6	5	0	.545	L1	236	21.5	245	22.3	-0.8	3 1 0	1 2 0	4 4 0
Sebastian	5	6	0	.455	W1	266	24.2	284	25.8	-1.6	3 3 0	1 2 0	2 6 0
Coastal	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Budapest	8	3	0	.727	L2	228	20.7	139	12.6	8.1	4 1 0	2 2 0	6 2 0
Brooklin	7	4	0	.636	L1	272	24.7	224	20.4	4.4	4 1 0	4 0 0	7 1 0
York	5	6	0	.455	L1	230	20.9	222	20.2	0.7	5 0 0	1 3 0	4 4 0
Pickering	3	8	0	.273	L3	181	16.5	275	25.0	-8.5	3 2 0	1 3 0	2 6 0
South	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Aurora	7	4	0	.636	L1	273	24.8	247	22.5	2.4	4 1 0	3 0 0	6 2 0
Erieau	5	6	0	.455	W3	188	17.1	239	21.7	-4.6	2 2 0	2 1 0	4 4 0
East Elmhurst	3	8	0	.273	W1	211	19.2	268	24.4	-5.2	1 5 0	0 3 0	1 7 0
Georgia	2	9	0	.182	L1	191	17.4	326	29.6	-12.3	2 3 0	1 2 0	2 6 0



EFL 2020 Official Passing Leaders

			Att	Cmp	C%	Yards	In	I%	Lg	TD	TD%	Rate
1	Tannehill	CB	256	180	70.3	2998	4	1.6	82	32	12.5	142.5
2	Mahomes	VV	289	192	66.4	2533	4	1.4	56	28	9.7	120.5
3	Cousins	PCC	392	253	64.5	3088	2	0.5	71	33	8.4	114.6
4	Brees	SS	292	209	71.6	2498	5	1.7	88	17	5.8	109.6
5	Stafford	NJ	196	131	66.8	1628	4	2.0	68	14	7.1	107.7
6	Jackson,L	BUF	339	249	73.5	2656	7	2.1	58	20	5.9	107.0
7	Carr,D	BRH	400	274	68.5	2879	2	0.5	51	22	5.5	105.4
8	Prescott	CHI	350	230	65.7	2682	5	1.4	73	20	5.7	101.9
9	Garoppolo	COW	327	214	65.4	2590	4	1.2	64	16	4.9	100.8
10	Ryan,M	AUR	296	181	61.1	2256	11	3.7	62	24	8.1	96.3
11	Wilson,R	ICC	358	230	64.2	2496	6	1.7	49	18	5.0	94.4
12	Burrow	SBE	347	217	62.5	2204	6	1.7	58	19	5.5	91.7
13	Goff	BRX	429	232	54.1	3196	9	2.1	72	28	6.5	91.2
14	Murray,K	ERI	320	195	60.9	2102	4	1.3	53	15	4.7	90.7
15	Brady	YOR	336	195	58.0	2289	5	1.5	72	18	5.4	90.5
16	Watson,D	CHP	386	245	63.5	2730	9	2.3	49	17	4.4	89.4
17	Darnold	SEA	345	222	64.3	2262	7	2.0	72	15	4.3	89.1
18	Allen,J	DTL	307	178	58.0	1962	1	0.3	63	11	3.6	87.6
19	Keenum	NJ	247	164	66.4	1499	4	1.6	54	8	3.2	86.7
20	Trubisky	TCT	234	133	56.8	1480	3	1.3	75	10	4.3	84.7
21	Rodgers,A	BUD	345	194	56.2	2167	3	0.9	50	13	3.8	84.1
22	Rivers	PIC	248	158	63.7	1832	10	4.0	76	11	4.4	83.9
23	Minshew II	PIC	92	47	51.1	564	1	1.1	41	5	5.4	83.8
24	Tagovailoa	GEO	284	162	57.0	1861	9	3.2	75	14	4.9	80.1
25	Wentz	LV	276	165	59.8	1575	3	1.1	57	7	2.5	79.6

EFL 2020 Official Kick Return Leaders

EFL 2020 Official Punt Return Leaders

			No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD				No	Fc	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Patterson	VV	15	458	30.5	94	1	1	Johnson,D	GEO	25	6	305	12.2	78	2
2	Grant,J	CHI	23	693	30.1	101	2	2	Reagor	SS	15	9	157	10.5	49	0
3	Cooper,P	BUD	14	410	29.3	91	0	3	Berrios	AUR	29	3	303	10.4	26	0
4	Davis,T	SBE	17	492	28.9	86	0	4	Ervin	VV	14	14	146	10.4	41	0
5	Hilliard	PCC	21	577	27.5	46	0	5	Hardman	LV	30	5	295	9.8	31	0
6	Spencer,D	NJ	18	491	27.3	57	0	6	Agnew	SEA	27	7	261	9.7	78	1
7	Hardman	LV	18	489	27.2	46	0	7	Cooper,P	BUD	22	14	200	9.1	22	0
8	Roberts,A	BRX	19	498	26.2	46	0	8	Carter,D	BUF	30	11	259	8.6	45	0
9	Agnew	SEA	17	425	25.0	37	0	9	Rogers,C	CHI	22	11	166	7.5	15	0
10	Raymond	EE	22	544	24.7	41	1	10	Cohen	NJ	23	8	173	7.5	21	0
11	Latimer	DTL	14	344	24.6	38	0	11	Roberts,A	BRX	21	18	153	7.3	15	0
12	James Jr.	GEO	22	524	23.8	36	0	12	Harris,D	COW	29	6	193	6.7	17	0
13	Ruggs III	ERI	21	479	22.8	53	0	13	Amendola	YOR	19	14	122	6.4	21	0
14	Ballentine	SS	16	347	21.7	37	0	14	Proche II	DTL	35	4	222	6.3	11	0
15	Carter,D	BUF	32	688	21.5	52	0	15	Logan,T	PCC	24	7	148	6.2	15	0
16	Richard	CHP	31	496	16.0	30	0	16	Thomas,D	SBE	38	5	209	5.5	17	0
17	Cohen	NJ	1	28	28.0	28	0	17	Peppers	ERI	15	9	81	5.4	13	0
18	King II	ERI	1	26	26.0	26	0	18	Quinn,T	EE	22	13	111	5.0	15	0
19	Sanders,M	PIC	11	279	25.4	29	0	19	Natson	CB	22	5	96	4.4	14	0
20	Erickson	BUF	1	25	25.0	25	0	20	Barner	BRH	19	1	58	3.1	15	0
21	Natson	CB	9	223	24.8	42	0	21	Hines	ERI	1	0	32	32.0	32	0
22	Campbell,P	CHP	1	24	24.0	24	0	22	Lockett	ICC	7	4	61	8.7	13	0
23	Lockett	ICC	4	95	23.8	31	0	23	Sherels	YOR	1	0	7	7.0	7	0
24	Abdullah	CHI	2	47	23.5	33	0	24	Kirk	ICC	8	4	47	5.9	9	0
25	Harris,D	COW	11	257	23.4	42	0	25	Peoples-Jo	SS	2	0	11	5.5	8	0

## EFL 2020 Official Rushing Leaders

			Att	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Chubb,N	DTL	232	1266	5.5	75	4
2	Elliott,E	VV	214	1083	5.1	30	8
3	Jackson,L	BUF	174	1066	6.1	27	8
4	Fournette	BRX	199	1063	5.3	56	6
5	Carson,C	SBE	203	1045	5.1	66	2
6	Mixon	ICC	188	1002	5.3	32	8
7	Henry,D	YOR	228	940	4.1	70	6
8	Drake	AUR	157	876	5.6	59	8
9	Hyde,C	BRH	163	864	5.3	44	8
10	McCaffrey	CHI	161	853	5.3	50	9
11	Jones,A	PCC	114	687	6.0	66	4
12	Mack,M	SEA	146	686	4.7	51	1
13	Mostert	CB	120	672	5.6	45	8
14	Jacobs,J	GEO	152	669	4.4	35	0
15	Kamara	CHP	144	612	4.3	50	8
16	Singletary	AUR	108	578	5.4	45	0
17	Cook,D	LV	153	525	3.4	19	6
18	Edwards-He	TCT	127	519	4.1	22	5
19	Peterson,A	CB	123	511	4.2	45	2
20	Williams,J	BUD	93	497	5.3	50	3
21	Murray,K	ERI	90	490	5.4	26	3
22	Barkley,S	PCC	90	482	5.4	29	3
23	Gurley II	COW	136	448	3.3	15	7
24	Howard,J	BUD	88	432	4.9	20	4
25	Taylor,J	SS	118	432	3.7	15	2
26	Murray,L	EE	104	428	4.1	32	2
27	Ingram II	CHI	90	391	4.3	29	4
28	Swift	PIC	91	385	4.2	63	0
29	Montgomery	NJ	115	338	2.9	33	1
30	Breida	BRH	74	332	4.5	32	0
31	Sanders,M	PIC	124	328	2.6	24	1
32	Freeman,R	VV	60	307	5.1	47	2
33	Watson,D	CHP	34	287	8.4	33	5
34	William,Dm	SS	69	274	4.0	30	3
35	Johnson,D	PCC	44	254	5.8	18	0
36	Edmonds	SS	51	253	5.0	24	4
37	Allen,J	DTL	51	251	4.9	15	4
38	Robinson,J	GEO	75	243	3.2	27	0
39	Coleman,T	BUF	78	233	3.0	20	4
40	Wilson,R	ICC	43	230	5.3	24	1

