# NFL GAMEDAY

## WEEK 2

## DENVER BRONCOS @ KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

FOR MUCH OF THE FIRST HALF... // ... THE ANTICIPATED SHOWDOWN LOOKED LIKE A CHIEFS RUNAWAY.

LATE IN THE SECOND QUARTER, DENVER'S OFFENSE AWAKENED.

THE GAME WAS TIED AFTER EACH OF THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS.

THE GAME'S PUNCH-COUNTERPUNCH DYNAMIC CONTINUED TO THE FINAL MOMENTS.

PEYTON MANNING DROVE DENVER 80-YARDS IN LESS THAN TWO MINUTES TO TIE THE GAME.

WITH 36-SECONDS REMAINING BEFORE A SEEMINGLY INEVITABLE OVERTIME, THE CHIEFS SAW THEIR HOPES OF ENDING A SIX-GAME LOSING STREAK TO DENVER ROLL AWAY...

#### **NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS @ BUFFALO BILLS**

THE PATRIOTS DON'T WORRY. THEY EXECUTE. WHEN THEY'RE ON THEIR GAME, THERE ARE NO WORDS.

REX RYAN'S BILLS SCORED 21 STRAIGHT POINTS TO START THE FOURTH QUARTER.

TOM BRADY THREW FOR 466 YARDS, AND HIS PERFECT PASS TO DANNY AMENDOLA LED TO A PATRIOTS FIELD GOAL THAT EXTENDED THEIR LEAD.

## SAN DIEGO CHARGERS @ CINCINNATI BENGALS

GOING TO THE CHARGERS BENGALS GAME? SURE, BUT FIRST, LET ME TAKE A SELFIE.

KEENAN ALLEN'S FIRST TOUCH WAS NOT ONE FOR FACEBOOK.

THE BENGALS CAPITALIZED ON A PICTURESQUE CATCH BY A.J. GREEN.

ANDY DALTON'S THREE TOUCHDOWN PASSES STAKED CINCINNATI TO 24-13 LEAD.

WITH THE QUEEN CITY CROWD IN FULL THROAT, THE BENGALS LOOKED TO EXTINGUISH THE CHARGERS HOPES FOR A PHOTO FINISH.

## DETROIT LIONS @ MINNESOTA VIKINGS

DANCING IS ALL ABOUT HAVING RHYTHM.

ADRIAN PETERSON'S FIRST ROUTINE BACK IN MINNESOTA WAS 192 TOTAL YARDS.

TEDDY TWINKLE-TOES BRIDGEWATER WALTZED IN FOR A SCORE.

BUT MOTOWN'S GOT SOUL...AND CALVIN JOHNSON.

DOWN 17-3 AT THE END OF THE FIRST HALF, MATTHEW STAFFORD FOUND HIS GO-TO PARTNER.

IN THE SECOND HALF, THE VIKINGS WERE RELENTLESS.

ZACH LINE'S FIRST CAREER TOUCHDOWN PUT THE GAME OUT OF REACH AS THE VIKINGS SET THEIR SIGHTS ON EVEN LOFTIER GOALS.

## TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS @ NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

FOR SEAN PAYTON AND THE SAINTS TO KEEP THEIR WINNING STREAK ALIVE, THEY NEEDED TO MAKE SOME ADJUSTMENTS. BUT THERE IS ONE PERSON THEY FORGOT TO KEEP IN FOCUS.

NUMBER ONE DRAFT PICK, JAMEIS WINSTON.

DESPITE THE BUCS DOMINANCE, THE SAINTS STILL HAD A CHANCE.

## ST LOUIS RAMS@ WASHINGTON REDSKINS

THE RAM'S DEFENSE TAMED BEAST MODE LAST WEEK, BUT IN WASHINGTON THEY WERE DEALING WITH A WHOLE DIFFERENT ANIMAL.

THE RAM'S HAD ONE GLIMMER OF HOPE.

