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ELITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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In our 13th season and still going strong!

November 17, 2019

TOTAL VIOLATION!



Amari Cooper

Violator WR, *Amari Cooper* is mauled in the end zone by Hawks' CB, *Janoris Jenkins* as a pass from *Patrick Mahomes* floats into his breadbasket for the game-winning touchdown in a record-setting 52-49 Virden victory. The teams set the EFL mark for highest combined score and fell just 27 yards short of the record for combined yardage.

EAST



CENTRAL



WEST



NORTH



COASTAL



SOUTH



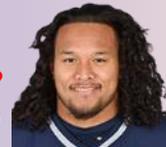
Who was slick in Week Seven?

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Derek Carr
QB
Brooklin
Hawks

36 of 48, 551 yards, 6 TDs. Did all he could do and more in losing cause.



Danny Shelton
DT
Charleswood
Patriots

3 T, 3 SK. 35-yard pick-six sparked the Spartans over Stars.



OFFENSIVE PLAY OF THE WEEK

1st & 10, OWN 25, first play of 3rd Qrt., **Pat Mahomes** drops a 75-yard bomb to **Amari Cooper** for a TD.



GAME CENTER 2019 Week Seven

GAME BLITZ!

By Chris Sherman



DEFENSIVE PLAY OF THE WEEK

2nd & 9, OWN 26, 1st Qrt. **Darius Leonard** (STC) picks off **Drew Brees** (SEB) to set up a TD and set the tone.

	7	The game started badly for Sebastian when Drew Brees was intercepted by Darius Leonard on the second play of the game and three plays later Carson Wentz hit Michael Thomas for a 22-yard TD. It became worse when two turnovers on downs, one in Swordfish territory, set up 2 more Charger TD drives. 4 more Swordfish turnovers turned this game into a laughter by the 3 rd quarter.
	42	
	28	Picks by both sides – Tyrann Mathieu for Durham and Jamal Adams for NJ – set up respective TD 1 st half drives as the teams battled to a 14-14 tie at halftime. The Wrecking Balls built a 10-point lead heading into the 4 th , only to see the Lizards erase it with a 21-yard TD pass to TY Hilton with 3:20 left. NJ finished things off with a 14-play, 80-yard drive to score the winning TD with 0:33 left.
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	3	Drew Lock got a rough reception in his first career start. He faced a hungry Buffalo defence that held him to just 7 completions and no TDs. On the other side, Andrew Luck had all day to pick apart the Blue Eagles' defence. He threw 4 TD passes to 4 different receivers to build up a 28-3 lead mid-way through the 3 rd quarter. Alfred Blue added a 3-yard TD run and Quinton Dunbar a late pick-six to complete the rout.
	42	
	31	Tramon Smith opened the game with a 97-yard kickoff return to set up a one-play Bruxelles TD drive. The Corn Kings came back to take a 10-7 lead after being set up by a JJ Natson muffed punt. The teams battled back-and-forth, with the lead changing hands 5 times, before Marlon Mack put the Bombers ahead for good with a 22-yard TD run in the 3 rd . Bruxelles broke away from there, with Mack adding another long TD run of 47 yards.
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	27	Graham Gano broke a scoreless tie with a 54-yard FG, but the Pats' Cordarrell Patterson answered immediately with a 100-yard kick return for a TD. The Pats' defence did the rest, holding the York offence to just one more FG. Tom Brady was sacked 7 times, including 3 by Danny Shelton. The Pats scored the only offensive TD of the game on a 4-yard pass to Mohamed Sanu. Marcus Peters returned a fumble for a TD.
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	52	The lead changed hands 9 times in a record-setting contest that saw the opposing QBs combine for 11 TD passes and 1,007 passing yards. Pat Mahomes threw 3 TD passes to Amari Cooper, including a 75-yard bomb to open the 3 rd and a 1-yard TD pass to win the game. Brent Grimes was flagged in the end zone for a 21-yard PI penalty on 3 rd & 19 with 0:13 left to bring controversy. Two plays later, Cooper scored on a quick for the win.
	49	
	28	Baker Mayfield threw 3 TD passes, Kirk Cousins threw 2 and Chris Carson ran it in off right tackle for a third as Peg City and Budapest battled to a 21-21 draw in a back-and-forth first half. The Stars took charge in the 3 rd , opening with a TD drive then pouncing on a fumble by punter, Matt Haack to set up an 8-yard David Johnson TD run in a 21-point quarter. Peg City could not recover.
	49	
	16	Neither offence was able to fully break through in a tight first half that saw Greg Zuerlein and Dustin Hopkins trade a pair of field goals in a 6-6 draw. The Spartans found the end zone first on a 17-yard completion to Rashard Higgins but the Triumph came back with a FG and a 35-yard long slant to James White. Justin Jackson capped a 75-yard drive with a 14-yard TD run to give Pickering the lead. Xavien Howard sealed it with a late pick.
	20	
	17	The Cadillac controlled the first half time of possession but still trailed 14-13 after 30 minutes due to a couple of big plays by the Cubs; a 75-yard TD pass to AJ Brown from Russell Wilson and a 56-yard run that set up a TD pass to Tyler Lockett. In the second half the Erieau offence was bedeviled by 5 Cubs sacks, totalling 7 on the day, and penalties, including 3 holding calls on RT, Germain Ifedi.
	13	
	22	Aaron Rodgers threw two 1 st quarter TD passes to Tyreek Hill to grab a quick 14-0 lead. The Convicts drew closer with a good onside kick allowing back-to-back Sebastien Janikowski FGs. But Toronto's Saquon Barkley broke free on a pitch and scored from 23 yards out to make it 21-6 with 0:06 left in the half. Chino finally came alive with 2 TDs in the 4 th , but could not convert the 2-point convert that would have tied it.
	24	
	14	Josh Norman intercepted Ryan Tannehill on LA's opening drive to set up a 55-yrd Wil Lutz FG. The Knights countered with Lamar Jackson running it in from 17 yards to take a 7-3 lead. Play was even after that until late in the 2 nd when a 35-yard run by Kenyan Drake set up a Zach Zenner 1-yard TD run. Zenner added a second TD in the 3 rd while the Aurora defence held LA in check.
	26	
	20	Hunter Renfrow snared a long hitch from Eli Manning for a 14-yard TD to cap off the game's opening drive. After trading FGs, the Glads pushed inside the Seattle red zone but did not convert on 4 th down at the 13. Another missed 4 th down attempt at the Pilot 42 was turned around and resulted in an 8-yard TD pass to back-up Jamaal Williams for a 20-3 Seattle lead in the 3 rd . The Pilots hung on in the 4 th .
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SWORDFISH**7**

PASSING: Drew Brees, 22 of 33, 208 yds, 1 TD, 4 INTs
RUSHING: Kenneth Dixon, 7C, 50yds, (7.1), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Antonio Callaway, 7 for 68yds, 21LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Budda Baker, 6 T, 2 STF, 1 HUR
KICKING: Dan Bailey, 1 of 1 XPA, 1 Pt

CHARGERS**42**

PASSING: Carson Wentz, 10 of 13, 123 yds, 3 TDs, 0 INT
RUSHING: Adrian Peterson, 21C, 90yds, (4.3), 2 TDs
RECEIVING: Michael Thomas, 3 for 42yds, 22LG, 1 TD
DEFENCE: Darius Leonard, 12 T, 3 STF, 1 INT (6yds)
KICKING: Steven Hauschka, 6 of 6 XPA, 0 of 1 FG, 6 Pts

11-16-2019 St. Charles Stadium Temp: 72 Wind: MVP: **Carson Wentz**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Sebastian (3-4)	0	0	7	0	7
2018 St. Charles (5-2)	14	14	14	0	42

Scoring Summary

1 12:36 St. Charles	TD Wentz 22 pass to Thomas (Hauschka) (3-27-1:36)	0-7
1 6:19 St. Charles	TD Wentz 12 pass to Graham (Hauschka) (7-40-3:57)	0-14
2 4:10 St. Charles	TD Wentz 18 pass to Hardman (Hauschka) (7-67-4:16)	0-21
2 0:14 St. Charles	TD Peterson 2 run (Hauschka) (3-16-0:30)	0-28
3 7:28 St. Charles	TD Peterson 2 run (Hauschka) (6-18-2:42)	0-35
3 6:58 St. Charles	TD Parker 39 interception return (Hauschka)	0-42
3 4:56 Sebastian	TD Brees 46 pass to Boykin (Bailey,D) (7-60-2:02)	7-42

SS**STC**

First Downs	15	15
Rushes	22-69	39-145
Passes	42-26-239	13-10-123
Sacked	3-13	0-0
Fumble	1	1
Penalties	6-40	4-15
Turnovers	5	1
Missed Tackles	8	4
Blitzers	3	4
Time	32:19	27:41
Third Down	8-15	6-12
Fourth Down	1-4	0-0
Red Att/Td/Fg	1/0/0	6/4/0
Net Offense	295	268

T-LIZARDS**28**

PASSING: Andy Dalton, 13 of 20, 158 yds, 1 TD, 0 INT
RUSHING: Rashaad Penny, 8C, 41yds, (5.1), 1 TD
RECEIVING: TY Hilton, 8 for 105yds, 28LG, 1 TD
DEFENCE: Fred Warner, 9 T, 1 PD, 1 STF
KICKING: Daniel Carlson, 4 of 4 XPA, 0 of 1 FGA, 4 Pts

WRECKING BALL**31**

PASSING: Jared Goff, 25 of 42, 351 yds, 4 TDs, 1 INT
RUSHING: Frank Gore, 22C, 104 yds, (4.7), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Taylor Gabriel, 9 for 138yds, 36LG, 1 TD
DEFENCE: Jamal Adams, 3 T, 1 PD, 1 INT (36yds)
KICKING: Brandon McManus, 4 of 4 XPA, 1 of 1 FG, 7 Pts

11-16-2019 Stone Pony Shore Temp: 63 Wind: 5-15 None MVP: **Jared Goff**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Durham (3-4)	7	7	0	14	28
2018 New Jersey (3-4)	0	14	3	14	31

Scoring Summary

1 4:48 Durham	TD Allen 12 pass to Hooper (Carlson,D) (8-62-4:01)	7-0
2 14:05 New Jersey	TD Goff 36 pass to Gabriel (McManus) (9-88-5:28)	7-7
2 5:30 Durham	TD Allen 89 pass to Gordon (Carlson,D) (2-87-1:14)	14-7
2 0:04 New Jersey	TD Goff 26 pass to McLaurin (McManus) (2-52-0:18)	14-14
3 7:24 New Jersey	FG McManus 32 (11-70-4:50)	14-17
4 14:45 New Jersey	TD Goff 10 pass to Bryant (McManus) (9-61-4:22)	14-24
4 10:25 Durham	TD Penny 4 run (Carlson,D) (12-75-4:20)	21-24
4 3:20 Durham	TD Dalton 21 pass to Hilton (Carlson,D) (10-70-4:44)	28-24
4 0:33 New Jersey	TD Goff 4 pass to Bryant (McManus) (14-80-2:47)	28-31

DTL**NJ**

First Downs	20	28
Rushes	22-91	32-132
Passes	36-24-349	42-25-351
Sacked	1-7	0-0
Fumble	0	0
Penalties	6-60	5-35
Turnovers	1	1
Missed Tackles	8	4
Blitzers	15	45
Time	27:40	32:20
Third Down	3-11	3-13
Fourth Down	1-1	3-3
Red Att/Td/Fg	4/3/0	3/2/1
Net Offense	433	483

BLUE EAGLES**3**

PASSING: Drew Lock, 7 of 22, 107 yds, 0 TD, 1 INT
RUSHING: Jordan Howard, 20C, 100yds, (5.0), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Tyler Eifert, 2 for 33yds, 22LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Don'ta Hightower, 9T, 1 STF
KICKING: Mason Crosby 1 of 2 FGA, 3 Pts

