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LAST WEEK OF NFL REGULAR SEASON REVIEW & FINAL WEEK ANGLES NFL SELECTIONS FOR WEEK 17!

NEWS AND NOTES

Navy 27 Army (+7) 21 - Navy defeated Army for a 10th straight year in the only college game played that weekend (Dec 10). Navy opened with a 58/13pl drive but fmbld at the 19. Army, however, fmbld it back 3pl later so Navy went just 26/6pl for a TD, 7-0 (1:06 1Q). 2 punts. Army fmbld at the Navy45 and Navy went 55/7pl for a TD, 14-0 (7:05). Army went 67/8pl and got a 34 yd TD run by Steelman, 14-7 (3:34). Navy went 3&out punting with 2:45 left and Army went 63/7pl and got a 5 yd TD run by Brown with :49 left in the half to make it 14-14. Navy opened the 3Q with a 48 yd KR and went 48/5pl for a TD. Army went 74/6pl and got a 25 yd TD pass, 21-21. Navy got 1 FD and fmbld but on their next drive went 75/18pl incl a 4&1 conv at the Army14. They settled for a 23 yd FG on 4&gl from the 6, 24-21 (12:03). Army fmbld the ensuing KO at their own 27 and Navy added a 44 yd FG to lead 27-21 (10:26). Army still had a shot. At their 23 they went 51/12pl but on 4&7 with 4:31 left, Steelman was tkld. Navy got 1 FD. They lined up like they were going for it on 4&1 and Army jumped offsides. That allowed Navy to run 4 more plays and punt with only :02 left in the game and Army's last play from its own 10 gained 29 yds.

LAS VEGAS BOWL Boise St (-14') 56 Arizona St 24 - Kellen Moore finished his final game with 50 career wins in the NCAA, a record that we cannot foresee being broken. He hit 26-34-293 yds. BS did get a couple of big plays to turn this into a blowout. Many questioned the attitude of ASU coming in as they had fired their HC Erickson and anointed Todd Graham as the HC. Any notions of ASU giving a huge performance for their outgoing coach probably went away on the opening KO when BS deflated ASU with a 100 yd KR TD. The next 3 pass were punts then BSU went 54/8pl for a TD. BS was int'd at the ASU25 but on their next drive went 80/8pl and got a 2 yd TD pass with 12:03 left 2Q, 21-0. 2 punts. ASU went 66/12pl but settled for a 32 yd FG. BS went 72/12pl and converted on 4&5 for a FD to the ASU5 and brought Moore out and their bkp QB handed off to Miller who threw a 5 yd TD pass with :43 left 1H, 28-3. At half BSU had a 269-111 yd edge. ASU threatened to get into it. They got a 98 yd KR by Ross to open the 3Q for a TD, 28-10. They got an int but on 4th & 4 Erickson sent the punt team in. Osweiler waved them off and went for it but his pass fell incomplete from the BS39. BSU fmbld and ASU went 49/7pl. They had a 1st & gl at the 5. They had 2 shotgun runs from the 1 which were both stopped and then with Erickson trying to call time-out for at least :05, the refs did not call time-out and Osweiler's pass into the EZ which would have made it 28-17 was int'd and ret'd 105 yds for a TD and blew open what would have been an 11 pt game to a 35-10 lead. BSU took their next pass 80/10pl for a TD, 42-10 then got a 26 yd FR TD 2pl later, 49-10. ASU went 54/3pl for a 21 yd TD pass, 49-17 and then went 60/6pl but was SOD at the BSU26. BSU went 74/12pl for a TD with 2:24 left then ASU went 75/7pl getting a TD with :28 left on a 30 yd pass. Boise finished with a 460-384 yd edge.

IDAHO POTATO BOWL Ohio (+2) 24 Utah St 23 - OU got their first 10 win season since 1968 and had been winless in their 5 bowl appearances. They had to overcome a 23-10 deficit. US's opening drive went 73/12pl but on 4&gl from the 1 they were SOD. On 3&8 OU QB Tetteleton had the ball slip out of his hands and he scooped it up in the EZ and ran out of the back of the EZ for a safety. UST went 50/9pl for a TD after the free kick, 9-0. 4 punts. OU went 56/7pl and got a 26 yd TD pass, 9-7 (4:40). US33 went 45/10pl but missed a 39 yd FG wide right with 1:42 left in the half. At half US had a 184-119 yd edge. After an OU punt to open the 3Q US on 2&1 got a 63 yd TD run by Smith, 16-7. OU25 went 60/8pl but settled for a 32 yd FG, 16-10 (9:52). UST went 83/9pl and an 11 yd TD run by Smith put them up comfortably 23-10 (5:51 3Q). OU answered going 66/5pl. Tetteleton ran right on a possible option, stepped back and hit Brazill for a 44 yd TD pass, 23-17 (3:45 3Q). 4 punts. US7 took over with 4:23 left but were forced to punt 4 plays later on 4&9 and OU went 61/9pl and on 4&6 they got a 13 yd pass to Brazill that was ruled a TD at one point but spotted at the 1. Two plays later Tetteleton's 1 yd TD run gave OU its first lead of the game and the win, 24-23 with just :13 left.