## EFL 2020 Official Receiving Leaders

			No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Hopkins,D	BRH	90	1226	13.6	51	9
2	McCaffrey	CHI	88	744	8.5	28	5
3	Thomas,M	LV	81	911	11.2	59	5
4	Woods,R	BUF	74	966	13.1	58	6
5	Edelman	AUR	68	845	12.4	49	12
6	Cohen	NJ	62	397	6.4	24	1
7	Kittle	BUD	56	634	11.3	22	6
8	Kupp	DTL	55	678	12.3	63	2
9	Evans,M	COW	55	821	14.9	64	5
10	Lockett	ICC	54	669	12.4	34	5
11	Beckham Jr	SS	53	667	12.6	46	3
12	Kamara	CHP	53	411	7.8	49	2
13	Cooper,A	VV	53	954	18.0	50	10
14	Brown,J	VV	53	846	16.0	56	7
15	Jones,J	CB	53	980	18.5	82	9
16	Metcalfe	CHP	52	736	14.2	35	3
17	Sanders,E	BUF	51	537	10.5	28	3
18	Moore,D	TCT	50	636	12.7	75	4
19	Ertz	YOR	50	599	12.0	36	5
20	Kelce,T	BRX	49	701	14.3	41	6
21	Allen,K	PCC	49	778	15.9	54	4
22	Tate	SS	49	509	10.4	44	1
23	White,J	TCT	48	530	11.0	52	3
24	Sutton,C	PCC	48	705	14.7	71	9
25	Parker,D	CB	47	922	19.6	62	9
26	Fournette	BRX	47	350	7.4	26	1
27	Fitzgerald	CHI	46	603	13.1	73	5
28	Chark Jr.	NJ	46	634	13.8	52	6
29	Andrews,M	ERI	46	518	11.3	53	7
30	Renfrow	SEA	45	593	13.2	72	6
31	Smith-Schu	CHP	45	574	12.8	36	5
32	Samuel,D	NJ	45	524	11.6	42	3
33	Bell,L	COW	44	376	8.5	30	3
34	Witten	SS	44	483	11.0	40	4
35	Beasley	ICC	43	437	10.2	18	6
36	Gallup	CHI	43	755	17.6	60	8
37	Robinson,A	SBE	42	528	12.6	58	7
38	Golladay	TCT	41	750	18.3	55	3
39	Freeman,D	SBE	41	321	7.8	28	2
40	Adams,D	AUR	41	578	14.1	62	7

## EFL 2020 Official Kicking Leaders

		FGA	FGM	FG%	40	50	Lg	Pts
1	Prater	BRX	29	24	82.8	12	4 55	105
2	Gonzalez	VV	23	20	87.0	7	2 51	105
3	Tucker,J	ICC	24	23	95.8	8	1 51	98
4	Myers,J	BUD	29	23	79.3	8	3 52	90
5	Bullock	BRH	24	22	91.7	4	4 55	90
6	McManus	CB	16	14	87.5	5	1 51	85
7	Crosby	SBE	21	21	100.0	10	4 54	84
8	Lambo	SEA	21	21	100.0	15	4 54	84
9	Boswell	NJ	19	19	100.0	4	1 50	80
10	Bailey,D	SS	18	18	100.0	6	0 47	78
11	Butker	PCC	17	13	76.5	3	1 53	78
12	Pineiro	DTL	23	18	78.3	9	5 52	75
13	Hauschka	YOR	18	17	94.4	9	2 51	72
14	McLaughlin	CHI	15	12	80.0	4	0 47	72
15	Bass	GEO	21	18	85.7	4	2 51	71
16	Fairbairn	LV	19	17	89.5	3	1 51	69
17	Slye	COW	21	16	76.2	7	2 52	68
18	Blankenshi	EE	15	15	100.0	6	3 53	67
19	Zuerlein	PIC	15	14	93.3	8	3 55	61
20	Lutz	AUR	13	9	69.2	5	3 54	61
21	Elliott,J	BUF	11	8	72.7	4	1 54	57
22	Seibert	ERI	19	14	73.7	8	1 50	56
23	Carlson	CHP	10	7	70.0	3	2 51	46
24	Hopkins	TCT	9	6	66.7	1	0 40	36
25	O'Donnell	NJ	0	0	0.0	0	0 0	0

## EFL 2020 Official Punting Leaders

		No	Yards	Tb	20	Lg	Bk	Ave
1	Way	CHI	39	1940	5	11	64	0 49.7
2	Dixon,R	GEO	48	2322	3	15	64	0 48.4
3	Morstead	DTL	49	2348	3	18	68	0 47.9
4	Kern	BRX	41	1960	2	13	60	0 47.8
5	Palardy	YOR	55	2596	1	15	79	0 47.2
6	Anger	LV	59	2753	7	26	67	0 46.7
7	Edwards,L	EE	54	2517	2	21	62	0 46.6
8	Hekker	COW	52	2423	5	21	59	0 46.6
9	Bailey,J	SEA	49	2275	0	17	60	0 46.4
10	Koch	AUR	37	1715	1	13	62	1 46.4
11	O'Donnell	NJ	46	2115	3	16	56	0 46.0
12	Sanchez	BUD	44	1988	2	15	80	0 45.2
13	Wishnowsky	TCT	58	2593	1	19	53	0 44.7
14	Dickson	ERI	57	2541	6	22	56	0 44.6
15	Pinion	ICC	33	1464	1	9	54	0 44.4
16	Colquitt,D	SBE	50	2207	6	24	54	0 44.1
17	Jones,C	PIC	51	2163	0	16	57	3 42.4
18	Lee,A	BUF	32	1540	2	17	73	0 48.1
19	Berry,J	SS	22	1020	1	4	80	0 46.4
20	Scott,J	BRH	21	970	2	8	52	0 46.2
21	Haack	PCC	31	1422	1	12	53	0 45.9
22	Martin,S	CB	31	1421	0	11	65	0 45.8
23	Huber	CHP	31	1418	4	8	57	0 45.7
24	Mann	VV	28	1261	2	7	58	0 45.0

## EFL 2020 Official Sack Leaders

1	Barrett	LV	12
2	Smith,Z	CHI	9
3	Jones,C	SS	9
4	Dupree	BRX	8
5	Smith,P	BRX	8
6	Heyward	VV	7
7	Armstead,A	DTL	7
8	Watt,T	COW	7
9	Landry III	NJ	6
10	Young,C	DTL	6
11	Fowler Jr.	SBE	5
12	Phillips,J	BRX	5
13	Clark,F	BRX	5
14	Wolfe	PIC	5
15	Kinlaw	PIC	5
16	Golden	CB	5
17	Quinn	NJ	5
18	Allen,J	EE	5
19	Charlton	EE	5
20	Joseph,L	EE	5
21	Hunter,D	TCT	4
22	Collins Sr	VV	4
23	Richardson	VV	4
24	Flowers,T	BRX	4
25	Jordan,C	BUD	4

## EFL 2020 Official Tackle Leaders

1	Leonard,D	LV	126
2	Smith,J	EE	92
3	Littleton	ICC	88
4	Terrell	CHI	86
5	Henderson	YOR	85
6	Lattimore	SEA	84
7	Alexander	TCT	84
8	Ryan,L	SBE	80
9	Kuechly	BRX	78
10	Davis,C	COW	77
11	Apple	BRH	77
12	Brooks,J	TCT	75
13	Martinez	CB	74
14	Edmunds,T	GEO	73
15	Fulton	GEO	73
16	Cunningham	NJ	73
17	Landry III	NJ	72
18	Davis,D	LV	70
19	Awuzie	NJ	69
20	Ya-Sin	YOR	69
21	Wagner,B	TCT	69
22	Hightower	SBE	69
23	Schobert	PIC	69
24	Okudah	PCC	68
25	Jones,J	BRH	68



# AROUND THE



## With Spats McChad



NEW YORK – Merry Corona Christmas, everyone! Due to the pandemic, this year’s Christmas celebration will be the most unusual one in our country since the Civil War, when Massachusetts outlawed festivities as an “unnecessary expense,” while soldiers on both sides fought on. The annual ritualization of commercial excess, to honour the birth of the Saviour of the World, will be at its most muted in decades for retail businesses and restaurants located where pandemic restrictions are at their most confusing and draconian. There will be a slew of bankruptcies come the new year – you can bet on it. Of course, big box retailers like Walmart and online retailers like Amazon will not be among the destitute. They are doing quite well, thank you very much. Apparently, the threat posed by COVID-19 is much greater in a mom-and-pop gift shop or book store than it is in Costco, where one can jostle around freely (mask on, of course) as one positions oneself to pounce on that last flat of toilet paper.