DERAILERS**42**

PASSING: Andrew Luck, 24 of 26, 284 yds, 4TDs, 0 INT
RUSHING: Telvin Coleman, 11C, 38yds, (3.5), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Robert Woods, 9 for 96yds, 16LG, 1 TD
DEFENCE: Aaron Donald, 1T, 2 HUR, 1 INT (2yds)
KICKING: Jake Elliott, 6 of 6 XPA, 6 Pts

11-16-2019 New Era Stadium Temp: 60 Wind: 10-20 None MVP: **Andrew Luck**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Scarborough (0-7)	0	3	0	0	3
2018 Buffalo (2-5)	7	14	14	7	42

Scoring Summary

1 2:15 Buffalo	TD Luck 9 pass to Carter (Elliott,J) (15-98-10:21)	0-7
2 7:28 Buffalo	TD Luck 8 pass to Jones (Elliott,J) (11-68-7:05)	0-14
2 1:58 Buffalo	TD Luck 9 pass to Coleman (Elliott,J) (7-78-4:08)	0-21
2 0:21 Scarborough	FG Crosby 43 (7-50-1:33)	3-21
3 6:28 Buffalo	TD Luck 5 pass to Woods (Elliott,J) (15-72-8:26)	3-28
3 0:28 Buffalo	TD Blue 3 run (Elliott,J) (9-59-4:53)	3-35
4 10:28 Buffalo	TD Dunbar 34 interception return (Elliott,J)	3-42

SBE**BUF**

First Downs	14	28
Rushes	25-159	45-117
Passes	23-7-107	28-26-300
Sacked	0-0	0-0
Fumble	0	1
Penalties	6-32	4-20
Turnovers	2	0
Missed Tackles	8	8
Blitzers	17	17
Time	18:32	41:28
Third Down	3-10	9-14
Fourth Down	0-2	3-5
Red Att/Td/Fg	0/0/0	6/5/0
Net Offense	266	417

CORN KINGS



31

PASSING: Joe Flacco, 17 of 26, 295 yds, 4 TDs, 0 INT
RUSHING: Todd Gurley, 14C, 81yds, (5.8), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Todd Gurley, 5 for 98yds, 87LG, 1 TD
DEFENCE: Benson Mayowa, 4 T, 2 STF, 1 HUR
KICKING: Matt Bryant, 1 of 1 FGA, 4 of 4 XPA, 7 Pts

BOMBERS



45

PASSING: Marcus Mariota, 22 of 29, 301 yds, 3 TDs, 1 INT
RUSHING: Marlon Mack, 26C, 193yds, (7.4) 2 TDs
RECEIVING: Travis Kelce, 8 for 98yds, 24LG, 2 TDs
DEFENCE: Preston Smith, 6 T, 1 SK, 1 PD, 1 HUR
KICKING: Matt Prater, 6 of 6 XPA, 1 of 1 FGA, 9 Pts

11-17-2019 The Fortress Temp: 77 Wind: MVP: **Marlon Mack**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Cowtown (3-4)	10	7	7	7	31
2018 Bruxelles (5-2)	14	7	10	14	45

1 14:47 Bruxelles	TD Mariota 3 pass to Kelce (Prater) (1-3-0:05)	0-7
1 7:38 Cowtown	FG Bryant 54 (13-38-6:52)	3-7
1 6:36 Cowtown	TD Flacco 6 pass to Evans (Bryant,M) (2-25-0:51)	10-7
1 1:55 Bruxelles	TD Mariota 11 pass to Herndon (Prater) (7-66-4:33)	10-14
2 14:02 Cowtown	TD Flacco 37 pass to Evans (Bryant,M) (6-77-2:45)	17-14
2 1:59 Bruxelles	TD Mariota 24 pass to Kelce (Prater) (6-78-3:15)	17-21
3 12:47 Cowtown	TD Flacco 27 pass to Burton (Bryant,M) (5-71-2:06)	24-21
3 8:31 Bruxelles	TD Mack 22 run (Prater) (7-67-4:05)	24-28
3 0:58 Bruxelles	FG Prater 22 (10-76-6:18)	24-31
4 9:49 Bruxelles	TD Mariota 4 run (Prater) (10-73-5:05)	24-38
4 7:54 Cowtown	TD Flacco 1 pass to Gurley II (Bryant,M) (3-93-1:46)	31-38
4 5:53 Bruxelles	TD Mack 47 run (Prater) (4-75-1:54)	31-45

	COW	BRX
First Downs	15	32
Rushes	19-87	35-246
Passes	26-17-295	29-22-301
Sacked	5-31	1-8
Fumble	1	1
Penalties	2-16	4-25
Turnovers	0	2
Missed Tackles	10	5
Blitzers	18	36
Time	22:55	37:05
Third Down	2-10	5-7
Fourth Down	1-3	0-0
Red Att/Td/Fg	2/2/0	5/3/1
Net Offense	351	539

PATRIOTS



27

PASSING: DeShaun Watson, 10 of 18, 118 yds, 1 TD, 2 INTs
RUSHING: Alvin Kamara, 16C, 77yds, (4.8), 0 TD
RECEIVING: D.K. Metcalf, 3 for 31yds, 15LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Danny Shelton, 3 T, 3 SK
KICKING: Ryan Succop, 3 of 3 XPA, 2 of 2 FGA, 9 Pts

EXCALIBURS



6

PASSING: Tom Brady, 10 of 25, 73 yds, 0 TD, 0 INT
RUSHING: Derrick Henry, 12C, 61yds, (5.1), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Zach Ertz, 3 for 34yds, 15LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Raekwon McMillan, 13 T, 1 SK, 2 STF
KICKING: Graham Gano 2 of 2 FGA, 6 Pts

11-16-2019 Camelot Temp: 59 Wind: Calm None MVP: **Danny Shelton**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Charleswood (4-3)	7	10	7	3	27
2018 York (3-4)	3	3	0	0	6

Scoring Summary

1 3:52 York	FG Gano 54 (8-30-3:38)	0-3
1 3:40 Charleswood	TD Patterson 100 kick return (Succop)	7-3
2 12:21 York	FG Gano 37 (12-56-6:17)	7-6
2 5:27 Charleswood	FG Succop 44 (6-31-3:00)	10-6
2 0:25 Charleswood	TD Peters 8 yd fumble recovery (Succop)	17-6
3 2:22 Charleswood	TD Watson 4 pass to Sanu (Succop) (11-67-5:55)	24-6
4 11:28 Charleswood	FG Succop 25 (8-43-4:48)	27-6

	CHP	YOR
First Downs	15	9
Rushes	38-195	23-87
Passes	18-10-118	25-10-73
Sacked	1-3	7-36
Fumble	1	1
Penalties	7-50	1-5
Turnovers	2	2
Missed Tackles	6	10
Blitzers	1	10
Time	32:12	27:48
Third Down	6-15	3-14
Fourth Down	0-0	0-0
Red Att/Td/Fg	2/1/1	1/0/1
Net Offense	310	124

VIOLATORS



52

PASSING: Pat Mahomes, 30 of 46, 456 yds, 5 TDs, 1 INT
RUSHING: Pat Mahomes, 5C, 77yds, (15.4), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Amari Cooper, 8 for 181yds, 75LG, 3 TDs
DEFENCE: Danny Trevathan, 5 T, 2 STF, 1 INT (0yds)
KICKING: Cairo Santos, 1 of 1 FGA, 7 of 7 XPA, 10 Pts

HAWKS



49

PASSING: Derek Carr, 36 of 48, 551 yds, 6 TDs, 1 INT
RUSHING: Matt Breida, 8C, 68yds, (8.5), 0 TD
RECEIVING: DeAndre Hopkins, 12 for 169yds, 26LG, 2 TDs
DEFENCE: Kyle Vander Esch, 10 T, 1 INT (0yds)
KICKING: Cody Parkey, 7 of 7 XPA, 7 Pts

11-16-2019 Optimist Park Temp: 58 Wind: Calm None MVP: **Patrick Mahomes**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Virden (6-1)	14	7	14	17	52
2018 Brooklin (3-4)	7	14	14	14	49

1 10:28 Brooklin	TD Carr 6 pass to Hopkins (Parkey) (8-75-4:32)	0-7
1 8:18 Virden	TD Mahomes 23 pass to Elliott (Santos) (1-23-0:11)	7-7
1 0:51 Virden	TD Mahomes 2 pass to Elliott (Santos) (9-71-5:02)	14-7
2 12:22 Brooklin	TD Carr 14 pass to Jeffery (Parkey) (7-75-3:29)	14-14
2 4:19 Brooklin	TD Carr 8 pass to Hopkins (Parkey) (6-80-3:19)	14-21
2 0:19 Virden	TD Elliott 1 run (Santos) (8-60-4:00)	21-21
3 14:40 Virden	TD Mahomes 75 pass to Cooper (Santos) (1-75-0:20)	28-21
3 10:18 Brooklin	TD Ivory 1 run (Parkey) (10-75-4:22)	28-28
3 6:00 Virden	TD Elliott 4 run (Santos) (10-75-4:18)	35-28
3 0:26 Brooklin	TD Carr 67 pass to Ingram (Parkey) (4-95-1:51)	35-35
4 13:02 Virden	TD Mahomes 12 pass to Cooper (Santos) (6-75-2:24)	42-35
4 7:42 Brooklin	TD Carr 11 pass to Cobb (Parkey) (8-75-5:20)	42-42
4 3:39 Virden	FG Santos 19 (9-59-4:00)	45-42
4 1:44 Brooklin	TD Carr 36 pass to Ingram (Parkey) (7-75-1:55)	45-49
4 0:03 Virden	TD Mahomes 1 pass to Cooper (Santos) (11-75-1:41)	52-49

	VV	BRH
First Downs	33	32
Rushes	21-150	13-69
Passes	46-30-456	48-36-551
Sacked	1-9	0-0
Fumble	0	0
Penalties	7-61	8-69
Turnovers	1	1
Missed Tackles	6	6
Bad Passes	1	3
Passes 25+	4	5
Runs 10+	4	2
Blitzers	19	2
Time	29:35	30:25
Third Down	3-9	4-6
Fourth Down	1-1	0-1
Red Att/Td/Fg	7/5/1	5/5/0
Net Offense	597	620

CRUSADERS



28

PASSING: Kirk Cousins, 23 of 36, 217yds, 2TDs, 0 INT
RUSHING: Chris Carson, 17C, 70yds, (4.1), 1 TD
RECEIVING: Keenan Allen, 4 for 87ds, 52LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Josh Allen, 0 T, 2 HUR
KICKING: Harrison Butker, 4 of 4 XPA, 4 Pts

NORTH STARS



49

PASSING: Baker Mayfield, 21 of 29, 308 yds, 5 TDs, 1 INT
RUSHING: David Johnson, 10C, 102yds, (10.2), 1 TD
RECEIVING: Jordan Reed, 6 for 64yds, 16LG, 2 TDs
DEFENCE: Cameron Jordan, 5T, 1PD, 2STF, 1 HUR, 1FF
KICKING: Jason Myers, 7 of 7 XPA, 7 Pts

11-17-2019 Ferenc Liszt Int'l Temp: 70 Wind: 0-10 None MVP: **Baker Mayfield**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Peg City (1-6)	7	14	0	7	28
2018 Budapest (5-2)	7	14	21	7	49

