

# NFL GAMEDAY

## WEEK 12

### TENNESSEE TITANS @ HOUSTON TEXANS

HOUSTON'S ANDRE JOHNSON....IS A PASS-CATCHING MACHINE.

LAST WEEK JOHNSON WAS A TARGET FOR BOTH HIS QUARTERBACK -- AND TITANS DEFENDER CORTLAND FINNEGAN.

### ST LOUIS RAMS @ DENVER BRONCOS

FOR BRONCOS HEAD COACH JOSH McDANIELS, LAST SUNDAY WAS A GAME OF FRUSTRATION AND ADJUSTMENTS.

THE BRONCOS CALLS ON OFFENSE MAY HAVE BEEN CONFUSING BUT IT WAS THE ONES THEY MADE ON DEFENSE THAT PUT THEM IN A HOLE.

FOR THREE QUARTERS, THE BRONCOS COULDN'T TACKLE.... OR COVER.

(quick) LED BY ITS FEISTY COACH, DENVER TRIED TO FIGHT BACK FROM A 20-POINT FOURTH QUARTER DEFICIT.

THE BRONCOS DID NOT RECOVER THE ONSIDES KICK.// THEY DID GET THE BALL BACK. BUT ON THIS DAY, THEY ONCE AGAIN FELL ONE PLAY SHORT.

### **SAN DIEGO CHARGERS @ INDIANAPOLIS COLTS**

INDIANAPOLIS GOT DOWN LIKE AN ANCHORMAN PLAYING THE JAZZ FLUTE.  
SAN DIEGO, YOU STAY...

THERE'S NOTHING CLASSY ABOUT A PICK IN PUBLIC.

ONCE AGAIN, THE COLTS SELF-DESTRUCTED AGAINST THE CHARGERS.

IF THE CHARGERS WANT TO RUN THE BELLY, OR THE GUT, THEY'VE FOUND  
THEIR MAN IN RUNNING BACK MIKE TOLBERT.

### **MINNESOTA VIKINGS @ WASHINGTON REDSKINS**

THE FIRST DAY ON A NEW JOB CAN BE NERVE-WRACKING...

...ESPECIALLY WHEN A LATE 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER LEAD NEARLY VANISHES.

AFTER A FLAG CAUSED THE SKINS TO FLOUNDER -- FATHER TIME KILLED THE  
CLOCK.

IT HAS BEEN A RATHER UNEVENTFUL YEAR IN MINNESOTA HASN'T IT.  
(THROAT CLEAR, AHEM).

### **PITTSBURGH STEELERS @ BUFFALO BILLS**

FROM THE STRANGE BUT TRUE DEPARTMENT IN BUFFALO: A LEFT-FOOTED  
BEN ROETHISLBERGER POOCH PUNT.

NOT SO STRANGE: THE BILLS ONCE AGAIN SHOWING THEY'RE NO DOGS BY  
MOUNTING A SECOND HALF COMEBACK AGAINST THE STEELERS.

BUFFALO'S GREATEST CHALLENGE WAS HANGING ONTO THE BALL IN THE FACE OF A WITHERING PITTSBURGH DEFENSE.

DESPITE SEVERAL MISSED OPPORTUNITIES, THE BILLS FORCED OVERTIME -- AN EXTRA PERIOD THAT RETURNER LEODIS MCKELVIN ALMOST ENDED ON THE OPENING PLAY.

ONE POSSESSION LATER, THE BILLS TOOK ANOTHER SHOT AT AN OVERTIME OVATION.

STEVIE JOHNSON'S TOUGH LUCK DAY HELPED THE STEELERS LUCK OUT.

### **CINCINNATI BENGALS @ NY JETS**

[NO NARRATION]

### **TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS @ BALTIMORE RAVENS**

THE BUCCANEERS, WHO ENTERED THE GAME WITH THE NFC'S LOWEST SACK TOTAL, DUMPED JOE FLACCO 4 TIMES.

TAMPA BAY'S OFFENSE DIDN'T GET ON TRACK UNTIL IT WAS TOO LATE. TRAILING 17-3 WITH 3:11 REMAINING, JOSH FREEMAN AND KELLEN WINSLOW COMBINED FOR THE BUCS' ONLY TOUCHDOWN.

BUT THE BUCCANEERS COULDN'T OVERCOME THE 17 POINTS BALTIMORE HAD SCORED BY THE RAVENS IN THE SECOND QUARTER.

