

# **NFL GAMEDAY**

## **Week 13**

### **DENVER BRONCOS @ KANSAS CITY CHIEFS**

WITH THE DIVISION LEAD AT STAKE, THE CHIEFS ROLLED TO A 21 TO 7 LEAD.

THE PRESSURE DIDN'T COME FROM THE BRONCO DEFENSE. IT CAME FROM THE ARM OF 4 TIME MVP PEYTON MANNING.

MANNING LED THE BRONCOS ON 4 UNANSWERED TOUCHDOWN DRIVES AND TURNED A 7 POINT DEFICIT INTO A 35 TO 21 LEAD.

MANNING EXTENDED HIS RECORD OF 4000 YARD PASSING SEASONS TO 13. HIS TARGET OF CHOICE WAS ERIC DECKER.

MANNING DID CONTROL EVERYTHING AND ERIC DECKER CAUGHT EVERYTHING. DECKER BECAME THE FIRST BRONCO EVER TO CATCH 4 TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME.

FENCED IN AT HIS OWN 8... ALEX SMITH WAS DOWN BY 7 IN THE FINAL MINUTES.

### **NEW ORLEANS SAINTS @ SEATTLE SEAHAWKS**

SO HAD THE SEAHAWKS.

EVERYTHING WENT THE SEAHAWKS WAY IN A DOMINANT PERFORMANCE AGAINST THE SAINTS.

### **TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS @ CAROLINA PANTHERS**

FOR RIVERBOAT RON RIVERA, COACHING DECISIONS ARE A NUMBERS GAME... AND BALANCING ACT.

IT DOESN'T TAKE AN "ANALYTICAL GUY" TO KNOW THAT NUMBER ONE IS NUMBER ONE... AND RIVERA HAS THE LEAGUE'S TOP SCORING DEFENSE.

### **NEW YORK GIANTS @ WASHINGTON REDSKINS**

A REVIVED GROUND GAME JUMP-STARTED NEW YORK'S COMEBACK.

WASHINGTON ALSO COULDN'T STOP JUSTIN TUCK, WHO LOGGED FOUR SACKS IN A NINE-MINUTE SPAN.

THE GIANTS LED BY SEVEN LATE IN THE GAME WHEN CONFUSION REIGNED, AFTER A COMPLETION WAS INCORRECTLY RULED A FIRST DOWN BY THE HEAD LINESMAN.

### **TENNESSEE TITANS @ INDIANAPOLIS COLTS**

COREY REDDING LIKES TO PLAY THE CLASS CLOWN BUT TRUTH IS, HE KNOWS EXACTLY WHAT HE'S DOING.

NOT QUITE. CLINGING TO A ONE-POINT LEAD MIDWAY THROUGH THE FOURTH THE COLTS WENT THE DISTANCE THE OLD FASHIONED WAY, BY GRINDING IT OUT ON THE GROUND.

### **CINCINNATI BENGALS @ SAN DIEGO CHARGERS**

ANY WIN COULD BE ENOUGH TO DISTINGUISH A TEAM IN THE SCRAMBLE FOR THE AFC'S FINAL PLAYOFF SPOT.

THE DESPERATE CHARGERS HELD CINCINNATI TO 41-PASSING YARDS IN THE FIRST HALF.

THREE SAN DIEGO TURNOVERS TRANSFORMED DESPERATION INTO DISASTER.

LATE IN THE THIRD QUARTER IT BECAME SURPRISINGLY EASY BEING GREEN.

BEN-JARVIS GREEN-ELLIS AND THE BENGALS USED 11-PLAYS TO GRIND THE FINAL MINUTES OFF THE CLOCK AND SECURE A SEVEN POINT WIN.

### **ARIZONA CARDINALS @ PHILADELPHIA EAGLES**

ROAD KILL? OR HOME COOKING? -- HOWEVER YOU SLICE IT, IT WAS THE EAGLES WHO ROASTED THE CARDINALS EARLY.

THE SO-CALLED "COLLEGE OFFENSE" OF CHIP KELLY IS ON TRACK FOR A DECEMBER GRADUATION, THANKS TO THE PLAY OF STAR STUDENT--AND TOP-RATED NFL QUARTERBACK -- NICK FOLE.

BUT OF LATE, CARSON PALMER HAS BEEN HOT TOO.

IN THE FOURTH QUARTER, ARIZONA CUT PHILLY'S LEAD TO THREE.

