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## COACHES VALUE PRESEASON

*"Everybody goes into these games trying to win them," says head coach **JOHN FOX** of the Carolina Panthers, who have the league's hottest active preseason streak at 9-0. "It certainly beats the alternative."*

## A PRESEASON WEEKEND IN FULL; THREE NATIONAL TV GAMES & NFL NETWORK "LOOK-INS" HIGHLIGHT SCHEDULE

Everybody up!

It's time for every NFL player to pull on their helmets and buckle 'em up. The first full week of the NFL preseason is here and every club is in action.

NFL fans will be able to see much of it thanks to ESPN and NFL Network. Three games this week will be televised live and NFL Network will kick off a summer of live "look-ins" of preseason games on its *NFL Total Access: No Huddle* show on Friday night. This week, there will be 12 such games scheduled for instant look-ins. So if Buffalo Bills quarterback **J.P. LOSMAN** is about to take his first snap as the team's new starter, NFL Network can whip around to that game and "look in" on it.

### As the NFL begins four full weeks of preseason football, here are key games of Week 1:

- **SAN DIEGO at GREEN BAY (Thursday, ESPN, 8:00 PM ET):** Brett's back, and Drew is Mr. Comeback!

After supposedly wrestling with retirement, "Mr. NFL Quarterback" **BRETT FAVRE** of Green Bay decided to return for his 15th NFL season and maybe more ("I still love to play the game," he says).

His counterpart in this meeting of 2004 division winners, **DREW BREES**, was voted last season's NFL "Comeback Player of the Year" for leading the Chargers to a 12-4 record and finishing with the NFL's third best passer rating (104.8).

- **OAKLAND at SAN FRANCISCO (Saturday, NFL Network, 10:00 PM ET):** Hello Randy...Alex..... and Mike.

All three will be make their debuts with their new teams on Saturday in an atmosphere that is always charged -- Raiders-Niners. For Oakland, that No. 18 out wide is none other than **RANDY MOSS**, making his debut in Raiders black after becoming as a Minnesota Viking the first player in NFL history with 1,000 receiving yards in each of his first six seasons (through 2003).

## PANTHERS TO RETIRE MILLS' NO. 51

The **CAROLINA PANTHERS** will retire the No. 51 jersey of their late linebacker and coach **SAM MILLS** this Saturday when they host Washington. Mills died of cancer on April 18. He is the first Panthers player to have his number retired.

The debut duo for San Francisco? The NFL's 2005 No. 1 overall draft selection, quarterback **ALEX SMITH**, will take his first NFL snaps. Watching from the sideline will be the 49ers' **MIKE NOLAN**, who becomes the first son in NFL history to permanently coach a team his father once headed (**DICK NOLAN**, 1968-75).

- **PHILADELPHIA at PITTSBURGH (Monday, ESPN, 8:00 PM ET):** A matchup of 2004 championship game teams and two of the NFL's most exciting quarterbacks.

Last year, thanks to these two teams, Pennsylvania became the first state in NFL history to host NFL Championship Games in the same season. The Eagles moved on to the Super Bowl.

Monday will be the first 2005 action for two of the NFL's premiere quarterbacks. The Eagles' **DONOVAN MC NABB** last season joined **KEN STABLER**, **JIM KELLY** and **TROY AIKMAN** as the only QBs since 1970 to take their teams to four or more consecutive championship games. The Steelers' **BEN ROETHLISBERGER** in 2004 set the NFL record for most consecutive wins by a rookie quarterback to start a career (13). He was named Associated Press' NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year.

- **OTHER INTERESTING GAMES THIS WEEK:** **NEW ENGLAND** prepares to defend its Super Bowl XXXIX title (Friday at Cincinnati) ..... **ROMEO CRENNEL** coaches his first game as Cleveland's new head man (Saturday vs. the New York Giants)..... **J.P. LOSMAN** sees his first action as Buffalo's new starting quarterback (Saturday at Indianapolis).....the man Losman replaced, **DREW BLEDSOE**, plays his first game as Dallas' new starter (Saturday at Arizona).....and **BALTIMORE** gets a chance to test its new/old "46 Defense" against **MICHAEL VICK** and the Falcons (Saturday at Atlanta).

The 12 "look-in" games this week on NFL Network:

**Friday, August 12 at 7:30 PM ET – Six games. Time on air, 3 ½ hours**

**Detroit @ NY Jets**

**New England @ Cincinnati**

**Chicago @ St. Louis**

**Kansas City @ Minnesota**

**Seattle @ New Orleans**

**Tampa Bay @ Tennessee**

**Saturday, August 13 at 7:00 PM ET – Six games. Time on air, 3 hours**

**Baltimore @ Atlanta**

**Miami @ Jacksonville**

**Buffalo @ Indianapolis**

**Denver @ Houston**

**NY Giants @ Cleveland**

**Washington @ Carolina**

## LAST WEEK'S NFL RESULTS

### Saturday, August 6

Atlanta 27, Indianapolis 21 -- Tokyo, Japan

### Monday, August 8

Chicago 27, Miami 24 -- Canton, Ohio

<u>AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE</u>							<u>NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE</u>						
<u>East Division</u>							<u>East Division</u>						
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New England	0	0	0	.000	0	0	N.Y. Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Jets	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Philadelphia	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Miami	0	1	0	.000	24	27	Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0
<u>North Division</u>							<u>North Division</u>						
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Baltimore	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Chicago	1	0	0	1.000	27	24
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Detroit	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cleveland	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Green Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0
<u>South Division</u>							<u>South Division</u>						
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Houston	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Atlanta	1	0	0	1.000	27	21
Jacksonville	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Carolina	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tennessee	0	0	0	.000	0	0	New Orleans	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	21	27	Tampa Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
<u>West Division</u>							<u>West Division</u>						
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP		W	L	T	Pct.	Pts.	OP
Denver	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Arizona	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0	St. Louis	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Oakland	0	0	0	.000	0	0	San Francisco	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Diego	0	0	0	.000	0	0	Seattle	0	0	0	.000	0	0

## THIS WEEK'S NFL SCHEDULE (AUGUST 11-15)

(All times local)

### Thursday, August 11

San Diego at Green Bay, 7:00 (ESPN)

### Friday, August 12

Detroit at New York Jets, 7:00  
 New England at Cincinnati, 7:30  
 Chicago at St. Louis, 7:00  
 Kansas City at Minnesota, 7:00  
 Seattle at New Orleans, 7:00  
 Tampa Bay at Tennessee, 7:00

### Saturday, August 13

Baltimore at Atlanta, 7:30  
 Miami at Jacksonville, 7:30  
 Buffalo at Indianapolis, 7:00  
 Denver at Houston, 7:00

### Saturday, August 13, Cont'd.

N.Y. Giants at Cleveland, 8:00  
 Washington at Carolina, 8:00  
 Dallas at Arizona, 7:00  
 Oakland at San Francisco, 7:00 (NFL Network)

### Monday, August 15

Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 8:00 (ESPN)