NEW MEXICO BOWL Temple (-7) 37 Wyoming 15 - WY had to be concerned about their weak rush D vs TU's strong rush offense but TU's def front 7 also did a fine job holding WY to 267 yds. TU's opening drive went 90/13pl taking up half the first quarter and made it 7-0. WY answered with an 11 play drive but missed a 49 yd FG and TU went 69/9pl for a 1 yd TD run, 14-0. WY was int'd from midfield and ret'd 30 yds. TU went 35/6pl for a TD, 21-0. 2 punts. WY went 62/11pl and on 4&3 got a 21 yd TD pass with :37 left and it appeared they would be taking momentum to the locker room but on the next play, TU got a 61 yd TD pass to Streeter as the DB feel down and TU had reestablished momentum and pretty much snuffed out WY's hopes, 28-7. At the half TU had a 278-160 yd edge. WY opened the 3Q with a 13pl drive but punted. TU went 60/13pl for a 34 yd FG then went 47/7pl for a 37 yd FG to lead 34-7 (12:50). WY got 1 FD and was int'd and TU would go 56/13pl getting a 34 yd FG with 3:22 left to lead 37-7. WY29 showed some heart (using all 3 time-outs on their final drive) and went 71/10pl and got a 14 yd TD pass with :03 left and their 2 pt conversion made it 37-15 putting the game Over the total.

ST PETERSBURG BOWL Marshall (+4) 20 Fiu 10 - This was closer than the final as MU at the end of the game, faced a 4th & 5 at the FIU35 trying to run the clock and opted to go for it and got a 35 yd TD pass with :30 left. It was a def struggle as MU had just a 14-12 FD edge. MU took its 2nd pass 45/10pl but settled for a 37 yd FG. MU got a 39 yd PR to the FIU44 but on the first play Cato was int'd at the 19 and ret'd 34 yds. FIU went 47/8pl for a TD, 7-3 (1:31). 2 punts. MU went 22/6pl but passed incomplete on 4&4 at the FIU35 (8:59). FIU went 36/8pl and got a 46 yd FG, 10-3. 2 punts. MU went 55/6pl. On 1st & 15 they got a 31 yd TD pass with :23 left in the half to tie it at 10. At half MU, thanks to that drive, had a 166-137 yd edge. The 2H opened with 9 punts with the teams combining for 7 FD's on those drives. With 7:35 left in the half MU blk'd a punt and ret'd it 8 yds to the 3 and it was orig ruled a td but MU was called for ill forward pass as the RM tried to lateral it forward and then a PF and instead of getting a td they were backed up to the 23. MU gained 1 yd and got a 39 yd FG that bounced off the upright and in, 13-10 (5:16). FIU got a FD pass to Hilton but he fmbld at the end of it at the MU40 with 4:24 left. MU got 1 FD and thought about punting it from the FIU35 with :38 left but opted to go for it. Cato avoided the sk, hit a wide open Dobson as the DB fell down and got a 35 yd td pass with :30 left. MU avoided a losing season as they came in 6-6 and it was the 4th time this year MU blk'd a punt and the 4th time they won with Coach Holiday preaching that if they block, they win 90% of their games.