#### DALLAS COWBOYS @ PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

THE DEFENDING RUSHING CHAMP CHANGED HIS STREET ADDRESS THIS OFF SEASON....BUT WOULD DEMARCO MURRAYS OLD TEAM MISS HIM? (PAUSE) OR WOULD <u>HE</u> MISS THE BLOCKING OF HIS OLD LINE?

THE DALLAS DEFENSE PANTSED. IT'S FORMER TEAMMATE, HOLDING MURRAY TO TWO YARDS ON 13 CARRIES.

THERE IS BUT ONE COMMANDEMENT IN PHILLY...AND IT WAS SMASHED TO PIECES IN THE THIRD QUARTER.

THE COWBOYS WERE FAR FROM BLESSED. ON THIS FUMBLE, TONY ROMO FRACTURED HIS LEFT CLAVICLE.

ROMO'S EXIT APPEARED TO JUMP START PHILLY—BUT HOLDING THE MOMENTUM PROVED DIFFICULT.

THE EAGLE DEFENSE WAS ON THE FIELD FOR OVER FORTY MINUTES. TIRED LEGS LED TO LOOSE COVERAGE.

THE EAGLES ARE 0-2...BUT IT'S THE COWBOYS WHO FACE BIGGER PROBLEMS.

## SEATTLE SEAHAWKS @ GREEN BAY PACKERS

WITH SEATTLE IN TOWN, GREEN BAY HAD HISTORY, AND REVENGE ON ITS MIND. (:05.5)

IN LAST YEAR'S STUNNING NFC CHAMPIONSHIP LOSS, AARON RODGERS WAS SLOWED BY A CALF INJURY. HE'S BACK TO BEING NIMBLE AND AS DANGEROUS AS EVER. (:10.5)

THE GAME RESEMBLED THEIR PREVIOUS MEETING. THE PACKERS AGAIN APPEARED IN FIRM CONTROL, WHEN SEATTLE WRESTED IT AWAY.

DOWN 10 TO START THE SECOND HALF, RUSSELL WILSON THREW TWO TOUCHDOWNS IN A THREE-MINUTE SPAN.

THIS TIME, RODGERS WAS DETERMINED TO BE THE ONE WHO FIRED THE GAME-WINNING SHOT.

IN THIS HIGH PROFILE REMATCH, UNDRAFTED SECOND-YEAR LINEBACKER JAYRONE ELLIOTT, FORCED TWO DECISIVE TURNOVERS IN THE FINAL MINUTES TO SEAL THE PACKERS VICTORY.

## HOUSTON TEXANS @ CAROLINA PANTHERS

CHARLOTTE-BORN STEPH CURRY DRUMMED UP SUPPORT FOR CAROLINA, THEN THE MVP POINT GUARD WATCHED THE PANTHERS POWER FORWARD AGAINST HOUSTON.

THE TEXANS REBOUNDED BEHIND RYAN MALLETT.

THE GAME'S BIGGEST "WOW" WAS CREATED BY CAM NEWTON.

NEWTON LED THE PANTHERS TO THEIR SECOND WIN OF THE SEASON.

## SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS @ PITTSBURGH STEELERS

THE RESIDENTS OF "STEELER COUNTRY" KNOW THAT WEN BEN ROETHLISBERGER IS AT THE CONTROLS, THE PITTSBURGH OFFENSE RARELY GOES OFF THE RAILS.

ANTONIO BROWN'S 9 CATCHES FOR 195 YARDS WERE WINNING NUMBERS IN PITTSBURGH – AND ELSEWHERE.

#### ARIZONA CARDINALS @ CHICAGO BEARS

WHERE NORMAL FOLKS JUST SEE GRASS, BRUCE ARIANS ENVISIONS A LUSH GREEN GARDEN THAT YIELDS A BUMPER CROP OF BIG CARDINAL PLAYS.

THE BEARS' KICKOFF COVERAGE UNIT SUPPLIED THE FERTILIZER AS A BIG PLAY BLOSSOMED ON ARIZONA'S VERY FIRST TOUCH OF THE FOOTBALL AT SOLDIER FIELD.

IN THE EARLY GOING, JAY CUTLER'S ARM KEPT THE GAME CLOSE.

