

# **NFL GAMEDAY**

## **WEEK 15**

### **JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS @ INDIANAPOLIS COLTS**

THE COLTS ARE USED TO RUNNING AWAY WITH THE AFC SOUTH.

BUT LOSE THIS GAME, AND THE DIVISION RACE WAS OVER. THE JAGUARS COULDN'T KEEP PACE WITH DONALD BROWN WHO RAN FOR A CAREER HIGH 129 YARDS AS INDIANAPOLIS BUILT A COMMANDING LEAD.

TWO TOUCHDOWN PASSES BY DAVID GARRARD NARROWED THE COLTS LEAD.

### **NEW YORK JETS @ PITTSBURGH STEELERS**

THE JETS FOLLOWED THE SURPRISE ON THE OPENING COIN TOSS, WITH A BIGGER ONE ON THE OPENING KICKOFF.

DESPERATELY NEEDING A WIN, THE JETS CALLED PLAYS THEY HADN'T TRIED ALL SEASON.

JETS RECEIVER BRAYLON EDWARDS HELPED RESTORE MARK SANCHEZ'S CONFIDENCE... AND BEFORE A 4<sup>TH</sup> AND 1, TRIED TO KEEP UP REX RYAN'S BRAVADO.

DOWN 5, ONE OF THE GAME'S GREAT LAST GASP QUARTERBACKS, WAS AT IT AGAIN.

BEN ROETHLISBERGER DROVE THE STEELERS 82 YARDS IN 2 MINUTES...AND WITH 9 SECONDS LEFT, WAS 10 YARDS AWAY FROM HANDING THE JETS A (THIRD STRAIGHT) CRUSHING DEFEAT.

### **NEW ORLEANS SAINTS @ BALTIMORE RAVENS**

STANDING IN BALTIMORE'S WAY WERE THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS - DEFENDING SUPER BOWL CHAMPIONS // WINNERS OF SIX STRAIGHT AND OWNERS OF THE MOST PROLIFIC PASSING ATTACK IN THE NFC.

THE RAVENS QUARTERBACK AND RECEIVERS SHOWED THEY WERE NO ORDINARY JOES.

RAY RICE CAUGHT FIRE AND THE RAVENS COOKED UP SOME OLD FASHIONED SMASH MOUTH FOOTBALL.

THE SAINTS WERE IN TROUBLE, BUT STILL CAPABLE OF PRODUCING A MIRACLE.

BALTIMORE HELD NEW ORLEANS TO JUST 27 YARDS RUSHING THE WHOLE GAME. TRAILING BY THREE AT THE END OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER, THE SAINTS TURNED TO DREW BREES.

### **GREEN BAY PACKERS @ NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS**

MOMENTUM WAS QUICKLY SNATCHED AWAY BY NEW ENGLAND WHO ONCE AGAIN PROVED THAT ANYONE, AT ANY MOMENT, CAN MAKE A PLAY.

GREEN BAY'S DREAM OF WINNING MATT FLYNN'S FIRST START EVENTUALLY BECAME A NIGHTMARE.

### **PHILADELPHIA EAGLES @ NEW YORK GIANTS**

IT'S A STORY NO ONE SAW COMING, A COMEBACK WE'LL BE TALKING ABOUT FOR YEARS. IF THERE'S ANYTHING WE'VE LEARNED IN THE 2010 SEASON, IT IS NEVER TO COUNT OUT MICHAEL VICK. HIS LATEST VICTORY: THE MIRACLE IN THE NEW MEADOWLANDS.

FOR MOST OF THE DAY THE EAGLES DIDN'T BELONG ON THE FIELD WITH THE GIANTS.

MIDWAY THROUGH THE 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER ELI MANNING'S 4<sup>TH</sup> TOUCHDOWN PASS GAVE THE GIANTS A 31-10 LEAD.

BUT AFTER 3 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER COMEBACKS IN THEIR PAST 4 GAMES, VICK AND THE EAGLES WEREN'T QUITE READY TO CALL IT A DAY.

IN LESS THAN 8 MINUTES VICK RAN AND THREW FOR OVER 200 YARDS. // THE EAGLES RALLY TURNED THE NFC EAST'S GAME OF THE YEAR INTO THE NFL'S GAME OF THE YEAR.