POINSETTIA BOWL TCU 31 Louisiana Tech (+9') 24 - Many wondered how TCU would fair without record setting QB Andy Dalton but Casey Pachall set single season school records with 228 completions, 2921 yds and a comp% of 66.5%. LT had come in on a 7 game win streak and had signed Coach Dykes to a contract extension through 2017. LT appeared on its way to winning the game as they were up 24-17 after 3Q's. There were 4 long drives that resulted in 6 pts which made this game's final a lot lower than it should have been. LT went on a 67/13pl drive and made a 29 yd FG but had it taken off the board for a pers foul but still settled for a 23 yd FG, 3-0 (8:30). LT went 57/9pl but fmbld at the TCU35. TCU went 57/8pl for a 25 yd FG, 3-3. LT went 59/7pl and got a 2 yd TD pass, 10-3. LT's next drive went 60/10pl but they settled for a 43 yd FG and it bounced off the upright. LT's next drive (14) went 3&out. Roughing the P gave them a FD but they were int'd with 1:21 left in the half and ret'd 24 yds to their 25. TCU went 25/4pl for a TD and despite the fact that LT had a 266-144 yd edge at the half, the score was tied at 10. TCU opened the 3Q with a 55/11pl drive for a TD. TCU fmbld a punt at its own 12 setting up an LT 12/3pl TD drive, 17-17. 2 punts. TCU26 got 1 FD and was int'd at the LT39. On 3&10 Cameron hit White with a 61 yd TD pass, 24-17 (2:10). TCU28 went 72/18pl converting on two 4&1 and got a TD with 7:49 left to tie it. LT went 3&out punting with 6:24 left and TCU went 69/5pl with a 42 yd td pass to Dawson, 31-24. LT opted to punt on 4&7 with 3:33 left and TCU got 2 FD's running out the clock.

NEW ORLEANS BOWL Louisiana (+4) 32 San Diego St 30 - The largest crowd edge for any of the opening 6 bowls was clearly in the New Orleans Bowl. UL fans were probably about 40,000 strong (42,841 ttl attendance) which is 10,000 more than what they avg at home games. Blaine Gautier broke Jake Delhomme's single season school records for yds passing (2,958) and td's (23) with those records standing since 1996. Gautier hit 24-40-470 yds shattering the New Orleans Bowl record for yards passing. UL needed a 50 yd FG as time ran out which would have been a 55 yd FG but SDSSt was called for ill procedure on the 55 yd att despite being on defense. SDSSt missed a 36 yd FG with 10:00 left and had a 29-25 FD edge but UL had a 236-200 yd edge. SDSSt opened with a 53/11pl drive but settled for a 27 yd FG. 2 punts. UL went 80/10pl and got an 18 yd TD pass, 6-3 (xp blk'd, :25 1Q). UL got an 87 yd PR TD, 13-3 (14:00 2Q). SDSSt went 71/16pl and on 4&1 they got a FD to the UL6 but the play was reviewed and spotted short. UL went 93/13pl but they on 4&gl from the 1 were int'd at the 4. At half UL had a 219-190 yd edge. UL opened the 3Q with a 73/3pl drive and got a 20 yd TD pass to Green, 19-3. SDS went 41/2pl for a TD, 19-10 which came on a 16 yd TD pass. 3 punts. SDSSt was pinned at their 1 and went 99/7pl and got a 16 yd TD pass to Lockett, 19-17 (3:40). UL went 78/14pl for an 11 yd TD pass with 12:48 left, 26-17. SDS38 went 43/7pl but missed a 36 yd FG with 10:14 left. SDSSt went 55/10pl for a TD with 5:40 left, 26-24. UL went 72/10pl and had a 1st & gl at the 3 but settled for a 22 yd FG, 29-24. SDS31 went 69/10pl. They converted on 4&2 at their own 44 and got a 12 yd TD pass with :35 left to apparently pull out the win. They missed the 2 pt conv and UL got 13 and 26 yd passes on 3&5 they lined up for a 55 yd FG but SDS was called for ill snap and UL got a 50 yd FG on the final play.

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Last Week of Regular Season Review	Home Favs	1990-2010	MRT	10	09	08	07	06	05	04	03
	.5 to 3	99-89-2	-	6-6	6-4	7-5	6-2	4-9	6-5	4-7	7-4
	3.5 to 6.5	31-16-1	8-2	2-1	2-0	3-1	1-0	1-3	1-0	2-2	2-1
	7 to 9.5	33-34	-	3-1	0-2	1-0	2-1	1-1	3-1	0-1	1-2
	10+	27-23	0-3	0-3	3-2	1-1	2-1	1-2	1-2	1-3	4-1
	HF off win	18-16-1	-	1-1	1-0	2-3	1-0	1-3	1-2	1-1	0-0
	HF off loss	55-49-1	2-5	2-5	4-3	3-1-1	2-1	4-6	4-3	2-4	4-3
	HF off away	54-38-3	-	4-1	2-1	4-4	4-1	0-3	1-2-1	2-3	3-1
	HD off win	88-58-3	22-11-1	5-3	5-3	7-3-1	5-2	3-7	2-0-1	4-6	7-4
	HD off loss	20-29	2-6	1-3	1-1	0-2	1-0	1-2	3-5	0-1	0-0
	HD off away	49-49-1	-	2-2	2-4	1-2	4-4	0-3	2-3	4-1	3-2
	Home Dogs	24-18-1	-	1-0	0-2	1-1	3-2	0-3	2-0	2-0	0-0
	.5 to 3	11-17	-	1-2	1-1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	2-1	0-1
	3.5 to 6.5	8-12	-	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-0	2-1
	7 to 9.5	6-2	-	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0
10+	12-13-1	-	1-1	0-1	1-1	2-1	0-1	0-0	1-0	0-0	
HF off win	35-35	-	1-1	2-3	0-1	2-3	0-2	2-3	3-1	3-2	
HF off loss	32-35	-	2-0	2-3	1-2	3-3	0-3	0-3	2-1	2-2	
HD off win	14-14-1	0-3	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-1	0-0	1-1	2-0	1-0	
HD off loss	3-0	-	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	