Scoring Summary

1 9:30 Peg City	TD Carson 4 run (Butker) (11-75-5:30)	7-0
1 6:35 Budapest	TD Mayfield 12 pass to Reed (Myers,J) (7-75-2:55)	7-7
2 14:08 Budapest	TD Mayfield 15 pass to Kittle (Myers,J) (11-66-5:49)	7-14
2 10:58 Peg City	TD Cousins 2 pass to Heuerman (Butker) (5-75-3:10)	14-14
2 4:15 Peg City	TD Cousins 2 pass to Brate (Butker) (11-60-4:43)	21-14
2 2:27 Budapest	TD Mayfield 31 pass to Watkins (Myers,J) (4-75-1:48)	21-21
3 12:19 Budapest	TD Mayfield 5 pass to Diggs (Myers,J) (7-75-2:41)	21-28
3 11:06 Budapest	TD Johnson 8 run (Myers,J) (1-8-0:10)	21-35
3 5:23 Budapest	TD Mayfield 16 pass to Reed (Myers,J) (4-60-2:22)	21-42
4 14:05 Peg City	TD Montgomery 4 run (Butker) (10-75-6:18)	28-42
4 10:17 Budapest	TD Davis 10 run (Myers,J) (3-63-1:10)	28-49

	PCC	BUD
First Downs	25	26
Rushes	32-113	24-174
Passes	39-25-226	29-21-308
Sacked	1-6	0-0
Fumble	1	0
Penalties	5-40	3-23
Turnovers	0	1
Missed Tackles	6	9
Blitzers	3	9
Time	34:07	25:53
Third Down	7-15	2-5
Fourth Down	2-3	0-2
Red Att/Td/Fg	4/4/0	6/6/0
Net Offense	333	482

TRIUMPH



16

PASSING: Mitch Trubisky, 14 of 31, 193 yds, 1 TD, 2 INTs
RUSHING: Melvin Gordon, 21C, 102yds, (4.9), 0 TD
RECEIVING: James White, 6 for 114yds, 35LG, 1 TD
DEFENCE: Bobby Wagner, 14 T, 2 STF
KICKING: Dustin Hopkins, 3 of 3 FGA, 1 of 1 XPA, 10 Pts

SPARTANS



20

PASSING: Philip Rivers, 21 of 31, 275 yds, 1 TD, 1 INT
RUSHING: Justin Jackson, 5C, 40yds, (8.0), 1 TD
RECEIVING: Willie Snead IV, 6 for 75yds, 24LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Xavien Howard, 5 T, 1 PD, 1 INT (2yds)
KICKING: Greg Zuerlein, 2 of 2 XPA, 2 of 2 FGA, 8 Pts

11-16-2019 Thermopylae Stadium Temp: 48 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: **Philip Rivers**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Twin Cities (5-2)	0	6	0	10	16
2018 Pickering (6-1)	3	3	7	7	20

Scoring Summary

1 2:38 Pickering	FG Zuerlein 24 (8-65-3:57)	0-3
2 10:01 Twin Cities	FG Hopkins 27 (12-66-7:33)	3-3
2 5:04 Pickering	FG Zuerlein 33 (10-60-4:54)	3-6
2 0:51 Twin Cities	FG Hopkins 25 (12-68-4:09)	6-6
3 4:55 Pickering	TD Rivers 17 pass to Higgins (Zuerlein) (8-76-4:04)	6-13
4 9:57 Twin Cities	FG Hopkins 31 (14-83-7:01)	9-13
4 3:06 Twin Cities	TD Trubisky 35 pass to White (Hopkins) (9-81-1:03)	16-13
4 1:14 Pickering	TD Jackson 14 run (Zuerlein) (7-75-1:52)	16-20

	TCT	PIC
First Downs	20	24
Rushes	32-169	27-119
Passes	31-14-193	31-21-275
Sacked	0-0	1-6
Fumble	0	1
Penalties	6-66	9-80
Turnovers	2	1
Missed Tackles	5	9
Blitzers	2	2
Time	30:47	29:13
Third Down	3-12	3-10
Fourth Down	0-0	0-0
Red Att/Td/Fg	3/0/3	4/2/2
Net Offense	362	388

CUBS



17

PASSING: Russell Wilson, 12 of 16, 176 yds, 2 TDs, 0 INT
RUSHING: Joe Mixon, 14C, 93yds, (6.6), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Joe Mixon, 6 for 46yds, 17LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Jason Pierre-Paul, 3 T, 2 SK, 1 STF, 2 HUR
KICKING: Justin Tucker, 2 of 2 XPA, 1 of 2 FGA, 5 Pts

CADILLAC



13

PASSING: Matt Stafford, 20 of 26, 178 yds, 1 TD, 0 INT
RUSHING: Isaiah Crowell, 12C, 65yds, (5.4), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Nyheim Hines, 6 for 48yds, 11LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Connor Barwin, 10 T, 1 PD, 2 STF
KICKING: Stephen Gostkowski, 1 of 1 XPA, 2 of 3 FGA, 7 Pts

11-16-2019 Kelly-Burke Field Temp: 55 Wind: 10-20 None MVP: **Russell Wilson**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Iowa City (5-2)	0	14	3	0	17
2018 Erieau (0-7)	3	10	0	0	13

Scoring Summary

1 8:13 Erieau	FG Gostkowski 39 (14-56-6:36)	0-3
2 14:06 Erieau	FG Gostkowski 28 (9-49-4:20)	0-6
2 9:40 Iowa City	TD Wilson 75 pass to Brown (Tucker,J) (1-75-0:17)	7-6
2 1:55 Erieau	TD Stafford 6 pass to Pryor (Gostkowski) (13-75-7:45)	7-13
2 0:44 Iowa City	TD Wilson 10 pass to Lockett (Tucker,J) (3-69-1:01)	14-13
3 7:47 Iowa City	FG Tucker 53 (4-14-1:56)	17-13

	ICC	ERI
First Downs	8	19
Rushes	20-109	26-113
Passes	16-12-176	32-26-237
Sacked	1-5	7-43
Fumble	0	1
Penalties	3-20	9-72
Turnovers	0	0
Missed Tackles	4	8
Blitzers	9	17
Time	21:59	38:01
Third Down	1-9	3-13
Fourth Down	0-0	1-2
Red Att/Td/Fg	1/1/0	2/1/1
Net Offense	280	307

CONVICTS**22**

PASSING: Dak Prescott, 16 of 31,168 yds, 0 TD, 0 INT
RUSHING: Christian McCaffery, 23C, 88yds, (3.8), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Christian McCaffery, 7 for 69yds, 20LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Kawann Short, 2 T, 1 SK, 1 STF, 1 HUR
KICKING: Sebastian Janikowski, 3of3 FGA, 1of1 XPA, 10 Pts

WOLVERINES**24**

PASSING: Aaron Rodgers, 13 of 21,185 yds, 2 TDs, 0 INT
RUSHING: Saquon Barkley, 20C,131yds, (6.6), 1 TD
RECEIVING: Tyreek Hill, 5 for 92yds, 38LG, 2 TDs
DEFENCE: Avery Williamson, 10 T
KICKING: Adam Vinatieri, 1 of 1 FGA, 3 of 3 XPA, 6 Pts

11-14-2019 The Wolverine's Den Temp: 64 Wind: 0-5 None MVP: **Saquon Barkley**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Chino (4-3)	0	6	3	13	22
2018 Toronto (4-3)	14	7	0	3	24

Scoring Summary

1 10:47 Toronto	TD Rodgers 11 pass to Hill (Vinatieri) (8-75-4:13)	0-7
1 9:21 Toronto	TD Rodgers 38 pass to Hill (Vinatieri) (1-38-0:13)	0-14
2 6:30 Chino	FG Janikowski 49 (6-23-2:25)	3-14
2 1:55 Chino	FG Janikowski 37 (10-33-4:25)	6-14
2 0:06 Toronto	TD Barkley 23 run (Vinatieri) (7-75-1:49)	6-21
3 2:45 Chino	FG Janikowski 30 (15-64-6:06)	9-21
4 13:22 Toronto	FG Vinatieri 27 (8-66-4:20)	9-24
4 8:12 Chino	TD Ingram 4 run (Janikowski) (10-74-5:04)	16-24
4 3:18 Chino	TD Ingram 9 run (2 - failed) (9-56-4:33)	22-24

	CHI	TOR
First Downs	20	15
Rushes	40-172	23-155
Passes	31-16-168	21-13-185
Sacked	0-0	3-14
Fumble	0	0
Penalties	6-54	5-46
Turnovers	0	0
Missed Tackles	11	8
Blitzers	4	3
Challenges	0-0	0-1
Time	37:59	22:01
Third Down	6-16	3-10
Fourth Down	2-3	1-1
Red Att/Td/Fg	4/2/2	2/1/1
Net Offense	340	326

KNIGHTS**14**

PASSING: Ryan Tannehill, 13 of 19, 160 yds, 0 TD, 1 INT
RUSHING: Ryan Tannehill, 4 C, 46yds, (11.5), 1 TD
RECEIVING: Brandin Cooks, 5 for 45yds, 15LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Blake Martinez, 13 T, 2 STF
KICKING: Ka'imi Fairbairn 2 of 2 XPA, 2 Pts

MUSTANGS**26**

PASSING: Matt Ryan, 18 of 32, 273 yds, 0 TD, 1 INT
RUSHING: Devin Singletary, 17C, 79yds, (4.6), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Davante Adams, 8 for 139yds, 28LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Tyler Davison, 6 T, 1 SK, 2 STF, 1 HUR
KICKING: Wil Lutz, 2 of 2 XPA, 4 of 4FGA, 14 Pts

11-16-2019 Magna Park Temp: 52 Wind: 0-10 None MVP: **Zach Zenner**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Los Angeles (3-4)	7	0	0	7	14
2018 Aurora (6-1)	6	7	10	3	26

Scoring Summary

1 8:29 Aurora	FG Lutz 55 (5-28-1:18)	0-3
1 4:00 Los Angeles	TD Jackson 17 run (Fairbairn) (1-17-0:13)	7-3
1 0:13 Aurora	FG Lutz 39 (7-54-3:43)	7-6
2 0:25 Aurora	TD Zenner 1 run (Lutz) (7-81-2:14)	7-13
3 10:28 Aurora	FG Lutz 48 (8-45-4:27)	7-16
3 1:25 Aurora	TD Zenner 1 run (Lutz) (8-51-4:02)	7-23
4 9:44 Aurora	FG Lutz 21 (10-70-5:25)	7-26
4 3:39 Los Angeles	TD Tannehill 19 run (Fairbairn) (4-79-1:05)	14-26

	LAK	AUR
First Downs	11	24
Rushes	17-101	34-177
Passes	27-15-166	32-18-273
Sacked	3-12	1-2
Fumble	1	1
Penalties	4-45	1-5
Turnovers	1	2
Missed Tackles	8	6
Blitzers	5	2
Time	24:02	35:58
Third Down	5-12	6-13
Fourth Down	0-0	0-0
Red Att/Td/Fg	2/2/0	4/2/1
Net Offense	255	448

PILOTS**20**

PASSING: Eli Manning, 18 fo 25, 223 yds, 2 TDs, 0 INT
RUSHING: Kareem Hunt, 19C, 102yds, (5.4), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Michael Crabtree, 8 for 118yds, 18LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Khalil Mack, 9T, 1 PD, 2 STF
KICKING: Josh Lambo, 2 of 2 XPA, 2 of 3FGA, 8 Pts

GLADIATORS**10**

PASSING: Ben Roethlisberger, 26 of 44, 266yds, 1 TD, 0 INT
RUSHING: Josh Jacobs, 11C, 34yds, (3.1), 0 TD
RECEIVING: Cole Beasley, 7 for 62yds, 21LG, 0 TD
DEFENCE: Mike Daniels, 5 T, 1 SK
KICKING: Brett Maher, 1 of 1 FGA, 1 of 1 XPA, 4 Pts

