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**PRESEASON WEEK 3**



**TITANS AT RAIDERS**  
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### TITANS TRAVEL TO FACE RAIDERS IN NATIONALLY TELEVISED GAME



**Tennessee Titans (1-1) at Oakland Raiders (1-1)**

Saturday, Aug. 27, 2016 • 5 p.m. PDT/7 p.m. CDT • Oakland Alameda Coliseum • Oakland, Calif. • TV: CBS

#### 2016 TITANS SCHEDULE

##### PRESEASON

Day	Date	Opponent	Kickoff/ Result	TV/ Score
Sat.	Aug. 13	SAN DIEGO	W	27-10
Sat.	Aug. 20	CAROLINA	L	16-26
Sat.	Aug. 27	at Oakland	7 p.m.	CBS
Thur.	Sept. 1	at Miami	6 p.m.	WKRN

##### REGULAR SEASON

Day	Date	Opponent	Kickoff	TV
Sun.	Sept. 11	MINNESOTA	Noon	FOX
Sun.	Sept. 18	at Detroit	Noon	CBS
Sun.	Sept. 25	OAKLAND	Noon	CBS
Sun.	Oct. 2	at Houston	Noon	CBS
Sun.	Oct. 9	at Miami	Noon*	CBS
Sun.	Oct. 16	CLEVELAND	Noon*	CBS
Sun.	Oct. 23	INDIANAPOLIS	Noon*	CBS
Thur.	Oct. 27	JACKSONVILLE	7:25 p.m.	NFLN
Sun.	Nov. 6	at San Diego	3:25 p.m.*	CBS
Sun.	Nov. 13	GREEN BAY	Noon*	FOX
Sun.	Nov. 20	at Indianapolis	Noon*	CBS
Sun.	Nov. 27	at Chicago	Noon*	CBS
Sun.	Dec. 4	Bye		
Sun.	Dec. 11	DENVER	Noon*	CBS
Sun.	Dec. 18	at Kansas City	Noon*	CBS
Sat.	Dec. 24	at Jacksonville	Noon	CBS
Sun.	Jan. 1	HOUSTON	Noon*	CBS

All kickoff times Central \* Time subject to change

#### AFC SOUTH PRESEASON STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	Pct
Houston Texans	2	0	0	1.000
Indianapolis Colts	1	1	0	.500
Tennessee Titans	1	1	0	.500
Jacksonville Jaguars	0	2	0	.000

**THIS WEEK (DAY):** Ten at Oak (Sat), Phi at Ind (Sat), Ari at Hou (Sun), Cin at Jax (Sun)

**NEXT WEEK (DAY):** Ten at Mia (Thu), Jax at Atl (Thu), Ind at Cin (Thu), Hou at Dal (Thu)

NASHVILLE — The Tennessee Titans (1-1) will travel to Oakland this week to face the Raiders (1-1) in Week 3 of the preseason. Kickoff at Oakland Alameda Coliseum (capacity 53,286) is scheduled for 5 p.m. PDT/7 p.m. CDT on Saturday, Aug. 27.

This week is a preview of the two teams' regular season matchup in less than a month. On Sunday, Sept. 25, the Raiders will visit the Titans at Nissan Stadium.

The game this week also represents the final opportunity for the Titans to take the field before the first round of roster cuts are due. At 3 p.m. CDT on Tuesday, Aug. 30, all NFL rosters must be trimmed from a maximum of 90 players to no more than 75 players. Final roster cuts follow the fourth and final preseason contest.

#### THE BROADCAST

The game will be televised to a national audience on CBS, including Nashville affiliate WTVF NewsChannel 5. Play-by-play announcer **Spero Dedes** will call the action alongside analyst **Dan Fouts**. **Tracy Wolfson** will report from the sidelines.

The Titans Radio Network, including Nashville flagship 104.5 The Zone, will carry the game across the Mid-South with the "Voice of the Titans" **Mike Keith**, analyst **Frank Wycheck**, gameday host **Rhett Bryan** and sideline reporter **Jonathan Hutton**.

#### TITANS SPLIT FIRST TWO PRESEASON GAMES

The Titans will be on the road for the final two weeks of the preseason after splitting the first two games of August at home. They defeated the Chargers 27-10 in Week 1 but dropped last week's game to the Carolina Panthers by a final score of 26-16.

Second-year quarterback **Marcus Mariota** played into the second quarter against the Panthers, directing three drives. His final series netted 81 yards on nine plays, including a 23-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver **Harry Douglas**.

Through the first two preseason games, Mariota has completed 14 passes on 15 attempts for 149 yards, one touchdown, one interception and a passer rating of 102.5. His 93.3 percent completion rate leads the NFL.

Mariota's performance has been complemented by a successful running game. With 384 total rushing yards (192.0 per game), the Titans trail only the San Francisco 49ers (210.0) in rushing offense. Tennessee leads the league with an average of 6.7 yards per carry.

In particular, the new running back duo of veteran **DeMarco Murray** and rookie **Derrick Henry** has thrived in its early stages in Tennessee. Murray, who the team acquired in a trade in March, leads the club with 113 rushing yards, and his 71-yard touchdown run against the Chargers is the longest scrimmage play of the preseason thus far. Henry, who has 105 yards on 15 carries, leads the NFL among qualifiers with a 7.0-yard rushing average. The Heisman Trophy winner was a second-round draft pick in April.

Another rookie, wide receiver **Tajae Sharpe**, is garnering his own share of the spotlight. The fifth-round pick from the University of Massachusetts has started both preseason games and is leading the team with eight receptions for 103 yards. Those totals rank second among NFL rookies.

#### THE RAIDERS

Like the Titans, the Raiders are 1-1 this preseason. They traveled to Arizona in Week 1 and defeated the Cardinals 31-10, but last week at Green Bay they were defeated by a final score of 20-12.

**Jack Del Rio** is entering his second campaign as Oakland's head coach. In his first season, the Raiders improved to 7-9, more than doubling their three-win total from the previous season. The progress in the win column coincided with six Raiders making the Pro Bowl: quarterback **Derek Carr**, wide receiver **Amari Cooper**, running back **Latavius Murray**, fullback **Marcel Reece**, safety **Charles Woodson** (now retired) and defensive end **Khalil Mack**.

Carr completed 53 touchdown passes from 2014 through 2015, trailing only **Dan Marino** (68) for the most ever in a player's first two NFL seasons. The former second-round pick passed for 3,987 yards and 32 touchdowns in 2015.

## FINGERTIP INFORMATION

<b>Date of Game</b>	Aug. 27, 2016
<b>Kickoff Time</b>	5 p.m. PDT/7 p.m. CDT
<b>Venue</b>	Oakland Alameda Coliseum
Tickets	(800) 724-3377
Location	Oakland, Calif.
Opened in	1966
Capacity	53,286
Surface	Natural Grass

## Visiting Team . . . . . Tennessee Titans (1-1)

<b>Division</b>	AFC South
<b>Website</b>	www.TitansOnline.com
<b>Media Guide</b>	www.TitansOnline.com/mediaguide
<b>Twitter</b>	@Titans
<b>Facebook</b>	facebook.com/Titans
<b>Instagram</b>	@Titans
<b>Snapchat</b>	nfltitans
<b>Franchise since</b>	1960 (1960-96 Houston Oilers; 1997-98 Tennessee Oilers)
<b>Ownership</b>	Amy Adams Strunk (Controlling Owner and Co-Chairman, Board of Directors); Susie Adams Smith (Co-Chairman, Board of Directors); Kenneth S. Adams, IV (Board of Directors); Barclay Adams; Susan Lewis
<b>President/CEO</b>	Steve Underwood
<b>General Manager</b>	Jon Robinson
<b>Head Coach</b>	Mike Mularkey
<b>Asst. Head Coach/Def. Coord.</b>	Dick LeBeau
<b>Offensive Coordinator</b>	Terry Robiskie
<b>Special Teams Coordinator</b>	Bobby April
<b>2015 NFL Offensive Rank</b>	30 (Total), 25 (Rush), 25T (Pass)
<b>2015 NFL Defensive Rank</b>	12 (Total), 18 (Rush), 7 (Pass)

## Home Team . . . . . Oakland Raiders (1-1)

<b>Division</b>	AFC West
<b>Website</b>	www.raiders.com
<b>Franchise since</b>	1960 (Los Angeles 1982-94)
<b>Owner</b>	Mark Davis
<b>General Manager</b>	Reggie McKenzie
<b>President</b>	Marc Badain
<b>Head Coach</b>	Jack Del Rio
<b>Offensive Coordinator</b>	Bill Musgrave
<b>Defensive Coordinator</b>	Ken Norton, Jr.
<b>2015 NFL Offensive Rank</b>	24 (Total), 28 (Rush), 16 (Pass)
<b>2015 NFL Defensive Rank</b>	22 (Total), 13 (Rush), 26 (Pass)

## Television . . . . . CBS

<b>Nashville Affiliate</b>	WTVF NewsChannel 5
<b>Play-by-Play</b>	Spero Dedes
<b>Analyst</b>	Dan Fouts
<b>Sideline Reporter</b>	Tracy Wolfson

## Radio . . . . . Titans Radio Network

<b>Flagship</b>	WGFX 104.5 FM-The Zone
<b>Satellite Radio</b>	Sirius 136, XM 229
<b>Play-by-Play</b>	Mike Keith
<b>Analyst</b>	Frank Wycheck
<b>Gameday Host</b>	Rhett Bryan
<b>Sideline Reporter</b>	Jonathan Hutton

## Referee . . . . . Ron Torbert

<b>Umpire</b>	Paul King
<b>Head Linesman</b>	Jim Howey
<b>Line Judge</b>	Mike Spanier
<b>Field Judge</b>	Aaron Santi
<b>Side Judge</b>	Greg Gautreaux
<b>Back Judge</b>	Greg Yette
<b>Replay Official</b>	Bill Spysksa



## TITANS-RAIDERS SERIES AT A GLANCE

- **Overall series (regular & postseason):** Raiders lead 28-20
- **Regular season series:** Raiders lead 24-20
- **Postseason series:** Raiders lead 4-0
- **Total points:** Titans 1,085, Raiders 1,157
- **Current streak:** One win by Raiders
- **Titans at home vs. Raiders:** 15-12
- **Titans on the road vs. Raiders:** 5-16 (including 0-4 in playoffs)
- **Longest winning streak by Titans:** 4 (1961-62)
- **Longest losing streak by Titans:** 9 (1966-73)
- **Titans vs. Raiders at Nissan Stadium:** 4-2
- **Last time at Nissan Stadium:** RAIDERS 24 at Titans 21 (11-29-15)
- **Titans vs. Raiders at Oakland Alameda Coliseum:** 2-11
- **Last time at Oakland Alameda Coliseum:** TITANS 23 at Raiders 19 (11-24-13)
- **First time:** OILERS 37 at Raiders 22 (9/11/60)
- **Mike Mularkey's record vs. Raiders:** 0-4
- **Jack Del Rio's record vs. Titans:** 9-9
- **Mike Mularkey's record vs. Jack Del Rio:** 0-2

## KEY DATES

<b>August 27</b>	Titans visit the Oakland Raiders in a nationally televised preseason game (CBS)
<b>August 30</b>	Rosters reduced from 90 players to maximum of 75 players at 3 p.m. CT
<b>September 1</b>	Titans conclude preseason at Miami against the Dolphins
<b>September 3</b>	Rosters reduced from 75 players to maximum of 53 players at 3 p.m. CT
<b>September 4</b>	Teams can establish a practice squad of 10 players at 11 a.m. CT
<b>September 11</b>	Titans open regular season at Nissan Stadium against the Minnesota Vikings





## ROSTER REDUCTIONS/PRACTICE SQUADS

The Titans may carry 90 players on their roster at the start of training camp. Clubs must trim their active rosters twice prior to the start of the regular season.

At 3 p.m. CT on Tuesday, Aug. 30, three days after the Titans' third preseason game, the roster can have a maximum of 75 active players. On Saturday, Sept. 3, two days after the Titans' fourth and final preseason game, the NFL mandates active rosters reach their regular-season limit of 53 players by 3 p.m. CT.

Players placed on reserve lists such as Injured Reserve, Reserve/Physically Unable to Perform and Reserve/Suspended do not count towards the 53-man active roster limit.

After the final cutdown, a 10-player practice squad may be established as early as 11 a.m. CT on Sunday, Sept. 4.

## TITANS-RAIDERS SERIES HISTORY

There have been 48 all-time regular season and postseason games between the Titans and Raiders organizations, two of the original eight members of the American Football League.

This week marks the 11th time the clubs have met in the preseason. They are currently tied 5-5 in the preseason series, which began in 1961 with a contest in Honolulu, Hawaii.

The rivalry has been filled with historically significant contests, including their very first matchup. On Sept. 11, 1960, the Houston Oilers defeated the Raiders 37-22 in the first game of either franchise's existence.

The Raiders currently hold a 28-20 advantage in the series, including a 4-0 mark against the Titans in postseason play. They have met in an AFL Playoff Game (1969), an AFL Championship Game (1967), an AFC Wild Card Game (1980) and most recently the 2002 AFC Championship Game.

The Raiders have a considerable lead in the series at home. The Oilers/Titans have won only five of 20 games on the road against the Raiders, including a mark of 2-11 at Oakland Alameda Coliseum.

The Titans have achieved their greatest margin of victory in a game against the Raiders (55-0 on 9/9/61) but also suffered their third-worst defeat against them (56-7 in a playoff game on 12/21/69).

They played in every season from 2001-05, including two meetings during the 2002 campaign, both of which resulted in Titans losses at Oakland -- the first in the regular season and the second in the AFC Championship Game.

The Titans won three consecutive battles with the Raiders from 2007-2013. At Nissan Stadium, the Titans won 13-9 in 2007 and 38-13 in 2010. In the 2010 season opener, the Titans used two rushing touchdowns from **Chris Johnson** and two passing touchdowns from **Vince Young** in the win. At Oakland Alameda Coliseum on Nov. 24, 2013, the Titans earned a dramatic 23-19 victory after **Ryan Fitzpatrick** connected on a 10-yard touchdown pass with wide receiver **Kendall Wright** with only 10 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter.

The most recent Titans-Raiders game occurred on Nov. 29, 2015. After the Titans went ahead 21-17 with less than five minutes remaining in the fourth quarter, Raiders quarterback **Derek Carr** orchestrated a 90-yard drive late in the fourth quarter, culminating with the game-winning touchdown pass to wide receiver **Seth Roberts**.

### TITANS-RAIDERS PRESEASON SERIES

- **All-time preseason series:** Series tied 5-5
- **Last time:** Raiders 16 at TITANS 17 (8-15-08)

### A TITANS VICTORY WOULD ...

- Improve **Mike Mularkey's** career record in the preseason to 8-7.
- Give the Titans a 6-5 all-time record against the Raiders in the preseason.

## ALL-TIME SERIES RESULTS

### TITANS vs. RAIDERS

*Raiders lead 28-20*

Date	Site	W/L	Score	Date	Site	W/L	Score
9-11-60	Oak	W	37-22	12-28-80	Oak	L	7-27 (WC)
9-25-60	Hou	L	13-14	11-8-81	Hou	W	17-16
9-9-61	Hou	W	55-0	9-11-83	LA	L	6-20
12-17-61	Oak	W	47-16	9-2-84	Hou	L	14-24
11-11-62	Oak	W	28-20	10-26-86	Hou	L	17-28
12-9-62	Hou	W	32-17	9-11-88	Hou	W	38-35
9-7-63	Hou	L	13-24	11-19-89	Hou	W	23-7
12-22-63	Oak	L	49-52	9-1-91	Hou	W	47-17
9-19-64	Hou	W	42-28	10-30-94	LA	L	14-17
11-15-64	Oak	L	10-20	8-31-97	Ten	W	24-21 OT
9-26-65	Oak	L	17-21	12-9-99	Ten	W	21-14
11-7-65	Hou	L	21-33	12-22-01	Oak	W	13-10
9-10-66	Hou	W	31-0	9-29-02	Oak	L	25-52
11-6-66	Oak	L	23-38	1-19-03	Oak	L	24-41 (AFC)
12-10-67	Hou	L	7-19	9-7-03	Ten	W	25-20
12-31-67	Oak	L	7-40 (AFL)	12-19-04	Oak	L	35-40
9-29-68	Hou	L	15-24	10-30-05	Ten	L	25-34
9-14-69	Oak	L	17-21	10-28-07	Ten	W	13-9
12-21-69	Oak	L	7-56 (Div)	9-12-10	Ten	W	38-13
11-14-71	Oak	L	21-41	11-24-13	Oak	W	23-19
10-9-72	Hou	L	0-34	11-29-15	Ten	L	21-24
12-2-73	Hou	L	6-17				
12-14-75	Hou	W	27-26				
9-26-76	Hou	L	13-14				
11-13-77	Oak	L	29-34				
10-8-78	Oak	L	17-21				
11-11-79	Hou	W	31-17				

AFL - AFL Championship Game  
Div - Divisional Playoff  
WC - Wild Card Game  
AFC - AFC Championship Game

## MOST RECENT MATCHUPS

### 2010 Week 1 • Sept. 12, 2010 • Raiders 13 at TITANS 38

Following an early turnover leading to an Oakland field goal, Vince Young finds Nate Washington for a 54-yard strike to ignite the Tennessee offense ... Back-to-back touchdown runs from Javon Ringer (15 yards) and Chris Johnson (76 yards) in the second quarter give the Titans control of the game with a 24-3 lead ... Johnson adds another score in the third quarter and Young connects with Bo Scaife on a one-yard touchdown pass to begin the fourth ... Young finishes 13-of-17 for 154 yards, two scores and no interceptions, while Johnson tallies 142 yards on 27 carries.

### 2013 Week 12 • Nov. 24, 2013 • TITANS 23 at Raiders 19

Ryan Fitzpatrick completes a 10-yard, game-winning touchdown pass to Kendall Wright with 0:10 remaining in regulation ... Rookie Justin Hunter scores on a 54-yard reception ... The Titans have a 300-yard passer (320 yards by Fitzpatrick) and two 100-yard receivers (103 by Wright, 109 by Hunter) for the first time since 2004 ... Rob Bironas makes all three field goal attempts, while Raiders kicker Sebastian Janikowski is four-of-six ... Rookie quarterback Matt McGloin makes his second career start for the Raiders.

### 2015 Week 12 • Nov. 29, 2015 • RAIDERS 24 at Titans 21

Raiders quarterback Derek Carr passes for 330 yards and three touchdowns, including the game-winner in the final two minutes ... Seth Roberts' game-clinching touchdown catch for the Raiders (12 yards) comes after a defensive holding call on the Titans on a fourth-down incompleteness ... Roberts (113) and Amari Cooper (115) each go over 100 receiving yards ... Marcus Mariota throws three touchdown passes but is intercepted twice ... Raiders outgain the Titans 407 yards to 249 and limit the Titans to 44 rushing yards.

TITANS-RAIDERS: THE LAST MEETING

OAKLAND RAIDERS 24 at Tennessee Titans 21  
Sunday, Nov. 29, 2015  
Nissan Stadium, Nashville, Tenn.

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Derek Carr passed for 330 yards and three touchdowns, including the game-winner with less than two minutes remaining in the fourth quarter, helping the Raiders exit a soggy Nissan Stadium with a 24-21 victory over the Titans.

Carr completed 24 of 37 passes without throwing an interception on a rainy afternoon in which his counterpart, Titans rookie quarterback **Marcus Mariota**, was victimized by two costly interceptions. Mariota's second picked-off pass came in Oakland territory with 43 seconds on the clock to end the Titans' hopes of pulling out a dramatic win.

The Titans defense had trouble finding an answer for Carr and wide receivers **Amari Cooper** and **Seth Roberts**. Cooper led all receivers with seven catches for 115 yards, while Roberts' six receptions went for 113 yards and a pair of scores. Roberts was on the receiving end of Carr's final touchdown pass of the day, a 12-yarder that was preceded by a fourth-down defensive holding call on the Titans.

The Titans built an initial lead in the first quarter before the heavy rains began to fall. Following a pair of three-and-outs, they marched 88 yards on five plays. Mariota found tight end **Delanie Walker** for a 36-yard gain, and shortly thereafter an unnecessary roughness penalty on the Raiders moved the Titans further. On the next play, Mariota and tight end **Craig Stevens** connected for a 20-yard touchdown pass. However, the extra point was blocked by **Denico Autry**, causing the first missed extra point of kicker **Ryan Succop's** career and the Titans' first missed extra point since the 2005 season finale.

Not to be outdone, Carr and the Raiders responded with a seven-play, 77-yard series to grab the lead, jumpstarted by a 38-yard reception by Roberts. To cap the drive, Carr tossed a seven-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver **Michael Crabtree**.

The Raiders used the majority of the clock in the second quarter on a single drive. Beginning at their own four-yard line, they nearly marched the length of the field. Cooper caught a 30-yard pass on third down, the first of three third-down conversions on the drive. But they were unsuccessful on third-and-goal and settled for a 24-yard field goal by **Sebastian Janikowski** to make the score 10-6 in their favor.

In the third quarter, as the rain intensified, the teams exchanged touchdowns. First, the Raiders used a 41-yard reception by Cooper to set up a 10-yard touchdown catch on third down by Roberts.

Then it was the Titans' turn, as they drove 80 yards on nine plays, including four carries by **Antonio Andrews** for 24 yards. Mariota completed a 17-yard pass to tight end **Anthony Fasano**, and two plays later, he found **Harry Douglas** for a 13-yard touchdown. Trailing 17-12 after the touchdown, the Titans went for the two-point conversion and got it on Mariota's pass to **Dorial Green-Beckham**.

Immediately thereafter, the Titans got the first turnover of the game but failed to take advantage of it. **Tre McBride** forced a fumble on **Jeremy Ross'** kickoff return, and **Daimion Stafford** pounced on it to give the Titans possession at Oakland's 18-yard line. However, an offensive pass interference penalty negated a 10-yard reception by Walker, and on the next play, Mariota threw his first interception to cornerback **David Amerson**.



Craig Stevens hauled in a 20-yard touchdown pass from Marcus Mariota against the Raiders in 2015.

The Titans did capitalize on their next takeaway. In the fourth quarter, Carr lost control of a snap, and defensive end **DaQuan Jones** recovered the ball at the Oakland 42-yard line. Subsequently, Andrews converted a third-and-11 with a 14-yard reception—the team's first third-down conversion of the game—and Mariota threw a one-yard touchdown pass to fullback **Jalston Fowler**.

The Titans were up 21-17 with 4:41 remaining in the game, but the lead would not stand. From Oakland's 10-yard line, Cooper caught a 16-yard pass to ignite the game-winning march, and Roberts picked up 31 more yards on a pass from Carr. On fourth-and-eight from the Tennessee 36-yard line, Carr's intended pass for **Andre Holmes** fell incomplete. However, cornerback **B.W. Webb** was flagged away from the play for holding, giving the Raiders new life. Tight end **Mychal Rivera** posted a 19-yard catch, and on the next snap, Roberts caught the game-winner with the clock at 1:21.

The Titans had a final opportunity to tie or take the lead. But after moving near midfield on a 27-yard reception by Walker, safety **Nate Allen** intercepted Mariota to seal the Titans' fate.

SCORING AND STATISTICS

	1	2	3	4	Final
Oakland Raiders	7	3	7	7	24
Tennessee Titans	6	0	8	7	21

TEAM	SCORING PLAY	
Titans	C.Stevens 20 yd. pass from M.Mariota (kick blocked)	1-5:53
Raiders	M.Crabtree 7 yd. pass from D.Carr (S.Janikowski kick)	1-1:34
Raiders	S.Janikowski 24 yd. Field Goal	2-1:01
Raiders	S.Roberts 10 yd. pass from D.Carr (S.Janikowski kick)	3-10:45
Titans	H.Douglas 13 yd. pass from M.Mariota (M.Mariota-D.Green-Beckham pass)	3-6:22
Titans	J.Fowler 1 yd. pass from M.Mariota (R.Succop kick)	4-4:41
Raiders	S.Roberts 12 yd. pass from D.Carr (S.Janikowski kick)	4-1:21

Missed FG: None  
Attendance: 58,075    Time of Game: 3:08  
Weather: 56° F, wind from NE 4 mph

	Raiders	Titans
First downs	22	19
3rd-down conversion-att	8-15	3-12
4th-down conversion-att	0-1	0-1
Total yards	407	249
Rushing yards	84	44
Passing yards	323	205
Passes-comp.-Int.	38-24-0	37-17-2
Sacked-yards	1/7	2/13
Punts-avg.	4-42.3	6-47.8
Punt return yards	4-49	1-5
Kickoff return yards	4-91	1-31
Fumbles-lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-yards	11-94	4-25
Field goals made-att	1-1	0-0
Time of possession	34:55	25:05

RUSHING											
RAIDERS	Att	Yds	Lg	TD	TITANS	Att	Yds	Lg	TD		
L. Murray	22	59	8	0	A. Andrews	11	32	11	0		
J. Olawale	2	17	10	0	D.Cobb	3	8	3	0		
D. Carr	4	5	5	0	M. Mariota	1	7	7	0		
R. Helu	2	3	2	0	J. Fowler	1	1	1	0		
					K. Wright	2	-4	0	0		
TOTALS	30	84	10	0	TOTALS	18	44	11	0		

PASSING											
RAIDERS	Att	Com	Yd	TD-I	TITANS	Att	Com	Yd	TD-I		
D. Carr	37	24	330	3-0	M. Mariota	37	17	218	3-2		
M. McGloin	1	0	0	0-0							
TOTALS	38	24	330	3-0	TOTALS	37	17	218	3-2		

RECEIVING											
RAIDERS	Rec	Yds	Lg	TD	TITANS	Rec	Yds	Lg	TD		
A. Cooper	7	115	41	0	D. Walker	6	91	36	0		
S. Roberts	6	113	38	2	H. Douglas	3	29	13	1		
M. Crabtree	4	19	7	1	A. Fasano	2	22	17	0		
M. Rivera	2	28	19	0	K. Wright	2	19	12	0		
L. Murray	1	23	23	0	D. Green-Beckham	1	22	22	0		
C. Walford	1	14	14	0	C. Stevens	1	20	20	1		
A. Holmes	1	9	9	0	A. Andrews	1	14	14	0		
M. Reece	1	7	7	0	J. Fowler	1	1	1	1		
L. Smith	1	2	2	0							
TOTALS	24	330	41	3	TOTALS	17	218	36	3		

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE  
(Titans - Coaching Stats; Opponents - Press Box Stats)  
RAIDERS - Leading Tacklers: M. Smith 10-8-2, K. Mack 6-3-3. Sacks: K. Mack 2. FF: None. FR: None.  
TITANS- Leading Tacklers: A. Williamson 13-7-6, M. Griffin 8-5-3, W. Woodyard 7-6-1.  
Sacks: A. Williamson 1. Int: None. FF: None. FR: D. Jones 1.

## 2015 TALE OF THE TAPE

OFFENSE	Tenn.	Oak.	NFL/Avg
<b>GAMES (Won-Lost)</b>	<b>3-13</b>	<b>7-9</b>	<b>---</b>
FIRST DOWNS	298	300	320.8
Rushing	66	74	92.9
Passing	195	193	196.5
Penalty	37	33	31.4
YDS GAINED (tot)	4988	5336	5642.8
Avg per Game	311.8	333.5	352.7
RUSHING (net)	1485	1457	1741.4
Avg per Game	92.8	91.1	108.8
Rushes	371	370	421.6
Yards per Rush	4.0	3.9	4.1
PASSING (net)	3503	3879	3901.3
Avg per Game	218.9	242.4	243.8
Passes Att.	551	605	571.8
Completed	342	373	360.2
Pct Completed	62.1	61.7	63.0
Yards Gained	3893	4129	4146.7
Sacked	54	33	37.1
Yards Lost	390	250	245.3
Had intercepted	17	14	13.6
Yards Opp Ret	263	381	189.3
Opp TDs on Int	3	3	1.7
PUNTS	88	84	76.3
Avg Yards	47.4	44.0	45.2
PUNT RETURNS	38	42	35.6
Avg Return	8.1	6.5	8.5
Returned for TD	0	0	0.4
KICKOFF RETURNS	33	53	33.8
Avg Return	20.6	23.9	23.6
Returned for TD	0	0	0.2
PENALTIES	93	139	110.8
Yards Penalized	779	1102	940.5
FUMBLES BY	25	27	20.8
Fumbles Lost	16	10	9.7
Opp Fumbles	16	18	20.8
Opp Fum Lost	8	11	9.7
POSS. TIME (avg)	29:25	29:19	30:00
TOUCHDOWNS	37	42	41.2
Rushing	10	7	11.4
Passing	25	34	26.3
Returns	2	1	3.5
EXTRA-PT KICKS	29/31	38/39	94%
2-PT CONVERSIONS	3/5	1/3	48%
FIELD GOALS/FGA	14/16	21/26	26/31
POINTS SCORED	299	359	365.0

DEFENSE	Tenn.	Oak.	NFL/Avg
POINTS ALLOWED	423	399	365.0
OPP FIRST DOWNS	317	344	320.8
Rushing	101	94	92.9
Passing	192	206	196.5
Penalty	24	44	31.4
OPP YARDS GAINED	5475	5818	5642.8
Avg per Game	342.2	363.6	352.7
OPP RUSHING(net)	1797	1678	1741.4
Avg per Game	112.3	104.9	108.8
Rushes	462	406	421.6
Yards per Rush	3.9	4.1	4.1
OPP PASSING(net)	3678	4140	3901.3
Avg per Game	229.9	258.8	243.8
Passes Att.	502	641	571.8
Completed	319	404	360.2
Pct Completed	63.5	63.0	63.0
Sacked	39	38	37.1
Yards Lost	271	211	245.3
INTERCEPTED BY	11	14	13.6
Yards Returned	164	73	189.3
Returned for TD	1	1	1.7
OPP PUNT RETURNS	47	30	35.6
Avg return	12.9	6.7	8.5
OPP KICKOFF RET	22	35	33.8
Avg return	27.2	22.7	23.6
OPP TOUCHDOWNS	51	41	41.2
Rushing	11	12	11.4
Passing	34	25	26.3
Returns	6	4	3.5

## 2015 SCHEDULES



PRESEASON			
Date	Opponent	W/L	Score
08/13	San Diego Chargers	W	27-10
08/20	Carolina Panthers	L	16-26
08/27	at Oakland Raiders		
09/01	at Miami Dolphins		

REGULAR SEASON			
Date	Opponent	W/L	Score
09/11	Minnesota Vikings		
09/18	at Detroit Lions		
09/25	Oakland Raiders		
10/02	at Houston Texans		
10/09	at Miami Dolphins		
10/16	Cleveland Browns		
10/23	Indianapolis Colts		
10/27	Jacksonville Jaguars		
11/06	at San Diego Chargers		
11/13	Green Bay Packers		
11/20	at Indianapolis Colts		
11/27	at Chicago Bears		
12/11	Denver Broncos		
12/18	at Kansas City Chiefs		
12/24	at Jacksonville Jaguars		
01/01	Houston Texans		



PRESEASON			
Date	Opponent	W/L	Score
08/12	at Arizona Cardinals	W	31-10
08/18	at Green Bay Packers	L	12-20
08/27	Tennessee Titans		
09/01	Seattle Seahawks		

REGULAR SEASON			
Date	Opponent	W/L	Score
09/11	at New Orleans		
09/18	Atlanta Falcons		
09/25	at Tennessee Titans		
10/02	at Baltimore Ravens		
10/09	San Diego Chargers		
10/16	Kansas City Chiefs		
10/23	at Jacksonville Jaguars		
10/30	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers		
11/06	Denver Broncos		
11/21	Houston Texans (Mexico City)		
11/27	Carolina Panthers		
12/04	Buffalo Bills		
12/08	at Kansas City Chiefs		
12/18	at San Diego Chargers		
12/24	Indianapolis Colts		
01/01	at Denver Broncos		

## 2015 REGULAR SEASON INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Passing		Att	Cmp	Yds	Pct	Y/Att	TD	Int	Lg	Sack/	Lost	Rtg
Titans	M. Mariota	370	230	2,818	62.2	7.6	19	10	61t	38/	258	91.5
Raiders	D. Carr	573	350	3,987	61.1	7.0	32	13	68t	31/	230	91.2

Rushing		No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Titans	A. Andrews	143	520	3.6	38	3
	M. Mariota	34	252	7.4	87t	2
Raiders	L. Murray	266	1,066	4.0	54	6

Receiving		No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Titans	D. Walker	94	1,088	11.6	61t	6
	H. Douglas	36	411	11.4	51	2
	K. Wright	36	408	11.3	52t	3
	D. Green-Beckham	32	549	17.2	47t	4
Raiders	M. Crabtree	85	922	10.8	38t	9
	A. Cooper	72	1,070	14.9	68t	6

Interceptions		No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Titans	Z. Brown	2	45	22.5	45	0
	C. Sensabaugh	2	42	21.0	26t	1
Raiders	C. Woodson	5	22	4.4	11	0

Punting		No.	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
Titans	B. Kern	88	4,175	47.4	40.3	1	34	61	0
Raiders	M. King	83	3,697	44.5	40.7	4	40	70	1

Punt Returns		No.	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Titans	D. McCluster	24	15	217	9.0	37	0
Raiders	T. Carrie	19	2	118	6.2	22	0

Kickoff Returns		No.	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
Titans	D. McCluster	13	285	21.9	32	0
Raiders	T. Jones	31	829	26.7	70	0

Scoring/Kickers		PAT	FG	Pts
Titans	R. Succop	29/31	14/16	71
Raiders	S. Janikowski	38/39	21/26	101

Sacks		Tot
Titans	J. Casey, B. Orakpo	7.0
Raiders	K. Mack	15.0

Tackles		Tot	Solo	Asst
Titans	A. Williamson	137	79	58
Raiders	M. Smith	143	98	45



## WHERE THEY RANKED IN 2015

## 2015 OFFENSIVE STATISTICS AND NFL RANKING

OFFENSIVE STATS	TITANS		RAIDERS	
	STAT	RANK	STAT	RANK
Yards / Game . . . . .	311.8	30	333.5	24
Yards / Play . . . . .	5.1	27	5.3	23
Rushing Yards / Game . . . . .	92.8	25	91.1	28
Rushing Yards / Play . . . . .	4.0	17	3.9	22
Passing Yards / Game . . . . .	218.9	25t	242.4	16
Passing Yards / Play . . . . .	6.4	25	6.4	24
Interception Rate . . . . .	3.09%	28	2.31%	20
Sacks / Pass Attempt . . . . .	9.80%	30	5.45%	10
First Downs / Game . . . . .	18.6	27	18.8	26
Punt Return Avg . . . . .	8.1	18	6.5	28
Kickoff Return Avg . . . . .	20.6	28	23.9	17
Field Goals Made . . . . .	87.50%	9t	80.77%	27t
3rd Down Pct . . . . .	31.84%	29	39.09%	16
4th Down Pct . . . . .	46.67%	21	38.46%	27
Red Zone Pct . . . . .	65.00%	6	60.98%	9
Goal to Go% . . . . .	82.61%	3	66.67%	18t
Avg Time of Possession . . . . .	29:25	23	29:19	25
Points / Game . . . . .	18.7	28	22.4	17
Turnover Ratio . . . . .	-14	30t	+1	17

## 2015 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS AND NFL RANKING

DEFENSIVE STATS	TITANS		RAIDERS	
	STAT	RANK	STAT	RANK
Yards / Game . . . . .	342.2	12	363.6	22
Yards / Play . . . . .	5.5	16	5.4	11
Rushing Yards / Game . . . . .	112.3	18	104.9	13
Rushing Yards / Play . . . . .	3.9	8	4.1	18
Passing Yards / Game . . . . .	229.9	7	258.8	26
Passing Yards / Play . . . . .	7.3	26	6.5	9
Interception Rate . . . . .	2.19%	18	2.18%	19
Sacks / Pass Attempt . . . . .	7.77%	6	5.93%	24
First Downs / Game . . . . .	19.8	14t	21.5	25
Punt Return Avg . . . . .	12.9	31	6.7	10
Kickoff Return Avg . . . . .	27.2	30t	22.7	13
3rd Down Pct . . . . .	42.59%	25	37.50%	11
4th Down Pct . . . . .	33.33%	5t	52.94%	19
Red Zone Pct . . . . .	62.26%	26t	51.72%	9
Goal to Go% . . . . .	75.00%	22t	55.17%	5
Points / Game . . . . .	26.4	27	24.9	22
Point Differential / Game . . . . .	-7.8	30	-2.5	17
Yard Differential / Game . . . . .	-30.4	25	-30.1	24

## RAIDERS HEAD COACH JACK DEL RIO

## JACK DEL RIO AT A GLANCE

- Regular season record: 75-80
- Postseason record: 1-2
- Overall record: 76-82
- vs. Titans: 9-9
- on the road vs. Titans: 5-4
- at home vs. Titans: 4-5
- vs. Mike Mularkey: 2-0
- Year as Raiders head coach: 2
- Year as NFL head coach: 11



## Jack Del Rio's Assistant Coaching Staff:

Sam Anno	Defensive Assistant
Todd Downing	Quarterbacks
Darryl Eto	Asst. Strength and Conditioning
Jethro Franklin	Defensive Line
Joe Gomes	Head Strength and Conditioning
Tim Holt	Assistant Offensive Line
Nick Holz	Quality Control - Offense
Bobby Johnson	Tight Ends
Kevin Kijowski	Strength and Conditioning Asst.
Wesley Miller	Strength and Conditioning Asst.
Rob Moore	Wide Receivers
Bill Musgrave	Offensive Coordinator
Ken Norton, Jr.	Defensive Coordinator
Bernie Parmalee	Running Backs
Jake Peetz	Senior Offensive Assistant
Marcus Robertson	Defensive Backs
Brad Seely	Special Teams Coordinator
Tracy Smith	Assistant Special Teams
Travis Smith	Quality Control - Defense
Sal Sunseri	Linebackers
Mike Tice	Offensive Line
Brent Vieselmeyer	Assistant Linebackers
Rod Woodson	Assistant Defensive Backs

**Jack Del Rio** was named the 19th head coach in the 55-year history of the Oakland Raiders franchise on Jan. 15, 2015. Del Rio is in his 31st year in the NFL and his 20th season in coaching.

In his first season with the Raiders, the Raiders more than doubled the previous year's win total. Oakland moved up 15 spots in the NFL rankings in turnover ratio, finishing 17th in the league (+1) after ranking 32nd in 2014 (-15). The team improved in five major statistical categories on offense alone, making gains in total offense, rushing, passing, points per game and third-down efficiency. On defense, the Raiders improved in rushing defense, points per game allowed and third-down defense.

From 2012-2014, Del Rio was the defensive coordinator under **John Fox** in Denver. He was part of three-straight AFC West titles with the Broncos and helped lead Denver to an AFC Championship and appearance in Super Bowl XLVIII following the 2013 campaign.

Del Rio spent nine seasons at the helm in Jacksonville. During his head coaching tenure (2003 to 2011) with the Jaguars, the club ranked sixth in the NFL in yards per game allowed (317.3) and eighth in points per game allowed (20.3). Under Del Rio, the Jaguars made two playoff appearances in 2005 and 2007, highlighted by the club's first postseason win in eight seasons with a 31-29 road victory against the Pittsburgh Steelers in a 2007 AFC Wild Card Game.

During his lone season as a defensive coordinator with Carolina in 2002, he inherited the NFL's worst defense statistically (371.4 yards per game allowed) and turned it into the league's second-ranked unit (290.4 yards per game allowed). Additionally, the 2002 Panthers squad led the NFL in rushing average against (3.7 avg.) and ranked second in third down efficiency (32.9 percent) and sacks (52).

Del Rio also served as the linebackers coach for the Ravens (1999-2001) and the Saints (1998). He began his coaching career with the New Orleans Saints under head coach **Mike Ditka**, serving as an assistant strength coach in 1997 before moving on to coach the linebackers in 1998.

A veteran of 11 seasons as an NFL linebacker, he was selected in the third round (68th overall) of the 1985 NFL Draft by New Orleans and went on to make the NFL's All-Rookie Team and earn the Saints' Rookie of the Year award. Following two seasons in New Orleans (1985-86), he played for Kansas City (1987-88), Dallas (1989-91) and Minnesota (1992-95). He led the Vikings in tackles for three consecutive years and was selected to participate in the Pro Bowl in 1994. For his career, he played 160 games in the regular season and totaled 1,078 tackles, 12 sacks and 13 interceptions.

Del Rio was a four-year starter at the University of Southern California, where he earned consensus All-American honors as a senior and was runner-up for the Lombardi Award, given to the nation's best lineman or linebacker.

## TITANS-RAIDERS CONNECTIONS

### FORMER TITANS

- Raiders defensive backs coach **Marcus Robertson** has a long history with the Titans organization. After being selected by the Oilers in the fourth round of the 1991 NFL Draft, he played in 135 career regular season games and totaled 22 interceptions for the team. He also served as assistant secondary coach from 2007–2008 and as secondary coach from 2009–2011.
- Raiders DT **Derrick Lott**, who attended Tennessee-Chattanooga, was originally signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent in 2015.

### FORMER RAIDERS

- Titans offensive coordinator **Terry Robiskie** began his NFL coaching career with the Raiders in 1982 (see separate note on right).
- Titans special teams coordinator **Bobby April** coached for the Raiders in the same role from 2013–14.
- Titans quarterbacks coach **Jason Michael** made his NFL coaching debut in 2005 with the Oakland Raiders as the team's quality control coach.
- Titans assistant special teams coach **Steve Hoffman** joined the Titans after spending one season as the special teams coordinator for the Oakland Raiders in 2012. In his one season with the Raiders, kicker **Sebastian Janikowski** posted the highest field goal percentage of his career (91.2%) and was perfect (25/25) inside 50 yards for the first time in his career.
- Titans LB **David Bass** was originally drafted in the seventh round (233rd overall) by the Raiders in 2013, but was released before the season started.
- Titans LB **Aaron Wallace's** father, **Aaron Wallace Sr.**, was selected in the second round of the 1990 NFL Draft by the Raiders. Aaron Sr. went on to play eight seasons in the NFL, collecting 21 sacks in 102 career games.

### COACHING CONNECTIONS

- Titans head coach **Mike Mularkey**, running backs coach **Sylvester Croom**, wide receivers coach **Bob Bratkowski** and defensive assistant **Brandon Blaney** with Raiders head coach **Jack Del Rio**, tight ends coach **Bobby Johnson** and assistant quarterbacks coach **Jake Peetz** at Jacksonville ... **Mike Mularkey**, Titans offensive coordinator **Terry Robiskie** and Titans assistant special teams coach **Steve Hoffman** with Raiders offensive coordinator **Bill Musgrave** at Atlanta ... **Steve Hoffman** with Raiders running backs coach **Bernie Parmalee** at Kansas City ... Titans special teams coordinator **Bobby April** with **Jack Del Rio** at New Orleans ... Raiders quarterbacks coach **Todd Downing** with Titans assistant secondary coach **Steve Jackson** at Detroit ... **Sylvester Croom** with Raiders defensive line coach **Jethro Franklin** at Green Bay ... **Steve Jackson** with **Bobby Johnson** at Detroit ... **Steve Jackson** with **Bill Musgrave** at Washington ... **Steve Jackson** with Raiders defensive backs coach **Marcus Robertson** at Detroit ... **Sylvester Croom** with Raiders special teams coordinator **Brad Seely** at Indianapolis ... Titans offensive assistant **Luke Steckel** with **Brad Seely** and Raiders assistant special teams coach **Tracy Smith** at Cleveland ... Titans defensive coordinator **Dick LeBeau** with Raiders linebackers coach **Sal Sunseri** at Pittsburgh ... **Terry Robiskie** with Raiders offensive line coach **Mike Tice** at Atlanta.
- **Steve Hoffman** coached at Dallas when **Jack Del Rio** played there.

### COACH-PLAYER CONNECTIONS

- Titans LB **Wesley Woodyard** played at Denver when Raiders head coach **Jack Del Rio** was the defensive coordinator for the Broncos.
- Titans WR **Harry Douglas** played at Atlanta when Raiders offensive line coach **Mike Tice** and offensive coordinator **Bill Musgrave** worked for the Falcons.
- Titans CB **Perrish Cox** and TE **Delanie Walker** played for the 49ers when Raiders assistant special teams coach **Tracy Smith** and special teams coordinator **Brad Seely** worked at San Francisco.
- Raiders assistant quarterbacks coach **Jake Peetz** worked for the Redskins when Titans OLB **Brian Orakpo** played at Washington.
- Titans QB **Matt Cassel**, TE **Anthony Fasano**, TE **Phillip Supernaw**, QB **Alex Tanne**, RB **Dexter McCluster**, DE **Ropati Pitoitua** and K **Ryan Succop** played at Kansas City when Raiders running backs coach **Bernie Parmalee** worked for the Chiefs.
- Titans TE **Anthony Fasano** played at Miami when defensive line coach **Jethro Franklin** worked for the Dolphins.
- Titans DL **Al Woods** played for the Buccaneers when Raiders assistant

### TITANS OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR TERRY ROBISKIE



Terry Robiskie

- Titans offensive coordinator **Terry Robiskie** began his NFL coaching career with the Raiders in 1982, rising from an assistant special teams coach initially to the eventual offensive coordinator (1989–1993). During his 12 seasons at Oakland, the team made seven playoff appearances, claimed four division titles and won Super Bowl XVIII over the Redskins.

offensive line coach **Tim Holt** worked at Tampa Bay.

- Titans S **Da'Norris Searcy** and T **Byron Bell** (injured reserve) played for the Bills when Raiders quarterbacks coach **Todd Downing** and wide receivers coach **Rob Moore** worked at Buffalo.
- Titans quarterbacks coach **Jason Michael** coached for San Francisco when Raiders WR **Michael Crabtree** played for the 49ers.
- Titans assistant special teams coach **Steve Hoffman** worked for the Chiefs when Raiders C **Rodney Hudson** played at Kansas City.
- Titans CB **Antwon Blake** played at Jacksonville while Raiders tight ends coach **Bobby Johnson** and senior offensive assistant **Jake Peetz** coached for the Jaguars.
- Titans QB **Matt Cassel** played at New England when **Brad Seely** coached for the Patriots. Cassel played at Minnesota when **Bill Musgrave** coached for the Vikings.
- Raiders S **Nate Allen** played at Philadelphia when Titans special teams coordinator **Bobby April** coached in the same role for the Eagles.
- Titans defensive assistant **Brandon Blaney** coached at Jacksonville when Raiders LB **John Lotulelei** played for the Jaguars.
- Titans offensive line coach **Russ Grimm** was the assistant head coach and offensive line coach at Arizona when Raiders DT **Dan Williams** played for the Cardinals.
- Titans DL **Al Woods** played at San Francisco when **Tracy Smith** coached for the 49ers.
- Titans G/T **Dennis Kelly** played for the Eagles when **Bill Musgrave** coached the quarterbacks at Philadelphia.
- Titans LB **Sean Spence** played at the University of Miami (Fla.) when **Jethro Franklin** coached for the Hurricanes.
- Titans WR **Justin Hunter** and TE **Alex Ellis** both played at the University of Tennessee when Raiders linebackers coach **Sal Sunseri** coached for the Vols.
- Titans DT **Jurrell Casey** played at USC when Raiders defensive coordinator **Ken Norton, Jr.** and **Jethro Franklin** coached for the Trojans.
- Titans S **Lamaricus Brutus** both played at Florida State when **Sal Sunseri** coached for the Seminoles.
- Titans G **Chance Warmack** and FB **Jalston Fowler** played at Alabama when **Sal Sunseri** coached for the team.
- Titans RB **Derrick Henry** and FB **Jalston Fowler** played at Alabama when **Jake Peetz** worked for the team.
- Titans TE **Anthony Fasano** played at Notre Dame when **Bernie Parmalee** was a coach for the Fighting Irish.
- **Jason Michael** worked at the University of Tennessee when Raiders DT **Dan Williams** played for the Vols.

### TITANS WITH CALIFORNIA CONNECTIONS

- Titans DT **Jurrell Casey** helped Long Beach (Calif.) Polytechnic High School to a division title as a senior and went on to star at the University of Southern California.
- Titans C **Brian Schwenke** attended Oceanside (Calif.) High School, where he was named to first-team All-State, All-Area, All-County, All-San Diego and All-Valley League teams as a senior.
- Titans S **Daimion Stafford** attended Norco (Calif.) High School and then played in 21 total games at Chaffey College in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.
- Titans QB **Matt Cassel** grew up in Northridge, Calif., and attended Chatsworth (Calif.) High School. Cassel attended the University of



Southern California, where he won back-to-back national titles in 2003 and 2004.

- Titans WR **Rishard Matthews** grew up in Santa Ana, Calif., attended Saddleback (Calif.) High School, and then attended Bakersfield College and Santa Ana College before eventually transferring to Nevada.
- Titans G **Sebastian Tretola** grew up in San Bernardino, Calif., and attended Cajon (Calif.) High School.
- Titans TE **Craig Stevens** attended Palos Verdes Peninsula (Calif.) High School and the University of California, Berkeley. At Cal, he appeared in 50 games (33 starts) in four seasons, which was one game shy of the school record.
- Titans TE **Delanie Walker** attended Pomona (Calif.) High School, where he received first-team All-Region, All-Division and All-San Gabriel Valley honors.
- Titans OLB **Aaron Wallace** attended Rancho Bernardo (San Diego, Calif.) High School. Wallace went on to attend the University of California, Los Angeles.
- Titans OLB **J.R. Tavai** grew up in Redondo Beach, Calif., and attended Mira Costa (Calif.) High School. Tavai graduated from the University of Southern California with a degree in sociology in May 2015.
- Titans NT **Antwaun Woods** grew up in Los Angeles, Calif., and attended Taft (Los Angeles, Calif.) High School, and went on to attend the University of Southern California.

#### RAIDERS WITH TENNESSEE CONNECTIONS

- Raiders general manager **Reggie McKenzie** is a Knoxville, Tenn., native, and attended Austin-East (Knoxville, Tenn.) High School. He then went on to the University of Tennessee, where he played linebacker from 1981–1984. In 1993, McKenzie served as a coaching assistant for the Volunteers under **Phillip Fulmer**.
- Raiders college scout **Raleigh McKenzie** is from Knoxville, Tenn., and attended Austin-East High School. He then went on to the University of Tennessee, where he played linebacker and offensive line from 1981–1984.
- Raiders TE **Mychal Rivera** attended the University of Tennessee. He played in 37 games (35 starts) and totaled 76 receptions for 1,018 yards and six touchdowns for the Vols.
- Raiders TE **Lee Smith** attended Powell (Tenn.) High School where he played tight end and defensive end. Smith's father, **Daryle Smith**, played on the offensive line at the University of Tennessee and spent six years in the NFL.
- Raiders linebackers coach **Sal Sunseri** served as the University of Tennessee's defensive coordinator in 2012.
- Raiders DT **Dan Williams** was born in Memphis, Tenn., and attended the University of Tennessee, where he earned Associated Press All-SEC first-team honors as a senior.
- Raiders LS **Andrew East** attended Vanderbilt University.

#### NOTABLE PRO TEAMMATES

- Titans CB **Perrish Cox** and TE **Delanie Walker** with Raiders WR **Michael Crabtree** at San Francisco ... Titans TE **Anthony Fasano**, RB **Dexter McCluster**, DE **Ropati Pitoitua**, TE **Phillip Supernaw**, QB **Alex**

**Tanne**, QB **Matt Cassel** and K **Ryan Succop** with Raiders C **Rodney Hudson** at Kansas City ... Titans DL **Al Woods** with Raiders T **Donald Penn** at Tampa Bay ... Titans RB **Dexter McCluster**, DE **Ropati Pitoitua** and K **Ryan Succop** with Raiders CB **Neiko Thorpe** at Kansas City ... Titans DL **Al Woods** and CB **Perrish Cox** with Raiders OLB **Bruce Irvin** and LB **Malcolm Smith** at Seattle... Titans OLB **Brian Orakpo** with Raiders CB **David Amerson** at Washington ... Titans RB **DeMarco Murray** with Raiders WR **Andre Holmes**, FB **Jamize Olawale** and LB **Korey Toomer** at Dallas ... Titans DE **Ropati Pitoitua** with Raiders T **Austin Howard** at New York Jets ... Titans WR **Andre Johnson** and QB **Alex Tanne** with Raiders DB **Dewey McDonald** at Indianapolis ... Titans TE **Phillip Supernaw** with Raiders G/T **Kelechi Osemele** and S **Brynden Trawick** at Baltimore ... Titans WR **Rishard Matthews** with Raiders WR **Nate Palmer** at Miami ... Titans LB **Wesley Woodyard** with Raiders WR **Nathan Palmer** at Denver ... Titans DL **Al Woods** with Raiders T **Donald Penn** at Tampa Bay... Titans S **Da'Norris Searcy** with Raiders TE **Lee Smith** at Buffalo ... Titans TE **Anthony Fasano** and WR **Rishard Matthews** with Raiders CB **Sean Smith** at Miami ... Titans S **Rashad Johnson** with Raiders DT **Dan Williams** at Arizona ... Titans G/T **Dennis Kelly** with Raiders S **Nate Allen** at Philadelphia.

#### NOTABLE COLLEGE TEAMMATES

- Titans G/T **Jeremiah Poutasi** with Raiders DB **Keith McGill** at Utah ... Titans DL **DaQuan Jones** and DL **Austin Johnson** with Raiders QB **Matt McGloin** at Penn State ... Titans RB **Derrick Henry**, G **Chance Warmack** and FB **Jalston Fowler** with Raiders WR **Amari Cooper** at Alabama ... Titans WR **Justin Hunter** with Raiders TE **Mychal Rivera** at Tennessee ... Titans DT **Jurrell Casey** with Raiders LB **Malcolm Smith** at USC ... Titans DE **Angelo Blackson** with Raiders CB **Neiko Thorpe** at Auburn ... Titans CB **Cody Riggs** with Raiders RB **George Atkinson III** at Notre Dame ... Titans DE **Angelo Blackson** with Raiders LB **Daren Bates** at Auburn ... Titans CB **Curtis Riley** with Raiders QB **Derek Carr** and LB **Kyrie Wilson** at Fresno State ... Titans S **Lamaricus Brutus** with Raiders DE **Mario Edwards, Jr.**, and T **Menelik Watson** at Florida State ... Titans LB **Sean Spence** with Raiders G/C **Jon Feliciano** and TE **Clive Walford** at Miami (Fla.) ... Titans CB **Tyler Patmon** with Raiders LB **Ben Heeney** and CB **Dexter McDonald** at Kansas ... Titans RB **DeMarco Murray** with Raiders DT **Stacy McGee** at Oklahoma ... Titans CB **Brice McCain** with Raiders CB **Sean Smith** at Utah ... Titans C **Brian Schwenke** with Raiders K **Giorgio Tavecchio** at California ... Titans T **Jack Conklin** with Raiders LB **Shilique Calhoun** and QB **Connor Cook** at Michigan State ... Titans G **Quinton Spain** with Raiders S **Karl Joseph** at West Virginia ... Titans CB **LeShaun Sims** with Raiders LB/DE **James Cowser** at Southern Utah ... Titans RB **Bishop Sankey** with Raiders WRs **Marvin Hall** and **Jaydon Mickens** at Washington ... Titans G **Sebastian Tretola** with Raiders G **Denver Kirkland** at Arkansas ... Titans G/T **Dennis Kelly** with Raiders TE **Gabe Holmes** at Purdue ... Titans CB **Kalan Reed** and DE **Mike Smith** with Raiders RB **Jalen Richard** at Southern Mississippi ... Titans OLB **J.R. Tavai** and NT **Antwaun Woods** with Raiders DE **Greg Townsend** at USC.