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2007 SEPT GOM'S	5★ FAU (+7) 42 Minnesota 39	WIN
	4★ Atlanta (+3) 26 Houston 16	WIN
2007 OCT GOM'S	5★ Texas A&M (+3) 11 Kansas 19	loss
	4★ Over 45 Cleveland 27/St Louis 20	WIN
2007 NOV GOM'S	5★ USF (-16) 41 Syracuse 10	WIN
	4★ OVER 60 UAB 9/Memphis 25	loss
	4★ Tampa Bay (-3) 31 Atlanta 7	WIN
2007 NFL GOY		
	5★ Tennessee (-3) 26 KC 17	WIN
2008 SEPT GOM'S	4★ Atlanta (-6) 38 KC 14	WIN
	5★ Florida (-5) 39 Colo 21	WIN
2008 OCT GOM'S	4★ NY Giants (+3) 21 PIT 14	WIN
	4★ OVER 59 UNLV 35/BUU 45 GOY	WIN
	4★ UNDER 54 Texas 38/Colorado 14 GOM	WIN
	5★ Ohio St (-3) 45 Mich St 7	WIN
2008 NOV GOM'S	5★ Ohio St (-11) 45 N'western 10 GOY	WIN
	4★ Atlanta (-6) 25 Denver 24	loss
2008 NFL GOY		
	5★ Green Bay (-6) 21 Houston 24	loss
2009 SEPT GOM'S		
	4★ Oakland (+2) 3 Denver 23	loss
	4★ OVER 52 Mid Tenn 21/N Texas 37	WIN
	5★ Clemson (-7) 25 Boston Coll 7	WIN
2009 OCT GOM'S		
	4★ Indianapolis (-14) 42 St Louis 6	WIN
	4★ UNDER 51 Arizona 27/UCLA 13	WIN
	5★ SMU (+7) 35 Navy 38 (OT)	WIN
2009 NOV GOM'S		
	5★ Wisconsin (-11) 31 Indiana 28 GOY	loss
	4★ UNDER 50 Wisc 31/N'wstrn 33 GOY	loss
	4★ NY Giants (-7) 24 Atlanta 31 (OT)	loss
2009 DEC GOM		
	5★ Indianapolis (-6) 28 Denver 16 GOY	WIN
2010 SEPT GOM'S		
	4★ OVER 63 Oklahoma St 41/Troy 38	WIN
	4★ Atlanta (-6) 41 Arizona 7	WIN
	5★ Boston College (+4) 0 Virg Tech 19	loss
2010 OCT GOM'S		
	4★ UNDER 44 LSU 16/Tennessee 14	WIN
	5★ Mississippi St (-5) 47 Houston 24	WIN
	4★ Chicago (-5) 20 Seattle 23	loss
2010 NOV GOM'S		
	4★ OVER 59 Arkansas 41/S Carolina 20 GOY	WIN
	5★ Kentucky (-15) 38 Vanderbilt 20 GOY	WIN
	4★ Baltimore (-11) 27 Carolina 13	WIN
2010 NFL GOY		
	5★ New Orleans (-9) 31 St Louis 13	WIN
2011 SEPT GOM'S		
	4★ OVER 50 N Mexico St 28/Minnesota 21	loss
	5★ Penn St (-7) 14 Temple 10	loss
	4★ New Orleans (-3) 40 Houston 33	WIN
2011 OCT GOM'S		
	4★ UNDER 45 LSU 38/Tennessee 7	WIN
	5★ New Orleans (-6) 20 Tampa Bay 26	loss
	5★ Nevada (-11) 45 Fresno St 38	loss
2011 NOV GOM'S		
	4★ UNDER 58 Army (14)/Air Force (24) GOY	WIN
	5★ Arkansas (-14) 49 Tennessee 7 GOY	WIN
	4★ Houston (-6) 20 Jacksonville 13	WIN
2011 DEC GOM'S		
	5★ New England (-7) 41 Denver 23 GOY	WIN