Then there are the millions of relatively healthy elderly people, who are scared out of their wits to visit or receive their sons, daughters and grandchildren over the holidays. They must content themselves with a Skype call, using technology they are only starting to master, and arrange for a hug-less gift exchange on their doorsteps. This is perhaps the saddest fallout of all the hysteria – the infliction of more loneliness on those already lonely.

On a personal note, I am more than happy to skip the family gathering in Connecticut this holiday season. It will save me the embarrassment of being re-shuffled in the seating arrangements at the dining room table once again. Two years ago, in 2018, when I followed up my generous gift-giving bonanza of 2017 with charitable donations of measles vaccinations to children in the Third World in the names of my immediate family members and beloved relatives, I was summarily moved back from my seat at the dinner table next to my father to my traditional spot next to the ladies and senile old Uncle Aldrich. As it had been my intention to stick to a budget again this year (and thereby earn my family’s barely concealed contempt), COVID is as good an excuse as any for me to simply not buy anybody any Christmas presents at all – a selfish silver lining in order to indulge, guilt-free, my inner Scrooge.

### **DOWN AND OUT IN VEGAS**

Some of the louder blowhards in the mainstream media who trumpeted **Darrin Jones’** move to acquire **Aaron Rodgers** as one of the shrewdest and most impactful off-season transactions by any team are beginning to qualify their earlier praises in light of what has been, through eleven weeks, an underwhelming body of work from the former championship-winning quarterback. Rodgers is currently ranked 21<sup>st</sup> in passing efficiency among qualifying quarterbacks, behind established mediocrities like **Mitch Trubisky** and **Case Keenum**. That is not the calibre of performance Jones was looking for when he traded **Baker Mayfield**, a 1<sup>st</sup> rounder and a 3<sup>rd</sup> rounder to the rebuilding Irish in order to acquire Rodgers’ services. Rodgers was meant to be the final piece of the puzzle; now it looks like that piece doesn’t fit.

As long as the Stars kept winning games, analysts and even many fans were willing to overlook the chronically sluggish performance of the Budapest offence. But in wake of the Stars’ 10-9 loss to the struggling Assassins in Week Eleven – an exasperating 10-9 offensive debacle for both teams – many are taking aim at the Budapest QB and singling him out as the problem rather than the solution to the North Stars’ championship hopes.

If it were simply a matter of Rodgers taking extra time to adjust to a new system, or to a new home in a foreign country, or to some difference of opinion on scheme, one would be able to picture light at the end of tunnel on his journey to playoff fulfilment with the North Stars. But it may be that there is much more going on behind the scenes that explains Rodgers’ troubles on the field.

First, rumours surfaced of Rodgers sightings in the popular Ruin Bars of Budapest. These were slow to emerge and difficult to substantiate, as the Stars’ QB is far from a household name in that city and his face is not widely known. But, as the North Stars prepared for their three-game road tour beginning in Week Ten, there was at least one confirmed sighting captured on cell phone video of Rodgers slipping on his own vomit outside of Ruin Bars Budapest the night before the team’s flight to Brooklin. This video ran briefly on a local Budapest TV station before disappearing. The team did not publicly address the situation and the story was somehow not picked up in North America. But Rodgers did not perform well in the team’s 19-13 loss to the Hawks that week.

Now, the league is investigating a cell-phone video that popped up on social media this Sunday that appears to show the Budapest quarterback soliciting a prostitute in a dingy off-strip area of Las Vegas on the night prior to the North Stars’ game against the Assassins. Unlike the shaky video outside the bar in Budapest, this video is much clearer and is not going away, now that it has been posted and is being widely shared online. It shows a man who looks like a dead ringer for **Aaron Rodgers** pulling to the curb on Industrial Road, the so-called “Amsterdam of Vegas,” and stopping next to a scantily-clad woman in a short skirt and pumps. She is

seen leaning into the car and a conversation ensues. The audio is practically indecipherable, but the register of the man's voice sounds uncannily like that of Rodgers. The word "blow" can be made out coming from the man, followed by the number "one-hundred" coming from the woman. She then hurries around to the passenger side, gets in the car and the two drive off out of view.

The video was posted by a person named **Kyle Krautmukker**, one of a group of "Facebook Vigilantes" supporting the 'Clean Vegas Movement.' The goal of this group is to publicly shame the predominantly male procurers of prostitution who, in the group's opinion, have helped turn Las Vegas into a modern *Sodom* and *Gomorrah*. It is obvious that Krautmukker doesn't realize who he is filming, because he originally posted the video with the title, 'CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS SICK MAN?'

It didn't take long for the online community to shed light on who the man might be. Now it is a matter of confirming the widespread belief that the "sick man" is **Aaron Rodgers**.

This controversy is the last thing **Darrin Jones** and his Stars need as they enter the final stages of the playoff race. The Division and playoff seeding are at stake, with the Hawks, the Mustangs and the Thunder Lizards all breathing down their necks. Even worse, if it is true that Rodgers is relapsing into the type of self-destructive behaviour he engaged in while a member of the Blue Eagles, then there will be bigger, long-term problems to contend with.

Of course, Rodgers did not look sharp against the Assassins. He completed less than 50% of his pass attempts and threw two interceptions. He seemed to flit in and out of consciousness throughout the game, occasionally flashing brilliance – as he did on the 4<sup>th</sup>-quarter check down to **Charles Clay** for Budapest's only touchdown of the game – but more often seeming confused, even blind – as he appeared to be when he threw a pass directly into the arms of 4<sup>th</sup>-string corner **TJ Carrie** to squelch a promising early drive. That was perhaps the most frustrating aspect to Rodgers' performance: the inability to sustain a passing attack against a banged-up Las Vegas secondary missing its top two cornerbacks.

It was not all about Rodgers' sub-par play, however. The Assassins' defence, anchored by the elite linebacking corps of **Demario Davis**, **Darius Leonard** and **Shaquil Barrett**, can take a game away from just about any offence. Bolstered by the gift of a rare, early 10-0 lead, they played through the whistle on every play, clamping down like a vice on Budapest running back **Jamaal Williams** and forcing Rodgers to the air without the benefit of play-action to freeze those A-class linebackers. When the Stars finally broke through into the end zone with 7:17 remaining in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the Vegas 'D' did not sag. All-Pro middle linebacker **Demario Davis** instead knifed through the protection to block the extra point. That extra effort play would end up being the difference in the game, a fact that made Budapest coach **Darrin Jones** that much sicker to his stomach than he already was, knowing that his star QB may be in



A still from cell-phone video posted on social media shows a person closely resembling Stars' QB, **Aaron Rodgers**, apparently soliciting a prostitute on Industrial Road, the "Amsterdam of Vegas," the night before Budapest's Week 11 game. The EFL is investigating what it calls, "a blatant breach of COVID-19 protocols" while at the same time avoiding mentioning Rodgers by name.

the middle of living out his "**John Norman Howard** moment" on the field as a pivotal member of his team.

"We're going to look at the film and see where we can do better on offence," Jones stated wearily after the loss. "That is a good defence over there, loaded with talent and desire. They took some things away from us and unfortunately we weren't able to take what they were giving us."

Jones was careful to avoid throwing his quarterback under the bus with regard to both his on-field and alleged off-field antics. When asked about the video that had surfaced purportedly showing Rodgers picking up a hooker, Jones deftly dodged meaningful comment by claiming he had not seen the video:

"I haven't seen this video you are referring to," he said in reply to *Deathspun* investigative reporter, **Tarkin Smith-Abdullah**. "My understanding is that it is not established that the person in the video is Aaron, and that Aaron was in the hotel with the rest of the players the night before the game. I am not aware of any violation of our COVID-19 protocols at this point. I am just trying to figure out how we can get back on the winning track. Next question, please."

On the other side of this defensive classic, Vegas coach **Anthony Holguin** was effusive in his

praise for his defence, ironically bolstering it with reference to the caliber of their opponent.

“I can’t say enough about how our defence played today,” Holguin stated from his virtual *Zoom* podium. “They kept one of the league’s elite quarterbacks out of the end zone for over three quarters and held off that strong push at the end. I loved TJ’s effort out there. He really lived up to our ‘next man up’ philosophy. This race isn’t done yet. We keep playing like this, I like our chances.”

We all know that Holguin’s post-game commentary is a pile of dog feces designed to pump up his team and deflect critics’ attention away from the fact that the Assassins had lost six in a row prior to their meeting with this stumbling Budapest squad, fresh off another humbling experience against the Hawks. The defence may have top-caliber talent, but the team won’t be going anywhere without better play from the quarterback position. **Carson Wentz** managed to get through this game without ruining it for his team, but the lack of a mention afterwards from his coach indicates that not all is well between starter and coach in Vegas. Wentz’s play has dropped off a cliff this year. Could the Vegas nightlife (which seems to continue despite COVID-19) be taking its toll on another talented arm?