## SELECT TITANS' CAREER STATS VS. THE RAIDERS: OFFENSE

### QUARTERBACKS

#### Matt Cassel

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	Yd/A	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sk	Lst	Rate
12/14/2008	@Oak	W	1/1	30	18	60	218	7.27	4	13.3	1	3.3	30	3	8	108.1
9/20/2009	Oak	L	1/1	39	24	61.5	241	6.18	1	2.6	2	5.1	29t	2	5	66.3
11/15/2009	@Oak	W	1/1	34	19	55.9	216	6.35	0	0.0	1	2.9	41	2	10	62.9
11/7/2010	@Oak	L	1/1	35	20	57.1	216	6.17	2	5.7	1	2.9	23	3	16	82.6
1/2/2011	Oak	L	1/1	33	11	33.3	115	3.48	0	0.0	2	6.1	19	5	46	19.1
10/23/2011	@Oak	W	1/1	30	15	50	161	5.37	0	0.0	2	6.7	21	0	0	38.3
10/28/2012	Oak	L	1/0	30	20	66.7	218	7.27	1	3.3	1	3.3	46	2	15	85.1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>3-4</b>	<b>7/6</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1385</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>66.4</b>

#### Marcus Mariota

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	Yd/A	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sk	Lst	Rate
11/29/2015	Oak	L	QB	37	17	45.9	218	5.89	3	8.1	2	5.4	36	2	13	69.4
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>45.9</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>5.89</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>69.4</b>

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## Alex Tanney

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	Yd/A	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sk	Lst	Rate
None																
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>

## RUNNING BACKS/FULLBACKS

## Antonio Andrews (RB)

				Rushing						Receiving					
Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD		
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	11	32	2.9	11	0	1	14	14.0	14	0		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>		

## David Cobb (RB)

				Rushing						Receiving					
Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD		
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	3	8	2.7	3	0	0	0	-	-	0		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>		

## Jalston Fowler (FB)

				Rushing						Receiving					
Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD		
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	1	1	1.0	1	0	1	1	1.0	1t	1		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1t</b>	<b>1</b>		

## Dexter McCluster (RB)

				Rushing						Receiving					
Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD		
1/2/2011	Oak	L	1/1*	0	0	-	-	0	1	15	15.0	15	0		
10/23/2011	@Oak	W	1/0	10	38	3.8	13	0	1	-3	-3.0	-3	0		
12/24/2011	Oak	L	1/0	3	15	5.0	6	0	5	89	17.8	49	0		
10/28/2012	Oak	L	1/1*	2	15	7.5	13	0	6	54	9.0	14	1		
12/16/2012	@Oak	L	1/0	0	0	-	-	0	7	59	8.4	31	0		
10/13/2013	Oak	W	1/0	1	4	4.0	4	0	1	10	10.0	10	0		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-4</b>	<b>6/2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>1</b>		

\*started at WR

## DeMarco Murray (RB)

				Rushing						Receiving					
Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD		
11/28/2013	Oak	W	1/1	17	63	3.7	11	3	5	39	7.8	10	0		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-0</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>		

## Bishop Sankey (RB)

				Rushing						Receiving					
Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD		
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	-	-	0		
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>		

## WIDE RECEIVERS

## Harry Douglas

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
11/02/2008	@Oak	W	1/0	1	12	12.0	12	0
10/14/2012	Oak	W	1/0	5	37	7.4	20	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	3	29	9.7	13t	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-1</b>	<b>3/1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>

## Justin Hunter

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/0	6	109	18.2	54t	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-0</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>54t</b>	<b>1</b>

## Andre Johnson

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
10/03/2004	Oak	W	1/1	6	115	19.2	33	1
12/03/2006	@Oak	W	1/1	1	9	9.0	9	0
12/21/2008	@Oak	L	1/1	2	19	9.5	12	0
10/04/2009	Oak	W	1/1	2	66	33.0	62	0
11/17/2013	Oak	L	1/1	10	116	11.6	34	0
09/14/2014	@Oak	W	1/1	6	74	12.3	20	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4-2</b>	<b>6/6</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1</b>

## Rishard Matthews

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
09/16/2012	Oak	W	1/0	0	0	-	-	0
09/28/2014	@Oak	W	1/0	2	27	13.5	23	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-0</b>	<b>2/0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>

## Tre McBride

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	0	0	-	-	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>

## Kendall Wright

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	6	103	17.2	31	1
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	2	19	9.5	12	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-1</b>	<b>2/1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>



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## TIGHT ENDS

## Anthony Fasano

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
11/16/2008	Oak	W	1/1	0	0	-	-	0
11/28/2010	@Oak	W	1/1	2	10	5.0	6	0
12/04/2011	Oak	W	1/1	4	66	16.5	26	0
09/16/2012	Oak	W	1/1	2	19	9.5	14t	1
11/20/2014	@Oak	L	1/0	2	30	15.0	19t	1
12/14/2014	Oak	W	1/1	1	2	2.0	2	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	2	22	11.0	17	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>5-2</b>	<b>7/6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>

## Craig Stevens

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
09/12/2010	Oak	W	1/1	2	18	9.0	9	0
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	1	20	20.0	20t	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-1</b>	<b>3/3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>20t</b>	<b>1</b>

## Phillip Supernaw

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
11/20/2014	@Oak	L	1/0	0	0	-	-	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	0	0	-	-	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-2</b>	<b>2/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>

## Delanie Walker

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
10/08/2006	Oak	W	1/0	0	0	-	-	0
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	5	46	9.2	14	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	6	91	15.2	36	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-1</b>	<b>3/2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>

## SELECT TITANS' CAREER STATS VS. THE RAIDERS: SPECIALISTS

## PUNTERS

## Brett Kern

Date	Opp	W-L	Num	Blk	Yds	Avg	Lg	TB	In20	NetAvg
09/08/2008	@Oak	W	2	0	80	40.0	42	0	1	38.5
11/23/2008	Oak	L	2	0	112	56.0	60	0	0	11.5
09/27/2009	@Oak	W	2	0	81	40.5	48	1	0	27.0
09/12/2010	Oak	W	4	0	200	50.0	60	0	2	44.5
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	4	1	163	40.8	49	0	1	29.0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	6	0	287	47.8	60	0	1	39.7
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4-2</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>46.2</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>34.0</b>

## RETURNERS

## Dexter McCluster

Date	Opp	W-L	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
01/02/2011	Oak	L	0	0	0	-	-	0	3	78	26.0	36	0
10/23/2011	@Oak	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12/24/2011	Oak	L	0	0	0	-	-	0	1	25	25.0	25	0
10/28/2012	Oak	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12/16/2012	@Oak	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10/13/2013	Oak	W	6	0	32	5.3	11	0	0	0	-	-	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>

## KICKERS

## Ryan Succop

Date	Opp	W-L	FGM	FGA	Pct	XPM	XPA	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg	KO	TB
09/20/2009	Oak	L	1	1	100.0	1	1	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	23	2	0
11/15/2009	@Oak	W	3	4	75.0	1	1	0-0	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-2	50	5	0
11/07/2010	@Oak	L	2	2	100.0	2	2	0-0	1-1	0-0	1-1	0-0	43	5	0
01/02/2011	Oak	L	1	1	100.0	1	1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	30	3	0
10/23/2011	@Oak	W	0	0	-	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	5	4
12/24/2011	Oak	L	2	4	50.0	1	1	0-0	2-2	0-0	0-2	0-0	23	5	2
10/28/2012	Oak	L	3	3	100.0	1	1	0-0	0-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	52	4	2
12/16/2012	@Oak	L	0	0	-	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	1	1
10/13/2013	Oak	W	1	1	100.0	3	3	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	33	5	4
12/15/2013	@Oak	W	0	0	-	8	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	9	3
11/29/2015	Oak	L	0	0	-	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	4	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4-7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>81.3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>5-5</b>	<b>4-4</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>2-3</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>16</b>

## SELECT TITANS' CAREER STATS VS. THE RAIDERS: DEFENSE

## David Bass (OLB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	4	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Angelo Blackson (DE)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Antwon Blake (CB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
10/21/2012	@Oak	L	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
10/27/2013	@Oak	L	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
11/08/2015	Oak	W	1/1	9	0	0	1	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-2</b>	<b>3/1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

## Jurrell Casey (DT)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	7	0	0	0	1
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	6	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-1</b>	<b>2/2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## Perrish Cox (CB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
10/24/2010	Oak	L	1/1	2	0	0	0	0
12/19/2010	@Oak	L	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
12/07/2014	@Oak	L	1/1	4	0	0	0	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	5	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-4</b>	<b>4/3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Marqueston Huff (DB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Rashad Johnson (S)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
09/26/2010	Oak	W	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
10/19/2014	@Oak	W	1/1	3	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-0</b>	<b>2/1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## DaQuan Jones (DL)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	2	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## Karl Klug (DL)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-1</b>	<b>2/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Brice McCain (CB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
10/04/2009	Oak	W	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
10/03/2010	@Oak	W	1/0	2	0	0	0	0
10/09/2011	Oak	L	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
11/17/2013	Oak	L	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-2</b>	<b>4/0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Jason McCourty (CB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
09/12/2010	Oak	W	1/1	8	0	0	0	0
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	5	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-0</b>	<b>2/2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Derrick Morgan (OLB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
09/12/2010	Oak	W	1/0	1	1	0	0	0

11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	2	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-0</b>	<b>2/1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Brian Orakpo (OLB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
12/13/2009	@Oak	W	1/1	6	4	0	1	0
09/29/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	6	2	0	0	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	6	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-1</b>	<b>3/3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

## Nate Palmer (LB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
12/20/2015	@Oak	W	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-0</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
10/25/2009	@Oak	W	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
09/25/2011	@Oak	L	1/0	2	0	0	0	0
10/28/2012	Oak	L	1/1	3	0	0	0	0
12/16/2012	@Oak	L	1/1	4	0	0	0	0
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/1	8	0	0	0	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2-4</b>	<b>6/3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Da'Norris Searcy (S)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
09/18/2011	Oak	W	1/0	0	0	1	0	0
12/21/2014	@Oak	L	1/1	11	0	0	0	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	5	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-2</b>	<b>3/1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Sean Spence (LB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/08/2015	Oak	W	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-0</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Daimion Stafford (S)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/24/2013	@Oak	W	1/0	0	0	0	1	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/0	3	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1-1</b>	<b>2/0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

## Avery Williamson (LB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	13	1	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-1</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Al Woods (NT)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
09/23/2012	@Oak	L	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
10/27/2013	@Oak	L	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>0-2</b>	<b>2/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Wesley Woodyard (LB)

Date	Opp	W-L	G/S	Tackle	Sack	Int	FF	FR
09/08/2008	@Oak	W	1/0	0	0	0	0	0
11/23/2008	Oak	L	1/1	8	0	0	0	0
09/27/2009	@Oak	W	1/0	2	0	0	0	0
12/20/2009	Oak	L	1/0	2	0	0	0	0
12/19/2010	@Oak	L	1/0	1	0	0	0	0
09/12/2011	Oak	L	1/1	6	0	0	0	0
11/06/2011	@Oak	W	1/0	3	0	0	0	0
09/30/2012	Oak	W	1/1	6	0.5	0	0	0
09/23/2013	Oak	W	1/1	8	0.5	0	0	0
12/29/2013	@Oak	W	1/0	1	0	0	1	0
11/29/2015	Oak	L	1/1	7	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>6-5</b>	<b>11/5</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>



## PROJECTED TITANS LINEUP

## OFFENSIVE STARTERS

- WR 18-Rishard Matthews (6-0, 217, 5th year, Nevada)** - The unrestricted free agent signee played the previous four years in Miami, where he totaled 107 catches, 1,396 yards and eight touchdowns. He started 11 games and set career highs with 43 catches, 662 yards and four scores.  
**2015 Receiving:** 43 Rec, 662 Yds, 4 TD  
**Career:** 107 Rec, 1,396 Yds, 180 TD
- TE 82-Delanie Walker (6-2, 248, 11th Year, Central Missouri)** - The 2013 free agent acquisition played seven years with the 49ers before arriving in Tennessee. In 2015, he recorded 94 catches for 1,088 yards, setting single-season records in both categories for franchise tight ends. The first-time Pro Bowl selection also led all NFL tight ends in receptions.  
**2015 Receiving:** 94 Rec, 1,088 Yds, 6 TD  
**Career:** 340 Rec, 4,014 Yds, 24 TD
- LT 77-Taylor Lewan (6-7, 309, 3rd Year, Michigan)** - The team's first-round pick in 2014 (11th overall) started 21 total games at left tackle in his first two seasons, including 15 starts in 2015.  
**2015 GP/GS:** 15/15 **Career GP/GS:** 26/21
- LG 60-Quinton Spain (6-4, 330, 2nd Year, West Virginia)** - Spain joined the Titans as a rookie free agent after playing in 50 career games at West Virginia. He started the final six games of 2015 at left guard.  
**2015/Career GP/GS:** 7/6
- C 60-Ben Jones (6-3, 308, 5th Year, Georgia)** Added as an unrestricted free agent in 2016, the former fourth-round pick played in 64 games in four previous seasons with the Houston Texans.  
**2015 GP/GS:** 16/16 **Career GP/GS:** 64/43
- RG 70-Chance Warmack (6-2, 323, 4th Year, Alabama)** - The team's 2013 first-round pick (10th overall) became the team's fourth rookie since 1999 to start all 32 games in his first two NFL seasons. He started 14 times at right guard in 2015.  
**2015 GP/GS:** 14/14, **Career GP/GS:** 46/46
- RT 78-Jack Conklin (6-6, 308, Rookie, Michigan State)** - Conklin was the eighth-overall draft pick in 2016. He started 38 games in three years at Michigan State, primarily as a left tackle.
- TE 88-Craig Stevens (6-3, 263, 9th Year, California)** - The 2008 third-round pick has served as the team's primary blocking tight end for the duration of his career. In 2015, he posted his highest reception total (12) and yardage total (121) since 2012.  
**2015 Receiving:** 12 Rec, 121 Yds, 2 TD  
**Career:** 60 Rec, 724 Yds, 6 TD
- WR 19-Tajae Sharpe (6-2, 194, Rookie, Massachusetts)** - The fifth-round pick and two-time All-MAC selection finished his college career as the school's all-time leader in receptions (277) and receiving yards (3,486).
- QB 8-Marcus Mariota (6-4, 222, 2nd Year, Oregon)** - The second-overall draft pick in 2015 started 12 games as a rookie, missing four total contests due to injuries. He set virtually every franchise rookie passing record, including a 91.5 passer rating that ranks third in franchise history among all players. His 62.2 completion percentage was the fifth-highest percentage by a rookie in NFL history.  
**2015/Career Passing:** 370 Att, 230 Cmp, 2,818 Yds, 19 TD, 10 INT, 91.5 Rtg  
**2015/Career Rushing:** 34 Rushes, 252 Yds, 2 TD
- RB 29-DeMarco Murray (6-1, 220, 6th Year, Oklahoma)** - The Titans acquired Murray in a trade with Philadelphia early in the 2016 offseason. In five previous NFL campaigns (Dallas 2011-14, Philadelphia 2015), he rushed for 5,228 yards and 34 touchdowns. In 2014, he was the NFL Offensive Player of the Year (1,845 rushing yards).  
**2015 Stats:** 193 Rushes for 702 Yds, 6 TD; 44 Rec for 322 Yds, 1 TD  
**Career:** 1,127 Rushes for 5,228 Yds, 34 TD; 215 Rec for 1,522 Yds, 2 TD

## KEY OFFENSIVE RESERVES

- QB 16-Matt Cassel (6-4, 228, 12th Year, Southern California)** - The free-agent signee started 79 total games in 11 previous seasons with New England, Kansas City, Minnesota, Buffalo and Dallas.  
**2015 Passing:** 204 Att, 119 Cmp, 1,276 Yds, 5 TD, 7 INT, 70.6 Rtg  
**Career:** 2,573 Att, 1,516 Cmp, 17,003 Yds, 101 TD, 77 INT, 79.3 Rtg
- WR 83-Harry Douglas (6-0, 183, 9th year, Louisville)** - Signed as an unrestricted free agent in 2015, he had 36 receptions for 411 yards and two touchdowns in his first season in Tennessee. In seven previous campaigns with the Falcons (91 games), he caught 258 passes.  
**2015 Receiving:** 36 Rec, 411 Yds, 2 TD  
**Career:** 294 Rec, 3,541 Yds, 10 TD
- TE 80-Anthony Fasano (6-4, 255, 11th Year, Notre Dame)** - The 2015 free agent signee played nine previous seasons with the Cowboys, Dolphins and Chiefs. In his first season in Tennessee, he caught 26 passes for 289 yards and two touchdowns in 16 games (11 starts).  
**2015 Receiving:** 26 Rec, 289 Yds, 2 TD  
**Career:** 279 Rec, 3,088 Yds, 33 TD
- FB 45-Jalston Fowler (5-11, 254, 2nd Year, Alabama)** - The fourth-round pick played in all 16 games as a rookie. He rushed seven times for 13 yards and a touchdown and added five receptions for 44 yards and a score.  
**2015/Career Stats:** 7 Rushes for 13 Yds, 1 TD; 5 Rec for 44 Yds, 1 TD
- RB 2-Derrick Henry (6-3, 247, Rookie, Alabama)** - The Heisman Trophy winner was drafted in the second round (45th overall). He rushed for a school-record 3,591 yards and 42 touchdowns at Alabama, including an SEC-record 2,219 rushing yards in 2015.
- WR 15-Justin Hunter (6-4, 203, 4th Year, Tennessee)** - The 2013 second-round pick played in the first nine games of 2015 (five starts) before suffering a season-ending ankle injury. His 16.4-yard receiving average from 2013-2015 ranked 10th in the NFL.  
**2015 Receiving:** 22 Rec, 264 Yds, 1 TD  
**Career:** 68 Rec, 1,116 Yds, 8 TD
- G/T 71-Dennis Kelly (6-8, 321, 5th Year, Purdue)** - The Titans acquired Kelly in a trade with the Eagles in exchange for Dorial Green-Beckham. He played in 30 games with 15 career starts in Philadelphia.  
**2015 GP/GS:** 14/2 **Career GP/GS:** 30/15
- WR 81-Andre Johnson (6-3, 229, 14th Year, Miami)** - Signed as a free agent at the start of training camp, the seven-time Pro Bowler totaled 1,053 receptions, 14,100 receiving yards and 68 touchdown catches in 13 previous campaigns in Houston (2003-2014) and Indianapolis (2015).  
**2015 Receiving:** 41 Rec, 503 Yds, 4 TD  
**Career:** 1,053 Rec, 14,100 Yds, 68 TD
- RB 22-Dexter McCluster (5-8, 170, 7th Year, Mississippi)** - McCluster was signed as an unrestricted free agent in 2014 after four seasons in Kansas City, where he was named to the Pro Bowl in 2013 as a punt returner. He was the only NFL player in 2015 with at least 200 yards receiving, rushing, on kickoff returns and on punt returns.  
**2015 Stats:** 55 Rushes for 247 Yds, 1 TD; 31 Rec for 260 Yds, 1 TD  
**Career:** 247 Rushes for 1,040 Yds, 2 TD; 229 Rec for 1,957 Yds, 7 TD  
**2015 Returns:** 13 KR, 21.9 Avg, 0 TD; 24 PRs, 9.0 Avg, 0 TD  
**Career Returns:** 65 KR, 21.1 Avg, 0 TD; 125 PRs, 10.6 Avg, 3 TD
- C 62-Brian Schwenke (6-3, 318, 4th Year, California)** - In his first three NFL seasons, the fourth-round pick totaled 25 starts at center, including five starts in 2015.  
**2015 GP/GS:** 5/5, **Career GP/GS:** 25/25
- WR 13-Kendall Wright (5-10, 191, 5th Year, Baylor)** - The team's 2012 first-round pick totaled 251 catches from 2012-2015, which ranks first in franchise history for a player's first four seasons. In 2015, he totaled 36 receptions for 408 yards and three touchdowns.  
**2015 Receiving:** 36 Rec, 408 Yds, 3 TD  
**Career:** 251 Rec, 2,828 Yds, 15 TD

## PROJECTED TITANS LINEUP

## SPECIALISTS

- K 4-Ryan Succop (6-2, 218, 7th Year, South Carolina)** - The former seventh-round pick was signed in 2014 after five seasons in Kansas City. His 87.5 percent success rate on field goals in 2015 set a career high and ranked sixth in franchise history.  
**2015 Kicking:** 14/16 FGs, 29/31 PATs, 71 Points  
**Career:** 152/185 FGs, 216/218 PATs, 672 Points
- P 6-Brett Kern (6-2, 214, 9th Year, Toledo)** - Claimed off waivers from the Broncos during the 2009 season, Kern is the Titans' career leader in both gross punting and net punting average. His 47.4-yard average in 2015 was second in team history to his 47.6 average in 2014.  
**2015 Punting:** 88 Punts, 47.4 Avg, 1 TB, 34 In20, 40.3 Net  
**Career:** 608 Punts, 45.5 Avg, 40 TB, 219 In20, 39.6 Net

## DEFENSIVE STARTERS

- DE 90-DaQuan Jones (6-4, 322, 3rd Year, Penn State)** - The fourth-round pick in 2014 played in seven games as a rookie, and in his second year, he started all 16 contests.  
**2015 Stats:** 67 Tackles, 2 TFL, 15 QBP, 1 FR  
**Career:** 80 Tackles, 1 Sack, 4 TFL, 18 QBP, 1 FF, 1 FR
- NT 96-Al Woods (6-4, 307, 7th Year, Louisiana State)** - After four previous combined seasons with the Buccaneers, Seahawks and Steelers, he joined the Titans in 2014. In 2015, he set a career high with nine starts at nose tackle and recorded 31 tackles.  
**2015 Stats:** 31 Tackles, 3 TFL, 3 QBP  
**Career:** 103 Tackles, 3.5 Sacks, 1 PD
- DT 99-Jurrell Casey (6-1, 305, 6th Year, USC)** - The third-round draft pick only missed three total starts in his first five seasons. In 2013, he was named second-team AP All-Pro, and in 2015, he earned his first Pro Bowl appearance after totaling seven sacks and a career-high 28 quarterback pressures.  
**2015 Stats:** 86 Tackles, 7 Sacks, 11 TFL, 28 QBP, 5 PD  
**Career:** 416 Tackles, 28 Sacks, 38 TFL, 77 QBP, 10 PD, 4 FF, 2 FR
- OLB 91-Derrick Morgan (6-4, 261, 7th Year, Georgia Tech)** - The former first-round pick's 19 sacks from 2012-2014 led the Titans. In 2015, he had 4.5 sacks in the first four games but later suffered a shoulder injury, limiting him to nine starts.  
**2015 Stats:** 34 Tackles, 4.5 Sacks, 6 TFL, 13 QBP, 2 PD, 1 FF  
**Career:** 293 Tackles, 27.5 Sacks, 30 TFL, 86 QBP, 20 PD, 5 FF, 2 FR
- ILB 54-Avery Williamson (6-1, 246, 3rd Year, Kentucky)** - The Milan, Tenn., native was a fifth-round pick in 2014. As a rookie, he recorded more tackles (107) than any other Titans rookie in the "Titans era" (since 1999). He followed with a team-high 137 tackles in 2015.  
**2015 Stats:** 137 Tackles, 3.5 Sacks, 9 TFL, 13 QBP, 1 Int, 1 PD  
**Career:** 244 Tackles, 6.5 Sacks, 17 TFL, 21 QBP, 1 Int, 5 PD, 2 FR
- ILB 59-Wesley Woodyard (6-0, 233, 9th Year, Kentucky)** - The 2014 unrestricted free agent signee from the Broncos led the Titans defense with 134 tackles in his first season with the team. He followed that with 110 tackles in 2015, which ranked second.  
**2015 Stats:** 110 Tackles, 5 Sacks, 7 TFL, 9 QBP, 1 FF, 1 PD, 1 FR  
**Career:** 640 Tackles, 15.5 Sacks, 7 Int, 20 PD, 7 FF, 2 FR
- OLB 98-Brian Orakpo (6-4, 257, 8th Year, Texas)** - The former first-round pick arrived in Tennessee as an unrestricted free agent after six seasons with the Redskins (2009-14). In his first season with the team, he started all 16 games and tied for the team lead with seven sacks.  
**2015 Stats:** 64 Tackles, 7 Sacks, 12 TFL, 37 QBP, 5 PD, 1 FF  
**Career:** 375 Tackles, 47 Sacks, 58 TFL, 193 QBP, 1 Int, 22 PD, 7 FF, 3 FR
- CB 33-Brice McCain (5-9, 190, 8th Year, Utah)** - The 2016 free agent pickup was a sixth-round pick in 2009. He spent the previous seven years in Houston (2009-2013), Pittsburgh (2014) and Miami (2015).  
**2015 Stats:** 39 Tackles, 1 Int, 10 PD  
**Career:** 168 Tackles, 9 Int, 49 PD, 1 FR
- SS 21-Da'Norris Searcy (5-11, 207, 6th Year, North Carolina)** - A fourth-round selection by the Bills in 2011, he played in 62 games with

23 starts in his four seasons in Buffalo. In 2015, he tied a career high with 13 starts and notched one interception.

**2015 Stats:** 54 Tackles, 0.5 Sacks, 1 QBP, 4 PD, 1 Int

**Career:** 245 Tackles, 4.5 Sacks, 10 TFL, 6 QBP, 6 Int, 18 PD, 3 FF, 2 FR

- FS 49-Rashad Johnson (5-11, 204, 8th Year, Alabama)** - Signed as an unrestricted free agent, the former third-round pick spent his first seven NFL seasons with the Arizona Cardinals. He was one of only seven NFL players to collect 12 interceptions from 2013-15.  
**2015 Stats:** 59 Tackles, 5 Int, 8 PD, 1 FR  
**Career:** 330 Tackles, 1 Sack, 15 Int, 26 PD, 1 FF, 4 FR
- CB 30-Jason McCourty (6-0, 193, 8th Year, Rutgers)** - The 2009 sixth-round pick started every game from 2012-2014. In 2015, he was affected by a groin injury as early as training camp and was limited to four starts.  
**2015 Stats:** 16 Tackles, 1 PD  
**Career:** 453 Tackles, 1.0 Sack, 9 TFL, 11 Int, 73 PD, 6 FF, 4 FR

## KEY DEFENSIVE RESERVES

- OLB 51-David Bass (6-4, 256, 4th Year, Missouri Western St.)** - The former seventh-round pick was claimed off waivers in 2015 from Chicago, where he appeared in 20 games from 2013-14. He played in all 16 games and recorded seven starts during his first season in 2015.  
**2015 Stats:** 42 Tackles, 1.5 Sacks, 5 TFL, 9 QBP, 1 Int, 5 PD, 2 FR  
**Career:** 74 Tackles, 5.5 Sacks, 8 TFL, 2 Int, 7 PD, 1 FF, 2 FR
- DE 95-Angelo Blackson (6-4, 318, 2nd Year, Auburn)** - In his rookie season, the fourth-round pick played in all 16 games, totaling 19 tackles and 2.5 sacks.  
**2015/Career Stats:** 19 Tackles, 2.5 Sacks, 2 QBP, 1 FF
- S 20-Kevin Byard (5-11, 212, Rookie, Middle Tennessee State)** - The first pick of the third round in 2016, he started 46 games in college and totaled a school-record 19 career interceptions.
- CB 29-Perrish Cox (6-0, 190, 6th Year, Oklahoma State)** - Signed as an unrestricted free agent during the 2015 offseason, the former fifth-round pick joined the Titans after four previous seasons with the Broncos, Seahawks and 49ers. He started 13 games and recorded one interception in his first season in Tennessee.  
**2015 Stats:** 31 Tackles, 1 Int, 7 PD  
**Career:** 166 Tackles, 7 Int, 41 PD, 2 FF, 2 FR
- OLB 93-Kevin Dodd (6-5, 277, Rookie, Clemson)** - The 33rd-overall draft pick played three years at Clemson and registered a 12-sack, 86-tackle season in 2015. His 23.5 tackles for loss ranked second nationally.
- NT 94-Austin Johnson (6-4, 314, Rookie, Penn State)** - The 43rd-overall draft pick played three seasons at Penn State, where he started every game as a sophomore and junior and totaled 8.5 career sacks.
- DE 97-Karl Klug (6-3, 278, 6th Year, Iowa)** - The former fifth-round pick played in all 80 games in his first five NFL seasons. In 2015, his four sacks ranked second in his career, and he set a career high with 19 quarterback pressures.  
**2015 Stats:** 26 Tackles, 4.0 Sacks, 19 QBP, 1 PD  
**Career:** 127 Tackles, 18.5 Sacks, 43 QBP, 8 TFL, 8 PD, 5 FF, 1 FR
- LB 55-Sean Spence (5-11, 231, 5th Year, Miami)** - Signed as an unrestricted free agent during the 2016 offseason, he spent his first four seasons in Pittsburgh, where he totaled 86 tackles in 31 career games.  
**2015 Stats:** 34 Tackles, 1.0 Sack  
**Career:** 86 Tackles, 2.0 Sacks, 1 PD, 5 1 FR
- S 39-Daimion Stafford (6-1, 218, 4th Year, Nebraska)** - The former seventh-round pick led the team with 13 special teams tackles in 2014 and ranked fourth with nine special teams tackles in 2015. He also started twice at safety in 2015.  
**2015 Stats:** 20 Tackles, 1 Sack, 1 TFL, 1 QBP, 5 PD, 9 SpT  
**Career:** 54 Tackles, 2 Sacks, 3 TFL, 3 QBP, 1 Int, 8 PD, 34 SpT



## LAST WEEK vs. CAROLINA PANTHERS

## CAROLINA PANTHERS 26 at Tennessee Titans 16

Saturday, Aug. 20, 2016

Nissan Stadium, Nashville, Tenn.

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Carolina Panthers	10	3	6	7	26
Tennessee Titans	0	7	3	6	16

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Three touchdown passes by Carolina quarterbacks and three takeaways by the Carolina defense led to a 26-16 victory over the Titans in Week 2 of the preseason.

Weather conditions threatened Nissan Stadium for much of the day, and in the third quarter, play was halted for 30 minutes due to lightning in the area.

Panthers quarterbacks **Cam Newton**, **Derek Anderson** and **Joe Webb** combined to complete 25 of 37 passes for 340 yards, three touchdowns, no interceptions and a 123.7 passer rating. Fourteen different Panthers caught at least one pass.

The Panthers raced to a quick lead. Despite being backed up at their own seven-yard line following the opening kickoff, they needed only five plays to go 93 yards for a touchdown. Newton converted a third down with a 13-yard completion to wide receiver **Kelvin Benjamin**, and on the next play, Newton hit wide receiver **Ted Ginn, Jr.** across the middle. Ginn sprinted through the secondary for a 61-yard score.

Behind starting quarterback **Marcus Mariota**, the Titans began their opening drive at their own 26-yard line. Helped by a 20-yard reception by wide receiver **Tajae Sharpe**, the Titans drove into Carolina territory. However, Mariota was intercepted by Panthers cornerback **Bené Benwikere**.

The Panthers moved the ball again on their third opportunity. On third-and-four, running back **Fozzy Whittaker** turned a short pass from Newton into a 36-yard pickup. When the drive stalled, **Graham Gano** made a 41-yard field goal to put the Panthers up 10-0.

The Titans answered with their first scoring drive, marching 81 yards on nine plays. Mariota and Sharpe connected on four passes during the series, and running back **DeMarco Murray** added a 13-yard run. Finally, from the 23-yard line, Mariota found wide receiver **Harry Douglas** in the end zone, cutting the Panthers' lead to three points.

Both starting quarterbacks exited the game in the second quarter. Newton's final numbers included eight completions on 12 attempts for 162 yards and a touchdown (137.5 passer rating). Mariota was 9-of-10 for 104



Harry Douglas caught a 23-yard touchdown pass from Marcus Mariota.

yards, one touchdown and one interception (103.8 passer rating).

The Panthers got their second takeaway after the two-minute warning of the first half. Titans quarterback **Matt Cassel** was intercepted by cornerback **Zack Sanchez** on a pass that was tipped by linebacker **A.J. Klein**. With Anderson at quarterback for the Panthers, they went 52 yards on 10 plays and scored on a 23-yard field goal by Gano, giving them a 13-7 lead at halftime.

On the first drive of the second half, the Titans drove 45 yards on eight plays with Cassel directing the offense, and **Ryan Succop** booted a 48-yard field goal to once again pull the Titans within three points.

They would get no closer.

Later in the third stanza, Panthers safety **Colin Jones** caused a fumble by Titans running back **David Cobb**. A recovery by linebacker **David Mayo** resulted in an eight-yard touchdown pass from Anderson to wide receiver **Kevin Norwood** on the next play. In the fourth quarter, Webb added a six-yard touchdown pass to running back **Jalen Simmons**.

Titans third-string quarterback **Alex Tanney** ran the offense in hurry-up mode in the game's latter stages, and it paid off with a nine-yard touchdown reception by rookie tight end **Alex Ellis**. The two-point conversion was no good, however, and the Panthers knelt to finish the remaining time on the clock.

## NOTES FROM LAST WEEK'S GAME

**TITANS HIT THE ROAD:** Now that the first two games of the preseason are in the books, the Titans will travel to Oakland (Aug. 27) and Miami (Sept. 1) to finish the preseason. It marks the first time since 2008 the Titans will play their final two preseason games on the road.

**RUSHING DEFENSE:** The Titans defense allowed the Panthers to rush for only 53 yards on 21 carries, an average of 2.5 yards per attempt. The Panthers, who had the NFL's second-ranked rushing offense in 2015 at 142.6 yards per game, recorded only two runs against the Titans longer than five yards (six and 11 yards).

**TITANS GO AGAINST 4-3 DEFENSE:** The Titans offense got its only look of the preseason against a 4-3 defense, the front typically employed by the Minnesota Vikings, who the Titans will host in the regular season opener on Sept. 11. Their other three preseason opponents (San Diego Chargers, Oakland Raiders and Miami Dolphins) use a 3-4 defensive scheme. The Titans rushed for 24 yards on 96 carries (4.0 avg.) against the Panthers while allowing two sacks.

**WEATHER STOPPAGE:** There were intermittent periods of rain during the game with one stoppage due to the conditions. With 1:34 remaining in the third quarter and the Panthers ahead 19-10, the contest was suspended due to lightning in the area. Play resumed after a half-hour break.

**MARIOTA'S PRESEASON THROUGH TWO GAMES:** Second-year quarterback **Marcus Mariota** was on the field for three possessions against Carolina and was 9-of-10 passing for 104 yards with one interception, one touchdown and a passer rating of 103.8. His first touchdown pass of the preseason came on a 23-yard strike to wide receiver **Harry Douglas**.

He also rushed for 13 yards on two attempts. In two preseason games, Mariota's totals include 14 completions on 15 passes (93.3 percent) for 149 yards, one touchdown, one interception and a passer rating of 102.5.

**HENRY IMPRESSES AGAIN:** Second-round rookie running back **Derrick Henry** carried the ball five times for 31 yards, averaging 6.2 yards per attempt with a long rush of 13 yards. The majority of his yards came in a single drive in the third quarter, as he posted three carries for 25 yards to help put the team in position for a field goal. Henry's two-game preseason totals include 15 rushes for 105 yards (7.0 avg.) and a touchdown.

**SHARPE LEADS RECEIVERS:** In his second NFL preseason game, rookie wide receiver **Tajae Sharpe** led all players with six receptions for 68 yards. The fifth-round pick from the University of Massachusetts started for the second consecutive game and played a total of three series. His two-game preseason totals include a team-high eight catches for 103 yards.

**BYARD GETS A CHANCE AT RETURNS:** Third-round rookie safety **Kevin Byard** tried his hand at punt returns for the first time this preseason, totaling 18 yards on two attempts. During his career at Middle Tennessee State, he was credited with one punt return for a 76-yard touchdown. Byard also led the Titans with five tackles against the Panthers.

**STARTING CORNERS:** With **Jason McCourty** and **Perrish Cox** sidelined due to injuries, a pair of 2016 free agent additions started at cornerback. **Brice McCain** recorded his second start of the preseason, while **Antwon Blake** registered his first start.

## GENERAL MANAGER JON ROBINSON

**Jon Robinson** was hired as Titans general manager on Jan. 14, 2016 after spending two years as director of player personnel for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

"As we visited with Jon and researched his career, his proven track record for scouting talent, leadership skills, and ability to build relationships make him an ideal candidate to lead our football operation," said **Amy Adams Strunk**, Titans controlling owner and co-chairman of the board of directors. "Jon is a proud Tennessean who is excited to be coming home, and we look forward to the future of our football team under his leadership."

Within his first four months on the job, Robinson made several key personnel decisions. On March 9, Robinson made his first major acquisition, trading for Philadelphia Eagles running back **DeMarco Murray**. A two-time Pro Bowl selection, Murray was the NFL Offensive Player of the Year with the Dallas Cowboys in 2014, when he rushed for more than 1,800 yards. Around the same time, Robinson began to work the free agent market. Cornerbacks **Brice McCain** and **Antwon Blake**, center **Ben Jones**, quarterback **Matt Cassel**, wide receiver **Rishard Matthews**, linebacker **Sean Spence** and safety **Rashad Johnson** were part of the haul.

On April 14, two weeks before the NFL Draft, Robinson and the Titans dealt the first overall pick to the Los Angeles Rams in one of the biggest trades in recent NFL history. The Titans gave up the No. 1 pick and a fourth-rounder in order to receive the 15th overall pick, two second-rounders and a third-rounder in 2016, plus the Rams' first- and third-round picks in 2017. From 1990–2015, there were seven trades involving the No. 1 overall pick, but this was the first since 2004, when the San Diego Chargers selected **Eli Manning** with the first pick and dealt his rights to the New York Giants.

The Titans had their hands at one point or another on 17 selections in the 2016 draft due to five different trades (including one trade in 2015), and in the end, they ended up with a class of 10 players, including four of the top 45 picks. Robinson swung a draft-day trade with the Cleveland Browns to move back up to the eighth slot to choose Michigan State tackle **Jack Conklin**. The second round yielded Clemson outside linebacker **Kevin Dodd** (33rd overall), Penn State defensive lineman **Austin Johnson** (43rd) and Alabama running back **Derrick Henry** (45th).

Robinson arrived in Tennessee with a wide range of experience from working his way up on the personnel side of the NFL. From 2014–2015, he served as director of player personnel for the Buccaneers and oversaw both college and pro departments as the team rebuilt its roster. The 2015 Buccaneers draft class made a significant impact, including four rookie starters: quarterback **Jameis Winston**, tackle **Donovan Smith**, guard **Ali Marpet** and linebacker **Kwon Alexander**.



"Our goal here is to win, bottom line," Robinson said upon accepting the new job. "That is a measuring stick that all franchises are measured by. Mike (Mularkey) and I have an aligned vision of what we want this team to look like. We want tough players, we want coachable players, we want smart players and most importantly we want players with a team-first attitude. My role here is to insure we find those players. I will coach the personnel staff on the type of players that we want and identify the guys that are true fits of what we are looking for in a Titan."

Prior to joining Tampa Bay, Robinson spent 12 years with the New England Patriots, including his last five years (2009-13) as the director of college scouting. In the five years heading up their college scouting, the Patriots added a number of key components to their roster that won the Super Bowl in 2014, including wide receiver **Julian Edelman**, defensive back **Devin McCourty**, tight end **Rob Gronkowski**, tackle **Nate Solder** and defensive end **Chandler Jones**. He joined the Patriots as an area scout in 2002, a role he served for four seasons. Robinson then spent two years (2006-07) as a regional scout, before being promoted to assistant director of college scouting in 2008 and then director of college scouting in 2009. In his time scouting for the Patriots the team won 10 division titles, four conference titles and two Super Bowls (2003, 2004).

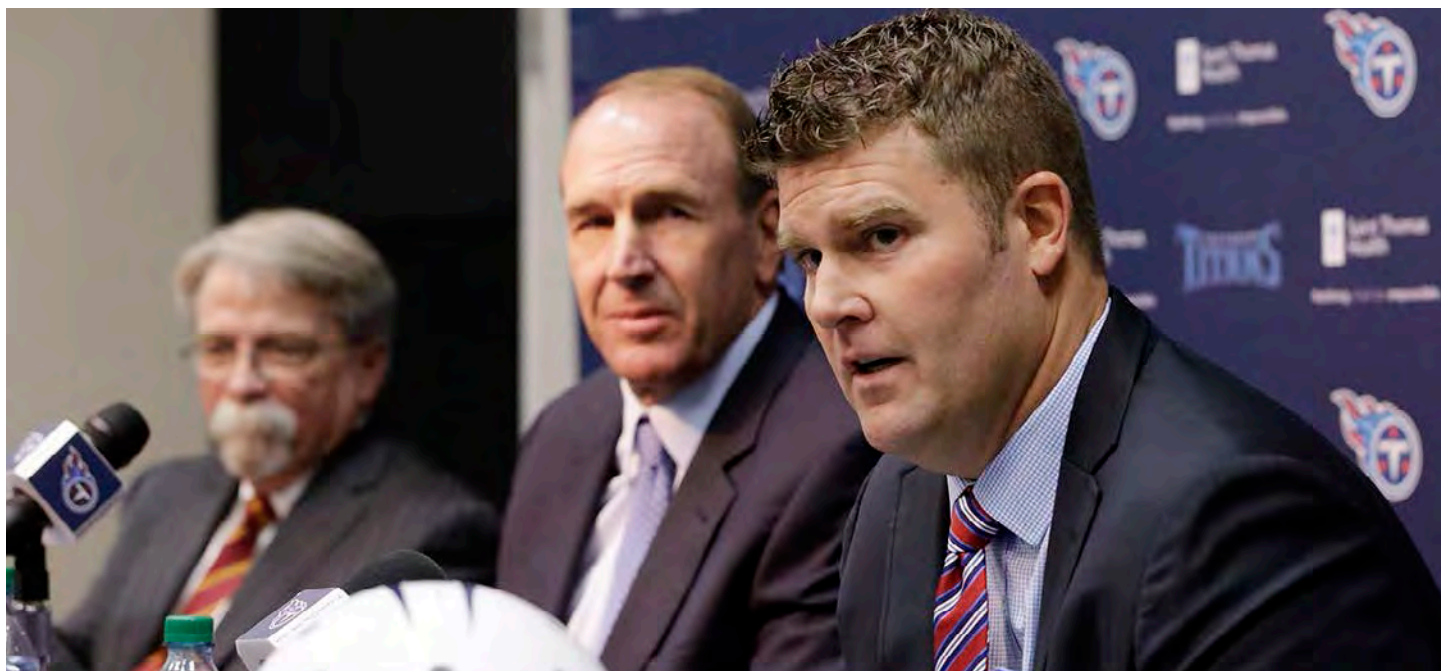
"I was really most specifically on the college side as the college director (in New England). So my duties there were to organize all of the scouting of the college players in preparation for the draft and rookie free agency. When I got to Tampa, I was really exposed to everything as it relates to the day-to-day operations of running the football team, to the Monday meetings with the trainer and (general manager) Jason (Licht), working through the emergency list, the practice squad list, preparing for free agency, along with overseeing the college draft. It really opened my eyes to everything that goes on on a day-to-day basis, on a weekly basis, on a monthly basis that an NFL team has to prep for."

Robinson played three years at Southeast Missouri State as a defensive lineman after starting his college career at the Air Force Academy. Following his college career as a player, he spent one season (1998) coaching at his alma mater and three years (1999-2001) coaching at Nicholls State.

A native of Union City, Tenn., Robinson and his wife, Jaimie, have two daughters, Taylor and Bailey.

### Jon Robinson's Background:

**2016:** Tennessee Titans - General Manager  
**2014-15:** Tampa Bay Buccaneers - Director of Player Personnel  
**2009-13:** New England Patriots - Director of College Scouting  
**2006-07:** New England Patriots - Regional Scout  
**2002-05:** New England Patriots - Area Scout  
**1999-01:** Nicholls State - Assistant Coach  
**1998:** Southeast Missouri State - Assistant Coach





## TRADES BY JON ROBINSON

Since being hired as Titans general manager in January 2016, **Jon Robinson** has engineered five different trades:

Trade Date/Teams	Compensation	Overall	Player Selected	Note
<b>1. March 9, 2016 — The DeMarco Murray Trade</b>				
Tennessee Receives:	Player: RB DeMarco Murray			
	Draft Choice: Round 4, 2016 #113	LB Nick Kwiatkoski		Pick traded from Tennessee to Los Angeles to Chicago
Philadelphia Receives:	Draft Choice: Round 4, 2016 #100	QB Connor Cook		Pick traded from Philadelphia to Cleveland to Oakland
<b>2. April 14, 2016 — Titans Trade First Overall Pick</b>				
Tennessee Receives:	Draft Choice: Round 1, 2016 #15	WR Corey Coleman		Pick traded from Tennessee to Cleveland
	Draft Choice: Round 2, 2016 #43	DL Austin Johnson		Pick originally from Philadelphia
	Draft Choice: Round 2, 2016 #45	RB Derrick Henry		
	Draft Choice: Round 3, 2016 #76	T Shon Coleman		Pick traded from Tennessee to Cleveland
	Draft Choice: Round 1, 2017			
	Draft Choice: Round 3, 2017			
Los Angeles Receives:	Draft Choice: Round 1, 2016 #1	QB Jared Goff		
	Draft Choice: Round 4, 2016 #113	LB Nick Kwiatkoski		Pick originally from Philadelphia; traded from Los Angeles to Chicago
	Draft Choice: Round 6, 2016 #177	TE Temarrick Hemingway		
<b>3. April 28, 2016 (Draft Day Trade) — The Move Up to Get Conklin</b>				
Tennessee Receives:	Draft Choice: Round 1, 2016 #8	T Jack Conklin		Pick originally from Miami through Philadelphia
	Draft Choice: Round 6, 2016 #176	RB Andy Janovich		Pick traded from Tennessee to Denver
Cleveland Receives:	Draft Choice: Round 1, 2016 #15	WR Corey Coleman		Pick originally from Los Angeles
	Draft Choice: Round 3, 2016 #76	T Shon Coleman		Pick originally from Los Angeles
	Draft Choice: Round 2, 2017			
<b>4. April 30, 2016 (Draft Day Trade) — Titans Get Pair of Corners on Day 3</b>				
Tennessee Receives:	Draft Choice: Round 5, 2016 #157	CB LeShaun Sims		Pick originally from N.Y. Jets
	Draft Choice: Round 7, 2016 #253	CB Kalan Reed		
Denver Receives:	Draft Choice: Round 6, 2016 #176	RB Andy Janovich		Pick originally from Cleveland
	Draft Choice: Round 6, 2017			
<b>5. Aug. 16, 2016 — Green-Beckham for Kelly</b>				
Tennessee Receives:	Player: G/T Dennis Kelly			
Philadelphia Receives:	Player: WR Dorial Green-Beckham			

## WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT ROBINSON

**Steve Underwood, Titans president/CEO (press conference Jan. 18, 2016):** "Jon Robinson is the product of the most extensive search for a general manager in our club's history. We are so impressed with Jon's experience, his vision and his focus on restoring our franchise to greatness. We are persuaded fully that he will work with our staff and our coaches to restore our franchise on and off the field and Amy (Adams Strunk) believes that his talents and attitude are just what we need at this moment in time."

**Mike Mularkey, Titans head coach (press conference Jan. 18, 2016):** "We have had really good discussions for the vision we have for this football team. For our fans, we believe we can bring a championship to this city with the same vision. We have talked about it from day one of what it is going to take and it is very similar to what Jon just said. You heard me say that the first time I got in front of you when the coaching change took place. We want smart, tough, physical players, coachable and accountable, and that is what Jon and I will do. We will work together to find those players."

**Floyd Reese, former Titans general manager and former New England Patriots executive (to TitansOnline.com Jan. 14, 2016):** "You hear coaches talk all the time about when you get down to the fourth down play, there are certain guys that want the ball and other guys who might prefer it go to someone else. Jon wanted the ball, and I always thought that was something special about him."

"One of the biggest concerns I always had coming out of New England, because Bill (Belichick) runs everything, is there's not a lot of guys that have a chance to make decisions, and when you get thrown into a GM situation like this, making a decision is the hardest thing to do. ... If you've never done it, it is tough."

"One of the things I always liked about Jon is he was one of those guys that

## TITANS PERSONNEL/SCOUTING STAFF

Jon Robinson . . . . . General Manager  
 Vin Marino . . . . . Vice President/Football Administration  
 Ryan Cowden . . . . . Director of Player Personnel  
 Blake Beddingfield . . . . . Director of College Scouting  
 Brian Gardner . . . . . Director of Pro Scouting  
 Kevin Turks . . . . . Pro Scout  
 Phil Neri . . . . . College Scout  
 Tim Ruskell . . . . . College Scout  
 Jon Salge . . . . . College Scout  
 Richard Shelton . . . . . College Scout  
 Wes Slay . . . . . College Scout  
 Brandon Taylor . . . . . College Scout  
 Dale Thompson . . . . . College Scout

wanted to tell you, he wanted to give you his opinion. He had an opinion, and had reason and logic and something behind it. And I'm telling you, the guy is smart.

"I think Amy (Adams Strunk) and Kenneth (Adams IV) and Steve (Underwood), and the people involved, they hit a home run with this one. Jon is prepared, and is in the right spot. If you look at the things that are really important for success, then you would say this is a great match."

"He's an outstanding guy. When he got the job, the first thing he said was 'I'm coming home.' He is a Tennessee boy. He loves Tennessee. And anybody that gets a chance to go back home and work a job of this caliber back home, it's a daily incentive. Every morning you're thinking my mom and dad are go-



ing to see what I am doing or my friends are going to see what I am doing ...

"Jon will be outgoing. Coming back here and getting back in this environment, he'll be more accessible and visible. And I think the people here are going to love him."

**Shelton Quarles, Tampa Bay Buccaneers director of football operations (to TitansOnline.com Jan. 14, 2016):** "I think he has an overall great grasp of the league itself, from the guys coming in from college, to the guys that are already here on the pro side. And he has a great understanding of what it takes to set up a good roster and have a good team. He has a great ability to prioritize and make sure everyone is on task to get things done in a timely fashion. He works great with all the guys here, I've never heard any complaints. He is very organized and detail-oriented. He has been around some great coaches in (Bill) Belichick and was with Lovie (Smith). He's done a great job over the last few drafts here, with Jameis (Winston) and all our young guys from the draft who've kind of helped put us on the right track. I am pretty sure he'll be able to do the same thing with the Titans."

**Jerry Reese, New York Giants general manager (statement Jan. 14, 2016):** "I'm proud of Jon and happy for him. He's worked hard to earn his stripes in this business. I wish him good luck!"

**Jason Licht, Tampa Bay Buccaneers general manager (to TitansOnline.com Jan. 14, 2016):** "I first met Jon while I was a scout with the New England Patriots and he was a young position coach at Nicholls State University. After spending a day with him, I knew that he had a bright future in this business because he possessed the type of personnel and talent evaluation skills that NFL teams highly covet. A couple of seasons later, he was working with us at the Patriots and it became very clear that he would one day rise up the ranks to run his own team. During our 14 years

together, Jon has been a valued co-worker and trusted advisor, but more importantly, a great friend. He was the first person I attempted to hire when I was named general manager of the Buccaneers and I was fortunate to have him by my side these past two years. Based on all that I know about Jon, I am certain he will enjoy great success with the Tennessee Titans. They could not have hired a better person to lead their football operations."

**Daniel Jeremiah, former NFL scout and current NFL Network analyst (to TitansOnline.com Jan. 15, 2016):** "Sometimes you see guys get these jobs and they are people you have been on the road with, and you've see them cut corners and you've seen them not deal well with people, and you are almost disappointed when some of these guys get hired. And then there's guys like J-Rob and you've been with them on the road and you know how hard they've worked, and you know they are come early, stay late guys. You know that they know how to cultivate sources at schools and develop relationships, and he's always been one of those guys. He is somebody who has a lot of respect in the scouting community. He is a scout's scout, and someone who is highly regarded in that community. He's a good guy. I am happy for him and I know a lot of people are, too."

**Bill Belichick, New England Patriots head coach (to TitansOnline.com Feb. 22, 2016):** "Jon is smart, works hard, and is team oriented. He showed a strong commitment to finding the players and specific types of players we needed, digging out information on their individual personal characteristics, and understanding the projection of how each player would contribute and fit into our program. He did many 'extras' that went beyond the normal duties in his job. Jon patiently worked his way up through the Patriots organization and was unselfish in his team-first attitude to do whatever he could to help us win ... Jon educated me on the changes in the landscape of scouting and we made adjustments in our process as a result of his perceptive comments."

## KEY NUMBERS

**192.0**

Rushing yards per game by the Titans during the 2016 preseason, which ranks second in the NFL.

**6.7**

NFL-leading rushing yards per play by the Titans through two preseason games.

**47.6**

The Titans' third-down percentage on offense this preseason. They rank fourth in the NFL.

**10**

Members of the 2016 Titans draft class, including four of the top 45 selections (**Jack Conklin**, **Kevin Dodd**, **Austin Johnson** and **Derrick Henry**) and five of the top 64 picks (**Kevin Byard**).

**4**

Games during his rookie season in which **Marcus Mariota** completed at least three touchdown passes. He is the second rookie in NFL history to accomplish the feat, along with **Peyton Manning** (1998).

**319**

Total previous years of NFL coaching experience by the 20 current Titans coaches, an average of 16 years per coach. Defensive coordinator **Dick LeBeau** leads the group with 44 years of NFL coaching experience.

**13**

Members of the Titans coaching staff who have been added in 2016 or have different roles from the beginning of the 2015 season.

**7.2**

Sack percentage by the Titans defense in 2015 (percent of dropbacks resulting in sacks), which tied for fifth place in the NFL.

**15**

Spots the Titans defense jumped in overall ranking from 2014 to 2015, going from 27th to 12th in yards allowed per game.

**24.0**

Percentage of **DeMarco Murray's** career rushing attempts for first downs, a number that ranks third among all NFL running backs since the start of the 2011 season behind only **Jamaal Charles** and **LeSean McCoy** (min. 500 attempts).

**28**

Sacks by Titans defensive tackle **Jurrell Casey** since he entered the NFL in 2011, which leads the team in that time period.

**94**

Receptions in 2015 by **Delanie Walker**, breaking **Frank Wycheck's** franchise tight end record of 70 receptions in a season (1998 and 2000).

**137**

Tackles by inside linebacker **Avery Williamson**, who led the team and became the first player for the team in the "Titans era" (1999-present) to begin his career with consecutive 100-tackle seasons.

**251**

Career receptions by **Kendall Wright**, more than any other player in Titans/Oilers history in a player's first four seasons with the team.

## HEAD COACH MIKE MULARKEY

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**Mike Mularkey** was named head coach of the Titans on Jan. 16, 2016. He served as the interim head coach for the final nine games of the 2015 season.

"The vision Mike presented for our football team during this search as well as the character, integrity, and leadership skills he displayed during the last two months of the (2015) season makes him the right coach for the Tennessee Titans," controlling owner and co-chairman of the board of directors Amy Adams Strunk said upon appointing Mularkey head coach on a full-time basis. "Mike is a quality coach and an outstanding person who will help us build this team the right way. He has experience as a head coach and a track record for developing young quarterbacks and dynamic offenses, and he also brings continuity for our franchise quarterback. We understand this may take time as we rebuild the roster and bring in new coaches for Mike's staff, but we believe he has the experience and expertise to build a consistent winner."

Mularkey has 21 years of NFL coaching experience, including three seasons as a head coach and eight as an offensive coordinator, with coaching stops in Jacksonville, Atlanta, Miami, Buffalo, Pittsburgh and Tampa Bay. In five of the eight seasons he was a coordinator Mularkey's team went to the playoffs. He joined the Titans in 2014 as tight ends coach and was elevated to assistant head coach prior to the start of the 2015 season.

As a former NFL tight end, Mularkey played a total of 114 games in nine seasons with the Minnesota Vikings and Pittsburgh Steelers. His experience as a player has molded his style as a position coach. Including his rookie preseason with the 49ers, Mularkey spent his career playing for three of the NFL's legendary coaches in Bill Walsh, Bud Grant and Chuck Noll. As an assistant coach Mularkey has served on the staffs of Sam Wyche, Bill Cowher, Nick Saban, Cam Cameron, Mike Smith and Ken Whisenhunt.

Mularkey joined the Titans after one season (2012) with the Jacksonville Jaguars as the franchise's fourth head coach, and four seasons (2008-11) with the Atlanta Falcons as offensive coordinator. Over the four-year time span with the Falcons, the team advanced to the postseason three times, ranked ninth in the NFL in total yards (354.8 per game), seventh in points (24.5), eighth in rushing yards (125.7), third in fewest turnovers (84), fourth in fewest sacks allowed (93), and sixth in third down conversions (44.2).

In three of the four years with the Falcons, Mularkey's offense produced a 3,000-yard passer, a 1,000-yard receiver and a 1,000-yard rusher in the same season. His guidance saw the rise of QB Matt Ryan, WR Roddy White, RB Michael Turner; and the continued growth of TE Tony Gonzalez, who totaled 233 receptions and 19 touchdowns in their three years together. In 2010, Sporting News named Mularkey "Coordinator of the Year."



Prior to his time with the Falcons, Mularkey spent two seasons (2006-07) with the Miami Dolphins as the offensive coordinator in 2006, and tight ends coach in 2007. He joined the Dolphins after serving as head coach for the Buffalo Bills for two seasons (2004-05). In his first season with the team, the Bills finished 9-7, marking their only winning season over the last decade.

Eight seasons (1996-2003) with the Pittsburgh Steelers preceded Mularkey's time with the Bills. Mularkey served as the tight ends coach in his first five seasons. He molded Mark Bruener into an outstanding run-blocking tight end, while Jerome Bettis eclipsed the 1,000-yard rushing mark for five straight years. His final three seasons were spent as offensive coordinator, during which time he directed two top five offenses (3rd, 2001 and 5th, 2002) and earned Assistant Coach of the Year in 2001 from the Pro Football Writers of America.

Mularkey entered the coaching ranks in 1993, overseeing the offensive line at Concordia College. He transitioned into the NFL in 1994, where he began as a quality control coach for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers before being promoted to tight ends coach the following season (1995).

Selected in the ninth round by the San Francisco 49ers in 1983, Mularkey was waived following his first training camp. He was signed by the Vikings, where he played for six seasons, before finishing his career with three years at Pittsburgh. He totaled 102 receptions and 1,222 career yards.

A graduate of Northeast High School in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., Mularkey played quarterback and earned a scholarship to the University of Florida. He was a three-year letterman at tight end for the Gators from 1979-82. He and his wife, Betsy, have two sons -- Patrick and Shane.

TENNESSEE TITANS  
2016 COACHING STAFF

<b>Mike Mularkey</b>	Head Coach
<b>Dick LeBeau</b>	Asst. Head Coach/ Defensive Coordinator
<b>Terry Robiskie</b>	Offensive Coordinator
<b>Bobby April</b>	Special Teams Coordinator
<b>Brandon Blaney</b>	Defensive Asst.
<b>Bob Bratkowski</b>	Wide Receivers
<b>Sylvester Croom</b>	Running Backs
<b>Nick Eason</b>	Defensive Line
<b>Russ Grimm</b>	Offensive Line
<b>Steve Hoffman</b>	Asst. Special Teams
<b>Steve Jackson</b>	Asst. Secondary
<b>Jason Michael</b>	Quarterbacks
<b>Arthur Smith</b>	Tight Ends
<b>Lou Spanos</b>	Linebackers
<b>Luke Steckel</b>	Offensive Asst.
<b>Mike Sullivan</b>	Asst. Offensive Line
<b>Deshea Townsend</b>	Secondary
<b>Jason Tucker</b>	Asst. Wide Receivers
<b>Steve Watterson</b>	Asst. Head Coach/ Strength & Conditioning
<b>Keith Willis</b>	Asst. Defensive Line





## MIKE MULARKEY AT A GLANCE

- Regular season record: 18-39 (.316)
- Postseason record: 0-0
- Overall record: 18-39 (.316)
- Regular season home record: 11-17
- Regular season road record: 7-22
- vs. Raiders: 0-4
- At home vs. Raiders: 0-1
- On the road vs. Raiders: 0-3
- vs. Jack Del Rio: 0-2
- Year as Titans head coach: 1
- Year as NFL head coach: 4

### Mike Mularkey's Career Coaching Ledger:

Years	Team	Position
2016	Tennessee Titans	Head Coach
2015	Tennessee Titans	Interim Head Coach
2015	Tennessee Titans	Asst. Head Coach/Tight Ends
2014	Tennessee Titans	Tight Ends
2012	Jacksonville Jaguars	Head Coach
2008-2011	Atlanta Falcons	Offensive Coordinator
2007	Miami Dolphins	Tight Ends
2006	Miami Dolphins	Offensive Coordinator
2004-2005	Buffalo Bills	Head Coach
2001-2003	Pittsburgh Steelers	Offensive Coordinator
1996-2000	Pittsburgh Steelers	Tight Ends
1995	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	Tight Ends
1994	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	Quality Control
1993	Concordia College	Offensive Line

### Mike Mularkey's Career Playing Ledger:

Years	Team	Position
1989-1991	Pittsburgh Steelers	Tight End
1983-1988	Minnesota Vikings	Tight End
1979-1982	University of Florida	Tight End

## TITANS/OILERS HEAD COACH HISTORY

COACH	YEARS	WON	LOST	TIED	PCT.
Lou Rymkus	1960-61	12	7	1	.625
Wally Lemm	1961, 1966-70	38	40	4	.487
Frank "Pop" Ivy	1962-63	17	12	0	.586
Sammy Baugh	1964	4	10	0	.285
Hugh "Bones" Taylor	1965	4	10	0	.285
Ed Hughes	1971	4	9	1	.321
Bill Peterson	1972-73	1	18	0	.052
Sid Gillman	1973-74	8	15	0	.347
O.A. "Bum" Phillips	1975-80	59	38	0	.608
Ed Biles	1981-83	8	23	0	.258
Chuck Studley	1983	2	8	0	.200
Hugh Campbell	1984-85	8	22	0	.266
Jerry Glanville	1985-89	35	35	0	.500
Jack Pardee	1990-94	44	35	0	.556
Jeff Fisher	1994-2010	147	126	0	.538
Mike Munchak	2011-13	22	26	0	.458
Ken Whisenhunt	2014-15	3	20	0	.130
Mike Mularkey	2015-16	2	7	0	.222

Records include postseason



## TITANS ASSISTANT COACHES

### DICK LEBEAU ASSISTANT HEAD COACH/DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

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- LeBeau joined the Titans in 2015 with 56 previous years of NFL experience as a player and coach. He was given the title assistant head coach/defensive coordinator for the 2016 season.
- In 2015, his first year with the Titans, the defense improved in nearly every defensive category, including total defense (12th from 27th), rush defense (18th from 31st) and pass defense (7th from 15th).
- He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2010 for his 14-year playing career as a cornerback for the Detroit Lions.
- He joined the Titans after 11 years as the defensive coordinator for the Pittsburgh Steelers. It was his second stint with Pittsburgh, after spending time there as an assistant coach from 1992-96, including defensive coordinator from 1995-96. In his 13 seasons as the Steelers defensive coordinator, the team finished among the top-five in total defense 10 times and was number one overall five times. Also in those 13 seasons, Pittsburgh won four AFC Championships, two Super Bowls and advanced to the playoffs on nine occasions.
- LeBeau is considered the architect of the "zone blitz" scheme.
- LeBeau spent 18 total seasons with the Cincinnati Bengals (1980-91 and 1997-2002). He initially joined the Bengals as a defensive backs coach and then defensive coordinator. He rejoined the team in 1997 as assistant head coach/defensive coordinator and was elevated to head coach for three seasons (2000-02).
- He also spent one season as the assistant head coach for the Buffalo Bills in 2003, and the Bills defense ranked second in the NFL for total yards allowed.
- LeBeau started his coaching career as the special teams coach for the Philadelphia Eagles from 1973-75. He went on to Green Bay, where he was the defensive backs coach for four years (1976-79).



### TERRY ROBISKIE OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR

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- Robiskie was hired as offensive coordinator in January 2016 after gaining 34 previous years of coaching experience in the NFL, including six seasons as an offensive coordinator.
- He joined the Titans after spending eight seasons as wide receivers coach with the Falcons.
- Under Robiskie's guidance in 2015, Falcons receiver Julio Jones set a franchise record for receiving yards in a season (1,871). Robiskie also helped develop receiver Roddy White, who became Atlanta's franchise leader in receptions, receiving yards and touchdowns.
- He served as the receivers coach with the Miami Dolphins prior to joining the Falcons. Mike Mularkey was on the same 2007 Dolphins staff as tight ends coach.
- From 2001-06, he was with the Cleveland Browns as receivers coach (2001-03, 2005-06), offensive coordinator (2004) and interim head coach (five games in 2004).
- Robiskie previously served as the receivers coach and passing game coordinator for the Redskins, and he also spent time as Washington's interim head coach for the final three games in 2000.
- He coached 12 seasons with the Oakland Raiders in a variety of roles.
- A native of Edgard, La., Robiskie lettered four years as a running back at LSU. He went on to play three seasons with the Oakland Raiders (1977-79) before spending the next two seasons with the Dolphins.



### BOBBY APRIL SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR

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- April was hired as special teams coordinator early in the 2016 offseason. He arrived with 24 years in the NFL as a special teams coach.
- He was named Special Teams Coach of the Year by his peers in both 2004 and 2008.
- During his NFL coaching career through 2015, his special teams units scored 21 touchdowns on kickoff returns (12) and punt returns (9).





## TITANS ASSISTANT COACHES

- April was the special teams coordinator at the New York Jets in 2015. Prior to that he spent two years (2013-14) with the Oakland Raiders and three years (2010-12) with the Philadelphia Eagles.
- During his six seasons (2004-09) in Buffalo, his Bills units earned the number one spot in the Dallas Morning News' special teams rankings on three occasions. Additionally, three players earned Pro Bowl honors, including punter Brian Moorman, returner Terrence McGee and long-snapper Mike Schneck.
- He also spent time with the St. Louis Rams, New Orleans Saints, Pittsburgh Steelers and Atlanta Falcons. He has been to two Super Bowls as a special teams coach, one with St. Louis (XXXVI) and one with Pittsburgh (XXX).
- As a college coach (1978-90), April served stints at Southern Mississippi, Tulane, Arizona and Southern California.
- A native of New Orleans, La., April played linebacker at Nicholls State (1972-75).

### BRANDON BLANEY DEFENSIVE ASSISTANT

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- Blaney was hired by the Titans early in the 2016 offseason after spending the last two years as the offensive line coach at Iowa State and two seasons (2011-12) as a defensive assistant with the Jacksonville Jaguars.
- In total, he gained 17 years of college coaching experience and two years of NFL experience before he arrived in Tennessee.
- Blaney had stops at Kansas (2002-09), Ohio State (2001), Oklahoma (1999-2000) and Youngstown State (1995-98). He was a part of two national title winning staffs at Youngstown State (1997) and Oklahoma (2000).
- Blaney is a graduate of Youngstown State.



### BOB BRATKOWSKI WIDE RECEIVERS

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- Bratkowski joined the Titans in January 2016. He arrived with 21 years of NFL coaching experience, including 15 as an offensive coordinator and additional 14 years coaching in the college ranks.
- Bratkowski and Mike Mularkey worked together at three different NFL stops – Jacksonville (2012), Atlanta (2011) and Pittsburgh (1999-00).
- As the quarterbacks coach in Atlanta (2011), he worked with Matt Ryan and guided him to his first career 4,000-yard passing season.
- A long stretch of Bratkowski's NFL coaching career was as offensive coordinator for the Cincinnati Bengals, where he spent 10 seasons (2001-10). His offenses during that period ranked in the top 10 on three occasions.
- He entered the NFL coaching ranks as a wide receivers coach for the Seattle Seahawks (1992-94). He was promoted to offensive coordinator for the Seahawks in 1995 and stayed in that role for four years. He then spent two years (1999-00) with the Steelers coaching wide receivers on Bill Cowher's staff.
- In the college ranks, Bratkowski earned two national title wins (1989, 1991) as the offensive coordinator for the University of Miami (Fla.) and also spent time as the offensive coordinator at Washington State, Wyoming and Weber State.
- A native of San Angelo, Texas, Bratkowski was a three-year letterman as a wide receiver at Washington State.



### SYLVESTER CROOM RUNNING BACKS

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- Croom was hired by the Titans as running backs coach in 2013 after spending the 2012 season with the Jacksonville Jaguars. The 2016 season will be the 24th season of his NFL coaching career.
- Prior to his time in Jacksonville, he spent three seasons (2009-11) with the St. Louis Rams and guided Steven Jackson to 3,802 rushing yards and two Pro Bowl selections during their three years together.
- Croom was the head coach at Mississippi State from 2004-2008 becoming



ing the first African-American head football coach in SEC history. The high point of his tenure with the Bulldogs was the 2007 season, as the Bulldogs posted an 8-5 record and a Liberty Bowl victory.

- He was the offensive coordinator for the Detroit Lions from 1997-2000. While guiding the Lions offense, Barry Sanders posted 2,053 rushing yards in 1997.
- He also had stints as the running back coach at Green Bay (2001-03), San Diego (1992-96), Indianapolis (1991) and Tampa Bay (1987-90).
- A native of Tuscaloosa, Ala., Croom was an offensive lineman at the University of Alabama and played one season for the New Orleans Saints.

### NICK EASON DEFENSIVE LINE

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- Eason enters his third season with the Titans in 2016 and his first as defensive line coach. He was promoted after spending the 2014 and 2015 campaigns as the assistant defensive line coach.
- In 2013, he was an intern coach and assisted the defensive staff for the Cleveland Browns.
- Eason had a 10-year NFL career as a defensive lineman for the Browns, Pittsburgh Steelers and Arizona Cardinals. He played in 117 games during his career and registered seven sacks.
- He finished his NFL career playing two seasons (2011-12) for the Cardinals. He appeared in 32 games for the Cardinals and registered two sacks. He also played four seasons (2007-10) with the Pittsburgh Steelers and played in 55 games, including two Super Bowls - winning Super Bowl XLIII and losing Super Bowl XLV.
- Eason originally was a fourth-round selection by the Denver Broncos in the 2003 NFL Draft. He played college football at Clemson and appeared in 47 games with 35 starts for the Tigers, recording 15 sacks and 30 tackles for loss.



### RUSS GRIMM OFFENSIVE LINE

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- Grimm was hired by the Titans as offensive line coach in January 2016. He arrived with 21 years of experience as an NFL coach and is a member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame for his 11-year playing career as a guard for the Washington Redskins.
- He previously spent six seasons (2007-12) as the assistant head coach/offensive line coach for the Arizona Cardinals.
- As a player and a coach, Grimm earned trips to six Super Bowls, including four wins.
- Prior to his time in Arizona, Grimm spent seven years with the Steelers as the offensive line coach, including three seasons when Mike Mularkey was the team's offensive coordinator. He added the title of assistant head coach in his final three years there, becoming the first and only coach to hold that title on a Bill Cowher staff.
- Grimm started his coaching career with the Redskins as the tight ends coach in 1992. He spent five seasons in that role before moving to offensive line coach for four seasons (1997-2000).
- Grimm was an 11-year starter at guard for the Redskins and earned four trips to the Super Bowl, four Pro Bowl selections (1983-86) and was selected to the NFL's All-Decade team. In 2010, he was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.
- The Scottsdale, Pa., native was an All-American center at Pitt.



### STEVE HOFFMAN ASSISTANT SPECIAL TEAMS

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- Hoffman was hired by the Titans as assistant special teams coach in 2013. He has 26 years of NFL coaching experience, including stops at Oakland (2012), Kansas City (2009-2011), Miami (2007-08), Atlanta (2006) and Dallas (1989-04).
- In 2012, with Hoffman serving as the special teams coach for the Oakland Raiders, kicker Sebastian Janikowski posted the best field goal percentage of his career (91.2%, 31/34) and was a perfect 25/25 for kicks inside of 50 yards.
- The three previous years (2009-11), Hoffman was the special teams coach for the Kansas City Chiefs.



## TITANS ASSISTANT COACHES

- Hoffman entered the NFL as a kicking coach for the Dallas Cowboys in 1989, a position he would hold for 16 seasons while contributing to three Super Bowl titles. He also doubled as a quality control assistant for the offensive and defensive staffs during his tenure with the Cowboys.
- He spent two seasons as an assistant special teams coach for the Miami Dolphins and a season in the same role for the Atlanta Falcons.
- Hoffman started in the coaching ranks with the University of Miami as the Kicking Coach from 1985-88.
- He played quarterback, running back, wide receiver and handled kicking and punting duties during his collegiate career at Dickinson College.

### STEVE JACKSON ASSISTANT SECONDARY

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- Jackson was hired by the Titans as assistant secondary coach during the 2016 offseason after obtaining 13 previous years of NFL coaching experience.
- In joining the Titans coaching staff, Jackson returns to the organization that drafted him out of Purdue in the third round of the 1991 NFL Draft. The Houston native went on to play his entire nine-year career (127 games) for the team. During his time as a player with the Titans/Oilers, Jackson tallied 14 interceptions and nine sacks.
- Jackson's most recent job in the NFL was an assistant secondary coach with the Detroit Lions in 2013.
- Jackson spent nine seasons (2004-11) coaching for the Washington Redskins. For five of those seasons (2004-09), he was the passing game coordinator/safeties coach, and in his time there, he guided safety Sean Taylor to two Pro Bowls before his death. He spent his final two years in Washington (2010-11) as the safeties coach.
- He entered the NFL coaching ranks with the Buffalo Bills as the safeties/third down coach for three seasons (2001-03).



### JASON MICHAEL QUARTERBACKS

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- Michael has 12 years of coaching experience, including nine seasons in the NFL. He joined the Titans after spending three seasons (2011-13) as the tight ends coach for the San Diego Chargers. He was the offensive coordinator from 2014-15.
- While working with the tight ends in San Diego, he guided Antonio Gates to the fourth most receptions (190) among NFL tight ends over that time period, and second-year tight end Ladarius Green posted 22.1-yards per catch.
- Prior to joining the Chargers, he spent two seasons (2009-10) with the San Francisco 49ers as an offensive assistant and then quarterbacks coach.
- Michael entered the NFL ranks in 2005 as a quality control coach for the Oakland Raiders. In 2006, he became an offensive quality control coach for the New York Jets and was promoted to tight ends coach for the Jets in 2007.
- Michael began his coaching career in 2003, as a graduate assistant for the University of Tennessee, where he assisted with the secondary and special teams for two seasons. He later returned in Knoxville to coach the tight ends in 2008, in Phillip Fulmer's final season.
- As a senior, Michael quarterbacked Western Kentucky to the 2002 NCAA I-AA championship with a 34-14 win over McNeese State and was named the school's Male Athlete of the Year in 2003.