END OF SEASON ANGLES			<small>DECEMBER/JANUARY COMBINED</small>	
2011 Angles - ALL ANGLES ARE VS THE SPREAD	W	L		
1. Arizona is 18-9 at home in December.			19. Kansas City is 28-8 in its final game.	
2. Atlanta is 6-2 in its season finale.			20. Miami is 7-1 in its final road game.	
3. Baltimore is 20-9 as a favorite in the L/4 Wks.			21. Miami is 5-10 as a December AF.	
4. Buffalo is 1-7 in its last game.			22. Miami is 12-27 vs a division foe in the L4 Wks.	
5. Carolina is 7-2 in its last game.			23. Minnesota is 5-24 in its final road game.	
6. Chicago is 9-32-1 in away in December (3-13-2 L9Y).			24. New England is 19-6-1 in its last game.	
7. Cincinnati is 7-3 vs a Div foe in December.			25. New England is 23-10-2 vs a Div foe in the L4W.	
8. Cleveland is 5-2 as a December favorite.			26. New Orleans is 1-7 as a December HD.	
9. Dallas is 9-20 in its last game.			27. NY Giants are 4-9-1 at home off a SU loss.	
10. Denver is 5-11 as a December favorite.			28. NY Jets are 7-2 in their last game.	
11. Denver is 9-18-1 away in December.			29. Oakland is 7-17 in the final game of the season.	
12. Detroit is 28-13-1 vs a division foe in December.			30. Philadelphia is 7-1 as a Dog in December.	
13. Green Bay is 10-4-1 as a Dog in December			31. Pittsburgh is 29-14-1 as a December HF.	
14. Houston is 3-9 on the road in December			32. San Diego is 12-6-1 as a December HF.	
15. Houston is 5-2 in their final home game.			33. San Francisco is 6-1-2 at home in December.	
16. Indianapolis is 4-16 in its last game.			34. Seattle is 8-1 in their final home game.	
17. Jacksonville is 0-5 in its last road game.			35. Seattle is 2-7 on the road in December.	
18. Jacksonville is 4-12 in December.			36. Tampa Bay is 4-12-1 at home in December	
			37. Tennessee is 14-7 in its final game.	
			38. Washington is 5-2 in its final home game.	

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Obviously this newsletter is based upon statistical numbers & rankings that are used to develop the projections you see here. As with all types statistical information the more numbers that one inputs ordinarily the stronger the accuracy of the results. The numbers in parenthesis are a comparison of the teams rankings in each teams last 4 weeks. (Visitor, visitors offense ranking vs home defense ranking, Home, home offensive ranking vs visitor defensive ranking).

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1st

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
WASHINGTON	90	133	13	2.6	#25
PHILADELPHIA	158	233	29	1.4	#28

(WAS #11 vs PHI #1, PHI #18 vs WAS #20) - With everything that's happened in 2011, an 8-8 season would be quite impressive for PHI. It would allay any concerns about Andy Reid's future though some changes to the coaching staff are expected. WAS's offense & Grossman deserve to be commended with how they've played despite their poor OL play & injuries. PP calls for PHI to have a 168 yd edge (#1 this Wk) but WAS has covered 4 of 5 as a Dog with NFC East Div fav's of 7 or more being 5-10 ATS has us pass.

NO PLAY: EAGLES 29 REDSKINS 13

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
TAMPA BAY	71	170	9	3.1	#16
ATLANTA	163	201	34	0.5	#18

(TB #24 vs ATL #11, ATL #20 vs TB #27) - ATL is off LW's MNF game & win or lose they will get to decide their seeding fate. They are 2-5 ATS vs the Bucs under Mike Smith & could be 2 TD fav's here which are 3-6-1 ATS in the final week. TB youth movement may pay off in 2012 but right now they are worn out having & it shows as they've given up 27 or more in 6 of their L7. We need to see what ATL's attitude towards this game is esp with such a big line expected so No Play.