### ***THE GREEK IDIOT BRIGADE***

I have come to the conclusion that coaches of Greek origin are incapable of temperance when it comes to solving problems on the offensive side of the ball. They approach offence as if opposing defences don’t exist and the offence should be able to dictate terms by simply making the plays called. We have seen this at times of trouble in Durham and Pickering, where the stifled rage of a **George Kaldis** and the explosive fury of a **Gus Konstantakos** results in the same doubling-down on failed strategies for the simple reason that they *should* work. What’s that definition of “insanity” again?

This week, the Crusaders joined the Greek Idiot Brigade, converting 1 of 5 fourth down attempts on their way to a decisive 31-14 loss to Durham. The Crusaders’ offence, one of the tops in the league, had experienced another inexplicable short circuit last week against the Triumph. The solution **Stephen Katopodis** devised, to ensure that did not happen again this week, was to attack a much better Durham defence head-on in 4<sup>th</sup> & Questionable situations. In the process, he practically begged the Lizards, who have been experiencing their own offensive struggles, to take an early lead by handing them fine field position due to turnovers on downs.

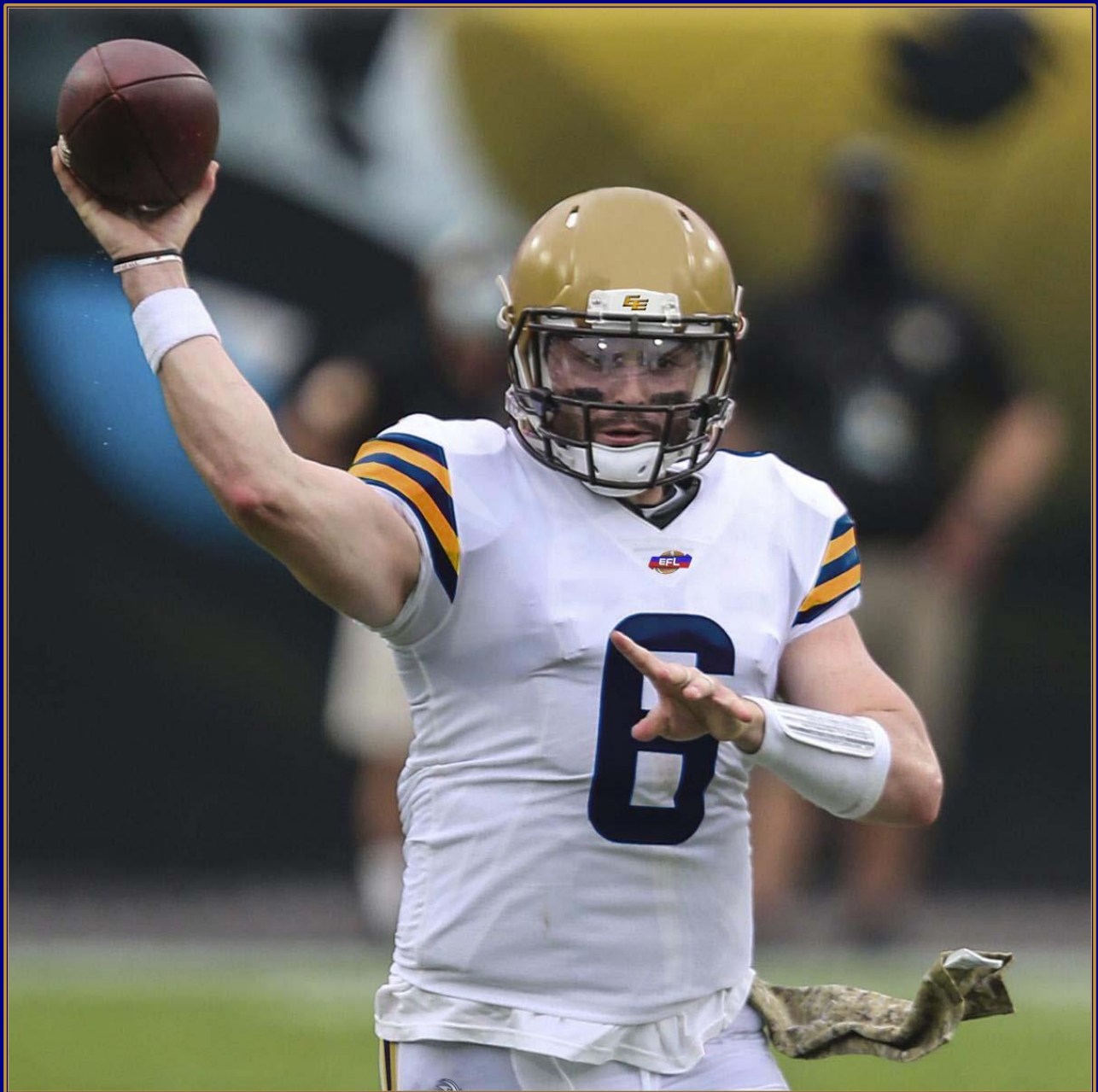
The first 4<sup>th</sup> down attempt was particularly mystifying. **Harrison Butker** made a 51-yard field goal that was nullified by a holding call. That put Peg City in 4th & 17 at the Durham 43 and brought out the punting unit. **Matt Haack** punted out of bounds, pinning the Lizards back at their own 10. But an offside penalty on Durham was accepted, setting up 4th & 12 at the Durham 38. These five extra yards, from 4th & 17 to 4th & 12, were apparently enough to change the calculation on the Crusader sideline. (I’d love to see their play-sheet!) Coach **Stephen Katopodis** sent his offence back on the field – a questionable decision at best. It ended up looking ridiculous when the actual play was run. **Kirk Cousins** went play-action to set up a pass attempt to **Courland Sutton**. Why anyone would think Durham would bite on a run fake in that situation is anybody’s guess. But the fake wasted enough time to give the pass rush and the coverage time to develop. Cousins’ pass fell incomplete as **Tyrann Mathieu** blanketed Sutton, giving the ball to the Lizards.

A similar scenario developed at the end of Peg City’s next possession. After Cousins was sacked on 3rd & 7, Katopodis kept his offence on the field for 4th & 10 at the Durham 40. His pass to **Brandon Aiyuk** fell incomplete when **Kenny Moore** jarred the ball loose and Durham took over again in great field position. Going for 4<sup>th</sup> & 10 from the 40, instead of pushing the Lizards up against their goal line, is the behaviour of a coach who seems to think he is in a shootout. But the reality at the time was that there was no score yet and the Durham offence was looking as stillborn as ever after two fruitless possessions. The field position battle was there for the taking. If it wasn’t for the ineptness of the slow-off-the-mark Durham offence, these decisions could have put Peg City behind the eight ball early. But it wound up taking Durham until their fifth possession to finally find the end zone on a **Josh Allen** sneak, set up by a **Chase Young** strip-sack and **Brian Burns** fumble recovery at their opponent’s 15 and further assisted by back-to-back penalties against the Crusaders. Nothing came easily for Durham on the offensive side of the ball, while the Lizards’ defence looked strong throughout the game. Gambling on low percentage 4th downs just didn’t make much sense under those circumstances. Oh well...like a true gambler Katopodis kept doubling down on 4th down, converting just once, in the 4th quarter, when the game was already well out of hand.

Speaking of neurons firing off at random resulting in inexplicable events, I admit that I don’t really understand the squib kick strategy in the middle of close games or at the start of halves. I mean, I *understand* it, but I don’t really *get* it; especially in the context in which it was used by the Thunder Lizards in this game: Apparently spooked by a 41-yard kick return by **Dontrell Hilliard** earlier, Durham ordered squib kicks after their second TD and at the start the second half. Bouncing the ball down the field in a semi-onside kick mode seems like a roll of the dice to me, when any kicker worth his salt could just boot the ball through the end zone, outside of having a brisk wind in his face. And it’s not like the Crusader up-men, **Tremon Smith** and **Brandon Aiyuk**, are chopped liver return guys.

On the second squib, Aiyuk picked it up on one bounce at the 36 and returned it 14 yards to mid-field. I mean, come on, man! He could have fallen on the ball and still put his team in good field position at the 36. As a result, Peg City had excellent field position at the 50-yard line. It serves Durham right that the Crusaders proceeded to ram it down their throats in just four plays to get their first score of the game. They were lucky it did not start a roll of good fortune for their opponents. Fortunately, the Durham defence looked like it could have stopped a locomotive in its tracks at times on this day. The Crusaders hardly threatened them again.

This was an important win for the Thunder Lizards, even if the lack of a reliable passing attack remains a concern for Coach **George Kaldis**. **Nick Chubb** once again propelled the Durham offence with 111 yards rushing and a touchdown; while the poor man’s Lamar, **Josh Allen** salvaged a broken down pass play in the red zone with a 12-yard scramble for a TD. The defence proved its mettle against an offence replete with weapons, even if those weren’t being aimed particularly well in key moments on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> down. “Still can’t buy a passing touchdown,” Kaldis scoffed when asked by a reporter if he was happy that his team had hit 30 points for just the third time this year. “Two weeks in a row now, can’t pass the ball into the end zone. We better get that figured out soon.”