### **GREEN BAY PACKERS @ DETROIT LIONS**

INSTEAD OF PIE, THE LIONS OFFENSE SERVED UP FOUR TURNOVERS.

DETROIT FED GREEN BAY A STEADY DIET OF REGGIE BUSH AND JOIQUE BELL, WHO COMBINED FOR 211 RUSHING YARDS.

WHILE CALVIN JOHNSON CHEWED THROUGH THE PACKERS DEFENSE.

DETROIT ROLLED OUT 37 UNANSWERED POINTS.

TURNING UP THE HEAT, THE LIONS FOUND THAT 7 SACKS AND A SAFETY WAS THE RECIPE FOR TAKING OVER THE NFC NORTH.

### **CHICAGO BEARS @ MINNESOTA VIKINGS**

IN A GAME WHERE ADRIAN PETERSON RUSHED FOR OVER 200 YARDS, IT WAS ANOTHER VIKING WHO BROKE OFF THE RUN OF THE DAY.

EYE-POPPING PLAYS ALSO CAME FROM CHICAGO'S RISING RECEIVING STAR.

JEFFERY TORCHED MINNESOTA'S SECONDARY WITH A DOZEN CATCHES FOR NEARLY 250 YARDS AND A PAIR OF TOUCHDOWNS TO PUT THE BEARS AHEAD.

A LATE VIKING RALLY SENT THE GAME INTO OVERTIME -- WHERE THEY "BOOTED" CHICAGO OUT OF FIRST PLACE IN THE NFC NORTH.

### **JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS @ CLEVELAND BROWNS**

FEW PROTECT A QB'S BLINDSIDE BETTER THAN JOE THOMAS.

AS FOR CHECKING HIS BLIND SPOT, THE QUARTERBACK IS ON HIS OWN.

BRANDON WEEDEN'S THREE TURNOVERS AIDED THE JAGUARS IN TAKING THE LEAD.

JOSH GORDON SET A TEAM RECORD WITH 261 RECEIVING YARDS WHILE BECOMING THE FIRST PLAYER IN NFL HISTORY TO RECORD BACK TO BACK 200-YARD RECEIVING GAMES.

GRIN TURNED TO CHAGRIN AFTER CLEVELAND NATIVE CECIL SHORTS CAUGHT THE GAME WINNER.

### **PITTSBURGH STEELERS @ BALTIMORE RAVENS**

MIKE TOMLIN AND HIS PREDECESSOR BILL COWHER BOTH LED THE STEELERS TO GREATNESS ON THE FIELD, BUT BOTH GOT A LITTLE TOO CLOSE TO THE FIELD.

WHY'D JACOBY JONES GET CAUGHT? TOMLIN WAS SO CLOSE TO THE FIELD OF PLAY JONES WAS FORCED TO CUT RIGHT INTO THE WAITING ARMS OF A PITTSBURGH DEFENDER. INSTEAD OF A TOUCHDOWN THE RAVENS ENDED UP SETTling FOR A FIELD GOAL, WHICH LEFT TOMLIN'S STEELERS WITH A CHANCE TO TIE IN THE FINAL SECONDS.

**WHIPAROUND: New England @ Houston; St Louis @ San Francisco @; Oakland @ Dallas; Miami @ New York Jets; Atlanta @ Buffalo**

HAVING YOUR FACE ON YOUR SOCKS AND LEADING THE FREE WORLD IS A GREAT WAY TO BUILD A PERSONAL BRAND. IF YOU DON'T HAVE THAT, A LITTLE EXTRA EFFORT WILL MAKE YOUR MARK.

GOING THROUGH PEOPLE IS GOOD – GOING OVER THEM IS BETTER.

DEZ BRYANT'S ALSO GOT HOPS. HE ROSE ABOVE TO HELP LIFT THE COWBOYS TO A THANKSGIVING VICTORY.

SOMETIMES IT'S GOOD TO SEE A FRESH FACE.

SOMETIMES NOT. MATT SIMMS REPLACED GENO SMITH AT HALFTIME, BUT THE JETS OFFENSE REMAINED JUST AS STALE.

THE BILLS WERE IN A NEW **PLACE** – CANADA – BUT IN OVERTIME, THEIRS WAS THE SAME OLD STORY, EH?

A FALCONS FIELD GOAL COST BUFFALO THE GAME, AND DOUG MARRONE HIS HAT.