NO PLAY: FALCONS 34 BUCCS 9

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SAN FRANCISCO	164	158	24	0.5	#1
ST LOUIS	97	190	5	1.4	#30

(SF #31 vs STL #19, STL #32 vs SF #5) - If NO beat ATL LW then the 49ers are still playing for the #2 seed & Harbaugh has stated regardless that he's not going to let up. STL is likely to be blown up in the offseason as they've been done in by injuries. Only 9 of 22 opening day starters were at the same position vs PIT (3 off 6 def) as they sustained their 2nd shutout loss in a 4 Wk span. PP calls for SF to win by almost 20 pts & they have the biggest special teams margin of the week as well. The large line tempers the side but the total is attractive here.

2★ 49ERS 24 RAMS 5 • 3★ 49ERS/RAMS: UNDER

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
CHICAGO	116	158	23	1.9	#3
MINNESOTA	138	210	26	2.1	#19

(CHI #30 vs MIN #28, MIN #8 vs CHI #8) - MIN may have gotten a sorely needed win but it will cost them in 2012 as Peterson (ACL/MCL) could very well start the year on the PUP. Webb may get the start here as Ponder was KO'd w/a concussion. Webb did face CHI LY in relief duty with 129 yds passing (58%) & 2 Int in a 40-14 defeat. TY he's been trained exclusively as a QB & MIN puts his athleticism on par with Harvin. PP calls for MIN to win by a FG & we agree w a CHI team that at one point was 7-3.

2★ VIKINGS 26 BEARS 33

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
DETROIT	100	365	26	1.7	#27
GREEN BAY	114	315	34	1.3	#12

(DET #3 vs GB #31, GB #7 vs DET #32) - The Lions are in the playoffs for the 1st time since 1999 while the Packers have zero interest as they own the #1 seed in the NFC. GB has taken a beating the past 2-3 weeks & Rodgers has already lobbied for Matt Flynn to get some time here. DET will want to stay in playoff mode as much as possible esp since they could be facing NO next week. This is an example of how PP doesn't take into account the totality of the circumstances for a game late in the season so this is a No Play.

NO PLAY: PACKERS 34 LIONS 26

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
CAROLINA	138	233	26	0.6	#32
NEW ORLEANS	147	390	38	1.3	#9

(CAR #6 vs NO #23, NO #1 vs CAR #15) - Despite his phenomenal rookie season, Newton still doesn't have the Off ROY locked up esp if Dalton can get CIN into the playoffs. He is having one of the best rookie seasons ever statistically though. NO is off LW's MNF game & if they lost then this is a need game & the line will rise. If they won they'll be likely to rest starters & Newton can attempt to bolster his numbers. Either way we'll pass on the side without a firm line but the Total is worth a play due to each team's explosive ability.

NO PLAY: SAINTS 38 PANTHERS 26 • 3★ PANTHERS/SAINTS: OVER

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
TENNESSEE	68	220	14	1.8	#4
HOUSTON	175	213	19	1.0	#13

(TEN #9 vs HOU #9, HOU #16 vs TEN #18) - The Texans have sorely missed DC Phillips & should get him & WR Johnson back for this game. They are locked into the #3 spot & won't want to go into the playoffs with a 3 game losing streak. TEN needs a win & a lot of help to get in but a winning season would be a huge boost for rookie HC Munchak considering the loss of Britt & RB Johnson's underwhelming year. PP calls for HOU to get the win here & we agree but their commitment to 4Q's of ball keeps this from being stronger.

1★ TEXANS 19 TITANS 14

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
BALTIMORE	111	203	20	2.0	#17
CINCINNATI	109	203	21	1.9	#14

(BAL #17 vs CIN #13, CIN #29 vs BAL #3) - Marvin Lewis deserves to be commended for having his team with a rookie QB & WR with no offseason together in a position to decide their own playoff fate here. BAL has displayed a very nasty tendency TY to play down to the level of their foes & Flacco seems to have taken a step back. PP has eerily identical stats for both teams here & we agree that the Bengals will give BAL a serious challenge here & pull the upset.

3.5★ BENGALS 21 RAVENS 20

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
PITTSBURGH	149	205	16	0.6	#15
CLEVELAND	113	147	10	3.0	#26

(PIT #10 vs CLE #23, CLE #28 vs PIT #2) - PIT can clinch the 1, 2 or 5 seed depending on what they & the Ravens do this week. The defense is still stinging from the Thursday Nite game vs CLE a few weeks ago & will have a sizeable fan following here. They held a similarly talented STL team to a shutout LW & CLE doesn't have a lot of weapons. PIT is likely to be a DD fav which isn't a role that Tomlin excels in but the total is worth a good long look here.

