

NFL GAMEDAY

Week 12

GREEN BAY PACKERS @ DETROIT LIONS

NDAMUKONG SUH PUT A LITTLE EXTRA ELBOW GREASE INTO HIS PASS RUSH OF AARON RODGERS.

THE LIONS GOT A BREAK WHEN THE PACKERS FAILED TO STRETCH THEIR LEAD TO 14-0, BUT SUH'S HOT TEMPER GAVE GREEN BAY NEW LIFE.

NEW YORK GIANTS @ NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

ELI MANNING HAS NEVER TAKEN A DIVE IN HIS LIFE -- BUT HE SURE WATCHED PLENTY OF THEM IN HIS RETURN HOME TO NEW ORLEANS.

THE SAINTS PILED UP 577 YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE -- SECOND MOST IN TEAM HISTORY. THE GIANTS DROPPED THEIR THIRD STRAIGHT.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS @ KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

BRETT KEISEL'S FACIAL HAIR IS CALLED THE FEARBEARD, AND SEEING IT ACROSS THE LINE OF SCRIMMAGE CAN MAKE YOUR HANDS SHAKE.

YOU BET HE'S GOT IT. AND THE FEARBEARD GOT IN TYLER PALKO'S FACE.

WHEN THE FEARBEARD COMES OFF THE EDGE, YOU STEP UP IN THE POCKET, NO MATTER THE CONSEQUENCES.

SURE THE STEELERS SCORED SOME POINTS.

BUT THIS GAME BELONGED TO ONE MAN, AND ONE BEARD.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS @ BALTIMORE

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CLEVELAND BROWNS @ CINCINNATI BENGALS

EARLY ON, IT SEEMED CINCINNATI MIGHT HAVE THE BROWNS ON THE RUN.

MARVIN LEWIS WATCHED THE LAST-PLACE BROWNS TAKE HIS DEFENSE APART.

BUFFALO BILLS @ NEW YORK JETS

THIS PAST SUNDAY, IT WAS A FOOTBALL VERSION OF THE O.K. CORRAL; WITH BUFFALO AND NEW YORK BOTH WANTING THE CHANCE TO CHISEL THE OTHER'S PLAYOFF TOMBSTONE.

TIED AT 7 IN THE SECOND QUARTER, THE SHOWDOWN GOT PERSONAL.

JOHNSON'S EXCESSIVE CELEBRATION LED NOT TO REVENGE, BUT A RECKONING.

WHILE FORMER JET, BRAD SMITH PROVED TO BE THE BILLS' WYATT EARP.

TRAILING BY 3, QUARTERBACK MARK SANCHEZ FOUND BOTH OF HIS BIG WEAPONS.

BUT THE BILLS STILL HAD ONE SHOT LEFT...

MIAMI DOLPHINS @ DALLAS COWBOYS

THE COWBOYS HAVE TEETERED BETWEEN IMPRESSIVE AND DISAPPOINTING ALL SEASON. THEY AGAIN SERVED UP A LITTLE OF BOTH ON THANKSGIVING.

DALLAS WON THEIR FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME TO TAKE FIRST PLACE IN THE DIVISION, WHEN ROOKIE DAN BAILEY KICKED HIS SECOND GAME WINNING FIELD GOAL IN FIVE DAYS.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS @ PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

THE NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS HAVE A SAYING: FOOTBALL SEASON STARTS AFTER THANKSGIVING. BUT IN THE FIRST QUARTER, THE EAGLES WERE BEATING THE STUFFING OUT THEM.

PHILADELPHIA SCORED THE FIRST TEN POINTS OF THE GAME.

DEION BRANCH'S 63 YARD CATCH-AND-RUN SPARKED A DEMOLITION OF THE EAGLES DEFENSE.

THE PATRIOTS SCORED THIRTY-EIGHT POINTS IN THIRTY-EIGHT MINUTES.

FOR THE EAGLES A ONCE-PROMISING SEASON IS ALL BUT OVER, WHILE THE PATRIOTS, AS USUAL, ARE HITTING THEIR POST-THANKSGIVING STRIDE.

DENVER BRONCOS @ SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

THE CHARGERS PRAYERS OF ENDING THEIR FIVE GAME LOSING STREAK WOULD REST ON THEIR ABILITY TO CONTAIN TIM TEBOW.