This week's frame-up photo features Irish QB, **Baker Mayfield**, shown here about to deliver a pass over the middle to **Adam Thielen** in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter action in Buffalo. Mayfield delivered a gutsy performance to defeat an aggressive Derailers' defence, elevating the play of those around him by throwing for 333 yards and 3 TDs without the benefit of his top WR, **Tyreek Hill**.

On the other side of the post-game fallout, the loss is seen as a serious set-back for the Crusaders, who have trailed off considerably since starting the season 5-1. They now see Virden poised to run away with the Central Division and will have to duke it out with stiff competition for a wildcard spot. But coach, **Stephen Katopodis** is as optimistic as ever:

"I know this team can pull it together," he said confidently when asked if he thought his Crusaders would make the playoffs. "We know we can play with any team. Yes, that includes Virden. We know who they are and we can beat them. We just ran into a hot defence today, that's all. And guys, before you even ask – 'cause I know you will – I am not going to second guess my 4<sup>th</sup> down decisions. Sometimes as a coach you just have to go for it, let the players prove they can do anything at any time. We didn't give up any points going back the other way on those, so chill out."

**MR. HYDE**

While, on the other side of the continent, **Darrin Jones** was chewing *Gravol* like it was candy to keep from throwing up at his team's performance against the Assassins, the young quarterback he had let go of in order to experience that sense of nausea was lighting up the scoreboard against the red-hot Derailers at New Era Field in Buffalo.

**Baker Mayfield** did not miss much in leading the Irish to a shocking 30-17 upset over Buffalo's **Lamar Jackson**. I use Lamar's name in place of the team for a reason. If it has been mostly about Lamar in Buffalo's 7 victories in their past 8 games, it was all about

Lamar in the team's Week Eleven loss – with credit to the hotshot Irish QB for making the most of the opportunities Lamar gave him.

We definitely saw another side of Jackson this week – the “Mr. Hyde side” that scouts cautioned about when rating the QBs in the draft class of 2018. Ironically, Mayfield was also in that class and in this contest showed why he went 21<sup>st</sup> overall to Budapest in the first round. One of the few and unlikely “win scenarios” for East Elmhurst heading into this game involved something like this: 4 interceptions by Buffalo's star QB setting up the short fields necessary to ignite an Irish offence that was missing play-maker, **Tyreek Hill**. It did not seem to matter that Hill was missing; or that **Adam Thielen** was lost due to injury early in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Mayfield turned to under-performers like **Nelson Agholor**, no-name fourth stringers like **Trey Quinn** and ripe old veterans like **Vernon Davis** to get production against a very good group of defenders on the Derailers' side.

Jackson was picked off by **Duron Harmon** on his very first pass of the game and Baker exacted a price immediately with a perfectly thrown cross to Agholor, who flashed heady moves to take it all the way for a 24-yard score. Jackson was intercepted again on Buffalo's subsequent series, this time by **Jaylon Smith**, setting up a 35-yard, **Rodrigo Blankenship** field goal for a quick 10-0 Easties lead. Lamar countered with a short cross that **Robert Woods** turned into a 56-yard gain to set up a 6-yard **Tevin Coleman** touchdown to narrow the gap to 3 points.

Whereas on a normal day, one might expect that spotting the Irish 10 points off a couple of Jackson turnovers would merely constitute a navigable speed bump on the road to an eventual easy win; that was not the case on this day. Mayfield, with some kind of fire in his belly driving him, hit back with a 14-yard pass to Quinn then stood tall against a Derailer blitz and connected with Davis, who was uncovered in the zone vacated by the blitz. The old guy snatched the pass neatly, shrugged off **Byron Jones** and loped the rest of the way untouched for a 66-yard scoring play. It was the play that served notice to the Derailers that the Irish would not lie down for them.

Baker was not perfect, however. On an attempted slant to Quinn he did not see the linebacker sitting underneath and his pass was intercepted by Buffalo's **Jordan Hicks**. That turnover led to an eventual Buffalo field goal that closed out the 1<sup>st</sup> half with East Elmhurst in front 17-10. But the Irish firebrand more than made up for that error by leading a crisp 58-yard scoring drive to open the second half, finishing with a short hitch to Quinn at the goal line for 6. A spasm of excitement animated the East Elmhurst sideline as Quinn spiked the ball, accentuated by the animated gyrations of the mysterious man in the Abbott's costume standing next to head coach **Archbishop Thomas Molloy**, who waved his long staff around manically as the Irish offence came off the field.

As I re-watched the tape of the sideline segment with the Abbott, I realized that I was no closer to knowing for certain if it was, indeed, **Chris Ferraro** in that Abbott's outfit. But the way he hopped around and waved that staff sure reminded me a lot of the way Ferraro would pace the Monarchs' sideline, occasionally removing his crown to wave it in celebration or throw it in frustration. Whoever it was seemed a touch unhinged for an Abbott. Head coach **Archbishop Thomas Molloy** was a pillar of stoicism by contrast.

On the Buffalo sideline, a wide-eyed **Daryl Brothers** gave an earful to the unfortunate official who happened to be nearest to him. Something about the last play had irked him, or maybe it was just dawning on him that his 7-3 Derailers were in jeopardy of losing a game, on their home field, to the 2-8 Irish and he had decided to take it out on the nearest zebra. Whatever the reason, his team and his quarterback were not going to give him many reasons to cheer on this day.

After the Irish made it a three-score lead late in the third quarter on a 47-yard field goal by Blankenship, the Derailers finally strung together some first downs on their ensuing possession, using Jackson bootlegs and simple hitch routes to move the chains and finishing off the drive with a power sweep to dump truck **AJ Dillon** for a touchdown. This alleviated the anxiety on the Buffalo sideline for the moment, but tension rose exponentially with every first down the Irish managed to squeak out on their subsequent drive – one that took 15 plays and nearly 8 minutes to cover 56 yards and ended with yet another Blankenship field goal to make it 30-17. (It's amazing how those field goals add up when you attempt them!)

Trailing by 13 with a little over 4 minutes remaining, the pressure fell on Jackson to push the ball deep – a task his coach had carefully avoided asking him to do up until that point. After taking far too long to gain 29 yards, mystifyingly not going into the hurry-up and declining to use any timeouts, Jackson finally took a deep drop and looked downfield for Woods. The coverage was good, causing him to check down at the last instant to **Alex Erickson**. **Jalen Ramsey**, reading Jackson's eyes the whole way, stepped in front of the pass and picked it off, all but ending the game. The Derailers would get one final shot, however, after taking over on downs at their own 32 with 0:30 remaining. It would have been better for Jackson's ego if they had just let the clock run out. His last action of the game saw him heave a wobbly, off-target duck of a pass deep for Woods that **Maurice Canady** tipped and **Shawn Williams** intercepted to put the final, provocative stamp on this incredible upset.

This game was, in the final analysis, an embarrassing performance by Jackson and a second coming out party for Mayfield as the quarterback of the future in East Elmhurst. In a situation where Lamar could no longer run himself out of trouble and had to go airborne, he showed poor decision-making and inaccuracy under pressure. Coach **Daryl Brothers** also absorbed his share of criticism for overseeing another example of abysmal clock management in the final four minutes. But if Brothers was not paying attention to the clock near the end, then Jackson should have stepped in as the leader of the offence and picked up the pace despite the lack of direction from the sideline. This lack of leadership in one of the most critical areas of execution for any team shows clearly that Derailers are not equipped to come-from-behind. If they have any aspirations for a deep playoff run, they will need to fix that pronto.

#### **AROUND THE EFL – ERUDITE OBSERVATIONS AND LEARNING POINTS**

The races in the North and West Divisions are getting tense; a race we did not see coming is developing in the Coastal; while the rush for wildcard spots in both Conferences promises to be scrappy until the final week.

↪ In Cobb County this week, the Coyotes wrote the textbook on how to beat the Mustangs, prevailing 22-17 in a game that was



not nearly close as the score indicates. The referees did what they could to try and keep this game in the 'Gale Sayers Preview' bracket, assessing 10 penalties against the Coyotes, mostly to try and slow down their offence, but the flags did not put a dent in the overall dominant performance. Behind the sharp-shooting accuracy of **Ryan Tannehill** and the running of **Raheem Mostert** and **Adrian Peterson**, the Coyotes tallied 27 1<sup>st</sup> downs, 432 yards of offence, and controlled the clock for over 40 minutes in manufacturing 22 hard-earned points. The Mustangs did not look to be in this game at all offensively, failing to penetrate the red zone even once, but Lightning struck twice for Aurora (as it often does) in the form of two 62-yard TD passes from **Matt Ryan**; the first to **James Washington** late in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and the second, as time was ticking away in the 4<sup>th</sup>, to **Davante Adams**. That last touchdown made the final 1:50 interesting, as the Coyotes were obliged to get a first down in order to confirm their game-long stranglehold on this contest.