NO PLAY: STEELERS 16 BROWNS 10 • 3★ STEELERS/BROWNS: UNDER

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
INDIANAPOLIS	109	185	22	2.1	#31
JACKSONVILLE	133	195	21	2.8	#29

(IND #25 vs JAX #17, JAX #27 vs IND #16) - After suffering thru 13 straight losses the Colts could miss out on the 1st pick in the draft with a victory here which would set the franchise back years. JAX leads the NFL with 29 players on IR but to their credit they didn't quit in the loss to TEN LW. This is a surprising amount of points for both offenses as neither unit instills a lot of confidence. PP leans with the road team here but we think Jones-Drew will have a big game vs the #29 rush defense so No Play.

NO PLAY: COLTS 22 JAGUARS 21

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
NY JETS	88	170	17	1.3	#5
MIAMI	135	140	25	1.7	#2

(NYJ #26 vs MIA #13, MIA #15 vs NYJ #10) - The Jets playoff chances were essentially ended with their embarrassing loss to the Giants LW. While Sanchez deserves a good chunk of the blame for 2011, the Jets need to bolster the run game & get a real #2 for WR Holmes as well as a pass rusher. MIA blew a very winnable game vs NE LW as they were mauled in the 2H. PP leans with the home team here & despite their B2B games in bad fashion the Jets still have a shot at a winning record here so No Play.

NO PLAY: DOLPHINS 25 JETS 17

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
BUFFALO	103	268	23	2.2	#21
NEW ENGLAND	146	300	39	1.2	#11

(BUF #14 vs NE #30, NE #2 vs BUF #22) - The Patriots rallied from a 17 pt deficit to secure a 1st RD Bye but they still don't have the #1 seed locked up yet. BUF flashed in the early part of the season highlighted by their upset win vs NE which will be the Patriots rallying cry in the locker room. BUF has been wracked by injuries TY & we aren't sold on their +4 TO effort vs DEN LW. We agree with PP's forecast for a 2 TD+ win by the home team here but don't think it'll be that higher scoring.

3★ PATRIOTS 39 BILLS 23

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SAN DIEGO	118	268	26	1.1	#24
OAKLAND	120	270	24	1.6	#7

(SD #5 vs OAK #29, OAK #12 vs SD #12) - SD has been eliminated from the playoff chase but are still playing for a non-losing season & can extend OAK's run of missing the playoffs to 9 years. Both teams have been hampered by injuries but OAK's season has been compounded by penalties as they can set the NFL record for penalties & penalty yards in a season here. PP calls for SD to get the win in a high scoring game & we agree as they try to send Turner out on a high note here.

4★ CHARGERS 26 RAIDERS 24

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
KANSAS CITY	131	165	18	1.8	#22
DENVER	183	153	14	2.1	#8

(KC #21 vs DEN #26, DEN #19 vs KC #4) - The return of Orton to DEN is one of the best story lines for this week. For the 2nd week in a row DEN was their own worst enemy as they turned the ball over 4 times & had their worst special teams effort of the year vs BUF. Aside from SS Berry, KC's defense has been very healthy TY & can carry Crennel into the HC role for 2012 with a win here. The home crowd will solidly be behind the Broncos here & we disagree with PP as this is the type of gm DEN is built for so No Play.

NO PLAY: CHIEFS 18 BRONCOS 14

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SEATTLE	112	168	25	1.1	#10
ARIZONA	110	228	20	2.6	#6

(SEA #23 vs ARZ #7, ARZ #22 vs SEA #6) - The Cardinals are hinting that Skelton who had 93 yds (42%) with 3 int & 5 sks in the 1st 3Q's will be the starter here as Kolb is still having concussion issues. SEA has been battered by injuries but they have covered 4 of their L5 road games TY. PP calls for the road team to pull the upset despite being outgained by 59 yds & we want to see both teams injury reports so No Play.

NO PLAY: SEAHAWKS 25 CARDINALS 20

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
DALLAS	111	225	22	1.5	#8
NY GIANTS	94	295	26	1.1	#23

(DAL #13 vs NYG #25, NYG #4 vs DAL #21) - The early word is that Romo (bruised hand) is expected to play & the extra rest will help out RB Felix Jones' hamstring. The Giants only need to win to get in but they are 1-7 ATS including playoffs as a Div HF. PP has this right at the line in the deciding game for the NFC East so No Play. Get this play on the Northcoast Debit Card System for only \$9 after 11:00 am ET on Sunday. Sunday Night Private Play Hotline Marquee Plays have gone 123-85-4 L13/Y!!