CARSON PALMER FIRED 4 TOUCHDOWN PASSES.

LARRY FITZGERALD SCORED 3 TIMES. ON HIS FINAL TALLY, HE SHAKED, BAKED, AND SHOVED HIS WAY INTO THE END ZONE.

FITZ AND PALMER SOWED THE SEEDS OF VICTORY AS ARIZONA IMPROVED TO 2 AND 0.

#### TENNESSEE TITANS @ CLEVELAND BROWNS

WITH HAT IN HAND, A MORE HUMBLE JOHNY MANZIEL STARTED FOR CLEVELAND. IT HELPED THAT MANZIEL WAS ABLE TO PULL A RECEIVER NICKNAMED "RABBIT" OUT OF HIS HAT.

TRAVIS BENJAMIN ALSO RETURNS PUNTS.

BENJAMIN SCORED 3 TIMES AGAINST TENNESSEE.

THANKS TO THE LUCKY FEET OF "RABBIT" -- AND A FLASH OF THE OLD MANZIEL MAGIC, THE BROWNS' FIRST WIN OF THE SEASON MATERIALIZED IN CLEVELAND.

#### ATLANTA FALCONS @ NEW YORK GIANTS

THERE AREN'T MANY RECEIVERS WHO COMPARE TO JULIO JONES, BUT THE GIANTS ODELL BECKHAM IS ONE OF THEM.

THE GIANTS LED 21-10 IN THE 4<sup>TH</sup> BEFORE THE FALCONS TOOK FLIGHT.

THE GIANTS MIGHT HAVE PUT THE GAME AWAY, BUT MORE 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER FLUBS DOOMED THEM FOR A SECOND STRAIGHT WEEK. THAT, AND JULIO JONES.

## (RADIO CALL "I HAVE NO IDEA HOW HE MADE THAT CATCH")

AND THE G-MEN HAD NO IDEA HOW TO COVER HIM.

JONESES 13 CATCHES TIED THE TEAM RECORD; TWO PLAYS LATER ATLANTA COMPLETED THE COMEBACK.

## MIAMI DOLPHINS @ JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

EVERYONE KNOWS A LEOPARD CAN'T CHANGE ITS SPOTS BUT MAYBE A JAGUAR CAN.

HOW ELSE TO EXPLAIN, BLAKE BORTLES TRANSFORMATION?

TIED LATE IN THE 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER BORTLES AND THE JAGS WERE 76 YARDS FROM A WIN.

AND WHILE THE JAGS STAYED POISED...

THE DOLPHINS SELF-DESTRUCTED.

RADIO CALL ("WHAT WAS THAT?")

IN EFFECT THE COUPE DE GRACE; ONLY A CHIP SHOT FIELD GOAL REMAINED.

#### **BALTIMORE RAVENS @ OAKLAND RAIDERS**

DERREK CARR IS A LITTLE YOUNG TO REMEMBER THE GLORY DAYS OF THE RAIDERS VAUNTED PASSING GAME, BUT HE AND HIS TEAMMATES LOOK TO BE GROWING UP FAST.

(RADIO CALL: "... THE RAIDERS STRIKE EARLY")

AND OFTEN. SEEMS CARR ISN'T SEWN INTO THE POCKET.

(RADIO CALL" IT TOOK FOREVER TO GET THERE, BUT IT GOT THERE")

BUT IT'S THE DESTINATION THAT COUNTS. NO MATTER HOW HARD THE JOURNEY.

BALTIMORE KEPT COMING.

## (RADIO CALL: "..AND THE RAVENS HAVE THEIR FIRST LEAD")

BUT THE RAIDERS HAD CARR. WHO MAY HAVE COME OF AGE, LEADING OAKLAND ON A CRISP 10 PLAY 80-YARD DRIVE IN THE GAME'S WANING MINUTES.

#### **NEW YORK JETS @ INDIANAPOLIS COLTS**

NO MAN IS AN ISLAND. BELEAGURED COLTS QUARTERBACK ANDREW LUCK IS FINDING THAT OUT THIS YEAR.