### ARTHUR SMITH TIGHT ENDS

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- Smith enters his sixth season on the Titans staff in 2016. He was hired in 2011 as a defensive assistant/quality control coach, and from 2012-2013 he served as the offensive assistant/quality control coach. He was promoted from offensive assistant/tight ends to tight ends coach seven games into the 2015 campaign.
- In 2010, he worked at Ole Miss as an administrative assistant/defensive intern and worked primarily with the linebackers.
- He spent two years (2007-08) working for the Washington Redskins. He worked two years as defensive quality control coach after joining the or-



ganization as a college scouting assistant.

- The Memphis, Tenn., native graduated from North Carolina and played offensive line before joining the coaching staff for one season (2006) as a graduate assistant.

### LOU SPANOS LINEBACKERS

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- Spanos enters his third season with the Titans in 2016. He has 21 previous years of coaching experience, including 19 years in the NFL.
- From 2012-13, he was the defensive coordinator for UCLA.
- Prior to his time with the Bruins, he spent two seasons as the linebackers coach for the Washington Redskins.
- Spanos entered the NFL coaching ranks in 1995 with the Pittsburgh Steelers as a defensive assistant. He stayed in that role for 15 seasons, earned two World Championships in Super Bowls XL and XLIII, and coached in a third Super Bowl (XXX). During his time on the Steelers staff as a defensive assistant, he assisted with the linebackers and secondary.
- A native of Pittsburgh, Pa., Spanos was a four-year (1989-92) starter at center for Tulsa and spent one additional season as a student assistant working with the linebackers. The following season he joined the Steelers in the scouting department before being promoted to a defensive assistant after one season.



### LUKE STECKEL OFFENSIVE ASSISTANT

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- Steckel enters his fourth season with the Titans and his third campaign as an offensive assistant in 2016.
- He joined the Titans in 2013 after spending four seasons with the Cleveland Browns as the assistant to the head coach.
- He was a three-year letterman as a linebacker at Princeton (2004-06), where he helped lead the Tigers to an Ivy League Championship.
- He is the son of former Titans offensive coordinator Les Steckel and attended Brentwood (Tenn.) High School.



### MIKE SULLIVAN ASSISTANT OFFENSIVE LINE

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- Sullivan has 13 seasons of NFL coaching experience, including seven as offensive line coach. He enters his third campaign with the Titans in 2016.
- He joined the Titans in 2014 after one season as offensive line coach for the Cleveland Browns in 2013.
- Sullivan spent four seasons (2009-12) as the offensive line coach for the San Diego Chargers. He had two other stints with the Browns: 2007-08 as offensive line coach and 2001-04 as assistant offensive line coach.
- He has three seasons of college experience, as offensive line coach for Western Michigan from 2005-06 and as a graduate assistant for the University of Miami (Fla.) in 2000. Sullivan began his coaching career in 1997, spending five seasons coaching in Europe.
- A sixth-round selection of the Cowboys in 1991, he went on to play a total of 48 NFL games, all for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers from 1992-95.
- At the University of Miami (Fla.) from 1987-90, he was a member of two National Title teams for the Hurricanes and was later inducted into the University of Miami Sports Hall of Fame.



### DESHEA TOWNSEND SECONDARY

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- Townsend was hired by the Titans as secondary coach during the 2016 offseason after obtaining five previous years of NFL coaching experience and 13 years of NFL playing experience.
- He joined the Titans after three seasons as the cornerbacks coach for Mississippi State.





## TITANS ASSISTANT COACHES

- He played the majority of his NFL career for the Pittsburgh Steelers, including six seasons (2004-09) with Dick LeBeau as the defensive coordinator. Townsend won two Super Bowls (XL and XLIII) as a player with the Steelers.
- As the cornerbacks coach at Mississippi State (2013-15), Townsend helped the 2014 Bulldogs defense lead the nation in passes defended (89) and passes broken up (73) to go along with 15 interceptions (15th nationally). In 2013, the Bulldogs ranked fifth in the SEC in passing defense.
- Townsend entered the coaching ranks in 2011 as the assistant defensive backs coach for the Arizona Cardinals.
- As a player in the NFL (Pittsburgh 1998-09; Indianapolis 2010), he played in 191 games (80 starts) and tallied 21 interceptions, 428 tackles, 15.5 sacks, three touchdowns, five fumble recoveries and four forced fumbles.
- The Batesville, Miss., native was a four-year starter at the University of Alabama and was a fourth-round selection by the Steelers in 1998.

### JASON TUCKER ASSISTANT WIDE RECEIVERS

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- Tucker joined the Titans in 2015 after spending six seasons coaching wide receivers in the Canadian Football League, including the last four with Saskatchewan.
- As a player, Tucker spent two years (1999-2000) with the Dallas Cowboys. He enjoyed his greatest success as a player in the CFL, where he totaled 7,046 receiving yards during his seven-year career with Edmonton. He earned CFL All-Star honors four times and won two Grey Cups (2003, 2005) as a player.
- Tucker played his college football at TCU and was a sixth-round selection by the Cincinnati Bengals in the 1998 NFL Draft.



### STEVE WATTERSON ASST. HEAD COACH/ STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

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- Watterson, who joined the organization in 1986, enters his 31st season with the Titans in 2016. He has been instrumental in helping to develop and implement various strength and conditioning programs with the Titans and directs the club's successful offseason conditioning program.
- He is the longest tenured active coach with one team currently in the NFL.
- In 2010, he became the first NFL head strength and conditioning coach to earn his 'Art of Strength' Kettlebell Instructor Certification during the 'A.O.S.' seminar held at Punch Gym in Franklin, Tenn. He and his assistant, Jason Novak, became the first tandem of 'A.O.S.' certified instructors in professional sports.
- In 2008, he was elected to the Alliance for Natural Health's Scientific Advisory Board.
- In 2002, Watterson was awarded the President's Award from the Professional Football Strength and Coaches Society for his contributions to the field of strength and conditioning.
- In 1992, he was named Professional Strength and Conditioning Coach of the Year.
- The Newport, R.I., native began his NFL career with the Philadelphia Eagles (1984-85).



### KEITH WILLIS ASSISTANT DEFENSIVE LINE

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- Willis was hired by the Titans as assistant defensive line coach early in the 2016 offseason. He arrived with 21 years of coaching experience.
- He spent the previous three years (2013-15) as the defensive line coach for the Montreal Alouettes in the Canadian Football League. In 2015, he guided John Bowman to a league-leading 19 sacks, and Montreal finished second in the league in total sacks with 55.
- Willis played 11 years as a defensive end in the NFL, spending time with the Pittsburgh Steelers (1982-91), Buffalo Bills (1992) and Washington Redskins (1993).
- The Northeastern University alumnus began his coaching career as defensive line coach at Slippery Rock College in 1995.



## NEW FACES

**Additions to the Titans roster, coaching staff and football administration/player personnel leadership roles since the conclusion of the 2015 season:**

### Players—Free Agents

CB Brice McCain (FA)  
C Ben Jones (UFA-HOU)  
QB Matt Cassel (UFA-DAL)  
WR Rishard Matthews (UFA-MIA)  
LB Sean Spence (UFA-PIT)  
CB Antwon Blake (UFA-PIT)  
S Rashad Johnson (UFA-ARI)  
LB Curtis Grant (FA)  
DE Mehdi Abdesmad (FA)  
S Lamarcus Brutus (FA)  
TE Alex Ellis (FA)  
T Tyler Marz (FA)  
CB Bennett Okotcha (FA) – IR  
T Nick Ritcher (FA)  
K Aldrick Rosas (FA)  
NT Antwaun Woods (FA)  
FB Sam Bergen (FA)  
WR Ben Roberts (FA)  
DE Mike Smith (FA)  
WR Reece Horn (FA)  
G/T William Campbell (FA)  
G/C Ronald Patrick (FA)  
WR Andre Johnson (FA)  
WR Donte Foster (FA)  
WR Jarrod West (FA)

### Players—Draft Picks

T Jack Conklin (1)  
OLB Kevin Dodd (2a)  
DL Austin Johnson (2b)  
RB Derrick Henry (2c)  
S Kevin Byard (3)  
WR Tajae Sharpe (5a)  
CB LeShaun Sims (5b)  
G Sebastian Tretola (6)  
OLB Aaron Wallace (7a)  
CB Kalan Reed (7b)

### Players—Trades and Waivers

RB DeMarco Murray (T-PHI)  
LB Nate Palmer (W-GB)  
TE Jerome Cunningham (W-NYJ)  
CB Tyler Patmon (W-MIA)  
LB Amarlo Herrera (W-IND)  
G/T Dennis Kelly (T-PHI)

### Coaching Staff\*

Terry Robiskie (offensive coordinator)  
Brandon Blaney (defensive assistant)  
Bobby April (special teams coordinator)  
Russ Grimm (offensive line)  
Steve Jackson (assistant secondary)  
Deshea Townsend (secondary)  
Keith Willis (assistant defensive line)

\* Does not include five coaching staff members who switched roles

### Football Administration/Player Personnel

Jon Robinson (general manager)  
Ryan Cowden (director of player personnel)

As of Aug. 21, 2016



## 2016 TITANS DRAFT REVIEW

2016 Titans Draft Pick Capsules (Height, Weight, College, Draft Round, Overall Pick):

- **T JACK CONKLIN** (6-6, 308, Michigan State, 1st round, 8th overall)

**College:** Conklin became the first Michigan State offensive lineman to be selected in the first round since 1989 (Tony Mandarich, No. 2 overall by Green Bay) and also the highest drafted Spartan since wide receiver Charles Rogers (No. 2) in 2003. He was a three-year starter at left tackle for the Spartans, starting 38 of his 39 career games (35 at left tackle, three at right tackle). In his final season, he was named second-team All-American by The Associated Press and was on numerous All-Big Ten teams.



- **OLB KEVIN DODD** (6-5, 277, Clemson, 2nd round, 33rd overall)

**College:** As a defensive end at Clemson, he played parts of four seasons and notched 107 tackles, 26.5 tackles for loss and 12 sacks over 39 career games. In his final collegiate campaign, he started all 15 games and tallied 12 sacks and 23.5 stops for loss. In the National Championship Game against Alabama he produced a career-high five tackles for loss and three sacks, both of which set Clemson single-game postseason records.

- **DL AUSTIN JOHNSON** (6-4, 314, Penn State, 2nd round, 43rd overall)

**College:** At Penn State, Johnson appeared in 38 games with 28 starts over three seasons, including starts in every game during his final two campaigns. He totaled 154 tackles, 8.5 sacks, 24 tackles for loss, eight passes defended, one forced fumble and four fumble recoveries, including a fumble recovery for a touchdown. His 78 tackles as a junior in 2015 ranked second among defensive linemen in FBS and were the most by a Penn State defensive lineman since Jimmy Kennedy (87) in 2002, earning Johnson Associated Press first-team All-Big Ten honors.

- **RB DERRICK HENRY** (6-3, 237, Alabama, 2nd round, 45th overall)

**College:** In three seasons at Alabama, Henry set numerous school and SEC records while leading his team to a National Championship in 2015. He played in 39 career games and totaled 602 carries for a school-record 3,591 yards and 42 rushing touchdowns and added 285 yards on 17 career receptions with three receiving scores. As a junior, he rushed for an SEC record with 2,219 yards and won the Heisman Trophy, among many other honors, as college football's best player.



The 2016 Titans draft class (L to R): (front row) Tajae Sharpe, Kevin Byard, Kalan Reed, Derrick Henry, LeShaun Sims; (back row) Sebastian Tretola, Aaron Wallace, Jack Conklin, Austin Johnson, Kevin Dodd

## 2016 TITANS DRAFT PICKS

Rd.	Pick	Player	Pos.	College
1	8	Jack Conklin	T	Michigan State
2a	33	Kevin Dodd	OLB	Clemson
2b	43	Austin Johnson	DL	Penn State
2c	45	Derrick Henry	RB	Alabama
3	64	Kevin Byard	S	Middle Tennessee St.
5a	140	Tajae Sharpe	WR	Massachusetts
5b	157	LeShaun Sims	CB	Southern Utah
6	193	Sebastian Tretola	G	Arkansas
7a	222	Aaron Wallace	OLB	UCLA
7b	253	Kalan Reed	CB	Southern Mississippi

- **S KEVIN BYARD** (5-11, 212, Middle Tennessee State, 3rd round, 64th overall)

**College:** In four seasons at Middle Tennessee State, Byard set the school's all-time career interceptions record with a total of 19 and ranked sixth in school history with 312 tackles. He started 46 of his 49 career games with the Blue Raiders. In 2015, he appeared in 12 games and posted 66 tackles and a team-high four interceptions. He was named first-team All-Conference USA for the second consecutive season.

- **WR TAJAE SHARPE** (6-2, 194, Massachusetts, 5th round, 140th overall)

**College:** In four seasons at Massachusetts (2012-15), Sharpe appeared in 47 games with 43 starts and finished his career as the school's all-time leader with 277 receptions and 3,486 receiving yards. The two-time All-MAC first team performer ended his collegiate career ranked third in Minuteman history with 16 touchdowns and sixth with 3,497 all-purpose yards. Sharpe led the nation with 111 receptions as a senior and finished his career as the University of Massachusetts all-time leader in receptions, receiving yards and catches in a single game.

- **CB LeSHAUN SIMS** (6-0, 203, Southern Utah, 5th round, 157th overall)

**College:** In four seasons at Southern Utah, Sims appeared in 47 total games with 46 starts, including starts in every game during his final three seasons. His career totals included 220 tackles, eight interceptions, 27 passes defended, one forced fumble, five fumble recoveries and four tackles for loss. In 2015, Sims was a first-team All-Big Sky performer, finishing the campaign with a pair of interceptions and 54 tackles. He helped the Thunderbirds win the conference title.

- **G SEBASTIAN TRETOLA** (6-4, 314, Arkansas, 6th round, 193rd overall)

**College:** Tretola played both guard positions in college and started the final 24 games in his Razorbacks career. During his two-year stay at Arkansas, Tretola started 24 straight contests, allowing one sack during that time. As a senior, he started all 13 game at left guard. Spent his first two collegiate campaigns at the University of Nevada before attending Iowa Western Community College in 2013.

- **OLB AARON WALLACE** (6-2, 242, UCLA, 7th round, 222nd overall)

**College:** During a four-year career at UCLA, Wallace played in 49 games and recorded 12 starts. His career totals included 92 tackles, seven sacks, 12.5 tackles for loss and one pass defended. As a senior, his seven sacks and 12.5 tackles for loss led the squad. He played in all 13 games (eight starts), earning All-Conference honorable mention from the league's coaches.

- **CB KALAN REED** (5-11, 192, Southern Miss, 7th round, 253rd overall)

**College:** In four seasons at Southern Mississippi, Reed played in 48 games with 39 starts. He registered 152 career tackles, eight interceptions, 35 passes defended and 8.5 tackles for loss. He returned three of his eight interceptions for touchdowns. In 2015, he was named first-team All-Conference USA after notching a school record 19 passes defended, including a career-high four interceptions, two which he returned for touchdowns.

## 2016 VETERAN ROSTER ADDITIONS

In his first few months as Titans general manager, **Jon Robinson** worked to re-sign some of the team's own key free agents. Returning running back **Antonio Andrews**, tight end **Craig Stevens**, defensive lineman **Al Woods** and offensive lineman **Byron Bell** were retained by the Titans with new contracts. Robinson also brought the following free agents to Tennessee from other clubs: cornerback **Brice McCain** (Miami Dolphins), center **Ben Jones** (Houston Texans), quarterback **Matt Cassel** (Dallas Cowboys), wide receiver **Rishard Matthews** (Dolphins), linebacker **Sean Spence** (Pittsburgh Steelers), cornerback **Antwon Blake** (Steelers) and safety **Rashad Johnson** (Arizona Cardinals).

Perhaps most notably, Robinson engineered a trade with the Philadelphia Eagles to acquire running back **DeMarco Murray**. In exchange for the 2014 NFL rushing leader, the Titans agreed to swap their fourth-round pick (100th overall) for the Eagles' fourth-rounder (113th overall).

On July 29, the day the Titans reported for training camp, the Titans agreed to terms with veteran wide receiver **Andre Johnson**, who spent the 2015 campaign with the Indianapolis Colts following 12 seasons with the Houston Texans.

### More on each of the new Titans:

#### ANTWON BLAKE – CORNERBACK

Previous Team: Pittsburgh Steelers

5-9 • 198 • Texas El-Paso • 4 Previous NFL Seasons

Antwon Blake was signed by the Titans following four total seasons and 62 games with the Jaguars (2012) and Steelers (2013-15). His career totals include 17 starts, 109 tackles, three interceptions, 18 passes defended, one sack, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and 34 special teams tackles.

In 2015, Blake was a full-time starter for the first time in his career. In addition to notching 16 starts, he set personal bests with 74 tackles, two interceptions and 11 passes defended in the regular season. He also started both of Pittsburgh's postseason games, registering two tackles and an interception.

A native of Houston, Texas, Blake played four seasons and was a two-year starter at cornerback at the University of Texas at El Paso. He then entered the NFL as an undrafted free agent with the Jaguars in 2012.

#### MATT CASSEL – QUARTERBACK

Previous Team: Dallas Cowboys

6-4 • 228 • Southern California • 11 Previous NFL Seasons

Matt Cassel was signed by the Titans after 11 previous seasons with the New England Patriots, Kansas City Chiefs, Minnesota Vikings, Buffalo Bills and Dallas Cowboys. His career totals prior to arriving in Tennessee included 17,003 passing yards, 101 touchdown passes, 77 interceptions and a passer rating of 79.3.

In 2015, Cassel played for the Bills and the Cowboys. With the Cowboys, he started seven games and completed 19 of 204 passes for 1,276 yards, five touchdowns and seven interceptions.

A native of Northridge, Calif., Cassel attended the University of Southern California and then entered the NFL as a seventh-round pick of the Patriots in 2005.

#### ANDRE JOHNSON – WIDE RECEIVER

Previous Team: Indianapolis Colts

6-3 • 229 • Miami (Fla.) • 13 Previous NFL Seasons

Andre Johnson joined the Titans on July 29. During his 13-year NFL career, Johnson (6-3, 229) has appeared in 185 regular season games and accumulated career totals of 1,053 receptions, 14,100 receiving yards and 68 touchdown catches. A seven-time Pro Bowl selection, Johnson ranks eighth in NFL history in receptions and ninth in league annals in receiving yards. He is first among active players in both categories. Additionally, his 51 career 100-yard receiving games are fifth in league history.

In 2015, Johnson appeared in all 16 games with 14 starts for the Indianapolis Colts. He totaled 41 catches for 503 yards and four touchdowns.

In 12 seasons with the Houston Texans (2003-2014), Johnson became the team's all-time leading receiver with 1,012 receptions for 13,597 yards and 64 touchdowns. He led the NFL in receiving yards in 2008 (1,575) and 2009 (1,569).

A native of Miami, Fla., Johnson became the fifth-leading receiver in University of Miami (Fla.) history before the Texans selected him with the third-overall pick in the 2003 NFL Draft.

#### RASHAD JOHNSON – SAFETY

Previous Team: Arizona Cardinals

5-11 • 204 • Alabama • 7 Previous NFL Seasons

Prior to joining the Titans, Rashad Johnson spent his first seven NFL seasons with the Arizona Cardinals. In 100 career games (51 starts) with the Cardinals, he collected 330 tackles and 15 interceptions, three of which he returned for touchdowns. From 2012-15, he tied for sixth in the NFL with 14 interceptions.

In 2015, Johnson played in 14 games (all starts) and tied for the team lead with a career-high five interceptions, a total that also tied for sixth place in the NFL. He added 59 tackles, eight passes defended, two tackles for loss, one fumble recovery and five special teams stops. In the playoffs, he started both of the team's games and recorded eight tackles and his first career postseason interception.

Johnson was selected in the third round of the 2009 NFL Draft following a career at the University of Alabama. The Sulligent, Ala., native was a walk-on running back with the Tide who went on to become a two-time team captain as a free safety.

#### BEN JONES – CENTER

Previous Team: Houston Texans

6-3 • 308 • Georgia • 4 Previous NFL Seasons

Ben Jones was signed by the Titans after four seasons and 64 games (43 starts) with the Houston Texans. During his time in Houston, he registered 16 starts at center, 16 starts at left guard and 11 starts at right guard. From 2014-15, Houston ranked seventh in sacks allowed (62) and ninth in rushing yards (3,892).

In 2015, Jones started all 16 games at center for the Texans. In 2014, he started 16 games at left guard.

Jones became the first center selected in the 2012 NFL Draft, as the Texans drafted him in the fourth round. A native of Centreville, Ala., he was a four-year starter at center at the University of Georgia and a two-time All-SEC selection.

#### RISHARD MATTHEWS – WIDE RECEIVER

Previous Team: Miami Dolphins

6-0 • 217 • Nevada • 4 Previous NFL Seasons

Rishard Matthews joined the Titans after spending his first four NFL seasons with the Miami Dolphins. His career totals in Miami included 107 catches for 1,396 yards and eight touchdowns in 49 games (17 starts).

In 2015, his first year as a full-time starter, Matthews had a career-high 43 catches for 662 yards and four touchdowns in 10 games, before suffering a season-ending rib injury in the 11th game.

A native of Santa Ana, Calif., Matthews was a seventh-round pick in 2012 out of Nevada. In his final season with the Wolf Pack, he led the team with a career-high 91 receptions, and his 1,364 receiving yards made up the sixth-best season total in school history.

#### BRICE MCCAIN – CORNERBACK

Previous Team: Miami Dolphins

5-9 • 190 • Utah • 7 Previous NFL Seasons

Brice McCain signed with the Titans as an unrestricted free agent following seven total seasons and 100 games with Houston (2009-13), Pittsburgh (2014) and Miami (2015).

In 2015, McCain played in 14 games with 11 starts for the Dolphins. He totaled 39 tackles, eight passes defended and one interception. During the prior season, he played in coordinator Dick LeBeau's defense at Pittsburgh, producing three interceptions and 25 tackles.

A native of Terrell, Texas, McCain was drafted by the Texans in the sixth round of the 2009 NFL Draft. He was a three-year starter at the University of Utah.





The Titans acquired DeMarco Murray in a trade with the Eagles.

#### DeMARCO MURRAY – RUNNING BACK

Previous Team: Philadelphia Eagles

6-0 • 217 • Oklahoma • 5 Previous NFL Seasons

A veteran of five previous NFL seasons and two Pro Bowl campaigns (2013 & 14), DeMarco Murray arrived in Tennessee with 5,228 career rushing yards in 68 games. From 2011 through 2015, he ranked among the top rushers in the NFL – sixth in rushing yards, fifth in avg./rush (4.6), sixth in scrimmage yards (6,750) and seventh in rushing touchdowns (34). As a pass receiver, he registered 215 receptions and 1,522 yards during that time period.

In 2015, Murray played in 15 games and totaled 702 rushing yards and six touchdowns during his only season in Philadelphia. He signed there on the heels of winning the NFL rushing title and the NFL Offensive Player of the Year Award with the Cowboys in 2014, when he rushed for 1,845 yards.

A native of Las Vegas, Nev., Murray was drafted by Dallas in the third round of the 2011 NFL Draft. He completed his four years at Oklahoma as the school's all-time leader in all-purpose yardage (6,718) and career touchdowns (65).

#### SEAN SPENCE – LINEBACKER

Previous Team: Pittsburgh Steelers

5-11 • 231 • Miami (Fla.) • 4 Previous NFL Seasons

Sean Spence arrived in Tennessee with 31 games of NFL experience, including 13 starts with the Steelers. His career totals included 86 tackles, two sacks and a fumble recovery.

In 2015, Spence totaled 34 tackles, one sack and two special teams stops in 15 games.

As a rookie in 2012, he suffered a devastating knee injury, which caused him to miss his first two seasons. He bounced back in 2014 to win the team's Ed Block Courage Award.

Spence was a third-round pick by the Steelers in the 2012 NFL Draft from the University of Miami. With the Hurricanes, he was a four-year starter and tallied 318 career tackles and 10.5 sacks.

## RECENT FREE AGENT HISTORY

### 2016

#### Players Signed (7)

CB Brice McCain (Miami)  
C Ben Jones (Houston)  
QB Matt Cassel (Dallas)  
WR Rishard Matthews (Miami)  
LB Sean Spence (Pittsburgh)  
CB Antwon Blake (Pittsburgh)  
S Rashad Johnson (Arizona)

#### Players Lost (4)

LB Zach Brown (Buffalo)  
FB Steven Johnson (Pittsburgh)  
OL Joe Looney (Dallas)  
CB Coty Sensabaugh (Los Angeles)

### 2015

#### Players Signed (7)

T Byron Bell (Carolina)  
CB Perrish Cox (San Francisco)  
WR Harry Douglas (Atlanta)  
TE Anthony Fasano (Kansas City)  
WR Hakeem Nicks (Indianapolis)  
OLB Brian Orakpo (Washington)  
S Da'Norris Searcy (Buffalo)

#### Players Lost (3)

CB Brandon Ghee (Cincinnati)  
FB Collin Mooney (Atlanta)  
WR Nate Washington (Houston)

### 2014

#### Players Signed (7)

RB Dexter McCluster (Kansas City)  
DL Al Woods (Pittsburgh)  
QB Charlie Whitehurst (San Diego)  
LB Wesley Woodyard (Denver)  
T Michael Oher (Baltimore)  
LB Shaun Phillips (Denver)  
G/C Eric Olsen (Pittsburgh)

#### Players Lost (4)

CB Alterraun Verner (Tampa Bay)  
WR Kenny Britt (St. Louis)  
QB Rusty Smith (N.Y. Giants)  
WR Damian Williams (Miami)

### 2013

#### Players Signed (17)

S George Wilson (Buffalo)  
G Andy Levitre (Buffalo)  
RB Shonn Greene (New York Jets)  
TE Delanie Walker (San Francisco)  
LB Moise Fokou (Indianapolis)  
DT Sammie Hill (Detroit)  
C/G Rob Turner (St. Louis)  
S Bernard Pollard (Baltimore)  
DE Ropati Pitoitua (Kansas City)  
QB Ryan Fitzpatrick (Buffalo)  
WR Kevin Walter (Houston)  
C/G Chris Spencer (Chicago)  
RB Jalen Parmele (Jacksonville)  
DT Antonio Johnson (Indianapolis)  
RB Alvester Alexander (Indianapolis)  
LB Greg Jones (Jacksonville)  
T Barry Richardson (St. Louis)

#### Players Lost (6)

TE Jared Cook (St. Louis)  
LB Zac Diles (Kansas City)  
G/C Leroy Harris (Detroit)  
DT Sen'Derrick Marks (Jacksonville)  
LB Will Witherspoon (St. Louis)

DE Jarius Wynn (San Diego)

### 2012

#### Players Signed (7)

G Steve Hutchinson (Minnesota)  
DE Kamerion Wimbley (Oakland)  
DE Leger Douzable (Jacksonville)  
LB Zac Diles (Indianapolis)  
G Kyle DeVan (Philadelphia)  
C Jon Cooper (Minnesota)  
S Aaron Francisco (Detroit)

#### Players Lost (6)

WR Donnie Avery (Indianapolis)  
CB Cortland Finnegan (St. Louis)  
S Chris Hope (Atlanta)  
DE William Hayes (St. Louis)  
DE Jason Jones (Seattle)  
LB Barrett Ruud (Seattle)

### 2011

#### Players Signed (11)

QB Matt Hasselbeck (Seattle)  
DT Shaun Smith (Kansas City)  
TE Daniel Graham (Denver)  
LB Barrett Ruud (Tampa Bay)  
CB Frank Walker (Minnesota)  
S Jordan Babineaux (Seattle)  
T Pat McQuistan (Miami)  
S Anthony Smith (Green Bay)  
T Adam Terry (Jacksonville)  
RB Kestahn Moore (Washington)  
WR Kevin Curtis (Kansas City)

#### Players Lost (4)

DE Jason Babin (Philadelphia)  
QB Kerry Collins (Indianapolis)  
LB Stephen Tulloch (Detroit)  
TE Bo Scaife (Cincinnati)

### 2010

#### Players Signed (6)

LB Will Witherspoon (Philadelphia)  
P/K Ricky Schmitt (San Francisco)  
DE Jason Babin (Philadelphia)  
CB Tye Hill (Atlanta)  
QB Chris Simms (Denver)  
TE Sean Ryan (Washington)

#### Players Lost (2)

DE Kyle Vanden Bosch (Detroit)  
TE Alge Crumpler (New England)

### 2009

#### Players Signed (5)

CB DeMarcus Faggins (Houston)  
DT Jovan Haye (Tampa Bay)  
WR Mark Jones (Carolina)  
QB Patrick Ramsey (Denver)  
WR Nate Washington (Pittsburgh)

#### Players Lost (6)

CB Chris Carr (Baltimore)  
DT Albert Haynesworth (Washington)  
WR Brandon Jones (San Francisco)  
CB Eric King (Detroit)  
T Daniel Loper (Detroit)  
QB Chris Simms (Denver)



## WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN 2016

- DT **Jurrell Casey** (28 career sacks) and OLB **Derrick Morgan** (27.5) are within range of the franchise's all-time top 10 in sacks. **Curley Culp** currently ranks 10th in team annals with 31 career sacks, preceded by **Kyle Vanden Bosch** in ninth place with 38.5 sacks.
- TE **Anthony Fasano** (279 career receptions entering 2016) needs 21 receptions in 2016 to reach 300 for his career.
- WR **Andre Johnson** (1,053 receptions entering 2016) needs 47 catches to become the fifth player in NFL history to reach 1,100 career receptions. He would join **Jerry Rice** (1,549), **Tony Gonzalez** (1,325), **Marvin Harrison** (1,102) and **Cris Carter** (1,101).
- WR **Andre Johnson** (14,100 receiving yards entering 2016) needs 900 receiving yards to become the sixth player in NFL history to reach 15,000 career receiving yards. He would join **Jerry Rice** (22,895), **Terrell Owens** (15,934), **Randy Moss** (15,292), **Isaac Bruce** (15,208) and **Tony Gonzalez** (15,127).
- S **Rashad Johnson** needs five interceptions to reach 20 for his career. Only 17 active players had 20 career interceptions prior to the start of the 2016 season.
- QB **Marcus Mariota** can become the first quarterback in franchise history to post back-to-back seasons with a passer rating of 90 or better. As a rookie in 2015, Mariota's passer rating was 91.5.
- RB **DeMarco Murray** (5,228 rushing yards entering 2016) needs 772 rushing yards in 2016 to reach 6,000 for his career.
- OLB **Brian Orakpo** (47 sacks entering 2016) needs three sacks in 2016 to reach 50 for his career.
- OLB **Brian Orakpo** (seven sacks in 2016) can become the first Titans player since **Jevon Kearse** (1999–2001) to record at least seven sacks in consecutive seasons.
- TE **Delanie Walker** (1,088 receiving yards in 2015) can become the first tight end in franchise history to record consecutive 1,000-yard receiving seasons.
- TE **Delanie Walker** (217 receptions with the Titans entering 2016) will pass **Bo Scaife** (251) for second place on the team's all-time tight end receptions list with 35 receptions in 2016.
- ILB **Avery Williamson** (107 tackles in 2014 and 137 tackles in 2015) can become the first Titans defender in the "Titans era" (1999–present) to begin his career with three consecutive 100-tackle seasons.
- WR **Kendall Wright** (251 career receptions) needs 49 receptions in 2016 to become the 10th player in franchise history to record 300 receptions with the club. TE **Delanie Walker** (217 receptions with the Titans) could also reach 300 receptions in a Titans uniform with 83 catches in 2016.
- WR **Kendall Wright** (2,828 receiving yards) and TE **Delanie Walker** (2,549 receiving yards with the Titans) can become the 14th and 15th players in team history to reach 3,000 receiving yards with the club.
- WR **Kendall Wright** and TE **Delanie Walker** can become the seventh and eighth players in franchise history to record four seasons with at least 50 receptions.

## TITANS/OILERS ALL-TIME RECORD

	W	L	T
<b>Regular Season:</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>6</b>
Home	232	192	2
Road	172	250	4
As Titans (1999-present)	137	135	0
As Oilers (1960-1998)	267	307	6
<b>Postseason:</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>
Home	6	5	0
Road	8	13	0
Super Bowl (XXXIV)	0	1	0

**All-time playoff appearances by the Oilers/Titans:** 1960, 1961, 1962, 1967, 1969, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2007, 2008

**All-time division titles by the Oilers/Titans:** 1960, 1961, 1962, 1967, 1991, 1993, 2000, 2002, 2008

## THIS WEEK'S NFL SCHEDULE

### All Times Local

#### Thursday, Aug. 25

Atlanta	at Miami	(NBC) 8:00
Dallas	at Seattle	7:00

#### Friday, August 26

Buffalo	at Washington	7:30
Cleveland	at Tampa Bay	(CBS) 8:00
New England	at Carolina	7:30
Pittsburgh	at New Orleans	7:00
Green Bay	at San Francisco	7:00

#### Saturday, August 27

Kansas City	at Chicago	12:00
Detroit	at Baltimore	7:00
Philadelphia	at Indianapolis	7:00
New York Giants	at New York Jets	7:30
Tennessee	at Oakland	(CBS) 5:00
Los Angeles	at Denver	7:00

#### Sunday, August 28

San Diego	at Minnesota	(FOX) 12:00
Arizona	at Houston	(FOX) 3:00
Cincinnati	at Jacksonville	(NBC) 8:00

## TICKET INFORMATION

Titans season tickets and individual game tickets for the 2016 season at Nissan Stadium are now on sale.

Benefits to becoming a Titans season ticket member include access to exclusive events year-round, presales to Nissan Stadium events and concerts, complimentary NFL RedZone and NFL Rewind access, playoff ticket priority, a unique season ticket member gift each season, monthly payment plans, opportunities to win special gameday experiences and more.

For more information, fans can visit [TitansOnline.com/tickets](http://TitansOnline.com/tickets), email [ticketsales@titans.nfl.com](mailto:ticketsales@titans.nfl.com) or call (615) 565-4200.



## NISSAN STADIUM

In 2015, the Titans and Nissan North America announced the formation of a 20-year, exclusive naming-rights partnership that rebranded Nashville's downtown stadium as Nissan Stadium.

Nissan Stadium hosts all Titans home football games, Tennessee State University football games, the Music City Bowl, the CMA Music Festival and numerous other events.

The procurement of naming rights to Nissan Stadium fit the automotive company's 'Fewer, Bigger, Better' marketing strategy, which has included ongoing sponsorships of NBC's 'The Voice,' the Heisman House college football program and a major advertising presence in this year's Super Bowl. Nissan is also now the official automotive partner of the Tennessee Titans.

Nissan's ever-growing footprint in Tennessee includes vehicle and powertrain manufacturing facilities in Smyrna and Decherd respectively, along with its North American headquarters in Franklin.

The Nissan Smyrna Plant began operations in 1983 and employs more than 8,400 people. In 2014, the Smyrna plant assembled more than 648,000 vehicles, making it the highest volume automotive assembly plant in North America. Nissan also has a major manufacturing presence in Canton, Mississippi, along with research and development groups in California, Arizona and Michigan. In total, the company employs more than 22,000 employees in the U.S.

One component of the Titans-Nissan partnership is assisting charitable organizations throughout Middle Tennessee in an array of community outreach programs. A centerpiece of this is the annual "Taste of Titans" charitable event, for which Nissan serves as presenting sponsor. During the course of a 20-year relationship, a total of more than \$1 million resulting from these annual events is anticipated to be distributed to local non-profit organizations.

Nissan Stadium is a city-owned venue that has housed the Titans since 1999. The naming rights agreement includes the opportunity for Nissan branding on the exterior of the stadium, as well as stadium signage and other unique displays inside the stadium. LP Building Products has held the naming rights to the stadium since 2006 and that exclusivity now shifts to Nissan.

### Titans/Oilers all-time regular-season record by home venue:

Stadium	Seasons	W-L-T	Pct.
Jeppesen Stadium	1960-1964	25-11-0	.694
Rice Stadium	1965-1967	11-10-0	.524
Astrodome	1968-1996	113-103-2	.523
Liberty Bowl	1997	6-2-0	.750
Dudley Field (Vanderbilt Stadium)	1998	3-5-0	.375
<b>Nissan Stadium</b>	<b>1999-2016</b>	<b>74-62-0</b>	<b>.544</b>

## NISSAN STADIUM RECORD WHEN ...

### The Titans at Nissan Stadium (1999-present):

	Games	Record	Pct.
Regular Season	136	74-62	.544
Postseason	4	2-2	.500
<b>Combined</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>76-64</b>	<b>.543</b>

Record When ...	Reg. Season	Playoffs
September	16-11	
October	16-17	
November	16-16	
December	25-17	
January	1-1	2-2
Thursday	2-2	
Friday	0-1	
Saturday	1-1	2-1
Sunday	66-55	0-1
Monday	5-3	
Against own division	31-26	0-1
Against AFC	53-49	2-2
Against NFC	21-13	
Overtime games	5-6	1-0
In primetime	8-9	
Temperature 80+	4-4	
Temperature <40	7-9	1-0
Titans score 20 points	59-26	2-0
Titans score 30 points	25-5	1-0
Titans allow <20 points	54-10	1-1
Titans allow <10 points	12-0	
Titans net 300 yards	57-37	1-2
Opponents net <300 yards	41-9	1-2
Titans 0 turnovers	22-5	
Force 2 turnovers	55-19	

## NISSAN STADIUM BAG POLICY

To provide a safer environment for the public and significantly expedite fan entry into Nissan Stadium, the Tennessee Titans enacted a league-wide NFL policy that limits the size and type of bags that may be brought into the stadium, regardless of the type of event.

**This policy includes all Titans games, college football games, concerts and additional sporting events at Nissan Stadium.**

The team strongly encourages fans to not bring any type of bags, but outlined what is permissible. Fans will be able to carry the following style and size bag, package, or container at stadium plaza areas, stadium gates, or when approaching queue lines of fans awaiting entry into the stadium:

- Bags that are clear plastic, vinyl or PVC and do not exceed 12" x 6" x 12." (Official Titans logo clear plastic tote bags are available online at [www.TitansLockerRoom.com](http://www.TitansLockerRoom.com) or at Titans Locker Room locations at Nissan Stadium.)
- One-gallon clear plastic freezer bag (Ziploc bag or similar)
- Small clutch bags, approximately the size of a hand, with or without a handle or strap, may be carried into the stadium along with one of the clear bag options
- An exception will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection. Guests with medical items must enter through designated entry points at Gate 1, Gate 5 or Gate 7.

Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: purses larger than a clutch bag, coolers, briefcases, backpacks, fanny packs, cinch bags, luggage of any kind, seat cushions, computer bags and camera bags or any bag larger than the permissible size.

For additional information, including visuals of allowed and prohibited items, visit [www.NFL.com/allclear](http://www.NFL.com/allclear).







# TITANS QUARTERBACKS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
16	Cassel, Matt	6-4	228	12	Southern California
8	Mariota, Marcus	6-4	222	2	Oregon
11	Tanney, Alex	6-4	220	2	Monmouth (Ill.)

## #8 • QB MARCUS MARIOTA

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The Titans selected quarterback **Marcus Mariota** (6-4, 222) with the second overall selection in the 2015 NFL Draft.

During his rookie season, Mariota played and started in 12 games, missing four total contests due to injuries. He completed 230 of his 370 passes for 2,818 yards, 19 touchdowns—all franchise rookie records—while throwing only 10 interceptions. His 91.5 passer rating ranks third in franchise history behind only **Steve McNair's** 2003 MVP season (100.4) and Pro Football Hall of Famer **Warren Moon's** 1990 campaign (96.8).

Mariota also set a franchise rookie record by completing 62.2 percent of his passes. That is the fifth-highest percentage by a rookie quarterback in NFL history and the eighth-highest completion percentage in a season by any quarterback in Titans/Oilers history.

On the ground, Mariota accounted for 252 yards and a pair of touchdowns on 34 carries. He finished second in franchise history in rushing yards by a rookie quarterback, trailing only **Vince Young's** 2006 total of 552 rushing yards. Mariota's total included an 87-yard touchdown run against Jack-

sonville (Dec. 6), which was the fifth-longest rushing play in franchise history.

Mariota joined **Peyton Manning** (1998) as the only rookie quarterbacks in NFL history to complete three touchdown passes in four different games, and he became the lone NFL rookie to ever record two games with four touchdown passes and no interceptions (Sept. 13 at Tampa Bay and Nov. 8 at New Orleans).

The rookie signal caller entered the NFL following a historic career at the University of Oregon. He concluded his three seasons as the school's starting quarterback by winning the Heisman Trophy and leading his team to the College Football Playoff Championship Game.

Mariota broke nearly every major passing record at Oregon, totaling 10,796 career passing yards and 105 touchdown passes. The three-time All-Pac-12 selection started every game over his three seasons, earning a 36-5 record, and he completed at least one touchdown pass in every contest. He is one of four players in FBS history to pass for 10,000 yards and rush for 2,000 yards (2,237) in a career, joining **Dan LeFevour**, **Robert Griffin III** and **Colin Kaepernick**.

During his Heisman season in 2014, Mariota directed the Ducks to a Rose Bowl victory over Florida State. His totals for the year included 4,454 passing yards, 42 touchdown passes and only four interceptions. He also rushed for 770 yards and 15 touchdowns and even caught a touchdown pass. His 58 total touchdowns in a season (passing, rushing and receiving) shattered **Matt Barkley's** (2011) previous Pac-12 record of 41 touchdowns.

The 6-foot-4-inch, 222-pound signal caller became the fifth Heisman Trophy winner to be drafted by the Oilers/Titans, joining **Billy Cannon**, **Earl Campbell**, **Mike Rozier** and **Eddie George**.

At the 2015 NFL Scouting Combine, he finished among the top three quarterbacks in the 40-yard dash, vertical jump, broad jump, three-cone drill and 20-yard shuttle. His 4.52-second 40-yard dash gave him the fastest quarterback time at the Combine since **Robert Griffin III's** 4.41 in 2012.

Mariota is a native of Honolulu, Hawaii.

### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, completed all five of his passes for 45 yards in three series, all in the first quarter. He found Tajae Sharpe for a 31-yard completion on his first attempt of the game.

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, completed nine of 10 passes for 104 yards with

### Mariota's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Passing																	Rushing				
Date/Opp	W/L	G/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	Yd/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sack	Lost	Rate		Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	W	QB	5	5	100.0	45	9.00	0	0.0	0	0.0	31	0	0	104.2		0	0	-	-	0
8/20 vs. Car	L	QB	10	9	90.0	104	10.40	1	10.0	1	10.0	23t	1	3	103.8		2	13	6.5	8	0
8/27 at Oak																					
9/1 at Mia																					
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>2/2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>93.3</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>9.93</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>102.5</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>

### Mariota's 2015/Career Statistics:

Passing																	Rushing				
Date/Opp	W/L	G/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	Yd/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sack	Lost	Rate		Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
9/13 at TB	W	QB	15	13	86.7	209	13.93	4	26.7	0	0.0	52t	2	24	158.3		2	6	3.0	9	0
9/20 at Cle	L	QB	37	21	56.8	257	6.95	2	5.4	0	0.0	33	7	38	96.3		3	19	6.3	12	0
9/27 vs Ind	L	QB	44	27	61.4	367	8.34	2	4.5	2	4.5	35	3	22	84.2		0	0	-	-	0
10/11 vs Buf	L	QB	32	21	65.6	187	5.84	0	0.0	1	3.1	23	2	8	68.1		5	47	9.4	22	0
10/18 vs Mia	L	QB	33	21	63.6	219	6.64	1	3.0	2	6.1	32	5	37	67.6		0	0	-	-	0
10/25 vs Atl	L																				
11/1 at Hou	L																				
								Inactive													
11/8 at NO	W	QB	39	28	71.8	371	9.51	4	10.3	0	0.0	61t	0	0	135.7		1	5	5.0	5	0
11/15 vs Car	L	QB	24	16	66.7	185	7.71	0	0.0	1	4.2	24	1	7	72.4		5	24	4.8	10	0
11/19 at Jax	L	QB	35	22	62.9	231	6.60	0	0.0	0	0.0	29	4	19	82.0		5	29	5.8	23t	1
11/29 vs Oak	L	QB	37	17	45.9	218	5.89	3	8.1	2	5.4	36	2	13	69.4		1	7	7.0	7	0
12/6 vs Jax	W	QB	29	20	69.0	268	9.24	3	10.3	1	3.4	47t	4	11	118.2		9	112	12.4	87t	1
12/13 at NYJ	L	QB	39	21	53.8	274	7.03	0	0.0	1	2.6	51	5	47	65.5		3	3	1.0	3	0
12/20 at NE	L	QB	6	3	50.0	32	5.33	0	0.0	0	0.0	19	3	32	66.0		0	0	-	-	0
12/27 vs Hou	L																				
								Inactive													
1/3 at Ind	L							Inactive													
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>12/12</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>62.2</b>	<b>2,818</b>	<b>7.62</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>91.5</b>		<b>34</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>87t</b>	<b>2</b>

### Mariota's Single-Game Highs:

**Attempts** - 44 vs. Indianapolis (9/27/15)

**Completions** - 28 at New Orleans (11/8/15)

**Passing Yards** - 371 at New Orleans (11/8/15)

**Touchdown Passes** - 4 (Twice, last at New Orleans 11/8/15)

**Long Completion** - 61t at New Orleans (11/8/15)

**Rushes** - 9 vs. Jacksonville (12/6/15)

**Rushing Yards** - 112 vs. Jacksonville (12/6/15)

**Long Rush** - 87t vs. Jacksonville (12/6/15)

**Rushing Touchdowns** - 1 (Twice, last vs. Jacksonville 12/6/15)



one touchdown and one interception (103.8 passer rating) in three series. He delivered a 23-yard touchdown pass to Harry Douglas in the second quarter. He also rushed two times for 13 yards.

## 2015 PASSING AVERAGE LEADERS

Marcus Mariota's 7.62 average yards per passing attempt in 2015 ranked 10th in the NFL among all NFL quarterbacks.

NFL leaders in yards per passing attempt in 2015:

Player	Team	Att	Yds	Yds/Att
1. Carson Palmer	Ari	537	4,671	8.70
2. Andy Dalton	Cin	386	3,250	8.42
3. Ben Roethlisberger	Pit	469	3,938	8.40
4. Russell Wilson	Sea	483	4,024	8.33
5. Tyrod Taylor	Buf	380	3,035	7.99
6. Drew Brees	NO	627	4,870	7.77
7. Cam Newton	Car	495	3,837	7.75
8. Kirk Cousins	Was	543	4,166	7.67
9. Tom Brady	NE	624	4,770	7.64
10. Marcus Mariota	Ten	370	2,818	7.62

## ROOKIE ACCURACY

In 2015, Titans quarterback **Marcus Mariota** posted one of the highest completion percentages in NFL history among rookie quarterbacks. His completion percentage of 62.2 was the fifth best all-time among rookies.

Mariota's completion percentage would shattered the franchise's rookie record. Until Mariota, **Vince Young's** completion percentage of 51.5 in 2006 was the best among rookie qualifiers in team annals.

Highest completion percentage among rookie quarterbacks in NFL history (minimum 14 passes per team game, or 224 attempts per 16 games):

Quarterback	Year	Team	Comp	Att	Pct
1. Ben Roethlisberger	2004	Pittsburgh	196	295	66.4
2. Robert Griffin III	2012	Washington	258	393	65.7
3. Teddy Bridgewater	2014	Minnesota	259	402	64.4
4. Russell Wilson	2012	Seattle	252	393	64.1
5. Marcus Mariota	2015	Tennessee	227	364	62.2
6. Matt Ryan	2008	Atlanta	265	434	61.1
7. Carson Palmer	2004	Cincinnati	263	432	60.9
8. Nick Foles	2012	Philadelphia	161	265	60.8
9. Joe Flacco	2008	Baltimore	257	428	60.1
10. Sam Bradford	2010	St. Louis	354	590	60.0

## MARCUS MARIOTA'S STARTING RECORD WHEN ...

Record When Mariota	2015	Career
Starts at quarterback	3-9	3-9
Starts vs. division opponents	1-2	1-2
Passes for 300 or more yards	1-1	1-1
Completes 1 or more TD passes	3-4	3-4
Completes 2 or more TD passes	3-3	3-3
Completes 3 or more TD passes	3-1	3-1
Starts and passes for no INTs	2-3	2-3
Completes 70.0% of his passes	2-0	2-0
Has a passer rating of 80.0+	3-3	3-3
Has a passer rating of 90.0+	3-1	3-1
Has a passer rating of 100.0+	3-0	3-0
Sacked 0 times	1-0	1-0
Rushes for 1 or more TDs	1-1	1-1
Rushes for 2 or more TDs	0-0	0-0
Rushes and Passes for 1 TD	1-0	1-0

## SINGLE-SEASON ROOKIE RECORDS

In 2015, **Marcus Mariota** broke virtually every rookie passing record for the franchise, completing 230 of 370 passes for 2,818 yards, 19 touchdowns and 10 interceptions.

Most passing attempts in a season by a rookie, franchise history:

Rookie QB	Season	Pass Attempts
1. Marcus Mariota	2015	370
2. Vince Young	2006	357
3. Dan Pastorini	1971	270
4. Zach Mettenberger	2014	179
5. Brent Pease*	1987	113
6. Steve McNair	1995	80
7. Jacky Lee	1960	77

Most completions in a season by a rookie, franchise history:

Rookie QB	Season	Completions
1. Marcus Mariota	2015	230
2. Vince Young	2006	184
3. Dan Pastorini	1971	127
4. Zach Mettenberger	2014	107
5. Brent Pease*	1987	56
6. Jacky Lee	1960	41
Steve McNair	1995	41

Most passing yards in a season by a rookie, franchise history:

Rookie QB	Season	Passing Yards
1. Marcus Mariota	2015	2,818
2. Vince Young	2006	2,199
3. Dan Pastorini	1971	1,702
4. Zach Mettenberger	2014	1,412
5. Jacky Lee	1960	842
6. Brent Pease*	1987	728
7. Steve McNair	1995	569

Most passing touchdowns in a season by a rookie, franchise history:

Rookie QB	Season	Passing TDs
1. Marcus Mariota	2015	19
2. Vince Young	2006	12
3. Zach Mettenberger	2014	8
4. Dan Pastorini	1971	7
5. Jacky Lee	1960	5
6. Steve McNair	1995	3
Brent Pease*	1987	3

Highest passer rating in a season by a rookie, franchise history (minimum 100 attempts):

Rookie QB	Season	Passer Rating
1. Marcus Mariota	2015	91.5
2. Zach Mettenberger	2014	83.4
3. Vince Young	2006	66.7
4. Brent Pease*	1987	60.6
5. Dan Pastorini	1971	43.8

Highest completion percentage in a season by a rookie, franchise history (minimum 100 attempts):

Rookie QB	Season	Passer Rating
1. Marcus Mariota	2015	62.2
2. Zach Mettenberger	2014	59.8
3. Vince Young	2006	51.5
4. Brent Pease*	1987	49.6
5. Dan Pastorini	1971	47.0

\* Replacement player during strike

## SINGLE-GAME ROOKIE PASSING YARDS

On Nov. 8, 2015, **Marcus Mariota** broke his own franchise rookie record with 371 passing yards at the New Orleans Saints.

Mariota initially set the record on Sept. 27 against Indianapolis with 367 passing yards. He broke **Zach Mettenberger's** record of 345 passing yards at the Philadelphia Eagles on Nov. 23, 2014.

As a rookie in 2014, Mettenberger broke **Jacky Lee's** longstanding record of 331 yards at the Boston Patriots on Nov. 25, 1960.

**Most single-game passing yards by a rookie, franchise history:**

Player	Date/Opponent	Passing Yards
1. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	11/8/15 at New Orleans	371
2. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	9/27/15 vs. Indianapolis	367
3. <b>Zach Mettenberger</b>	11/23/14 at Philadelphia	345
4. Jacky Lee	11/25/60 at Boston	331
5. <b>Zach Mettenberger</b>	10/26/14 vs. Houston	299
6. Jake Locker	12/11/11 vs. New Orleans	282
7. Jacky Lee	11/20/60 vs. Denver	281
8. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	12/13/15 at N.Y. Jets	274
9. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	12/6/15 vs. Jacksonville	268
10. Brent Pease	10/4/87 at Denver	260
Dan Pastorini	11/7/71 at New England	260

## ROAD PASSING LEADERS

**Marcus Mariota's** 105.3 passer rating on the road in 2015 ranked fourth in the NFL behind **Josh McCown's** 110.4, **Russell Wilson's** 107.7 and **Andy Dalton's** 107.2.

**Highest passer rating in road games in 2015 (minimum 100 attempts):**

Player	Team	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Rate
1. Josh McCown	Cle	132	99	1132	4	0	110.4
2. Russell Wilson	Sea	235	166	1878	17	6	107.7
3. Andy Dalton	Cin	195	126	1661	13	3	107.2
4. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>1374</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>105.3</b>
5. Carson Palmer	Ari	280	179	2405	18	5	105.1
6. Tom Brady	NE	289	186	2258	16	3	102.4
7. Alex Smith	KC	258	173	1991	9	1	100.1
8. Jay Cutler	Chi	245	163	1795	12	3	99.3
9. Derek Carr	Oak	264	158	1928	17	3	99.1
10. Tyrod Taylor	Buf	210	124	1571	11	1	97.9

Mariota's 105.3 passer rating on the road in 2015 was the best in franchise annals. Previously, **Chris Chandler** posted the top passer rating on the road with a 102.2 rating in 1995.

**Highest passer rating in road games in franchise history (minimum 100 attempts):**

Player	Year	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Rate
1. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>1374</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>105.3</b>
2. Chris Chandler	1995	177	119	1314	12	4	102.2
3. Warren Moon	1992	167	114	1245	10	4	100.0
4. Chris Chandler	1996	130	78	945	10	4	95.2
5. Steve McNair	2003	216	133	1671	12	5	94.5
6. Steve McNair	2004	109	69	717	7	3	92.2
7. Don Trull	1966	103	52	727	8	2	91.4
8. Warren Moon	1990	352	208	2748	17	11	86.9
9. Warren Moon	1988	152	83	1164	7	3	86.6
10. Billy Volek	2004	189	117	1230	9	6	83.4

## RED ZONE PASSING LEADERS

**Marcus Mariota's** 116.1 passer rating in the red zone in 2015 ranked third in the NFL behind **Blaine Gabbert's** 120.5 and **Matthew Stafford's** 118.0.

Since at least 1991 (statistic not tracked prior to then), Mariota finished with the highest single-season passer rating by a Titans quarterback, topping the previous benchmark of 110.5 by **Ryan Fitzpatrick** in 2013 (25-41, 177 yards, eight touchdowns, zero interceptions). Over the same time period, the NFL's top single-season passer rating in the red zone was 122.4 by Philadelphia's **Nick Foles** in 2013 (26-37, 197 yards, 16 touchdowns, zero interceptions).

**Highest red zone passer rating in 2015 (from the opponents' 1-19 yard lines):**

Player	Team	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD	Int	Rate
1. Blaine Gabbert	SF	28	19	150	8	0	120.5
2. Matthew Stafford	Det	70	48	323	26	0	118.0
3. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>116.1</b>
4. Kirk Cousins	Was	78	50	345	22	0	113.5
5. Cam Newton	Car	70	43	333	24	0	112.7
6. Brian Hoyer	Hou	43	24	184	14	0	106.0
7. Ben Roethlisberger	Pit	64	36	220	15	0	102.9
8. Brock Osweiler	Den	35	18	144	7	0	101.7
9. Andrew Luck	Ind	36	23	154	11	1	101.2
10. Philip Rivers	SD	71	43	352	22	2	101.1

## FIRST-DOWN PERCENTAGE LEADERS

**Marcus Mariota** attempted 370 passes as a rookie in 2015, and 142 of his attempts resulted in Titans first downs. His first-down rate of 38.4 percent ranked fourth in the NFL behind only **Carson Palmer** (43.0), **Cam Newton** (39.4) and **Russell Wilson** (38.7).

**Highest percentage of passes resulting in first downs in 2015 (minimum 224 attempts):**

Player	Team	Att	Cmp	1st	1st%
1. Carson Palmer	Ari	537	342	231	43.0
2. Cam Newton	Car	495	296	195	39.4
3. Russell Wilson	Sea	483	329	187	38.7
4. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>38.4</b>
5. Andy Dalton	Cin	386	255	147	38.1
6. Matthew Stafford	Det	592	398	223	37.7
7. Jameis Winston	TB	535	312	201	37.6
8. Kirk Cousins	Was	543	379	204	37.6
9. Matt Ryan	Atl	614	407	229	37.3
10. Ben Roethlisberger	Pit	469	319	174	37.1

Since 1991, the highest percentage of passes for first downs recorded by a Titans quarterback is 41.0, set by **Steve McNair** in his 2003 MVP season. Mariota's 38.4 first-down percentage ranks second for the franchise in that time period.

**Highest percentage of passes resulting in first downs for the Titans/Oilers, 1991-2015 (minimum 224 attempts):**

Player	Team	Att	Cmp	1st	1st%
1. Steve McNair	2003	400	250	164	41.0
2. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>38.4</b>
3. Warren Moon	1992	346	224	132	38.2
4. Cody Carlson	1992	227	149	85	37.4
5. Vince Young	2007	382	238	141	36.9
6. Steve McNair	2001	431	264	159	36.9
7. Steve McNair	2002	492	301	178	36.2
8. Steve McNair	2000	396	248	141	35.6
9. Warren Moon	1991	655	404	231	35.3
10. Vince Young	2009	259	152	91	35.1



## RUSH TO THE RECORD BOOKS

On Dec. 6 against Jacksonville, **Marcus Mariota** rushed for an 87-yard touchdown against Jacksonville and finished the game with 112 rushing yards on nine attempts.

The 87-yard run was the longest run in franchise history by a quarterback and the fifth-longest run overall for the team, behind three rushes by running back **Chris Johnson** (94, 91 and 89 yards) and one rush by running back **Sid Blanks** (91).

**Steve McNair** previously recorded the longest run in franchise history by a quarterback with a 71-yard attempt in 1998 (Nov. 8 at Tampa Bay).

### Longest rushing attempts in franchise history:

Player	Date	Opp	Rush
1. Chris Johnson	12/17/12	New York Jets	94t
2. Chris Johnson	9/20/09	Houston	91t
Sid Blanks	12/13/64	New York Jets	91t
4. Chris Johnson	11/1/09	Jacksonville	89t
5. <b>Marcus Mariota (QB)</b>	<b>12/6/15</b>	<b>Jacksonville</b>	<b>87t</b>
5. Chris Johnson	11/29/09	Arizona	85t
6. Chris Johnson	10/21/12	at Buffalo	83t
7. Earl Campbell	11/20/78	Miami	81t
8. Chris Johnson	11/4/12	Chicago	80t
LenDale White	10/19/08	at Kansas City	80t
Larry Moriarty	9/11/83	at L.A. Raiders	80

Since 1960, only two quarterbacks have recorded a run longer than Mariota's 87-yarder. Oakland's **Terrelle Pryor** set the NFL quarterback record with 93-yard touchdown run for the Oakland Raiders in 2013 (Oct. 27 against Pittsburgh), and most recently San Francisco's **Colin Kaepernick** had a 90-yard touchdown run in 2014 at the San Diego Chargers (Dec. 20).

### Longest rushing attempts since 1960 history among NFL quarterbacks:

Player	Date	Date/Opp	Rush
1. Terrelle Pryor	Oak	10/27/13 vs. Pit	93
2. Colin Kaepernick	SF	12/20/14 at SD	90
3. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>11/6/15 vs. Jax</b>	<b>87</b>

Mariota's 112 rushing yards against the Jaguars set a new single-game record among Titans/Oilers quarterbacks, topping the record of 95 yards held by **Steve McNair** (Nov. 8, 1998 at Tampa Bay).

### Most single-game rushing yards by a quarterback in franchise history:

Player	Date	Opp	Rush Yds
1. <b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>12/6/15</b>	<b>Jacksonville</b>	<b>112</b>
2. Steve McNair	11/8/98	at Tampa Bay	95
3. Steve McNair	12/21/97	Pittsburgh	90
4. Vince Young	12/10/06	at Houston	86
5. Steve McNair	12/13/98	at Jacksonville	81

## TITANS TIDBITS: MARCUS MARIOTA

- Mariota's touchdown "celebrations" are usually limited to a simple series of gestures: three taps on his chest and pointing to the sky as a way to show appreciation for his mother, father and younger brother.
- He is the oldest son of Toa and Alana Mariota. His younger brother, Matthew, is a sophomore linebacker at Oregon.
- Mariota credits much of his athletic success to playing soccer in his youth. By the time he was eight years old, he was wearing a soccer jersey with the number 8, and he has kept the jersey number ever since then.
- During his time in Eugene, Ore., Mariota became a fixture at the Boys and Girls Club of Emerald Valley, spending time on a weekly basis with kids at the center. For his efforts in the community, he was awarded with the inaugural Play It Forward Award at the 63rd Annual Oregon Sports Awards in June 2015.
- Mariota recently launched his Motiv8 foundation, which will serve the communities of Middle Tennessee, Eugene and Honolulu.

## ROOKIE QBs WITH 3 TD PASSES 4 TIMES

**Marcus Mariota** completed three or more touchdown passes on four different occasions during his rookie season. He joined **Peyton Manning** (four in 1998) as the only rookies to accomplish the feat.

### Most games as a rookie with three or more touchdown passes, NFL history:

Player	Season	Games with 3+ TD Passes
<b>Marcus Mariota</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>4</b>
Peyton Manning	1998	4

### Marcus Mariota's three-touchdown games:

Date	Opponent	TD Passes
Sept. 13, 2015	at Tampa Bay	4
Nov. 8, 2015	at New Orleans	4
Nov. 29, 2015	Oakland	3
Dec. 6, 2015	Jacksonville	3



## #16 • QB MATT CASSEL

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Quarterback **Matt Cassel** (6-4, 228) was signed during the 2016 offseason, giving the team an experienced, veteran leader to back up starting quarterback Marcus Mariota.

Cassel spent 11 previous seasons with the New England Patriots, Kansas City Chiefs, Minnesota Vikings, Buffalo Bills and Dallas Cowboys. His career totals prior to arriving in Tennessee included 17,003 passing yards, 101 touchdown passes, 77 interceptions and a passer rating of 79.3.

In 2015, Cassel played for the Buffalo Bills and the Dallas Cowboys. With the Cowboys, he started seven games and completed 119 of 204 passes for 1,276 yards, five touchdowns and seven interceptions.

Cassel began his NFL career in 2005 as a seventh-round draft pick of the Patriots. He spent four seasons there, including 2008, when he went 10-5 as a starter after Tom Brady suffered a season-ending knee injury in the opener. He passed for 3,693 yards and 21 touchdowns.

In 2009, he was traded to Kansas City, where he would spend the next four seasons. In 2010, he was named to the Pro Bowl after setting career highs with 27 touchdown passes and a 93.0 passer rating as the starting quarterback for the Chiefs. He helped guide the Chiefs to the AFC West title.

Cassel went to Minnesota in 2013 and started a total of nine contests with the Vikings over two years. The Vikings traded him to Buffalo in March 2015, and then the Bills dealt him to the Cowboys in September.

A native of Northridge, Calif., Cassel played in 25 career games at Southern Cal as a backup to Heisman Trophy winners Carson Palmer and Matt Leinart. While he was there, the Trojans won back-to-back national titles in 2003 and 2004.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, completed three of his five passes for 55 yards, including a long completion of 24 yards to Rishard Matthews.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, completed five of seven passes for 38 yards with an interception.

**Cassel's 2016 Preseason Passing Statistics:**

Year	Team	G/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	TD	Int	Lg	Sack	Rate
2016	Ten	2/0	12	8	66.7	93	0	1	24	2	55.2

**Cassel's Career Regular Season Passing Statistics:**

Year	Team	G/S	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	TD	Int	Lg	Sack	Rate
2005	NE	2/0	24	13	54.2	183	2	1	36	1	89.4
2006	NE	6/0	8	5	62.5	32	0	0	10	3	70.8
2007	NE	6/0	7	4	57.1	38	0	1	21	0	32.7
2008	NE	16/15	516	327	63.4	3,693	21	11	76t	47	89.4
2009	KC	15/15	493	271	55.0	2,924	16	16	61	42	69.9
2010	KC	15/15	450	262	58.2	3,116	27	7	75t	26	93.0
2011	KC	9/9	269	160	59.5	1,713	10	9	52t	22	76.6
2012	KC	9/8	277	161	58.1	1,796	6	12	46	19	66.7
2013	Min	9/6	254	153	60.2	1,807	11	9	79t	16	81.6
2014	Min	3/3	71	41	57.7	425	3	4	28	6	65.8
2015	Buf/Dal	9/8	204	119	58.3	1,276	5	7	51	14	70.6
<b>Totals</b>		<b>99/79</b>	<b>2,573</b>	<b>1,516</b>	<b>58.9</b>	<b>17,003</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>79t</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>79.3</b>

**Cassel's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:**

**Attempts** - 53 at Denver (11/14/10)

**Completions** - 33 at Denver (11/14/10)

**Passing Yards** - 469 at Denver (11/14/10)

**Touchdown Passes** - 4 (Four times, last at Indianapolis 10/9/11)

**Long Completion** - 79t at Baltimore (12/8/13)

**Passer Rating** - 144.0 vs. Jacksonville (10/24/10)

## MORE TITANS QUARTERBACKS

**11 - QB ALEX TANNEY**

➤ **Alex Tanney** rejoined the Titans on Dec. 22, 2015, when he was signed off the Indianapolis Colts practice squad.

