NFL GAMEDAY

Week 5

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS @ INDIANPOLIS COLTS

THE UNBEATEN SEAHAWKS TOOK AN EARLY LEAD OVER INDIANAPOLIS.

THE LONGEST TOUCHDOWN PASS OF ANDREW LUCKS CAREER STARTED A COLTS COMEBACK.

NICE HANDS, BUT NOT AS NICE AS JERMAINE KEARSE'S MITTS.

INDIANAPOLIS SCORED 17 OF THE LAST 20 POINTS TO KNOCK SEATTLE FROM THE RANKS OF THE UNBEATEN.

CAROLINA PANTHERS @ ARIZONA CARDINALS

A FULL HOUSE WAS ON HAND IN ARIZONA AS BRUCE ARIANS' FINALLY HAD A FULL DECK OF CARDS.

#58 DARRYL WASHINGTON PLAYED HIS FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON AND HELPED LEAD THE ARIZONA DEFENSE TO SEVEN SACKS AND 4 TAKEAWAYS.

WITH ARIZONA'S DEFENSE COMING UP ACES, THE OFFENSE WAS MORE OF A WILDCARD.

DETROIT LIONS @ GREEN BAY PACKERS

FOR THE LIONS, THE SONG HAS REMAINED THE SAME IN GREEN BAY SINCE MATT STAFFORD WAS THREE: 22 YEARS, 22 LOSSES.

LOSING WIDE RECEIVER CALVIN JOHNSON MADE IT EVEN HARDER TO TAKE THE CHEESE.

AN OFFENSIVE LINE THAT ENTERED THE GAME ALLOWING THE NFL'S FEWEST SACKS, GAVE UP FIVE TO THE PACKERS.

A SIMILAR TACTIC WAS USED ON THE PACKERS #89, JAMES JONES, WITH NO SUCCESS.

DENVER BRONCOS @ DALLAS COWBOYS

AFTER ROBBING DEFENSES OF THEIR DIGNITY DURING THE FIRST MONTH OF THE SEASON, PEYTON MANNING HAS BECOME A MARKED MAN. DALLAS WAS ON A MISSION TO TAKE HIM DOWN.

HELD OUT OF THE END ZONE FOR ALMOST THE ENTIRE FIRST QUARTER, MANNING FINALLY GOT THE BRONCO'S SCORING MACHINE ROLLING, LEADING DENVER TO TOUCHDOWNS ON FIVE STRAIGHT POSSESSIONS.

MANNING USED EVERYTHING IN HIS ARSENAL, INCLUDING A PLAY HE HADN'T RUN SUCCESSFULLY IN FIVE YEARS.

IT'S EASY TO BE OVERSHADOWED WHEN FACING MANNING. BUT WHEN DALLAS NEEDED A COMEBACK, TONY ROMO OUTSHINED HIS COUNTERPART.

ROMO TOSSED FIVE TOUCHDOWNS AND ECLIPSED THE COWBOYS FRANCHISE-RECORD WITH 506 YARDS PASSING.

WITH THE SCORE TIED AT 48 JUST OVER TWO MINUTES REMAINED. WHEN ROMO HAS THE BALL LATE IN A GAME, EVEN ONE THAT HE HAS DOMINATED, NOTHING IS A SURE THING.

ROMO AND THE COWBOYS MANAGED TO GO PASS-FOR-PASS WITH THE GAME'S BEST. BUT IN THE END, MANNING AND THE BRONCOS PROVED THAT GREATNESS IS DEFINED BY WINNING.

KANSAS CITY CHEIFS @ TENNESSEE TITANS

WATCHING YOUR TEAMMATES BACK IS A GOOD THING, BUT THE TITANS SHOULD'VE WATCHED WHERE THEY WERE STEPPING.

RYAN FITZPATRICK'S HOT HAND HELPED TENNESSEE GET THEIR LEGS UNDER THEM...

AS THE TITANS SCORED ON THREE STRAIGHT SECOND HALF POSSESSIONS.

FITZPATRICK COULDN'T DO IT. INSTEAD HIS 3 TURNOVERS ON 3 SUCCESSIVE SERIES, FINISHED THE TITANS.