WITH 14 SECONDS LEFT AND THE SCORE TIED AT 31 THE GIANTS GAVE THE BALL BACK TO THE EAGLES ONE MORE TIME.

DESEAN JACKSON'S TOUCHDOWN WAS THE FIRST WALKOFF PUNT RETURN IN NFL HISTORY.

### **ATLANTA FALCONS @ SEATTLE SEAHAWKS**

ATLANTA'S NEW DIRTY BIRDS HAD THE TIME OF THEIR LIVES IN SEATTLE.

NOBODY PUTS BABY IN THE CORNER, BUT THE FALCONS HELPED PUT MATT HASSELBECK ON THE BENCH.

HASSELBECK'S UNDERSTUDY DIDN'T PERFORM MUCH BETTER.

THREE MATT RYAN TOUCHDOWN PASSES HELPED LIFT THE FALCONS TO 12 AND 2. WITH A TRIP TO THE PLAYOFFS GUARANTEED, ATLANTA'S LOOKING TO CLINCH THE NUMBER ONE SEED.

**KANSAS CITY CHIEFS @ ST LOUIS RAMS**

NO SCRIPT

**CHI CAGO BEARS @ MINNESOTA VIKINGS**

A PUNCTURED METRODOME ROOF FORCED THE VIKINGS TO PLAY THEIR FIRST OUTDOOR HOME GAME IN 29 YEARS. NO, BRETT FAVRE DIDN'T START THAT GAME. AND HE DIDN'T FINISH THIS ONE.

ROOKIE REPLACEMENT JOE WEBB TRIED HIS BEST TO RALLY THE VIKINGS.

A LITTLE TIME WAS ALL JAY CUTLER NEEDED.

CUTLER PIERCED THE FRIGID MONDAY NIGHT AIR WITH THREE TOUCHDOWN PASSES. THE STATISTICS FOR CHICAGO'S RECORD- SETTING RETURNER WERE EVEN MORE IMPRESSIVE.

**WHIPAROUND:**

***Washington @ Dallas; Houston @ Tennessee; Arizona @ Carolina; Buffalo @ Miami; Denver @ Oakland; Cleveland @ Cincinnati; Detroit @ Tampa Bay; San Francisco @ San Diego***

THE WHIP LOVES SANTA, BUT HATES THE GRINCH...

...WHO TRAVELS THE LEAGUE, PUTTING TEAMS IN A PINCH.

THE GRINCH BENCHED MCNABB. THE FANS DID HE VEX.

THANKS TO THE GROSS PLAY OF THE MAN THEY CALL REX.

AFTER ONE HALF, THE DECISION HAD FLOPPED.

THE NEXT HALF WAS BETTER, BUT THE SKINS WERE STILL TOPPED.

THE GRINCH FELT LONELY, SO HE BOUGHT A DISGUISE...

...AND FOUND SOMEONE TO WHISPER SWEET NOTHINGS AND LIES.

KERRY COLLINS GIFT-WRAPPED A PICK WITH A THROW MOST UNPLEASANT.

HOUSTON GAVE IT RIGHT BACK, LIKE AN UNWANTED PRESENT.

DESPITE BAD BOUNCES, THE PANTHERS DOUBLED THEIR WINS FOR THE SEASON.

BUT WHY WERE THEY STILL GRUMPY? WELL, JUST ASK JON BEASON.

ONE MOMENT, MIAMI EARNED CHEERS AND CLAPS.

THE NEXT, IT LOOKED LIKE A BUNCH OF SAPS.

THE GRINCH TOOK GREAT JOY IN CREATING A MESS.

HE MADE DENVER PLAY **NO** DEFENSE, INSTEAD OF ZONE OR PRESS.

BUT, OH, WHAT WAS THAT? COULD IT BE? A WIN?

WE HAVEN'T SEEN ONE OF THOSE SINCE SEPTEMBER, IN THE CITY OF CIN.....CINATTI.

THE GRINCH WANTED "BOO-WHO'S," BUT NONE DID HE HEAR.

THEN HE THOUGHT A NEW THOUGHT, "HEY, IT'S **FUN** TO CHEER."

THE GRINCH FOUND IT "HIP" TO "HIP-HIP-HOORAY."

AND THEY SAY THAT HIS HEART GREW THREE SIZES THAT DAY.