➤ He made his NFL regular season debut in the 2015 season finale against the Colts (1/3/16), finishing 10-of-14 for 99 yards and a touchdown.

➤ Tanney spent the final two weeks of the 2014 campaign on the Titans practice squad and was re-signed immediately following the season. He

was released at the end of the 2015 preseason. He spent time with the Buffalo Bills before joining the Colts.

➤ The 6-foot-4-inch, 220-pounder was originally signed by the Kansas City Chiefs as a rookie free agent in 2012. Prior to his initial arrival in Tennessee, the Monmouth product also spent time with the Dallas Cowboys, Cleveland Browns and Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

➤ He appeared in 47 games at Monmouth (2007-2011) and set NCAA Division III career records with 14,249 yards and 157 touchdowns.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, completed six of 10 passes for 67 yards, including a long completion of 23 yards to Dexter McCluster.

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, completed 12 of 17 passes for 103 yards (105.8 passer rating), including a nine-yard touchdown pass to Alex Ellis in the fourth quarter.



## RUNNING BACKS &amp; FULLBACKS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
26	Andrews, Antonio	5-10	225	3	Western Kentucky
40	Bergen, Sam (FB)	6-0	250	R	Rutgers
23	Cobb, David	5-11	229	2	Minnesota
32o	Fluellen, David	5-11	224	1	Toledo
45	Fowler, Jalston (FB)	5-11	254	2	Alabama
2	Henry, Derrick	6-3	247	R	Alabama
22	McCluster, Dexter	5-8	170	7	Mississippi
29	Murray, DeMarco	6-1	220	6	Oklahoma
20o	Sankey, Bishop	5-10	209	3	Washington

## #26 • RB ANTONIO ANDREWS

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Running back **Antonio Andrews** (5-10, 225) is in his third NFL season. He was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent in 2014.

In 2015, Andrews appeared in 14 games and started 10 times at running back. He was the team's leading rusher with 143 carries for 520 yards and three touchdowns. Adding 21 receptions for 174 yards, he ranked second on the team with 694 scrimmage yards, trailing only **Delanie Walker** (1,124).

In his rookie campaign, Andrews spent the first seven weeks on the team's practice squad before being elevated to the 53-man roster on Oct. 21, 2014. In four appearances as a reserve running back and kickoff returner, he caught two passes for 11 yards and returned five kickoffs for 110 yards.

During his four-year career at Western Kentucky, Andrews appeared in 42 games, including 24 consecutive starts to end his career. He notched 3,674 yards with 29 touchdowns on 618 carries (5.9 avg.), and he scored 198 points on 33 total touchdowns. His 6,799 all-purpose yards gave him an average of 161.9 yards per game.

As a senior (2013), Andrews rushed for 1,730 yards to break his own school record by two yards. He rushed for a career-high 16 touchdowns on 267 carries and was named Sun Belt Conference Most Valuable Player and Offensive Player of the Year by The NFL Draft Report.

Andrews attended Fort Campbell (Ky.) High School, which is approximately 60 miles northwest of Nashville. As a high school senior, he was named the state of Kentucky's "Mr. Football" as a dual-threat quarterback.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, rushed for 41 yards on eight attempts.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, returned a kickoff 19 yards.

**Andrews' 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	0	8	41	5.1	9	0	0	0	-	-	0



**Andrews' Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2014	4	0	0	0	-	-	0	2	11	5.5	6	0
2015	14	10	143	520	3.6	38	3	21	174	8.3	23	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>

**Andrews' Single-Game Highs:**

**Rushing Attempts** - 19 at New Orleans (11/8/15)

**Rushing Yards** - 88 at New Orleans (11/8/15)

**Long Rush** - 38 at New Orleans (11/8/15)

**Rushing Touchdown** - 1 (Three times, last vs. Jacksonville 12/6/15)

**Receptions** - 5 at New England (12/20/15)

**Receiving Yards** - 45 vs. Buffalo (10/11/15)

**Long Reception** - 23 (Twice, last at New Orleans 11/8/15)

**#23 • RB DAVID COBB**

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**David Cobb** is in his second NFL season. He was drafted by the Titans in the fifth round of the 2015 NFL Draft.

As a rookie, Cobb suffered a calf injury during the preseason. He was placed on injured reserve/designated for return, and after eight weeks, he was activated to the 53-man roster. He went on to appear in a total of seven games, including one start, and logged 52 carries for 146 yards and a touchdown.

The 5-foot-11-inch, 229-pound running back spent four seasons at the University of Minnesota, where he totaled 2,893 rushing yards to finish seventh in school history. He also rushed for 20 touchdowns on 562 carries. The Gophers were 9-4 in games in which Cobb rushed for 100 yards.

As a senior, Cobb became the school's all-time single-season rushing leader. He carried the ball 314 times for 1,626 yards and 13 touchdowns. The Titans coaches saw him firsthand at the 2015 Senior Bowl, when he rushed for 69 yards on 11 attempts.

Cobb is a native of Killeen, Texas.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, did not play due to injury.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, recorded a team-high six carries for 27 yards and added one catch for one yard.

**Cobb's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	1	0	6	27	4.5	12	0	1	1	1.0	1	0

**Cobb's 2015/Career Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2015	7	1	52	146	2.8	12	1	1	-2	-2.0	-2	0

**Cobb's Single-Game Highs:**

**Rushes** - 19 at Indianapolis (1/3/15)

**Rushing Yards** - 73 at Indianapolis (1/3/15)

**Long Rush** - 12 at Indianapolis (1/3/15)

**Touchdowns** - 1 at Indianapolis (1/3/15)

**#45 • FB JALSTON FOWLER**

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Fullback **Jalston "Nudie" Fowler** is in his second NFL season. He was selected by the Titans in the fourth round of the 2015 NFL Draft.

As a rookie, Fowler played in all 16 games. He rushed seven times for 13 yards and a touchdown and added five receptions for 44 yards and a score. He also played an integral role on special teams, contributing five tackles and a forced fumble.

The 5-foot-11-inch, 254-pound rookie served as a fullback, running back, H-back, tight end and on special teams during his time with the Crimson Tide. He played in 53 career games from 2010–2014 and was a member of national championship teams in 2011 and 2012.

Fowler's career totals at Alabama included 113 carries for 738 yards and five touchdowns. He also caught 19 passes for 150 yards with seven touchdown receptions.

In 2014, he played in 14 games and set a career high with five starts. He rushed for 69 yards on 12 attempts and caught 11 passes for 119 yards and a pair of scores.

A native of Mobile, Ala., Fowler is called "Nudie" by family, friends and teammates. His father gave the nickname to him as a baby.

**Fowler's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	0	0	0	-	-	0	0	0	-	-	0

**Fowler's 2015/Career Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2015	16	0	7	13	1.9	3	1	5	44	8.8	19	1

**Fowler's Single-Game Highs:**

**Rushing Attempts** - 4 vs. Indianapolis (9/27/15)

**Rushing Yards** - 9 vs. Indianapolis (9/27/15)

**Long Rush** - 3 (Twice, last vs. Indianapolis 9/27/15)

**Rushing Touchdown** - 1 vs. Indianapolis (9/27/15)

**Receptions** - 1 (Five times, last at New England 12/20/15)

**Receiving Yards** - 19 at Cleveland (9/20/15)

**Long Reception** - 19 at Cleveland (9/20/15)

**Receiving Touchdown** - 1 vs. Oakland (11/29/15)

**#2 • RB DERRICK HENRY**

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The Titans selected running back **Derrick Henry** with the 45th overall pick in the second round of the 2016 NFL Draft.

The 6-foot-3-inch, 247-pound Heisman Trophy winner played three seasons (2013–2015) at the University of Alabama, where he set numerous school and SEC records while leading his team to a National Championship in 2015.

Henry played in 39 games and totaled 602 carries for 3,591 yards and 42 rushing touchdowns and added 285 yards on 17 career receptions with three receiving scores. During Alabama's victory over Clemson in the 2016 College Football Playoff National Championship, he broke **Shaun Alexander's** record for most career rushing yards in Alabama history.

In his final collegiate season, Henry rushed for an Alabama and Southeastern Conference record 2,219 yards, which led the nation and ranked fifth in FBS history. He recorded 100-yard rushing games 10 times and had four 200-yard games during the season. His 28 rushing touchdowns were a national best and an SEC record, snapping **Tim Tebow** and **Tre Mason's** old mark of 23. In addition to the Heisman, he also won the Doak Walker Award, Walter Camp Award and Maxwell Award, among a multitude of other honors.

Henry is a native of Yulee, Fla.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, paired with DeMarco Murray as starters in the backfield and carried 10 times for 74 yards (7.4 avg.) and one touchdown in his NFL preseason debut. He had three carries of at least 14 yards, plus a six-yard touchdown run in the second quarter.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, led the team with 31 yards on five carries, in-

cluding a long run of 13 yards. The majority of his yards came in a single drive in the third quarter, during which he posted three carries for 25 yards to help put the team in position for a field goal.

#### Henry's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	1	15	105	7.0	16	1	0	0	-	-	0

#### Henry's College Statistics (University of Alabama):

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2013	12	0	35	382	10.9	80t	3	1	61	61.0	61t	1
2014	14	2	172	990	5.8	49	11	5	133	26.6	52	2
2015	15	15	395	2,219	5.6	74t	28	11	91	8.3	28	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>3,591</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>80t</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>3</b>

## #22 • RB DEXTER McCLUSTER

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Running back **Dexter McCluster** (5-8, 170) is in his seventh NFL season and his third campaign with the Titans. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 13, 2014.

In 2015, McCluster's season was cut short due to injury for the second consecutive year. He was placed on injured reserve on Dec. 16, 2015 with a wrist injury. Prior to his season ending, he appeared in 11 games (two starts) and carried the ball 55 times for 247 yards (4.5 avg.) and a touchdown. His rushing attempts and rushing yards were the second-highest totals of his career (2011). He added 31 receptions for 260 yards and a score, and as the team's primary returner, he averaged 9.0 yards on 24 punt returns and 21.9 yards on 13 kickoff returns. He was the only NFL player in 2015 and the first player since Darren Sproles in 2011 with at least 200 yards as a rusher, receiver, kickoff returner and punt returner.

A knee injury brought McCluster's 2014 campaign to an early end. He was placed on injured reserve on Dec. 18. Prior to that, he played in 14 games (two starts) and totaled 131 yards on 40 carries and 197 yards and a touchdown on 26 receptions. He also led the team with 22 punt returns for a 7.0-yard average.

Prior to his arrival in Tennessee, McCluster played four seasons with the Kansas City Chiefs (2010-13), spending time as a returner, running back and receiver in 58 total games (23 starts). He logged 172 receptions for 1,500 yards (8.7 avg.) and four touchdowns while also recording 152 carries for 662 yards and one rushing score. On special teams, he returned 79 punts for 959 yards (12.1 avg.) with three touchdowns and 52 kickoffs for 1,087 yards.

In 2013, he was named to his first Pro Bowl, earning the honor as a punt returner. Additionally, he earned second-team All-Pro as a punt returner by the *Associated Press*. He recorded a league-best 686 yards on 58 punt returns with a pair of touchdowns. As a wide receiver, McCluster caught 53 passes for 511 yards and two touchdowns in 15 games (six starts).

The Largo, Fla., native was originally selected by the Kansas City Chiefs in the second round (36th overall) of the 2010 NFL Draft following a four-year career at Mississippi.

At Ole Miss, McCluster saw action in 40 contests, starting 22 games at wide receiver and six games at running back. He finished his career ranked eighth in school annals with 130 receptions and tied for ninth in school an-

nals with 15 rushing touchdowns, to go along with 304 total carries for 1,955 yards. McCluster ranked second in school history with 4,089 all-purpose yards.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, rushed for 12 yards on two carries and added a 23-yard reception on a screen pass.

#### McCluster's 2016 Preseason Rushing and Receiving Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	0	2	12	6.0	9	0	1	23	23.0	23	0

#### McCluster's 2016 Preseason Return Statistics:

Year	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	1	0	8	8.0	8	0	0	0	-	-	0

#### McCluster's Career Regular Season Rushing and Receiving Statistics (2010-13 with Kansas City Chiefs):

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2010	11	7	18	71	3.9	20	0	21	209	10.0	31t	1
2011	16	4	114	516	4.5	32	1	46	328	7.1	49	1
2012	16	6	12	70	5.8	19	0	52	452	8.7	31	1
2013	15	6	8	5	0.6	5	0	53	511	9.6	43	2
2014	14	2	40	131	3.3	16	0	26	197	7.6	25	1
2015	11	2	55	247	4.5	44	1	31	260	8.4	35	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>1,040</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>1,957</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>7</b>

#### McCluster's Career Regular Season Return Statistics (2010-13 with Kansas City Chiefs):

Year	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2010	13	2	202	15.5	94t	1	26	527	20.3	36	0
2011	6	3	65	10.8	22	0	25	557	22.3	35	0
2012	2	2	6	3.0	6	0	0	0	-	-	0
2013	58	11	686	11.8	89t	2	1	3	3.0	3	0
2014	22	14	155	7.0	48	0	0	0	-	-	0
2015	24	15	217	9.0	37	0	13	285	21.9	32	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>1,331</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>94t</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>

#### McCluster's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Rushing Attempts** - 12 at Denver (1/1/12)

**Rushing Yards** - 98 at Cleveland (9/20/15)

**Long Rush** - 44 at Cleveland (9/20/15)

**Rushing Touchdowns** - 1 (Twice, last vs. Carolina, 11/15/15)

**Receptions** - 7 (Three times, last vs. San Diego, 11/24/13)

**Receiving Yards** - 89 vs. Oakland (12/24/11)

**Long Reception** - 49 vs. Oakland (12/24/11)

**Receiving Touchdowns** - 1 (Seven times, last vs. Miami, (10/18/15)

**Punt Returns** - 7 at Washington (12/8/13)

**Punt Return Yards** - 177 at Washington (12/8/13)

**Punt Return Long** - 94t vs. San Diego (9/13/10)

**Punt Return Touchdown** - 1 (Three times last at Washington, 12/8/13)

**Kickoff Returns** - 6 at Indianapolis (10/10/10)

**Kickoff Return Yards** - 141 at Indianapolis (10/10/10)

**Kickoff Return Long** - 36 vs. Oakland (1/2/11)

## HIGHEST PR AVERAGE, 2010-15

Since entering the NFL in 2010, **Dexter McCluster** ranks among the NFL leaders in punt return average.

#### Highest punt return average, 2010-2015 (minimum 70 punt returns):

Player	Punt Ret.	Yards	Average
1. Devin Hester	145	1,879	13.0
2. Julian Edelman	136	1,634	12.0
3. Ted Ginn Jr.	173	1,983	11.5
4. Adam Jones	82	933	11.4
5. Jeremy Ross	77	864	11.2
6. Davone Bess	70	775	11.1
7. Eric Weems	70	766	10.9
8. Dwayne Harris	121	1,306	10.8
9. <b>Dexter McCluster</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>1,331</b>	<b>10.6</b>
10. Golden Tate	88	936	10.6





## #29 • RB DeMARCO MURRAY

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Running back **DeMarco Murray** (6-1, 220) is in his sixth NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was acquired in a trade with the Philadelphia Eagles on March 9, 2016.

A former third-round draft choice of Dallas in 2011, Murray spent his first four seasons with the Cowboys before joining the Philadelphia Eagles for the 2015 campaign. He totaled 5,228 rushing yards in 68 career games prior to his arrival in Tennessee. From entering the league in 2011 through the 2015 campaign, he ranked among the top rushers in the NFL: sixth in rushing yards, fifth in rushing average (4.6), sixth in scrimmage yards (6,750) and seventh in rushing touchdowns (34).

In his only season with the Eagles, Murray played in 15 games and totaled 702 rushing yards and six touchdowns.

During his four years in Dallas, he rushed for 4,526 yards in 53 games in the regular season. He was named to the Pro Bowl following the 2013 and 2014 campaigns.

In 2014, Murray earned NFL Offensive Player of the Year honors after leading the league and setting Cowboys franchise records with 1,845 rushing yards and 2,261 scrimmage yards. His 1,845 yards were 484 more than the next closest rusher, Pittsburgh's **Le'Veon Bell**.

Additionally, he set several other franchise records, besting marks set by Emmitt Smith or Tony Dorsett, including highest rushing total in a game (253 vs. St. Louis in 2011), most 100-yard games in a season (12 in 2014) and most consecutive 100-yard games (8 in 2014).

A native of Las Vegas, Nev., Murray finished his University of Oklahoma career as the school's career all-purpose yardage leader (6,718) and also set the Sooners records for career touchdowns (65) and career receiving yards by a running back (1,571).

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, led the team with 93 yards and a touchdown on six carries in his Titans preseason debut. On the first offensive play of the game, he took a pitch from Marcus Mariota 15 yards. Later in the first quarter, he scored on a 71-yard run. It was the Titans' longest run in a preseason game since Sept. 3, 2004, when Chris Brown scampered for 73 yards on a non-touchdown run against the Green Bay Packers.

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, posted five carries for 20 yards, including a long run of 13 yards.

**Murray's 2016 Preseason Rushing and Receiving Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	2	11	113	10.3	71t	1	0	0	-	-	0

**Murray's Career Regular Season Rushing and Receiving Statistics (2011-14 with Dallas; 2015 with Philadelphia):**

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2011	13	7	164	897	5.5	91t	2	26	183	7.0	18	0
2012	10	10	161	663	4.1	48	4	35	251	7.2	22	0
2013	14	14	217	1,121	5.2	43	9	53	350	6.6	22	1
2014	16	16	392	1,845	4.7	51	13	57	416	7.3	34	0
2015	15	8	193	702	3.6	54t	6	44	322	7.3	44	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1,127</b>	<b>5,228</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>91t</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>1,522</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2</b>

**Murray's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:**

**Rushing Attempts** - 32 at Chicago (12/4/14)

**Rushing Yards** - 253 vs. St. Louis (10/23/11)

**Long Rush** - 91t vs. St. Louis (10/23/11)

**Rushing Touchdowns** - 3 vs. Oakland (11/28/13)

**Receptions** - 9 at Chicago (12/4/14)

**Receiving Yards** - 80 vs. Washington (10/27/14)

**Long Reception** - 44 at Dallas (11/8/15)

**Receiving Touchdown** - 1 (Twice, last at Atlanta, 9/14/15)

**2011-2015 AVERAGE LEADERS, 1,000 CARRIES**

From the time **DeMarco Murray** was drafted in 2011 through the end of the 2015 regular season, only **Adrian Peterson** ranked ahead of Murray in rushing average among players with at least 1,000 rushing attempts. In that time, Murray rushed for an average of 4.64 yards per carry (5,228 yards on 1,127 attempts).

**Highest rushing average from 2011-2015 by players with 1,000 or more carries:**

Player	Rush Attempts	Yards	Average
1. Adrian Peterson	1,183	5,893	4.98
2. <b>DeMarco Murray</b>	<b>1,127</b>	<b>5,228</b>	<b>4.64</b>
3. LeSean McCoy	1,302	5,970	4.59
4. Marshawn Lynch	1,292	5,774	4.47
5. Matt Forte	1,224	5,366	4.38

**MURRAY'S CAREER 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES**

DeMarco Murray's career 100-yard rushing games:

Date	Opp	W/L	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
10/23/2011	St. Louis	W	25	253	10.1	91t	1
12/4/2014	at Chicago	W	32	179	5.6	40	1
9/22/2013	St. Louis	W	26	175	6.7	41	1
9/14/2014	at Tennessee	W	29	167	5.8	22	1
9/28/2014	New Orleans	W	24	149	6.2	28t	2
12/9/2013	at Chicago	L	18	146	8.1	21	0
10/27/2014	Washington	L	19	141	7.4	51	0
11/6/2011	Seattle	W	22	139	6.3	32	0
10/5/2014	Houston	W	31	136	4.4	17	0
11/13/2011	Buffalo	W	20	135	6.8	25	1
12/15/2013	Green Bay	L	18	134	7.4	41	1
9/5/2012	at New York Giants	W	20	131	6.6	48	0
10/19/2014	New York Giants	W	28	128	4.6	21	1
1/11/2015 *	at Green Bay	L	25	123	4.9	30	1
11/23/2014	at New York Giants	W	24	121	5.0	18	0
9/7/2014	San Francisco	L	22	118	5.4	15	1
10/12/2014	at Seattle	W	28	115	4.1	25	1
10/19/2015	New York Giants	W	21	112	5.3	21	1
9/21/2014	at St. Louis	W	24	100	4.2	44	1
11/9/2014	at Jacksonville	W	19	100	5.3	23	0
12/28/2014	at Washington	W	20	100	5.0	32	1

\* Playoff game



## 2014 NFL LEADERS

As a member of the Dallas Cowboys in 2014, **DeMarco Murray** finished first in the NFL in rushing yards (1,845), scrimmage yards (2,261) and rushing touchdowns (13, tied).

### Most rushing yards, 2014:

Player	Team	Rushing Yards
1. <b>DeMarco Murray</b>	<b>Dallas</b>	<b>1,845</b>
2. Le'Veon Bell	Pittsburgh	1,361
3. LeSean McCoy	Philadelphia	1,319
4. Marshawn Lynch	Seattle	1,306
5. Justin Forsett	Baltimore	1,266

### Most scrimmage yards, 2014:

Player	Team	Scrimmage Yards
1. <b>DeMarco Murray</b>	<b>Dallas</b>	<b>2,261</b>
2. Le'Veon Bell	Pittsburgh	2,215
3. Matt Forte	Chicago	1,846
4. Antonio Brown	Pittsburgh	1,711
5. Marshawn Lynch	Seattle	1,673

### Most rushing touchdowns, 2014:

Player	Team	Rushing Touchdowns
1. <b>DeMarco Murray</b>	<b>Dallas</b>	<b>13</b>
Marshawn Lynch	Seattle	13

## MOST 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES IN A SEASON

In 2014, **DeMarco Murray** totaled 12 games with at least 100 rushing yards, becoming only the seventh player since 1960 to accomplish the feat. It included an NFL record of eight consecutive 100-yard rushing games to begin the season, which broke **Jim Brown's** previous record (six).

### Most 100-yard rushing games in a season, 1960–2015:

Player	Team	Season	Games
1. Barry Sanders	Detroit	1997	14
2. <b>DeMarco Murray</b>	<b>Dallas</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>12</b>
Chris Johnson	Tennessee	2009	12
Jamal Lewis	Baltimore	2003	12
Jamal Anderson	Atlanta	1998	12
Barry Foster	Pittsburgh	1992	12
Eric Dickerson	LA Rams	1984	12

## #20 • RB BISHOP SANKEY

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Running back **Bishop Sankey** (5-10, 209) is in his third NFL season. He was the first running back selected in the 2014 NFL Draft, chosen with the 54th overall pick in the second round.

Sankey appeared in 13 games with three starts in 2015. His statistics included 47 carries for 193 yards and a touchdown, and he added 14 receptions for 139 yards and a score.

As a rookie in 2014, Sankey led the Titans with 569 rushing yards on 152 carries and scored a pair of touchdowns. He added 18 receptions for 133 yards as well as seven kickoff returns for 198 yards.

During his three-year career at the University of Washington, Sankey appeared in 38 games, starting his last 25 contests. He carried the ball 644 times for 3,496 yards and 37 touchdowns, adding 567 yards and one score on 67 receptions. His 3,496 career rushing yards were the third-most in Huskies' history.

As a junior, Sankey was a first-team All-Pac-12 selection, setting a school record with a career-best 1,870 rushing yards and 20 rushing scores. He was selected as a team captain and was named second-team *Associated Press* All-American. He earned first-team All-Pac-12 and also was named second-team Academic All-Pac-12.



At the NFL Scouting Combine in February 2014, he ran a 4.49-second 40-yard dash. His 26 reps of 225 pounds on the bench press ranked second among all running backs, and he finished first in the group at the three-cone drill (6.75 seconds) and the 20-yard shuttle (4.00). He tied for fourth in the broad jump (10 feet 6 inches).

A native of Wadsworth, Ohio, he spent three years at Gonzaga Preparatory School in Spokane, Wash., prior to his time at the University of Washington.

### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, contributed 52 of the team's 288 rushing yards. He averaged 17.3 yards on three carries, including a 41-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, totaled two yards on two carries and added a six-yard reception.

### Sankey's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	0	5	54	10.8	41t	1	1	6	6.0	6	0

### Sankey's Career Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2014	16	9	152	569	3.7	22	2	18	133	7.4	18	0
2015	13	3	47	193	4.1	16	1	14	139	9.9	30	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>

### Sankey's Single-Game Highs:

**Rushing Attempts** - 18 vs. Jacksonville (10/12/14)

**Rushing Yards** - 74 at Tampa Bay (9/13/15)

**Long Rush** - 22 vs. Jacksonville (10/12/14)

**Rushing Touchdowns** - 1 (Three times, last at Tampa Bay, 9/13/15)

**Receptions** - 4 vs. Houston (10/26/14)

**Receiving Yards** - 43 vs. Houston (12/27/15)

**Long Reception** - 30 vs. Houston (12/27/15)

**Receiving Touchdown** - 1 at Tampa Bay (9/13/15)

## MORE TITANS RUNNING BACKS

### 40 - FB SAM BERGEN

➤ **Sam Bergen** (6-0, 250) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 16, 2016 following a rookie minicamp tryout with the team.

➤ He was the starting fullback in 2015 for Rutgers, where he played in 39 career games with eight starts.

➤ As a sixth-year senior in 2015, he played in all 12 games as the primary fullback and caught five passes for 49 yards. He received the 2015 Iron Knight Award, presented to a Rutgers player who has demonstrated an exceptionally high level of mental and physical toughness throughout his career.

### 32 - RB DAVID FLUELLEN

➤ **David Fluellen** (5-11, 224) was signed by the Titans as a free agent on July 29, 2015. He was released following the preseason but was re-signed to the practice squad, where he spent the remainder of the 2015 campaign.

➤ Fluellen entered the NFL in 2014 as an undrafted free agent with the Philadelphia Eagles. He was traded to the Indianapolis Colts during training camp and waived prior to the regular season.

➤ He was a two-time all-conference player at the University of Toledo. For his college career, he rushed for 3,336 yards and 28 touchdowns.





# TITANS TIGHT ENDS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
84	Cunningham, Jerome	6-3	250	2	Southern Connecticut St.
49o	Ellis, Alex	6-4	253	R	Tennessee
80	Fasano, Anthony	6-4	255	11	Notre Dame
88	Stevens, Craig	6-3	263	9	California
89	Supernaw, Phillip	6-5	248	3	Ouachita Baptist
82	Walker, Delanie	6-2	248	11	Central Missouri

## #80 • TE ANTHONY FASANO

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Tight end **Anthony Fasano** (6-4, 255) is in his 11th NFL season and his second campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as an unrestricted free agent on March 24, 2015.

Fasano played in all 16 games in 2015 and started 11 times. He caught 26 passes for 289 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

In 2014, Fasano appeared in 15 games (13 starts) for the Kansas City Chiefs. He tallied 25 receptions for 226 yards and four touchdowns.

Originally a second-round draft choice by the Dallas Cowboys in 2006, Fasano spent two seasons in Dallas before he was traded to the Miami Dolphins. In 2013, he left the Dolphins to join the Chiefs.

The veteran tight end has long been considered one of the NFL's top blockers at his position. But he also poses a threat to defenses as a receiver, as evidenced by his 253 career catches for 2,799 yards in his first nine seasons in the league, including 31 touchdown grabs.

Fasano has helped block for four different 1,000-yard rushers during his career: **Julius Jones** (Dallas, 2006), **Ricky Williams** (Miami, 2009), **Reggie Bush** (Miami, 2011) and **Jamaal Charles** (Kansas City, 2013-14).

After a five-year career with the Dolphins, Fasano ranked third among tight ends in team history in receptions (177) and receiving yards (2,104). He tied for second in franchise annals in touchdown receptions by a tight end (23).

Fasano played three seasons (2003–2005) at Notre Dame, where he registered 34 games played and 24 starts. He posted 92 career receptions for 1,112 yards (12.9 avg.) and eight touchdowns, and at the time of his departure, he ranked second among tight ends on the school's all-time list for both receptions and receiving yards.



A native of Verona, N.J., Fasano speaks Italian and Spanish fluently.

### Fasano's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	Ten	2	0	0	0	-	-	0

### Fasano's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2006	Dal	16	5	14	126	9.0	22	0
2007	Dal	16	6	14	143	10.2	26t	1
2008	Mia	16	16	34	454	13.4	24	7
2009	Mia	14	14	31	339	10.9	27	2
2010	Mia	15	15	39	528	13.5	31	4
2011	Mia	15	15	32	451	14.1	35t	5
2012	Mia	16	16	41	332	8.1	22	5
2013	KC	9	9	23	200	8.7	20	3
2014	KC	15	13	25	226	9.0	22	4
2015	Ten	16	11	26	289	11.1	33	2
<b>Totals</b>		<b>148</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>3,088</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>35t</b>	<b>33</b>

### Fasano's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Receptions** - 8 vs. N.Y. Jets (9/7/08)

**Receiving Yards** - 107 vs. Tennessee (11/14/10)

**Longest Reception** - 35t at Kansas City (11/6/11)

**Touchdowns** - 2 (Twice, last at Kansas City, 11/6/11)

## TD CATCHES BY TIGHT ENDS SINCE 2006

Since entering the NFL in 2006, **Anthony Fasano** has been among the league-leading tight ends in touchdown receptions.

### Most touchdown reception by tight ends, 2006–present:

Player	TD Receptions
1. Antonio Gates	79
2. Rob Gronkowski	65
3. Vernon Davis	55
Tony Gonzalez	55
5. Jimmy Graham	53
6. Greg Olsen	49
7. Jason Witten	47
8. Dallas Clark	43
9. Heath Miller	39
10. Owen Daniels	36
11. Benjamin Watson	34
12. <b>Anthony Fasano</b>	<b>33</b>

## #88 • TE CRAIG STEVENS

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In 2015, **Craig Stevens** (6-3, 263) is in his ninth NFL season, all of which have been with Tennessee. The tight end was selected by the Titans in the third round (85th overall) of the 2008 NFL Draft.

Stevens played in all 16 games (11 starts) for the first time since his rookie season of 2008. He caught 12 passes for 121 yards and two touchdowns, posting his highest reception and yardage totals since 2012 and tying his career high in touchdowns (2010).

Stevens' 2014 campaign was cut short due to injury. In his fifth game of 2014, he suffered a thigh injury and was subsequently placed on injured reserve on Oct. 18. Prior to his injury, Stevens caught two passes for 26 yards and continued his role as the team's primary blocking tight end.

In 2013, Stevens played in 15 games with 14 starts and caught two passes for five yards.

His 2012 statistics included a career-high 23 receptions for 275 yards and one touchdown, as he continued to assert himself as one of the NFL's most highly regarded blocking tight ends. He played and started in 15 games.

In his initial two campaigns, he was used as a reserve at tight end in addition to being a special teams contributor. Then, in 2010, he moved into a full-time offensive role, playing 15 games with 13 starts. He followed in 2011 with 15 games and 11 starts.





The San Pedro, Calif., native spent four college seasons at Cal, where appeared in 50 games (33 starts), one game shy of the school record. He earned honorable mention All-Pac 10 honors after his sophomore and senior seasons and second-team All-Pac 10 following his junior year. His career totals included 51 receptions for 669 yards and seven touchdowns.

#### Stevens' 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	2	0	0	-	-	0

#### Stevens' Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2008	16	2	1	9	9.0	9	0
2009	12	2	0	0	-	-	0
2010	15	13	11	122	11.1	28	2
2011	15	11	9	166	18.4	58	1
2012	15	15	23	275	12.0	46	1
2013	15	14	2	5	2.5	6	0
2014	5	4	2	26	13.0	20	0
2015	16	11	12	121	10.1	27	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>6</b>

#### Stevens' Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Receptions** - 5 vs. Detroit (9/23/12)

**Receiving Yards** - 63 vs. Detroit (9/23/12)

**Longest Reception** - 58 vs. Denver (9/25/11)

**Touchdowns** - 1 (Six times, last vs. Jacksonville, 12/6/15)

## TITANS ERA 100-GAME CLUB

In 2015, tight end **Craig Stevens** reached the 100-game mark in a Titans uniform. He became the 11th player for the franchise to play in 100 games as part of the "Titans era," which dates back to the 1999 campaign.

Stevens has played in more games than any other Titans tight end in the Titans era. Among offensive players, he ranks fifth behind four offensive linemen: **Michael Roos** (148), **Benji Olson** (139), **Eugene Amano** (124) and **David Stewart** (116).

#### Most games played by players in the "Titans era" (1999–present):

Player	Position	Games
1. Craig Hentrich	P	161
2. Keith Bullock	LB	157
3. Michael Roos	T	148
4. Rob Bironas	K	144
5. Michael Griffin	S	141
6. Benji Olson	G	139
7. Ken Amato	LS	125
8. Eugene Amano	C/G	124
9. Donnie Nickey	S	123
10. David Stewart	T	116
11. <b>Craig Stevens</b>	<b>TE</b>	<b>109</b>
12. Brett Kern	P	106
13. Brad Hopkins	T	101

## #82 • TE DELANIE WALKER

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Tight end **Delanie Walker** (6-0, 248) is in his 11th NFL season and his fourth campaign with the Titans in 2015. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 14, 2013 after spending the first seven years of his career with the San Francisco 49ers.

In Walker's time with the Titans, he arguably put together the best three-year stretch in franchise history by a tight end. From 2013–2015, he totaled 217 receptions for 2,549 yards and 16 touchdowns. His reception and yardage totals are a franchise high for a tight end in any consecutive three-year period.

In 2015, Walker set new team records among tight ends with 94 receptions and 1,088 receiving yards, and he caught six touchdown passes for the second time in three years (2013). He broke his own receiving yardage record (890 in 2014) and **Frank Wycheck's** reception record (70 in 1998 and 2000) for franchise tight ends. On the team's all-time single-season receptions list, regardless of position, Walker tied wide receiver **Kendall Wright** (94 receptions in 2013) for the fifth-highest total. Walker's 94 receptions tied **Jason Witten** (94 catches in 2009 and 2010) for the 10th–highest total in NFL history by a tight end.

In 2014, Walker's team-leading 890 receiving yards set a then-career high and set a new standard among Titans/Oilers tight ends, eclipsing Wycheck's 768 receiving yards in 1998. Walker's 63 receptions in 2014 at the time also led the team, set a career high, and tied for fourth in team annals.

Appearing in 15 games with 11 starts in 2013, he totaled 60 receptions for 571 yards and six touchdowns. He set then-career highs in all three categories. Also, he became the only tight end in franchise history other than Wycheck to reach 60 receptions in a single season. Wycheck accomplished the feat five times from 1997 through 2001, including 70 receptions in both 1998 and 2000 to establish the record for Titans/Oilers tight ends. Walker's six touchdown receptions tied for fourth place in franchise history among tight ends and were the most since Wycheck's six in 1996.

Prior to his arrival in Tennessee, the former sixth-round pick appeared in 99 career regular-season games with the 49ers (40 starts) and totaled 123 receptions for 1,465 yards (11.9 avg.) and eight touchdowns. A regular contributor on special teams, Walker posted 61 special teams tackles as well as 31 kickoff returns for 528 yards during his time in San Francisco.

In 2012, Walker played an integral role in the 49ers' second consecutive playoff season, as he teamed with Vernon Davis to form one of the NFL's top tight-end duos. He saw action in all 16 regular-season games (four starts) and set a career high with 344 yards and three touchdowns (matched career high) on 21 receptions. His average of 16.4 yards per catch was the highest among all NFL tight ends with 20 or more catches.

During the 2012 playoffs, he appeared in all three games and started





in Super Bowl XLVII. In the Super Bowl, he recorded three receptions for 48 yards.

Walker was a sixth-round pick in the 2006 NFL Draft. As a rookie, he appeared in only seven games with one start. Then, in 2007, he played in all 16 contests and set a career high with 10 starts. It began a string of six seasons (2007-12) during which he missed a total of four games. In 2010, he set his career high with 29 receptions.

A native of Pomona, Calif., Walker spent two seasons (2002-03) at Mt. San Antonio (Calif.) Community College before joining the University of Central Missouri Mules for his final two collegiate campaigns (2004-05). As a wide receiver at Central Missouri, he caught 113 passes for 1,347 yards in 20 games. The 49ers selected him with the 175th overall pick in the 2006 NFL Draft.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, caught one pass for nine yards and gained seven yards on a rushing play.

#### Walker's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	Ten	2	1	1	9	9.0	9	0

#### Walker's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2006	SF	7	1	2	30	15.0	29	0
2007	SF	16	10	21	174	8.3	26	1
2008	SF	15	2	10	155	15.5	53	1
2009	SF	16	8	21	233	11.1	39	0
2010	SF	14	8	29	331	11.4	38	0
2011	SF	15	7	19	198	10.4	29t	3
2012	SF	16	4	21	344	16.4	45	3
2013	Ten	15	11	60	571	9.5	33	6
2014	Ten	15	14	63	890	14.1	68	4
2015	Ten	15	10	94	1,088	11.6	61t	6
<b>Totals</b>		<b>144</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>4,014</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>24</b>

#### Walker's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Receptions** - 10 (Twice, last vs. Dallas 9/14/14)

**Receiving Yards** - 155 at Philadelphia (11/23/14)

**Long Reception** - 68 at Philadelphia (11/23/14)

**Touchdowns** - 2 (Twice, last at New England 12/20/15)

**Kickoff Returns** - 5 at Dallas (11/23/08)

**Kickoff Return Yards** - 112 at Dallas (11/23/08)

**Long Kickoff Return** - 35 at Dallas (11/23/08)

## CAREER RECEPTIONS BY FRANCHISE TEs

In 2015, **Delanie Walker** vaulted into third-place on the team's all-time receptions list among tight ends.

Walker, who was signed as an unrestricted free agent in 2013, trails only former tight ends **Frank Wycheck** (482) and **Bo Scaife** (251) on the club's tight ends list.

#### Most career receptions by a tight end in franchise history:

Player	Seasons	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Frank Wycheck	1995-2003	482	4,958	10.3	42	27
2. Bo Scaife	2005-2010	251	2,383	9.5	44	12
3. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2013-2015</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>2,549</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>16</b>
4. Alvin Reed	1967-1972	199	2,818	14.2	60	11
5. Erron Kinney	2000-2005	178	1,750	9.8	31	10
6. Willard Dewveall	1961-1964	141	2,080	14.8	98t	19
7. Mike Barber	1976-1981	140	1,886	13.5	79t	13
8. Jared Cook	2009-2012	131	1,717	13.1	80t	8
9. Bob McLeod	1961-1966	126	1,926	15.3	55	19
10. Jamie Williams	1984-1988	121	1,420	11.7	33	8

## SINGLE-SEASON RECEPTIONS BY NFL TEs

In 2015, Titans tight end **Delanie Walker** set a new standard for franchise tight ends, accumulating 94 receptions.

Additionally, Walker became the ninth tight end in NFL history to reach 90 catches in a season. Previously, eight tight ends in history produced 16 total 90-catch seasons. **Tony Gonzalez** (five), **Jason Witten** (four) and **Todd Christensen** (two) all have multiple 90-reception campaigns. **Dallas Clark**, **Jimmy Graham**, **Ben Coates**, **Martellus Bennett** and **Rob Gronkowski** are the others to reach the mark.

Walker's 94 catches in a season put him in a tie for the 10th-most in NFL history, equaling Witten's 2009 and 2010 numbers.

#### Most single-season receptions by a tight end in NFL history:

Player	Year/Team	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Jason Witten	2012 Dal	110	1,039	9.4	36	3
2. Tony Gonzalez	2004 KC	102	1,258	12.3	32	7
3. Dallas Clark	2009 Ind	100	1,106	11.1	80t	10
4. Tony Gonzalez	2007 KC	99	1,172	11.8	31	5
Jimmy Graham	2011 NO	99	1,310	13.2	59	11
6. Ben Coates	1994 NE	96	1,174	12.2	62t	7
Tony Gonzalez	2008 KC	96	1,058	11.0	35	10
Jason Witten	2007 Dal	96	1,145	11.9	53	7
9. Todd Christensen	1986 LA Raiders	95	1,153	12.1	35	8
10. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2015 Ten</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>6</b>
Jason Witten	2009 Dal	94	1,030	11.0	69	2
Jason Witten	2010 Dal	94	1,002	10.7	33	9
13. Tony Gonzalez	2000 KC	93	1,203	12.9	39	9
Tony Gonzalez	2012 Atl	93	930	10.0	25	8
15. Todd Christensen	1983 LA Raiders	92	1,247	13.6	45	12
16. Martellus Bennett	2014 Chi	90	916	10.2	37	6
Rob Gronkowski	2011 NE	90	1,327	14.7	52t	17

## SEASON REC YARDS BY FRANCHISE TEs

With 1,088 receiving yards in 2015, **Delanie Walker** broke his own single-season franchise record for receiving yards by a tight end, topping his 2014 total of 890 yards. Prior to 2014, **Frank Wycheck** held the mark with 768 receiving yards in 1998.

#### Most single-season receiving yards by Titans/Oilers tight ends:

Player	Season	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>6</b>
2. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>4</b>
3. Frank Wycheck	1998	70	768	11.0	38	2
4. Jared Cook	2011	49	759	15.5	80t	3
5. Willard Dewveall	1963	58	752	13.0	35	7
6. Frank Wycheck	1997	63	748	11.9	42	4
7. Alvin Reed	1968	46	747	16.2	60	5
8. Mike Barber	1980	59	712	12.1	79t	5
9. Frank Wycheck	2001	60	672	11.2	30	4
10. Alvin Reed	1969	51	664	13.0	43t	2



## SEASON RECEPTIONS BY FRANCHISE TEs

At the New York Jets on Dec. 13, 2015, **Delanie Walker** set a new standard for franchise tight ends. On his 71st reception of the season, he broke **Frank Wycheck's** franchise record for the most receptions in a season by a tight end. Walker eventually finished the season with 94 receptions.

Walker owns three of the top eight seasons in team annals in terms of receptions by a tight end.

Most single-season receptions by Titans/Oilers tight ends:

Player	Season	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>6</b>
2. Frank Wycheck	1998	70	768	11.0	38	2
Frank Wycheck	2000	70	636	9.1	26	4
4. Frank Wycheck	1999	69	641	9.3	35	2
5. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>4</b>
Frank Wycheck	1997	63	748	11.9	42	4
7. Frank Wycheck	2001	60	672	11.2	30	4
<b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>6</b>
9. Mike Barber	1980	59	712	12.1	79t	5
10. Willard Dewveall	1963	58	752	13.0	35	7
Bo Scaife	2008	58	561	9.7	44	2

## RECEPTIONS IN A SEASON, TEAM HISTORY

**Delanie Walker's** 94 receptions in 2015 tied wide receiver **Kendall Wright** (94 receptions in 2013) for the fifth-highest total in franchise history. The only players with more were **Charlie Hennigan** (101 in 1964), **Haywood Jeffires** (100 in 1991) and **Derrick Mason** (96 in 2004 and 95 in 2003).

Most single-season receptions by a Titans/Oilers player:

Player	Season	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Charlie Hennigan	1964	101	1,546	15.3	53	8
2. Haywood Jeffires	1991	100	1,181	11.8	44	7
3. Derrick Mason	2004	96	1,168	12.2	37t	7
4. Derrick Mason	2003	95	1,303	13.7	50t	8
5. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>6</b>
Kendall Wright	2013	94	1,079	11.5	45	2
7. Drew Hill	1991	90	1,109	12.3	61t	4
Haywood Jeffires	1992	90	913	10.1	47	9
9. Tim Smith	1983	83	1,176	14.2	47t	6
10. Curtis Duncan	1992	82	954	11.6	72	1
Charley Hennigan	1961	82	1,746	21.3	80	12

## RECEPTIONS BY NFL TIGHT ENDS IN 2015

In 2015, **Delanie Walker** ranks first in receptions among all NFL tight ends.

Most receptions among NFL tight ends in 2015:

Tight End	Team	Receptions
1. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>94</b>
2. Jordan Reed	Was	87
3. Gary Barnidge	Cle	79
4. Greg Olsen	Car	77
Jason Witten	Dal	77
6. Zach Ertz	Phi	75
7. Benjamin Watson	NO	74
8. Rob Gronkowski	NE	72
Travis Kelce	KC	72
10. Heath Miller	Pit	60

## TD RECEPTIONS BY FRANCHISE TIGHT ENDS

In 2015, **Delanie Walker** matched his career high for receiving touchdowns in a season, equaling the six touchdown receptions he had in 2013.

Walker's six touchdown receptions in 2013 were the most by a Titans tight end since **Frank Wycheck's** career-high six touchdown catches in 1996 and put him in a tie for fourth in franchise history for tight ends in a single season.

Most single-season touchdown receptions by a tight end in franchise history (1960–present):

Tight End	Year	Touchdown Receptions
1. Dave Casper	1981	8
Willie Frazier	1965	8
3. Willard Dewveall	1963	7
4. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>6</b>
Frank Wycheck	1996	6
Dave Casper	1982	6
Bob McLeod	1962	6
9. Mike Barber	1980	5
Rich Caster	1978	5
Alvin Reed	1968	5
Bob McLeod	1963	5
Willard Dewveall	1962	5

## TIGHT END RECEIVING YARDS, 2014-15

**Delanie Walker** ranks among the NFL's top receiving tight ends since the beginning of the 2014 season. In that time period, **Rob Gronkowski** and **Greg Olsen** are the only tight ends with more receiving yards than Walker.

Most receiving yards among tight ends, 2014–2015:

Tight End	Receptions	Rec Yards
1. Rob Gronkowski	154	2,300
2. Greg Olsen	161	2,112
3. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>1,978</b>
4. Travis Kelce	139	1,737
5. Zach Ertz	133	1,555
6. Jimmy Graham	133	1,494
7. Antonio Gates	125	1,451
8. Jordan Reed	137	1,417
9. Jason Witten	141	1,416
10. Martellus Bennett	143	1,355

## TWO-YEAR YARDAGE TOTALS BY TEAM TEs

**Delanie Walker's** receiving yardage total from 2014–2015 was the highest two-year total in franchise history by a tight end. Walker topped **Frank Wycheck's** stretch from 1997–1998, when he accumulated 1,516 receiving yards.

Walker's total of 1,461 yards from 2013–2014 ranks as the third-best two-year total in team annals at his position.

Most receiving yards in a two-year span by Titans/Oilers tight ends:

Tight End	Seasons	Two-Year Rec Yards Total
1. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>1,978</b>
2. Frank Wycheck	1997-98	1,516
3. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>1,461</b>
4. Alvin Reed	1968-69	1,411
5. Frank Wycheck	1998-99	1,409
6. Willard Dewveall	1962-63	1,328
7. Frank Wycheck	2000-01	1,308
8. Willard Dewveall	1963-64	1,304
9. Jared Cook	2011-12	1,282
10. Frank Wycheck	1999-00	1,277



## BIG-PLAY TIGHT ENDS, 2013–2015

No tight end in the NFL has as many receptions of 50-plus yards as **Delanie Walker** over the last three seasons. His four 50-yard catches are more than **Rob Gronkowski**, **Vernon Davis** and **Jordan Cameron**, who each have three in that timespan.

In 2015, Walker posted a 57-yard touchdown reception at New England (Dec. 20) and a 61-yard touchdown at New Orleans (Nov. 8). His other 50-yard receptions in the last three seasons include a 61-yard touchdown against Dallas on Sept. 14, 2014 and a 68-yard reception at Philadelphia on Nov. 23, 2014.

## Tight ends with the most 50-yard receptions from 2013–2015:

Tight End	Team(s)	Receptions of 50 Yards or More
1. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	4
2. Rob Gronkowski	New England	3
Vernon Davis	San Francisco/Denver	3
Jordan Cameron	Cleveland/Miami	3
5. Jimmy Graham	New Orleans/Seattle	2
Coby Fleener	Indianapolis Colts	2

## SINGLE-GAME RECEIVING YARDS BY TEs

At Philadelphia on Nov. 23, 2014, **Delanie Walker** caught five passes for 155 yards. His yardage total set a new single-game career high, and the total also qualified as the second-highest in franchise history by a tight end. The only tight end with more receiving yards in a game for the franchise was **Jared Cook**, who had 169 yards against Jacksonville on Dec. 24, 2011.

Earlier in the 2014 season, Walker posted 142 receiving yards against the Dallas Cowboys (Sept. 14), a total that ranks fourth in team annals.

## Most receiving yards in a game by a tight end, franchise history:

Player	Date	Opp	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
1. Jared Cook	12/24/11	Jax	8	169	21.1	1
2. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>11/23/14</b>	<b>Phi</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>31.0</b>	<b>0</b>
3. Dave Casper	11/30/80	Cle	7	150	21.4	1
4. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>09/14/14</b>	<b>Dal</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>1</b>
5. Dave Casper	12/20/81	Pit	6	139	23.2	3
6. Willard Dewveall	11/25/62	SD	3	139	46.3	2
7. Willard Dewveall	12/22/63	Oak	7	137	19.6	2
8. Alvin Reed	10/27/68	Buf	4	132	33.0	2
9. Alvin Reed	09/29/68	Oak	8	122	15.3	0
10. Dave Casper	12/21/80	Min	7	120	17.1	1

## RECEIVING YARDS BY TIGHT ENDS IN 2014

Titans tight end **Delanie Walker** ranked fourth among all NFL tight ends in 2014 in receiving yards. His receiving average (14.1) was the second-highest among all qualifying tight ends, trailing only **Coby Fleener** (15.2).

## Most receiving yards among NFL tight ends in 2014:

Player	Team	Rec	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Rob Gronkowski	NE	82	1,124	13.7	46t	12
2. Greg Olsen	Car	84	1,008	12.0	38	6
3. Martellus Bennett	Chi	90	916	10.2	37	6
4. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>4</b>
5. Jimmy Graham	NO	85	889	10.5	29	10
6. Travis Kelce	KC	67	862	12.9	34	5
7. Antonio Gates	SD	69	821	11.9	34	12
8. Coby Fleener	Ind	51	774	15.2	73t	8
9. Heath Miller	Pit	66	761	11.5	49	3
10. Jason Witten	Dal	64	703	11.0	34	5

## RECEPTIONS BY TIGHT ENDS IN 2013

Titans tight end **Delanie Walker** ranked fifth in the AFC and 10th in the NFL among tight ends with 60 receptions in 2013.

## Most receptions by NFL tight ends in 2013:

Tight End	Team	Receptions
1. Jimmy Graham	New Orleans	86
2. Tony Gonzalez	Atlanta	83
3. Jordan Cameron	Cleveland	80
4. Antonio Gates	San Diego	77
5. Greg Olsen	Carolina	73
Jason Witten	Dallas	73
7. Charles Clay	Miami	69
8. Martellus Bennett	Chicago	65
Julius Thomas	Denver	65
10. <b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>60</b>

## WALKER'S CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

## Delanie Walker's career 100-yard games:

Date	Opp	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Lg	TD
11/23/14	at Philadelphia	5	155	31.0	68	0
9/14/14	Dallas	10	142	14.2	61t	1
11/19/15	at Jacksonville	8	109	13.6	29	0



## MORE TITANS TIGHT ENDS

### 84 - TE JEROME CUNNINGHAM

- **Jerome Cunningham** (6-3, 250), was claimed by the Titans off waivers from the New York Jets on May 24, 2016.
- He was originally signed as a rookie free agent by the New York Giants in the 2014 offseason and spent his first two seasons with the Giants.
- In 2015, he appeared in nine games with three starts for the Giants and collected eight receptions for 59 yards. He also spent three weeks on the practice squad.
- He spent most of the 2014 campaign with the Giants on the practice squad.
- In four seasons at Southern Connecticut State, he totaled 61 receptions for 690 yards and seven touchdowns. As a senior in 2012, he finished the year with 29 catches for 337 yards and two touchdowns.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, recovered a Titans fumble to keep a scoring drive alive.

### 49 - TE ALEX ELLIS

- **Alex Ellis** (6-4, 253), was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 9, 2016.
- At the University of Tennessee, he was a walk-on who earned a scholarship and became a contributor at tight end during his final two seasons. He appeared in 26 games and totaled 14 receptions for 232 yards and one touchdown.
- As a senior (2015), he played in all 13 games for the Volunteers and made eight catches for 117 yards.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, recorded one catch for 10 yards in his NFL preseason debut.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, caught two passes for 17 yards, including a nine-yard touchdown on a pass from Alex Tanney in the fourth quarter.

### 89 - TE PHILLIP SUPERNAW

- **Phillip Supernaw** (6-5, 248), was signed by the Titans as a free agent on June 2, 2015.
- In 2015, his first season with the Titans, he played in 16 games for the first time in his career. In addition to three receptions for 32 yards, he also became one of the team's core special teams performers. He ranked second on the squad with 14 special teams tackles.
- Supernaw was originally signed as a rookie free agent by the Houston Texans following the 2012 NFL Draft. He spent parts of his first two seasons with the Texans before splitting time with the Baltimore Ravens and Kansas City Chiefs during the 2014 campaign. He totaled three receptions for 30 yards in 2014.
- Born in Nashville and raised in Katy, Texas, his father is country music singer Doug Supernaw.
- Supernaw was a four-year starter at Ouachita Baptist and saw action in 40 career games with 36 starts. He tallied 64 career receptions for 710 yards and 10 touchdowns for the Tigers.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, posted two receptions for 16 yards, including a 16-yard reception deep in San Diego territory to set up Derrick Henry's touchdown run on the following play.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, caught three passes for 22 yards.



## TITANS WIDE RECEIVERS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
83	Douglas, Harry	6-0	183	9	Louisville
85	Foster, Donte	6-1	199	1	Ohio
87	Horn, Reece	6-3	215	R	Indianapolis
15	Hunter, Justin	6-4	203	4	Tennessee
81	Johnson, Andre	6-3	229	14	Miami (Fla.)
18	Matthews, Rishard	6-0	217	5	Nevada
10	McBride, Tre	6-0	210	2	William & Mary
12	Roberts, Ben	6-4	215	R	Montana
19	Sharpe, Tajae	6-2	194	R	Massachusetts
86	Turzilli, Andrew	6-4	195	2	Rutgers
14	West, Jarrod	6-2	203	1	Syracuse
13	Wright, Kendall	5-10	191	5	Baylor

### #83 • WR HARRY DOUGLAS

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**Harry Douglas** (6-0, 183) is in his ninth NFL season and his second campaign with the Titans in 2016. The veteran wide receiver was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 12, 2015.

Douglas appeared in 14 games with 12 starts in his first season in Tennessee. He tied for second on the team with 36 receptions and ranked third on the squad with 411 receiving yards. He posted two touchdown receptions for the third consecutive year.

Douglas spent the first seven seasons (2008–2014) of his career as a member of the Atlanta Falcons after being selected in the third round of the 2008 NFL Draft. During his time in Atlanta, he amassed 258 receptions for 3,130 yards with eight touchdowns as a key member of a passing attack that also featured wide receivers **Julio Jones** and **Roddy White**.

In 2014, Douglas appeared in 12 games (six starts) and notched 51 catches for 556 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

Douglas enjoyed his greatest statistical success in 2013 while starting in place of an injured Jones. In 16 games, he posted career highs with 85 receptions for 1,067 yards and two touchdowns.

A native of Jonesboro, Ga., Douglas graduated from the University of Louisville. At the time of his departure, he ranked second in team annals with 2,924 receiving yards, while his 173 receptions ranked fifth on the school's all-time record list.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, caught one pass for two yards. He also delivered a key block to spring DeMarco Murray on his 71-yard touchdown run.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, posted three receptions for 39 yards, including a 23-yard touchdown catch on a pass from Marcus Mariota in the second quarter.

#### Douglas' 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	Ten	2	0	4	41	10.3	23t	1

#### Douglas' Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2008	Atl	16	0	23	320	13.9	69	1
2009	Atl	0	0	Injured Reserve				
2010	Atl	16	4	22	294	13.4	46	1
2011	Atl	16	4	39	498	12.8	49	1
2012	Atl	15	1	38	395	10.4	37	1
2013	Atl	16	11	85	1,067	12.6	80t	2
2014	Atl	12	6	51	556	10.9	41	2
2015	Ten	14	12	36	411	11.4	51	2
<b>Totals</b>		<b>105</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>3,541</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>80t</b>	<b>10</b>



**Douglas' Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Receptions** - 12 at Arizona (10/27/13)**Receiving Yards** - 149 vs. Tampa Bay (10/20/13)**Long Reception** - 80t at Tampa Bay (11/17/13)**Receiving Touchdowns** - 1 (10 times, last vs. Oakland, 11/29/15)**#15 • WR JUSTIN HUNTER**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

Wide receiver **Justin Hunter** (6-4, 203) is in his fourth NFL season. He was the 34th overall pick in the 2013 NFL Draft after the Titans traded up in the second round to select the former University of Tennessee standout.

Hunter's 2015 campaign came to a premature end when he was placed on injured reserve on Nov. 17 with an ankle injury. Prior to the injury, he recorded 22 receptions for 264 yards and a touchdown.

Hunter totaled 46 receptions for 852 yards during his first two NFL campaigns. His 18.5-yard receiving average led all NFL players with at least 40 receptions during that time period.

Hunter's 2014 season was cut short because of injury. After recording 28 catches for 498 yards and three touchdowns in 12 games, he suffered a spleen injury on Nov. 30 at Houston and was subsequently placed on injured reserve on Dec. 2. At the time of his injury, he ranked third in the NFL in receiving average (17.8 yards).

As a rookie, Hunter played in 14 games. He totaled 18 receptions for 354 yards and four touchdowns. His four touchdown receptions tied (**Kendall Wright** in 2012, **Tyrone Calico** in 2003) for the most by a franchise rookie since **Chris Sanders'** nine in 1995.

The Titans were drawn to Hunter's production on the field and his rare physical traits. He averaged 17.1 yards per reception and scored 18 touchdowns during his three seasons with the Volunteers. His speed (4.40-second 40-yard dash), leaping ability (39½-inch vertical jump, 10-foot-7-inch broad jump) and receiving radius (6-feet 4-inches tall, 78-inch wingspan) provide quarterbacks an inviting target that is difficult for defenders to cover.

Hunter's college statistics included 106 receptions for 1,812 yards in 28 games (17 starts). His receiving yardage total ranked 11th on the school's career list, and his eight 100-yard receiving performances tied Tim McGee and Peerless Price for third all-time by a Volunteer and were topped only by Joey Kent (15) and Marcus Nash (11). His 18 touchdown catches ranked fifth on the school's career charts.

As a junior in 2012, the Virginia Beach, Va., native returned from an ACL injury he suffered the previous season and led the Volunteers with 73 receptions for 1,083 yards and nine touchdowns.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, recorded four catches for 54 yards, including a 27-yard reception in the fourth quarter.

**Hunter's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	0	4	54	13.5	27	0

**Hunter's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2013	14	0	18	354	19.7	57	4
2014	12	8	28	498	17.8	75t	3
2015	9	5	22	264	12.0	29	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>75t</b>	<b>8</b>

**Hunter's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Receptions** - 6 at Oakland (11/24/13)**Receiving Yards** - 114 at Denver (12/8/13)**Long Reception** - 75t vs. Cleveland (10/5/14)**Touchdowns** - 1 (Eight times, last at New Orleans, 11/8/15)**RECEIVING AVERAGE LEADERS, 2013–2015**

Since entering the NFL in 2013, **Justin Hunter** ranks near the top of the NFL with an average of 16.4 yards per reception.

**Highest receiving average, 2013–2015 (minimum 40 receptions):**

Player	Receptions	Yards	Average
1. DeSean Jackson	168	3,029	18.0
2. Malcom Floyd	88	1,566	17.8
3. Josh Gordon	111	1,949	17.6
4. Torrey Smith	147	2,558	17.4
5. Martavis Bryant	76	1,314	17.3
6. Michael Floyd	164	2,731	16.7
7. Chris Givens	65	1,081	16.6
8. Terrance Williams	133	2,197	16.5
9. Kenny Stills	122	2,012	16.5
10. <b>Justin Hunter</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>16.4</b>

**#81 • WR ANDRE JOHNSON**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

Wide receiver **Andre Johnson** (6-3, 229) is in his 14th NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as a free agent on July 30, 2016.

During his 13 years prior to joining Tennessee, Johnson appeared in 185 career regular season games and accumulated 1,053 receptions, 14,100 receiving yards and 68 touchdown catches.

A seven-time Pro Bowl selection, Johnson finished the 2015 campaign ranked eighth in NFL history in receptions and ninth in league annals in receiving yards. Additionally, his 51 career 100-yard receiving games ranked fifth in league history.

In 2015, Johnson appeared in all 16 games with 14 starts for the Indianapolis Colts. He totaled 41 catches for 503 yards and four touchdowns.

In 12 seasons with the Houston Texans (2003-2014), Johnson became the team's all-time leading receiver with 1,012 receptions for 13,597 yards and 64 touchdowns. He led the NFL in receiving yards in 2008 (1,575) and 2009 (1,569).

A native of Miami, Fla., Johnson became the fifth-leading receiver in University of Miami (Fla.) history before the Texans selected him with the third-overall pick in the 2003 NFL Draft.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, caught two passes for 15 yards in his Titans preseason debut.

**Johnson's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	0	2	15	7.5	15	0

**ANDRE JOHNSON'S CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES**

Andre Johnson's career 100-yard receiving games:

Date	Opp	W/L	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
11/18/2012	Jacksonville	W	14	273	19.5	48t	1
11/03/2013	Indianapolis	L	9	229	25.4	62t	3
12/14/2008	Tennessee	W	11	207	18.8	65	1
12/20/2009	at St. Louis	W	9	196	21.8	49	0
12/13/2009	Seattle	W	11	193	17.5	64t	2
11/22/2012	at Detroit	W	9	188	20.9	43	0
10/12/2008	Miami	W	10	178	17.8	61	1
10/10/2004	Minnesota	L	12	170	14.2	36	2
11/27/2005	St. Louis	L	12	159	13.3	33	1
09/19/2010	at Washington	W	12	158	13.2	34t	1
12/05/2013	at Jacksonville	L	13	154	11.8	27	0
09/24/2006	Washington	L	11	152	13.8	53	0
12/16/2012	Indianapolis	W	11	151	13.7	52	1
09/20/2009	at Tennessee	W	10	149	14.9	72t	2
12/02/2010	at Philadelphia	L	6	149	24.8	42	0
12/28/2008	Chicago	W	10	148	14.8	43t	2
11/14/2010	at Jacksonville	L	9	146	16.2	60	1
09/09/2013	at San Diego	W	12	146	12.2	27	0
10/26/2008	Cincinnati	W	11	143	13.0	27	0
09/09/2007	Kansas City	W	7	142	20.3	77t	1
10/19/2008	Detroit	W	11	141	12.8	18	0
12/30/2012	at Indianapolis	L	12	141	11.8	39	0
12/13/2010	Baltimore	L	9	140	15.6	46t	2
10/17/2010	Kansas City	W	8	138	17.3	44	1
10/18/2009	at Cincinnati	W	8	135	16.9	59	0
12/28/2014	Jacksonville	W	10	134	13.4	29	1
10/05/2008	Indianapolis	L	9	131	14.6	39	1
09/25/2011	at New Orleans	L	7	128	18.3	48	0
12/05/2004	at New York Jets	L	7	125	17.9	37	0
11/16/2003	at Buffalo	W	4	122	30.5	46t	1
12/01/2013	New England	L	8	121	15.1	29	0
09/16/2007	at Carolina	W	7	120	17.1	33	2
11/18/2007	New Orleans	W	6	120	20.0	73t	1
12/24/2005	Jacksonville	L	7	119	17.0	53t	1
09/09/2012	Miami	W	8	119	14.9	29	1
11/04/2012	Buffalo	W	8	118	14.8	34	0
12/02/2007	at Tennessee	L	9	116	12.9	28t	1
11/23/2008	at Cleveland	W	10	116	11.6	22	0
11/17/2013	Oakland	L	10	116	11.6	34	0
10/03/2004	Oakland	W	6	115	19.2	33	1
09/07/2008	at Pittsburgh	L	10	112	11.2	24	0
09/29/2013	Seattle	L	9	110	12.2	17	0
12/21/2003	Tennessee	L	5	108	21.6	42	0
11/21/2004	Green Bay	L	6	107	17.8	49	0
10/22/2006	Jacksonville	W	8	106	13.3	35t	1
11/01/2010	at Indianapolis	L	7	106	15.1	28t	1
11/08/2009	at Indianapolis	L	10	103	10.3	24	0
09/21/2003	Kansas City	L	7	102	14.6	43t	2
09/10/2006	Philadelphia	L	6	101	16.8	44	0
10/01/2006	Miami	W	9	101	11.2	30	1
10/11/2009	at Arizona	L	8	101	12.6	21	2

**Johnson's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2003	Hou	16	16	66	976	14.8	46t	4
2004	Hou	16	16	79	1,142	14.5	54t	6
2005	Hou	13	13	63	688	10.9	53t	2
2006	Hou	16	16	103	1,147	11.1	53	5
2007	Hou	9	9	60	851	14.2	77t	8
2008	Hou	16	16	115	1,575	13.7	65	8
2009	Hou	16	16	101	1,569	15.5	72t	9
2010	Hou	13	13	86	1,216	14.1	60	8
2011	Hou	7	7	33	492	14.9	50	2
2012	Hou	16	16	112	1,598	14.3	60t	4
2013	Hou	16	16	109	1,407	12.9	62t	5
2014	Hou	15	15	85	936	11.0	35	3
2015	Ind	16	14	41	503	12.3	35	4
<b>Totals</b>		<b>185</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>14,100</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>77t</b>	<b>68</b>

**Johnson's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Receptions** - 14 vs. Jacksonville (11/18/12)**Receiving Yards** - 273 vs. Jacksonville (11/18/12)**Long Reception** - 77t vs. Kansas City (9/9/07)**Receiving Touchdowns** - 3 vs. Indianapolis (11/3/13)**ANDRE JOHNSON'S CAREER HONORS****2013 SEASON**

2013 Pro Bowl

**2012 SEASON**

2012 Pro Bowl

Associated Press Second-Team NFL All-Pro

**2010 SEASON**

2010 Pro Bowl

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**2006 SEASON**

2006 Pro Bowl

Associated Press Second-Team NFL All-Pro

**2004 SEASON**

2004 Pro Bowl

**TOTALS**

Pro Bowls - 7

Associated Press First-Team NFL All-Pro - 2

Associated Press Second-Team NFL All-Pro - 2





## JOHNSON AMONG ALL-TIME LEADERS

Wide receiver **Andre Johnson** ranks among the all-time NFL leaders in career receptions and career receiving yards.

