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LOS ANGELES CHARGERS HEAD COACH ANTHONY LYNN

On S Roderic Teamer:

“Yeah, he had a sore hamstring. So, yeah it was. But he’s fine.”

On the tough roster cuts:

“I’m hoping some of these guys make it a really tough decision for us. That’s what we want.”

On which game they’re focused on:

“Well, first game of the season we look at that game way back in May. We’ve been looking at the Colts for a while. We’ll start breaking down some of the things they did in preseason, but there’s a lot of focus right here on the 49ers. We have some young men that we have to continue to evaluate and get them to play at their best. So, we have to give them our full attention.”

On reinforcing consistency:

“That’s something that our whole staff — we’ve been reinforcing consistency and our core values from day one, they know that. What I’m looking for is [players like RB] Austin Ekeler. That’s when he made this football team — in this game this Thursday night [two years ago]. I’m looking for guys to step up, make plays like him and change our minds.”

On former Colts QB Andrew Luck’s retirement:

“Someone told me in the locker room before the game. Andrew’s a franchise quarterback. We’re going to miss him. I’ve known of this young man since he was in high school. He’s a great person, comes from a great family. It’s just a shame that injuries caught up with him and he had to retire so soon. I’m sure he’s doing what’s best for himself and his family and I wish him all the best.”

On how the Colts may look different week one without Luck:

“Well, you have [Colts QB] Jacoby [Brissett]. Jacoby — he can get the job done. I saw him a few years ago when he was in New England. He stepped into situations when Tom Brady was out and helped them win a few football games. They have a starting quarterback. It’s going to be a challenge. They’ve got a great head coach. He’s a great man, Frank Reich. They stole our [old] receivers coach, [Colts Offensive Coordinator] Nick Sirianni to be an offensive coordinator. Nick’s an up-and-coming guru. They’ve got a lot of good things going for them. [Colts General Manager] Chris Ballard, he’s put together a nice staff and a nice roster. That’s going to be a tough game. That was one of the hottest teams last year at the end of the season. It was more than just one man, though. That’s a good football team.”

On S Nasir Adderley:

“I just wanted him to go through a pregame routine. Just be in the locker room with his teammates, go out and practice and just go through the routine. I like the way he moved around at the end of the week last week. Hopefully, he can get some snaps this week.”

On T Trey Pipkins III:

“Trey’s getting better. No doubt about it. His technique, his fundamentals. He’s coming along just fine, but I want to see him maybe get an opportunity against some starters in this league and see how much he’s developed. He won’t get that opportunity Thursday night, but maybe down the road.”



On RB Troymaine Pope:

“He’s just making plays. He’s making plays, he’s not making mistakes and he’s showing special teams value. Exactly what you want in a young player.”

On changes to the offensive line against the 49ers:

“You will see some, yeah. Our starters — most of our starters — won’t play Thursday, but some young players will still go in and get some snaps.”

On G Dan Feeney and G Forrest Lamp competing at left guard:

“It’s not just Dan Feeney and Forrest. It’s [G/T Michael] Schofield [III] and it’s everyone. We’re looking at both guard spots and tackle positions. Dan’s done an outstanding job of helping us at the center position, which I think he can play center in this league in a pinch and he’s a guard. He’s playing better. He’s more consistent at guard. He’s a young player that’s getting better every camp, I believe. We’re going to put the best five out there, just not sure who that is yet.”

On when the offensive line will be decided:

“That’ll be made real soon.”

On having a set five-man offensive line:

“You can always have a sixth man. There’s a time and place for that, but you like five guys because that offensive line, they need that chemistry. That’s really important [to] the communication.”

On the swing tackle position:

“[Michael] Schofield has done it before, but he’s playing inside and he’s playing with a lot more confidence inside. So, I like him inside, but he’s done it before. We know that in a pinch if we need to put him out there, we can.”

On if Pipkins is competing at swing tackle:

“Right now, Trey’s competing to be that guy. Trey’s competing for a starting job. If he’s not a starter, he’s competing to be the swing tackle.”

On the tackle competition:

“Well, [we] have [T] Sam Tevi and [T] Trent [Scott] — trying to decide what side to play them on. I mean, some of these guys may play Thursday. Still trying to figure some things out, but we have an idea.”

On his takeaway from watching the tape of the fourth-and-one play:

“Well, No. 1, we didn’t give ourselves a chance. We bobbed a snap. It’s a simple, basic, fundamental thing that we practice every day. The second time, we did not execute on the backside. That was disappointing. There were some positives in that game other than us getting [out-played physically]. There were some positives, but that was disappointing for sure.”

On how to correct failed short-yardage situations:

“Well, we weren’t blown off the ball. We weren’t blowing anybody off the ball. We didn’t execute the snap on one and we busted an assignment on another. So, that’s just putting guys in situations to see how they’re going to perform. Right now, it tells me a lot [for] later.”

On remaining vanilla in preseason situations:

“Very vanilla. Nothing game-plan specific, just basic concepts, but Seattle had nothing game-plan specific as well. So, just generic situations.”

On an update on RB Melvin Gordon III:

“Not that I know of.”

“You know, he’s a pro. I’m sure whatever he’s doing he’s going to come in in great shape whenever he gets here. That would be a good problem to have, how much playing time.”

On being careful with players who return late:

“You do have to be careful because no matter what you do on your own, it’s hard to simulate real football and the movements that we make out here on the football field. You have to be smart about it for sure.”

On T Russell Okung:

“You know, we’ll know more about Russell probably by the end of the week.”



On how many roster spots will remain open after the 49ers game:

"Usually there's one or two. We may have a couple more than that. You never know. Someone may jump out on you like Austin did a couple of years ago and next thing you know they're on the team."

On players getting on his radar the final preseason game:

"I don't tell anybody they're off the radar until I have to."