~ At the Big House in Chino, the Convicts seized, for the moment, a precarious hold on the West Division after escaping with a 20-18 win over the ascending Hawks. Both teams were riding three-game win streaks coming into this game and both of them needed the win to keep pace with tough competition in their respective division races. Something had to give and, unfortunately for Brooklin, it was their sleepy first-quarter defence that allowed the Convicts, led by **Christian McCaffrey**, to grab a two-touchdown lead on back-to-back opening drives. The suspect Hawks defenders pulled things together from then on, but the Chino defence was not about to permit **Derek Carr** and **De'Andre Hopkins** to have their way with them. This ended up being a hard-fought battle of field position over the final three quarters, with the little things, such as a missed extra point by **Randy Bullock**, going wrong for Brooklin. **Tom Jones** is being second-guessed for his decision to go for it on 4<sup>th</sup> & goal at the Chino 2-yard line on the opening drive of the second half. They did not convert, came away with nothing, and likely had that emptyhandedness in mind later on as they later attempted, unsuccessfully, to convert two points in an attempt to tie, rather than win, the game.

~ The Swordfish actually won a game with **Dwayne Haskins** at quarterback, taking down the now 2-9 Triumph, 25-14 after a 15-point burst in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter overcame a 14-7 deficit and ignited a shutout effort by their defence in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half. I am happy to say that fourth down follies did not cost Sebastian a win this time, although it did cause a few problems. Unable to help himself, **Russ Lemmon** went for it on 4<sup>th</sup> & 1 at his team's own 34 on the game's first drive. One can almost hear Russ thinking to himself, 'If I keep trying this, one of these times we'll make it.' And he was right. Haskins ran for 6 yards for a rare fourth down feel-good moment that was only dampened by his offence's failure to convert 4th & 3 at the Triumph 40 later in the same drive. Anyway, after the short fields created by two Sebastian turnovers on downs helped to spell the Triumph 14 points, the light switched on in Haskins' head and he started throwing the ball with respectable efficiency, finishing 18 of 26 for 200 yards and no interceptions in leading his team to 25 unanswered points and the win. At 5-6, the Swordfish are on the outside of the playoffs looking in, but are far from eliminated. Brees won't be coming to the rescue for at least two more weeks, however. They will need more error-free games like this from their young QB and will have to tone down the coaching aggression, as Haskins is not the guy to pull off a max gamble, 'in-your-face' game plan.

~ At empty, desolate Stone Pony Shore, the Wrecking Balls turned in another gutless 2<sup>nd</sup> half performance, getting out-scored 13-0 in the final two periods to drop their 10th game of the year, 18-17 to the Cadillac. This marks the fifth game the Wrecking Balls have lost by giving up a lead in the 4th quarter, sixth if you count their sole "win" over Bruxelles – set up for overtime drama by the 14 unanswered points the Bombers scored in the 4th quarter. This was yet another proverbial "tale of two halves" for New Jersey, but with an Eriean twist. Rather than an abject collapse of the kind they usually suffer, the Wrecking Balls sunk slowly into the Eriean muck until they were up to their necks. **Case Keenum**, after an efficient and productive 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, went cold; while the New Jersey defence could not get off the field. The Cadillac moved the ball only as far as necessary to move the chains, with **Kyler Murray** directing the funeral march in memory of New Jersey's now dead playoff hopes.

~ At Joe Ferguson Stadium in Iowa City, visiting York got off to a hot start with big plays from **Danny Amendola** and **Derrick Henry** and a successful 4<sup>th</sup> & 1 gamble at the Cubs' 7, helping to stake them to a 14-0 lead. Showing maturity that has been in short supply over the years, the Cubs did not panic and stuck to their initial game plan. They put together two long TD drives to tie the game and then caught a big break when the veteran Amendola fumbled a punt return and the Cubs recovered at the York 29. Two plays later, **Joe Mixon** took it wide right, shook off **Cole Holcomb** and barreled 21 yards for the go-ahead and eventual game-winning touchdown. The Cubs amassed 24 points in the 2nd quarter alone, and this burst was enough to carry them to a 30-17 victory. The win keeps the Cubs' record even with Chino while the Excaliburs slip another notch in the race for a wildcard spot.

~ At **TERRORDOME** in Virden, the Violators stayed on a roll with an effective, if not stunning, 27-10 victory over Scarborough. So wary of **Patrick Mahomes** were the Blue Eagles that they deployed their nickel package for the entire game. This strategy worked to the extent that it slowed down the Virden attack and induced 2 Mahomes interceptions to go along with his 2 TD passes. Sadly, for the Birds, **Joe Burrow** struggled to keep up with a slower-paced Virden offence, going just 19 of 37 for 134 yards and 2 picks.

~ The Fortress was the site of an unexpected gun battle between **Jared Goff** and rookie **Tua Tagovailoa** that ended with the youngster running out of bullets in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half and Bruxelles running away with a 41-27 victory over the Glads. Goff threw 5 TD passes, two of them deep shots to **Chase Claypool**, and spread the ball around nicely in a well-rounded offensive performance.

~ At Kingdome in Seattle, the Pilots held off a Pickering surge in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to hang on for a 27-24 win. The defence won this game for Seattle. **Sean Murphy-Bunting**'s interception and return to the Spartan's 9 set up a **Cam Akers** TD, and a punt block by **Oliver Vernon** was recovered in the end zone by **Khalil Mack**. Seattle's offence was held to just 176 yards by the flimsy Spartans 'D.'

~ And, finally, at Patriot Place in Charleswood, the Corn Kings churned out a straightforward 29-13 win to eliminate the Pats and maintain their advantage in the North Division title race. Unmolested by the Patriots' front four, **Jimmy Garoppolo** discovered that with time to throw he can be quite effective, completing 25 of 31 for 322 yards, 1 TD and no interceptions to lead the way.

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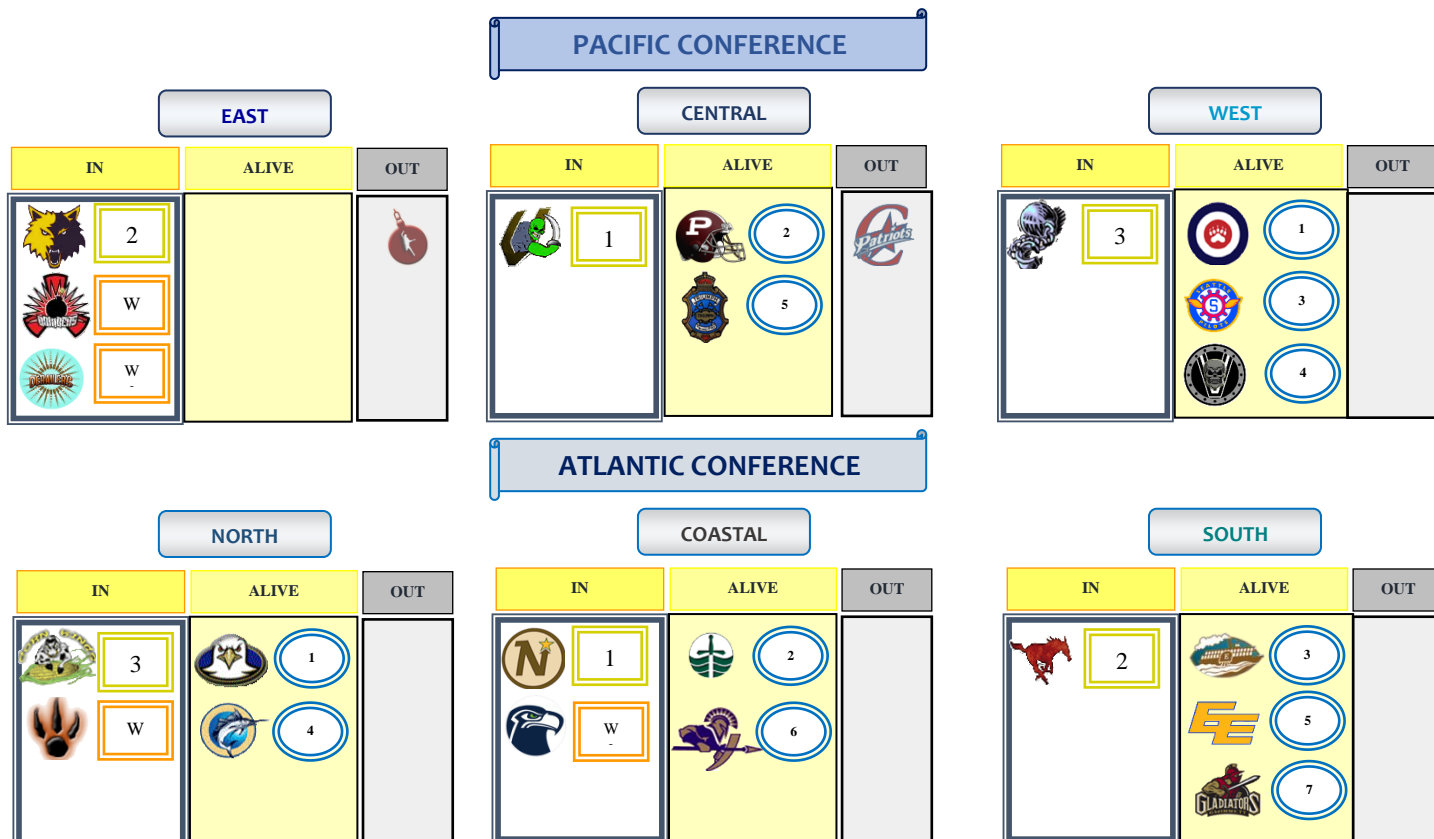
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### GAMES TO WATCH