11-16-2019 Georgia Stadium Temp: 78 Wind: 5-15 None MVP: **Eli Manning**

	1	2	3	4	Tot
2018 Seattle (3-4)	7	3	10	0	20
2018 Georgia (2-5)	0	3	0	7	10

Scoring Summary

1 8:49 Seattle	TD Manning 14 pass to Renfrow (Lambo) (10-64-6:07)	7-0
2 13:27 Georgia	FG Maher 23 (17-83-7:46)	7-3
2 5:32 Seattle	FG Lambo 22 (10-74-5:14)	10-3
3 9:22 Seattle	FG Lambo 47 (8-40-3:47)	13-3
3 1:10 Seattle	TD Manning 8 pass to Williams (Lambo) (7-58-4:30)	20-3
4 9:25 Georgia	TD Roethlisberger 28 pass to Akins (Maher) (4-59-1:47)	20-10

	SEA	GEO
First Downs	18	17
Rushes	30-111	21-40
Passes	25-18-223	44-26-266
Sacked	1-5	0-0
Fumble	0	1
Penalties	3-28	5-27
Turnovers	0	0
Missed Tackles	3	4
Blitzers	9	3
Time	33:16	26:44
Third Down	1-9	3-15
Fourth Down	1-1	3-6
Red Att/Td/Fg	3/2/1	2/0/1
Net Offense	329	306



WEEK SEVEN

STANDINGS

PACIFIC CONFERENCE													
East	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Bruxelles	5	2	0	0.714		246	35.1	178	25.4	9.7	3 0 0	2 1 0	3 2 0
St. Charles	5	2	0	0.714	W3	189	27	148	21.1	5.9	3 1 0	2 1 0	3 2 0
New Jersey	3	4	0	0.429	W1	184	26.3	200	28.6	-2.3	1 2 0	1 2 0	2 3 0
Buffalo	2	5	0	0.286		139	19.9	159	22.7	-2.9	2 1 0	1 2 0	1 4 0
Central	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Viriden	6	1	0	0.857	W2	269	38.4	164	23.4	15	4 0 0	2 0 0	4 1 0
Twin Cities	5	2	0	0.714		225	32.1	158	22.6	9.6	2 1 0	2 0 0	4 1 0
Charleswood	4	3	0	0.571	W1	158	22.6	153	21.9	0.7	2 2 0	0 2 0	3 2 0
Peg City	1	6	0	0.143	L3	173	24.7	271	38.7	-14	1 2 0	0 2 0	0 5 0
West	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Iowa City	5	2	0	0.714	W1	183	26.1	164	23.4	2.7	3 0 0	2 0 0	3 2 0
Chino	4	3	0	0.571		188	26.9	168	24	2.9	2 2 0	1 1 0	4 1 0
Los Angeles	3	4	0	0.429	L1	144	20.6	187	26.7	-6.1	2 2 0	1 1 0	2 3 0
Seattle	3	4	0	0.429	W1	139	19.9	173	24.7	-4.9	2 2 0	0 2 0	1 4 0
ATLANTIC CONFERENCE													
North	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Sebastian	3	4	0	0.429	L1	186	26.6	237	33.9	-7.3	3 1 0	2 0 0	3 2 0
Cowtown	3	4	0	0.429	L1	184	26.3	212	30.3	-4	1 2 0	1 1 0	2 3 0
Durham	3	4	0	0.429	L2	201	28.7	216	30.9	-2.1	2 2 0	1 1 0	2 3 0
Scarborough	0	7	0	0	L7	98	14	242	34.6	-20.6	0 3 0	0 2 0	0 5 0
Coastal	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Pickering	6	1	0	0.857	W3	205	29.3	91	13	16.3	4 0 0	2 0 0	5 0 0
Budapest	5	2	0	0.714	W1	199	28.4	143	20.4	8	4 0 0	1 1 0	4 1 0
York	3	4	0	0.429		148	21.1	199	28.4	-7.3	1 2 0	1 1 0	3 2 0
Brooklin	3	4	0	0.429	L2	213	30.4	188	26.9	3.6	1 2 0	0 2 0	2 3 0
South	W	L	T	Pct	Stk	Pts	Ave	Opp	Ave	Diff	Home	Div	Conf
Aurora	6	1	0	0.857	W5	244	34.9	109	15.6	19.3	3 0 0	3 0 0	4 1 0
Toronto	4	3	0	0.571	W2	164	23.4	147	21	2.4	3 1 0	2 1 0	3 2 0
Georgia	2	5	0	0.286	L2	99	14.1	177	25.3	-11.1	0 3 0	1 2 0	2 3 0
Erieau	0	7	0	0	L7	88	12.6	182	26	-13.4	0 4 0	0 3 0	0 5 0

TOP PASSERS

Rk	Player	Team	Att	Cmp	C%	Yards	In	I%	Lg	TD	TD%	Rate
1	Mariota	BRX	204	152	74.5	2140	3	1.5	73	22	10.8	137.7
2	Dalton	DTL	109	77	70.6	1083	0	0	78	11	10.1	136
3	Mahomes	VV	244	160	65.6	2485	2	0.8	82	26	10.7	131.3
4	Rivers,P	PIC	182	124	68.1	1828	1	0.5	60	15	8.2	125.9
5	Ryan,M	AUR	243	161	66.3	2501	2	0.8	64	20	8.2	124.2
6	Wentz	STC	208	152	73.1	1777	2	1	45	16	7.7	120.2
7	Carr,D	BRH	253	179	70.8	2304	7	2.8	73	22	8.7	116.4
8	Trubisky	TCT	137	84	61.3	1431	2	1.5	69	8	5.8	110.1
9	Wilson,R	ICC	187	117	62.6	1634	2	1.1	86	13	7	109.3
10	Mayfield	BUD	208	129	62	1623	4	1.9	43	18	8.7	107.1
11	Prescott	CHI	205	129	62.9	1549	0	0	38	13	6.3	107.1
12	Watson,D	CHP	155	100	64.5	1239	3	1.9	66	11	7.1	104.7
13	Cousins	PCC	253	166	65.6	1747	3	1.2	52	16	6.3	101.7
14	Luck	BUF	248	168	67.7	1892	5	2	56	14	5.6	100.7
15	Goff	NJ	249	153	61.4	1969	5	2	73	16	6.4	99.3
16	Brees	SS	278	176	63.3	2037	8	2.9	58	19	6.8	96.2
17	Flacco	COW	237	145	61.2	1898	5	2.1	87	13	5.5	95.9
18	Rodgers,A	TOR	229	124	54.1	1671	2	0.9	77	13	5.7	92.9
19	Stafford	ERI	158	108	68.4	1119	2	1.3	77	4	2.5	91.7
20	Brady	YOR	225	130	57.8	1469	3	1.3	66	12	5.3	89.7
21	Manning	SEA	202	115	56.9	1504	6	3	62	12	5.9	88
22	Jackson,L	LAK	124	72	58.1	814	3	2.4	70	6	4.8	83.9
23	Osweiler	SBE	228	132	57.9	1422	7	3.1	45	10	4.4	78.1
24	Roethlisbe	GEO	243	139	57.2	1557	10	4.1	64	11	4.5	74.4
25	Dolegala	VV	1	1	100	46	0	0	46	1	100	158.3

KICKOFF RETURNERS

Rk	Player	Team	No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Patterson	CHP	20	766	38.3	105	3
2	Grant,J	CHI	22	739	33.6	105	2
3	Smith,Tr	BRX	17	537	31.6	96	0
4	Erickson	BUF	31	868	28	89	0
5	Roberts,A	LAK	19	529	27.8	102	1
6	Lockett	ICC	19	474	24.9	36	0
7	Countess	YOR	14	345	24.6	38	0
8	Logan	PCC	16	392	24.5	38	0
9	Agnew	SEA	12	290	24.2	38	0
10	Clement	SBE	20	483	24.2	43	0
11	Johnson,D	COW	12	288	24	34	0
12	King II	ERI	19	444	23.4	33	0
13	Moore,C	SS	15	335	22.3	31	0
14	Peppers,J	ERI	8	174	21.8	50	0
15	Isabella	DTL	13	271	20.8	35	0
16	Chark Jr.	NJ	21	419	20	42	0
17	Coleman,C	AUR	8	159	19.9	34	0
18	Barner	BRH	12	215	17.9	38	0
19	Lewis,T	SBE	2	94	47	39	0
20	Pascal	STC	7	195	27.9	69	0

PUNT RETURNERS

Rk	Player	Team	No	Fc	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Harris,D	TOR	16	5	256	16	82	1
2	Grant,J	CHI	11	4	174	15.8	71	1
3	Roberts,A	LAK	14	3	207	14.8	79	1
4	Sherels	BUD	14	9	198	14.1	75	0
5	Cohen	NJ	11	1	140	12.7	21	0
6	Hardman	STC	8	4	95	11.9	19	0
7	King II	ERI	8	0	87	10.9	20	0
8	Humphries	COW	7	8	74	10.6	16	0
9	Peppers,J	ERI	8	2	73	9.1	14	0
10	Hardy	CHP	17	4	148	8.7	20	0
11	Peterson,P	AUR	9	10	74	8.2	18	0
12	Edelman	AUR	8	3	65	8.1	24	0
13	Ervin	VV	10	7	76	7.6	18	0
14	Amendola	YOR	8	1	60	7.5	13	0
15	Kirk	ICC	9	1	65	7.2	14	0
16	Erickson	BUF	10	6	70	7	12	0
17	Moore,D	TCT	13	8	89	6.8	12	0
18	Henderson	BRH	10	6	55	5.5	15	0
19	Agnew	SEA	11	8	57	5.2	16	0
20	Beckham Jr	SS	12	6	60	5	13	0

RUSHING LEADERS								RECEIVING LEADERS							
Rk	Player	Team	Att	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD	Rk	Player	Team	No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD
1	Gurley II	COW	140	766	5.5	26	5	1	Hopkins,D	BRH	54	803	14.9	58	7
2	Hunt,K	SEA	116	622	5.4	45	1	2	Woods,R	BUF	53	709	13.4	45	4
3	Elliott,E	VV	137	607	4.4	39	4	3	Adams,D	AUR	49	875	17.9	64	6
4	Barkley,S	TOR	126	606	4.8	44	3	4	Hilton	DTL	43	705	16.4	68	6
5	Gordon III	TCT	120	574	4.8	30	6	5	Landry,J	GEO	43	561	13	31	5
6	Henry,D	YOR	89	563	6.3	75	3	6	Elliott,E	VV	43	384	8.9	26	5
7	Johnson,D	BUD	99	470	4.7	35	4	7	Allen,K	PCC	42	535	12.7	52	4
8	Mack,M	BRX	93	470	5.1	54	3	8	Jones,J	BUF	42	388	9.2	21	3
9	Peterson,A	STC	105	467	4.4	35	6	9	Thomas,M	STC	42	548	13	33	5
10	Mixon	ICC	86	463	5.4	56	4	10	Cohen	NJ	40	521	13	73	2
11	Carson,C	PCC	90	456	5.1	14	4	11	Beckham Jr	SS	40	590	14.8	58	11
12	McCaffrey	CHI	108	427	4	38	2	12	Cooper,A	VV	40	829	20.7	75	8
13	Sanders,M	PIC	86	425	4.9	28	2	13	Davis,C	PCC	39	480	12.3	39	5
14	Kamara	CHP	92	422	4.6	48	2	14	McCaffrey	CHI	38	436	11.5	32	5
15	Breida	BRH	57	393	6.9	33	3	15	Cooks	LAK	37	476	12.9	21	2
16	Howard,J	SBE	95	388	4.1	19	1	16	Ertz	YOR	36	473	13.1	40	6
17	Barber	LAK	82	357	4.4	21	0	17	Thielen	TOR	36	449	12.5	27	4
18	Singletary	AUR	73	343	4.7	30	2	18	Evans,M	COW	36	623	17.3	85	8
19	Watson,D	CHP	32	314	9.8	34	2	19	Golladay	TCT	36	681	18.9	37	5
20	Coleman,T	BUF	78	306	3.9	35	2	20	Gabriel	NJ	36	566	15.7	44	3
21	Jacobs,J	GEO	77	300	3.9	32	1	21	Barkley,S	TOR	36	331	9.2	23	1
22	Conner	ICC	61	290	4.8	18	2	22	Kelce,T	BRX	35	592	16.9	51	5
23	Ingram	CHI	62	290	4.7	23	2	23	Hill,T	TOR	34	696	20.5	77	8
24	Mariota	BRX	31	288	9.3	38	3	24	Diggs,S	BUD	34	474	13.9	43	4
25	Martin,D	PIC	61	288	4.7	20	3	25	Brown,A	TCT	33	616	18.7	69	4

