



## GAME NOTES

**New England Patriots vs. Buffalo Bills – December 28, 2020**

### TEAM NOTES

- Patriots have 20 rushing touchdowns for the eighth time in team history.
- Cam Newton ties team record for most rushing TDs by a QB with his 12<sup>th</sup> of the season.
- James White moves past Irving Fryar into eighth place on Patriots all-time receiving list.
- Nick Fold extends streak to 26 straight field goals.

### PATRIOTS REACH 20 RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS FOR THE EIGHTH TIME IN TEAM HISTORY

Cam Newton's 9-yard touchdown run in the second quarter was the 20<sup>th</sup> rushing touchdown of the season for the Patriots. It is eighth time in team history that the Patriots have rushed for at least 20 rushing touchdowns in a season.

### Most Rushing Touchdowns in a Season/Patriots History

Season	Rushing TDS
1978	30
2012	25
1976	24
1981	23
2008	21
1974	21
<b>2020</b>	<b>20</b>
2006	20

### INDIVIDUAL NOTES

### NEWTON TIES TEAM MARK FOR MOST TOUCHDOWNS IN A SEASON BY A QUARTERBACK

Cam Newton scored his 12<sup>th</sup> rushing touchdown of the season on a 9-yard run in the second quarter to tie Steve Grogan for the single-season franchise record for rushing touchdowns by a quarterback. Newton set the NFL record for most rushing touchdowns in a season by a quarterback with 14 rushing touchdowns in 2011, surpassing the 12 rushing touchdowns by Grogan in 1976. Newton is the only NFL quarterback with three seasons with double-digit rushing touchdowns in a season.

### Most Rushing Touchdowns in a Season by an NFL Quarterback

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Rushing Touchdowns</u>
<b>Cam Newton</b>	<b>Carolina</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Cam Newton</b>	<b>Patriots</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>12</b>
Steve Grogan	Patriots	1976	12
Kyle Murray	Arizona	2020	11
Tobin Rote	Green Bay	1956	11
Johnny Lujack	Chicago	1950	11
Kordell Stewart	Steelers	1997	11
<b>Cam Newton</b>	<b>Carolina</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>10</b>
Billy Kilmer	San Francisco	1961	10
Daunte Culpepper	Minnesota	2002	10

### CAM NEWTON ADDS HIS 70<sup>TH</sup> CAREER RUSHING TOUCHDOWN

Cam Newton now has 70 career rushing touchdowns, the most among all quarterbacks in NFL history. He joins Hall of Fame RB Earl Campbell (74) as the only number one overall draft picks in NFL history to have 70 career rushing touchdowns.

### Most Rushing Touchdowns by an NFL Quarterback

<u>Player</u>	<u>Rushing Touchdowns</u>
<b>Cam Newton</b>	<b>70</b>
Steve Young	43
Jack Kemp	40

### JAMES WHITE MOVES INTO EIGHTH PLACE ON THE PATRIOTS ALL-TIME RECEIVING LIST

RB James White (365) moved past Irving Fryar (363) into eighth place on the Patriots all-time receiving list with three receptions against Buffalo. He tied Fryar with a 7-yard reception in the second quarter and moved past him with a 6-yard reception in the third quarter. Kevin Faulk is seventh all-time with 431 receptions.

### NICK FOLK EXTENDS STREAK TO 26 STRAIGHT FIELD GOALS MADE

K Nick Folk extended his streak to 26 consecutive field goals made with a 45-yard field goal in the first quarter. After missing his first two field goals of the 2020 season, Folk has not missed since. It is the second-longest field goal streak in team history and the longest streak in Folk's career. His previous best was 23 straight field goals in 2013 when he played for the New York Jets.

### Most Consecutive Field Goals/Patriots History

31	Stephen Gostkowski
<b>26</b>	<b>Nick Folk</b>
25	Adam Vinatieri
23	Adam Vinatieri
21	Stephen Gostkowski

### **FOLK ON PACE FOR HIS HIGHEST FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE**

Nick Folk is now 26-of-28 on the season for a conversion rate of 92.9. Folk has had two seasons when he has finished with a field-goal conversion rate of at least 90 percent. He was 20-of-22 (90.9%) in in 2008 with Dallas and 33-of-36 (91.7%) in 2013 with the New York Jets. The highest field-goal percentage in a season for the Patriots was 95.6 by Stephen Gostkowski in 2014, when he converted 35-of-37 field goals.

### **LINEUP NOTES**

#### **MONTE MONCRIEF RETURNED TO ACTION**

WR Monte Moncrief returned to action after missing one game due to injury.