#### BRUXELLES @ BUFFALO (line – DERAILERS by 3)

**INJURIES:** **Bruxelles** – Frank Clark (QUESTIONABLE), Kerryon Johnson (OUT), Fabien Moreau (OUT); **Buffalo** – Tevin Coleman (OUT), Quinton Dunbar (OUT), Johnathan Joseph (OUT), Demaryius Thomas (OUT), Jonathan Abram (IR).

With Cobb County running away with the East Division and not looking ready to collapse, these two teams will be going head-to-head from here on for one of the highly-contested wildcard spots. The Bombers handled the Derailers with relative ease in Week One. Since then the Derailers have dramatically upped their game. They won 7 games over an 8-game stretch before getting stunned by the Irish last week. Much of their recovery from a 0-2 start is attributable to an improving Lamar Jackson, who is coming into his own as a passer as well as continuing to be a run freak. But also important has been a sudden and marked improvement in their overall defensive scheme, which looks now to be based on something close to intelligent design, instead of the arbitrary mis-matched formations and overly aggressive blitz packages that allowed Leonard Fournette to run for more than 200 yards against them in Week One. However, doubts about Lamar's arm resurfaced with his four-interception performance in a loss last week. Expect Buffalo to refocus on running the ball to set up the play-action scenarios Lamar needs to succeed. On the other side, the Bombers should not rely on Fournette to save their

bacon again offensively. Jared Goff has been getting more out of his varied weapons at tight end and has recently discovered the explosiveness of rookie Chase Claypool. Expect a continued concerted effort to diversify the attack. **PICK: BRUXELLES**

### **COWTOWN @ SCARBOROUGH (line – CORN KINGS by 1)**

**INJURIES:** **Cowtown** – Adam Humphries (QUESTIONABLE), Alex Cappa (OUT); **Scarborough** – Damon Arnette (OUT), Pierre DESIR (OUT), Troy Hill (OUT), Cam Robinson (OUT), Greg Ward (OUT), TJ Yeldon (IR).

The Corn Kings currently sit atop the North Division but are well aware that their hold on it is tenuous. The re-born Blue Eagles are one game behind and are in a position here to sweep the season series over Cowtown and secure the tie-breaker. When these teams met in Week One, Scarborough sandbagged the Corn Kings with the running of Chris Carson supplemented by a solid third down performance from rookie QB, Joe Burrow. It was a wake-up call and now that the Corn Kings are awake, do not expect things to go as smoothly for the no.1 overall pick. That does not mean that a bent-on-revenge Cowtown will roll over Scarborough here. They don't have an offence powerful enough to roll over anybody. They will be helped, however, by key injuries in the Scarborough secondary and by a no.1 ranked defence that is gelling at a critical time. The Blue Eagles have cooled off since winning four of their first five games, and Joe Burrow has looked like a rookie at times. But they have been competitive in every game and retain their strength in the trenches that gives them a solid base for success. Expect a close, defensive game with a turnover or two making the difference. **PICK: COWTOWN**

## **GAMES OF NOTE**

### **VIRDEN @ CHINO (line – VIOLATORS by 5)**

**INJURIES:** **Virden** – Eric Ebron (OUT), Weston Richburg (OUT), Nasir Adderley (IR), Derrius Guice (IR); **Chino** – Andrew Adams (OUT), Kelvin Beachum (OUT), Matt Skura (OUT), Kawann Short (IR).

The Violators can clinch their division with a win, while the Convicts need a win to hold their slender advantage over the Cubs in the West Division. Chino is riding a four-game win streak and is coming off a bar-fight win over Brooklin last week. Although it fell asleep after a two-TD first quarter outburst against Brooklin, the Chino offence over time continues to mature into a versatile and productive contraption, capable, in theory at least, of keeping up with the Violators in a mid-grade shootout. Although Patrick Mahomes & Co. did not earn many style points in their win over Scarborough last week, they demonstrated a far more fearsome quality; that of being able to win when not clicking on all cylinders. Despite winning five straight and ten out of eleven on the season, the Violators still look like team with a lot more to give – which has to be frightening for opponents. At full steam, Virden might be unbeatable. However, as the Pilots showed the league in Week Five, playing hard is rewarded. The Convicts have no choice but to give it their all in this game, as the Cubs have what amounts to a bye against the Triumph this week. They need this win and will let it all hang out to get it. **PICK: CHINO**

### **SEBASTIAN @ DURHAM (line – THUNDER LIZARDS by 6)**

**INJURIES:** **Sebastian** – Kevin King (DOUBTFUL), Drew Brees (OUT), Chase Edmonds (OUT), Jalen Reagor (OUT), Golden Tate (OUT); **Durham** – Isaiah Johnson (IR).

The Lizards look back wistfully on their Week One win over Sebastian as one of only two wins where this team performed as originally envisioned in the pre-season. Since then, it has been a brutal grind just to get to 7-4 and a piece of the lead in the North Division for the highly-ranked Thunder Lizards. Despite their troubles, they have a really good shot at sweeping the season series over the Swordfish here. Sebastian will be without their offensive leader, Drew Brees, the only player capable of making a success out of Russ Lemmon's infamous 'Four-Down Offence.' Dwayne Haskins performed at a "game manager" level last week against the lifeless Triumph, allowing his team to notch a much-needed win. But the Swordfish will need more than a "game manager" to beat the Lizards. Sebastian needs to get a top-notch showing from their defence and to resist rash decisions on offence to stand any chance in this game. Durham's offence, even with Nick Chubb at full speed, can be stopped. Give it a short field, though, and it will kill you. **PICK: DURHAM**

### **SEATTLE @ PEG CITY (line – CRUSADERS by 4)**

**INJURIES:** **Seattle** – Foster Moreau (PROBABLE), Bobby Massie (OUT), Devin White (OUT), Connor Williams (OUT), Kareem Hunt (IR). **Peg City** – Jeff Okudah (OUT).

Unexpected power outages plague the Crusaders' no.3 ranked offence and threaten their playoff standing. When plugged in, there are few, if any, defences capable of stopping them. Unplugged, they come to a virtual standstill. With Virden on the ascent and ready to lock up the Central, the Crusaders' playoff fortunes reside in the wildcard race, which promises to be a tight one. Right now, they are on the outside looking in, one step above the Pilots. This is not a "must-win" for Peg City, but a loss would draw blood as they seek to keep pace with stiff competition. On paper, this is a game the Crusaders should win. But the Pilots have been making a mockery of paper

projections by hanging in, and sometimes winning, games they have been expected to give away with ease. They are now contenders in their own right. Jeff Okudah is 'out' for Peg City, but the Pilots don't have the elite no.2 WR to take full advantage. **PICK: PEG CITY**

### **YORK @ ERIEAU (line – CADILLAC by 1)**

**INJURIES:** York – Raekwon McMillian (PROBABLE), Brandon Scherff (OUT); Erieau – Henry Ruggs (QUESTIONABLE), Josh Gordon (OUT), Hunter Henry (OUT), Jabrill Peppers (OUT), Joe Staley (IR).

Playing a meaningful game in December is its own reward for the historically unproductive Erieau franchise. Everything from here on is gravy as they continue their epic expansion build. The Excaliburs have experienced better fortunes in their recent history and seek to defy the odds by making it into the post-season tournament, where – as they know – anything can happen. I don't expect either of these teams to make the playoffs, but as long as they both believe they can, this should be a really good game. Good, if you like watching talented and well-coached defences make mediocre offences look even worse than they are. The Swords should be good for at least two drives of 16+ plays ending in field goals, while the Caddies should provide at least one field-flipping play on defence and, probably, a defensive score. In the end, Derrick Henry is the force that will gradually tilt this grueling affair in favour of the visitors. **PICK: YORK**

### **EAST ELMHURST @ BROOKLIN (line – HAWKS by 9)**

**INJURIES:** East Elmhurst – Dontari Poe (PROBABLE), Linval Joseph (QUESTIONABLE), Taco Charlton (OUT), Adam Thielen (IR), CJ Anderson (IR). Brooklin – Sam Hubbard (PROBABLE), Clelin Ferrell (DOUBTFUL), Pernell McPhee (OUT), Boston Scott (OUT), JoeJuan Williams (OUT), DeShon Elliott (IR), Evan Engram (IR), Alshon Jeffery (IR).

