

NFL GAMEDAY

Week 5

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS @ NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

FITTINGLY, DREW BREES TARGETED #19 FOR THE RECORD-BREAKER.

THE SAINTS WOULD FALL BEHIND BY 10...AND IT COULD HAVE BEEN WORSE.

BLOODIED BUT NOT BEATEN, BREES RESPONDED WITH 10 STRAIGHT COMPLETIONS TO CAP THE COMEBACK.

DENVER BRONCOS @ NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

FOR ALMOST THREE QUARTERS, JEROD MAYO AND THE PATRIOTS DEFENSE CONTAINED THE HIGH POWERED BRONCOS OFFENSE.

NEW ENGLAND BUILT A COMMANDING LEAD.

LATE IN THE THIRD QUARTER THE BRONCOS FINALLY BEGAN TO PUSH THE PATRIOTS BACK ON THEIR HEELS.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES @ PITTSBURGH STEELERS

(FOOTE; EAGLES HUDDLE)

THE FIRST HALF INCLUDED FIVE FUMBLES -- TWO LOST BY MICHAEL VICK. / AS NEITHER OFFENSE SEEMED READY TO GRAB HOLD OF STATE BRAGGING RIGHTS.

(WILSON SIDELINE)

THROUGH THREE GAMES, BEN ROETHLISBERGER HAD CARRIED PITTSBURGH'S OFFENSE, WITH LITTLE HELP FROM HIS RUNNING BACKS. / BUT THE STEELERS WERE BOOSTED BY THE RETURN OF RASHARD MENDENHALL, PLAYING HIS FIRST GAME SINCE TEARING HIS ACL LAST JANUARY.

(RADIO – MENDENHAHL TD)

VICK EVENTUALLY ERASED A 10 TO NOTHING DEFICIT WITH TWO SECOND HALF SCORING PASSES.

THE STEELERS TRAILED 14 TO 13 / BUT ROETHLISBERGER AND HIS OFFENSE HELD THE BALL THE FINAL SIX AND HALF MINUTES, AND DROVE INTO RANGE FOR THE WINNING FIELD GOAL.

(RADIO – WINNING F.G.)

CLEVELAND BROWNS @ NEW YORK GIANTS

THE GIANTS HAD REASON TO BE SCARED. THE WINLESS BROWNS UNLOADED ON THEM EARLY.

TRAILING BY 14 AFTER JUST 5 MINUTES, ELI MANNING RESPONDED HITTING VICTOR CRUZ IN THE END ZONE 3 TIMES.

THE GIANTS RUSHED FOR ALMOST 250 YARDS TO FINISH OFF THE BELEAGURED BROWNS.

ATLANTA FALCONS @ WASHINGTON REDSKINS

THE REDSKINS DEFENDED THEIR TURF FOR ALMOST THE ENTIRE FIRST HALF, UNTIL MATT RYAN CONNECTED WITH ONE OF HIS FAVORITE TARGETS.

AT SIX THREE, TWO HUNDRED AND TEN POUNDS, KIRK COUSINS ISN'T SMALL, AND HE THROWS BIG.

WHAT WAS ABOUT TO HAPPEN, WAS THE FALCONS HANDING THE REDSKINS THEIR EIGHTH CONSECUTIVE LOSS AT HOME.

HOUSTON TEXANS @ NEW YORK JETS

THE JETS WERE STILL IN A FOG EARLY ON AGAINST THE UNBEATEN TEXANS.

BUT THEN A "McKNIGHT" IN SHINING ARMOR APPEARED.

MARK SANCHEZ ADDED A TOUCHDOWN PASS TO KEEP THINGS CLOSE, BUT THE JETS HAD NO ANSWER FOR ARIAN FOSTER, WHO BATTERED NEW YORK FOR 152 RUSHING YARDS. FOSTER -- AND A LATE DEFENSIVE STAND -- SECURED THE BEST START IN TEXANS HISTORY.

CHICAGO BEARS @ JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

JAY CUTLER WAS THE SPITTIN' IMAGE OF AN NFL QUARTERBACK AGAINST THE JAGUARS. NO FEUDIN' -- NO FUSSIN' -- JUST FLINGIN' TOUCHDOWNS.

A PAIR OF INTERCEPTION SCORES BY CHICAGO ADDED TO THEIR LEAGUE-BEST FIVE TOUCHDOWNS ON DEFENSE -- AND KEPT THE BEARS TIED FOR FIRST WITH THE VIKINGS IN THE NFC NORTH.

TENNESSEE TITANS @ MINNESOTA VIKINGS

IN JUNE, PERCY HARVIN REQUESTED A TRADE FROM THE VIKINGS. THROUGH FIVE WEEKS, HARVIN LEADS THE NFL WITH 814 TOTAL YARDS, AND THE ONLY TRADE TALK SURROUNDING HIM NOW IS THE ONE YOU SHOULD BE MAKING TO GET HIM ON YOUR FANTASY TEAM.

BUFFALO BILLS @ SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

LIKE THE GOLD RUSH PROSPECTORS OF LEGEND, THE 49ERS ARE STAKING THEIR CLAIM. AGAINST THE BILLS THEY STRUCK THE MOTHER LODE -- WITH 300 YARDS BOTH RUSHING AND PASSING, WHILE SETTING A FRANCHISE RECORD OF 621 YARDS IN TOTAL OFFENSE.

THE TEAM FROM THE GOLDEN GATE HAS A GOLDEN GLOW -- AND IS NOW TIED FOR FIRST IN THE NFC WEST.

WHIPAROUND: Miami @ Cincinnati; Baltimore @ Kansas City; Seattle @ Carolina; Arizona @ St Louis

LOVE COMES IN MANY FORMS, AND WHILE SOME SIMPLY CAN'T HIDE THEIR EMOTIONS.....OTHERS PREFER TO PLAY HARD TO GET.

LOVE ALSO MEANS NEVER HAVING TO SAY YOU'RE SORRY. JUST ASK THE RAVENS, WHOSE 3 FIELD GOALS WERE ALL THAT WERE NEEDED TO BREAK THE HEARTS OF THE KANSAS CITY FAITHFUL.

AFTER A DISAPPOINTING 1-3 START, IT'S BEEN EASY FOR CAROLINA FANS TO FEEL LIKE CASTAWAYS...AFTER THEIR GAME AGAINST SEATTLE, THEY WERE JUST PLAIN SLEEPLESS.

FOR 4 WEEKS, THE UNDEFEATED CARDINALS SEEMED TO BE IN A LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN. BUT LIFE IS LIKE A GAME OF DIVISION RIVALS, YOU JUST NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GONNA GET.

GREEN BAY PACKERS @ INDIANAPOLIS COLTS

THE COLTS RODE IN ON A WAVE OF EMOTION, BUT ALMOST GOT WIPED OUT BY AARON RODGERS.

ANDREW LUCK WAS SACKED 4 TIMES IN THE FIRST HALF.

GREEN BAY'S 21-3 HALF TIME LEAD TESTED THE COLTS' "CHUCK STRENGTH."

IN THE THIRD QUARTER, LUCK'S TOUCHDOWN PASS TO DWAYNE ALLEN IGNITED A RUN OF 19 UNANSWERED POINTS THAT GAVE INDIANAPOLIS A 22-21 LEAD.

LATE IN THE GAME, LUCK AND REGGIE WAYNE ERASED A 27-22 DEFICIT.

WHEN GREEN BAY HAD ONE LAST GASP, ANOTHER KIND OF LUCK SAVED THE DAY.