Most receptions, NFL history:

Player	Career Receptions
1. Jerry Rice	1,549
2. Tony Gonzalez	1,325
3. Marvin Harrison	1,102
4. Cris Carter	1,101
5. Tim Brown	1,094
6. Terrell Owens	1,078
7. Reggie Wayne	1,070
8. <b>Andre Johnson</b>	<b>1,053</b>
9. Isaac Bruce	1,024
10. Jason Witten	1,020

Most receiving yards, NFL history:

Player	Career Receiving Yards
1. Jerry Rice	22,895
2. Terrell Owens	15,934
3. Randy Moss	15,292
4. Isaac Bruce	15,208
5. Tony Gonzalez	15,127
6. Tim Brown	14,934
7. Marvin Harrison	14,580
8. Reggie Wayne	14,345
9. <b>Andre Johnson</b>	<b>14,100</b>
10. James Lofton	14,004

## #18 • WR RISHARD MATTHEWS

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Wide receiver **Rishard Matthews** (6-0, 217) is in his fifth NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as an unrestricted free agent on March 11, 2016.

Matthews spent his first four NFL campaigns with the Miami Dolphins after being drafted by the team in the seventh round of the 2012 NFL Draft. With the Dolphins, he totaled 107 receptions for 1,396 yards and eight touchdowns in 49 games (17 starts).

In 2015, Matthews established career highs with 43 catches, 662 receiving yards and four touchdown receptions despite playing in just 11 games. His career-best campaign was cut short due to a rib injury. Through the first 11 weeks of the NFL season, his 15.4-yard receiving average ranked seventh in the league.

A native of Santa Ana, Calif., Matthews was a two-year starter at the University of Nevada, where he totaled 147 receptions for 2,243 yards and 13 touchdowns. He also returned 48 punts for 551 yards and two scores.

2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, started and posted two receptions for 32 yards in his Titans preseason debut. He hauled in a 24-yard pass from Matt Cassel in the second quarter.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, caught one pass for six yards.

Matthews' 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	2	3	38	12.7	24	0

Matthews' Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2012	Mia	8	1	11	151	13.7	30	0
2013	Mia	16	5	41	448	10.9	29	2
2014	Mia	14	0	12	135	11.3	23	2
2015	Mia	11	11	43	662	15.4	53t	4
<b>Career</b>		<b>49</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>1396</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>53t</b>	<b>8</b>

Matthews' Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Receptions** - 11 at Tampa Bay (11/11/13)

**Receiving Yards** - 120 at Tampa Bay (11/11/13)

**Long Reception** - 53t vs. Houston (10/25/15)

**Touchdowns** - 2 (Twice, last vs. Buffalo, 9/27/15)

## #19 • WR TAJAE SHARPE

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Wide receiver **Tajae Sharpe** (6-2, 194) is in his rookie season after being selected by the Titans in the fifth round (104th overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft.

In four seasons at the University of Massachusetts (2012-15), Sharpe appeared in 47 career games with 43 starts and finished as the school's all-time leader with 277 receptions and 3,486 receiving yards. He caught at least one pass in every game he played. The two-time All-MAC first-team performer ended his collegiate career ranked third in Minuteman history with 16 touchdowns and sixth with 3,497 all-purpose yards.

As a senior in 2015, Sharpe's 111 catches led the nation. He recorded 1,319 receiving yards and five touchdown catches and was a Walter Camp All-American. During a game against Florida International (Oct. 3), he set a school record with 15 receptions.

Sharpe is a native of Piscataway, N.J.

2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, started and led the team with 35 receiving yards on two catches despite leaving the game in the first quarter. He caught a 31-yard pass from Marcus Mariota on the game's second scrimmage play to help set up a field goal.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, recorded a game-high six receptions and 68 receiving yards, including a 20-yard catch in the first quarter.

Sharpe's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	2	2	8	103	12.9	31	0

Sharpe's College Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2012	UMass	11	8	20	206	10.3	35	0
2013	UMass	12	11	61	680	11.1	38	4
2014	UMass	12	12	85	1,281	15.1	77t	7
2015	UMass	12	12	111	1,319	11.9	49	5
<b>Career</b>		<b>47</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>3,486</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>77t</b>	<b>16</b>



## #13 • WR KENDALL WRIGHT

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Wide receiver **Kendall Wright** (5-10, 191) is in his fifth NFL season. He was selected by the Titans with the 20th overall pick in the first round of the 2012 NFL Draft.

For his first four seasons, Wright's reception total set a new benchmark for the franchise. His 251 receptions from 2012–2015 are more than any other player in his first four seasons with the team, topping the previous record holder, **Drew Hill**, who had 250 catches from 1985–1987.

Injuries limited Wright to 10 games and nine starts in 2015. He was inactive for six out of the last nine contests, dealing with knee and rib injuries. His statistics for the season included 36 receptions for 408 yards and three touchdowns.

Wright's 57 receptions and 715 receiving yards ranked second on the team in 2014, and his six touchdown catches led the squad and set a new career high.

In 2013, Wright had 94 catches and 1,079 receiving yards and scored a pair of touchdowns. He ranked fifth in the AFC and seventh in the NFL in receptions, and he became the first player in franchise history to lead the team in receptions in each of his first two NFL campaigns.

His 2013 reception total also ranked fifth in franchise history for a single season, behind only **Charlie Hennigan's** 101 receptions in 1964, **Haywood Jeffires'** 100 receptions in 1991, **Derrick Mason's** 96 receptions in 2004 and Mason's 95 catches in 2003. Wright's 1,079 receiving yards were the most by a Titans player since 2004, when **Drew Bennett** (1,247) and Mason (1,168) each finished with more than 1,100.

In his first NFL season, he saw action in 15 games (five starts) and made a significant impact. His 64 receptions led the Titans and tied Jacksonville receiver **Justin Blackmon's** total for the high among NFL rookies. Wright's 626 receiving yards ranked second on the team and fifth among all rookies, and his four receiving touchdowns tied for first on the team. He posted at least one reception in every game he played and recorded two or more receptions 13 times.

Wright became the first Titans/Oilers rookie to lead the team in receptions since **Bill Groman** during the franchise's inaugural season of 1960. Only Groman, who posted 72 receptions in his first pro season, has recorded more receptions as a rookie in club annals.

Wright concluded his career at Baylor University as the most decorated and accomplished receiver in school history. He owns virtually every significant receiving record for the program, totaling 302 receptions for 4,004 yards and 30 touchdowns. He never missed a game in his four years with the Bears and recorded at least one reception in every contest.

As a senior in 2011, Wright set Baylor single-season records in receptions (108), receiving yards (1,663), receiving touchdowns (14), 100-yard games (nine), all-purpose yards (1,772) and consecutive games with a reception (tied own record with 13). He landed on numerous All-American lists and was a Biletnikoff Award semi-finalist. Additionally, he was the primary target for Robert Griffin III, who won the Heisman Trophy.

Wright is a native of Mount Pleasant, Texas.

## 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)** and **against Carolina (8/20)**, did not play due to a hamstring injury.

## Wright's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2016	0	0	0	0	-	-	0

## Wright's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2012	15	5	64	626	9.8	38	4
2013	16	12	94	1,079	11.5	45	2
2014	14	11	57	715	12.5	48	6
2015	10	9	36	408	11.3	52t	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>2,828</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>52t</b>	<b>15</b>



## Wright's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Receptions** - 12 vs. Arizona (12/15/13)

**Receiving Yards** - 150 vs. Arizona (12/15/13)

**Long Reception** - 52t at Tampa Bay (9/13/15)

**Touchdowns** - 2 vs. Cleveland (10/5/14)

## RECEPTIONS IN FIRST FOUR SEASONS

**Kendall Wright's** total of 251 receptions from 2012–2015 ranks first in franchise history for a player's first four seasons with the team. Wright beat the previous record of 250 receptions in **Drew Hill's** first four years with the Oilers from 1985–1988.

Most receptions in a player's first four seasons with the Titans/Oilers:

Player	Seasons	Receptions
1. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>2012–2015</b>	<b>251</b>
2. Drew Hill	1985–1988	250
3. Charlie Hennigan	1960–1963	241
4. Ernest Givins	1986–1988	229
5. Frank Wycheck	1995–1998	226

Prior to 2015, Wright posted the highest reception total in franchise history for a player's first three seasons with the team. The next closest total was **Webster Slaughter's** 184 catches from 1992 through 1994.

Most receptions in a player's first three seasons with the Titans/Oilers:

Player	Seasons	Receptions
1. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>2012–2014</b>	<b>215</b>
2. Webster Slaughter	1992–1994	184
3. Charlie Hennigan	1960–1962	180
4. Drew Hill	1985–1987	178
5. Ernest Givins	1986–1988	174

## FASTEST TO 200 RECEPTIONS

**Kendall Wright** reached the 200-reception mark for his career against the Pittsburgh Steelers on Nov. 17, 2014, his 41st career game.

In doing so, he broke **Charlie Hennigan's** franchise mark for the fewest games needed to 200 receptions. Hennigan accomplished the feat in his 42nd game in 1962.

## Fewest games needed to reach 200 receptions, franchise history:

Receiver	Seasons	Games
1. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>2012–2014</b>	<b>41</b>
2. Charlie Hennigan	1960–1962	42

## 2013 NFL RECEIVING LEADERS

**Kendall Wright** ranked fifth in the AFC and seventh in the NFL with 94 receptions in 2013.

## NFL receptions leaders in 2013:

Player	Team	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Pierre Garcon	Was	113	1,346	11.9	53t	5
2. Antonio Brown	Pit	110	1,499	13.6	56	8
3. Andre Johnson	Hou	109	1,407	12.9	62t	5
4. Julian Edelman	NE	105	1,056	10.1	44	6
5. Brandon Marshall	Chi	100	1,295	13.0	44	12
6. A.J. Green	Cin	98	1,426	14.6	82t	11
7. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2</b>
8. Dez Bryant	Dal	93	1,233	13.3	79	13
9. Demaryius Thomas	Den	92	1,430	15.5	78t	14
10. Alshon Jeffery	Chi	89	1,421	16.0	80t	7



## RECEPTIONS IN FIRST TWO SEASONS

**Kendall Wright** totaled 158 receptions from 2012 through 2013, his first two seasons in the NFL. In Titans/Oilers history, no player has ever produced more receptions than Wright in the first two seasons of his career.

**Most receptions in a players first two seasons with the Titans/Oilers:**

Player	Receptions
1. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>158</b>
2. Charlie Hennigan	126
3. Bill Groman	122
4. Ernest Givins	114

Furthermore, only four players in NFL history—and only three wide receivers—have produced more catches than Wright in their initial two NFL seasons. **Marques Colston** holds the record with 168 receptions from 2006-07, followed by **A.J. Green** (162 from 2011-12), running back **Reggie Bush** (161 from 2006-07) and **Larry Fitzgerald** (161 from 2004-05).

**Most receptions through first two NFL seasons, NFL history (through 2013):**

Player	Team	Seasons	Rec as Rookie	Rec 2nd Year	Total
1. Marques Colston	NO	2006-07	70	98	168
2. A.J. Green	Cin	2011-12	65	97	162
3. Reggie Bush (RB)	NO	2006-07	88	73	161
4. Larry Fitzgerald	Ari	2004-05	58	103	161
5. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	Ten	2012-13	64	94	158

## TEAM'S YOUNGEST 1,000-YARD RECEIVERS

On Dec. 15, 2013, **Kendall Wright** went over the 1,000-yard receiving mark for the season. Wright's first career 1,000-yard campaign is the 24th in the 54-year history of the franchise.

Wright is the second-youngest player in team annals to hit the 1,000-yard receiving mark in a season. His age was 24 years, one month and three days on Dec. 15. The only player to accomplish the feat at a younger age was **Ernest Givins**, who did so at the age of 22 years, three months and 11 days.

**Youngest players in franchise history with a 1,000-yard receiving season:**

Player	Season	Yards	Age When Reaching 1,000 Yards
1. Ernest Givins	1986	1,062	22 years, 3 months, 11 days
2. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>24 years, 1 month, 3 days</b>
3. Bill Groman	1960	1,473	24 years, 4 months, 8 days
4. Bill Groman	1961	1,175	25 years, 4 months, 23 days
5. Haywood Jeffires	1990	1,048	26 years, 0 months, 18 days

## FRANCHISE SINGLE-SEASON RECEPTIONS

**Kendall Wright's** 94 receptions in 2013 ranked fifth in franchise history for a single season.

**Most receptions in a single season, franchise history (1960-present):**

Player	Year	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Charlie Hennigan	1964	101	1,546	15.3	53	8
2. Haywood Jeffires	1991	100	1,181	11.8	44	7
3. Derrick Mason	2004	96	1,168	12.2	37t	7
4. Derrick Mason	2003	95	1,303	13.7	50t	8
5. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Delanie Walker</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>6</b>
7. Drew Hill	1991	90	1,109	12.3	61t	4
Haywood Jeffires	1992	90	913	10.1	47	9
9. Tim Smith	1983	83	1,176	14.2	47t	6
10. Curtis Duncan	1992	82	954	11.6	72	1
Charlie Hennigan	1961	82	1,746	21.3	80	12



## YARDS AFTER CATCH

According to STATS, **Kendall Wright** ranked eighth in the NFL in 2013 with a total of 596 yards after the catch. It also was the second-highest total by a Titans or Oilers player since 1992.

**Most yards after catch by Titans/Oilers players since 1992:**

Player	Year	Rec	Yards	Yards After Catch
1. Lorenzo White	1992	57	641	749
2. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>596</b>
3. Chris Johnson	2009	50	503	570
4. Eddie George	1999	47	458	485
5. Frank Wycheck	1998	70	768	455

## THIRD-DOWN RECEIVING IN 2013

**Kendall Wright** tied for fifth place in the NFL in 2013 with 30 catches on third down.

**Most receptions on third down in 2013:**

Player	Team	Third-Down Receptions
1. Anquan Boldin	SF	33
2. Antonio Brown	Pit	32
Pierre Garcon	Was	32
4. Andre Johnson	Hou	31
5. <b>Kendall Wright</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>30</b>
Julian Edelman	NE	30
7. Jordy Nelson	GB	29
8. Vincent Jackson	TB	28
9. Keenan Allen	SD	27
10. Josh Gordon	Cle	26

## 2012 ROOKIE RECEIVING LEADERS

**Kendall Wright**, the 20th overall selection in the 2012 NFL Draft, tied for first among NFL rookies with 64 receptions and ranked fifth among rookies with 626 receiving yards.

Most receptions in 2012 among all rookies:

Player, Team	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Justin Blackmon, Jax.	64	865	13.5	81t	5
<b>Kendall Wright, Ten.</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>4</b>
3. Trent Richardson, Cle. (RB)	51	367	7.2	27	1
4. T.Y. Hilton, Ind	50	861	17.2	70t	7
Josh Gordon, Cle.	50	805	16.1	71t	5
6. Doug Martin, T.B. (RB)	49	472	9.6	64t	1
7. Malcom Floyd, Ari.	45	562	12.5	53	2
Dwayne Allen, Ind. (TE)	45	521	11.6	40	3

Most receiving yards in 2012 among all rookies:

Player, Team	Yards	Rec	Avg	Lg	TD
1. Justin Blackmon, Jax.	865	64	13.5	81t	5
2. T.Y. Hilton, Ind	861	50	17.2	70t	7
3. Josh Gordon, Cle.	805	50	16.1	71t	5
4. Chris Givens, StL.	698	42	16.6	65	3
<b>5. Kendall Wright, Ten.</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>4</b>
6. Rod Streater, Oak.	584	39	15.0	64t	3
7. Malcom Floyd, Ari.	562	45	12.5	53	2
8. Dwayne Allen, Ind. (TE)	521	45	11.6	40	3

## FRANCHISE ROOKIE RECEIVING LEADERS

**Kendall Wright** finished his rookie season with 64 receptions. In franchise history, only **Bill Groman** (72 in 1960) has had more receptions as a rookie.

Most receptions by a rookie in franchise history:

Player (Pos)	Year	Receptions
1. Bill Groman (WR)	1960	72
<b>2. Kendall Wright (WR)</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>64</b>
3. Ernest Givins (WR)	1986	61
4. Sid Blanks (RB)	1964	56
5. Charlie Hennigan (WR)	1960	44
6. Chris Johnson (RB)	2008	43
7. Kenny Britt (WR)	2009	42
Jerry LeVias (WR)	1969	42

## WRIGHT'S CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Kendall Wright's career 100-yard games:

Date	Opp	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Lg	TD
12/15/13	Arizona	12	150	12.5	26	0
11/30/14	at Houston	7	132	18.9	36t	1
11/24/13	at Oakland	6	103	17.2	31	1
<b>09/13/15</b>	<b>at Tampa Bay</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>52t</b>	<b>1</b>



## MORE TITANS WIDE RECEIVERS

## 85 - WR DONTÉ FOSTER

➤ **Donté Foster** (6-1, 199) was signed by the Titans as a free agent on Aug. 17, 2016.

➤ He was originally signed by the Minnesota Vikings in 2014 as an undrafted free agent. He spent time on practice squads with Minnesota and San Diego and also spent time in camp with the Dallas Cowboys and New York Giants.

➤ At Ohio University, he became just the second player in school history to top 1,000 receiving yards in a single season. For his college career, he posted 167 receptions for 2,180 yards and 21 touchdowns.

➤ He is a native of Guthrie, Okla.

## 87 - WR REECE HORN

➤ **Reece Horn** (6-3, 215) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on June 3, 2016 after attending rookie minicamp on a tryout basis.

➤ Horn was a Division II All-American wideout at the University of Indianapolis, where he played 48 games with 38 starts during his career. He broke the school's career records for receptions (272) and receiving yards (3,562), while also accumulating 31 receiving touchdowns and two punt return touchdowns. He was part of four Great Lakes Valley Conference Championship squads and three playoff teams.

➤ As a senior (2015), he started all 12 games and caught 108 passes for 1,396 yards, both single-season school records.

➤ He is a native of Carmel, Ind.

## 10 - WR TRE McBRIDE

➤ **Tre McBride** (6-0, 210) was selected by the Titans in the seventh round (245th overall) of the 2015 NFL Draft.

➤ In 2015, he spent the first nine games of his rookie season on the Titans practice squad before being promoted to the 53-man roster on Nov. 17. He appeared in seven games and recorded two receptions for eight yards and one touchdown. He added five tackles and a forced fumble on special teams.

➤ At William and Mary, McBride was a three-time All-CAA selection at wide receiver. He was also the CAA Special Teams Player of the Year and earned all-conference accolades as a kick returner.

➤ After 45 career games (33 starts), he finished his career ranked second in team history in career receptions (196), fifth in receiving yards (2,653), fifth in all-purpose yards (4,281), tied for sixth in touchdown catches (19), fifth in kickoff return yards (1,294) and third in 100-yard receiving games (eight).

➤ As a senior (2014), he was selected to the All-CAA First Team as a wide receiver for the second consecutive season. He ranked second in the CAA in all-purpose yards per game (131.2), fourth in receptions per game (5.8), fourth in receiving yards per game (73.5) and sixth in kick return average (20.7). He finished the season with 64 catches for 809 yards with four touchdowns.





➤ He is a native of McDonough, Ga.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, caught one pass for eight yards. He also handled all of the team's punt returns and kickoff returns. On kickoffs, he averaged 24.0 yards on three returns (long of 35), and on punts, he averaged 5.7 yards on three returns (long of 16).
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, registered four catches for 23 yards and added two kickoff returns for 37 yards (long of 21).

#### 12 - WR BEN ROBERTS

- **Ben Roberts** (6-4, 215) was signed as an undrafted free agent on May 16, 2016 following a rookie minicamp tryout with the team.
- The former Washington State baseball player transferred to Montana to play football for his senior season and became a starter four games into the campaign.
- As a senior in 2015, he appeared in 13 games with 10 starts at Montana and collected 66 receptions for 649 yards and five touchdowns. He earned All-Big Sky Conference honorable mention honors and was named to the Academic All-Big Sky Conference team.
- At Washington State (2012-2015), he played in 141 games with 113 starts on the baseball team. He tallied four home runs, 53 RBIs and 54 runs scored during his career.
- He is a native of Missoula, Mont.

#### 86 - WR ANDREW TURZILLI

- **Andrew Turzilli** (6-4, 195) was signed to the 53-man roster off the practice squad of the San Francisco 49ers on Nov. 17, 2015.
- Turzilli appeared in three games as a rookie in 2015. He caught two passes for 25 yards.
- He was originally signed by the Titans as a rookie free agent on May 11, 2015. He was injured during training camp and placed on injured reserve at final cuts. He agreed to an injury settlement with the team and joined the 49ers practice squad in October 2015.
- He played his final collegiate season at Rutgers in 2014 and notched 10 catches for 347 yards and four touchdowns.
- He spent three seasons at Kansas, where he played in 24 games and totaled 27 receptions for 491 yards with two touchdowns.
- As a senior at Rutgers (2014), he saw action in 11 games with four starts and finished second on the team with 347 receiving yards, an averaged 34.7 yards per reception. He ranked second on the team with four receiving touchdowns, with two of at least 80 yards.
- Turzilli is a native of Butler, N.J.

#### 14 - WR JARROD WEST

- **Jarrod West** (6-2, 203) was signed by the Titans as a free agent on Aug. 17, 2016.
- West originally signed as an undrafted college free agent with the New York Jets in 2015 and also spent time on the Pittsburgh Steelers practice squad.
- In four seasons at Syracuse, he totaled 134 catches for 1,836 yards.
- He is a native of Bethlehem, Pa.



## OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

### TACKLES

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
76	Bell, Byron (IR)	6-5	340	6	New Mexico
78	Conklin, Jack	6-6	308	R	Michigan State
71o	Kelly, Dennis	6-8	321	5	Purdue
77	Lewan, Taylor	6-7	309	3	Michigan
68o	Marz, Tyler	6-7	316	R	Wisconsin
75o	Poehls, Will	6-8	334	1	Montana
61	Ritcher, Nick	6-5	300	R	Richmond

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No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
64	Campbell, William	6-4	311	2	Michigan
66	Matias, Josue (IR)	6-5	309	1	Florida State
72	Patrick, Ronald	6-1	310	1	South Carolina
73	Poutasi, Jeremiah	6-5	335	2	Utah
67	Spain, Quinton	6-4	330	2	West Virginia
79	Tretola, Sebastian	6-4	314	R	Arkansas
70	Warmack, Chance	6-2	323	4	Alabama

### CENTERS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
69	Gallik, Andy	6-2	306	2	Boston College
60	Jones, Ben	6-3	308	5	Georgia
62	Schwenke, Brian	6-3	318	4	California

## #76 • T/G BYRON BELL

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Tackle **Byron Bell** (6-5, 340) is in his sixth NFL season and his second campaign with the Titans. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on April 22, 2015.

Bell will miss the 2016 season due to injury. He suffered an ankle injury during OTAs on May 24 and was subsequently placed on injured reserve.

In his first season in Tennessee, Bell started all 16 games for the first time in his career. He was one of four Titans players to accomplish the feat in 2015. The team took advantage of his versatility, starting him eight times at right tackle, seven times at left guard and once at left tackle.

Bell joined the Titans after spending his first four NFL seasons with the Carolina Panthers, who originally signed him as an undrafted free agent in 2011.

During his Carolina career, he missed only two games—one in 2012 and one in 2014—and totaled 56 starts. He spent most of his time as the starter at right tackle from 2011 through 2013 and then moved to the left side in 2014.

He started at left tackle for 15 games during the 2014 regular season and both contests during the playoffs.

The Greenville, Texas, native attended the University of New Mexico, where he played in 37 career games and notched 36 starts. He started 24 games at left tackle over his final two seasons after making 12 starts at right tackle as a sophomore. As a senior in 2010, he earned honorable mention All-Mountain West Conference honors.

#### Bell's Career Games Played/Games Started:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2011	Car	16	12	RT-12
2012	Car	15	15	RT-14, RG-1
2013	Car	16	14	RT-14
2014	Car	15	15	LT-15
2015	Ten	16	16	RT-8, LG-7, LT-1
2016	Ten	Injured Reserve		
<b>NFL Totals</b>		<b>78</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>RT-48, LT-16, LG-7, RG-1</b>



## #78 • T JACK CONKLIN

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Jack Conklin is in his rookie NFL season. The 6-foot-6, 308-pound tackle was selected by the Titans with the eighth pick in the first round of the NFL Draft.

Conklin became the first draft pick by new general manager **Jon Robinson**. The Titans, who initially had the first pick in the draft but traded with the Los Angeles Rams back to the 15th spot, made a deal with the Cleveland Browns to jump up to the eighth spot to select Conklin. The Titans gave up a third-round pick and a second-rounder in 2017 in the trade and also got back a sixth-rounder.

The Michigan State product was a walk-on for the Spartans but went on to become the first Michigan State offensive lineman to be selected in the first round since 1989 (**Tony Manderich**) and also the highest drafted Spartan since wide receiver **Charles Rogers** (No. 2) in 2003.

A native of Plainwell, Mich., Conklin was a three-year starter at left tackle for the Spartans. He started 38 of his 39 career games (35 at left tackle, three at right tackle) and recorded more than 235 career knock-downs. Three of his career starts at left tackle came in bowl games (2014 Rose, 2015 Cotton, 2016 College Football Playoff Semifinal at Cotton Bowl).

In his final season on campus, Conklin was named second-team All-American by The Associated Press and was on numerous All-Big Ten teams.

## Conklin's 2016 Preseason Games Played/Games Started:

Year	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2016	2	2	RT-2

## Conklin's College Games Played/Games Started:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2013	Michigan State	14	13	LT-10, RT-3
2014	Michigan State	13	13	LT-13
2015	Michigan State	12	12	LT-12
<b>NFL Totals</b>		<b>39</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>LT-35, RT-3</b>



## #77 • T TAYLOR LEWAN

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Tackle **Taylor Lewan** (6-7, 309) is in his third NFL season. He was selected by the Titans with the 11th overall pick of the 2014 NFL Draft.

In 2015, Lewan started the first 15 games of the season at left tackle before missing the finale with a concussion.

As a rookie in 2014, Lewan played in 11 games with six starts before suffering an ankle injury. He played as a reserve for the first five games and then started in six consecutive contests before the injury caused him to be inactive the final five weeks. For his efforts, Lewan was named to the Pro Football Writers of America All-Rookie Team.

In four seasons at Michigan, Lewan appeared in 50 games with 48 starts at left tackle. He started the final 41 games of his career and was named the Big Ten Conference Offensive Lineman of the Year in 2012 and 2013. As a senior in 2013, he started all 13 games at left tackle for the third consecutive season and was named second-team *Associated Press* All-American.

At the 2014 NFL Scouting Combine, he ran the 40-yard dash in 4.87 seconds, beating all other offensive linemen in his class and clocking the fourth-fastest time among offensive linemen in the last five years (2010-14). He also ranked among the top offensive linemen at the 2014 combine in the broad jump (first at nine feet, nine inches), vertical jump (tied for third at 30.5 inches) and three-cone drill (fourth at 7.39 seconds).

A native of Cave Creek, Ariz., Lewan became the first offensive tackle selected by the Titans/Oilers in the first round since tackle Brad Hopkins (13th overall) in 1993.

## Lewan's 2016 Preseason Games Played/Games Started:

Year	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2016	2	2	LT-2

## Lewan's Career Games Played/Games Started:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2014	Ten	11	6	LT-6
2015	Ten	15	15	LT-15
<b>NFL Totals</b>		<b>26</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>LT-21</b>



## #60 • C BEN JONES

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Center **Ben Jones** (6-3, 308) is in his fifth NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 10, 2016.

Jones was originally selected by the Houston Texans in the fourth round (99th overall) of the 2012 NFL Draft. Over the following four seasons, he started contests at center and both guard spots. He was a starter on two playoff teams in Houston (2012 and 2015).

In 2015, Jones started every game at center, extending his streak of consecutive regular season games played to 64, which was the second-longest active streak among NFL centers at the conclusion of the season.

A native of Centreville, Ala., Jones attended the University of Georgia, where his 49 total starts ranked third in school annals. He was a two-time All-SEC selection by the league's coaches and was named to Georgia's Team of the Decade. As a senior (2011), the team captain earned All-SEC first-team honors.

## Jones' 2016 Preseason Games Played/Games Started:

Year	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2016	2	2	C-2

## Jones' Career Games Played/Games Started:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2012	Hou	16	10	RG-10
2013	Hou	16	1	RG-1
2014	Hou	16	16	LG-16
2015	Hou	16	16	C-16
<b>NFL Totals</b>		<b>64</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>C-16, LG-16, RG-11</b>





## #62 • C BRIAN SCHWENKE

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Center **Brian Schwenke** (6-3, 318) is in his fourth NFL season. He was drafted by the Titans in the fourth round (107th overall) of the 2013 NFL Draft.

Schwenke's 2015 season came to a premature end following a leg injury against the Miami Dolphins on Oct. 18. He was placed on injured reserve on Oct. 20 after starting the first five games at center.

Schwenke started the first 11 games of the 2014 campaign until his season was cut short due to injury. After spraining a knee in a game at Philadelphia on Nov. 23, he was placed on injured reserve on Nov. 25.

As a rookie in 2013, Schwenke started nine of the team's final 10 games at center.

In four seasons with the California Golden Bears (2009-12), Schwenke played in 48 of 50 possible games and started games at three different positions—16 starts at left guard, 12 at center and eight at right guard. As a senior, he played center for the first time and was named first-team All-Pac-12 by the league's coaches.

At the 2013 NFL Combine, Schwenke ranked among the event's top offensive linemen in several categories, including the three-cone drill (tied for second place at 7.31 seconds), 40-yard dash (sixth at 4.99 seconds), broad jump (tied for 10th at 108 inches) and bench press (tied for eighth with 31 reps of 225 pounds).

Schwenke is a native of Oceanside, Calif.

**Schwenke's 2016 Preseason Games Played/Games Started:**

Year	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2016	2	0	

**Schwenke's Career Games Played/Games Started:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2013	Ten	9	9	C-9
2014	Ten	11	11	C-11
2015	Ten	5	5	C-5
<b>Totals</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>C-25</b>



## #70 • G CHANCE WARMACK

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Right guard **Chance Warmack** (6-2, 323) is in his fourth NFL season. He was selected with the 10th overall selection in the 2013 NFL Draft from the University of Alabama.

Warmack started 14 games at right guard in 2015, bringing his three-year total to 46 starts.

Warmack, who started every game in his first two seasons at right guard, became the fourth rookie in the "Titans era" (1999–present) to start all 32 games for the team in his first two NFL seasons, joining **Jevon Kearse** (1999–00), **Tank Williams** (2002–03) and **Michael Roos** (2005–06).

With starts in all 16 games at right guard in 2013, he became the first Titans rookie since Roos in 2005 to start every game as a rookie offensive lineman.

Warmack was the first offensive lineman selected by the Titans/Oilers in the first round since tackle **Brad Hopkins** (13th overall) in 1993 and the first guard selected by the club in the first round since **Bruce Matthews** (ninth overall) in 1983.

During Warmack's four-year career at Alabama, the Crimson Tide won three BCS National Championships, taking the title during his freshman (2009), junior (2011) and senior (2012) seasons. He started the final 40 games of his college career at left guard, including all 14 contests as a senior in 2012. That season, he was a unanimous first-team All-American selection.

Warmack is a native of Atlanta, Ga.

**Warmack's 2016 Preseason Games Played/Games Started:**

Year	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2016	2	2	RG-2

**Warmack's Career Games Played/Games Started:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2013	Ten	16	16	RG-16
2014	Ten	16	16	RG-16
2015	Ten	14	14	RG-14
<b>Totals</b>		<b>46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>RG-46</b>



## #67 • G QUINTON SPAIN

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Guard **Quinton Spain** (6-4, 330) is in his second NFL season. He was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 11, 2015.

After winning a roster spot as a rookie, Spain appeared in seven games, including starts in each of the final six games at left guard.

Spain played in 50 career games with 38 starts at West Virginia and was a two-time All-Big 12 team honoree. As a senior (2014), he started 12 games at left guard and was named All-Big 12 first team by ESPN.com, All-Big 12 second team by Associated Press and All-Big 12 honorable mention by the coaches.

Spain is a native of Petersburg, Va.

**Spain's 2016 Preseason Games Played/Games Started:**

Year	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2016	2	2	LG-2

**Spain's Career Games Played/Games Started:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Starts by Pos
2015	Ten	7	6	LG-6
<b>NFL Totals</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>LG-6</b>



## WARMACK, KEARSE, WILLIAMS &amp; ROOS

Titans guard **Chance Warmack** started all 32 games during the first two seasons of his career. In doing so, he joined three other former and current Titans in a rare feat.

Since the team became the Titans in 1999, Warmack is the fourth player to start all 32 games from the time they were drafted through their second seasons. The first three were defensive end **Jevon Kearse** (1999–2000), safety **Tank Williams** (2002–2003) and offensive tackle **Michael Roos** (2005–2006).

**Players who have started all 32 games in their first two NFL seasons during the "Titans era" (1999–present):**

Player	Position	Seasons
Jevon Kearse	Defensive End	1999–2000
Tank Williams	Safety	2002–2003
Michael Roos	Right Tackle/Left Tackle	2005–2006
Chance Warmack	Right Guard	2013–2014



## MORE TITANS OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

### 64 - G/T WILLIAM CAMPBELL

- **William Campbell** (6-4, 311) was signed by the Titans as a free agent on July 26, 2016 after spending time earlier in 2016 with the Green Bay Packers.
- He was originally selected by the New York Jets in the sixth round (178th overall) of the 2013 NFL Draft. He earned a spot on the Jets 53-man roster during his rookie season but remained inactive all 16 games. He was later signed to the Buffalo Bill practice squad in 2014.
- In college, Campbell played in 51 consecutive games at Michigan primarily as a defensive tackle. He eventually moved to offensive line before switching back to defensive tackle in 2011. He logged 63 tackles, three sacks, five tackles for a loss, a fumble recovery and four passes defended in his four seasons with the Wolverines.
- Campbell is a native of Detroit, Michigan.

### 69 - C ANDY GALLIK

- **Andy Gallik** (6-2, 306) was selected by the Titans in the sixth round (108th overall) of the 2015 NFL Draft.
- As a rookie, he played in 12 games and recorded eight starts at center.
- In four seasons at Boston College, Gallik played in 47 games and recorded 41 starts at center, including starts in every game over his final three campaigns. He was a two-time All-Atlantic Coast Conference honoree (2013, 2014) and a team captain.
- He helped Boston College to consecutive bowl appearances at the conclusion of his junior (AdvoCare V100 Bowl) and senior (New Era Pinstripe Bowl) seasons.
- In 2013, his blocking contributed to Boston College running back Andre Williams rushing for 2,177 rushing yards and winning the Doak Walker Award.
- Gallik was raised in Chicago, Ill.

### 71 - G/T DENNIS KELLY

- **Dennis Kelly** (6-8, 321) was acquired by the Titans in a trade with the Philadelphia Eagles on Aug. 16, 2016. In exchange for Kelly, the Titans dealt wide receiver Dorial Green-Beckham to the Eagles.
- Kelly entered the NFL as a fifth-round selection by the Eagles in the 2012 NFL Draft. In four seasons with the Eagles, he recorded 15 starts and 30 games played. He recorded nine starts with the Eagles at right tackle, four starts at right guard and two starts at left guard.
- At Purdue, he was a team captain and a two-time offensive MVP. He started his final three seasons at left tackle.
- Kelly is a native of Chicago Heights, Ill.

### 68 - T TYLER MARZ

- **Tyler Marz** (6-7, 316) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 9, 2016.
- Marz lettered four seasons at Wisconsin and started every game of his final three seasons at left tackle. He played in 51 games with 40 starts during his career.
- He helped anchor offensive lines that led the way for two of the three best single-season rushing performances in school history at 283.8 yards per game in 2013 and a school-record 320.1 yards per game in 2014.
- As a senior in 2015, he started all 13 games at left tackle for an offensive line that helped offense produce 228.3 passing yards per game, the third-best average in school history.
- His last name is pronounced MAIR-its.
- He is a native of Springfield, Minn.

### 66 - G/T JOSUE MATIAS

- **Josue Matias** (6-5, 309) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 11, 2015. He spent his entire rookie campaign on the practice squad.
- Matias was a fixture at left guard for the Florida State Seminoles. He collected All-ACC honors three seasons in a row and started 43 consecutive games, including every game during the team's run to a National Championship in 2013.
- As a senior (2014), he started all 14 games at left guard and had an average grade of 78.1.
- Born in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, he attended high school in Union City, N.J.
- His name is pronounced HO-sway mah-TEE-us.

### 72 - G/C RONALD PATRICK

- **Ronald Patrick** (6-1, 310) was signed as a free agent on July 29, 2016 after spending the offseason with the Buffalo Bills.
- His NFL career began when the Cowboys signed him as an undrafted college free agent on May 12, 2014. He spent time on the Cowboys practice squad, as well as brief stints with the Steelers, Panthers, Browns and Bills.
- During his career at the University of South Carolina, he appeared in 38 games with 25 starts and was a three-time SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll recipient. As a senior, he started in all 12 games in which he played.
- He moved into the starting lineup at right guard at the beginning of his junior campaign at South Carolina, becoming one of only two offensive linemen to start every game that season.
- Patrick is a native of Cocoa, Fla.

### 75 - T WILL POEHLIS

- **Will Poehls** (6-8, 334; last name pronounced PALES) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent in 2014. He spent his entire rookie season and the entire 2015 campaign on the team's practice squad.
- At Montana, Poehls was a two-year starter (27 total starts) who played in 45 career games.
- As a senior in 2013, he started in all 13 games at right guard and was a second-team All-Big Sky Conference selection.
- Poehls hails from Chandler, Ariz.

### 73 - G/T JEREMIAH POUTASI

- **Jeremiah Poutasi** (6-5, 335) was selected by the Titans in the third round (66th overall) of the 2015 NFL Draft.
- As a rookie in 2015, Poutasi appeared in 11 games, including seven consecutive starts at right tackle to begin the season.
- A three-year starter at the University of Utah, Poutasi (pronounced poo-TAH-see) played in 36 of 37 games in his career with 35 starts for the Utes. He was the line's left tackle during his sophomore and junior seasons after starting at right tackle as a true freshman.
- He is a native of Las Vegas, Nev.

### 61 - T NICK RITCHER

- **Nick Ritcher** (6-5, 300) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 9, 2016.
- During his college career at Richmond, he played in 45 games with 40 starts.
- As a senior, he started all 14 games and helped Richmond rush for 2,673 yards and pile up 6,326 yards of total offense, the second-highest total in program history. He was named first-team All-CAA Conference, AP first-team All-American, AFCA All-American and STATS Third-Team All-American.
- His father, Jim Ritcher, played in the NFL for 16 years, including 14 with the Buffalo Bills (1980-1993) and was a starter on the offensive line on the Bills' four consecutive Super Bowl teams.
- He is a native of Raleigh, N.C.

### 79 - G SEBASTIAN TRETOLA

- **Sebastian Tretola** (6-4, 314) was selected by the Titans in the sixth round (193rd overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft.
- During his two-year stay at Arkansas, Tretola started 24 straight contests at left guard to close his career. He allowed just one sack in two seasons and paved the way for three combined 1,000-yard rushers.
- As a senior in 2015, he started all 13 games at left guard and allowed one sack on the season to help Arkansas lead the SEC in fewest sacks allowed. He committed only one penalty in 901 plays.
- Tretola spent his first two collegiate campaigns at the University of Nevada before attending Iowa Western Community College in 2013.
- He played both guard positions in college and started the final 24 games in his Razorbacks career.
- Tretola is a native of San Bernardino, Calif.





## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
68d	Abdesmad, Mehdi	6-6	284	R	Boston College
95	Blackson, Angelo	6-4	318	2	Auburn
99	Casey, Jurrell	6-1	305	6	Southern California
94	Johnson, Austin	6-4	314	R	Penn State
90	Jones, DaQuan	6-4	322	3	Penn State
97	Klug, Karl	6-3	278	6	Iowa
92	Pitoitua, Ropati	6-8	298	7	Washington State
75d	Smith, Mike	6-4	285	R	Southern Miss
96	Woods, Al	6-4	307	7	Louisiana State
71	Woods, Antwaun	6-1	318	R	Southern California

### #95 • DE ANGELO BLACKSON

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Defensive end **Angelo Blackson** (6-4, 318) is in his second NFL season. He was selected by the Titans in the fourth round (100th overall) of the 2015 NFL Draft.

As a rookie in 2015, Blackson played in all 16 games as a reserve on the defensive line. He totaled 19 tackles, 2.5 sacks, two quarterback pressures and a forced fumble.

Blackson was a four-year letterman at Auburn. He played in 52 career games with 18 starts and totaled 65 tackles, 4.5 sacks, 17 tackles for loss, 13 quarterback hurries, three forced fumbles, a fumble recovery and two passes defended. Blackson also excelled on special teams during his time at Auburn and posted four blocked kicks.

As a senior at Auburn, he played in 13 games with four starts and recorded 17 tackles, three sacks, 5.5 tackles for loss and four quarterback hurries.

Blackson is a native of Wilmington, Del.



#### Blackson's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Blackson's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2015	16	0	19	2.5	0	2	0	0	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

#### Blackson's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Tackles** - 3 (Twice, last at New Orleans, 11/8/15)

**Sacks** - 1 (Twice, last at New Orleans, 11/8/15)

**Forced Fumble** - 1 at Tampa Bay (9/13/15)

### #99 • DT JURRELL CASEY

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Defensive lineman **Jurrell Casey** (6-1, 305) completed is in his sixth NFL season. He was selected by the Titans in the third round (77th overall) of the 2011 NFL Draft, and in 2014, he was rewarded for his play with a multi-year contract extension.

In 2015, the two-time defensive captain started all 16 games for the second consecutive season and for the third time in his career. He led the team's defensive linemen with 86 tackles and tied **Brian Orakpo** for the team lead with seven sacks, the second-best total in Casey's career. Casey also set a career high and finished second on the team behind Orakpo with 28 quarterback pressures. He was named to the Pro Bowl for the first time in his career.



Casey was named one of five permanent team captains by his teammates in 2014 for the first time in his career. While remaining a key cog in the defense's switch from a 4-3 to a 3-4 scheme, he started all 16 games and led the team's defensive linemen (fourth on the team) with 86 tackles. His 27 quarterback pressures and 13 tackles for loss tied for the team lead and set new career highs. With five sacks, he ranked second on the squad.

In 2013, Casey was named *Associated Press* second-team All-Pro after putting together one of the best seasons by a defensive tackle in franchise history. His 10.5 sacks set a career high and made up the second-highest total by a franchise defensive tackle since sacks became an official statistic in 1982, finishing behind only **Ray Childress'** 13 sacks in 1992. In 2013, only **Jason Hatcher** of the Dallas Cowboys (11) finished with more sacks than Casey among defensive tackles.

Casey's 2013 season totals also included a career-high 90 tackles, a career- and team-high 10 quarterback pressures, three tackles for loss, three passes defended, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery. He played in 15 games with 14 starts, missing only the season finale due to a knee injury.

Casey started 31 out of 32 games in his first two seasons, and in each campaign he led the team's defensive linemen in tackles. As a rookie, he notched 74 tackles and 2.5 sacks, and he followed with 80 tackles and three sacks in 2012.

A native of Long Beach, Calif., Casey played in 38 games (26 starts) on the defensive line (24 at right defensive tackle and two at nose tackle) at the University of Southern California. He recorded 138 tackles, nine sacks, 22 tackles for loss, three quarterback pressures, four fumble recoveries, three forced fumbles, an interception and three passes defended.

In his final season with the Trojans (2010), he started all 13 games for the second consecutive season and had 67 tackles, a team-best 11 tackles for loss, a team-leading 4.5 sacks, one interception, one fumble recovery and two passes defended. He was named first-team All-Pac 10.

#### Casey's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Casey's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2011	16	15	74	2.5	5	9	0	1	1	1
2012	16	16	80	3.0	6	3	0	0	2	0
2013	15	14	90	10.5	3	10	0	3	1	1
2014	16	16	86	5.0	13	27	0	1	0	0
2015	16	16	86	7.0	11	28	0	5	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>



**Casey's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Tackles** - 10 (Twice, last vs. Arizona, 12/15/13)**Sacks** - 2 (Five times, last vs. Jacksonville, 10/12/14)**Tackles for Loss** - 3 (Twice, last at Tampa Bay, 9/13/15)**Forced Fumble** - 1 (Four times, last at St. Louis, 11/3/13)**Fumble Recovery** - 1 (Twice, last at Oakland, 11/24/13)**Quarterback Pressures** - 4 (Four times, last vs. Indianapolis, 9/27/15)**Passes Defensed** - 3 vs. Atlanta (10/25/15)**2013 SACKS BY DEFENSIVE TACKLES**

Titans defensive tackle **Jurrell Casey** recorded a career-high 10.5 sacks in 2013. The third-year defensive tackle tied for second in the NFL in sacks among defensive tackles behind only Jason Hatcher of the Dallas Cowboys, who had 11 sacks.

**Most sacks among defensive tackles in 2013:**

Player	Team	Sacks
1. Jason Hatcher	Dal	11.0
2. <b>Jurrell Casey</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>10.5</b>
Kyle Williams	Buf	10.5
4. Gerald McCoy	TB	9.0
5. Marcell Dareus	Buf	7.5
6. Geno Atkins	Cin	6.0
Nick Fairley	Det	6.0
Chris Jones	NE	6.0
9. Michael Brockers	StL	5.5
Clinton McDonald	Sea	5.5
Ndamukong Suh	Det	5.5

**SACKS BY TITANS/OILERS DTs**

Since individual sacks became an official NFL statistic in 1982, **Jurrell Casey** and **Ray Childress** are the only Titans/Oilers defensive tackles to produce double-digit sacks in a single season.

**Most sacks in a season by Oilers/Titans defensive tackles, 1982–present:**

Defensive Tackle	Season	Sacks
1. Ray Childress	1992	13.0
2. <b>Jurrell Casey</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>10.5</b>
3. Ray Childress	1993	9.0
4. Albert Haynesworth	2008	8.5
Ray Childress	1989	8.5
Ray Childress	1988	8.5
Ray Childress	1990	8.0
8. <b>Jurrell Casey</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>7.0</b>
Karl Klug	2011	7.0
Gary Walker	1997	7.0
Ray Childress	1991	7.0

Note: In 1992, Lee Williams recorded 11 total sacks while playing both defensive end and defensive tackle for the Oilers. He is excluded from this list.

**#94 • DL AUSTIN JOHNSON**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

Defensive lineman **Austin Johnson** (6-4, 314) is in his rookie season. He was selected by the Titans with the 43rd overall pick in the second round of the 2016 NFL Draft.

In three seasons at Penn State, Johnson appeared in 38 games and recorded 28 starts, including starts in all 26 games as a sophomore and junior. He totaled 154 tackles, 8.5 sacks, 24 tackles for loss, eight passes defensed, one forced fumble and four fumble recoveries, including a 71-yard fumble return for a touchdown.

As a junior in 2015, Johnson started all 13 games and was named Associated Press first-team All-Big Ten honors. He ranked second on the team with 15 tackles for loss and 6.5 sacks. His 78 tackles ranked second among FBS defensive linemen and third on the team. It was the highest tackle total by a Penn State defensive lineman since Jimmy Kennedy's 87 in 2002.

Johnson is a native of Galloway, N.J.

**Johnson's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Johnson's College Statistics (Penn State University):**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2013	12	2	27	1.0	3	0	0	0	1
2014	13	13	49	1.0	6	0	3	0	2
2015	13	13	78	6.5	15	0	5	1	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>

**#90 • DL DaQUAN JONES**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

Defensive lineman **DaQuan Jones** (6-4, 322) is in his third NFL season. He was selected by the Titans in the fourth round (112th overall) of the 2014 NFL Draft.

Jones was one of four members of the team to start all 16 games in 2015, holding down a spot at defensive end for the duration of the campaign. He totaled 67 tackles, 15 quarterback pressures, two tackles for loss and a fumble recovery.

As a rookie, Jones appeared in seven games with one start. He registered 13 tackles, a sack, three quarterback pressures, two tackles for loss and a forced fumble.

A leader at Penn State during a time of turmoil, Jones started 23 of 46 college games, with all of his starting assignments coming during the last two seasons. Jones finished his career with 92 tackles, adding 4.5 sacks for minus 28 yards, 15.5 stops for losses totaling 55 yards, two fumble recoveries and a pass deflection.

As a senior in 2013, he started all 12 games at defensive tackle, finishing fifth on the team with a career-high 56 tackles (33 solos). His tackle total was the most for any interior defensive lineman in the Big Ten during the 2013 campaign. Jones was named first-team All-Big Ten by the league's coaches and second-team All-Conference by the media. He was named Penn State's Outstanding Senior Player and the recipient of the team's Reid-Robinson Award.

Jones is a native of Johnson City, N.Y.

**Jones' 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0

**Jones' Career Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2014	Ten	7	1	13	1.0	2	3	0	0	1	0
2015	Ten	16	16	67	0.0	2	15	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>



**Jones' Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Tackles** - 7 at Tampa Bay (9/13/15)**Sacks** - 1 vs. Indianapolis (12/28/14)**Quarterback Pressures** - 2 (Five times, last at N.Y. Jets, 12/13/15)**Forced Fumble** - 1 vs. Indianapolis (12/28/14)**Fumble Recovery** - 1 vs. Oakland (11/29/15)**#97 • DL KARL KLUG**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

**Karl Klug** (6-3, 278) completed is in his sixth NFL season. He was selected by the Titans in the fifth round (142nd overall) of the 2011 NFL Draft and was re-signed as an unrestricted free agent in March 2015.

Through his first five seasons, Klug (pronounced KLOOG) never missed a game. In 2015, he set a career high with 19 quarterback pressures and recorded four sacks, which was the second-highest total of his career. He added 26 tackles, one pass defended and one forced fumble.

In 2014, Klug appeared in all 16 contests and posted 31 tackles, two sacks, five quarterback pressures and five tackles for loss.

Prior to 2014, Klug saw time at defensive end and defensive tackle in the defense's previous 4-3 scheme.

As a rookie in 2011, Klug emerged as one of the top young pass-rushing defensive tackles in the NFL, compiling a team-high seven sacks. The total tied for sixth place in sacks among all NFL rookies, tied for fourth among all NFL defensive tackles, and led all rookie defensive tackles. Playing in all 16 games (one start), Klug also totaled 32 tackles, 10 quarterback pressures, two tackles for loss, four passes defended and two forced fumbles.

During a four-year career at Iowa, Klug appeared in 40 games with 26 consecutive starts to end his career. He tallied 140 tackles, 31 tackles for loss, 9.5 sacks, eight quarterback pressures, eight passes defended, four forced fumbles and a fumble recovery.

As a senior in 2010, the Caledonia, Minn., native led the Hawkeyes with 13 tackles for loss and 5.5 sacks. He totaled 57 tackles en route to earning second-team All-Big Ten honors from the league's coaches and media. His honors also included the Roy J. Carver Most Valuable Player Award on defense, the Iron Hawk Award and the Hayden Fry "Extra Heart-beat" Award.

**Klug's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Klug's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2011	16	1	32	7.0	2	10	0	4	2	0
2012	16	1	12	3.5	1	5	0	1	0	0
2013	16	3	26	2.0	0	4	0	2	2	1
2014	16	0	31	2.0	5	5	0	0	0	0
2015	16	0	26	4.0	0	19	0	1	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

**Klug's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Tackles** - 5 at Denver (12/8/13)**Sacks** - 2 (Twice, last at Indianapolis 12/9/12)**Tackles For Loss** - 2 at Washington (10/19/14)**Forced Fumbles** - 2 vs. Baltimore (9/18/11)**Fumble Recovery** - 1 vs. N.Y. Jets (9/29/13)**#92 • DE ROPATI PITOITUA**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

Defensive end **Ropati Pitoitua** (pronounced roe-POT-ee pee-TOE-uh-too-ah) is in his seventh NFL season and his fourth campaign with the Titans. Pitoitua (6-8, 298) was signed as an unrestricted free agent from the Kansas City Chiefs on March 25, 2013.

Pitoitua appeared in five games in 2015 and totaled four tackles and a forced fumble.

Pitoitua's totals in 2014 included 45 tackles, two sacks, five tackles for loss, two quarterback pressures, two passes defended and one fumble recovery in 12 games (11 starts).

In his first season in Tennessee, Pitoitua played in all 16 games for the first time in his career with a career-high 13 starts. He led the team's defensive linemen with 91 tackles and added four sacks, two quarterback pressures, two tackles for loss and four passes defended. His tackle, sack and passes defended numbers were all career highs. He had the most tackles by a Titans defensive end since **Jason Babin** had 93 total stops in 2010.

Pitoitua accumulated 37 games of NFL experience with the Chiefs and New York Jets prior to joining the Titans. In 2012, his only season with Kansas City, he started 10 games (15 games played) and led all Chiefs defensive linemen with 32 tackles. He also added two sacks, five tackles for loss and one forced fumble.

Pitoitua originally joined the Jets as an undrafted free agent in 2008 and was with the club until May 2011. He spent the majority of his rookie season on the practice squad and was on injured reserve for the entire 2010 season due to an Achilles injury. He totaled 22 tackles in 22 total games with the club.

The Samoa native played in 36 games (25 starts) during a four-year career at Washington State. His career totals there included 116 tackles, 19.0 tackles for loss, 8.5 sacks, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and two passes defended.

**Pitoitua's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Pitoitua's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2008	NYJ										
2009	NYJ	8	0	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	NYJ										
2011	NYJ	14	0	19	1.0	3	0	0	0	0	0
2012	KC	15	10	51	2.0	5	4	0	0	1	0
2013	Ten	16	13	91	4.0	2	2	0	4	0	0
2014	Ten	12	11	45	2.0	5	2	0	2	0	1
2015	Ten	5	0	4	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>70</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

**Pitoitua's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Tackles** - 9 (Three, last at St. Louis, 11/3/13)**Sacks** - 2 (Twice, last vs. N.Y. Jets, 9/29/13)**Forced Fumbles** - 1 (Twice, last vs. Buffalo, 10/11/15)**Fumble Recovery** - 1 vs. Dallas (9/14/14)**Passes Defended** - 2 (Twice, last at Kansas City, 9/7/14)

## #96 • DL AL WOODS

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Defensive lineman **Al Woods** (6-4, 307) is in his seventh NFL season and his third campaign with the Titans. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 13, 2014.

Woods appeared in 14 games with nine starts in 2015. He tied his career high with 31 tackles and added three quarterback pressures and three tackles for loss.

Woods' 2014 totals included 31 tackles, a sack, two tackles for loss and a quarterback pressure in 16 games (one start).

The veteran lineman arrived in Tennessee after spending two-plus seasons with the Pittsburgh Steelers. His career totals prior to landing in Tennessee included 39 games, two starts at nose tackle and 2.5 career sacks.

In 2013, his final year with the Steelers, Woods saw action in all 16 games for the first time in his career and notched 20 tackles, two sacks and a pass defended.

Woods entered the NFL as a fourth-round selection by the New Orleans Saints in 2010. He played nine games in his rookie campaign with Tampa Bay and two games for Seattle in his second season. He was claimed off waivers by the Steelers in November of 2011.

A native of Jennings, La., Woods played in 41 games in four seasons at Louisiana State University.

**Woods' 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Woods' Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2010	TB	9	0	17	0.5	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
2011	Sea/Pit	2	0	2	0.0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
2012	Pit	12	0	2	0.0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
2013	Pit	16	2	20	2.0	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
2014	Ten	16	1	31	1.0	2	1	0	0	0	0
2015	Ten	14	9	31	0.0	3	3	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Woods' Regular Season Single-Game Highs:**

**Tackles** - 5 (Four times, last vs. Carolina, 11/15/15)

**Sacks** - 2 at Cleveland (11/24/13)

**Passes Defended** - 1 vs. Cleveland (12/29/13)

**71 - NT ANTWAUN WOODS**

➤ **Antwaun Woods** (6-1, 318) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 9, 2016.

➤ Woods appeared in 48 games for the University of Southern California with 44 starts. He totaled 113 tackles, 14.5 tackles for loss, eight sacks, two deflections and a fumble recovery in his career.

➤ As a senior in 2015, the team captain started 13 games and accumulated 41 tackles, seven tackles for loss, two deflections and a fumble recovery, earning first-team All-Pac-12 honors.

➤ Woods is a native of Los Angeles, Calif.

**TITANS  
LINEBACKERS**

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
51	Bass, David	6-4	256	4	Missouri Western St.
93	Dodd, Kevin	6-5	277	R	Clemson
58	Grant, Curtis	6-2	240	1	Ohio State
56	Herrera, Amarlo	6-1	249	1	Georgia
91	Morgan, Derrick	6-4	261	7	Georgia Tech
53	Mount, Deiontrez	6-5	249	2	Louisville
98	Orakpo, Brian	6-4	257	8	Texas
50	Palmer, Nate	6-2	248	4	Illinois State
55	Spence, Sean	5-11	231	5	Miami (Fla.)
57	Staples, Justin	6-4	245	3	Illinois
41	Tavai, J.R.	6-2	249	1	Southern California
52	Wallace, Aaron	6-2	242	R	UCLA
54	Williamson, Avery	6-1	246	3	Kentucky
59	Woodyard, Wesley	6-0	233	9	Kentucky

## #93 • OLB KEVIN DODD

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**Kevin Dodd** is in his rookie season. He was selected by the Titans with the 33rd overall draft choice in the second round of the 2016 NFL Draft.

The 6-foot-5-inch, 277-pounder is transitioning to a 3-4 outside linebacker with the Titans after playing defensive end at Clemson.

With the Tigers, Dodd served as a reserve in his first three seasons before bursting on the scene as one of the country's top pass rushers during his redshirt junior campaign. His career totals included 107 tackles, 26.5 tackles for loss and 12 sacks over 39 career games.

In his final collegiate campaign, the Greenville, S.C., native started all 15 games and tallied 12 sacks, 23.5 stops for loss, 86 total tackles and 13 quarterback pressures. He ranked in the national top 10 in sacks, and only teammate Shaq Lawson ranked ahead of him nationally in tackles for loss. He was named honorable mention All-ACC by the media after starting all 15 games and registering 86 tackles, 23.5 for loss and 12 sacks.

In the National Championship Game against Alabama, he produced a career-high five tackles for loss and three sacks, both of which set Clemson single-game postseason records.

He is a native of Greenville, S.C.

**MORE TITANS DEFENSIVE LINEMEN****68 - DE MEHDI ABDESMAD**

➤ **Mehdi Abdesmad** (6-6, 284) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 9, 2016.

➤ He appeared in 39 career games at Boston College despite a knee injury that sidelined him for most of two seasons. During his career, he recorded 98 tackles, 7.5 sacks, 21.5 tackles for loss, one pass defended, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery.

➤ As a senior in 2015, he returned from injury to play in all 12 games and start nine. He recorded 5.5 sacks, 49 tackles and 15 tackles for loss as a member of the No. 1 defense in the nation and was voted All-Atlantic Coast Conference honorable mention by the league's head coaches.

➤ His name is pronounced meh-DEE ab-DES-mod.

➤ He is a native of Montreal, Québec.

**75 - DE MIKE SMITH**

➤ **Mike Smith** (6-4, 285) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 16, 2016 following a rookie minicamp tryout with the team.

➤ A four-year letterman at Southern Miss, he played in 48 games with 44 starts and totaled 116 tackles, 13 tackles for loss and five sacks during his career.

➤ As a senior in 2015, he started all 14 games and collected 25 tackles, 4.5 tackles for loss and four sacks, earning All-Conference USA honors.

➤ He is a native of Birmingham, Ala.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, missed the game on the PUP list due to a foot injury.

➤ Activated from the PUP list on Aug. 17.

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, did not play.

**Dodd's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0



**Dodd's College Statistics (Clemson University):**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2012	8	0	6	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2013	4	0	7	0.0	0.5	0	0	0	0
2014	12	0	8	0.0	2.5	0	0	0	0
2015	15	15	86	12.0	23.5	0	1	1	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>26.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

**#91 • OLB DERRICK MORGAN**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

**Derrick Morgan** (6-3, 261) is in his seventh NFL season. He was selected by the Titans with the 16th overall draft choice in the 2010 NFL Draft, and in March 2015, he was re-signed as an unrestricted free agent.

Morgan's 2015 campaign came to an end when he was placed on injured reserve on Dec. 17 with a shoulder injury. Prior to the injury, he appeared in 10 games and registered 34 tackles, 4.5 sacks, 13 quarterback pressures, six tackles for loss, two passes defended and a forced fumble.

In 2014, Morgan produced the biggest numbers of his career after switching from a 4-3 defensive end to a 3-4 outside linebacker. He started all 16 games for the second time in his career and led the squad with 6.5 sacks. His 27 quarterback pressures and 13 tackles for loss tied for the team lead and set career highs. Also, his nine passes defended and two forced fumbles set career highs.

In 2013, Morgan played in 15 games with 14 starts at defensive end and ranked second on the team with six sacks, eight quarterback pressures and three tackles for loss (tied). His totals also included 54 tackles, one pass defended, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery.

In 2012, Morgan started all 16 games for the first time in his career and led the Titans with 6.5 sacks and 19 quarterback pressures. He also set a career high with 68 tackles and added five tackles for loss, five passes defended, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery.

Morgan played in 15 games in 2011 and led the Titans with 20 quarterback pressures. He added 47 tackles, 2.5 sacks, three tackles for loss and two passes defended.

As a rookie, an ACL tear ended his rookie campaign after only four games.

In three seasons at Georgia Tech, the Coatesville, Pa., native totaled 115 tackles, 19.5 sacks, 29.5 tackles for loss, five passes defended, six fumble recoveries and two forced fumbles in 39 games. He started the final 27 consecutive games of his college career at left defensive end. Prior to entering the NFL after his junior season, he was named the ACC Defensive Player of the Year with an ACC-high 12.5 sacks.

**Morgan's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Morgan's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2010	4	0	10	1.5	0	1	0	1	0	0
2011	15	10	47	2.5	3	20	0	2	0	0
2012	16	16	68	6.5	5	19	0	5	1	1
2013	15	14	54	6.0	3	8	0	1	1	1
2014	16	16	82	6.5	13	27	0	9	2	0
2015	10	10	34	4.5	6	13	0	2	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>

**Morgan's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:**

**Tackles** - 13 at Philadelphia (11/23/14)

**Sacks** - 2 (Three times, last at Tampa Bay, 9/13/15)

**Quarterback Pressures** - 4 (Three times, last vs. Jacksonville, 10/12/14)

**Fumble Recovery** - 1 at Buffalo (10/21/12)

**Forced Fumble** - 1 (Four times, last at Jacksonville, 12/18/14)

**Tackles For Loss** - 3 (Twice, last vs. Indianapolis, 12/28/14)

**SACKS IN FIRST FOUR GAMES**

In 2015, **Derrick Morgan** got off to the best start of his career with 4.5 sacks through the season's first four games.