Honestly, this match-up has a natural "holiday leftovers" feel about it. But given that the Hawks are coming off a tough loss; the Irish are still basking in the glow of having humbled Lamar Jackson's Derailers last week; and both teams are still alive in the race for a wildcard spot, I think this is a game viewers should take note of. The Hawks have the most to lose here, while East Elmhurst is playing loose under the directorship of a free-wheeling, confident Baker Mayfield. The Irish get their big game-breaker, Tyreek Hill back, but his wing partner on the other side, Adam Thielen is 'out.' This will permit the curiously effective Hawks' defence – ranked 23<sup>rd</sup> in yards-per-play but 7<sup>th</sup> overall in points allowed – to focus their defensive efforts and limit Mayfield's passing windows. The Irish are tied for 5<sup>th</sup> overall in takeaways, but cannot rely on that aptitude against the Hawks, who have turned the ball over just 4 times all season, best in the league. The Hawks still have a legitimate shot at the Coastal Division, but need to win match-ups like this to legitimize their claim. I have few doubts that the Hawks will win, but the feisty Irish are more than capable of beating this spread. **PICK: EAST ELMHURST**

## **HOLIDAY LEFTOVERS**

### **LAS VEGAS @ CHARLESWOOD (line – ASSASSINS by 3)**

**INJURIES:** Las Vegas – Shaquill Griffin (OUT), Adoree' Jackson (OUT), Deatrich Wise Jr (OUT); Charleswood – Derrick Brown (OUT), Parris Campbell (OUT), Alvin Kamara (OUT), Derwin James (OUT), Devin Funchess (IR), CJ Mosley (IR).

The good news for the Assassins coming out of last week is that they ended a six-game losing streak. The bad news is that their league's least efficient offence did not improve in any noticeable way, unless one counts their single touchdown drive, in which Carson Wentz looked, briefly, like a pro-bowler. No doubt the Assassins will need their defence to step up big time if they intend to keep their playoff hopes alive against a Pats team that has finally recovered from injury what little talent it has in the secondary. That might not seem significant against most teams, but against the jalopy known as the Vegas offence that could make the difference in a tight game. The Patriots are out of the playoff race and fans are already looking forward to next season. If the players follow suit, this could be a blowout. If not, the Assassins should still be able to cover the measly spread, especially with Alvin Kamara 'out.' **PICK: LAS VEGAS**

### **COBB COUNTY @ NEW JERSEY (line – COYOTES by 8)**

**INJURIES:** Cobb County – Tristan Wirfs (PROBABLE), Jabaal Sheard (QUESTIONABLE), Jared Cook (DOUBTFUL), Greedy Williams (OUT); New Jersey – Matthew Stafford (DOUBTFUL), Ryan Griffin (OUT), Delanie Walker (OUT), Jedrick Wills Jr (OUT).

Looking back to the pre-season it would have been inconceivable to imagine the Wrecking Balls being more than one touchdown underdogs against the former Knights. But this is where we are in the present: the Balls are a disaster and the Coyotes are the surprise of the league and looking like the real deal. The Jersey pass defence has been a wreck (pardon the pun) late in games, while the offence has suffered generally from the lack of a run game and a significant injury to Matt Stafford, who is listed as 'doubtful' to return this week. Regardless, New Jersey has competed hard in every game and often looks like the better team until the inevitable collapse. It comes in many forms, but generally involves the defence freezing like a frightened animal at the key moment. Perhaps it is destiny that this would-be champion Wrecking Balls team would sacrifice a season in order to acquire the services of a Trevor Lawrence. But with their luck, they won't even get that. It would fit their tragic script to pull off a too-little, too-late surprise. **PICK: NEW JERSEY**

## BUDAPEST @ GEORGIA (line – NORTH STARS by 7)

**INJURIES: Budapest** – George Kittle (QUESTIONABLE), Justin Britt (OUT), Quandre Diggs (OUT), Terrell Sigs (OUT); **Georgia** – Zack Baun (OUT), John Johnson III (OUT), Andrew Wylie (OUT).

The North Stars are going through a crisis of confidence after falling to the Assassins last week. Their fears revolve around the offence and QB, Aaron Rodgers who, eleven weeks into the season, is no longer getting the benefit of the doubt that his lacklustre play is a product of adjusting to Darrin Jones' system. As non-elite as the Stars' offence has been this year, they should have no problem moving the ball against the Glads well enough to cover the modest spread. Even if they do, the best defence in yards-per-game surrendered is unlikely to be flummoxed by the talented, but still raw, Tua Tagovailoa on the other side. The Glads are still, technically, in the race for a playoff spot, but their attention is not on the playoffs. They are looking to develop the talent on their roster and, as such, are free to experiment with different schemes. Expect this game to be somewhat competitive for about 25 minutes before the Stars start to slowly pull away on offence while their defence puts a clamp on any potential Georgia comeback. **PICK: BUDAPEST**

## AURORA @ PICKERING (line – MUSTANGS by 7)

**INJURIES: Aurora** – Timmy Jernigan (OUT), Patrick Peterson (OUT); **Pickering** – Xavien Howard (DOUBTFUL), Darqueze Dennard (OUT), Karl Joseph (OUT), Damarious Randall (OUT), Nathan Shepherd (OUT).

The Mustangs are going to win their division, but cannot afford to take their eyes off the ball in a mismatch like this one. They ultimately covet the no.1 overall seed and will need to keep winning to achieve it. The Spartans remain technically alive in the hunt for post-season glory but, like the Gladiators, aren't fixating on that goal. They continue to be focused on providing bad examples for prospective franchise QBs Gardner Minshew II and Jalen Hurts to *not* follow when one of them is eventually handed the reins to the team. The Pickering secondary is banged up, which does not bode well against an Aurora team looking to get Matt Ryan and Davante Adams back in the groove for the playoffs. The only hope for Pickering here is lots of takeaways – something they don't do well. **PICK: AURORA**

## TWIN CITIES @ IOWA CITY (line – CUBS by 9)

**INJURIES: Twin Cities** – Damien Lewis (DOUBTFUL), Bradley Roby (OUT), Antonio Brown (COVID-19). **Iowa City** – Reshad Jones (PROBABLE), Will Dissly (OUT), Jason Pierre-Paul (OUT).

This game means a lot to the Cubs and almost nothing to the Triumph. If Iowa were to come out of this game with a loss, it would reverse the impressive gains of their players 'save the coach' movement and indelibly mark them as flimsy pretenders. But objectively, with Chino up against a wall versus Virden this week, the Cubs can afford a loss on paper and still aim to settle the matter of Best in the West for their three-out-of-four game string against divisional opponents to end the season. The Triumph continue to plod along, failing to impress while at the same time showing occasional signs of the old Triumph scrappiness. Mitch Trubisky is a gamer; it's too bad that he isn't more than run of the mill at his position. Expect this game to be a herky-jerky affair, with the Triumph making the Cubs uncomfortable right up until the end, when Russell will have had enough and will finally get the job done. **PICK: IOWA CITY**



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FROM THE EFL ARCHIVES – Week Eleven of the 2014 EFL season was the week that **RGIII** (remember him?) showed the entire EFL what he was capable of as a passer and it was impressive to say the least. The Banana Sluggs' QB completed 20 of 23 pass attempts for an astounding 397 yards, 3 TDs and no interceptions, giving him a perfect game-day QB rating of 158.3 The performance led to a 51-24 evisceration of the Cannibals in the league's marquis Sunday Night Football match-up, billed beforehand as a Conference Championship Preview. This game was just the most spectacular of the numerous lop-sided blowouts that

characterized Week 11.

The only teams that finished within 15 points of each other were the Markham North Stars and the Scarborough Blue Eagles, who battled to a 17-16 finish, with the Stars gaining the edge thanks to two **Terrelle Pryor** turnovers and a fumbled punt return by **LaMichael James**. This was the closest game on the schedule and it was, ironically, one of the least watchable due to the overall ineptness of both offences.

While **RGIII** earned loud accolades for his offensive prowess (and the fact that he is simply RGIII), the league's top defensive performance of the week, possibly the year and arguably of all time, was the 7-sack day enjoyed by Mustangs' defensive end **Cliff Avril** in Aurora's 41-10 win over Cowtown. That's right – **seven** sacks, an EFL record that still stands today. In addition to the sacks, Avril batted down 2 passes and was credited with hurrying two **Joe Flacco** throws. When a defensive player is so dominant, attention naturally turns to who was on the other side of such a historic performance. Right tackle **Michael Oher** was the culprit unable to handle Avril's inside move. Oher was benched suddenly in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter after Flacco was dumped three times in four drop-backs. The win kept the Mustangs' undefeated season on track.