NO PLAY: GIANTS 26 COWBOYS 22

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TEAM	RTG	TEAM	RTG
1 Green Bay.....	104.3	17 Denver	99.7
2 New England..	103.6	18 Carolina	99.5
3 New Orleans...	103.2	19 Oakland	99.1
4 Pittsburgh.....	102.9	20 Tennessee	97.4
5 San Francisco...	102.6	21 Washington	97.3
6 NY Giants	101.9	22 Miami	97.2
7 Houston	101.9	23 Seattle.....	96.4
8 Dallas	101.5	24 Buffalo	96.4
9 Detroit	101.2	25 Arizona	96.0
10 Baltimore	101.1	26 Kansas City	95.6
11 Philadelphia ...	100.9	27 Minnesota.....	93.4
12 San Diego	100.8	28 Tampa Bay.....	93.3
13 Cincinnati	100.8	29 Jacksonville	92.4
14 Atlanta	100.2	30 Cleveland	92.3
15 NY Jets	100.1	31 Indianapolis	90.6
16 Chicago	100.0	32 St Louis	89.7

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SIDES WINS	SIDES LOSS	
INDIANAPOLIS 4	TAMPA BAY 5	
CLEVELAND 3	BALTIMORE 3	
PHILADELPHIA 3	TENNESSEE 3	
OVERS		
NEW ENGLAND 5	JACKSONVILLE 4	
JACKSONVILLE 4	MINNESOTA 4	
MINNESOTA 4	UNDERS	
PITTSBURGH 5	CLEVELAND 4	
CLEVELAND 4	INDIANAPOLIS 3	

BOWL STATS through 12/26/11

TEAM	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-AT-PY	I-F	TEAM	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-AT-PY	I-F
New Mexico Bowl							Las Vegas Bowl						
Temple	-7	37	23	51-255	8-12-169	0-0	Arizona St	68	24	22	21-(-11)	30-47-395	1-1
Wyoming	50'	15	17	33-140	20-30-127	3-0	Boise St	-14'	56	27	35-162	27-36-298	2-1
Idaho Potato Bowl							Hawaii Bowl						
Utah St	-2	23	18	50-345	12-19-96	0-1	Nevada	62	17	15	45-196	13-28-117	1-1
Ohio	60	24	22	42-125	19-26-220	0-0	Southern Miss	-9	24	19	40-171	18-42-165	0-2
New Orleans Bowl							IAA PLAYOFF STATS						
Louisiana	60	32	25	30-76	25-44-492	1-0	Semifinals Friday, Dec. 16 and Saturday, Dec. 17						
San Diego St	-4	30	29	31-68	28-49-413	0-0							
St Petersburg Bowl													
FIU	-4'	10	12	27-88	20-32-163	0-1	TEAM	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-AT-PY	I-F
Marshall	49	20	14	30-84	27-39-226	1-0	Montana	55	28	20	32-103	21-33-277	1-2
Poinsettia Bowl													
Louisiana Tech	56	24	19	27-96	21-43-264	1-1	Sam Houston St	-6'	31	20	51-383	10-14-113	1-0
TCU	-9'	31	22	51-190	15-29-206	1-1	Georgia Southern	51'	7	18	48-186	12-20-147	0-3
							North Dakota St -3' 35 17 37-314 10-15-137 0-0						

THE OPENING LINE NFL WEEK 17

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Team	NC	Open	TTL	Team	NC	Open	TTL
PHILADELPHIA-Washington	4'	9	46'	Baltimore-CINCINNATI	C-3	2'	38
ATLANTA-Tampa Bay	10	13'	46	Pittsburgh-CLEVELAND	NL	NL	NL
San Francisco-ST LOUIS	14	10'	35	JACKSONVILLE-Indianapolis	3	4'	37
MINNESOTA-Chicago	3	1	42	Miami-NY JETS	NY-3	1	41'
Detroit-GREEN BAY	NL	NL	NL	NEW ENGLAND-Buffalo	17	12'	51
NY GIANTS-Dallas (night)	NL	3	47'	OAKLAND-San Diego	S-3	3	49
NEW ORLEANS-Carolina	10	7	52'	DENVER-Kansas City	3	3'	36'
Tennessee-HOUSTON	H-3	3	40'	ARIZONA-Seattle	3	3	41

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