INTERCEPTION LEADERS							SACK LEADERS				TACKLE LEADERS				
Rk	Player	Team	No	Yds	Ave	Lg	TD	Rk	Player	Team	No.	Rk	Player	Team	No.
1	Howard,X	PIC	4	65	16.3	43	0	1	Ford,D	ICC	10	1	Vander Esc	BRH	69
2	Haden	BRX	3	51	17	33	0	2	Cox,F	ICC	6	2	Littleton	NJ	67
3	Smith Sr.	PIC	3	49	16.3	33	0	3	Hunter,D	TCT	6	3	Leonard	STC	63
4	Williams,G	LAK	3	0	0	0	0	4	Hargrave	ICC	6	4	Wagner,B	TCT	59
5	Lattimore	SEA	3	16	5.3	16	0	5	Pierre-Pau	ICC	6	5	Baker,D	SBE	57
6	Boston	SS	2	38	19	38	0	6	Hill,B	ICC	6	6	Dennard	YOR	56
7	Humphrey	PCC	2	12	6	12	0	7	Watt,J	AUR	6	7	White,D	SEA	56
8	Hooker	VV	2	26	13	26	1	8	Heyward	CHP	5	8	Martinez	LAK	54
9	Fuller,K	VV	2	30	15	30	0	9	Lawrence,D	CHP	5	9	Joseph,J	NJ	53
10	Trevathan	VV	2	0	0	0	0	10	Autry	AUR	5	10	Amukamara	VV	52
11	Diggs,Q	BUD	2	12	6	10	0	11	Ngakoue	STC	4	11	Ryan,L	SBE	51
12	Vander Esc	BRH	2	3	1.5	3	0	12	Jones,C	BRX	4	12	Watt,T	COW	50
13	Jenkins,Ja	BRH	2	0	0	0	0	13	Donald	BUF	4	13	Fuller,K	VV	50
14	Smith,H	BRX	2	26	13	26	0	14	Richardson	CHP	4	14	Mack,K	SEA	48
15	Fuller,K	BRX	2	30	15	20	0	15	Judon	NJ	4	15	Burns	DTL	48
16	Ward,D	PIC	2	35	17.5	35	1	16	Davenport	AUR	4	16	Ford,D	ICC	47
17	Douglas,R	YOR	2	0	0	0	0	17	Hubbard,S	BRH	4	17	Sherman,R	DTL	47
18	Poyer	YOR	2	0	0	0	0	18	Miller,V	YOR	4	18	Hightower	SBE	46
19	Adams,J	NJ	2	70	35	36	0	19	Lawrence	VV	3	19	Desir	BUD	46
20	Darby	COW	2	18	9	18	1	20	Jordan,C	BUD	3	20	Schobert	YOR	45

SCORING LEADERS

Rk	Player	Team	FG	XP	2Pt	Run	Rec	Int	KR	PR	Fmb	Sf	Tot
1	Lutz	AUR	16	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74
2	Bryant,M	COW	17	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
3	Zuerlein	PIC	15	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	67
4	Beckham Jr	SS	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	66
5	Prater	BRX	12	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64
6	Hopkins	TCT	12	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	61
7	Santos	VV	9	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57
8	Vinatieri	TOR	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56
9	Elliott,E	VV	0	0	0	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	54
10	Fairbairn	LAK	13	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	54
11	Tucker,J	ICC	10	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51
12	Cooper,A	VV	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	48
13	Gordon III	TCT	0	0	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	48
14	Evans,M	COW	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	48
15	Janikowski	CHI	10	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48
16	Hill,T	TOR	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	48
17	Lambo	SEA	11	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47
18	McManus	NJ	8	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46
19	Parkey	BRH	6	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
20	Bailey,D	SS	8	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44
21	Myers,J	BUD	6	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
22	Johnson,D	BUD	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	42
23	Lockett	ICC	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	42
24	Gurley II	COW	0	0	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	42
25	Hopkins,D	BRH	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	42
26	Peterson,A	STC	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	42
27	McCaffrey	CHI	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	42
28	Ebron	VV	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	42
29	Gostkowski	ERI	11	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
30	Succop	CHP	6	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
31	Gano	YOR	8	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
32	Hauschka	STC	4	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
33	Hilton	DTL	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	36
34	Adams,D	AUR	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	36
35	Ertz	YOR	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	36

KICKING LEADERS

Rk	Player	Team	FGA	FGM	FG%	40	50	Lg	Pts
1	Lutz	AUR	16	16	100	7	3	55	74
2	Bryant,M	COW	19	17	89.5	10	4	54	68
3	Zuerlein	PIC	15	15	100	6	4	56	67
4	Prater	BRX	13	12	92.3	4	0	49	64
5	Hopkins	TCT	12	12	100	4	3	51	61
6	Santos	VV	11	9	81.8	2	0	41	57
7	Vinatieri	TOR	18	14	77.8	6	2	55	56
8	Fairbairn	LAK	14	13	92.9	4	0	49	54
9	Tucker,J	ICC	12	10	83.3	6	4	54	51
10	Janikowski	CHI	10	10	100	2	0	49	48
11	Lambo	SEA	13	11	84.6	5	2	59	47
12	McManus	NJ	10	8	80	1	0	44	46
13	Parkey	BRH	7	6	85.7	3	0	49	45
14	Bailey,D	SS	9	8	88.9	1	0	45	44
15	Myers,J	BUD	6	6	100	2	0	49	43

PUNTING LEADERS

Rk	Player	Team	No	Yards	Tb	20	Lg	Bk	Ave
1	Colquitt,B	SEA	33	1519	3	12	56	0	46
2	Palardy	YOR	35	1611	3	7	57	0	46
3	Edwards,L	TOR	34	1535	2	12	87	0	45.1
4	Morstead	DTL	24	1184	0	15	58	0	49.3
5	Dickson,M	ERI	32	1537	1	15	59	1	48
6	Way	CHI	26	1233	6	3	92	0	47.4
7	Kern	BRX	19	888	2	7	63	0	46.7
8	Dixon,R	GEO	28	1305	1	7	54	0	46.6
9	Hekker	COW	18	831	0	8	56	0	46.2
10	Colquitt,D	SBE	26	1198	1	13	59	0	46.1
11	Anger	STC	23	1055	0	10	52	0	45.9
12	Bosher	VV	15	686	0	10	53	0	45.7
13	Scott,J	BRH	18	823	1	7	53	0	45.7
14	Lee,A	BUF	24	1097	0	10	61	0	45.7
15	Koch	AUR	26	1188	3	8	61	0	45.7



AROUND THE



With Spats McChad

NEW YORK – I thought I had it bad. But in Canada, they shackle free speech openly, in plain view of the public.

The Speech Police took out a Canadian icon, **Don Cherry**, for remarks he made about people not wearing poppies in honour of fallen veterans. And to twist the knife in the wound, they did it on Remembrance Day (Veterans Day in the U.S.).

As an avid hockey fan, I am more attuned to Canadian sports culture than the average American. For 37 years on *Coach's Corner*, Cherry reflected old school Canadian hockey culture and did so without attempting to be politically correct about it. His straight talk spoke to the heart and spirit of many Canadians and those Americans living close to the 49th parallel. He railed against Russians, Swedes and Frenchmen and advocated bringing “enforcers” back into the game to protect the league’s stars from cheap shots. When the subject veered toward politics, he espoused Conservative and Canadian Nationalistic views. Not everyone could agree with everything he said – even his supporters cringed at times – but his authenticity was refreshing. His critics over the years denounced him as an ignorant bigot, but **Don Cherry** got people thinking and talking.

And then came the infamous night of November 9, 2019. The wearing of poppies – the Canadian symbol of honouring war veterans – had been visibly down for several years. Cherry, an ardent supporter of Canadian troops and veterans, decided to take aim at the segment of the population for whom Remembrance Day may have been an after-thought, if a thought at all.

“You people that come here... you love our way of life, you love our milk and honey, at least you can pay a couple bucks for a poppy or something like that... These guys paid for your way of life that you enjoy in Canada, these guys paid the biggest price,” Cherry said, to nods of agreement from his co-host **Ron McLean**.

The reaction was swift and furious. Complaints rolled in alleging that Cherry was targeting immigrants. Calls for his head lit up social media. The *Canadian Broadcasting Standards Council* reportedly received a large number of complaints “*exceeding the CBSC’s technical processing capacities.*” (The size of that processing capacity was not specified). As usual, victims instantly materialized on social media expressing smug *faux* outrage at being ‘targeted’ by Cherry’s remarks, reveling publicly in their victimhood. No room for debate on this one – blood, Cherry’s blood – was the only remedy.

Nervous *Sportsnet* executives, weak-kneed politicians and self-righteous journalists of the “woke” persuasion agreed. It was time for Don to go! Enough was enough! Swedes and Russians were one thing, but how dare he target immigrants – the new consumers and voters Canada’s de-industrialized, sagging economy desperately needs to keep tax coffers and budgets in the black, Tim Horton’s drive-throughs running smoothly and the Liberal Party in power. He would have to bow very low or be fired. Cherry would not bow low and so was fired.

It is true that what Cherry said contained the seeds of provocation. My mother, one generation removed from Cherry’s, might have referred to his comments as “crass” or “distasteful.” Testing the limits while staying in bounds was Cherry’s special talent. He clearly intended to generate controversy. This time he went too far. Or did he?

It is unfair to target any identifiable group as being responsible, collectively, for ills both actual and perceived in our collective society. There are too many variables at play for things to be so simple. If poppy sales are down, everyone shares a portion of the responsibility. But what identifiable group did Cherry actually target? “*You people that come here*” could refer to anybody who came to Canada at any point after the wars that gave the country all of that “*milk and honey.*” Maybe *those people* do, in fact, need to be reminded about the significance of the poppy, if in fact they ever knew it.

Cherry, an 85-year old relic of generations past, wearer of outrageously garish suits, cannot be expected to finesse his point in the modern, euphemistic, politically correct way – a way that sucks all meaning out of a sentence out of fear of giving offence. Somebody is bound to be offended, in some way, for being called out as thoughtless in relation to our veterans. Cherry was characteristically brash and graphically blunt, but nobody will convince me that he was entirely wrong about his main point. In fact, human nature being what it is, the ones yelling the loudest are probably guilty in their hearts of not giving a fig about Canadian war veterans.

So, what *should* have happened in a country where Free Speech is truly upheld as a Constitutional Right?

In such a country, Cherry’s words *should* have sparked an open conversation about Canadian identity. *It should* have sparked a robust counter-argument where the sacrifices of immigrants and the families of immigrants in the world’s wars – not just Canadians – were brought to light. At very least, Cherry *should* have been permitted to clarify his comments on his own terms and address the blowback through debate. Such an exchange might have taught him more than he was attempting to teach

the country about the importance of Remembrance.

