

NFL PRESS BOX NOTES – WEEK 12

ASTOUNDING ENCORE: In each of the past two weeks, players have had single-game totals of 400 passing yards, 200 rushing yards, and 250 receiving yards, marking the first time in history that these totals were reached in consecutive weeks.

There has been a 400-yard passer in each of the past three weeks as Pittsburgh's **BEN ROETHLISBERGER** registered 433 yards in Week 9.

A breakdown of the past two weeks' top performances:

WEEK	400-YARD PASSERS	200-YARD RUSHERS	250-YARD RECEIVERS
10	Carson Palmer, Cincinnati (440)	Willie Parker, Pittsburgh (213)	Chad Johnson, Cincinnati (260)
11	Drew Brees, New Orleans (510)	Frank Gore, San Francisco (212)	Lee Evans, Buffalo (265)

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SD's LT's TDs: The **LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON** touchdown watch continues. With six games to play in the season, San Diego running back Tomlinson – now with 22 TDs -- needs seven scores to set the single-season record in the category. Seattle Seahawks running back **SHAUN ALEXANDER** established the NFL touchdown record last year with 28.

Last Sunday night in Denver, Tomlinson scored his 100th TD in his 89th career game, topping Pro Football Hall of Famer **JIM BROWN** (93) and **EMMITT SMITH** (93) for the fewest games played to reach 100. Tomlinson finished the night with 102 career touchdowns.

A look at the top five single-season touchdown totals:

YEAR	PLAYER	TEAM	TDs
2005	Shaun Alexander	Seattle Seahawks	28
2003	Priest Holmes	Kansas City Chiefs	27
2000	Marshall Faulk	St. Louis Rams	26
1995	Emmitt Smith	Dallas Cowboys	25
2002	Priest Holmes	Kansas City Chiefs	24
1983	John Riggins	Washington Redskins	24
2006	<i>LaDainian Tomlinson</i>	<i>San Diego Chargers</i>	22*

*Through 10 games

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TURKEY WITH VICTORY GRAVY: Four of the NFL's five coaches with the best November winning percentages since 2000 will face each other this Sunday.

Chicago's **LOVIE SMITH** (8-3, .727 in November) and the Bears travel to New England to face **BILL BELICHICK** (19-9, .679) and the Patriots on Sunday afternoon. That night on NBC, the Indianapolis Colts and **TONY DUNGY** (21-7, .750) host **ANDY REID** (21-7, .750) and the Philadelphia Eagles.

The five active coaches with the best November winning percentages since 2000 (minimum 10 games):

COACH	NOVEMBER RECORD	WIN PCT.
<i>Tony Dungy</i>	21-7	.750
<i>Andy Reid</i>	21-7	.750
<i>Lovie Smith</i>	8-3	.727
<i>Bill Belichick</i>	19-9	.679
Brian Billick	19-9	.679

MARVIN LOUS: When Philadelphia and Indianapolis meet Sunday night, Colts receiver and Philadelphia native **MARVIN HARRISON** will seek to continue his ascent in the league's receiving charts.

Harrison (13,144) is 55 yards shy of surpassing **ANDRE REED** (13,198) for the sixth-most career receiving yards and is 13 catches away from becoming the fourth player in history to post 1,000 in a career. Where Harrison stands in career receiving yards and catches:

PLAYER	RECEIVING YDS		PLAYER	RECEPTIONS
Jerry Rice	22,895		Jerry Rice	1,594
Tim Brown	14,943		Cris Carter	1,101
James Lofton	14,004		Tim Brown	1,094
Cris Carter	13,899		Marvin Harrison	987
Henry Ellard	13,777			
Andre Reed	13,198			
Marvin Harrison	13,144			

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TAYLOR-MADE TOUCHDOWNS: In Miami's 24-20 win over Minnesota last week, Dolphins defensive end **JASON TAYLOR** – the AFC's Defensive Player of Week 11 – scored his seventh career touchdown on a 51-yard interception return for his team's final points.

The play tied Taylor with former New York Giants defensive end **GEORGE MARTIN** for the most career touchdowns by a defensive lineman since 1970.

The most touchdowns scored by a player whose primary position is defensive lineman (since 1970):

PLAYER	TEAM	TOUCHDOWNS
George Martin	New York Giants	7
Jason Taylor	Miami Dolphins	7
Clyde Simmons	Philadelphia Eagles	5
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MONDAY NIGHT MILESTONE: When Green Bay travels to Seattle to play the Seahawks on Monday night, Packers quarterback **BRETT FAVRE** can become the second player to throw for 7,500 yards in the 37-year history of *Monday Night Football*. **DAN MARINO** threw for 9,654 yards on *MNF*.

Favre (7,281) needs 219 yards to reach the mark. The Packers' passer is the only active quarterback among the Monday night top five passing-yard leaders. The other four are enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

The top five passing leaders in *Monday Night Football* history:

PLAYER	MNF GAMES	PASSING YARDS
Dan Marino	38	9,654
Brett Favre	31	7,281
Joe Montana	20	5,148
John Elway	23	5,012
Troy Aikman	22	4,614

FIRE & ICE: Three matchups this weekend pit an offense in the top five of 20-yard plays against a defense that has allowed the fewest such plays. This will be the case when Detroit hosts Miami, Philadelphia visits Indianapolis and New Orleans travels to Atlanta.

Teams with the most 20-yard plays and those who have surrendered the fewest such plays:

TEAM	PLAYS OF 20+ YDS	TEAM	FEWEST 20+ YD PLAYS ALLOWED
Philadelphia Eagles	54	Chicago Bears	25
New Orleans Saints	47	Miami Dolphins	25
Detroit Lions	44	Dallas Cowboys	26
Dallas Cowboys	43	Indianapolis Colts	26
St. Louis Rams	42	Atlanta Falcons	27