Since sacks became an official individual statistic in 1982, only three members of the Titans/Oilers have recorded more than 4.5 sacks in a season's first four games. Each of those three had five sacks in that time period: defensive tackle **Albert Haynesworth** (2008), defensive end **Kyle Vanden Bosch** (2005) and defensive end **Jesse Baker** (1982). Morgan tied three others for fourth place on the list.

**Most sacks by a Titans/Oilers player in the team's first four games of a season (1982-present):**

Player	Season	Sacks Through 4 Games
1. Albert Haynesworth	2008	5.0
Kyle Vanden Bosch	2005	5.0
Jesse Baker	1982	5.0
4. <b>Derrick Morgan</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>4.5</b>
Dave Ball	2010	4.5
Sean Jones	1988	4.5
Jesse Baker	1984	4.5
8. Carlos Hall	2002	4.0
Ray Childress	1992	4.0
Ray Childress	1992	4.0
William Fuller	1988	4.0
Rod Kush	1985	4.0
Robert Brazile	1982	4.0

**SACKS BY TITANS/OILERS LINEBACKERS**

Prior to the 2014 season, **Derrick Morgan** switched from a 4-3 defensive end to a 3-4 outside linebacker.

In his first season in his new position, Morgan led the team with 6.5 sacks, becoming the 11th Titans/Oilers linebacker to record five or more sacks from the time individual sacks became an official statistic in 1982 through 2014. Morgan's 6.5 sacks are tied for third among franchise linebackers in that interval.

**Franchise linebackers with 5.0 sacks in a season since 1982:**

Linebacker	Season	Sacks
1. Lamar Lathon	1994	8.5
2. Johnny Meads	1988	8.0
3. <b>Brian Orakpo</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>7.0</b>
4. <b>Derrick Morgan</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>6.5</b>
Robert Brazile	1982	6.5
6. Akeem Ayers	2012	6.0
Mike Barrow	1996	6.0
Eddie Robinson	1999	6.0
9. Zach Brown	2012	5.5
Greg Favors	2000	5.5



## #98 • OLB BRIAN ORAKPO

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Outside linebacker **Brian Orakpo** (6-4, 257) is in his eighth NFL season and his second campaign with the Titans. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 13, 2015.

In 2015, Orakpo was voted by his teammates as a defensive captain. He started all 16 games for the third time in his career and for the first time since 2011. His seven sacks tied for the team lead, and he led the squad with 37 quarterback pressures and 12 tackles for loss. He added 64 tackles, five passes defended and a forced fumble.

Orakpo spent the previous six years as a member of the Washington Redskins, who selected him in the first round (13th overall) of the 2009 NFL Draft. During his time in Washington, Orakpo was named to the Pro Bowl three times (2009, 2010 and 2013). His career totals in Washington included 40 sacks, 255 tackles, one interception, 17 passes defended, six forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries in 71 starts. He recorded eight multi-sack games.

As a rookie in 2009, he earned Pro Bowl honors and set a Redskins rookie record with 11 sacks, which also led all NFL rookies.

For each of his first three seasons in Washington, Orakpo led or tied for the team lead in sacks, but he missed most of the 2012 and 2014 seasons with pectoral injuries.

In 2013, he earned his third Pro Bowl selection, as he registered 10 sacks, 60 tackles, one interception return for touchdown, 18 quarterback hits, 16 tackles for loss and two fumble recoveries.

A native of Houston, Texas, Orakpo was drafted by the Redskins out of the University of Texas, where he finished his college career with 22 sacks. He was a multiple award winner in college, including the Nagurski (nation's top defensive player), Lombardi (nation's top lineman) and the Hendricks (nation's top defensive end). He was a part of the Texas team that won the National Title at the conclusion of the 2005 season.

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, recorded two tackles. He limited Cam Newton to a one-yard gain on third-and-three in the first quarter.

**Orakpo's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Orakpo's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2009	Was	16	16	61	11.0	13	20	0	1	1	0
2010	Was	15	15	78	8.5	9	47	0	2	1	0
2011	Was	16	16	66	9.0	7	35	0	5	3	1
2012	Was	2	2	8	1.0	1	3	0	3	1	0
2013	Was	15	15	70	10.0	15	42	1	5	0	2
2014	Was	7	7	28	0.5	1	9	0	1	0	0
2015	Ten	16	16	64	7.0	12	37	0	5	1	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>87</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>

**Orakpo's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:**

**Tackles** - 8 (Three times, last vs. Seattle, 10/06/14)

**Sacks** - 4 at Oakland (12/13/09)

**Interceptions** - 1 vs. Chicago (10/20/13)

**Forced Fumble** - 1 (Seven times, last at Jacksonville, 11/19/15)

**Fumble Recovery** - 1 (Three times, last at Atlanta, 12/15/13)

**Passes Defensed** - 3 at New Orleans (9/9/12)



## SACK STREAK

At Jacksonville on Nov. 19, 2015, **Brian Orakpo** tied a career high with his fourth consecutive game with at least one sack.

Orakpo became the Titans' only player other than **Jevon Kearse** since the beginning of the 1999 season to record a four-game sack streak. Kearse had three such runs, including an eight-game stretch as a rookie in 1999 with at least one sack, which tied **Curley Culp's** franchise record (1974-1975).

**Most consecutive games with one or more sacks in the "Titans era" (1999-present):**

Player	Season(s)	Consec. Games With One or More Sacks
1. Jevon Kearse	1999	8
2. Jevon Kearse	2003	6
3. <b>Brian Orakpo</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>4</b>
Jevon Kearse	2000	4
5. Jurrell Casey	2013	3
Ropati Pitoitua	2013	3
Will Witherspoon	2010	3
Dave Ball	2010	3
Jacob Ford	2008	3
Dave Ball	2008	3
Kyle Vanden Bosch	2007	3
Jevon Kearse	2001	3

## SACK LEADERS AMONG AFC LINEBACKERS

Titans outside linebacker **Brian Orakpo** tied for sixth in the AFC among linebackers with seven sacks in 2015.

**Sack leaders in 2015 among AFC linebackers:**

Player	Team	Sacks
1. Whitney Mercilus	Hou	12.0
2. Von Miller	Den	11.0
3. Melvin Ingram	SD	10.5
4. Justin Houston	KC	7.5
DeMarcus Ware	Den	7.5
6. <b>Brian Orakpo</b>	<b>Ten</b>	<b>7.0</b>
Robert Mathis	Ind	7.0
8. Tamba Hali	KC	6.5
9. Jerry Attaochu	SD	6.0
Elvis Dumervil	Bal	6.0





## #55 • ILB SEAN SPENCE

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Linebacker **Sean Spence** (5-11, 231) is in his fifth NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as an unrestricted free agent on March 16, 2016.

Spence was originally selected by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the third round (86th overall) of the 2012 NFL Draft. He spent his first four NFL seasons with the Steelers, including his initial three campaigns working with current Titans defensive coordinator **Dick LeBeau**.

He missed the entirety of his first two pro seasons due to a knee injury but bounced back to play in 31 regular season games in his next two campaigns (2014–2015). His totals in Pittsburgh included 86 tackles, two sacks, a fumble recovery and six special teams stops.

In 2015, Spence appeared in 15 games with four starts and posted 34 tackles, a sack and three special teams stops.

Spence was the recipient of the Steelers' Ed Block Courage Award in 2014, due to his efforts to come back from the knee injury he endured during his rookie preseason.

The Miami, Fla., native started 40 of his 47 games at the University of Miami (Fla.). He finished his career with the Hurricanes ranked 11th in school history with 318 tackles that included 10.5 sacks and 47 stops for losses. He became the first Hurricane to record 100 tackles in consecutive seasons since **Jonathan Vilma** in 2003.

## Spence's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	1	0	0

## Spence's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2012	Pit	0	0					Injured Reserve			
2013	Pit	0	0					Physically Unable to Perform			
2014	Pit	16	9	52	1.0	NA	NA	0	1	0	1
2015	Pit	15	4	34	1.0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>31</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## Spence's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Tackles** - 8 at San Diego (10/12/15)

**Sacks** - 1 (Twice, last vs. Baltimore, 10/1/15)

**Passes Defensed** - 1 at Jacksonville (10/5/14)

**Fumble Recovery** - 1 vs. Houston (10/20/14)



## #54 • ILB AVERY WILLIAMSON

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Linebacker **Avery Williamson** (6-1, 246) is in his third NFL season. He was selected by the Titans in the fifth round (151st overall) of the 2014 NFL Draft.

Williamson started 15 games in 2015 and led the team with 137 tackles, recording the highest tackle total by a Titans linebacker since **Stephen Tulloch's** 169 stops in 2010. Williamson became the first defender in the "Titans era" (1999–present) to begin his career with two consecutive 100-tackle seasons. His 2015 statistics also included 3.5 sacks, 13 quarterback pressures and an interception.

In 2014, Williamson had one of the most productive seasons of any Titans defensive rookie in recent memory. Even though he did not record his first start until Week 5, he produced 107 tackles to rank third on the team in 2014 and record the highest tackle total by a rookie in the "Titans era" (1999–present). He added three sacks, eight quarterback pressures, eight tackles for loss, four passes defensed, two fumble recoveries and seven stops on special teams.

During a four-year career at Kentucky, Williamson played in 49 games with 21 starts. He finished his career with 296 total tackles, including double-digit tackles in 12 career contests. After primarily serving on special teams in his first two years, he went over the 100-tackle mark as a junior and senior.

As a senior in 2013, he was a team captain and led the squad in tackles for the second consecutive season. His 102 tackles tied for fourth place in the SEC, and he was named All-SEC second team by Associated Press.

The Milan, Tenn., native grew up as a Titans fan.

## 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, tied for the team lead with five tackles.

## Williamson's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	5	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

## Williamson's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2014	Ten	16	12	107	3.0	8	8	0	4	0	2
2015	Ten	15	15	137	3.5	9	13	1	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>31</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

## Williamson's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Tackles** - 16 vs. Carolina (11/15/15)

**Sacks** - 2 vs. Pittsburgh (11/17/14)

**Tackle For Loss** - 3 (Twice, last at Jacksonville, 11/19/15)

**Quarterback Pressures** - 3 vs. Pittsburgh (11/17/14)

**Interceptions** - 1 vs. Atlanta (10/25/15)

**Fumble Recovery** - 1 (Twice, last at Washington, 10/19/14)

**Passes Defensed** - 2 vs. Cleveland (10/5/14)

## 2015 TITANS TACKLE LEADERS

Linebacker **Avery Williamson** finished first among Titans defenders with 137 tackles in 2015. He became the first defender in the "Titans era" (1999–present) to begin his career with two consecutive 100-tackle seasons.

## Titans tackle leaders in 2015 (by total tackles):

Player	Pos	Total	Solo	Assist
1. <b>Avery Williamson</b>	ILB	<b>137</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>58</b>
2. Wesley Woodyard	ILB	110	70	40
3. Michael Griffin	S	101	67	34
4. Zach Brown	ILB	98	65	33
5. Jurell Casey	DT	86	48	38
6. DaQuan Jones	DE	67	45	22
7. Brian Orakpo	OLB	64	44	20
8. Coty Sensabaugh	CB	58	42	16
9. Da'Norris Searcy	S	54	41	13
10. David Bass	OLB	42	23	19

## 16 TACKLES IN A GAME

Against the Carolina Panthers on Nov. 15, 2015, **Avery Williamson** was credited with 16 tackles, as determined by the defensive coaching staff's film review\*. He had nine solo stops and seven assists.

In the "Titans era" (since 1999), Williamson is only the ninth player to record 16 tackles in a game, and he was the first to accomplish the feat since **Michael Griffin** had 18 total stops at San Diego on Sept. 16, 2012.

Most total tackles in a game by a Titans defender, 1999–present (all totals from coaches' film review):

Player	Date	Opponent	Total Tackles*
1. Brad Kassell	Jan. 2, 2005	Detroit	19
Keith Bulluck	Sept. 28, 2003	at Pittsburgh	19
3. Michael Griffin	Sept. 16, 2012	at San Diego	18
Jordan Babineaux	Oct. 23, 2011	Houston	18
5. Stephen Tulloch	Dec. 5, 2010	Jacksonville	17
Peter Sirmon	Dec. 7, 2003	Indianapolis	17
7. <b>Avery Williamson</b>	<b>Nov. 15, 2015</b>	<b>Carolina</b>	<b>16</b>
Keith Bulluck	Oct. 5, 2003	at New England	16
Keith Bulluck	Oct. 27, 2002	at Cincinnati	16

\* Tackle statistics compiled by coaches often differ from press box tallies from the same game.

## WILLIAMSON AND THE 2014 ROOKIE CLASS

**Avery Williamson** played in all 16 games as a rookie, including starts in each of the final 12 games of the season. His statistics included 107 tackles, three sacks and two fumble recoveries.

Among rookies, Williamson's tackle tally ranked fourth in the NFL, according to tackle statistics published by NFL teams, which sometimes differ from "press box statistics." Williamson ranked behind only Baltimore's **C.J. Mosley** (129 tackles), San Francisco's **Chris Borland** (128) and Buffalo's **Preston Brown** (108).

Among rookie inside linebackers, Williamson and Mosley tied for the sack lead, and Williamson led the group in defensive fumble recoveries.

Most tackles among ALL ROOKIES in 2014 (using team-published tackle statistics):

Player	Team	Position	Total Tackles
1. C.J. Mosley	Baltimore	ILB	129
2. Chris Borland	San Francisco	ILB	128
3. Preston Brown	Buffalo	OLB	108
4. <b>Avery Williamson</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>ILB</b>	<b>107</b>
5. E.J. Gaines	St. Louis	CB	105
6. Anthony Hitchens	Dallas	OLB	100
7. Telvin Smith	Jacksonville	OLB	99
8. Christian Jones	Chicago	ILB	98
9. Ha Ha Clinton-Dix	Green Bay	FS	95
10. Khalil Mack	Oakland	OLB	84

Most sacks by rookie INSIDE LINEBACKERS in 2014:

Player	Team	Sacks
1. C.J. Mosley	Baltimore	3
2. <b>Avery Williamson</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>3</b>
3. Christian Jones	Chicago	2
4. Chris Kirksey	Cleveland	2

Most defensive fumble recoveries by rookie INSIDE LINEBACKERS in 2014:

Player	Team	Fumble Recoveries
1. <b>Avery Williamson</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>2</b>
2. Chris Borland	San Francisco	1
Christian Jones	Chicago	1
C.J. Mosley	Baltimore	1



## TACKLES BY TITANS ROOKIES SINCE 1999

Titans rookie inside linebacker **Avery Williamson** began the 2014 season as a reserve. In Week 5 against Cleveland, he recorded his first career start and started every contest for the rest of the year.

Williamson finished the 2014 campaign with 107 tackles—more than any other rookie for the team since 1999. In the franchise's 16 years as the Titans, the previous defensive rookie with the most tackles was cornerback **Alterraun Verner** with 103 stops in 2010.

Most tackles by a Titans rookie, 1999–2014:

Player	Position	Season	Total	Solo	Assist
1. <b>Avery Williamson</b>	<b>LB</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>52</b>
2. Alterraun Verner	CB	2010	103	76	27
3. Zach Brown	LB	2012	93	70	23
4. Akeem Ayers	LB	2011	88	66	22
5. Jevon Kearse	DE	1999	85	59	26
6. Colin McCarthy	LB	2011	76	61	15
7. Jurrell Casey	DT	2011	74	41	33
8. Carlos Hall	DE	2002	70	43	27
9. Tank Williams	S	2002	69	55	14
10. Andre Dyson	CB	2001	58	52	6

Note: Tackle statistics for the Titans are compiled from coaches' film study after each game. They sometimes differ from the "press box statistics" tallied at each game.

## #59 • ILB WESLEY WOODYARD

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Linebacker **Wesley Woodyard** (6-0, 233) is in his ninth NFL season and his third campaign with the Titans. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 14, 2014.

Woodyard was named a team captain by his teammates in 2015 for the second time as a member of the Titans and for the eighth time (every season) in his career.

Woodyard played in all 32 games during his first two seasons with the club. In 2015, he recorded 12 starts, finished second on the team with 110 tackles and ranked third on the squad with five sacks. He added nine quarterback pressures, seven tackles for loss, three passes defended, a forced fumble, a fumble recovery and six special teams tackles.

In 2014, Woodyard's totals in his first season with the Titans included 16 starts and a career-high 134 tackles, which led the team. He added 2.5 sacks, nine quarterback pressures, eight tackles for loss, two interceptions and four passes defended.

Woodyard joined the Titans after spending the first six years of his career with the Denver Broncos. He appeared in 87 regular-season games with 40 starts. For his Broncos career, he totaled 396 tackles, eight sacks, five interceptions, six forced fumbles and one fumble recovery.

As the middle linebacker from 2012-13, Woodyard started 24 total games and registered 197 tackles, seven sacks, four interceptions and three forced fumbles.





In 2012, Woodyard led the Broncos with a career-high 114 tackles. He ranked second on the squad in both 2013 (83) and 2011 (87).

Also in 2012, he was the only NFL player to record at least 100 tackles, five sacks and three interceptions. He was only the 12th NFL player to accomplish the feat over a 30-year span.

The LaGrange, Ga., native entered the NFL as an undrafted free agent out of the University of Kentucky. He earned first-team All-SEC honors during each of his final two seasons with the Wildcats.

#### Woodyard's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Woodyard's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2008	Den	16	6	54	0.0	NA	NA	0	1	1	0
2009	Den	16	0	35	0.0	NA	NA	1	2	1	0
2010	Den	11	3	23	1.0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
2011	Den	15	7	87	0.0	NA	NA	0	2	2	0
2012	Den	15	14	114	5.5	NA	NA	3	6	1	1
2013	Den	14	10	83	1.5	NA	NA	1	4	1	0
2014	Ten	16	16	134	2.5	8	9	2	4	0	0
2015	Ten	16	12	110	5.0	7	9	0	3	1	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>119</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>

#### Woodyard's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Tackles** - 15 at New England (11/24/13)

**Sacks** - 1.5 vs. Cleveland (12/23/12)

**Interceptions** - 1 (Seven times, last at Washington, 10/19/14)

**Forced Fumble** - 1 (Seven times, last at Cleveland, 9/20/15)

**Fumble Recovery** - 1 vs. San Diego (11/18/12)

**Passes Defensed** - 2 (Three times, last at Indianapolis, 1/3/15)

## 2014 TITANS TACKLE LEADERS

Linebacker **Wesley Woodyard** finished first among Titans defenders with a career-high 134 tackles in 2014.

#### Titans tackle leaders in 2014 (by total tackles):

Player	Pos	Total	Solo	Assist
1. <b>Wesley Woodyard</b>	<b>ILB</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>68</b>
2. Michael Griffin	S	115	83	32
3. Avery Williamson	ILB	107	55	52
4. Jurrell Casey	DT	86	58	28
5. Jason McCourty	CB	85	77	8
6. Derrick Morgan	OLB	82	52	30
7. George Wilson	S	65	49	16
8. Bledi Wreh-Wilson	S	57	47	10
9. Sammie Hill	NT	47	30	17
10. Ropati Pitoitua	DE	45	21	24



## MORE TITANS LINEBACKERS

### 51 - OLB DAVID BASS

➤ **David Bass** (6-4, 256) was claimed off waivers from the Chicago Bears on Sept. 6, 2015.

➤ In 2015, he began the season as a reserve and stepped into the starting lineup after Derrick Morgan suffered a shoulder injury. He played in all 16 games with starts in each of the final seven contests. His statistics included 42 tackles, 1.5 sacks, nine quarterback pressures, five tackles for loss, one interception, five passes defensed, two fumble recoveries and eight special teams tackles.

➤ Bass joined the Titans after two seasons with the Bears. While with the Bears, he totaled 20 games played (two starts), 29 tackles, four sacks, one forced fumble and an interception return for touchdown.

➤ He was a seventh-round selection by the Oakland Raiders in the 2013 NFL Draft. He was waived by the Raiders following training camp that year and claimed by the Bears.

➤ A native of St. Louis, Mo., Bass played four years of college football for Missouri Western State, where he tallied a school-record 40.5 sacks and earned Division II All-America honors.

### 58 - ILB CURTIS GRANT

➤ **Curtis Grant** (6-2, 240) was signed by the Titans as a free agent on April 1, 2016.

➤ Grant was originally signed by San Diego Chargers as a rookie free agent on May 2, 2015. He spent the 2015 offseason and training camp with the Chargers before joining the Atlanta Falcons as a member of their practice squad late in the regular season.

➤ He was the starting middle linebacker for the 2014 National Champion Ohio State Buckeyes. As a senior that season, he was voted co-captain and played in all 15 games. He totaled 69 tackles, a sack, five tackles for loss, an interception and a fumble recovery. In the postseason, he recorded 10 tackles in the Sugar Bowl win over No. 1 Alabama and six tackles in the National Championship Game.

➤ He is a native of Richmond, Va.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, tied for second on the team with four tackles, including a third-down tackle of Cam Newton to prevent a first down.

### 56 - LB AMARLO HERRERA

➤ **Amarlo Herrera** (6-1, 249) was claimed off waivers from the Indianapolis Colts on Aug. 12, 2016.

➤ Originally a sixth-round pick of the Colts in 2015, he appeared in three games as a reserve inside linebacker for the Colts last season. He spent the majority of campaign on the team's practice squad.

➤ At the University of Georgia, he saw action in 54 career games with 43 starts. He totaled 334 tackles, 3.5 sacks, three interceptions, 21 tackles for loss, four forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and 11 passes defensed.

➤ The College Park, Ga., native was named a first-team Associated Press All-SEC selection in 2014 while being voted a team captain.

### 53 - OLB DEIONTREZ MOUNT

➤ **Deiontrez Mount** (6-5, 249) was selected by the Titans in the sixth round (177th overall) of the 2015 NFL Draft.

➤ As a rookie in 2015, he appeared in four games. He posted one tackle, one interception and one stop on special teams. He was placed on injured reserve on Oct. 17 after suffering a knee injury during practice on Oct. 14.

➤ In a four-year career at Louisville, Mount appeared in 45 games and recorded 13 total starts, seeing time as a defensive end and outside linebacker. His career totals included 82 tackles, 9.5 sacks and 18 tackles for loss.

➤ As a senior, he set his career highs with 37 tackles, six sacks and 10.5 tackles for loss.

➤ The Fort Walton Beach, Fla., native grew up as a Titans fan because his favorite player was Titans running back Eddie George.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, totaled four tackles, one sack and a forced fumble. In the third quarter, he sacked Zach Mettenberger for a five-yard loss and forced a fumble on the play (recovered by San Diego).

### 50 - ILB/OLB NATE PALMER

➤ **Nate Palmer** (6-2, 248) was claimed off waivers by the Titans from the Green Bay Packers on April 11, 2016.

➤ Palmer spent his first three NFL seasons with the Green Bay Packers. He appeared in 24 games with 12 starts from 2013-15, while missing the entirety of his second season with an injury. He played both inside and

outside linebacker during his time with the Packers.

➤ In 2015, he played in a career-best 16 games with 10 starts for Green Bay and registered career highs with 80 tackles, a sack, two quarterback pressures and three passes defended.

➤ The Chicago, Ill., native was originally selected by the Green Bay Packers in the sixth round (193rd overall) of the 2013 NFL Draft.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, tied for the team lead with five tackles.

#### 57 - LB JUSTIN STAPLES

➤ **Justin Staples** (6-4, 245) is in his second full season with the Titans.

➤ In 2015, he played in 12 contests and contributed seven special teams tackles. He was signed to the 53-man roster on Oct. 17 after spending the first four games of the season on the practice squad.

➤ He spent nine weeks on the practice squad in 2014 before being promoted to the active roster on Nov. 20, 2014. He began the 2014 campaign on the practice squad in Cleveland.

➤ Originally signed as a rookie free agent with the Browns in 2013, Staples spent a total of five weeks during his rookie campaign on Cleveland's practice squad.

➤ At the University of Illinois, he played in 48 career games at defensive end and recorded 62 tackles, 2.5 sacks and three forced fumbles.

➤ As a senior in 2012, Staples posted 20 tackles, a half sack, 2.5 tackles for loss, a pass defended and a forced fumble in 11 games.

➤ He is a native of Cleveland, Ohio.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, in the fourth quarter, recorded the team's second interception of the night. He picked off a Mike Bercovici pass and returned the ball 19 yards to set up Bishop Sankey's touchdown run on the next play.

#### 41 - OLB J.R. TAVAI

➤ **J.R. Tavai** (6-2, 249) was originally signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 11, 2015.

➤ As a rookie in 2015, he appeared in four contests and totaled three tackles, one sack, one forced fumble and one special teams tackle. He was placed on injured reserve on Sept. 5, waived/injured on Sept. 10 and re-signed to the practice squad on Nov. 11. He was then signed to the 53-man roster on Dec. 11.

➤ In four seasons at USC, he appeared in 40 total games with 20 starts. His totals included 130 tackles, 24 tackles for loss, 10.5 sacks, three passes defended, three forced fumbles and one fumble recovery.

➤ As a senior (2014), Tavai appeared in 11 games with nine starts and had 53 tackles, 13.5 tackles for loss, a team-best seven sacks, two passes defended, a fumble recovery and a team-best three forced fumbles. He earned 2014 All-Pac-12 honorable mention and won USC's Chris Carlisle Courage Award.

➤ As a junior (2013), Tavai spent most of the season at outside linebacker but also saw time at defensive end and tackle. He appeared in 12 games with eight starts at outside linebacker and posted 56 tackles, 3.5 sacks and eight tackles for loss, earning All-Pac-12 honorable mention.

➤ He is a native of Redondo Beach, Calif.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, totaled four tackles and sacked Zach Mettenberger for an eight-yard loss in the third quarter.

#### 52 - OLB AARON WALLACE

➤ **Aaron Wallace** (6-2, 242) was selected by the Titans in the seventh round (222nd overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft.

➤ During Wallace's career at UCLA, he waited for an opportunity to play regularly during his first three seasons and then became a mainstay for the Bruins as a senior. He played in 49 career games and recorded 12 starts. His career totals included 92 tackles, seven sacks, 12.5 tackles for loss and one pass defended.

➤ In 2015, his seven sacks and 12.5 tackles for loss led UCLA as a senior. He played in all 13 games and recorded eight starts.

➤ He is a native of San Diego, Calif.



## TITANS CORNERBACKS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
47	Blake, Antwon	5-9	198	5	Texas El Paso
24	Cox, Perrish	6-0	190	6	Oklahoma State
33	McCain, Brice	5-9	190	8	Utah
30	McCourty, Jason	6-0	193	8	Rutgers
23d	Okotcha, Bennett (IR)	6-0	195	R	Texas San Antonio
44	Patmon, Tyler	5-10	188	3	Oklahoma State
32d	Reed, Kalan	5-11	192	R	Southern Miss
37	Riggs, Cody	5-9	187	2	Notre Dame
36	Sims, LeShaun	6-0	203	R	Southern Utah
38	Webb, B.W.	5-11	190	4	William & Mary
25	Wreh-Wilson, Blidi	6-1	198	4	Connecticut

### #47 • CB ANTWON BLAKE

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Cornerback **Antwon Blake** (5-9, 198) is in his fifth NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as an unrestricted free agent on March 18, 2016.

Blake was originally signed by the Jacksonville Jaguars as a rookie free agent in 2012 but spent the previous three seasons (2013-15) with the Pittsburgh Steelers. He appeared in 62 games with 17 starts during his first four seasons, totaling 110 tackles, three interceptions, 18 passes defended, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery, a sack and 34 special teams tackles.

In 2015, Blake started all 16 games for the Steelers and set career-highs with 74 tackles, two interceptions and 11 passes defended. He also started both of Pittsburgh's postseason games and recorded an interception in a Wild Card game at Cincinnati.

In four years at the University of Texas at El Paso, The Missouri City, Texas, native saw action in 42 games with 25 starts. He recorded 137 tackles and 22 pass breakups.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)**, recorded a team-high two passes defended in his Titans preseason debut.

➤ **Against Carolina (8/20)**, started at cornerback and tied for second on the team with four tackles.

#### Blake's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	1	4	0.0	0	0	2	0	0

#### Blake's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2012	Jax	16	0	0	0.0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
2013	Pit	14	0	0	0.0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
2014	Pit	16	1	36	0.0	NA	NA	1	7	1	1
2015	Pit	16	16	74	1.0	NA	NA	2	11	1	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>62</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

#### Blake's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Tackles** - 12 vs. Arizona (10/18/15)

**Interceptions** - 1 (Three times, last vs. Cincinnati, 11/1/15)

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**Sacks** - 1 at Cleveland (1/3/16)

**Passes Defended** - 2 (Five times, last at Cleveland (1/3/16)

**Forced Fumble** - 1 (Twice, last vs. Oakland 11/8/15)

**Fumble Recovery** - 1 vs. Cincinnati (12/28/14)

**Special Teams Tackles** - 3 at New England (11/3/13)



## #24 • CB PERRISH COX

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Cornerback **Perrish Cox** (6-0, 190) is in his sixth NFL season and his second campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as an unrestricted free agent on March 18, 2015.

Cox started 13 games in 2015, missing three contests due to injury. He totaled 31 tackles, one interception and seven passes defended.

Before arriving in Tennessee, Cox gained four years of NFL experience with the Denver Broncos, San Francisco 49ers and Seattle Seahawks. During that time he amassed 135 tackles, six interceptions, 34 passes defended, two forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries in 57 career regular season games.

The top statistical season of his career came in 2014, when he played in 15 games for the 49ers and posted career highs in several categories, including starts (14), tackles (59), interceptions (5) and passes defended (18).

A native of Waco, Texas, Cox was originally selected by the Broncos in the fifth round (137th overall) of the 2010 NFL Draft from Oklahoma State University, where he recorded 36 starts in four years and earned first-team All-Big 12 Conference honors. He also garnered All-America recognition as a returner, capping a career in which he scored six touchdowns (four kickoff returns, two punt returns).

**2016 Preseason Highlights:**

➤ **Against San Diego (8/13)** and **against Carolina (8/20)**, did not play due to an ankle injury.

**Cox's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Cox's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2010	Den	15	9	55	0.0	NA	NA	1	14	2	0
2012	SF	16	0	14	0.0	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
2013	SF/Sea	11	0	7	0.0	NA	NA	0	0	0	0
2014	SF	15	14	59	0.0	NA	NA	5	18	0	2
2015	Ten	13	13	31	0.0	0	0	1	7	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>70</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>0.0</b>	-	-	<b>7</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

**Cox's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:**

**Tackles** - 8 at Kansas City (12/5/10)

**Interceptions** - 1 (Seven times, last vs. Indianapolis, 9/27/15)

**Pass Defended** - 4 (Twice, last vs. Philadelphia, 9/28/14)

**Forced Fumbles** - 1 (Twice, last vs. San Diego 1/2/11)

**Forced Recoveries** - 1 at Arizona (9/21/14)



## #33 • CB BRICE MCCAIN

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Cornerback **Brice McCain** (5-9, 190) is in his eighth NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as an unrestricted free agent on March 2, 2016.

McCain, who has experience playing outside at cornerback and as a nickel corner, was originally selected by the Houston Texans in the sixth round (188th overall) of the 2009 NFL Draft. He spent his first five NFL campaigns as a member of the Houston Texans and then played with the Pittsburgh Steelers in 2014 and Miami Dolphins in 2015. His career totals in his first seven seasons included 168 tackles, nine interceptions, 49 passes defended, a fumble recovery and 19 special teams stops in 100 games (30 starts).

McCain has been a part of three division-winning teams in his career. His Texans teams won the AFC South in 2011 and 2012, and he helped the Steelers win the AFC North in 2014.

In 2015, McCain saw action in 14 games in his only season in Miami and set a career high with 11 starts. He tallied 39 tackles, one interception and 10 passes defended.

In 2014, playing under current Titans defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau, McCain played in 14 games for the Steelers and registered a career-best three interceptions.

A native of Terrell, Texas, McCain played four seasons at the University of Utah, registering 49 games played and 39 starts. He earned All-Mountain West Conference honors as a defensive back in 2007 and 2008 and as a kick returner in 2006.

**McCain's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**McCain's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2009	Hou	16	1	11	0.0	NA	NA	1	3	0	0
2010	Hou	12	3	22	0.0	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
2011	Hou	16	0	25	0.0	NA	NA	2	13	0	0
2012	Hou	12	2	19	0.5	NA	NA	1	8	0	0
2013	Hou	16	4	28	0.0	NA	NA	1	7	0	0
2014	Pit	14	9	24	0.0	NA	NA	3	6	0	1
2015	Mia	14	11	39	0.0	NA	NA	1	10	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

**McCain's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:**

**Tackles** - 8 at Kansas City (12/5/10)

**Interceptions** - 1 (Seven times, last vs. Indianapolis, 9/27/15)

**Pass Defended** - 4 (Twice, last vs. Philadelphia, 9/28/14)

**Forced Fumbles** - 1 (Twice, last vs. San Diego 1/2/11)

**Forced Recoveries** - 1 at Arizona (9/21/14)

## #30 • CB JASON MCCOURTY

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Cornerback **Jason McCourty** (6-0, 193) completed his seventh NFL season in 2015. He was selected by the Titans in the sixth round (203rd overall) of the 2009 NFL Draft, and in 2012, he was rewarded for his play with a multi-year contract extension that keeps him under contract through 2017.

McCourty's 2015 season came to an end when he was placed on injured reserve on Nov. 17 due to a groin injury, which affected him as early as training camp. He was limited to four games, in which he totaled 16 tackles and a pass defended.

In 2014, McCourty marked his third consecutive season to start all 16 games. He led the team with three interceptions and 13 passes defended and added 85 tackles, a tackle for loss, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery for a touchdown.

From the time he became a full-time starter in 2011 through 2014, McCourty led the Titans in passes defended (59) and tied for first in interceptions (nine).

In 2012, the cornerback was named by his peers as a team captain



for the first time. He responded by starting all 16 games for the first time in his career and tying for the team lead with four interceptions. He also led the squad and set a career high with 17 passes defended. His 93 tackles finished tied for third on the defense, and he added four tackles for loss, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery.

In 2011, McCourty recorded 15 starts and a career-high 107 tackles. His tackle total ranked second on the team. He also led the squad with 13 passes defended and tied for the lead with two interceptions. He also recovered a blocked punt for a touchdown.

In 2010, he grabbed a starting spot out of training camp before suffering an injury early in the season and missing four games. McCourty returned to the lineup and started three of the team's final four games and finished his second pro campaign with two interceptions and 13 passes defended.

As a rookie in 2009, McCourty gained three games of starting experience in the first half of the season due to multiple injuries in the secondary. He also finished third on the team with 12 special teams tackles during his rookie campaign.

In a four-year career at Rutgers, McCourty totaled 150 tackles, 7.5 tackles for loss, two interceptions, 20 passes defended and two fumble recoveries in 47 games. He also had a 25.8-yard average on 17 kickoff returns.

The Nyack, N.Y., native has an identical twin brother, Devin, who plays cornerback for the New England Patriots.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, did not play due to a hip flexor injury.

#### McCourty's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	1	1	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

#### McCourty's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2009	15	3	30	0.0	1	0	0	0	1	0
2010	12	6	45	0.0	1	0	2	13	0	0
2011	15	15	107	1.0	0	0	2	13	1	1
2012	16	16	93	0.0	4	0	4	17	1	1
2013	16	16	77	0.0	2	0	0	16	1	1
2014	16	16	85	0.0	1	0	3	13	2	1
2015	4	4	16	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>

#### McCourty's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Tackles** - 13 vs. Houston (10/23/11)

**Interceptions** - 2 (Twice, last at Kansas City, 9/7/14)

**Sacks** - 1 at Jacksonville (9/11/11)

**Passes Defended** - 4 vs. Jacksonville (12/30/12)

**Forced Fumble** - 1 (Six times, last at Houston, 11/30/14)

**Fumble Recovery** - 1 (Four times, last at Houston, 11/30/14)



## MORE TITANS CORNERBACKS

### 44 - CB TYLER PATMON

➤ **Tyler Patmon** (5-10, 188) was claimed off of waivers from the Miami Dolphins on Aug. 1, 2016.

➤ In 2015, he played in a total of 13 games between the Cowboys (11 games with two starts) and Dolphins (two games). Between both squads, he tallied 11 tackles and six passes defended.

➤ He was originally signed by Dallas as an undrafted college free agent out of Oklahoma State on May 21, 2014. As a rookie for the Cowboys, Patmon played in 11 games, recording one interception and five special teams stops.

➤ He played his first three seasons at the University of Kansas, before playing his final season at Oklahoma State. Combined during his college career, he recorded 33 starts at corner and posted 172 tackles, 31 pass breakups, seven interceptions and two defensive touchdowns.

➤ Patmon is a native of Round Rock, Texas.

### 32 - CB KALAN REED

➤ **Kalan Reed** (5-11, 192) was drafted by the Titans in the seventh round (253rd overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft.

➤ He was the final player picked in the draft, earning him the "Mr. Irrelevant" title.

➤ In four seasons at Southern Mississippi (2012-15), he played in 48 games with 39 starts and registered 152 career tackles, eight interceptions (three returned for touchdowns), 35 passes defended and 8.5 tackles for loss.

➤ In 2015, Reed was named first-team All-Conference USA after notching a school record 19 passes defended, including a career-high four interceptions, two which he returned for touchdowns.

➤ Although he spent most of his formative years in Birmingham, Ala., Reed lived in Nashville from the time he was two-years old until he was six.

#### 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, tied for second on the squad with four tackles and added a stop on special teams.

### 37 - CB CODY RIGGS

➤ **Cody Riggs** (5-9, 187) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 11, 2015. He became the first undrafted cornerback in the "Titans era" (1999–present) to make the team's initial 53-man roster.

➤ As a rookie in 2015, he appeared in 11 games and totaled six tackles, one tackle for loss, two passes defended and six special teams tackles.

➤ Riggs played his final collegiate season at Notre Dame and totaled 36 tackles and four passes defended in 11 starts at cornerback.

➤ He spent his first four college seasons at the University of Florida, playing in 41 games with 26 starts. With the Gators, he amassed 107 tackles, nine passes defended and nine tackles for loss.

➤ In 2013, he returned from injury to start all 12 games at safety at Florida after converting from cornerback. He finished fourth on the team with 51 tackles and added 10 tackles for loss and a sack.

➤ He earned a bachelor's degree at Florida and a Master's at Notre Dame.

➤ Riggs is a native of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

### 36 - CB LeSHAUN SIMS

➤ **LeShaun Sims** (6-0, 203) was selected by the Titans in the fifth round (157th overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft.

➤ The Titans traded up in the fifth round of the draft to secure Sims, dealing sixth-round choices in 2016 and 2017 to the Denver Broncos and getting a fifth-rounder (Reed) and a seventh-round pick in return.

➤ In four seasons at Southern Utah, he appeared in 47 total games with 46 starts, including starts in every game during his final three seasons. His career totals included 220 tackles, eight interceptions, 27 passes defended, one forced fumble, five fumble recoveries and four tackles for loss.

➤ In 2015, Sims was a first-team All-Big Sky performer, finishing the campaign with a pair of interceptions and 54 tackles. He helped the Thunderbirds win the conference title.

➤ He is a native of Las Vegas, Nev.

### 38 - CB B.W. WEBB

➤ **B.W. Webb** (5-11, 190) was promoted by the Titans to the 53-man roster on Nov. 7, 2015. He spent the first seven games of the 2015 campaign on the Titans practice squad.

➤ In 2015, he appeared in nine games with two starts and contributed 22 tackles, one interception and three passes defended.

➤ Webb appeared in 26 games in his first two NFL seasons with the Dallas Cowboys (2013) and Pittsburgh Steelers (2014), totaling 12 tackles, a pass



defensed and six special teams stops.

- The Newport News, Va., native was originally selected by the Cowboys in the fourth round (114th overall) of the 2013 NFL Draft.
- In 2014, he played in 11 games with the Steelers and collected two special teams tackles. He also appeared in the AFC Wild Card game.
- As a rookie in 2013, he registered 12 tackles and a pass defensed in 15 games with the Cowboys.
- At William & Mary, he started a school-record 48 games and recorded 151 tackles, 11 interceptions and four career touchdowns.

## 25 - CB BLIDI WREH-WILSON

- **Blidi Wreh-Wilson** (6-1, 198) is in his fourth NFL season. He was selected by the Titans in the third round (70th overall) of the 2013 NFL Draft.
- In his first three NFL seasons, he appeared in 34 total games with 15 starts, accumulating 83 tackles, one interception, 15 passes defensed, and a forced fumble.
- In 2015, Wreh-Wilson appeared in 10 games with three starts. He totaled 17 tackles, four passes defensed and three special teams stops.
- Wreh-Wilson's second NFL season was cut short due to injury. He played and started in a total of 11 games in 2014 and registered 57 tackles, an interception and 10 passes defensed. However, he suffered a shoulder injury and was placed on injured reserve on Dec. 9.
- As a rookie in 2013, he played in 13 games on special teams and as a reserve in the defensive backfield.
- A native of Edinboro, Pa., Wreh-Wilson spent four seasons at the University of Connecticut, where he played in 46 games with 39 starts. He posted 181 total tackles, a half sack, three tackles for loss, eight interceptions, 27 passes defensed and a fumble recovery. Two of his interceptions were returned for touchdowns.



## 2016 Preseason Highlights:

- **Against San Diego (8/13)**, recorded a tackle and an interception in his Titans preseason debut. In the third quarter, he picked off Zach Mettenberger on a pass intended for tight end Asante Cleveland. He also notched a special teams stop.
- **Against Carolina (8/20)**, led the Titans with five tackles and returned two punts for 18 total yards.

## Byard's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	0	6	0.0	0	1	1	0	0

## Byard's College Statistics (Middle Tennessee State University):

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2012	12	12	74	0.0	0	4	2	2	0
2013	13	13	106	0.0	1	5	5	1	1
2014	12	12	66	0.0	3	6	4	2	0
2015	12	9	66	0.0	1	4	6	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

## #49 • S RASHAD JOHNSON

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Safety **Rashad Johnson** (5-11, 204) is in his eighth NFL season and his first campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as an unrestricted free agent on March 30, 2016.

Johnson spent his first seven NFL seasons with the Arizona Cardinals after being selected in the third round of the 2009 NFL Draft. He saw action at both free and strong safety during his time with the Cardinals. In 100 career games (51 starts), he collected 330 tackles, 15 interceptions, 26 passes defensed, one sack, four fumble recoveries, one forced fumble and 49 special teams tackles. He returned three interceptions for touchdowns.

In 2015, Johnson played in 14 games (all starts) and tied for the team lead with a career-high five interceptions, a total that also tied for sixth place in the NFL. He added 59 tackles, eight passes defensed, two tackles for loss, one fumble recovery and five special teams stops. In the playoffs, he started both of the team's games and recorded eight tackles and his first career postseason interception.

Johnson famously lost the tip of his left middle finger in a game against the New Orleans Saints on Sept. 22, 2013. He returned to action three weeks later, and from that time through the end of the 2015 season, his 12 interceptions tied for second in the NFL among all players, trailing only **Reggie Nelson's** 13 thefts.

A native of Sulligent, Ala., Johnson was a walk-on running back at the University of Alabama who went on to become a two-time team captain as a free safety. Only seven previous Crimson Tide players were elected captain for two seasons. He was a unanimous All-SEC first-team selection as a senior in 2008.

## Johnson's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	3	0.0	0	0	0	0	0



## TITANS SAFETIES

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
42	Brutus, Lamarcus	6-0	206	R	Florida State
20d	Byard, Kevin	5-11	212	R	Middle Tennessee St.
28	Huff, Marqueston	5-11	196	3	Wyoming
49d	Johnson, Rashad	5-11	204	8	Alabama
35	Riley, Curtis	6-0	190	2	Fresno State
21	Searcy, Da'Norris	5-11	207	6	North Carolina
39	Stafford, Daimion	6-1	218	4	Nebraska

## #20 • S KEVIN BYARD

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Safety **Kevin Byard** (5-11, 212) is in his rookie season. He was selected by the Titans with the first pick of the third round (64th overall) in the 2016 NFL Draft.

During a four-year career at Middle Tennessee State University, he appeared in 49 games and notched 46 starts at safety while becoming one of the most prolific defenders in school history. He set school records with 19 career interceptions, 377 interception return yards and four interception returns for touchdowns, and he finished sixth in MTSU history with 312 career tackles. In total, he had a hand in 25 turnovers (19 interceptions, five forced fumbles and one fumble recovery) during his career and added 17 career passes defensed and five tackles for loss. He was twice named first-team All-Conference USA.

As a senior in 2015, Byard appeared in 12 games with nine starts as a permanent team captain and was named first-team All-Conference USA for the second consecutive year. He ranked fourth on the team with 66 tackles and led the squad with four interceptions and six additional pass breakups.

The Lithonia, Ga., native set a career high in college with six interceptions as a junior and forced to fumbles the same season.



**Johnson's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2009	Ari	10	1	19	0.0	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
2010	Ari	16	1	43	0.0	NA	NA	1	5	1	0
2011	Ari	16	9	49	0.0	NA	NA	0	1	0	1
2012	Ari	15	3	15	0.0	NA	NA	2	0	0	1
2013	Ari	13	7	53	0.0	NA	NA	3	5	0	0
2014	Ari	16	16	92	1.0	NA	NA	4	6	0	1
2015	Ari	14	14	59	0.0	NA	NA	5	8	0	1
<b>Totals</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>

**Johnson's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Tackles** - 10 (Twice, last vs. Philadelphia, 10/26/14)**Sacks** - 1 at N.Y. Giants (9/14/14)**Interceptions** - 2 (Three times, last at Detroit, 10/11/15)**Interception Long** - 88t at Atlanta (11/30/14)**Passes Defensed** - 4 vs. Philadelphia (10/26/14)**Forced Fumble** - 1 vs. Denver (12/12/10)**Fumble Recovery** - 1 (Four times, last at Detroit 10/11/15)**#21 • S DA'NORRIS SEARCY**[CLICK FOR COMPLETE BIO \(PDF\)](#)

Safety **Da'Norris Searcy** (5-11, 207) completed his fifth NFL season and his first season with the Titans in 2015. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 12, 2015.

During his first season in Tennessee, he appeared in 15 games with 13 starts. He totaled 54 tackles, a half sack, one quarterback pressure, one interception and four passes defensed.

Searcy arrived in Tennessee after spending four years with the Buffalo Bills, who selected him in the fourth round (100th overall) of the 2011 NFL Draft. His career totals in Buffalo included 23 starts and 62 total games played, and he amassed 195 tackles, four sacks, five interceptions, two touchdowns (one interception return/one fumble return), 13 passes defensed, 10 tackles for loss, three forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries and 18 special teams stops.

He became a full-time starter in his final two seasons in Buffalo, totaling 3.5 sacks and 69 tackles in 2013 and a career-high three interceptions and 58 stops the following year.

At the University of North Carolina, the Decatur, Ga., native notched 23 starts in 48 games as a two-year starter at strong safety and the team's leading return man. He finished his Tar Heel career with 106 tackles, two sacks and five interceptions, and he returned 35 punts for 440 yards and 20 kickoffs for 484 yards.

**Searcy's 2016 Preseason Statistics:**

Year	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	Int	PD	FF	FR
2016	2	2	5	0.0	0	0	0	0	0

**Searcy's Career Regular Season Statistics:**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Tackle	Sack	TFL	QBP	Int	PD	FF	FR
2011	Buf	16	3	29	0.0	0	0	1	1	0	0
2012	Buf	15	0	35	0.0	4	0	0	1	2	0
2013	Buf	16	7	69	3.5	5	3	1	7	0	1
2014	Buf	15	13	58	0.5	1	2	3	5	1	1
2015	Ten	15	13	54	0.5	0	1	1	4	0	0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>77</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

**Searcy's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:****Tackles** - 16 vs. Cincinnati (10/13/13)**Interceptions** - 2 vs. Cleveland (11/30/14)**Sacks** - 1 (Three times, last vs. Miami, 12/22/13)**Forced Fumble** - 1 (Three times, last at Miami, 11/13/14)**Fumble Recovery** - 1 (Twice, last at Houston, 9/28/14)**Passes Defensed** - 4 vs. Baltimore (9/29/13)**MORE TITANS SAFETIES****42 - S LAMARCUS BRUTUS**

➤ **Lamarcus Brutus** (6-0, 206) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 9, 2016.

➤ In four seasons at Florida State, he appeared in 44 games and tallied five interceptions, three pass breakups and 99 total tackles. He was a member of 2013 National Championship team.

➤ In 2015, he started every game at free safety, recorded a team-high three interceptions, finished third on the team with 68 total tackles, and led the ACC with 94 interception return yards. He was voted Honorable Mention All-ACC by the media.

➤ He is a native of Port Saint Lucie, Fla.

**28 - DB MARQUESTON HUFF**

➤ **Marqueston Huff** (5-11, 196) was selected by the Titans in the fourth round (122nd overall) of the 2014 NFL Draft.

➤ In 2015, he played in all 16 games as a core special teams performer. He led the squad with 15 special teams tackles and added six tackles and a pass defensed on defense.

➤ As a rookie in 2014, he played in 14 contests with one start at safety. He ranked second on the team with 11 special teams tackles, and on defense, he added 14 tackles, a sack, two tackles for loss, a quarterback pressure and an interception for a touchdown.

➤ During his career at Wyoming, the Texarkana, Texas, native played cornerback for his first three seasons before moving to free safety for his senior campaign. He started 35 total games and ended his career with six interceptions, tying him for 11th in school history. His career totals also included 249 total tackles, seven tackles for loss, three forced fumbles, six fumble recoveries and 16 passes defensed.





- As a senior in 2013, he was named second-team All-Conference after posting two interceptions and leading Mountain West defensive backs with 127 tackles.
- At the 2014 NFL Scouting Combine, he ran a 4.49-second 40-yard dash.

### 35 - CB CURTIS RILEY

- **Curtis Riley** (6-0, 190) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 11, 2015.
- An ankle injury he suffered during his rookie training camp caused him to spend the entire 2015 season on injured reserve.
- In two seasons at Fresno State, Riley played in 26 games with 19 starts, totaling 106 tackles, 10 tackles for loss, one interception, 16 passes defended, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery, two quarterback hurries and one sack.
- As a senior in 2014, he played in 13 games with eight starts. His 53 tackles ranked ninth on the team, and he had 4.5 tackles for a loss on the season, the second most from any defensive back on the team. He added one sack, forced and recovered one fumble on the year and had a team-high eight pass breakups.
- Prior to his time at Fresno State, Riley spent time at Mars Hill College (2010) and Fullerton College (2012).
- Riley is a native of Orlando, Fla.

### 39 - S DAIMION STAFFORD

- **Daimion Stafford** (6-1, 218) was selected by the Titans in the seventh round (248th overall) of the 2013 NFL Draft.
- During his first three seasons (2013–2015), Stafford appeared in all but one game as a key member of the special teams corps and as a reserve safety. His 34 special teams tackles during that time led the Titans.
- In 2015, he played in all 16 games with two starts. He totaled 20 tackles, one sack, one quarterback pressure, one tackle for loss and five passes defended. He also ranked fourth on the team with nine special teams tackles.
- In 2014, he played in 15 games and led the team with 13 special teams tackles. He also tallied 33 tackles, a sack, two quarterback pressures, two tackles for loss, three passes defended and an interception as a reserve on defense.
- As a rookie in 2013, Stafford played in all 16 games, primarily in a special teams role. He finished fourth on the team with 12 special teams tackles and added a forced fumble on special teams and a tackle on defense.
- The Riverside, Calif., native played two seasons at Nebraska (2011-12) after spending a pair of seasons (2009-10) at Chaffey College in Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. At Nebraska, he started 26 of 27 games and totaled 176 tackles, 1.5 sacks, a quarterback pressure, seven tackles for loss, four interceptions, 17 passes defended, three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries. As a senior, he earned first-team All-Big Ten honors after leading the team with four interceptions and ranking second on the squad with 96 tackles.



## TITANS SPECIALISTS

### KICKERS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
3	Rosas, Aldrick	6-2	195	R	Southern Oregon
4	Succop, Ryan	6-2	218	8	South Carolina

### PUNTERS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
6	Kern, Brett	6-2	214	9	Toledo

### RETURNERS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
26	Andrews, Antonio	5-10	225	3	Western Kentucky
20d	Byard, Kevin	5-11	212	R	Middle Tennessee St.
83	Douglas, Harry	6-0	183	9	Louisville
10	McBride, Tre	6-0	210	2	William & Mary
22	McCluster, Dexter	5-8	170	7	Mississippi
32d	Reed, Kalan	5-11	192	R	Southern Miss.
19	Sharpe, Tajae	6-2	194	R	Massachusetts

### LONG SNAPPERS

No.	Name	Ht	Wt	Exp	College
48	Brinkley, Beau	6-4	248	5	Missouri

## #6 • P BRETT KERN

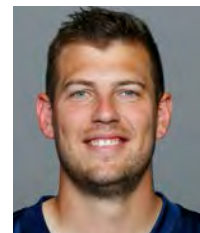
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Punter **Brett Kern** (6-2, 214) is in his ninth NFL season and his seventh full campaign with the Titans. He was claimed off waivers by the Titans in 2009.

During his time in Tennessee, Kern has placed his name at the top of most of the franchise's leaderboards at his position. At the end of the 2015 campaign, he ranked as the team's all-time career leader in both gross punting average (45.3 yards) and net punting average (40.1). He punted 535 times in a Titans uniform from 2009–2015, second all-time for the franchise behind **Craig Hentrich's** 861 punts.

In 2015, Kern continued his assault on the team's all-time punting records and accomplished a first-of-its-kind NFL feat, becoming the first punter in league history to record 80 or more punts, a net average of 40 yards, and one or zero touchbacks in a single season. His season totals included 88 punts (tied for fifth place in franchise history), a 47.4-yard gross average (second in franchise history), a 40.3 net average (third in franchise history), a career-high 34 punts inside the 20 (third in franchise history) and only one touchback (career low).

In 2014, Kern launched a career-high 88 total punts for a gross average of 46.8 yards and a net average of 40.8 yards, which broke his own single-season team record (40.4-yard net average in 2012). He owns the top five net punting seasons in franchise history and six of the team's top



eight net punting seasons.

Kern produced one of the best punting seasons in team history in 2012. He set franchise records with a gross punting average of 47.6 yards and a net punting average of 40.4 yards (he broke the mark in 2014). Thirty of his 81 punts were placed inside the opponent's 20-yard line (37.0 percent).

Kern's 2011 statistics included 86 punts for a gross average of 43.6 yards. His net average of 39.4 yards set a then-career high and then-franchise record, narrowly beating out **Craig Hentrich's** previous franchise record of 39.2 net yards per punt in 1998.

Kern was claimed by the Titans off waivers from the Denver Broncos on Oct. 27, 2009. He spent the entire 2008 season and the first six games of 2009 campaign in Denver, totaling 73 punts and a 46.5-yard average in 22 games with the Broncos.

In 2008, Kern ranked fifth in the league with a 46.7-yard punting average that marked the third-best season total by a Bronco in club history. At the time, his punting average was the best in NFL history by a rookie. He was named to the All-Rookie team by Pro Football Weekly/PFWA and The Sporting News.

The Grand Island, N.Y., native was originally signed by the Broncos as a rookie free agent on April 28, 2008, following four seasons at the University of Toledo.

#### Kern's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TB	In20	Net
2016	Ten	2	7	293	41.9	59	1	2	37.1

#### Kern's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TB	In20	Net
2008	Den	16	46	2,150	46.7	64	4	13	37.8
2009	Den/Ten	16	64	2,910	45.5	67	10	27	38.5
2010	Ten	16	77	3,302	42.9	68	4	24	39.1
2011	Ten	16	86	3,747	43.6	64	7	31	39.4
2012	Ten	16	81	3,855	47.6	71	5	30	40.4
2013	Ten	16	78	3,386	43.4	63	2	32	39.7
2014	Ten	16	88	4,118	46.8	79	7	28	40.8
2015	Ten	16	88	4,175	47.4	61	1	34	40.3
<b>Totals</b>		<b>128</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>27,643</b>	<b>45.5</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>39.6</b>

#### Kern's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Punts** - 10 vs. N.Y. Jets (12/17/12)

**Yards** - 427 vs. Houston (12/27/15)

**Gross Avg.** - 56.0 vs. Oakland (11/23/08)

**Net Avg.** - 49.0 at Jacksonville (11/25/12)

**Long Punt** - 79 vs. Indianapolis (12/28/14)

**In20** - 7 vs. Houston (12/27/15)

## NET AVERAGE IN A SEASON, TEAM HISTORY

Titans punter **Brett Kern** owns the top five net punting seasons in franchise history and six of the team's top eight net punting seasons.

In 2014, he broke the franchise record for net punting average for the third time, posting a mark of 40.76 yards. He originally set the club mark in 2011 with a 39.37-yard net average, eclipsing **Craig Hentrich's** 1998 net average of 39.22 yards. Then, in 2012, he produced a 40.36-yard net average, and in 2015, he averaged 40.34 net yards per attempt.

#### Highest single-season net punting average, franchise history:

Player	Year	Net Average
1. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>40.76</b>
2. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>40.36</b>
3. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>40.34</b>
4. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>39.70</b>
5. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>39.37</b>
6. Craig Hentrich	1998	39.22
7. Greg Montgomery	1993	39.13
8. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>39.06</b>
9. Craig Hentrich	1999	38.10
10. Craig Hentrich	2004	37.99

## FRANCHISE CAREER PUNTING LEADERS

**Brett Kern** is the all-time career leader in Titans/Oilers history in both gross punting average and net punting average. He ranks second in team annals in career punts, behind only **Craig Hentrich** (861).

#### Highest career gross punting average, franchise history (minimum 250 punts):

Player	Years	Gross Avg.
1. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2009-2015</b>	<b>45.3</b>
2. Greg Montgomery	1988-1993	43.6
3. Craig Hentrich	1998-2009	42.9
4. Jim Norton	1960-1968	42.1
5. Cliff Parsley	1977-1982	39.8
6. Dan Pastorini	1971-1979	39.7

#### Highest career net punting average, franchise history (since 1976, minimum 250 punts):

Player	Years	Net Avg.
1. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2009-2015</b>	<b>40.1</b>
2. Craig Hentrich	1998-2009	37.2
3. Greg Montgomery	1988-1993	36.6
4. Cliff Parsley	1977-1982	32.3

#### Most career punts, franchise history:

Player	Years	Punts
1. Craig Hentrich	1998-2009	861
2. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2009-2015</b>	<b>535</b>
3. Jim Norton	1960-1968	522





## SINGLE-SEASON GROSS AVG., TEAM HISTORY

In 2012, **Brett Kern** set a new franchise record with a gross punting average of 47.59 yards. He topped **Craig Hentrich's** previous record of 47.22 yards, set in 1998.

Highest single-season gross punting average, franchise history:

Player	Year	Gross Average
1. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>47.59</b>
2. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>47.44</b>
2. Craig Hentrich	1998	47.22
3. Greg Montgomery	1992	46.92
4. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>46.80</b>
5. Greg Montgomery	1993	45.59
6. Reggie Roby	1996	44.37

## SINGLE-GAME NET AVERAGE, TEAM HISTORY

**Brett Kern** owns 14 of the franchise's top 18 net punting performances (since 1976).

Highest single-game net punting average, since 1976 (min. 4 punts):

Player	Date	Opp	Punt	Gross Avg	TB	In20	Net Avg
1. Greg Montgomery	09/19/93	SD	5	57.6	1	0	49.8
2. Greg Montgomery	12/27/92	Buf	5	59.2	1	2	49.4
3. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>11/25/12</b>	<b>Jax</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>49.0</b>
4. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>11/09/14</b>	<b>Bal</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>51.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48.8</b>
5. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>10/26/14</b>	<b>Hou</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>51.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>48.7</b>
6. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>09/16/12</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>51.6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>48.6</b>
7. Craig Hentrich	11/04/01	Jac	4	57.5	0	2	48.5
8. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>11/11/12</b>	<b>Mia</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>52.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>48.0</b>
9. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>12/20/15</b>	<b>NE</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>54.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>47.2</b>
10. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>01/03/16</b>	<b>Ind</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>47.0</b>
11. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>09/15/13</b>	<b>Hou</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>46.6</b>
12. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>01/03/10</b>	<b>Sea</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>53.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>46.5</b>
13. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>11/08/15</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>50.6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>46.4</b>
14. Craig Hentrich	09/20/09	Hou	4	49.8	0	1	46.3
15. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>12/28/14</b>	<b>Ind</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>54.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>46.1</b>
16. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>11/01/15</b>	<b>Hou</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>49.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>45.9</b>
17. <b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>01/01/12</b>	<b>Hou</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>47.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>45.8</b>
<b>Brett Kern</b>	<b>12/04/11</b>	<b>Buf</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>47.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>45.8</b>

## #4 • K RYAN SUCCOP

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Kicker **Ryan Succop** (6-2, 218) is in his eighth NFL season and his third campaign with the Titans. He was signed by the Titans as a free agent on Sept. 1, 2014.

During his second season in Tennessee, Succop connected on 14 of his 16 field goal attempts and 29 of his 31 extra point attempts to total 71 points. His 87.5 percent success rate on field goals set a personal best and ranked as the sixth-highest figure in franchise history.

In 2014, he set a then-career high by making 86.4 percent of his field goal attempts. He was 19-of-22 and also connected on all 27 of his extra point attempts.

Succop's previous five seasons were spent with the Kansas City Chiefs, who chose him with the last pick of the 2009 NFL Draft (256th overall).

In his career with the Chiefs, he posted four 100-point seasons and made 81.0 percent (119-147) of his field goal attempts. Over his final three years there (2011-13), 52 percent of his kickoffs resulted in touchbacks, a number that ranked 11th in the NFL during that span.

In 2013, he tallied career highs for points (118) and touchbacks (47). He also posted the second-best percentage of his career for field goals made inside of 50 yards, connecting on 87.5 percent (21-24) of those at-

tempts. During his Chiefs career, he produced five game-winning kicks.

A native of Hickory, N.C., Succop played in 50 games for the University of South Carolina Gamecocks, hitting 49 of 69 field goals (71.0%) and converting 104 of 106 PATs. His 251 points made up the second-highest total in school history.

Succop's 2016 Preseason Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	FGM	FGA	Pct	Lg	XPM	XPA	Pts
2016	Ten	2	2	2	100.0	48	3	3	9

Succop's Career Regular Season Statistics:

Year	Team	GP	FGM	FGA	Pct	Lg	XPM	XPA	Pts
2009	KC	16	25	29	86.2	53	29	29	104
2010	KC	16	20	26	76.9	53	42	42	102
2011	KC	16	24	30	80.0	54	20	20	92
2012	KC	16	28	34	82.4	52	17	17	101
2013	KC	16	22	28	78.6	51	52	52	118
2014	Ten	16	19	22	86.4	51	27	27	84
2015	Ten	16	14	16	87.5	51	29	31	71
<b>Totals</b>		<b>112</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>82.2</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>672</b>

Succop's Regular Season Single-Game Highs:

**Field Goals Made** - 6 at New Orleans (9/23/12)

**Field Goal Attempts** - 6 at New Orleans (9/23/12)

**Longest Field Goal** - 54 vs. Minnesota (10/2/11)

**PATs Made** - 6 (Four times, last vs. Jacksonville, 12/6/15)

**PATs Attempted** - 6 (Four times, last vs. Jacksonville, 12/6/15)

**Points** - 19 at New Orleans (9/23/12)

**Consecutive Field Goals Made** - 22 (10/2/11-12/24/11)

## SINGLE-SEASON FIELD GOAL PERCENT

Ryan Succop owns two of the top single-season field goal percentages in franchise history. In 2015, he made 87.5 percent of his attempts, which ranks sixth in team annals, and his 86.4 percent success rate in 2014 ranks ninth.

Highest field goal percentage in a season, franchise history:

Player	Season	Made	Att	Pct
1. Rob Bironas	2010	24	26	92.3
Al Del Greco	1998	36	39	92.3
3. Rob Bironas	2011	29	32	90.6
4. Rob Bironas	2007	35	39	89.7
5. Rob Bironas	2008	29	33	87.9
6. <b>Ryan Succop</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>87.5</b>
7. Gary Anderson	2003	27	31	87.1
Al Del Greco	1995	27	31	87.1
9. <b>Ryan Succop</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>86.4</b>
10. Rob Bironas	2013	25	29	86.2



## CONSECUTIVE FIELD GOALS

From the final three games of the 2014 campaign through the first eight games of 2015, **Ryan Succop** made 15 consecutive field goals. His streak ranks seventh in franchise history.