What we have now instead is an intractable divide. Cherry supporters will now vehemently defend his point of view, flawed as it may be, out of loyalty to a cherished friend. Those who feel justice was served will be emboldened to call for the head of any person who espouses views they personally find offensive and will not stop to think about the point Cherry was trying to make. A cursory read of many of the tweets of those offended by Cherry's remarks indicates a shallowness of thought at least equal to that attributed to Cherry. Take this one, tweeted from one **sarbjit kaur**, as a common example:

"Don Cherry has certainly tainted the poppy for me by politicizing it and using it to berate immigrants. Well done. I won't be forced or bullied into anything because grumpy, entitled men want to tell me what respect is and find another way to boss #youpeople around."

This person is essentially saying that the poppy is now *bad* because Don Cherry supports it and that respecting veterans by wearing one is secondary to not bowing to grumpy entitled men. The irony is that this grumpy, entitled man appears to have influenced her decision whether or not to wear a poppy. Or perhaps she never wore one to begin with and is now justifying it.

November 11th in Canada will no longer be simply Remembrance Day; it will for generations also be remembered as The Night They Drove Old Don Down. Perhaps someone will write a song?

SHOOTOUT AT THE O-CARR CORRAL

Offensive production continues to be trend sharply upwards from last season. So, it is perhaps not all that surprising that when two live offences take aim at each other on a clear, calm day, the potential to break a record or two is higher than usual. But whenever a record is broken it always seems to come unexpectedly, especially when one of the record-setters is a cast-off.

Derek Carr, traded from the Violators to make room for **Patrick Mahomes**, came to Brooklin as a stopgap to allow quarterback-of-the-future, **Daniel Jones**, to develop on the sideline for a season. Once the quarterback-of-the-future for Virden, Carr had fallen short of expectations in four seasons as the Violators' starter. A 75.5 QB rating combined with a 6-10 finish in 2018 sealed his fate. It was not all his fault, of course, but it was clear to all that the team was not about to get better with Carr at the helm.

The switch to Mahomes was announced by **Lance Barrate** prior to the first pre-season game. It made for awkward chemistry on the sideline as Mahomes took his turn showing his former mentor how to move in the pocket and make plays downfield. Mahomes tore up the pre-season competition running a typical basic, "vanilla" offensive scheme. As is the case with most EFL teams, the new plays in the Virden playbook were held back for the start of the regular season. But it was thought that if Mahomes could generate such production running predictable looks, he would be something special when the games were for real.

Carr said the right things when prodded by the media. The sadistic **Marquis de Sade** of the *Virden Eviscerator* seemed to particularly enjoy tracking Carr down in the locker room post-game, or as he walked off the practice field, to ask him how he felt his former protégé was faring; or to inquire how the offence looked from the perspective of the sideline; or to describe the difference between preparing for a game as a back-up as opposed to the starter; or to query him on whether third-string QB, **Jacob Dolegala** was mentoring him on how to hold a clipboard. It was more than a normal human being would be able to bear, but Carr managed to handle the questions with stoicism, always ending his responses with the resolute phrase, "*I intend to be a starter again some day.*"

At 27-years of age, with four seasons as a starter under his belt, Carr is theoretically in his quarterback prime. Those few football people who do not consider him a bust point to a chronically under-staffed and oft-injured Virden receiving corps, a suspect defence and an unreliable offensive line as some of the reasons for his struggles over four years.

While covering a Week Twelve match-up between Virden and Iowa City last year, announcer, **Phil Mimms**, an outspoken former QB, commented after Carr had thrown a pick-six to Cubs' linebacker, **Josey Jewell** that would turn out to be the Cubs' only touchdown in Virden's 13-10 OT loss:

"People are going to criticize Derek Carr for that throw there," he stated as the TV camera panned across the Virden sideline and settled on **Patrick Mahomes**, wearing a toque and holding a clipboard, standing next to **Lance Barrate**. "But that is a set play, flat pass to **Niles Paul**, the no.3 tight end on the roster. It has to come out quick to



Don Cherry (left) admonishes "you people" for not wearing poppies on Remembrance Day, while sidekick, **Ron McLean** (right) looks on. This would be Cherry's last appearance on Coach's Corner after a memorable 37-year run.

have a chance and frankly, I don't blame Derek entirely for that throw. He put it on the money and Jewell jumped the route. I think that is a horrible play call in that situation, third-and-six with the defence playing tight to the line. They say that this is likely Derek's final season with Virden but I am telling you the kid can play. Things just haven't worked out for him under Coach Barrate."

Mimm's words have turned out to be prophetic. Carr has blossomed in Brooklin and nobody in that town is currently crying out to "*see what we have*" in **Daniel Jones**. Going against his former team in Week Seven, Carr put on a display that will likely go down in Hawks' football lore despite his team coming out on the losing end of a record-setting 52-49 score.

There were more offensive highlights in this single game than the Cadillac, as a team, have made in their existence. This was an all-out air war, with Carr and the Violators' emerging superstar, **Pat Mahomes** combining for 94 pass attempts, 66 completions, 1,007 yards and 11 TD passes (6 for Carr, 5 for Mahomes) with just two interceptions (one each). Their combined QB rating was a phenomenal 135.4. The combined point total of 101 eclipsed by 11 the previous record of 90, set in Death Valley's 49-41 victory over Los Angeles during Week One of 2012.

Carr started the fireworks with an opening drive, 6-yard short hitch to **DeAndre Hopkins** at the goal line for the game's first score. The throw was a bullet into tight coverage that foreshadowed the unrelentingly aggressive posture that Carr would maintain throughout the game.

That aggression would get him into trouble on the Hawks' next series. Looking for Hopkins on a slant, he did not see **Danny Trevathan** standing in the middle of the zone and fired the ball straight into the Virden linebacker's hands for an interception at the Brooklin 23. It was the break Mahomes and the Violators were looking for and they did not waste it. On the next play, Mahomes connected on a curl route to a wide-open **Ezekiel Elliott**, who rambled into the end zone for a 23-yard TD.

It looked like the Virden offensive juggernaut would start to pull out of sight after the Hawks turned the ball over on downs at the Virden 29 and Mahomes promptly drove up the field in 9 plays and notched the go-ahead TD on a 2-yard check down to Elliott. But it would not turn out to be so easy for the Violators.

Carr finished off a 7-play, 75-yard drive with a 14-yard cross to **Alshon Jeffery** to tie the game. Mahomes drove back up the field into the Brooklin red zone, but his attempt to thread the needle on a fly route to **Juju Smith-Schuster** was picked off in the end zone by the Hawks' **Leighton Vander Esch**. Back came Carr and the Hawks, with back-to-back completions of 26 and 25 yards helping to set up an 8-yard short slant to Hopkins for the go-ahead touchdown.

Mahomes came right back with an attempt to go deep to **Amari Cooper**, but rare good coverage from the Hawks' secondary forced a 1-yard check down to Elliott. Sensing that the Hawks were in full pass prevention mode, the Violators turned to their ground weapon, Elliott, who touched the ball on every one of the remaining 7 plays of the drive, racking up 59 total yards and finishing off with a 1-yard touchdown dive into the end zone. The score was knotted up at 21 heading into halftime.

The Virden offence had looked virtually unstoppable on the final drive. The Hawks were damned if they defended the pass and snookered if they turned to defend the run. The prospects of stopping Mahomes seemed slim and nobody really believed that Carr would be able to keep up the pace without making another critical error of the kind he had made on the Trevathan pick. Yet, the rapid-fire exchange continued beginning with the first two possession of the 2nd half.

Mahomes launched a long bomb to Cooper on the first play from scrimmage that went 75 yards for a score. It was suddenly 28-21 for Virden. Carr's response was less dramatic, but impressively patient. He directed a methodical, 10-play drive that featured a 22-yard chunk play to Hopkins and two third down conversions to set up a touchdown run by **Chris Ivory** from half a yard out. The teams were even once more.

Mahomes came off the sideline and after a handoff to Elliott for no gain, fired eight straight pass attempts, completing four for 71 yards to set up a 4-yard TD run by Elliott off tackle. With Virden back on top, 35-28, the Hawks blinked. A holding penalty on **Andrew Whitworth** set them back and three plays later they were punting. Virden was in position to gain separation and looked to be on its way to another score after Mahomes hit **AJ Green** for 20 yards to start the drive. But the push fizzled right after that with a pair of incomplete passes and a short scramble bringing the punting unit on the field.

Carr got back in the groove with a pair of complete passes to Hopkins and **Randall Cobb** netting 28 yards. He then uncorked a missile dead on target to **Evan Engram**, who was streaking across the middle on a slant pattern. Grabbing the ball in full stride there was nothing the Virden secondary could do but give chase. **Nasir Adderley** managed to get a hand on a heel but it was not enough; Engram stumbled and flopped headlong into the end zone. The third quarter was drawing to a close and the no decision had been reached with the teams tied a35-35.

The fans in Brooklin, all 18,650 of them occupying seats and a few hundred more peaking in at the action from under the grandstands, went berserk. Some eggheads in the crowd managed to start a clever chant of '*CARR-PE DIEM! CARR-PE DIEM!*' in an obvious exhortation to Carr to *seize the day*.

Mahomes was far from done however. He was determined to put the Hawks down once and for all. The pesky Hawks, however, were sticking to his receivers like glue. In fact, **Eli Apple** got a little too close to Cooper and was flagged for an 18-yard pass interference penalty. Two plays later, with his receivers blanketed, Mahomes took off and covered 41 yards on a scramble to set up his fourth TD pass of the day, a 12-yard fly to Cooper. It was 42-35, Virden and both fans and announcers were exhausted.

"Are the defences playing so poorly or are the offences just that good right now, Boom Boom?" asked play-by-play announcer, **Spero Dedes** of colour analyst **Boom Boom Sinuson**.

“These quarterbacks are playing inspired football,” replied Sinuson. “Sometimes, as a quarterback, you just get into a groove with your receivers and everything is like pitch and catch out there. Both Patrick Mahomes and David Carr are in the zone right now. They are on pace to break a combined scoring record according to our statistician, Left Fieldson.”

With a look of steely resolve, Carr responded with a perfect 6 for 6 for 67 yards on the next drive, topping it off with an 11-yard hitch to Cobb for the receiver’s first TD catch of the game. There was 7:42 left in the 4th and the score was knotted at 42.

Taking advantage of the short field after a kickoff out of bounds by Brooklin, Mahomes hit Cooper for 24 yards then scrambled 29 yards to the Brooklin 4. But three plays later it was 4th & goal at the 1 with 4:15 left. The way the offences had been moving, going for it seemed like the obvious move. But to do so would also pass up a near certain field goal and the lead. **Lance Barrate** opted for the safe play, letting **Cairo Santos** kick the game’s first field goal for a 45-42 lead. Had the spell been broken?

Apparently not on the mind of Derek Carr. He continued to dial up pass plays, none bigger than the 36-yard cross he pitched to Engram, who again split the defenders for his second TD catch of the day. When the extra point went through, the crowd at Optimist Park erupted. With the score 49-45 and just 1:44 left, Virden would need a touchdown to win.

“That decision to go for the field goal could come back to haunt Coach Barrate,” observed **Spero Dedes**. “That is, if Patrick Mahomes can’t stitch together another big drive.”

“There will be second-guessing for sure, Spero, if Patrick can’t pull it out,” **Boom Boom Sinuson** added. “But you know, in a tie game, late in the game, you can’t pass up points in that situation. The Violators’ offence got the lead and the defence needed to make a stop there. They just didn’t get the job done...again! The Hawks have 620 yards of offence and 551 of those are from Derek Carr. I feel like these have to be records but our statistician, Left Fieldson, says they aren’t. But we do have a record point total of 94, 3 points above the old mark of 90. That’s just incredible!”