SAN DIEGO TOOK A 10 – 0 LEAD.

THE CHARGERS COULDN'T PROTECT THEIR LEAD, OR THEIR LEADER.

SAN DIEGO WAS THE LATEST TEAM TO BE BAPTIZED BY TEBOW... WHO LED ANOTHER GAME-TYING DRIVE IN THE FOURTH QUARTER... AND A GAME-WINNING DRIVE IN OVERTIME.

CHICAGO BEARS @ OAKLAND RAIDERS

ALL BACK-UP QUARTERBACKS HAVE "JIM-PLUNKETT" DREAMS OF TAKING OVER AND WINNING A SUPER BOWL. BUT RIGHT NOW CHICAGO HAS THE "CALEB-HENNIE" REALITY – AND THAT MIGHT KEEP THEM OUT OF THE PLAYOFFS.

OAKLAND WAS CARRIED BY ITS KICKERS. SEBASTIAN JANIKOWSKI'S SIX FIELD GOALS AND SHANE LECHLER'S 80-YARD PUNT BOTH SET TEAM RECORDS.

DEFENSE KEPT CHICAGO IN THE GAME. THE BEARS STOPPED OAKLAND 12 OF 15 TIMES ON THIRD DOWN.

JOHNNY KNOX RAN PAST THE RAIDERS, COLLECTING 145 YARDS ON FOUR CATCHES.

OAKLAND RUSHED FOR JUST 73 YARDS, BUT MICHAEL BUSH'S THREE-YARD TOUCHDOWN WAS THE DIFFERENCE.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS @ SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

THIS IS "BIG" RED BRYANT: A WELL FED BEAST WHO ONLY LEAVES HIS CAVE TO FEAST ON RUNNING BACKS, AND GOBBLE-UP FIELD GOALS.

THE SEAHAWKS OFFENSE LEANED HEAVILY ON MARSHAWN LYNCH. HE ACCOUNTED FOR ALMOST HALF THEIR YARDS AND CAUGHT A TOUCHDOWN, HELPING SEATTLE OPEN UP A 17-7 FOURTH QUARTER LEAD.

REDSKINS ROOKIE ROY HELU SAID "HEY-LU!" TO THE NFL BY MAKING HIS FIRST PROFESSIONAL TOUCHDOWN A BEAUTY.

THE REDSKINS SCORED 16 UNANSWERED POINTS TO SNAP A SIX GAME LOSING STREAK.

WHIPAROUND:

Carolina @ Indianapolis; Tampa Bay @ Tennessee; Minnesota @ Atlanta; Arizona @ St Louis; Houston @ Jacksonville

AHH THE GOOD OLD DAYS -- MARVIN HARRISON, PEYTON MANNING -- THIS SEASON THE COLTS MOST PROLIFIC COMBO SEEMS LIKE CURTIS PAINTER TO THE OTHER TEAM.

CAROLINA CAN CLAW ITS WAY OUT OF THE DIVISION CELLAR BY BEATING TAMPA BAY THIS WEEKEND.

THOUGH NOT FOR LACK OF EFFORT, THE BUCS DROPPED THEIR 5TH STRAIGHT AT TENNESSEE.

THE DUELING HANDS OF HARRY DOUGLAS AND RODDY WHITE STAKED THE FALCONS TO AN EARLY LEAD DOWN IN GEORGIA.

FOR DELIVERANCE, THE VIKINGS TURNED TO PERCY HARVIN, WHO CAME UP JUST SHORT ON THE LONGEST NON-SCORING PLAY IN NFL HISTORY.

SOMETIMES JUST MISSING THE END ZONE CAN BE A STAGGERING BLOW.

BUT NO SHOT TO THE MID-SECTION HURT THE RAMS MORE THAN PATRICK PETERSON'S PUNT RETURN UP THE GUT.

THE GRIM REAPER VISITED JACKSONVILLE TOO, FELLING THE FOOTBALL LIFE OF A COACH, AN OWNER, AND A QUARTERBACK.

OOH THAT'S NASTY. NOT MATT LEINART'S ARM -- HIS MUSTACHE. WHERE'S THE GRIM REAPERS SCYTHER WHEN YOU NEED IT.

THE JAGUARS LOOKED LIFELESS, ENDING THE JACK DELRIO ERA WITH A...YOU KNOW.