JOE FLACCO THREW TWO SCORING PASSES, INCLUDING A 65 YARDER TO TODD HEAP.

### **GREEN BAY PACKERS @ ATLANTA FALCONS**

IT MIGHT BE HARD FOR THE FALCONS TO CONTINUE FLYING UNDER THE RADAR.

THE PACKERS BEST RUNNER WAS ACTUALLY QUARTERBACK AARON RODGERS.

DOWN 79 YARDS AWAY FROM A TIE GAME AARON RODGERS WAS GREAT. STANDING IN, CONVERTING NOT ONE BUT TWO FOURTH DOWNS, FINDING WAYS TO FIND FIRST DOWNS.

SURE THE CALLS WERE GOOD. BUT RODGERS WAS EVEN BETTER.

WITH JUST 56 SECONDS TO PLAY, THE FALCONS DIDN'T PACK IT IN.

### **JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS @ NEW YORK GIANTS**

THE JAGUARS HAD WON THREE STRAIGHT, AND EARLY ON IT LOOKED LIKE THEY WOULD RUN THEIR WAY TO FOUR IN A ROW.

THERE ARE A LOT OF BRIGHT LIGHTS IN THE BIG CITY, BUT IT WAS BIG BLUE'S DEFENSE THAT DELIVERED A MARQUEE PERFORMANCE IN THE SECOND HALF.

AT THE START OF THE FOURTH QUARTER, THE GIANTS TRAILED BY EIGHT.

## **KANSAS CITY CHIEFS @ SEATTLE SEAHAWKS**

SEATTLE HAD PROBLEMS WITH PROTECTION ON OFFENSE. // BUT BLOCKS CAME EASY ON SPECIAL TEAMS.

TWICE IN THE FIRST HALF, MATT CASSEL CONNECTED WITH DWAYNE BOWE FOR TOUCHDOWNS... BUILDING A 21-7 LEAD.

KANSAS CITY OUT-RUSHED SEATTLE 270 YARDS TO 20. THE CHIEFS KNEW WHAT THEY WERE DOING ON THE GROUND... EVEN WHEN IT TOOK THEM TIME TO REALIZE IT.

RESULTS **ARE** ALL THAT MATTER. THE CHIEFS ARE IN FIRST PLACE, AND CASSEL HAS 22 TOUCHDOWN PASSES AGAINST ONLY FOUR INTERCEPTIONS.

### **WHIPAROUND:**

***New England @ Detroit; New Orleans @ Dallas; Philadelphia @ Chicago; San Francisco @ Arizona; Carolina @ Cleveland; Miami @ Oakland***

I KNOW YOU'RE NOT THRILLED ABOUT THE IN-LAWS COMING FOR THANKSGIVING BUT MAYBE THEY'LL BRING THE GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE.

DEION BRANCH CAME BACK IN A TRADE, AND THE PATS ARE HAPPY HE'S HOME.

LEFTOVERS ARE GOOD.

BUT LEAVE-BEHINDS AREN'T SO GOOD, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOUR TEAM IS LEADING LATE IN THE 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER.

IF YOU'RE SICK OF EATING, JUST WALK AWAY FROM THE TABLE AND WATCH SOME FOOTBALL ON THE BIG SCREEN.

AFTER GREEN BAY'S LOSS IN ATLANTA, THE BEARS TOOK A ONE GAME LEAD IN THE NFC NORTH WITH A WIN OVER THE EAGLES.

LOCATION LOCATION LOCATION. THE ONLY THING BETTER THAN WATERFRONT IS OWNING PROPERTY IN THE NFC WEST. // DESPITE A 4 AND 7 RECORD, THE 49'ERS ARE A GAME OUT OF FIRST PLACE.

WALDO IS EASY TO FIND, BUT WHERE'S CAROLINA'S DEFENSE? THERE— UNDERNEATH THE 18 WHEELER KNOWN AS PEYTON HILLIS.

IF YOU COOK IT RIGHT, ROADKILL TASTES LIKE PIGEON.

AND THE RAIDERS THREE GAME WINNING STREAK AT THE END OF OCTOBER NOW SEEMS A BIT FISHY.

THAT'S RONNIE BROWN SIGNING AUTOGRAPHS; AND THIS IS THE WHIP ... SIGNING OFF.