Mahomes went to work after the kickoff from **Cody Parkey** was downed in the end zone. With all three of his timeouts remaining there was more than enough time to cover the 75 yards needed to get into the Brooklin end zone. At first, things went as they had been going all game. Mahomes completed 5 of his first 6 passes to bring them inside the Brooklin red zone to the 13-yard line, where they called their first timeout with 0:31 left.

“They used over a minute of the clock before they called their first timeout, Boom Boom,” noted **Spero Dedes**. “Did they leave themselves enough time?”

“Well, they’ll take a touchdown anyway they can get it, but ideally they don’t want to score too early,” Boom Boom replied. “31 seconds does not seem like a lot of time, but they only have 13 yards to cover and two timeouts. They are cutting it a little close but they aren’t in dire straits yet.”

Two plays later, however, the situation looked less assured. After missing in the dirt on a check down intended for Green, Brooklin end **Sam Hubbard** sliced past guard **DJ Humphries** and took down Mahomes for the first sack of the game. The 9-yard loss pushed the ball back to the 22 and brought up 3rd & 19 with just 0:20 left.

“What a huge play by Hubbard!” Sinuson exclaimed. “Now the Violators must be careful with just one timeout left not to burn a timeout on this play in case they need it on 4th down. They have options: they can try to make up some of the lost yardage with a quick sideline pass, or they can take a couple of shots toward the end zone. Let’s see what they do here.”

Mahomes dropped back, took a few steps to his right and fired a rocket down the seam in the direction of Smith-Schuster, who was streaking toward the goal line with **Brent Grimes** shadowing him like a Boxer. As the pass arrived, their feet got tangled up and Smith-Schuster fell to the turf as the ball sailed past. The contact looked unintentional but that did not seem to matter to the nearest official. A flag flew out of his hand onto the field, signalling defensive pass interference and placing the ball at the Brooklin 1-yard line.

A torrent of boos fell from the stands at Optimist Park. Grimes leaped and turned violently in the air then took a menacing step toward the official before being restrained by a teammate. **Tom Jones** flipped off his headset, tossed his hat, slammed his clipboard and flung his challenge flag onto the field. But the play was unchallengeable.

It felt in Brooklin that the game had been lost. But there was still a yard to go and only 0:13 left on the clock. The Hawks’ defence rallied and held Mahomes out of the end zone on an impromptu scramble triggered by his primary receiver double-covered. Virden called its last timeout with just 0:06 left and the ball on the half yard line.

“What do you do here, Boom Boom?” Dedes asked, sounding genuinely baffled by the situation.

“You have to pass it here, Spero,” Sinuson replied. “If you try to run the ball and you don’t get in that’s the game. “But you still have time for a couple of quick passes to the end zone.”

Mahomes motioned with his hands. His voice was barely audible over the din of the angry crowd. The Hawks set up close to the line in their nickel package with four down linemen. Mahomes took the snap and dropped back two steps as the defence stayed home, apparently looking for a handoff to Elliott that never came. He rifled the ball to Cooper, who stepped forward across the goal line for the touchdown. The Virden sideline exploded in triumph. The crowd at Optimist Park groaned and fell silent...except for the hundred or so Virden fans peppered throughout the stands, each one almost individually audible in the still, soundless air.

With 0:03 left, a squib kick returned for no yards by the immobile **Dion Dawkins** brought the highest scoring game in EFL history to an anti-climactic finish, like the last 20 feet at the end of a roller coaster ride. The magnitude of what these teams had just achieved did not sink in until later, in the post-game presser.

The **Birdman of Brooklin**, Hawks beat writer for the *Brooklin Town Crier*, asked a somber **Derek Carr** whether he felt any satisfaction at having out-performed the quarterback who had replaced him in Virden and was slapped down with a bitter response:

“We lost the game!” spat Carr. “He won the game with that last throw. It was a clutch throw. I don’t know how you see that as being out-performed. And what’s with the bird suit?”

Both coaches had a different take on the controversial PI call that put Virden on the doorstep of the Brooklin end zone.

“I didn’t think the call was warranted, obviously,” an edgy **Tom Jones** declared through clenched teeth, clearly trying to avoid saying anything worthy of a fine. “It’s a judgment call and in my judgement, I thought the contact was incidental. It was the result of excellent coverage by Brent. The official saw it differently and that’s his job. It’s a shame it had to happen that way.” “I think you can’t take away the receiver’s chance to catch the ball like that,” **Lance Barrate** stated when asked whether he thought the officials had handed his team a gift at the end. “If Juju doesn’t get tripped up by the corner there, he catches that ball for a touchdown. I don’t think intention has anything to do with it in that particular situation.”

I hate to see a game’s outcome influenced to such a high degree by a questionable penalty, but I can understand both sides of that play. A game like this one was going to a tragedy for somebody, one way or the other. It is a shame that this will likely be the only time these teams face each other this year. The rematch would be worth the price of a trip to watch it live.

AROUND THE EFL

Cross-conference match-up week usually brings plenty of Gale Sayers Game ‘preview’ hype from the networks trying to bolster viewership for their particular games. FOX produced a flagrant piece of bald-faced BS when it ran a promotional segment showing a clip of **Aaron Rodgers** in Wolverine garb dropping back to pass superimposed over a shot of him in action during Gale Sayers III as a Florida Dragon to the sound of a deep and urgent voice intoning “**A legend comes to life to lead the young Wolverines to the greatest of all games;**” followed by a shot of **Dak Prescott** scrambling and the narrator continuing, “**But young blood with a thirst for glory stands in the way...Will they meet again in February?**” Good try, FOX, but I don’t think a Toronto-Chino Championship Game is on anybody’s EFL playoff bracket. Nevertheless, this game in the early Sunday slot kept viewers tuned in until the end. Chino’s **Mark Ingram** busted across the goal line for two 4th quarter touchdown runs to pull within a two-point convert of tying a game the Convicts had trailed in all afternoon. But Prescott’s short cross missed the mark and the Wolverines were able to run out the remaining 3 minutes and hang on for a 24-22 victory at The Wolverine’s Den.

CBS, competing for the viewers in the same time slot, tried to dupe casual fans into believing there was as good a chance as any that the Chargers would find themselves defending their crown in February against **Drew Brees** and the Swordfish. A shot of **Carson Wentz** raising his arms in exultation at the end of last year’s Championship immediately followed by a shot of Brees throwing on the run kept the eyes on the screen while the ears were tantalized with this drivel: “**This Sunday, the young Prince of St. Charles tests his mettle against the Hall-of-Fame bound King of the Treasure Coast in a Game of Thrones Battle that could foretell a February Finale!**” All I can say is, let’s hope not. The “*King of the Treasure Coast*” dispersed his treasure liberally, throwing four interceptions to lucky Charger defenders to lead a total rout of his Florida troops. This was not a game; it was a whipping. It was over so early that Wentz only attempted 13 passes, throwing 3 of those for TDs in a 42-7 final at St. Charles Stadium.

ESPN tested the credulity of the fanbase with its trailer for the *Monday Night Football* duel between the Excaliburs and the Patriots. “**Ageless Tom Brady wants back in the Big Game, and he and his Excaliburs are ready to run through rising superstar DeShaun Watson and the Patriots to get there. But the EFL’s most successful franchise has its own plan to ascend once more to the top of Pacific Conference. Could this Monday Night bring a glimpse of what is to come in February? Watch the Patriots take on the Excaliburs on Monday Night Football!**” I kind of doubt it, ESPN. Both of these teams are in tough in their own divisions and will be lucky to make the playoffs. But if this game actually was, in fact, “*a glimpse of what is to come in February*” then may the Football Gods help us all! Both Brady and Watson were terrible – in perfect weather conditions, no less. Brady was sacked 7 times and was off target all night, while Watson was picked off twice and threw for just 118 yards. The Pats’ running game was the only thing working offensively for either side. The balance of the Charleswood attack consisted of a **Cordarrell Patterson** 100-yard kick return for a TD and a **Marcus Peters** fumble return for another. **Mohamed Sanu** scored the game’s only offensive TD on a 4-yard slant from Watson in a painfully boring 27-6 Charleswood win at Camelot.

The only match-up billed as a potential preview of the Gale Sayers Game that actually has a decent chance of being so was the NBC *Sunday Night Football* battle between the Triumph and the Spartans. Both teams entered the game at 5-1. The offences ranked in the top five and the defences in the top three. The Spartans stood at no.2, the Triumph no.4 in the *AP Power Rankings*. Yes, this could certainly be a preview of a February final. Oddly, NBC took the defensive struggle angle when promoting this game, portraying both quarterbacks as in danger of being smothered or crushed by their opponent: “**Tonight on NBC, Mitch Trubisky faces his toughest test yet against the ravaging Spartan secondary led by Denzel Ward; while the veteran savvy of Philip Rovers will be challenged by Bobby Wagner and top-ranked Triumph defence. It’s the Spartans versus the Triumph on Sunday Night Football!**” I have to give credit to NBC on this occasion – they got it right. This was a defensive struggle in the bend-not-break sense. Field goals dominated the first half. **Philip Rivers** broke through first, zinging a medium out pass to **Rashard Higgins**, who tapped down the sideline for a 17-yard touchdown. **Mitch Trubisky** answered with a deep slant to running back, **James White** – a play that always catches defences by surprise – for a 35-yard score. In the end, Rivers’ “veteran savvy” put rookie running back, **Justin Jackson** in position to score the winning TD with 1:14 left on a 14-yard dive up the middle; and the Spartans came out of Week Seven with a 20-16 victory at Thermopylae Stadium. Was it just Round One?

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ST. CHARLES @ VIRDEN (line – VIOLATORS by 8)

INJURIES: St. Charles – Quincy Enunwa (OUT); Virden – Austin Bryant (OUT), Andrew Sendejo (OUT), Eric Berry (IR);

Fans are super-high on Pat Mahomes with good reason. The kid has thrown 17 TD passes in his last three games and 26 scoring strikes overall. He is on pace to finish with an impressive number, even if not a record-breaking one. Hot is an inadequate word to describe the recent dominance of the Violators' offence, the first to log consecutive weeks with 50+ points scored. On paper, the Chargers' no-name defence looks like an easy target for such an attack, but its on-field performance to date tells a story of effective game-day schemes that place in them in the top five stingiest in points and yards allowed. There will likely be a sound plan to stop Mahomes & Co., but executing the plan will be the ultimate challenge, especially with the threat of Ezekiel Elliott in the background. Carson Wentz is having a solid season and will have his own opportunities. Virden may have its hands full. **PICK: ST. CHARLES**

CHARLESWOD @ BUFFALO (line – DERAILERS by 1)

INJURIES: Charleswood – Brandon Linder (PROBABLE), Marcus Gilbert (OUT), Jalen Mills (OUT), Kelechi Osemele (OUT); Buffalo – Ezekiel Ansah (OUT), Derek Barnett (OUT), Jaquiski Tartt (OUT), RJ McIntosh (OUT), Johnathan Abram (IR).

Both teams are coming off big wins on paper that look a little less impressive when analyzed. The Pats got TDs from defence and special teams to pull away from York in an otherwise tight defensive struggle, while the Derailers demolished Scarborough, the current front-runner for worst team in the league. Still, the level of dominance displayed by Buffalo was the kind one would expect from a top team, begging the question: What kind of team is Buffalo...really? Undoubtedly boasting a highly-talented defence with a proven veteran quarterbacking the offence, they are the top under-achievers in the league. When things finally click, they will be dangerous, but they need to get their act together soon. The Pats have been more successful but equally hard to gauge. The aerial attack under DeShaun Watson has been less impactful than hoped for, even if it has shown flashes. The defence is starting to get results, but there is a feeling it can do more. Anything is possible in this one. Going with the bigger talent here. **PICK: BUFFALO**

NEW JERSEY @ PEG CITY (line – Pick'Em)

INJURIES: New Jersey – Bruce Ellington (OUT), Andrew Norwell (OUT); Peg City – Devin Bush Jr (QUESTIONABLE), Cre'von LeBlanc (OUT), Marcus Maye (OUT), Ricardo Allen (IR), Roderick Johnson (IR).