<u>HOUSTON TEXANS @ SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS</u>

SOME THINGS, YOU CAN SET YOUR WATCH TO. UNFORTUNATELY FOR THE TEXANS, ONE OF THEM IS THEIR QUARTERBACK.

THE FORTY-NINERS ARE GOOD ENOUGH, AND DOGGONE IT, PEOPLE LIKE THEM – APPARENTLY EVEN HOUSTON, WHO GAVE THEM THE BALL FOUR TIMES.

SOMEDAY THE O.E.D. MIGHT CONTAIN "YAC," Y-A-C. FOR NOW, FRANK GORE IS THE DEFINITION OF A-O.K.

GORE LED A GROUND GAME THAT POUNDED OUT 177 RUSHING YARDS AND TWO TOUCHDOWNS. // AND THOUGH HE LOST HIS HELMET, IT WAS THE TEXANS WHO WERE UNMASKED.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS @ CINCINNATI BENGALS

IT'S NOT EASY TO SCORE A LOT OF POINTS WHEN YOU PLAY PACMAN IN THE RAIN...NEVERMIND WHEN YOU PLAY THE ENTIRE CINCINNATI DEFENSE.

THE BENGALS SACKED TOM BRADY FOUR TIMES AND ENDED HIS STREAK OF 52-GAMES WITH A TOUCHDOWN PASS.

CINCINNATI WAS HELD OUT OF THE END ZONE UNTIL THE FOURTH QUARTER.

WHEN THEY PATRIOTS NEEDED A GAME-TYING TOUCHDOWN IN THE CLOSING MOMENTS, PLAYING PACMAN BECAME EVEN MORE DIFFICULT.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS @ CHICAGO BEARS

THE BEARS COULDN'T PROTECT JAY CUTLER, AND THEY COULDN'T PROTECT THE FOOTBALL.

CHICAGO TRIED TO BREAK AWAY//BUT THEY JUST BROKE DOWN.

BUFFALO BILLS @ CLEVELAND BROWNS

THAT WAS A VALID QUESTION IN A GAME WHERE BOTH STARTING QUARTERBACKS LEFT WITH KNEE INJURIES. HOWEVER, CLEVELAND COULD SCORE WITHOUT ITS OFFENSE ON THE FIELD.

THE BROWNS WERE IN THE WEEDS UNTIL BRANDON WEEDEN HIT JOSH GORDON TO TIE THE GAME AT 24 LATE IN THE THIRD QUARTER.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS @ ST LOUIS RAMS

LINEBACKER JAMES LAURINAITIS IS THE RAMS CAPTAIN, AND HE LEADS BY EXAMPLE.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS @ OAKLAND RAIDERS

TERRELL PRYOR CONNECTED ON ALL EIGHT OF HIS FIRST QUARTER PASSES, INCLUDING TWO TOUCHDOWNS.

DENNIS ALLEN'S DEFENSE NOTCHED FIVE TURNOVERS.

THE RAIDERS LED BY 21 ENTERING THE FOURTH QUARTER BUT SURRENDERED A PAIR OF TOUCHDOWNS IN A FOUR-MINUTE SPAN.

BALTIMORE RAVENS @ MIAMI DOLPHINS

A SUFFOCATING PASS RUSH WAS THE BANE OF MIAMI'S EXISTENCE.

AFTER RALLYING WITHIN A FIELD GOAL, THE DOLPHINS WERE DOWN TO THEIR LAST GASP.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES @ NEW YORK GIANTS

(OPTIONAL IN PLACE OF THE FIRST RADIO CALL) THE EAGLES OFFENSE WASN'T HAMSTRUNG BY AN INJURY TO MICHAEL VICK.

THE GIANTS TRAILED BY ONE EARLY IN THE FOURTH. BUT ELI MANNING THREW INTERCEPTIONS ON THREE CONSECUTIVE POSSESSIONS.

<u>NEW YORK JETS @ ATLANTA FALCONS</u>

GENO SMITH ENTERED THE GAME WITH AN NFL-WORST 11 TURNOVERS.

HE FINISHED IT WITH THREE TOUCHDOWNS AND NO INTERCEPTIONS.

WITH 1:54 LEFT, SMITH DROVE THE JETS 55 YARDS TO SET UP A GAME-WINNING FIELD GOAL TRY