**Longest streaks of field goal attempts without a miss, franchise history:**

Kicker	Season(s)	Consecutive Field Goals
1. Rob Bironas	2011–2012	20
Rob Bironas	2010	20
Rob Bironas	2007–2008	20
Al Del Greco	1998–1999	20
5. Rob Bironas	2007	19
6. Al Del Greco	1995–1996	18
7. <b>Ryan Succop</b>	<b>2014–2015</b>	<b>15</b>
8. Rob Bironas	2011	14
Al Del Greco	1999–2000	14
10. Al Del Greco	1994–1995	13

### RYAN SUCCOP'S CAREER GAME-WINNING FIELD GOALS

*A game-winning field goal is defined as one that was the final score of the game and gave the kicker's team the lead at any time in the fourth quarter or overtime.*

Date	Team	Opponent	Distance	Quarter
9/23/12	Kansas City	at New Orleans	31 yards	Overtime
10/31/11	Kansas City	vs. San Diego	30 yards	Overtime
9/19/10	Kansas City	at Cleveland	23 yards	4th Quarter
10/31/10	Kansas City	vs. Buffalo	35 yards	Overtime
11/22/09	Kansas City	vs. Pittsburgh	22 yards	Overtime

## MORE TITANS SPECIALISTS

### 48 - LS BEAU BRINKLEY

➤ Long snapper **Beau Brinkley** (6-4, 248) is in his fifth NFL season in 2016. He was signed as an undrafted free agent in 2012 and re-signed to a multi-year contract in 2015.

➤ In 2015, he played in all 16 games for the fourth consecutive season. He helped Brett Kern become the first punter in league history to record 80 or more punts, a net average of 40 yards, and one or zero touchbacks in a single season. He also served as the long snapper for kicker Ryan Succop, who went 14-of-16 and whose 87.5 percent success rate on field goals was the sixth-best in franchise history.

➤ In 2014, he played in all 16 games for the third consecutive year and tied for third on the team with a career-high 10 special teams tackles. He helped Brett Kern set a new team record for single-season net punting average.

➤ In 2013, Brinkley saw action in all 16 games and posted six special teams stops.

➤ In 2012, his consistency helped Brett Kern set the franchise records for both gross and net punting average in 2012.

➤ The Kearney, Mo., native spent four seasons as Missouri's long snapper after joining the team as a preferred walk-on. Appeared in 50 career games during his time at Missouri.

### 22 - RB/KR/PR DEXTER MCCLUSTER

➤ Running back/returner **Dexter McCluster** (5-8, 170) is in his seventh NFL season and his third campaign with the Titans. He was signed as an unrestricted free agent on March 13, 2014.

➤ In 2015, McCluster led the team in punt returns and kickoff returns. His totals included 24 punt returns for a 9.0-yard average and 13 kickoff returns for a 21.9-yard average. He was the only NFL player and the first player since Darren Sproles in 2011 with at least 200 yards as a rusher, receiver, kickoff returner and punt returner.

➤ In 2014, a knee injury brought his 2014 campaign to an early end. He was placed on injured reserve on Dec. 18. Prior to that, he played in 14 games (two starts) and totaled 131 yards on 40 carries and 197 yards and a touchdown on 26 receptions. He also led the team with 22 punt returns for a 7.0-yard average.

➤ During his four seasons in Kansas City, McCluster returned 79 punts for 959 yards (12.1 avg.) and three touchdowns as well as 52 kickoffs for 1,087 yards.

➤ In 2013, he was named to his first Pro Bowl, earning the honor as a punt returner. Additionally, he earned second-team All-Pro as a punt returner by the *Associated Press*. He recorded a league-best 686 yards on 58 punt returns with a pair of touchdowns.

➤ Read more on McCluster earlier in this release among the team's running backs.

### 3 - K ALDRICK ROSAS

➤ Kicker **Aldrick Rosas** (6-2, 195) was signed by the Titans as an undrafted free agent on May 9, 2016.

➤ Rosas was the starting kicker for Southern Oregon University during the 2013 season and the 2014 National Championship campaign. He converted a school-record 97.7 percent of his PATs and made 25 of his 32 field goal attempts (78.1 percent) during his career. He also produced 123 touchbacks on 204 kickoffs (60.3 percent).

➤ Rosas tore his ACL on the final kickoff of the 2014 National Championship Game and did not play in 2015.

➤ As a sophomore in 2014, he was the kicker for all 15 games en route to a National Championship. He made 16 of his 21 field goal attempts and converted 83 of his 86 PAT attempts, earning first-team All-Conference special teams honors.

➤ He is a native of Orland, Calif.





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### **RB ANTONIO ANDREWS**

- Andrews attended Fort Campbell (Ky.) High School, which is approximately 60 miles northwest of Nashville. As a high school senior, he was named the state of Kentucky's "Mr. Football" as a dual-threat quarterback.
- Antonio's father, Olan Andrews II, serves in the U.S. Army and was invited by the team to present the 12th Titan Sword of Honor prior to a Titans home game in 2015 (Nov. 15 vs. Carolina) as part of a Salute to Service celebration.

### **LB DAVID BASS**

- Bass became only the fifth player from Missouri Western State to reach the NFL.
- He and his wife, Jahnene, were high school sweethearts. They were married during the 2016 offseason.

### **T BYRON BELL**

- During the 2016 offseason, Bell volunteered as a teacher in numerous Middle Tennessee schools to prepare himself for a potential career in education following his football days.
- Bell is proud to be a native of Greenville, Texas, and the city reciprocates the feelings. The town of 25,557 named the street he grew up on "Byron Bell Street" and the mayor gave him a key to the city as a rookie.

### **DE ANGELO BLACKSON**

- Blackson's legal guardian as a youth was his sister, Dalila Newman. She raised Angelo since he was six years old and he says he learned everything from her.
- Blackson was on the field for the famous "Kick 6" play during the Auburn and Alabama game in 2013. Blackson lined up on the defensive front to attempt to block the field goal and served as a blocker on the game-winning missed field goal return for a touchdown.

### **CB ANTWON BLAKE**

- Blake has stated that the adversity of losing his grandmother at a young age has made him a better person and a better player. He knows his beginnings and wants to honor his grandmother while making her proud in the process.
- Blake's college recruiting experience was an unusual one. His journey was quite simple; he went to one football camp at UTEP. They offered him a scholarship, and that is where he decided to go.

### **LS BEAU BRINKLEY**

- Brinkley's father, Mike, was an All-American defensive end and long snapper at Missouri Valley College. Beau learned to long snap when he was just seven years old.
- Brinkley raced four-wheelers in the Extreme Dirt Track Racing Series while growing up in Missouri. He traveled the country competing in both motor cross and flat track competitions and won a flat track regional title in 2005.
- In June 2015, Brinkley participated in the Nashville Sports Council Golf Tournament at Gaylord Springs Golf Course. On the par-3 eighth hole, he sunk a hole-in-one to win a barrel of Jack Daniel's whiskey.

### **S KEVIN BYARD**

- He has aspirations to travel the world, and his bucket list includes setting foot on every continent.
- Byard credits his mother, Artina Stanley, for much of his success. Following a divorce when Byard was in ninth grade, his mother moved with the children from Philadelphia to Atlanta. Although it was a financial struggle, Stanley worked long hours to make sure her children received what they needed. Byard claims he and his older brother "had to grow up really fast" as they helped their mother with taking care of the younger kids in the family.
- The Titans had an inside track in their scouting of Byard. Titans general manager Jon Robinson received glowing reports on Byard from his friend and MTSU defensive coordinator Steve Ellis. When Robinson was a linebackers coach at Nicholls State, Ellis was one of his pupils, and the two remained close through the years. Additionally, Patrick Callaway, a newly-hired scouting assistant for the Titans, was Byard's high school teammate.

### **DT JURRELL CASEY**

- Casey and his wife, Ryann, set up the Casey Fund to help people in need, including people who have been incarcerated.
- Casey has a strong partnership with Project Return Tennessee.
- Family members, friends and teammates call him "Tut-Tut," a nickname he earned from his aunt as a small child because she said he walked like a

turtle.

- He has nine brothers and sisters.
- When he was in high school, his older brother, Jurray, was convicted of first-degree murder. Despite the turmoil it caused, Jurrell credits his brother for helping him re-focus on becoming a better football player and student.
- Casey calls his mother, Collette Burns, a cafeteria worker in the Long Beach Unified School District, "the inspiration in my life" for how hard she worked to provide for Jurrell and his siblings.

### **QB MATT CASSEL**

- Cassel's mother, Barbara, is an Emmy-winning set decorator in Hollywood. His late father, Greg, was a script writer.
- His wife, Lauren, was a captain of the Southern Cal volleyball team that won the 2002 national title.
- He played in the 1994 Little League World Series on the Northridge, Calif., team. He went on to play a season of baseball at Southern Cal and was selected in the 36th round of the 2004 Major League Baseball Draft by the Oakland Athletics.
- Cassel's older brother, Jack, pitched for the Houston Astros, Cleveland Indians and San Diego Padres. His younger brother, Justin, was a pitcher in the Chicago White Sox organization.

### **RB DAVID COBB**

- During his youth, Cobb says he was a huge fan of Titans running back Eddie George. He even wore jersey number 27 through college because of George.
- Cobb is the cousin and former Minnesota roommate of linebacker Damien Wilson, who was drafted by the Dallas Cowboys 11 spots (127th overall) before Cobb in the 2015 NFL Draft.
- His father, Caesar Cobb, is a retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel who served tours in Iraq and Kosovo. Caesar, who also played college football at Alcorn State, now works as a contractor.

### **T JACK CONKLIN**

- After not receiving a single Division I scholarship offer, Conklin began his time at Michigan State as a preferred walk-on in 2012. He impressed enough in his redshirt season to earn a scholarship in the spring of 2013.
- At Plainwell (Mich.) High School, Conklin's head coach was his father, Darren Conklin, who once was a walk-on at Michigan under Wolverines head coach Bo Schembechler.
- His mother, Jennifer Jackson, was an All-American swimmer at the University of Michigan.
- Conklin's grandfather, Ron Jackson, was a professional baseball player. He played first base for the Chicago White Sox and Boston Red Sox.
- He hopes to one day own his own farm.

### **CB PERRISH COX**

- Cox began playing football in large part to his father Perrish Cox, Sr. His dad, who played baseball at Southern University, was his coach and mentor growing up and taught him the importance of hard work and setting goals.
- Cox enjoys bowling as a hobby. He has rolled a high score of 276 and as a member of the Denver Broncos, he competed in a bowling league during his free time.

### **OLB KEVIN DODD**

- Dodd says that his grandmother Mamae Charles served as an inspiration in his life and her guidance in the early years helped him reach his football dreams. She passed away when he was in sixth grade and to this day he plays to honor her life.

### **WR HARRY DOUGLAS**

- Douglas' brother, Toney, is a seven-year NBA veteran who currently plays for the New Orleans Pelicans. Toney was originally drafted by the L.A. Lakers as the 29th overall pick in the 2009 NBA Draft and has played for New York, Houston, Miami, Golden State, Sacramento and New Orleans. Harry tries to attend as many of Toney's games as possible.
- In his spare time, he enjoys date nights with his wife, Kierra; bowling; traveling; discovering new restaurants; watching movies; playing cards; and keeping his niece, nephew and godchildren.

### **TE ANTHONY FASANO**

- Fasano is the founder of Next Chapter Addiction Treatment, which exists to "provide state of the art clinical and 12-step immersion services for patients so they rediscover themselves, learn to build healthy relationships, embrace

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recovery and live a life free from addiction.” Fasano’s family was impacted by addiction, and watching the recovery process inspired Fasano to launch the venture. The facility in Delray Beach, Fla., which opened in December 2015, currently can treat up to 35 total inpatients and outpatients at a time. More information is available at [nextchapteraddiction.com](http://nextchapteraddiction.com).

- He established the Anthony Fasano Foundation in 2008 to serve underprivileged youth and military families in New Jersey.
- Fasano speaks Italian and Spanish fluently.

### **FB JALSTON FOWLER**

- Fowler lists his mother, Dana, as the person that inspires him the most. When his brother, Joe, was accidentally shot and killed at a friend’s house in 2007, she stayed strong and kept the family together.
- Fowler’s nickname is “Nudie.” His father gave it to him as a baby because he was always running around the house naked. Fowler has nicknamed his son, Jalston Jr., “Toodie.”

### **C ANDY GALLIK**

- Gallik’s brother, Matt, is a professional volleyball player who currently plays for the Great Lakes Lightning.
- Gallik enjoys fishing and considers himself a movie buff. He is also an avid fan of the NHL’s Chicago Blackhawks.
- His “bucket list” includes visiting the Egyptian pyramids and to “see his parents retire happy.”

### **RB DERRICK HENRY**

- In high school, Henry broke the 51-year-old national high school rushing record with 12,124 yards after compiling 4,261 rushing yards as a senior.
- Henry says his grandmother Gladys Henry has served as a key inspirational piece during his career. He has a portrait tattoo of her on his chest.
- Henry has been growing out his hair since he was in elementary school.

### **DB MARQUESTON HUFF**

- Marqueston is the son of Connie Williams and Richard Gray. His wife, Sherell, is in the Air Force Reserves.
- He overcame difficult circumstances as a child, thanks in large part to his aunt and uncle, Rhonda and Richard Carson, who took their nephew in when he was in the second grade.
- Huff’s brother, Tra Carson, was a two-year starting running back at Texas A&M from 2014-15.
- Huff is good friends with NFL running back LaMichael James, who grew up in the same neighborhood in Texarkana.

### **WR JUSTIN HUNTER**

- Hunter was one of the nation’s top track-and-field athletes in high school. He finished as the top junior in the long jump at the 2010 USA Outdoor Championships with a leap of 25-feet-10½-inches and qualified for IAAF World Junior Championships. Track & Field News rated him the country’s No. 3 long jumper, No. 7 high jumper and No. 14 triple jumper. He won Virginia state titles in both the high jump and long jump and finished second in the triple jump.
- Hunter continued his track and field career as a freshman at Tennessee. He was named first-team USTFCCCA Indoor All-American in the long jump after finishing eighth at the NCAA Indoor Championships with a leap of 25-feet 4½-inches. He was also named to the SEC Indoor All-Freshman Team as the highest finishing rookie in the long jump at the league championships. Earlier he set the Tennessee freshman indoor record with a long jump of 26-feet 1½-inches.

### **DL AUSTIN JOHNSON**

- When Johnson was drafted by the Titans, he became a teammate once again of DaQuan Jones, a former Penn State defensive lineman who was drafted by the Titans in 2014. The two remained close, and Jones was among Johnson’s family and friends surrounding him on draft night.
- Johnson was a broadcast journalism major at Penn State.
- The son of Austin and Tammy Johnson, he has two older sisters, Brandi and Erika, and one younger sister, Kennedy. Kennedy is a forward on the Michigan State women’s basketball team.

### **S RASHAD JOHNSON**

- Johnson attended the 2016 NFL Broadcast Bootcamp during the offseason and would like to get into sports media following his playing career.
- After redshirting in his first season at Alabama, Johnson made the switch to defense in 2005 and went on to become just the eighth player in Alabama’s

storied history to serve as team captain twice (as a junior and senior).

- Johnson lost the end of his left middle finger while he attempted a tackle on special teams in the second quarter of the Cardinals Week 3 matchup in New Orleans in 2013. He returned to action three games later.
- Johnson’s foundation is called The Walk-on to Champions Foundation. During the 2016 offseason, he held the sixth annual Walk-on to Champions weekend at Sulligent High School in support of his Walk-on to Champions Foundation. During the weekend, Rashad hosted a high intensity high school skills camp, his annual Celebrity Basketball game featuring his NFL colleagues and former Alabama players and his annual Youth Football Skills camp for kids in first through eighth grade.

### **C BEN JONES**

- Jones switched from jersey #61 to #60 prior to his senior season at Georgia, to honor his father, Steve, a former collegiate star, who was killed in a helicopter crash when he was 10 years old.
- Jones’ pregame ritual consists of walking barefoot on the field “to get a feel for the turf.” The routine began before one game with his brother in high school and after enjoying success that night, it has continued ever since.

### **DL DaQUAN JONES**

- Jones majored in Criminology at Penn State and spent a portion of his 2013 summer as an intern observing the Spring Township Police Department near State College.
- Jones entered the Penn State program after being rated the second-best offensive lineman in the nation.
- He lists his father, Steve, as the most inspirational person in his life. Steve raised DaQuan as a single father and one of his father’s greatest traits is that he works extremely hard in everything he does. Steve works as an executive chef at Cornell University.

### **G/T DENNIS KELLY**

- Kelly’s brother, Tim, played football at Eastern Illinois and is currently an offensive quality control coach for the Houston Texans.
- Kelly’s favorite football player growing up was former Titans great Jevon Kearse.
- He is an avid professional wrestling fan that does not let the opportunity pass him by whenever a live WWE show is in town. He lists the Undertaker as the one person in the world he would like to have dinner with.

### **P BRETT KERN**

- Kern’s father, Cal, is a former professional soccer goalie.
- Kern is an avid golfer that sports a +1 handicap. He picked the game up late in his high school years and caddied for three summers at Inverness Golf Club while in college. The course is located in Toledo, Ohio, and has hosted PGA and NCAA Championships. In 2011, Kern competed in The Vinny, a local golf fundraising tournament hosted by singers Vince Gill and Amy Grant, and finished fourth in the event.

### **DL KARL KLUG**

- Klug has an identical twin brother, Kevin, who played linebacker at Minnesota State University, Mankato. As high school teammates, Kevin played fullback, opening holes for Karl, the team’s running back. Kevin now owns and operates Klug Fitness, a mobile fitness business in Nashville. He also has toured with Lady Antebellum and Sam Hunt as a personal trainer. Karl and Kevin have an older sister, Kelsey.
- Klug’s small hometown of Caledonia calls itself the “Wild Turkey Capital of Minnesota” and “The Heart of Quilt Country.”
- Klug arrived on Iowa’s campus as an undersized defender who weighed only 207 pounds at the time.

### **T TAYLOR LEWAN**

- Lewan chose to wear jersey number 77 at Michigan and then at the pro level because of the legacy of Wolverine tackles who have donned the number, including Jake Long and Jon Jansen.
- His father, Dave, was a defensive lineman at the University of Minnesota.
- Lewan has a mustache tattooed on his right index finger and a stick figure tattooed on the outside edge of his right hand that he calls his “right-hand man.”
- One of Lewan’s close friends is Carolina Panthers defensive end Craig Roh. The two played together as high school seniors and then went to Michigan at the same time.

### **QB MARCUS MARIOTA**



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- Mariota's touchdown "celebrations" are usually limited to a simple series of gestures: three taps on his chest and pointing to the sky as a way to show appreciation for his mother, father and younger brother.
- He is the oldest son of Toa and Alana Mariota. His younger brother, Matthew, is a sophomore linebacker at Oregon.
- Mariota credits much of his athletic success to playing soccer in his youth. By the time he was eight years old, he was wearing a soccer jersey with the number 8, and he has kept the jersey number ever since then.
- During his time in Eugene, Ore., Mariota became a fixture at the Boys and Girls Club of Emerald Valley, spending time on a weekly basis with kids at the center. For his efforts in the community, he was awarded with the inaugural Play It Forward Award at the 63rd Annual Oregon Sports Awards in June 2015.
- Mariota's "bucket list" includes boogie boarding in Bali and traveling to Europe and South America.
- Mariota is working on the launch of his Motiv8 foundation, which will serve the communities of Middle Tennessee, Eugene and Honolulu.

### G/C JOSUE MATIAS

- Matias was born in the Dominican Republic and moved to Union City, N.J., with his family when he was six. He is the first ever NFL player born in the Dominican Republic.
- Matias won the 2014 BCS National Championship after starting all 14 games with the Florida State Seminoles during his junior season.

### WR RISHARD MATTHEWS

- Matthews' father, Andre, is a retired U.S. Marine Corps master sergeant.
- In October 2015, Matthews' half-brother Christopher Ruiz was killed while serving as a retired Marine working as a private defense contractor in Afghanistan. Ruiz served in the Marines for 10 years, and served overseas in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He was in Afghanistan training locals to fight for their country, when he was killed. Ruiz was one of six U.S. Airmen and five other civilian contractors killed in the crash of an Air Force C-130 as it tried to put down at the Jalalabad Airfield on Oct. 2.
- Matthews wears a bracelet with the words "Forever by my side." It has his fallen brother's name on it, along with the Marines logo. He wears the bracelet every day.

### WR TRE McBRIDE

- McBride's father, Douglas, is a U.S. Army Colonel currently stationed at Fort Lee, Va., and has had two tours in Iraq and one tour in Afghanistan.
- McBride has played the trumpet since sixth grade and started playing the harmonica in college.
- McBride is the creator and administrator of a lifestyle website called Fresh Life Only (freshlifeonly.com), or Flo. He and his co-creators blog on topics related to the mind, body, soul and finances.

### CB BRICE McCAIN

- In 2014, McCain played with the Pittsburgh Steelers and worked with current Titans defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau. McCain kept his notes from playing in LeBeau's defense and referenced them when making the transition to Tennessee.

### RB DEXTER McCLUSTER

- McCluster received the key to the city of his hometown of Largo, Fla., on May 4, 2010, a few days after being drafted by the Kansas City Chiefs.
- McCluster was a journalism major at Ole Miss and would like to get into the sports communications industry following his playing career.

### CB JASON McCOURTY

- McCourty played his last three seasons at Rutgers with his identical twin brother, Devin. The duo held down the starting cornerback spots for Scarlet Knights together for two years. Devin, who redshirted his first season at Rutgers, was a first-round draft pick by the New England Patriots in 2010. They also have an older brother, Larry.
- During the 2013 offseason, Jason and Devin spearheaded "Tackle Sickle Cell," a campaign that aimed to educate the public, increase blood donations, and raise money and awareness for the fight against sickle cell disease. The duo partners with the Embrace Kids Foundation to host three major events: McCourty Twins 5K Run/Walk, Tackle SC Casino Night and Tackle Sickle Cell Blood Drive. More information is available online at [www.tacklesicklecell.org](http://www.tacklesicklecell.org).
- In 2014, Jason and Devin McCourty won their respective team's Walter Payton Man of the Year Award. Then, in 2015, each of the twins were nominated for the Byron "Whizzer" White Award for their commitment to their

respective NFL cities. During the 2016 offseason, Rutgers University welcomed Jason and Devin McCourty into their Hall of Distinguished Alumni.

- McCourty excelled off the field at Rutgers, as he was a semifinalist for the prestigious Vincent dePaul Draddy Trophy given to the college football player with the best combination of academics, community service and on-field performance. He was also named an ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District first-team member.

### OLB DERRICK MORGAN

- Morgan is a 2016 graduate of the University of Miami's Executive MBA for Artists and Athletes program.
- Morgan helped deliver his daughter at home in April 2015.
- Morgan credits his mother, Pamela Sweigart, as his primary role model in life. He also says that she should be credited with his football success, since, even as a single parent, she managed to take him to every practice and every game during his youth.

### OLB DEIONTREZ MOUNT

- Mount grew up as a Titans fan because his favorite player was Titans running back Eddie George.
- He is an avid fan of J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter" books and lists Rowling as the person he most wants to meet.

### RB DeMARCO MURRAY

- Murray led his high school basketball team to a 2005 state title. He was considered a top-30 basketball recruit in the state as well.
- He started the DeMarco Murray Foundation with the mission to provide families with seriously and chronically ill children with daily encouragement and life changing experiences. More information is available at [DeMarco-Murray.com](http://DeMarco-Murray.com).
- Murray hosted his first youth football camp in Middle Tennessee in June 2016, welcoming 150 players to the two-day event at D1 Sports Training in Franklin.

### OLB BRIAN ORAKPO

- Orakpo annually hosts The Brian Orakpo Leukemia Golf Classic to raise money for the National Capital Area Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.
- Orakpo is a good friend with former Titans safety Michael Griffin. The two played together for three seasons at the University of Texas and Griffin was an integral part in helping recruit Orakpo to Nashville.

### LB NATE PALMER

- Palmer was the high school basketball teammate of current N.Y. Knicks point guard Derrick Rose for two seasons.
- Palmer names his father, Nathan Sr., as the biggest influence on him as he never made excuses and successfully started his own trucking business in Chicago.
- During college, Palmer held summer jobs at the Boys and Girls Club in Champaign and later as a busboy and food expeditor at the Bloomington (Ill.) Country Club.

### DE ROPATI PITOITUA

- Pitoitua was born in Samoa. He came to the United States in 1995.

### T WILL POEHLIS

- Poehls enjoys playing the guitar and singing in his free time. He won an athlete talent show at the University of Montana with a rendition of Amazing Grace.
- Poehls grandfather, Bill Poehls, fought in World War II and the Korean War.
- Poehls is a self-proclaimed master of the board game Settlers of Catan.
- The Poehls family won a July 4th singing competition in Lake Montezuma, Ariz.

### T JEREMIAH POUTASI

- Poutasi's cousin is NFL guard Paul Fanaika.
- Poutasi's mother, Oloka, is Tongan and his father, Samuelu, is Samoan.
- Poutasi lettered in bowling during high school and rolled a high score of 283. He is also an avid table tennis and billiards player.

### CB KALAN REED

- The Titans selected Reed with the 253rd pick in the draft making him "Mr. Irrelevant," an unofficial title bestowed upon the last person selected in the

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### NFL Draft.

- Reed lived in Nashville from the time he was two-years old until he was six. He started playing football in Antioch, Tenn., with the Flatrock Vols pee-wee team and played during halftime of a Titans game when he was five-years old.
- Reed's cousin, Maurice Kelly, played safety with the Seattle Seahawks and is currently the VP of Player Development for the organization. Reed's mother, Keyaschei, once worked in the Memphis Grizzlies ticket office.

### CB CODY RIGGS

- Cody's father, Gerald Riggs, was a three-time Pro Bowl running back during his 10-year NFL career with the Atlanta Falcons and Washington Redskins. His older brother, Gerald Riggs, Jr., was a running back at the University of Tennessee, who played briefly with the Miami Dolphins and Chicago Bears.

### DB CURTIS RILEY

- While out of college in 2011, Riley worked at Family Dollar in Orlando to help his mother pay the bills.

### RB BISHOP SANKEY

- Sankey's grandfather, Albert, had been blind in his left eye for more than 30 years. When Bishop was younger, Albert used to make a trip at the end of each summer from his home in Montgomery, Ala., to stay with his family in northeast Ohio. Over the summer months, Albert would be a regular at his grandson's pee-wee football games. By the time Bishop was in middle school, all his grandfather could see on the field were shadows. Finally after a cornea transplant restored sight in his right eye, Albert was able to see Bishop play for the first time at Stanford during his junior campaign.
- Sankey's father, Christopher, is in the Air Force and has been deployed three times to the Middle East.
- Sankey was featured on the ESPN documentary Draft Academy which followed him through the draft process.

### C BRIAN SCHWENKE

- Schwenke was an avid surfer during the time he spent living in Hawaii as a result of his father's job in the Navy.
- His father, Brian Sr., was a SERE (Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape) trainer in the Navy from 1990–2002.
- Schwenke enjoyed swimming with whale sharks on his honeymoon in Cabo in 2014. He also has enjoyed traveling to Europe, including visits to Ireland, Amsterdam, Brussels, Prague, Vienna and Budapest.
- He owns three dogs: an English bulldog named Vinny, a Dogo Argentino named Nala, and a golden doodle named Calli.

### S DA'NORRIS SEARCY

- Searcy wore No. 21 at North Carolina because his grandmother was born in 1921.
- Searcy has tattoos of a cross and angel wings to represent his grandmother and great grandmother.

### WR TAJAE SHARPE

- Sharpe's grandmother, Cozy Little, is a breast cancer survivor having beat the disease in 2013.
- Sharpe was so excited to get into football mode that he brought his own football to the first day of the Titans rookie minicamp. He says he usually goes to sleep with it and carries one around as much as he can, just because.
- Sharpe's family members nicknamed him "Show," which is short for "Showtime."

### CB LeSHAUN SIMS

- He was commonly referred to as "Swis" in college because for his first college game the name on the back of his jersey was upside down. The nickname stuck.
- Prior to Sims, no prior student-athlete from Andre Agassi Prep in Las Vegas, Nev., had ever earned an athletic scholarship. When he was a high school freshman, the Stars played eight-man football in the public charter school's first year with a football team. They moved to 11-man football during his sophomore year, and by his senior season, the team won a league title.
- Sims is a movie buff who lists "Training Day" among his all-time favorites.

### G/T QUINTON SPAIN

- Spain hosted his first NFL Skills Camp in Nashville in June 2016.

### LB SEAN SPENCE

- Spence was the recipient of the Pittsburgh Steelers' Ed Block Courage Award in 2014 for his efforts in overcoming a serious knee injury.

### S DAIMION STAFFORD

- At Norco (Calif.) High School, his coach was Todd Gerhart, the father of NFL running back Toby Gerhart.
- Navigating through his youth was not always an easy process for Stafford and his two sisters. But thanks to the efforts of many, he persevered. Those that inspired and helped him included his mother, LaTanya Henderson; Norco High School guidance counselor Kristine McCollough; Norco football coach Todd Gerhart; and Daniel Kelley, the head of his "second family." Stafford spent time living with the Gerhart and Kelley families during high school.

### LB JUSTIN STAPLES

- Staples is related to Roebuck "Pops" Staples of the famed soul/R&B group The Staples Singers.
- He is the oldest of eight siblings and grew up in Berea, Ohio, down the street from the Cleveland Browns' practice facility.

### TE CRAIG STEVENS

- Stevens enjoys designing and making furniture in his free time. He has a workshop in his garage and has made a variety of pieces, including end tables, shelving units, cabinets, chess sets and unique decorative fixtures.
- Stevens has picked up a new hobby in fly fishing. He has made several trips and even makes his own fly fishing nets.
- He has a younger brother, Eric, who signed as a rookie free agent with the St. Louis Rams in 2013 following a four-year career as a fullback at Cal. He has two other brothers, Jeff and Brett, who are firefighters with the L.A. City Fire Department.

### K RYAN SUCCOP

- Succop was given the title "Mr. Irrelevant" after being selected with the final pick (256th overall) of the 2009 NFL Draft.
- At Hickory (N.C.) High School, he was a three-time All-State selection in soccer with 104 career goals.
- Succop caddied for his friend, Wesley Bryan, at the 2016 Nashville Golf Open, a Web.com event at Nashville Golf & Athletic Club. Succop and Bryan went to school together at the University of South Carolina.

### TE PHILLIP SUPERNOW

- Supernaw's father is country music singer Doug Supernaw.
- Supernaw was actually born in Nashville, but moved to the Houston area at an early age and attended high school in Katy, Texas.
- A member at Vanderbilt Legends Club in Franklin, Tenn., the golf enthusiast plays whenever he can during the offseason and is a 4.5 handicap.

### QB ALEX TANNEY

- Tanney started at shooting guard as a freshman and sophomore at Monmouth. He stopped playing the sport collegiately to concentrate more on his football career.
- Tanney was a long distance runner at high school and ran a 4:20 mile.
- Tanney posted a Trick Shot Quarterback video on YouTube that went viral in 2011 when he was at Monmouth. The video has been viewed more than four million times and features Tanney making incredible throws in a variety of off-the-field situations.
- Tanney's two older brothers are in the sports industry. Matt is the Athletics Director at Western Illinois University and Mitch is the Director of Analytics for the Denver Broncos.

### OLB J.R. TAVAI

- J.R. is the second-oldest of seven children—six sons and one daughter—in his family. His mother, Nafanua, named six of them after athletes and one after a musician: Jordan, J.R., Jahlani, Justice, Jonah, Jagger and Serena. J.R. is named after a former rugby player named John Schuster.

### G SEBASIAN TRETOLA

- In 2014, Tretola and the University of Arkansas launched his own Heisman Trophy campaign after he threw a touchdown pass to his long snapper on a fake field goal. The Razorbacks athletic department produced a video highlighting the guard's offensive prowess that got more than 82,000 views on YouTube.
- Tretola states the reason he loves football is because it literally saved his life. Without the game, he says he would have gone down a "real, real, real



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bad path.” He says he is going to pay the sport back by giving it everything he’s got.

➤ Tretola is a self-proclaimed world-renowned beatboxer.

### WR ANDREW TURZILLI

➤ Turzilli graduated from Kansas with a degree in American labor studies in May 2014. He then played his final college season at Rutgers.

### TE DELANIE WALKER

➤ Walker was named the Tennessee Titans Community Man of the Year in 2013 and 2015, due in large part to his tireless work with Mothers Against Drunk Driving. He teamed with MADD to help raise awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving after losing his aunt and uncle in a horrific accident near New Orleans after Super Bowl XLVII. The morning after San Francisco’s loss to Baltimore at the Superdome, an alleged drunk driver killed Alice and Bryan Young only hours after Walker hugged Alice and Bryan at the team’s postgame party. In addition to his work with MADD, Walker is an ambassador with the Tennessee Governor’s Highway Safety Office’s “Booze It and Lose It” campaign.

➤ During the 2016 offseason, Walker spearheaded a benefit dinner and auction for his foundation called “Carving It Up with Delanie Walker.” He also launched “Delanie Walker’s Imagination Station” at Fall-Hamilton Elementary School in collaboration with Scholastic Book Fairs to provide a new fully-furnished reading room for students.

➤ During the 2015 and 2016 offseasons, the Delanie Walker Gives Back Foundation (delaniewalker.org) hosted a Celebrity Go-Karting Challenge, raising more than \$75,000 to benefit the foundation. Walker’s offseason also includes hosting a youth football camp.

➤ Over the years, Walker has owned quite a selection of cars, ranging from classics to newer models. His collection has included a 1964 Chevy Impala, 1972 Buick Skylark, 1989 Camaro IROC-Z28, 2008 Mercedes-Benz CL63 AMG and 2010 F250 truck. Walker’s passion for cars can be traced back to his childhood, where he would spend countless hours refurbishing old autos with the help of his friend’s father, who was a mechanic.

➤ His speed on the field can be linked to his success on the track as a high school senior. Despite lettering only one year, he won the Division III 100m (10.6) and long jump (21-5) titles, while also serving as a member of the winning 4x100m relay team at the 2002 Miramonte League Meet. Delanie’s younger brother, Anthony, competed in the 400m and 4x400m at the collegiate level, and has his hopes set on making the Olympic team one day.

➤ On Feb. 14, 2015, Walker was inducted into the Central Missouri Athletic Hall of Fame.

### OLB AARON WALLACE

➤ Wallace is one-quarter Chinese on his mother’s side of the family. One of his “bucket list” items is to walk on the Great Wall of China.

➤ His father, Aaron Wallace Sr., was a three-time All-Southwest Conference selection at linebacker for Texas A&M (1986-89) and was selected in the second round of the 1990 NFL Draft by the Oakland Raiders. Aaron Sr. went on to play eight seasons in the NFL, collecting 21 sacks in 102 career games.

➤ His mother, Sandra Broussard, is on the board of a foundation in San Diego called the Berry Good Food Foundation, which promotes nutritional education and organic food.

➤ He aspires to be a strength and conditioning coach following his playing career.

### G CHANCE WARMACK

➤ At Alabama, Warmack developed the custom of rolling up his jersey to just under the numbers as a way to stay cooler. Soon, the fad became known as “Warmacking,” and fans began posting photos on social media of their exposed bellies. He highlights the best fan photos on social media with what he calls “Warmackin Wednesdays.”

➤ Warmack attended Westlake High School in Atlanta, Ga., where he was a teammate during his freshman and sophomore years with current Carolina Panthers quarterback Cam Newton.

➤ His brother, Dallas, is a sophomore offensive line prospect that is following in Chance’s footsteps at the University of Alabama.

### CB B.W. WEBB

➤ Webb has not cut his hair since his true freshman season at William & Mary in 2008.

➤ In college, he served as president of the Alpha Delta Sigma chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

➤ He has been a roller skating enthusiast since the age of 6.

➤ Webb is such a fan of Waffle House that he even took to wearing a Waffle House arm sleeve during football practice.

### ILB AVERY WILLIAMSON

➤ Williamson grew up in the West Tennessee town of Milan, which is approximately a two-hour drive from Nashville. He lists Eddie George, Steve McNair and Jevon Kearse as his favorite Titans as a child.

➤ One of Williamson’s “bucket list” items is to see the pyramids in Egypt.

➤ In 2013, he was chosen to represent the Kentucky football program on a one-week educational/service trip in Ethiopia.

### DL AL WOODS

➤ Woods likes to fish and hunt deer and owns a farm with about 300 head of cattle and 90 horses in Elton, La.

### ILB WESLEY WOODYARD

➤ Woodyard has been a captain in his first two seasons with the Titans. He joined Hall of Fame running back Floyd Little as the only players in Broncos franchise history to serve as a captain in each of their first five years with the club. In 2004, Woodyard also became the first-ever Kentucky freshman to serve as a team captain.

➤ Woodyard is the co-founder of The 16Ways Foundation which recognizes an emotional need for at-risk youth. The Foundation works on a national level to develop and implement workshops, seminars, camps, and other activities. These events are designed to build self-esteem, promote responsibility for one’s own actions and overcoming obstacles, and demonstrate the importance of academics, knowledge of career options, professional development, community involvement, and mental and physical fitness among youth of all socio-economic backgrounds. The Foundation’s primary focus is to work with at-risk youth between the ages of 8 and 18 and a secondary focus on adults in employment transition.

➤ Woodyard was a three-time nominee for the Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year while with the Broncos in 2010-11 and 2013.

### CB BLIDI WREH-WILSON

➤ Wreh-Wilson did not play football until his senior year of high school. His focus was on soccer and basketball until he was convinced by friends and General McLane’s head football coach to give football a try.

➤ Wreh-Wilson’s parents are natives of Liberia. His father, D. Elliott Wreh-Wilson, came to the United States in 1980 to attend college. After he graduated from Boston College, he went back and got Blidi’s mother, Lucinda, and his brother, Elliott Jr., and brought them to the U.S. in 1984. Blidi was born five years later, followed by his sister, Tsuwli Lucinda.

➤ The name Blidi is literally translated as “trouble,” but he explains why his father, a philosophy professor at Edinboro University, named him that: “In Liberia there was a war, and that was the trouble. But when I came along, he named me that with the belief I could bring peace.”

➤ During his redshirt freshman season at Connecticut, Wreh-Wilson was forced to cope with a shocking tragedy: his teammate and close friend, cornerback Jasper “Jazz” Howard, was stabbed to death. Howard’s locker was next to Wreh-Wilson’s and remained untouched for the remainder of the 2009 season.

### WR KENDALL WRIGHT

➤ During the 2013 offseason, Wright went back to Baylor to train for his second NFL campaign. He worked out with Dallas Cowboys receiver Terrance Williams and lost close to 15 pounds.

➤ As a freshman at Baylor, Wright played on the basketball team. He appeared in 13 games as a reserve guard and scored 10 points.

➤ Wright was a three-sport star at Pittsburg (Texas) High School, where he earned All-State honors in football, basketball and track. He captured the state 3A titles in the long jump (24-0 3/4) and triple jump (48-5 1/4).

## THIS WEEK'S MEDIA CALENDAR

22 Monday	23 Tuesday	24 Wednesday	25 Thursday	26 Friday	27 Saturday	28 Sunday
<b>Practice</b> <b>11:40 a.m.-1:00 p.m.</b>  <b>Mike Mularkey</b> available, locker room open following practice	<b>Practice</b> <b>1:25-3:25 p.m.</b>  <b>Mike Mularkey and</b> <b>Marcus Mariota</b> available, locker room open following practice	<b>Practice</b> <b>11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m.</b>  <b>Mike Mularkey and</b> <b>assistant coaches</b> available, locker room open following practice	<b>Practice</b> <b>10:45 a.m.-12 p.m.</b>  <b>Mike Mularkey</b> available; locker room open following practice	<b>No Media Access</b> Travel Day	<b>Titans at Raiders</b> 7:00 p.m. CDT Oakland Alameda Coliseum	<b>Mike Mularkey</b> <b>Press Conference</b>  Time TBA at Saint Thomas Sports Park

## TITANS MEDIA GUIDE

The 2016 Tennessee Titans Media Guide is now available online at:

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The media guide includes executive bios, coaches bios, player bios, a review of 2015, Titans records, history and playoff history.

The online media guide allows the team to update information during the season and makes archived documents easily accessible. A PDF version of the entire preseason media guide is now available for download at the site.

Traditional, printed versions of the Titans media guide are available in limited supply by request only.

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### DIRECTIONS TO NISSAN STADIUM

**FROM AIRPORT TO NISSAN STADIUM (APPROXIMATELY 15 MINUTES):** Take I-40 West toward Nashville/Memphis to I-24 West (before downtown). Exit at James Robertson Parkway (Exit 48). Turn left at first light (Interstate Drive). Turn right on Woodland Street. Nissan Stadium will be on the left. Follow signs to parking lot ("M" lot on northwest corner/river side of stadium).

### NISSAN STADIUM MEDIA WILL CALL/MEDIA ENTRANCE

The media will call window and media entrance are located in the northwest corner of Nissan Stadium near Gate 6. The media will call window opens three hours prior to kickoff.

### FIELD MEDIA VESTS

All members of the media with field access during the game must wear a media vest. Still and video photographers will be issued tan vests, while team-affiliated video photographers (coaches' shows, etc.) will be issued green vests. All vests must be obtained prior to each game at the vest check-in table in the field level concourse. All vests must be returned at the conclusion of the game to Titans personnel or a designated vest receptacle.

### NISSAN STADIUM PRESS BOX INTERNET ACCESS

Wireless internet access is available free of charge in the Nissan Stadium press box. The login information will be available upon arrival in the press box. A limited number of ethernet lines and pool phone lines also are available. Accessing the wireless network works the same in the Nissan Stadium press box as it does in most areas with free connectivity. Titans staff may be able to assist in a limited manner, but you should first contact your company's I.T. department with any questions.

### FROM NISSAN STADIUM PRESS BOX TO LOCKER ROOMS

Take the press box elevator (Level 3) to field level (Level 1). The Titans interview room is immediately on the right, and the Titans locker room (blue line) is straight ahead. Turn left and continue straight along the concourse to reach the visiting team's locker room and interview room (white line).

### POSTGAME POLICIES

Reporters with press box credentials will be allowed on the field during pre-game activities but not during the game itself. Press box credentials do NOT provide access to the field at the two-minute warning in the fourth quarter. Media will be allowed to gather in the Titans interview room to watch the end of the game or remain in the press box to make the short walk down to the field level at the conclusion of the game. All media members will have field access once all of the players and coaches have exited the field. Interviews with Titans players are not permitted on the field following the game. Ken Whisenhunt's press conference will begin approximately 10 minutes following the conclusion of the game and will be held in the interview room across from the Titans locker room. Key players also will be brought to the interview room. The press conference audio will be played live over the press box speakers.

### POSTGAME QUOTES

Quotes from each team's head coach and key players will be transcribed and distributed throughout the Nissan Stadium press box following the game. The quotes also will be available at [www.TitansOnline.com](http://www.TitansOnline.com).

### POOL REPORTS

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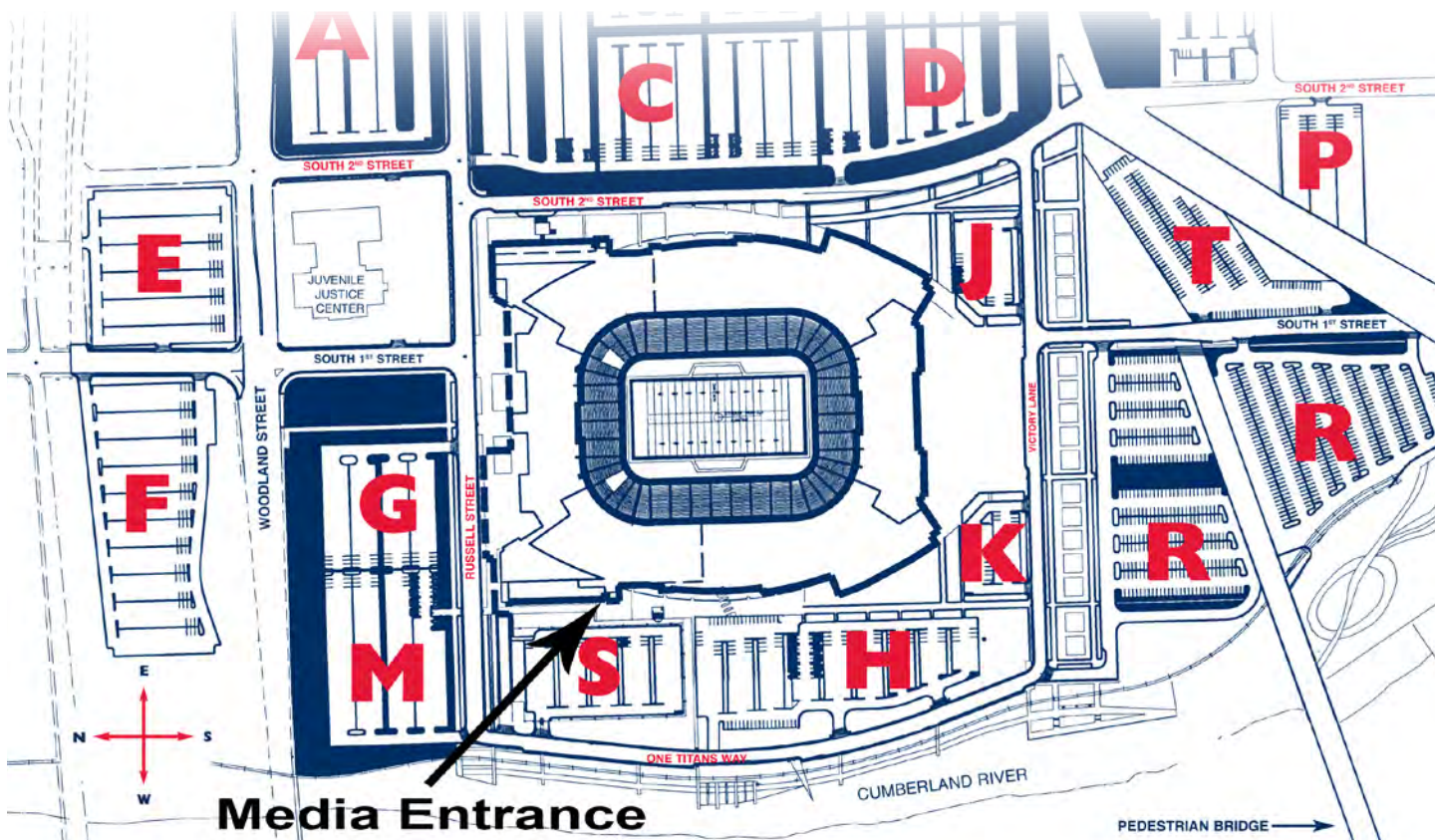
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CB Antwon Blake	@zillamane41	@zillamane41
LS Beau Brinkley	@Brinkley86	@brinkley486
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S Kevin Byard	@KB20_Era	@kevinbyard20
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RB David Cobb	@DCobb27	@dcobb27
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DB Marqueston Huff	@MHuff28	
WR Justin Hunter	@justinhunter_11	@justinhunter_11
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WR Andrew Turzilli	@Aturzilli82	@aturzilli82
TE Delanie Walker	@delaniewalker82	@delaniewalker82
OLB Aaron Wallace		@wallace51
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CB B.W. Webb	@OhGi_3Dawg3	@ohgi_3dawg3
WR Jarrod West	@Jwest_88	@Jwest_88
LB Avery Williamson	@AWilliamson54	@awilliamson54
DL Al Woods		@hulk337
LB Wesley Woodyard	@WoodDro52	@wooddro52
CB Blidi Wreh-Wilson	@wrehblidi	
NT Antwaun Woods	@AntwaunWoods_	@antwaunwoods
WR Kendall Wright	@1kendallwright	@k_dub01





## TITANS TV RATINGS

2016 preseason Titans television ratings in the Nashville market:

Date/Opponent	Day/Time	Network	Rating/Share	Rank
8/13 vs. SD	Sat. 7 p.m.	WKRN	14.5/22	7*
8/20 vs. Car	Sat. 2 p.m.	WKRN	12.8/22	6*
8/27 at Oak	Sat. 7 p.m.	CBS	-	-
9/1 at Mia	Thu 6 p.m.	WKRN	-	-

\* Ranked behind only Olympic coverage

Regular season Titans television ratings in the Nashville market:

Season	Rating/Share
2015 Regular Season Average	21.3/37
2014 Regular Season Average	20.7/36
2013 Regular Season Average	25.0/41
2012 Regular Season Average	23.5/39
2011 Regular Season Average	27.7/46
2010 Regular Season Average	30.2/50
2009 Regular Season Average	30.9/50
2008 Regular Season Average	32.4/55
2007 Regular Season Average	28.6/49
2006 Regular Season Average	23.0/42
2005 Regular Season Average	21.8/42
2004 Regular Season Average	26.5/48
2003 Regular Season Average	33.4/57
2002 Regular Season Average	26.8/49
2001 Regular Season Average	24.5/42
2000 Regular Season Average	29.1/50
1999 Regular Season Average	19.8/35

## TITANS ALL ACCESS

The Titans' 30-minute, official magazine-style TV show returns for its 14th season in 2016. **Mike Keith** and **Amie Wells** co-host the show, joined by new Titans general manager **Jon Robinson**.

Titans All Access features a variety of long-form stories every week. The show always reviews and previews Titans games, but also shares on- and off-field stories about the players, coaches and their families. Other Titans All Access staples include one-on-one chats with players and exclusive insight from Robinson, plus Titans news from [www.titansonline.com](http://www.titansonline.com) senior writer/editor **Jim Wyatt**.

Titans All Access is shown locally on Nashville's FOX 17 Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. and Sundays at 10:30 a.m. It also airs in Nashville on CW 58 Fridays at 9 p.m. and on MyTV 30 Saturdays right after SEC Football (approximately 2:30 p.m. CT).

Titans All Access has also been picked up again by affiliates in Memphis, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Jackson, Tri-Cities, Huntsville, Ala., and Paducah, Ky. Check local listings for dates and times.

## Titans All Access Affiliates:

Nashville

Fox 17  
MyTV 30  
CW 58

Chattanooga

CBS 12

Huntsville

CBS 19

Jackson, Tenn.

E+ TV6

Knoxville

CBS 8  
MyTV 2

Memphis

CBS 3

Paducah

MyTV 49

Tri-Cities

Fox 39



## TITANS RADIO AFFILIATES

Titans Radio brings football to fans across the Mid-South in one of the NFL's largest radio networks, including Nashville flagship 104.5 The Zone.

Play-by-play announcer **Mike Keith** connection with pro football across the Mid-South dates back to 1996, a year before the Oilers arrived in Tennessee, and he became the "Voice of the Titans" in 1999. Additionally, former three-time Pro Bowl tight end **Frank Wycheck** begins his 12th season as the Titans Radio's color analyst, while Titans Radio gameday host **Rhett Bryan's** involvement with the broadcast dates back to 1997. **Jonathan Hutton** has served as Titans Radio sideline reporter since 2014.

## TITANS RADIO AFFILIATES:

Flagship

Nashville WGFX FM 104.5

Tennessee

Camden	WRJB	FM	95.9
Camden	WFWL	AM	1220
Centerville	WNKX	FM	96.7
Chattanooga	WGOW	FM	102.3
		AM	1150
Clarksville	WKFN	AM	540
		FM	104.1
Cleveland	WCLE	FM	104.1
Columbia	WMCP	AM	1280
Cookeville	WKXD	FM	106.9
Fayetteville	WYTM	FM	105.5
Jackson	WZDQ	FM	102.3
Knoxville	WOKI	FM	98.7
Lebanon	WANT	FM	98.9

Lebanon	WCOR	AM	1490
Lewisburg	WJMM	FM	94.3
Manchester	WMSR	FM	107.9
		AM	1230
Memphis	WMFS	FM	92.9
		AM	680
Memphis	WMC	AM	790
Morristown	WCRK	FM	105.7
Nashville	WGFX	FM	104.5
Pulaski	WKSR	AM	1420
Tri-Cities	WXSM	AM	640
Union City	WQAK	FM	105.7
Waverly	WQMV	FM	93.5
		AM	1060
Winchester	WCDT	AM	1340

Alabama

Birmingham	WJQX	FM	100.5
Florence	WQLT	FM	107.3
Huntsville	WUMP	AM	730
		FM	103.9
Huntsville	WVNN	AM	770
		FM	92.5
Scottsboro	WWIC	AM	1050

Kentucky

Bowling Green	WPTQ	FM	105.3
Cadiz	WKDZ	FM	106.5
Elizabethtown	WIEL	FM	106.1
		AM	1400
Henderson	WSON	AM	860
		FM	96.5
Madisonville	WWKY	FM	97.7
Owensboro	WVJS	FM	92.9
		AM	1420
Paducah	WPAD	FM	99.5
		AM	1560

Hawaii

Honolulu	KIKI	AM	990
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## TITANS ONLINE COVERAGE

Titans Online offers comprehensive written and video content on the Titans. Senior writer and editor **Jim Wyatt** enters his second season covering the Titans for the team's website. The Nashville native began covering the Titans as a writer for *The Tennessean* in 1999 and became the full-time beat writer in 2001. He has been named Tennessee Sportswriter of the Year six times by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association and twice has been named as one of the top beat writers in the country by the Associated Press Sports Editors.

Additionally, Titans Online and its accompanying mobile app deliver daily videos to keep fans up to date on the team. Wyatt, the "Voice of the Titans" **Mike Keith** and broadcast coordinator **Amie Wells** provide daily coverage from Saint Thomas Sports Park and Nissan Stadium.

Fans can follow the Titans throughout the season on the club's social media platforms, including **Facebook** ([facebook.com/titans](http://facebook.com/titans)), **Twitter** (@Titans), **Instagram** (@Titans) and **Snapchat** (nfltitans).



## 2015 NFL DIVISIONAL STANDINGS

AFC East Team	W	L	T	Pct
z- New England Patriots	12	4	0	.750
New York Jets	10	6	0	.625
Buffalo Bills	8	8	0	.500
Miami Dolphins	6	10	0	.375

AFC North Team	W	L	T	Pct
z- Cincinnati Bengals	12	4	0	.750
y- Pittsburgh Steelers	10	6	0	.625
Baltimore Ravens	5	11	0	.313
Cleveland Browns	3	13	0	.188

AFC South Team	W	L	T	Pct
z- Houston Texans	9	7	0	.563
Indianapolis Colts	8	8	0	.500
Jacksonville Jaguars	5	11	0	.313
Tennessee Titans	3	13	0	.188

AFC West Team	W	L	T	Pct
*- Denver Broncos	12	4	0	.750
y- Kansas City Chiefs	11	5	0	.688
Oakland Raiders	7	9	0	.438
San Diego Chargers	4	12	0	.250

NFC East Team	W	L	T	Pct
z- Washington Redskins	9	7	0	.563
Philadelphia Eagles	7	9	0	.438
New York Giants	6	10	0	.375
Dallas Cowboys	4	12	0	.250

NFC North Team	W	L	T	Pct
z- Minnesota Vikings	11	5	0	.688
y- Green Bay Packers	10	6	0	.625
Detroit Lions	7	9	0	.438
Chicago Bears	6	10	0	.375

NFC South Team	W	L	T	Pct
*- Carolina Panthers	15	1	0	.938
Atlanta Falcons	8	8	0	.500
New Orleans Saints	7	9	0	.438
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	6	10	0	.375

NFC West Team	W	L	T	Pct
z- Arizona Cardinals	13	3	0	.813
y- Seattle Seahawks	10	6	0	.625
St. Louis Rams	7	9	0	.438
San Francisco 49ers	5	11	0	.313

x - Clinched playoff

y - Clinched Wild Card

z - Clinched Division

\* - Clinched Division and Homefield Advantage

## TITANS OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE RANKINGS BY THE WEEK AND BY THE SEASON

**Offensive rankings** in 2015 by the week based on yardage, followed by yearly rankings since 1999:

2016 Preseason		NFL Offense			AFC Offense		
Week	Opp.	Tot	Rush	Pass	Tot	Rush	Pass
1	SD	1	1	27	1	1	14
2	Car	4	2	21	1	1	12
3	at Oak						
4	at Mia						

## Final regular season team rankings:

Titans in 2015	30	25	25T	16	10	14
Titans in 2014	29	26	22	14	14	11
Titans in 2013	22	14	21	11	7	11
Titans in 2012	26	21	22	12	10	11
Titans in 2011	17	31	12	8	16	5
Titans in 2010	27	17	25	15	10	13
Titans in 2009	12	2	23	6	2	10
Titans in 2008	21	7	27	10	3	12
Titans in 2007	21	5	27	10	3	14
Titans in 2006	27	5	30	12	3	15
Titans in 2005	17	23	9	10	12	5
Titans in 2004	11	14	10	6	10	5
Titans in 2003	8	26	5	4	14	3
Titans in 2002	17	11	20	9	7	11
Titans in 2001	8	12	8T	5	8	4
Titans in 2000	14	7	16	8	6	8
Titans in 1999	13	13	13T	6	9	5T

**Defensive rankings** in 2015 by the week based on yardage, followed by yearly rankings since 1999:

2016 Preseason		NFL Defense			AFC Defense		
Week	Opp.	Tot	Rush	Pass	Tot	Rush	Pass
1	SD	18	21T	18	8	10	8
2	Car	29	6	31	14	3	16
3	at Oak						
4	at Mia						

## Final regular season team rankings:

Titans in 2015	12	18	7	8	12	3
Titans in 2014	27	31	15	16	15	9
Titans in 2013	14	20	11	8	8	6
Titans in 2012	27	24	26	15	11	14
Titans in 2011	18T	24	14	11	11	10
Titans in 2010	26	20	29	13	10	14
Titans in 2009	28	11T	31	14	5T	16
Titans in 2008	7	6	9	3	3	4
Titans in 2007	5	5	10	4	3	9
Titans in 2006	32	30	27	16	15	15
Titans in 2005	19	22	17	10	11	7
Titans in 2004	27	18	26	13	11	12
Titans in 2003	12	1	30	9	1	15
Titans in 2002	10	2	25	5	2	13
Titans in 2001	25	5	31	15	3	16
Titans in 2000	1	3	1	1	2	1
Titans in 1999	17	10	25	12	6	15



## TENNESSEE TITANS OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE STATS, 1999–2015

2015 TITANS - OFFENSE			1999–2014 TITANS - OFFENSE																
OFFENSE	2015	RANK NFL/AVG	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	
GAMES (Won-Lost)	3-13	---	---	2-14	7-9	6-10	9-7	6-10	8-8	13-3	10-6	8-8	4-12	5-11	12-4	11-5	7-9	13-3	13-3
FIRST DOWNS	298	27	320.8	258	311	260	281	252	288	268	306	261	279	308	310	312	288	299	294
Rushing	66	32	92.9	75	103	70	71	73	115	108	118	105	72	85	84	112	87	107	109
Passing	195	17t	196.5	159	172	166	185	155	154	143	171	133	191	200	211	182	179	167	167
Penalty	37	6	31.4	24	36	24	25	24	19	17	17	23	16	23	15	18	22	25	18
YDS GAINED (tot)	4988	30	5642.8	4,859	5,390	5,010	5,361	4,834	5,623	5,018	4,987	4,810	5,122	5,487	5,501	5,272	5,352	5,350	5,296
Avg per Game	311.8	30	352.7	303.7	336.9	313.1	335.1	302.1	351.4	313.6	311.7	300.6	320.1	342.9	343.8	329.5	334.5	334.4	331.0
RUSHING (net)	1485	25	1741.4	1,447	1,894	1,687	1,438	1,727	2,592	2,199	2,109	2,214	1,525	1,871	1,623	1,952	1,794	2,085	1,811
Avg per Game	92.8	25	108.8	90.4	118.4	105.4	89.9	107.9	162.0	137.4	131.8	138.4	95.3	116.9	101.4	122.0	112.1	130.3	113.2
Rushes	371	28	421.6	356	462	378	376	406	499	508	543	469	397	420	486	511	468	546	459
Yards per Rush	4.0	17	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.5	3.8	4.3	5.2	4.3	3.9	4.7	3.8	4.5	3.3	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9
PASSING (net)	3503	25t	3901.3	3,412	3,496	3,323	3,923	3,107	3,031	2,819	2,878	2,596	3,597	3,616	3,878	3,320	3,558	3,265	3,485
Avg per Game	218.9	25t	243.8	213.3	218.5	207.7	245.2	194.2	189.4	176.2	179.9	162.3	224.8	226.0	242.4	207.5	222.4	204.1	217.8
Passes Att.	551	21	571.8	513	533	540	584	474	476	453	464	447	594	589	502	500	515	462	527
Completed	342	21	360.2	299	328	318	353	273	271	265	288	226	358	356	315	306	307	286	304
Pct Completed	62.1	20	63.0	58.3	61.5	58.9	60.4	57.6	56.9	58.5	62.1	50.6	60.3	60.4	62.7	61.2	59.6	61.9	57.7
Yards Gained	3893	23	4146.7	3,738	3,710	3,577	4,113	3,278	3,104	2,902	3,077	2,748	3,797	3,933	4,031	3,441	3,867	3,430	3,622
Sacked	54	32	37.1	50	37	39	24	27	15	12	30	29	31	44	25	21	43	28	25
Yards Lost	390	31	245.3	326	214	254	190	171	73	83	199	152	200	317	153	121	309	165	137
Had intercepted	17	24t	13.6	16	16	16	14	15	15	9	17	19	14	19	9	15	17	16	13
Yards Opp Ret	263	25	189.3	214	132	260	167	120	121	88	116	250	293	306	264	179	163	236	227
Opp TDs on Int	3	25t	1.7	1	1	4	3	1	0	0	0	2	4	2	3	2	2	3	2
PUNTS	88	5t	76.3	89	79	83	86	77	69	87	73	88	78	79	71	66	85	76	90
Avg Yards	47.4	4	45.2	46.3	42.9	46.4	43.6	42.9	43.4	42.8	41.9	42.7	43.2	42.9	43.9	41.3	42.0	40.8	42.5
PUNT RETURNS	38	14	35.6	30	31	31	47	27	33	34	42	37	45	40	37	28	36	53	40
Avg Return	8.1	18	8.5	6.9	7.7	15.3	10.4	12.2	6.7	9.7	8.7	12.6	9.3	4.3	11.6	7.8	7.8	12.7	9.0
Returned for TD	0	13t	0.4	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
KICKOFF RETURNS	33	18t	33.8	48	44	63	32	64	69	52	52	79	70	79	68	50	71	47	56
Avg Return	20.6	28	23.6	23.4	24.9	23.6	26.0	24.3	20.5	25.4	21.1	23.2	24.2	19.7	19.1	19.6	19.9	26.1	18.6
Returned for TD	0	6t	0.2	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
PENALTIES	93	2	110.8	111	101	106	104	128	98	108	101	94	125	110	110	112	119	107	114
Yards Penalized	779	2t	940.5	961	900	847	960	1,040	821	855	773	803	1,002	923	887	891	1,025	870	1,069
FUMBLES BY	25	24t	20.8	23	27	21	17	22	27	18	32	29	27	33	24	20	18	24	17
Fumbles Lost	16	31	9.7	10	9	12	8	14	16	8	17	7	12	12	12	10	11	14	9
Opp Fumbles	16	24t	20.8	7	24	15	20	25	20	28	26	19	20	22	21	22	21	39	39
Opp Fum Lost	8	22t	9.7	4	12	5	12	8	7	11	12	11	11	12	13	11	11	13	24
POSS. TIME (avg)	29:25	23	30:00	27:31	30:00	27:18	27:52	25:54	28:27	29:09	31:38	27:17	31:13	31:40	32:52	32:47	31:29	33:48	31:30
TOUCHDOWNS	37	23t	41.2	28	41	36	34	40	39	41	28	36	33	41	48	42	39	38	46
Rushing	10	18t	11.4	6	16	10	8	13	19	24	17	15	8	12	11	16	12	14	19
Passing	25	18	26.3	20	22	17	22	24	16	13	9	13	20	27	30	22	23	18	23
Returns	2	23t	3.5	2	3	9	4	3	4	4	2	8	5	2	7	4	4	6	4
EXTRA-PT KICKS	29/31	19	94%	27/27	41/41	35/35	34/34	38/38	37/37	40/40	28/28	32/32	30/32	39/39	43/44	36/36	34/35	37/38	43/43
2-PT CONVERSIONS	3/5	10	48%	0/1	0/0	1/1	0/0	1/2	1/2	1/1	0/0	3/3	0/1	1/2	3/4	2/6	3/4	0/0	1/3
FIELD GOALS/FGA	14/16	9t	26/31	19/22	25/29	25/31	29/32	24/26	27/32	29/33	35/39	22/28	23/29	19/27	32/37	25/31	20/28	27/33	21/25
POINTS SCORED	299	28	365.0	254	362	330	325	356	354	375	301	324	299	344	435	367	336	346	392
TURNOVER DIFF.	-14	30t	0	-10	0	-4	+1	-4	4	+14	0	+2	-6	-1	+13	+4	-4	0	+19