The Crusaders may be bad but they are anything but boring. They have given up 1,076 yards and 105 points in their last two games but have gained 816 yards and put up 64 points of their own in the same two-game span. It's a rollicking ride whenever and whoever Peg City plays and don't expect this contest to be an exception. The Wrecking Balls' offence is capable of continuing the season-long trend of eviscerating the Crusaders' derelict defence, while the defence is likely incapable of stopping Kirk Cousins and his wide-receiving duo of Keenan Allen and Corey Davis. New Jersey needs to string together a few wins to remain hopeful of a playoff berth. All of the pressure is on them. This should be another blazing shootout with the Pegs playing loose and fancy-free. **PICK: PEG CITY**

TWIN CITIES @ BRUXELLES (line – BOMBERS by 4)

INJURIES: Twin Cities – CJ Beathard (OUT), Chris Lindstrom (OUT), Brandon Shell (OUT), Kyle Allen (FA*-IR). Bruxelles – A'Shawn Robinson (DOUBTFUL), Chris Thompson (OUT), Leonard Fournette (OUT), Kyle Long (OUT).

The Triumph dropped a spot in the power rankings after Mitch Trubisky ripped off a stinker in the team's Week Seven loss to Pickering. It was the first outright awful performance by the young quarterback this year, so there is no reason to panic in Triumph Land. However, the fact that he is capable of being so badly off-target over a 60-minute stretch cannot be totally discounted when

evaluating his team's chances against top competition. The Bombers rebounded from their shocking loss to Seattle by husking the Corn Kings for 539 yards and 45 points. The one-two punch of Marcus Mariota and Marlon Mack looked unstoppable. Balancing the attack in the same way will be key to cracking the stout Triumph D. The home field will help as well. **PICK: BRUXELLES**

CHINO @ SEATTLE (line – CONVICTS by 3)

INJURIES: Chino – Theo Riddick (DOUBTFUL), Trumaine Johnson (OUT), Marvin Jones Jr (OUT), Patrick Ricard (OUT); Seattle – None.

The Pilots have won two games in a row where the defence made plays and Eli Manning looked far from washed up. Nobody should be dismissing them as a walkover right now, but the Convicts are clear and deserved favourites on the road. Dak Prescott had what was for him a bit of an off day against Toronto last week but the Convicts still came within a two-pointer of tying the game late after trailing all day. With Christian McCaffery, Mark Ingram and deceptive speed at wide receiver, they are never out of a contest. While the defence is susceptible to the big play and must improve versus the run, it has held up fairly well in the red zone to keep most games close. The Pilots will need to maintain play-calling balance on offence and control the clock in order to succeed. They can handle the Convicts' wide-outs if Chino is forced into pass mode. The wildcard, of course, is McCaffery. **PICK: CHINO**

IOWA CITY @ LOS ANGELES (line – CUBS by 2)

INJURIES: Iowa City – None; Los Angeles – Vontaze Burfict (PROBABLE), Greedy Williams (OUT).

The Cubs were not in fine form against the Cadillac last week. Credit a hard-nosed effort by their opponent trying to notch their first win. But if Iowa was taking Erieau lightly they had best guard against such over-confidence this week. The Knights haven't caught on to the fact that they are a bad team and are playing with a lot of confidence, even coming off a road loss to Aurora where they kept the outcome respectable. A big part of that confidence has been the play of Lamar Jackson, which makes his benching in favour of Ryan Tannehill last week a mystery. With the QB a game time decision in LA, it is difficult to get a read on this game. The Knights get up for the Cubs no matter where they sit in the standings. With Jackson as a new twist catalyst, all is possible. **PICK: LOS ANGELES**

COWTOWN @ SCARBOROUGH (line – CORN KINGS by 6)

INJURIES: Cowtown – Ronald Darby (OUT), Aqib Talib (OUT), Bilal Powell (OUT). Scarborough – Nick Bosa (QUESTIONABLE), Jamison Crowder (OUT), Deion Jones (OUT).

The play of the Corn Kings' defence the past two weeks has been a source of major concern. The situation just got even worse with the sidelining of Ronald Darby for at least 6 games. With both starting corners out, the already shaky secondary is as vulnerable as it can be, offering a glimmer of hope to Blue Eagles' QB, Drew Lock. He looked like the rookie he is in his first career start last week against a top-grade defence. The Cowtown defence won't be as challenging, but it is doubtful Lock can keep pace with a suddenly red-hot Joe Flacco, who has thrown 7 TD passes in the past two games. This is a game Cowtown should win, but not necessarily with ease. Although winless, the Eagles have shown real tenacity when playing sub-500 teams and want to win one. **PICK: SCARBOROUGH**

SEBASTIAN @ DURHAM (line – SWORDFISH by 3)

INJURIES: Sebastian – CJ Anderson (OUT), Levi Wallace (OUT), D'Onta Foreman (OUT), Mark Glowinski (OUT), Geron Christian Sr. (IR), Kevin King (IR), Patrick Robinson (IR); Durham – Zach Fulton (OUT), Jack Conklin (OUT), Cooper Kupp (OUT), L. Duvernay-Tardif (IR).

So thorough was the thrashing the Chargers laid on the Swordfish last week that some oddsmakers have this as a "pick'em" on their boards. Going with the Vegas line here – as it tends to consider long term fundamentals over streakiness – which says the Swordfish are the better team on paper, beginning with their Hall-of-Fame QB, Drew Brees and ending with a talented trio of pass-rushers who will make life difficult for the semi-mobile Nick Foles. But it would be careless to dismiss Foles entirely. He has shown the ability to catch fire and take over a game. He has the receiver depth at his disposal to finish the job and Sebastian is currently hurting badly at corner. He won't get much help from his running game but might not need much more than the occasional handoff to keep the pass rush honest. Expect fireworks. Brees still has a bone to pick with Durham management and will rise up here. **PICK: SEBASTIAN**

YORK @ TORONTO (line – WOLVERINES by 6)

INJURIES: York – Russell Bodine (OUT), Paul Richardson Jr. (OUT), Brandon Scherff (OUT); Toronto – Mark Barron (OUT), Tim Williams (OUT).

It has been a roller coaster ride for York and they are coming out of a steep dip versus the Pats last week that busted them down to under 500. The play of Tom Brady seems to dictate the fortunes of the Swords and his play has been inconsistent, despite support from a strong running tandem behind him. The wide receivers are the weak spot – they have a total of 56 catches, one catch more than the combined efforts of Zach Ertz and Giovani Bernard. The Wolverines appear to be stabilizing after a shaky start to the campaign. Their

victory last week was the first against a team with a winning record, while Aaron Rodgers made a few elite-level plays to contribute on a statistically modest day. They have the edge offensively and the personnel on defence to curtail Brady, but this will not be a runaway for either team. Expect York to slow the game down to a grind with a heavy regimen of Derrick Henry and Nick Chubb. **PICK: YORK**

BROOKLIN @ AURORA (line – MUSTANGS by 9)

INJURIES: Brooklin – Alshon Jeffery (OUT); Aurora – Preston Brown (OUT), Albert Wilson (OUT).

The pyrotechnics of the Hawks' 3-point loss to Virden, in which the teams combined for 101 points and a record 1,217 yards of offence, will have made an impression on the Aurora Air Force. Derek Carr out-dueled Virden's QB prodigy statistically and in doing so has served notice that he can lead his team to more than also-ran status. But the Mustangs' defence is a lot stouter than Virden's, while Matt Ryan can be expected to exert serious pressure on the Brooklin defence early with more than one deep shot to Davante Adams. Judging from the Hawks' defensive performance last week, they are ripe for the picking. The Mustangs' defence has shown no such weakness so far, although they have struggled somewhat to stop the run. This game could get out of hand against Brooklin, or it could turn into another close fireworks display. Expect 3 quarters of tight competition before a late Hawks collapse. **PICK: AURORA**

GEORGIA @ BUDAPEST (line – NORTH STARS by 10)

INJURIES: Georgia – Will Fuller V (OUT), Mike Iupati (OUT); Budapest – Earl Thomas (OUT).

It is looking more like a lost season for Georgia after they fell at home to Seattle last week. Desperation seemed to fill the air in Georgia Stadium as the Glads went for it 6 times on 4th down, converting three in an effort to kick-start their floundering offence. Big Ben had a so-so, non-disastrous outing; which is a step in the right direction. But on a clear and dry day, the run game was stuck in the mud, averaging less than 2 yards per carry. Nothing seems to be going right for Dave Birdsall's warriors and things are not likely to improve this week. The North Stars are at full throttle chasing Pickering for the top spot in the Coastal. Baker Mayfield turned up the heat when it mattered, throwing 5 TD passes in a come-from-behind win last week. The advantage the Glads thought they had, at QB, is looking like a confirmed deficit. There is not much more to say about this game, actually. You get the idea. **PICK: BUDAPEST**

ERIEAU @ PICKERING (line – SPARTANS by 20)

INJURIES: Erieau – Deontay Burnett (OUT), Ted Ginn Jr., (OUT), Marshawn Lynch (OUT), Tyron Smith (OUT). **Pickering** – None.

The Cadillac gave the Cubs' offence almost more than it could handle last week. A pair of huge plays covered up what was a dominant effort by the Erieau defence. Alas, the Caddies offence over-heated and had to pull off to the sideline after grabbing a 13-7 lead late in the 1st half. The impressive flashes we occasionally see from the Erieau D show their resolve to get in the 'Win' column at some point this year. Unfortunately, that will not happen this week. The Spartans currently stand atop the power rankings and few will argue that they are not the best team in the league right now. People talk about their offence, but it's been the defence that has made the difference between a very good team and a dominant one. The line looks over-sized at first, until one thinks it through. **PICK: PICKERING**



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FROM THE EFL ARCHIVES – In Week Seven of the 2013 EFL Season, the game of the week turned out to be the cross-conference contest between Charleswood and Twin Cities (The Triumph once resided in the Atlantic Conference). **Peyton Manning** turned from hero to goat in a 7-minute span; throwing his 4th TD pass of the day to tie the game at 35 and force overtime; then throwing his first pick of the day to set up **Stephen Gostkowski**'s game-winning 25-yard FG. The Triumph, still in building mode, saw it as a growth win, whereas the Pats, very much in contention, were stung by the

loss. **Jason Findlay** was uncharacteristically terse after the game, coming up short of blaming the officiating but unmistakably pointing in that direction.

Fortunately for the Pats, one of their principal competitors in their division, Virden, got slammed by Cowtown, 24-0. It was a rare shutdown performance by the erratic Cowtown defence and it came against one of the top offences in the league. They sacked **Matt Stafford** 6 times and **Quentin Jammer** returned an interception 28 yards to set up a TD. **Lance Barrate** was overheard calling his QB, "a bum."

Week Seven was the first week the Garland Mustangs took the field without their founding Head Coach, **Doug Shirley**. Replacing him for the game was the privileged and pampered boy coach, **Ryan Rich** (who would later receive the Toronto Wolverines franchise as a birthday gift). Call it beginner's luck. Rich coached the Mustangs to a 47-3 demolition of Mohave, demonstrating for the first time the dominant potential of the team that would go on to become the Aurora Mustangs.

Chino's **Alterraun Verner** won Defensive Player of the Week for his 2 interceptions that were the main factor in Chino's 24-21 upset win over the Thunder Lizards.