2015 TITANS - DEFENSE				1999–2014 TITANS - DEFENSE															
DEFENSE	2015	RANK	NFL/AVG	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
POINTS ALLOWED	423	27	365.0	438	381	471	317	339	402	234	297	400	421	439	324	324	388	191	324
OPP FIRST DOWNS	317	14t	320.8	357	329	358	324	356	323	276	268	329	294	318	275	297	300	215	300
Rushing	101	20t	92.9	119	108	122	111	107	89	81	80	121	89	99	79	75	79	62	81
Passing	192	14t	196.5	211	191	210	187	214	210	166	165	181	180	189	167	197	192	134	193
Penalty	24	4t	31.4	27	30	26	26	35	24	29	23	27	25	30	29	25	29	19	26
OPP YARDS GAINED	5475	12	5642.8	5,968	5,407	5,999	5,682	5,883	5,850	4,698	4,665	5,915	5,110	5,724	4,901	4,964	5,515	3,814	5,245
Avg per Game	342.2	12	352.7	373.0	337.9	374.9	355.1	367.7	365.6	293.6	291.6	369.7	319.4	357.8	306.3	310.3	344.7	238.4	327.8
OPP RUSHING (net)	1797	18	1741.4	2,195	1,795	2,035	2,053	1,851	1,711	1,502	1,478	2,313	1,894	1,917	1,295	1,424	1,431	1,390	1,550
Avg per Game	112.3	18	108.8	137.2	112.2	127.2	128.3	115.7	106.9	93.9	92.4	144.6	118.4	119.8	80.9	89.0	89.4	86.9	96.9
Rushes	462	27	421.6	515	446	483	461	474	402	403	369	506	449	421	342	372	405	387	383
Yards per Rush	3.9	8	4.1	4.3	4.0	4.2	4.5	3.9	4.3	3.7	4.0	4.6	4.2	4.6	3.8	3.8	3.5	3.6	4.0
OPP PASSING (net)	3678	7	3901.3	3,773	3,612	3,964	3,629	4,032	4,139	3,196	3,187	3,602	3,216	3,807	3,606	3,540	4,084	2,424	3,695
Avg per Game	229.9	7	243.8	235.8	225.8	247.8	226.8	252.0	258.7	199.8	199.2	225.1	201.0	237.9	225.4	221.3	255.3	151.5	230.9
Passes Att.	502	1	571.8	545	545	564	591	625	604	575	569	530	470	524	546	562	559	466	557
Completed	319	319	360.2	347	344	374	369	410	404	342	349	335	296	333	332	339	328	242	312
Pct Completed	63.5	17	63.0	63.7	63.1	66.3	62.4	65.6	66.9	59.5	61.3	63.2	63.0	63.5	60.8	60.3	58.7	51.9	56.0
Sacked	39	12t	37.1	39	36	39	28	40	32	44	40	26	41	32	38	40	32	55	54
Yards Lost	271	11	245.3	222	227	241	180	272	224	262	241	148	246	220	223	213	175	337	305
INTERCEPTED BY	11	21t	13.6	12	13	19	11	17	20	20	22	17	9	18	21	18	13	17	16
Yards Returned	164	22	189.3	122	113	358	179	198	433	351	358	282	129	285	312	198	78	285	257
Returned for TD	1	15t	1.7	1	1	4	1	1	4	3	2	2	2	1	3	3	0	4	1
OPP PUNT RETURNS	47	30	35.6	43	35	39	36	35	29	32	31	33	32	31	30	28	36	28	45
Avg return	12.9	31	8.5	8.1	6.0	10.4	6.1	6.1	7.2	9.1	8.8	8.4	4.5	6.3	9.2	13.9	7.3	5.7	7.4
OPP KICKOFF RET	22	3t	33.8	31	45	33	30	56	71	61	58	58	57	69	81	74	57	76	76
Avg return	27.2	30t	23.6	27.6	24.4	26.1	22.7	24.8	24.1	25.0	24.2	21.8	22.6	20.1	18.8	20.0	24.9	20.9	21.0
OPP TOUCHDOWNS	51	30t	41.2	48	40	55	34	32	48	25	35	46	51	52	35	40	46	20	39
Rushing	11	17t	11.4	17	21	16	10	7	16	12	11	20	12	18	10	7	17	7	8
Passing	34	29t	26.3	28	15	31	21	23	31	12	21	24	33	29	20	27	27	10	26
Returns	6	29t	3.5	3	4	8	3	2	1	1	3	2	6	5	5	6	2	3	5

## 2016 TENNESSEE TITANS PRESEASON STATISTICS

## Won 1, Lost 1

Date	W-L	Score	OT	Opponent	Attendance
08/13	W	27-10		San Diego	60,597
08/20	L	16-26		Carolina	60,802
08/27				at Oakland	
09/01				at Miami	

Statistic	Tenn.	Opp.
<b>Total First Downs</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>33</b>
Rushing	20	9
Passing	18	24
Penalty	0	0
3rd Down: Made/Att	10/21	12/27
3rd Down Pct.	47.6	44.4
4th Down: Made/Att	0/1	0/1
4th Down Pct.	0.0	0.0
<b>Possession Avg.</b>	<b>30:38</b>	<b>29:23</b>
<b>Total Net Yards</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>723</b>
Avg. Per Game	383.5	361.5
Total Plays	116	118
Avg. Per Play	6.6	6.1
<b>Net Yards Rushing</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>168</b>
Avg. Per Game	192.0	84.0
Total Rushes	57	47
<b>Net Yards Passing</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>555</b>
Avg. Per Game	191.5	277.5
Sacked/Yards Lost	5/29	2/13
Gross Yards	412	568
Att./Completions	54/40	69/40
Completion Pct.	74.1	58.0
Had Intercepted	2	2
<b>Punts/Average</b>	<b>7/41.9</b>	<b>10/47.7</b>
Net Punting Avg.	7/37.1	10/39.4
<b>Penalties/Yards</b>	<b>13/98</b>	<b>17/145</b>
<b>Fumbles/Ball Lost</b>	<b>4/2</b>	<b>1/0</b>
<b>Touchdowns</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
Rushing	3	0
Passing	2	4
Returns	0	0

Score By Periods	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	PTS
<b>Team</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>

Scoring	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS
Succop	0	0	0	0	3/3	2/2	0	9
Douglas	1	0	1	0			0	6
Ellis	1	0	1	0			0	6
Henry	1	1	0	0			0	6
Murray	1	1	0	0			0	6
Sankey	1	1	0	0			0	6
Rosas	0	0	0	0	1/1	1/1	0	4
<b>Team</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4/4</b>	<b>3/3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3/4</b>	<b>3/3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>

2-Pt Conv: TM 0-1, OPP 0-0

Sacks: Mount 1, Tavai 1, TM 2, OPP 5

FUM/Lost: Andrews 1/0, Byard 1/0, Cobb 1/1, Ellis 1/1

Rushing	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Murray	11	113	10.3	71t	1
Henry	15	105	7.0	16	1
Sankey	5	54	10.8	41t	1
Andrews	8	41	5.1	9	0
Cobb	6	27	4.5	12	0
Fluellen	3	13	4.3	11	0
Mariota	2	13	6.5	8	0
McCluster	2	12	6.0	9	0
Tanne	1	8	8.0	8	0
Walker	1	7	7.0	7	0
Cassel	2	2	1.0	3	0
Sharpe	1	-11	-11.0	-11	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>71t</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

Receiving	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Sharpe	8	103	12.9	31	0
Supernaw	5	44	8.8	16	0
McBride	5	28	5.6	10	0
Hunter	4	54	13.5	27	0
Douglas	4	41	10.3	23t	1
Matthews	3	38	12.7	24	0
Ellis	3	27	9.0	10	1
An. Johnson	2	15	7.5	15	0
McCluster	1	23	23.0	23	0
Green-Beckham	1	15	15.0	15	0
Walker	1	9	9.0	9	0
Turzilli	1	8	8.0	8	0
Sankey	1	6	6.0	6	0
Cobb	1	1	1.0	1	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>4</b>

Interceptions	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Staples	1	19	19.0	19	0
Byard	1	2	2.0	2	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
Kern	7	293	41.9	37.1	1	2	59	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>47.7</b>	<b>39.4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>0</b>

Punt Returns	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
McBride	3	0	17	5.7	16	0
Byard	2	0	18	9.0	9	0
McCluster	1	0	8	8.0	8	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>

Kickoff Returns	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
McBride	5	109	21.8	35	0
Andrews	1	19	19.0	19	0
Fowler	1	0	0.0	0	0
Au. Johnson	1	7	7.0	7	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0</b>

Field Goals	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Succop	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/2	0/0
Rosas	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0
<b>Team</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>2/2</b>	<b>0/0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>0/0</b>

Succop: (47G) (48G)

Rosas: (33G) ()

TM: (47G,33G) (48G)

OPP: (39G) (41G,23G)

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
Tanne	27	18	170	66.7	6.30	1	3.7	0	0.0	27	2/12	96.2
Mariota	15	14	149	93.3	9.93	1	6.7	1	6.7	31	1/3	102.5
Cassel	12	8	93	66.7	7.75	0	0.0	1	8.3	24	2/14	55.2
<b>Team</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>74.1</b>	<b>7.63</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>5/29</b>	<b>92.5</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>58.0</b>	<b>8.23</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>2/13</b>	<b>91.9</b>



## 2016 TENNESSEE TITANS PRESEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			SACKS		TFL	INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES		
	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds		No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds
Grant, Curtis	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Byard, Kevin	6	5	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
Palmer, Nate	6	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reed, Kalan	6	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tavai, J.R.	6	2	4	1	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riley, Curtis	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Searcy, Da'Norris	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Williamson, Avery	5	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staples, Justin	5	3	2	0	0	0	1	19	19	0	2	0	0	0
Wreh-Wilson, Blidi	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blake, Antwon	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Mount, Deiontrez	4	3	1	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Orakpo, Brian	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson, Rashad	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bass, David	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blackson, Angelo	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Klug, Karl	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sims, LeShaun	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spence, Sean	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Stafford, Daimion	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Webb, B. W.	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Abdesmad, Mehdi	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Casey, Jurrell	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson, Austin	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Woods, Antwaun	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCourty, Jason	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCain, Brice	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Woodyard, Wesley	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brutus, Lamarcus	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Patmon, Tyler	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riggs, Cody	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Woods, Al	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Huff, Marqueston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Jones, DaQuan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## TITANS PRESEASON SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			FUMBLES		BLOCKS		
	Tot	Solo	Asst	FF	FR	PAT	FG	PUNT
Brinkley, Beau	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Andrews, Antonio	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Byard, Kevin	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Reed, Kalan	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riggs, Cody	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Riley, Curtis	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roberts, Ben	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staples, Justin	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Supernaw, Phillip	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TEAM TOTALS:</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			FUMBLES	
	Tot	Solo	Asst	FF	FR
Douglas, Harry	1	1	0	0	0
Ellis, Alex	1	1	0	0	0
Johnson, Andre	1	1	0	0	0
Kelly, Dennis	1	1	0	0	0
Cunningham, Jerome	0	0	0	0	1
<b>TEAM TOTALS:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## Legend:

**Tot** . . . . . Total Tackles  
**Solo** . . . . . Unassisted Tackles  
**Asst** . . . . . Assisted Tackles  
**Sk** . . . . . Quarterback Sacks  
**Yds** . . . . . Yards Lost on Sack  
**QBP** . . . . . Quarterback Pressure  
**TFL** . . . . . Tackle for Loss  
**Int** . . . . . Interceptions  
**Yds** . . . . . Interception Return Yards  
**TD** . . . . . Interceptions Return Touchdowns  
**PD** . . . . . Passes Defensed  
**FF** . . . . . Forced Fumble  
**FR** . . . . . Fumble Recoveries  
**Yds** . . . . . Yards on Fumble Returns

## 2015 TENNESSEE TITANS REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS

## Won 3, Lost 13

Date	W-L	Score	OT	Opponent	Attendance
09/13	W	42-14		at Tampa Bay	63,945
09/20	L	14-28		at Cleveland	67,431
09/27	L	33-35		Indianapolis	65,920
10/11	L	13-14		Buffalo	65,670
10/18	L	10-38		Miami	62,342
10/25	L	7-10		Atlanta	63,329
11/01	L	6-20		at Houston	71,630
11/08	W	34-28	OT	at New Orleans	73,075
11/15	L	10-27		Carolina	63,591
11/19	L	13-19		at Jacksonville	60,121
11/29	L	21-24		Oakland	58,075
12/06	W	42-39		Jacksonville	57,355
12/13	L	8-30		at New York Jets	78,160
12/20	L	16-33		at New England	66,829
12/27	L	6-34		Houston	62,153
01/03	L	24-30		at Indianapolis	65,733

Statistic	Tenn.	Opp.
<b>Total First Downs</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>317</b>
Rushing	66	101
Passing	195	192
Penalty	37	24
3rd Down: Made/Att	64/201	92/216
3rd Down Pct.	31.8	42.6
4th Down: Made/Att	7/15	4/12
4th Down Pct.	46.7	33.3
<b>Possession Avg.</b>	<b>29:25</b>	<b>30:35</b>
<b>Total Net Yards</b>	<b>4988</b>	<b>5475</b>
Avg. Per Game	311.8	342.2
Total Plays	976	1003
Avg. Per Play	5.1	5.5
<b>Net Yards Rushing</b>	<b>1485</b>	<b>1797</b>
Avg. Per Game	92.8	112.3
Total Rushes	371	462
<b>Net Yards Passing</b>	<b>3503</b>	<b>3678</b>
Avg. Per Game	218.9	229.9
Sacked/Yards Lost	54/390	39/271
Gross Yards	3893	3949
Att./Completions	551/342	502/319
Completion Pct.	62.1	63.5
Had Intercepted	17	11
<b>Punts/Average</b>	<b>88/47.4</b>	<b>74/48.2</b>
<b>Net Punting Avg.</b>	<b>88/40.3</b>	<b>74/43.0</b>
<b>Penalties/Yards</b>	<b>93/779</b>	<b>112/982</b>
<b>Fumbles/Ball Lost</b>	<b>25/16</b>	<b>16/8</b>
<b>Touchdowns</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>51</b>
Rushing	10	11
Passing	25	34
Returns	2	6

Score By Periods	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	PTS
<b>Team</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>299</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>423</b>

Scoring	TD	Rush	Rec	Ret	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS
Succop	0	0	0	0	29/31	14/16	0	71
Walker	6	0	6	0			0	38
Green-Beckham	4	0	4	0			0	26
Andrews	3	3	0	0			0	18
Mariota	3	2	1	0			0	18
Wright	3	0	3	0			0	18
McCluster	2	1	1	0			0	14
Douglas	2	0	2	0			0	12
Fasano	2	0	2	0			0	12
Fowler	2	1	1	0			0	12
Sankey	2	1	1	0			0	12
Stevens	2	0	2	0			0	12
Cobb	1	1	0	0			0	6
Hunter	1	0	1	0			0	6
McBride	1	0	1	0			0	6
Mettenberger	1	1	0	0			0	6
Sensabaugh	1	0	0	1a			0	6
Woodyard	1	0	0	1b			0	6
<b>Team</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>29/31</b>	<b>14/16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>299</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>48/50</b>	<b>23/27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>423</b>

a - 26-yard interception return at TB, 9/13; b - 3-yard fumble return vs. Jax, 12/6

**2-Pt Conv:** Green-Beckham, Woodyard, Walker, **TM 3-5, OPP 0-1****Sacks:** Casey 7, Orakpo 7, Woodard 5, Morgan 4.5, Klug 4, Williamson 3.5, Blackson 2.5, Bass 1.5, Griffin 1, Stafford 1, Tavai 1, Brown 0.5, Searcy 0.5, **TM 39, OPP 54****FUM/Lost:** Mariota 10/6, Mettenberger 4/2, Douglas 2/1, McCluster 2/2, Sankey 2/1, West 2/2, Andrews 1/1, Gallik 1/0, Supernaw 1/1

Passing	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
Mariota	370	230	2818	62.2	7.62	19	5.1	10	2.7	61t	38/258	91.5
Mettenberger	166	101	935	60.8	5.63	4	2.4	7	4.2	57t	13/98	66.7
Tanneh	14	10	99	71.4	7.07	1	7.1	0	0.0	29	3/34	114.9
Andrews	1	1	41	100.0	41.00	1	100.0	0	0.0	41t	0/0	158.3
<b>Team</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>3893</b>	<b>62.1</b>	<b>7.07</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>54/390</b>	<b>85.5</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>3949</b>	<b>63.5</b>	<b>7.87</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>69t</b>	<b>39/271</b>	<b>101.3</b>

Rushing	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Andrews	143	520	3.6	38	3
Mariota	34	252	7.4	87t	2
McCluster	55	247	4.5	44	1
Sankey	47	193	4.1	16	1
Cobb	52	146	2.8	12	1
West	16	51	3.2	12	0
Walker	1	36	36.0	36	0
Wright	5	17	3.4	13	0
Fowler	7	13	1.9	3	1
McBride	1	8	8.0	8	0
Mettenberger	9	8	0.9	5t	1
Douglas	1	-6	-6.0	-6	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>1485</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>87t</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>1797</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>11</b>

Receiving	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Walker	94	1088	11.6	61t	6
Douglas	36	411	11.4	51	2
Wright	36	408	11.3	52t	3
Green-Beckham	32	549	17.2	47t	4
McCluster	31	260	8.4	35	1
Fasano	26	289	11.1	33	2
Hunter	22	264	12.0	29	1
Andrews	21	174	8.3	23	0
Sankey	14	139	9.9	30	1
Stevens	12	121	10.1	27	2
Fowler	5	44	8.8	19	1
Coffman	4	42	10.5	16	0
Supernaw	3	32	10.7	16	0
Turzilli	2	25	12.5	18	0
McBride	2	8	4.0	7	1
Mariota	1	41	41.0	41t	1
Cobb	1	-2	-2.0	-2	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>3893</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>61t</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>3949</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>69t</b>	<b>34</b>

Interceptions	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Brown	2	45	22.5	45	0
Sensabaugh	2	42	21.0	26t	1
Griffin	1	29	29.0	29	0
Cox	1	27	27.0	27	0
Bass	1	8	8.0	8	0
Mount	1	8	8.0	8	0
Searcy	1	5	5.0	5	0
Webb	1	0	0.0	0	0
Williamson	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>69t</b>	<b>3</b>

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In	Lg	B
Kern	88	4175	47.4	40.3	1	34	61	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>4175</b>	<b>47.4</b>	<b>40.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>3568</b>	<b>48.2</b>	<b>43.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>0</b>

Punt Returns	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
McCluster	24	15	217	9.0	37	0
Douglas	11	2	73	6.6	18	0
Cox	3	0	17	5.7	9	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>78t</b>	<b>1</b>

Kickoff Returns	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
McCluster	13	285	21.9	32	0
McBride	10	190	19.0	31	0
Sankey	9	192	21.3	34	0
Andrews	1	13	13.0	13	0
<b>Team</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0</b>

Field Goals	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Succop	0/0	3/3	3/3	7/7	1/3
<b>Team</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3/3</b>	<b>3/3</b>	<b>7/7</b>	<b>1/3</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>6/6</b>	<b>9/9</b>	<b>6/9</b>	<b>1/2</b>

**TEAM/Succop:** () () (38G,21G) (21G,41G) (37G) () (35G,44G) (51G,29G,55N) (45G)

(47G,49G,53N) () () (49G) () (49G)

**OPP:** () () () (30G) (27G,47N) (38G,24G) (46B) (48G, 19G) (31G,32G,20G,36G) (24G) ()

(53N,47G,27G,42G) (43G,48N,38G,42G,32G) (22G,36G) (49G,52G,35G)



## 2015 TENNESSEE TITANS REGULAR SEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			SACKS		QB		INTERCEPTIONS				PD	FUMBLES			SpT
	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds			No	Yds	Lg	TD		FF	FR	Yds	
Williamson, Avery	137	79	58	3.5	28.5	13	9	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Woodyard, Wesley	110	70	40	5.0	38.0	9	7	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	3	6
Griffin, Michael	101	67	34	1.0	7.0	1	3	1	29	29	0	3	0	0	0	3
Brown, Zach	98	65	33	0.5	3.0	5	4	2	45	45	0	3	0	0	0	0
Casey, Jurrell	86	48	38	7.0	41.5	28	11	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Jones, DaQuan	67	45	22	0.0	0.0	15	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Orakpo, Brian	64	44	20	7.0	42.0	37	12	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0
Sensabaugh, Coty	58	42	16	0.0	0.0	0	0	2	42	26t	1	10	0	0	0	3
Searcy, Da'Norris	54	41	13	0.5	5.5	1	0	1	5	5	0	4	0	0	0	0
Bass, David	42	23	19	1.5	11.5	9	5	1	8	8	0	5	0	2	0	8
Morgan, Derrick	34	20	14	4.5	33.5	13	6	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Cox, Perrish	31	26	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	27	27	0	7	0	0	0	0
Woods, Al	31	14	17	0.0	0.0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Klug, Karl	26	13	13	4.0	28.0	19	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Webb, B.W.	22	20	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Stafford, Daimion	20	16	4	1.0	10.0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	9
Blackson, Angelo	19	10	9	2.5	17.5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Hill, Sammie	19	7	12	0.0	0.0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wreh-Wilson, Blidi	17	16	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	3
McCourt, Jason	16	10	6	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Riggs, Cody	6	6	0	0.0	0.0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	6
Huff, Marqueston	6	5	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	15
Pitoitua, Ropati	4	2	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tavai, J.R.	3	2	1	1.0	5.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Martin, Mike	3	1	2	0.0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson, Steve	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	10
Mount, Deiontrez	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	1	8	8	0	1	0	0	0	1
Staples, Justin	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	7
TEAM TOTALS:	1,074	692	382	39.0	271.0	158	65	10	156	45	1	65	7	4	3	54

## TITANS REGULAR SEASON SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			FUMBLES		BLOCKS		
	Tot	Solo	Asst	FF	FR	PAT	FG	PUNT
Huff, Marqueston	15	8	7	0	0	0	0	0
Supernaw, Phillip	14	7	7	1	0	0	0	0
Johnson, Steve	10	3	7	0	2	0	0	0
Stafford, Daimion	9	5	4	0	1	0	0	0
Bass, David	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
Brinkley, Beau	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0
Staples, Justin	7	4	3	0	0	0	0	0
Riggs, Cody	6	6	0	1	1	0	0	0
Woodyard, Wesley	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0
McBride, Tre	5	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
Fowler, Jalston	5	3	2	1	0	0	0	0
Sensabaugh, Coty	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Griffin, Michael	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Wreh-Wilson, Blidi	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Tavai, J.R.	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Green-Beckham, Dorial	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mount, Deiontrez	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Orakpo, Brian	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
TEAM TOTALS:	104	57	47	4	4	0	1	0

## MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

PLAYER	TACKLES			FUMBLES	
	Tot	Solo	Asst	FF	FR
Walker, Delanie	3	3	0	0	0
Bell, Byron	2	2	0	0	0
Lewan, Taylor	2	2	0	0	0
Warmack, Chance	2	2	0	0	0
Wright, Kendall	2	2	0	0	0
Andrews, Antonio	1	1	0	0	0
Cobb, David	1	1	0	0	1
Douglas, Harry	1	1	0	0	0
Fasano, Anthony	1	1	0	0	0
Gallik, Andy	1	1	0	0	0
Green-Beckham, Dorial	1	1	0	0	0
Hunter, Justin	1	1	0	0	0
McCluster, Dexter	1	1	0	0	2
Sankey, Bishop	1	1	0	0	0
Spain, Quinton	1	1	0	0	0
Supernaw, Phillip	1	1	0	0	0
West, Terrance	1	1	0	0	0
Fowler, Jalston	0	0	0	0	1
Mariota, Marcus	0	0	0	0	3
Mettenberger, Zach	0	0	0	0	1
TEAM TOTALS:	23	23	0	0	8

## Legend:

**Tot** . . . . . Total Tackles  
**Solo** . . . . . Unassisted Tackles  
**Asst** . . . . . Assisted Tackles  
**Sk** . . . . . Quarterback Sacks  
**Yds** . . . . . Yards Lost on Sack  
**QB** . . . . . Quarterback Pressure  
**TFL** . . . . . Tackle for Loss  
**Int** . . . . . Interceptions  
**Yds** . . . . . Interception Return Yards  
**TD** . . . . . Interceptions Return Touchdowns  
**PD** . . . . . Passes Defensed  
**FF** . . . . . Forced Fumble  
**FR** . . . . . Fumble Recoveries  
**Yds** . . . . . Yards on Fumble Returns

## 2016 OAKLAND RAIDERS PRESEASON STATISTICS



## WON 1, LOST 1

08/12 W 31-10	at Arizona	64,583
08/18 L 12-20	at Green Bay	74,089
08/27	Tennessee	
09/01	Seattle	

	Oak.	Opp.
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TOTAL FIRST DOWNS 17 40

Rushing 6 16

Passing 10 20

Penalty 1 4

3rd Down: Made/Att 6/23 12/33

3rd Down Pct. 26.1 36.4

4th Down: Made/Att 0/0 0/2

4th Down Pct. 0.0 0.0

POSSESSION AVG. 24:31 35:29

TOTAL NET YARDS 509 640

Avg. Per Game 254.5 320.0

Total Plays 96 143

Avg. Per Play 5.3 4.5

NET YARDS RUSHING 212 317

Avg. Per Game 106.0 158.5

Total Rushes 40 75

NET YARDS PASSING 297 323

Avg. Per Game 148.5 161.5

Sacked/Yards Lost 0/0 4/26

Gross Yards 297 349

Att./Completions 56/32 64/29

Completion Pct. 57.1 45.3

Had Intercepted 2 2

PUNTS/AVERAGE 14/49.8 13/42.2

NET PUNTING AVG. 14/42.1 13/37.2

PENALTIES/YARDS 21/182 6/58

FUMBLES/BALL LOST 3/1 1/1

TOUCHDOWNS 5 3

Rushing 2 3

Passing 2 0

Returns 1 0

\* SCORE BY PERIODS Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 OT PTS

TEAM 20 0 7 16 0 43

OPPONENTS 10 7 10 3 0 30

\* SCORING TD-Ru-Pa-Rt K-PAT FG S PTS

Atkinson 2 2 0 0 0 12

Tavecchio 0 0 0 0 4/ 5 1/ 1 0 7

Allen 1 0 0 1 0 6

A. Holmes 1 0 1 0 0 6

Janikowski 0 0 0 0 0/ 0 2/ 2 0 6

Walford 1 0 1 0 0 6

TEAM 5 2 2 1 4/ 5 3/ 3 0 43

OPPONENTS 3 3 0 0 3/ 3 3/ 4 0 30

2-Pt Conv: TM 0-0, OPP 0-0

SACKS: Ball 1, Calhoun 1, Iddings 1, Mack 1,

TM 4

FUM/LOST: Hansley 1/0, A. Holmes 1/1,

Mickens 1/0

## \* RUSHING No. Yds Avg Long TD

Atkinson 8 100 12.5 53t 2

Washington 13 51 3.9 25 0

Murray 10 40 4.0 11 0

Olawale 5 21 4.2 8 0

T. Jones 2 3 1.5 2 0

Carr 1 -1 -1.0 -1 0

Reece 1 -2 -2.0 -2 0

TEAM 40 212 5.3 53t 2

OPPONENTS 75 317 4.2 35 3

## \* RECEIVING No. Yds Avg Long TD

Roberts 5 59 11.8 33 0

M. Hall 4 35 8.8 18 0

Crabtree 3 42 14.0 22 0

Cooper 3 27 9.0 20 0

Washington 2 31 15.5 32 0

Holton 2 24 12.0 21 0

Palmer 2 14 7.0 9 0

A. Holmes 2 8 4.0 10t 1

T. Jones 2 5 2.5 6 0

Walford 1 19 19.0 19t 1

Atkinson 1 15 15.0 15 0

O'Malley 1 8 8.0 8 0

Reece 1 7 7.0 7 0

G. Holmes 1 5 5.0 5 0

Olawale 1 2 2.0 2 0

Murray 1 -4 -4.0 -4 0

TEAM 32 297 9.3 33 2

OPPONENTS 29 349 12.0 32 0

## \* INTERCEPTIONS No. Yds Avg Long TD

Allen 1 27 27.0 27 0

Thorpe 1 20 20.0 20 0

TEAM 2 47 23.5 27 0

OPPONENTS 2 47 23.5 47 0

## \* PUNTING No. Yds Avg Net TB In Lg B

King 14 697 49.8 42.1 2 6 66 0

TEAM 14 697 49.8 42.1 2 6 66 0

OPPONENTS 13 549 42.2 37.2 1 3 58 1

## \* PUNT RETURNS Ret FC Yds Avg Long TD

Washington 3 0 25 8.3 13 0

Mickens 2 0 13 6.5 15 0

M. Hall 1 1 6 6.0 6 0

Hansley 1 1 1 1.0 1 0

Hamilton 0 1 0 --- --- 0

TEAM 7 3 45 6.4 15 0

OPPONENTS 7 3 67 9.6 21 0

## \* KICKOFF RETURNS No. Yds Avg Long TD

Holton 2 64 32.0 43 0

T. Jones 1 33 33.0 33 0

Washington 1 31 31.0 31 0

TEAM 4 128 32.0 43 0

OPPONENTS 7 135 19.3 26 0

## \* FIELD GOALS 1-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50+

Janikowski 0/ 0 0/ 0 0/ 0 1/ 1 1/1

Tavecchio 0/ 0 1/ 1 0/ 0 0/ 0 0/0

TEAM 0/ 0 1/ 1 0/ 0 1/ 1 1/1

OPPONENTS 0/ 0 2/ 2 1/ 1 0/ 1 0/0

Janikowski: (53G)(46G)

Tavecchio: ( ) (28G)

TM: (53G)(46G,28G)

OPP: (25G,41N)(26G,34G)

## \* PASSING Att Cmp Yds Cmp% Yds/Att TD TD% Int Int% Long Sack/Lost Rating

Carr 20 12 82 60.0 4.10 0 0.0 1 5.0 22 0/ 0 48.3

Cook 20 13 172 65.0 8.60 0 0.0 1 5.0 33 0/ 0 71.3

McGloin 16 7 43 43.8 2.69 2 12.5 0 0.0 19t 0/ 0 90.6

TEAM 56 32 297 57.1 5.30 2 3.6 2 3.6 33 0/ 0 68.8

OPPONENTS 64 29 349 45.3 5.45 0 0.0 2 3.1 32 4/ 26 49.5





## THE LAST TIME THE TENNESSEE TITANS ...

### KICKOFF RETURNED FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Darius Reynaud vs. Detroit (105 yards), 9/23/12  
By Opponents—Josh Huff, at Philadelphia (107 yards), 11/23/14

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Derrick Mason, at Jacksonville (80 yards), 1/23/00  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### PUNT RETURNED FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Darius Reynaud vs. Jacksonville (twice—69 yards and 81 yards), 12/30/12  
By Opponents—Travis Benjamin, at Cleveland (78 yards), 9/20/15

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### INTERCEPTION RETURNED FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Coty Sensabaugh at Tampa Bay (26 yards), 9/13/15  
By Opponents—Jerrell Freeman, at Indianapolis (23 yards), 1/3/16

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Bubba McDowell, at Buffalo (58 yards), 1/3/93  
By Opponents—Will Demps at Baltimore (56 yards), 1/3/04

### FUMBLE RETURNED FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Wesley Woodyard (3 yards) vs. Jacksonville, 12/6/15  
By Opponents—Quintin Demps (33 yards), vs. Houston, 12/27/15

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### FIELD GOAL BLOCKED

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Brian Orakpo at New Orleans (Kai Forbath), 11/8/15  
By Opponents—Muhammad Wilkerson, N.Y. Jets (Rob Bironas), 12/17/12

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Richard Seymour, at New England, 1/10/04

### FIELD GOAL BLOCKED, RETURNED FOR TD

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Donald Mitchell (69 yards) at Detroit (Jason Hanson's FG blocked by Henry Ford), 10/21/01  
By Opponents—Rob Morris (68 yards), at Indianapolis (Gary Anderson's FG blocked by Montae Reagor), 12/5/04

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Anthony Mitchell, vs. Baltimore (90 yards), 1/7/01

### PUNT BLOCKED

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Tim Shaw vs. Pittsburgh (Drew Butler), 10/11/12  
By Opponents—Tank Carder, vs. Cleveland (Brett Kern), 10/5/14

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Chris Coleman, vs. Baltimore (Kyle Richardson, twice), 1/7/01  
By Opponents—Jerry Olsavsky, vs. Pittsburgh (Greg Montgomery), 12/31/89

### PUNT BLOCKED AND RETURNED FOR TD

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Jason McCourty vs. Indianapolis, 10/30/11 (Pat McAfee's punt blocked by Patrick Bailey and recovered in end zone by McCourty)  
By Opponents—Mike Harris (19 yards), vs. Jacksonville (Brett Kern's punt blocked by Mike Harris), 12/30/12

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### MISSED PAT

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Ryan Succop at New England, 12/20/15  
By Opponents—Jason Myers (twice), vs. Jacksonville, 12/6/15

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—David Treadwell (Wide Left), at Denver, 1/4/92

### TWO-POINT CONVERSION MADE

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Dexter McCluster (pass from Marcus Mariota) at N.Y. Jets, 12/13/15

By Opponents—Arian Foster run, at Houston, 9/15/13

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Plaxico Burress (pass from Hines Ward) vs. Pittsburgh, 1/11/03

### TWO-POINT CONVERSION FAILED

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—vs. Houston (pass failed), 12/27/15  
By Opponents—vs. Jacksonville (pass incomplete), 12/6/15

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—vs. St. Louis (pass incomplete), 1/30/00  
By Opponents—Buffalo (pass incomplete), 1/8/00

### SAFETY SCORED

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Jets quarterback Geno Smith penalized for intentional grounding in the end zone, vs. N.Y. Jets, 12/14/14

By Opponents—Ball out of bounds in end zone after Brett Kern's punt blocked by Tank Carder, vs. Cleveland, 10/5/14

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Josh Evans and Jason Fisk at Jacksonville (sacked Mark Brunell), 1/23/00  
By Opponents—Dan Pastorini ran out of the End Zone at Miami, 12/24/78

### 200 YARDS RUSHING

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Chris Johnson vs. Jacksonville (228 yards), 11/1/09  
By Opponents—Le'Veon Bell, vs. Pittsburgh (204 yards), 11/17/14

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### 150 YARDS RUSHING

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Chris Johnson at St. Louis (150 yards), 11/3/13  
By Opponents—Le'Veon Bell, vs. Pittsburgh (204 yards), 11/17/14

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Eddie George, at Indianapolis (162 yards), 1/16/00  
By Opponents—Paul Lowe, vs. Los Angeles Chargers (165 yards), 1/1/61

### 100 YARDS RUSHING

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Marcus Mariota vs. Jacksonville (112 yards), 12/6/15  
By Opponents—Chris Ivory, at N.Y. Jets (101 yards), 12/13/15

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Eddie George, at Indianapolis (162 yards), 1/16/00  
By Opponents—Fred Taylor, at Jacksonville (110 yards), 1/23/00

### 400 YARDS PASSING

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Ryan Fitzpatrick, vs. Arizona (402 yards), 12/15/13  
By Opponents—Tony Romo, at Dallas (406 yards), 10/10/10

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Kurt Warner, vs. St. Louis (414), 1/30/00

### 300 YARDS PASSING

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Marcus Mariota, at New Orleans (371 yards), 11/8/15  
By Opponents—Blake Bortles, vs. Jacksonville (322 yards), 12/6/15

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Steve McNair vs. Pittsburgh (338 yards), 1/11/03  
By Opponents—Kurt Warner, St. Louis (414 yards), 1/30/00

### 200 YARDS RECEIVING

**Regular Season:**

By Titans—Kenny Britt vs. Philadelphia (225 yards), 10/24/10  
By Opponents—DeAndre Hopkins, at Houston (238 yards), 11/30/14

**Playoffs:**

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened



## THE LAST TIME THE TENNESSEE TITANS ...

### 150 YARDS RECEIVING

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Delanie Walker, at Philadelphia (155 yards), 11/23/14  
By Opponents—Allen Robinson, vs. Jacksonville (153 yards), 12/6/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Isaac Bruce, St. Louis (162 yards), 1/30/00

### 100 YARDS RECEIVING

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Dorial Green-Beckham, at New England (113 yards), 12/20/15  
By Opponents—DeAndre Hopkins, vs. Houston (117 yards), 12/27/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Justin Gage vs. Baltimore (135 yards), 1/10/09  
By Opponents—Chris Chambers (121 yards) and Vincent Jackson (114), at San Diego, 1/6/08

### FIVE TOUCHDOWN PASSES

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Steve McNair vs. Jacksonville, 12/26/99  
By Opponents—Blake Bortles, vs. Jacksonville, 12/6/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Daryle Lamonica, at Oakland (6), 12/21/69

### FOUR TOUCHDOWN PASSES

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Marcus Mariota, at New Orleans, 11/8/15  
By Opponents—Blake Bortles, vs. Jacksonville (5), 12/6/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Warren Moon at Buffalo, 1/3/93  
By Opponents—Frank Reich, at Buffalo, 1/3/93

### THREE TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Kenny Britt vs. Philadelphia, 10/24/10  
By Opponents—Allen Robinson, vs. Jacksonville, 12/6/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Andre Reed, Buffalo, 1/3/93

### TWO TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Delanie Walker, at New England, 12/20/15  
By Opponents—Allen Robinson, vs. Jacksonville (3), 12/6/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Haywood Jeffires at Buffalo, 1/3/93  
By Opponents—Hines Ward, Pittsburgh, 1/11/03

### THREE TOUCHDOWNS RUSHING

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—LenDale White at Kansas City, 10/19/08  
By Opponents—Corey Dillon, Cincinnati (4), 12/4/97

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### TWO TOUCHDOWNS RUSHING

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Shonn Greene, at Denver, 12/8/13  
By Opponents—Frank Gore, vs. Indianapolis, 9/27/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Steve McNair at Oakland, 1/19/03  
By Opponents—Antwain Smith, vs. Buffalo, 1/8/00

### FOUR FIELD GOALS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Ryan Succop at Kansas City, 9/7/14  
By Opponents—Stephen Gostkowski, at New England, 12/20/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Al Del Greco, at Indianapolis, 1/16/00  
By Opponents—Gary Anderson (OT) vs. Pittsburgh, 12/31/89

### THREE FIELD GOALS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Ryan Succop vs. N.Y. Jets, 12/14/14  
By Opponents—Adam Vinatieri, at Indianapolis, 1/3/16

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Al Del Greco, at Indianapolis (4), 1/16/00  
By Opponents—Jeff Reed, Pittsburgh, 1/11/03

### THREE INTERCEPTIONS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Keith Bulluck at New Orleans (3), 9/24/07  
By Opponents—Glover Quin, at Houston (3), 11/28/10

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Vernon Perry at San Diego (4\*), 12/29/79  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### TWO INTERCEPTIONS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Jason McCourty at Kansas City, 9/7/14  
By Opponents—Dwight Lowery, vs. Indianapolis, 9/27/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Bubba McDowell vs. N.Y. Jets, 12/29/91  
By Opponents—Johnny Robinson, vs. Dallas Texans, 12/23/62

### THREE SACKS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Jason Jones vs. Pittsburgh (3.5), 12/21/08  
By Opponents—Muhammad Wilkerson, at N.Y. Jets, 12/13/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Andy Dorris vs. Denver, 12/23/79  
By Opponents—Willie McGinest, at New England, 1/10/04

### SCORED 50 POINTS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Oilers 58, Cleveland 14, 12/9/90  
By Opponents—Titans 28, at Denver 51, 12/8/13

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—at Oakland 56, Oilers 7, 12/21/69

### SCORED 40 POINTS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Titans 42, Jacksonville 39, 12/6/15  
By Opponents—Titans 24, at Houston 45, 11/30/14

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—at Oakland 41, Titans 24, 1/19/03

### WON OVERTIME GAME

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Titans 34 at Saints 28, 11/8/15  
By Opponents—Cardinals 37 at Titans 34, 12/15/13

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Titans 34, Pittsburgh 31, 1/11/03  
By Opponents—at Buffalo 41, Oilers 38, 1/3/93

### SHUTOUT

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—Titans 31, Dallas 0, 12/25/00  
By Opponents—Titans 0, at Houston 20, 11/28/10

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### 500 TOTAL NET YARDS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—vs. Arizona (532 yards), 11/29/09  
By Opponents—at Denver (551 yards), 12/8/13

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—Never Happened  
By Opponents—Never Happened

### 400 TOTAL NET YARDS

#### Regular Season:

By Titans—vs. Jacksonville (467 yards), 12/6/15  
By Opponents—at N.Y. Jets (439 yards), 12/13/15

#### Playoffs:

By Titans—vs. Pittsburgh (430 yards), 1/11/03  
By Opponents—St. Louis (436 yards), 1/30/00

## LAST TIME IN A SEASON THE TITANS ...

### TEAM OFFENSE

Ranked 1st in Overall Offense — 1990  
 Ranked 1st in Rushing Offense — 1967 (AFL)  
 Ranked 1st in Passing Offense — 1992

### TEAM DEFENSE

Ranked 1st in Overall Defense — 2000  
 Ranked 1st in Rushing Defense — 2003  
 Ranked 1st in Passing Defense — 2000

### GAMES WON

10 Wins — 2008 (13-3)  
 11 Wins — 2008 (13-3)  
 12 Wins — 2008 (13-3)  
 13 Wins — 2008 (13-3)

### ADVANCED IN PLAYOFFS

Wild Card Round — 2008 (Divisional Round)  
 Divisional Round — 2008  
 Conference Championship — 2002  
 Super Bowl — 1999

### RUSHING

1,000 Yards — Chris Johnson (1,077), 2013  
 1,500 Yards — Chris Johnson (2,006), 2009  
 2,000 Yards — Chris Johnson (2,006), 2009  
 300 Attempts — Chris Johnson (316), 2010  
 400 Attempts — Eddie George (403), 2000  
 10 Touchdowns — Chris Johnson (11), 2010  
 15 Touchdowns — Lendale White (15), 2008

### PASSING

3,000 Yards — Matt Hasselbeck (3,571), 2011  
 3,500 Yards — Matt Hasselbeck (3,571), 2011  
 4,000 Yards — Warren Moon (4,690), 1991  
 400 Attempts — Matt Hasselbeck (518), 2011  
 500 Attempts — Matt Hasselbeck (518), 2011  
 600 Attempts — Warren Moon (655), 1991  
 20 Touchdowns — Steve McNair (24), 2003  
 30 Touchdowns — Warren Moon (33), 1990  
 90.0 Passer Rating — Marcus Mariota (91.5), 2015  
 100.0 Passer Rating — Steve McNair (100.4), 2003

### RECEIVING

80 Receptions — Delanie Walker (94), 2015  
 90 Receptions — Delanie Walker (94), 2015  
 100 Receptions — Haywood Jeffries (100), 1991  
 1,000 Yards — Delanie Walker (1,088), 2015  
 1,500 Yards — Charlie Hennigan (1,546), 1964  
 10 Touchdowns — Drew Bennett (11), 2004  
 15 Touchdowns — Bill Groman (17), 1961

### SCORING

100 Points — Rob Bironas (116), 2013  
 110 Points — Rob Bironas (116), 2013  
 120 Points — Rob Bironas (121), 2011  
 130 Points — Rob Bironas (133), 2007  
 30 Field Goals — Rob Bironas (35), 2007  
 35 Field Goals — Rob Bironas (35), 2007  
 10 Touchdowns — Chris Johnson (10), 2013  
 15 Touchdowns — Chris Johnson (16), 2009

### DEFENSE

7 Interceptions — Michael Griffin (7), 2008  
 8 Interceptions — Richard Johnson (8), 1990  
 9 Interceptions — Mike Reinfeldt (12), 1979  
 10 Interceptions — Mike Reinfeldt (12), 1979  
 10 Sacks — Jurrell Casey (10.5), 2013  
 12 Sacks — Jason Babin (12.5), 2010  
 14 Sacks — Jevon Kearse (14.5), 1999  
 150 Tackles — Stephen Tulloch (169) & Michael Griffin (153), 2010  
 175 Tackles — Keith Bulluck (180), 2002  
 200 Tackles — Gregg Bingham (212), 1980

## TITANS RECORDS AT A GLANCE

### Team record holders in major statistical categories

### SCORING

Points (Game) — 30 by Billy Cannon (5 TDs) at N.Y. Titans, 12/10/61  
 Points (Season) — 136 by Al Del Greco, 1998  
 Points (Career) — 1,060 by Al Del Greco, 1991-00  
 Touchdowns (Game) — 5 by Billy Cannon at N.Y. Titans, 12/10/61  
 Touchdowns (Season) — 19 by Earl Campbell, 1979  
 Touchdowns (Career) — 74 by Eddie George, 1996-03  
 Field Goals (Game) — 8 by Rob Bironas at Hou., 10/21/07  
 Field Goals (Season) — 36 by Al Del Greco, 1998  
 Field Goals (Career) — 246 by Al Del Greco, 1991-00

### RUSHING

Rushing Yards (Game) — 228 by Chris Johnson vs. Jax, 11/1/09  
 Rushing Yards (Season) — 2,006 by Chris Johnson, 2009  
 Rushing Yards (Career) — 10,009 by Eddie George, 1996-03  
 Rushing Touchdowns (Game) — 4 by Earl Campbell vs. Mia., 11/20/78; Lorenzo White vs. Cle., 12/9/90  
 Rushing Touchdowns (Season) — 19 by Earl Campbell, 1979  
 Rushing Touchdowns (Career) — 73 by Earl Campbell, 1978-84

### PASSING

Passing Yards (Game) — 527 by Warren Moon at K.C., 12/16/90  
 Passing Yards (Season) — 4,690 by Warren Moon, 1991  
 Passing Yards (Career) — 33,685 by Warren Moon, 1984-93  
 Passing Touchdowns (Game) — 7 by George Blanda vs. N.Y. Titans, 11/19/61  
 Passing Touchdowns (Season) — 36 by George Blanda, 1961  
 Passing Touchdowns (Career) — 196 by Warren Moon, 1984-93  
 Passer Rating (Game) — 158.3 by Chris Chandler at Cin., 9/24/95  
 Passer Rating (Season) — 100.4 by Steve McNair, 2003  
 Passer Rating (Career) — 83.3 by Steve McNair, 1995-05

### RECEIVING

Receptions (Game) — 13 (three times, last by Drew Bennett at Oak., 12/19/04)  
 Receptions (Season) — 101 by Charlie Hennigan, 1964  
 Receptions (Career) — 542 by Ernest Givins, 1986-94  
 Receiving Yards (Game) — 272 by Charlie Hennigan at Bos., 10/13/61  
 Receiving Yards (Season) — 1,746 by Charlie Hennigan, 1961  
 Receiving Yards (Career) — 7,935 by Ernest Givins, 1986-94  
 Receiving Touchdowns (Game) — 3 (17 times, last by Kenny Britt vs. Phi., 10/24/10)  
 Receiving Touchdowns (Season) — 17 by Bill Groman, 1961  
 Receiving Touchdowns (Career) — 51 by Charlie Hennigan, 1960-66

### PUNTING

Punts (Game) — 11 (twice by Rich Camarillo, last at Pit., 12/3/95)  
 Punts (Season) — 96 by Rich Camarillo, 1994  
 Punts (Career) — 861 by Craig Hentrich, 1998-09

### PUNT RETURNS

Punt Return Yards (Game) — 160 by Darius Reynaud vs. Jax., 12/30/12  
 Punt Return Average (Season) — 15.4 by Billy Johnson, 1977  
 Punt Return Average (Career) — 13.2 by Billy Johnson, 1974-80

### KICKOFF RETURNS

Kickoff Return Yards (Game) — 240 by Bobby Jancik at Oak., 12/22/63  
 Kickoff Return Average (Season) — 31.3 by Ken Hull, 1960  
 Kickoff Return Average (Career) — 26.5 by Bobby Jancik, 1962-67

### INTERCEPTIONS

Interceptions (Game) — 3 (eight times, last by Keith Bulluck at N.O., 9/24/07)  
 Interceptions (Season) — 12 by Freddy Glick, 1963; by Mike Reinfeldt, 1979  
 Interceptions (Career) — 45 by Jim Norton, 1960-68

### SACKS

Sacks (Game) — 4 (five times, last by William Fuller vs. Pit., 11/28/93)  
 Sacks (Season) — 17 by Elvin Bethea, 1973  
 Sacks (Career) — 105 by Elvin Bethea, 1968-83



## TENNESSEE TITANS 2015 PARTICIPATION CHART

Player	9/13 @TB	9/20 @Cle	9/27 Ind	10/11 Buf	10/18 Mia	10/25 Atl	11/1 @Hou	11/8 @NO	11/15 Car	11/19 @Jax	11/29 Oak	12/6 Jax	12/13 @NYJ	12/20 @NE	12/27 Hou	1/3 @Ind	Season Totals			
																	GP	GS	DNP	IA
Andrews, Antonio	IA	P	P	P	RB	P	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	RB	P	14	10	0	2
Ankrah, Jason	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Aubrey, Josh	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	IA	IA	1	0	0	2
Bass, David	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	16	7	0	0
Bell, Byron	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	LT	16	16	0	0
Blackson, Angelo	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Brinkley, Beau	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Brown, Zach	ILB	ILB	ILB	P	ILB	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	ILB	16	5	0	0
Casey, Jurrell	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	16	16	0	0
Cobb, David	IRR	IRR	IRR	IRR	IRR	IRR	IRR	IRR	IA	P	P	P	P	P	P	RB	7	1	0	1
Coffman, Chase	IA	P	IA	IA	IA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	1	0	0	4
Cox, Perrish	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	IA	IA	CB	IA	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	13	13	0	3
Cudjoe-Virgil, Yannik	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	P	P	IR	IR	IR	IR	2	0	0	0
Dickerson, Dorin	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	0	0	0	0
Douglas, Harry	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	IA	IA	WR	P	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	P	WR	14	12	0	2
Fasano, Anthony	P	TE	P	P	TE	P	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	P	TE	TE	TE	16	11	0	0
Farrell, Dillon	X	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Fluellen, David	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Fowler, Jalston	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Gallik, Andy	P	DNP	P	DNP	P	C	DNP	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	DNP	12	8	4	0
Green-Beckham, Dorial	P	P	P	P	P	WR	P	WR	P	P	P	P	WR	P	WR	WR	16	5	0	0
Greene, Kevin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Griffin, Michael	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	IA	P	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	15	14	0	1
Harris, Brandon	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	0	0	0	0
Harwell, Nick	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Hill, Sammie	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	P	P	P	NT	NT	NT	NT	P	NT	P	10	5	0	6
Huff, Marqueston	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Hunter, Justin	P	WR	P	WR	P	WR	WR	P	WR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	9	5	0	0
Johnson, Damaris	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IA	IA	IA	0	0	0	3
Johnson, Steve	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Jones, DaQuan	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	16	16	0	0
Kafka, Mike	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	X	X	0	0	0	0
Kern, Brett	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Klug, Karl	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Lewan, Taylor	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	IA	15	15	0	1
Looney, Joe	X	X	X	X	X	P	C	LG	LG	LG	DNP	DNP	DNP	P	C	C	8	6	3	0
Lutman, Gavin	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Mariota, Marcus	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	IA	IA	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	IA	IA	12	12	0	4
Martin, Mike	P	P	IA	P	P	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IR	IR	5	0	0	9
Matias, Josue	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
McBride, Tre	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	7	0	0	0
McCluster, Dexter	P	P	RB	P	P	RB	P	P	P	P	IA	IA	P	IR	IR	IR	11	2	0	2
McCourtly, Jason	IA	IA	IA	CB	CB	CB	CB	IA	IA	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	4	4	0	5
Meredith, Jamon	P	P	RG	RG	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	IA	IA	IA	P	RT	13	3	0	3
Mettenberger, Zach	P	DNP	DNP	DNP	P	QB	QB	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	P	QB	QB	7	4	9	0
Morgan, Derrick	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	P	IA	IA	IA	IR	IR	IR	10	9	0	3
Mount, Deiontrez	P	P	P	P	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	4	0	0	0
Neighbors, Connor	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0
Orakpo, Brian	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	OLB	16	16	0	0
Pierce-Brewster, Markus	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	PS	PS	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0
Pitoitua, Ropati	IA	P	DNP	P	IA	P	IA	IA	IA	P	P	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	5	0	1	10
Poehls, Will	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Poutasi, Jeremiah	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	DNP	DNP	P	IA	P	DNP	P	IA	P	11	7	3	2
Renner, Bryn	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Richardson, Rico	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	P	P	P	P	X	PS	PS	PS	X	X	5	0	0	0
Richardson, Shaquille	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0	0	0	0
Riggs, Cody	P	IA	IA	IA	P	P	P	P	P	P	IA	IA	P	P	P	P	11	0	0	5
Riley, Curtis	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	0	0	0	0
Sankey, Bishop	RB	RB	P	RB	P	P	P	DNP	P	IA	P	P	IA	P	P	P	13	3	1	2
Schwenke, Brian	C	C	C	C	C	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	5	5	0	0
Searcy, DaNorris	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	SS	P	SS	P	IA	SS	SS	15	13	0	1
Sensabaugh, Coty	CB	CB	CB	P	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	16	15	0	0
Spain, Quinton	IA	IA	DNP	P	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	7	6	1	8
Stafford, Daimion	P	P	P	P	P	FS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	SS	P	P	16	2	0	0
Staples, Justin	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	12	0	0	0
Stevens, Craig	TE	P	TE	P	TE	P	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	P	TE	P	16	11	0	0
Succop, Ryan	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	16	0	0	0
Supernaw, Phillip	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	TE	P	P	16	1	0	0
Tanney, Alex	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	DNP	P	1	0	1	0
Tavai, J.R.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	PS	PS	P	P	P	P	4	0	0	0
Turzilli, Andrew	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	IA	IA	IA	P	P	IA	P	3	0	0	4
Walker, Delanie	TE	IA	TE	TE	P	TE	P	P	TE	TE	TE	P	TE	TE	P	TE	15	10	0	1
Warmack, Chance	RG	RG	IA	IA	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	14	14	0	2
Webb, B.W.	X	X	X	X	X	PS	PS	P	P	P	P	P	CB	P	P	CB	9	2	0	0
West, Terrance	P	P	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	2	0	0	5
Westbrook, Tevin	PS	PS	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	0	0
Whitehurst, Charlie	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	DNP	DNP	IA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	2	6
Williamson, Avery	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	IA	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	15	15	0	1
Woods, Al	NT	NT	NT	NT	P	NT	NT	NT	NT	IA	IA	P	P	NT	P	P	14	9	0	2
Woodyard, Wesley	P	P	P	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	ILB	P	16	12	0	0
Wreh-Wilson, Bliid	P	P	P	P	P	P	CB	IA	CB	IA	CB	P	IA	IA	IA	IA	10	3	0	6
Wright, Kendall	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	IA	IA	IA	P	WR	IA	IA	WR	IA	10	9	0	6

Starters indicated by position (QB, RB, MLB, etc.); P = played but did not start; DNP = active but did not play; IA = inactive for game; PS = practice squad; PS-I = practice squad injured reserve; X = not on roster; IR = injured reserve; IRR = injured reserve-designated for return; SUS = reserve/suspended; NFI = non-football injury; PUP = physically unable to perform

## TENNESSEE TITANS 2016 TRANSACTIONS

<b>January 4</b>	Relieved general manager <b>RUSTON WEBSTER</b> of his duties; signed <b>RB DAVID FLUELLEN</b> , <b>TE KEVIN GREENE</b> , <b>WR NICK HARWELL</b> , <b>G JOSUE MATIAS</b> and <b>T WILL POEHL</b> to future contracts	<b>May 9</b>	Waived <b>CB STEVEN CLARKE</b> ; terminated vested veteran <b>WR DAMARIS JOHNSON</b> ; signed the following undrafted free agents: <b>DE MEHDI ABDESMAD</b> , <b>S LAMARCUS BRUTUS</b> , <b>T SAM CARLSON</b> , <b>WR RASHON CEASER</b> , <b>TE ALEX ELLIS</b> , <b>DE IOSIA IOSIA</b> , <b>DE TERRELL LATHAN</b> , <b>T TYLER MARZ</b> , <b>T NICK RITCHER</b> , <b>K ALDRICK ROSAS</b> and <b>NT ANTWAUN WOODS</b> ; signed second-round choice <b>DL AUSTIN JOHNSON</b> , second-round choice <b>RB DERRICK HENRY</b> , fifth-round choice <b>WR TAJAE SHARPE</b> , fifth-round choice <b>CB LeSHAUN SIMS</b> , seventh-round choice <b>OLB AARON WALLACE</b> and seventh-round choice <b>CB KALAN REED</b>
<b>January 11</b>	Signed <b>CB STEVEN CLARKE</b> to a future contract	<b>May 11</b>	Signed sixth-round choice <b>G SEBASTIAN TRETOLA</b>
<b>January 14</b>	Hired <b>JON ROBINSON</b> as general manager	<b>May 13</b>	Signed undrafted free agent <b>CB MORGAN BURNS</b>
<b>January 16</b>	Named <b>MIKE MULARKEY</b> the 18th head coach in franchise history	<b>May 16</b>	Waived <b>WR RASHON CEASER</b> , <b>TE KEVIN GREENE</b> , <b>DE IOSIA IOSIA</b> and <b>QB ZACH METTENBERGER</b> ; signed free agents <b>FB SAM BERGEN</b> , <b>CB BENNETT OKOTCHA</b> , <b>WR BEN ROBERTS</b> and <b>DE MIKE SMITH</b>
<b>January 20</b>	Hired <b>BOBBY APRIL</b> as special teams coordinator and <b>TERRY ROBISKIE</b> as offensive coordinator; elevated <b>DICK LeBEAU</b> to assistant head coach/defensive coordinator	<b>May 17</b>	Placed <b>CB MORGAN BURNS</b> on reserve/retired list
<b>January 25</b>	Hired <b>RUSS GRIMM</b> as offensive line coach, <b>STEVE JACKSON</b> as assistant secondary coach and <b>DESHEA TOWNSEND</b> as secondary coach	<b>May 24</b>	Signed first-round choice <b>T JACK CONKLIN</b>
<b>January 26</b>	Hired <b>BOB BRATKOWSKI</b> as wide receivers coach	<b>May 25</b>	Claimed <b>TE JEROME CUNNINGHAM</b> off waivers from the New York Jets
<b>February 1</b>	Hired <b>BRANDON BLANEY</b> as defensive assistant and <b>KEITH WILLIS</b> as assistant defensive line coach	<b>May 31</b>	Signed second-round choice <b>OLB KEVIN DODD</b>
<b>February 9</b>	Terminated vested veteran <b>S MICHAEL GRIFFIN</b>	<b>June 3</b>	Placed <b>T BYRON BELL</b> on injured reserve; signed free agent <b>WR REECE HORN</b>
<b>March 1</b>	Agreed to terms with <b>RB ANTONIO ANDREWS</b> to an exclusive rights contract	<b>June 6</b>	Waived <b>OLB YANNIK CUDJOE-VIRGIL</b> failed physical; waived <b>WR NICK HARWELL</b>
<b>March 2</b>	Signed free agent <b>CB BRICE McCAIN</b>	<b>July 18</b>	Signed third-round choice <b>S KEVIN BYARD</b>
<b>March 9</b>	Traded a 2016 fourth-round selection (100th overall) to the Philadelphia Eagles for <b>RB DeMARCO MURRAY</b> and their 2016 fourth-round selection (113th overall)	<b>July 26</b>	Signed free agent <b>G/T WILLIAM CAMPBELL</b>
<b>March 10</b>	Signed unrestricted free agent <b>C BEN JONES</b>	<b>July 28</b>	Waived <b>T SAM CARLSON</b>
<b>March 11</b>	Signed unrestricted free agents <b>QB MATT CASSEL</b> and <b>WR RISHARD MATTHEWS</b>	<b>July 29</b>	Signed free agent <b>G/C RONALD PATRICK</b>
<b>March 14</b>	Signed unrestricted free agent <b>NT AL WOODS</b>	<b>July 30</b>	Signed free agent <b>WR ANDRE JOHNSON</b> ; placed <b>OLB KEVIN DODD</b> on reserve/physically unable to perform; placed <b>DE TERRELL LATHAN</b> on reserve/did not report
<b>March 16</b>	Signed unrestricted free agent <b>LB SEAN SPENCE</b>	<b>August 1</b>	Claimed <b>CB TYLER PATMON</b> off waivers from the Miami Dolphins
<b>March 18</b>	Signed unrestricted free agents <b>T BYRON BELL</b> and <b>CB ANTWON BLAKE</b>	<b>August 2</b>	Waived injured <b>CB BENNETT OKOTCHA</b>
<b>March 30</b>	Signed unrestricted free agent <b>S RASHAD JOHNSON</b>	<b>August 3</b>	Signed free agent <b>LB TIM SHAW</b>
<b>April 1</b>	Signed free agent <b>LB CURTIS GRANT</b>	<b>August 4</b>	Placed <b>LB TIM SHAW</b> on the reserve/retired list
<b>April 11</b>	Claimed <b>LB NATE PALMER</b> off waivers from the Green Bay Packers	<b>August 10</b>	Placed <b>S JOSH AUBREY</b> on the reserve/retired list
<b>April 14</b>	Traded a 2016 first-round selection (1st overall), a 2016 fourth-round selection (113th overall) and a 2016 sixth-round selection (177th overall) to Los Angeles Rams for the Rams' 2016 first-round selection (15th overall), two Rams' 2016 second-round selections (43rd overall and 45th overall), a Rams' 2016 third-round selection (76th overall), a Rams' 2017 first-round selection and a Rams' 2017 third-round selection	<b>August 12</b>	Claimed <b>LB AMARLO HERRERA</b> off waivers from the Indianapolis Colts
<b>April 28</b>	Traded a 2016 first-round selection (15th overall), a 2016 third-round selection (76th overall) and a 2017 second-round selection to the Cleveland Browns for the Browns' 2016 first-round selection (8th overall) and the Browns' 2016 sixth-round selection (176th overall); drafted <b>T JACK CONKLIN</b> (first round, eighth overall)	<b>August 16</b>	Traded <b>WR DORIAL GREEN-BECKHAM</b> to the Philadelphia Eagles for <b>G/T DENNIS KELLY</b> ; waived <b>DE TERRELL LATHAN</b> from reserve/did not report
<b>April 29</b>	Drafted <b>OLB KEVIN DODD</b> (second round, 33rd overall), <b>DL AUSTIN JOHNSON</b> (second round, 43rd overall), <b>RB DERRICK HENRY</b> (second round, 45th overall) and <b>S KEVIN BYARD</b> (third round, 64th overall)	<b>August 17</b>	Waived injured <b>G/T JOSUE MATIAS</b> ; Moved <b>OLB KEVIN DODD</b> from physically unable to perform to the active roster; signed free agents <b>WR DONTÉ FOSTER</b> and <b>WR JARROD WEST</b>
<b>April 30</b>	Drafted <b>WR TAJAE SHARPE</b> (fifth round, 140th overall); traded a 2016 sixth-round selection (176th overall) and a 2017 sixth-round selection to the Denver Broncos for the Broncos' 2016 fifth-round selection (157th overall) and the Broncos' 2016 seventh-round selection (253rd overall); drafted <b>CB LeSHAUN SIMS</b> (fifth round, 157th overall), <b>G SEBASTIAN TRETOLA</b> (sixth round, 193rd overall), <b>OLB AARON WALLACE</b> (seventh round, 222nd overall) and <b>CB KALAN REED</b> (seventh round, 253rd overall)		



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## OFFENSE

<b>WR</b>	18	Rishard Matthews	81	Andre Johnson	83	Harry Douglas
			10	Tre McBride	<u>12</u>	<u>Ben Roberts</u>
					<u>85</u>	<u>Donte Foster</u>
<b>TE</b>	82	Delanie Walker	80	Anthony Fasano	89	Phillip Supernaw
			84	Jerome Cunningham	49	Alex Ellis
<b>LT</b>	77	Taylor Lewan	71	Dennis Kelly	<u>68</u>	<u>Tyler Marz</u>
<b>LG</b>	67	Quinton Spain	<u>79</u>	<u>Sebastian Tretola</u>	69	Andy Gallik
<b>C</b>	60	Ben Jones	62	Brian Schwenke	<u>72</u>	<u>Ronald Patrick</u>
<b>RG</b>	70	Chance Warmack	73	Jeremiah Poutasi	61	Nick Ritcher
<b>RT</b>	<u>78</u>	<u>Jack Conklin</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>Will Poehls</u>	64	William Campbell
<b>TE</b>	88	Craig Stevens	45	Jalston Fowler (FB)	<u>40</u>	<u>Sam Bergen (FB)</u>
<b>WR</b>	<u>19</u>	<u>Tajae Sharpe</u>	13	Kendall Wright	15	Justin Hunter
			86	Andrew Turzilli	<u>87</u>	<u>Reece Horn</u>
					<u>14</u>	<u>Jarrod West</u>
<b>QB</b>	8	Marcus Mariota	16	Matt Cassel	11	Alex Tanney
<b>RB</b>	29	DeMarco Murray	<u>2</u>	<u>Derrick Henry</u>	22	Dexter McCluster
			23	David Cobb	26	Antonio Andrews
			<u>32</u>	<u>David Fluellen</u>	20	Bishop Sankey

## DEFENSE

<b>DE</b>	90	DaQuan Jones	95	Angelo Blackson	92	Ropati Pitoitua
					<u>68</u>	<u>Mehdi Abdesmad</u>
<b>NT</b>	96	Al Woods	<u>71</u>	<u>Antwaun Woods</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>Austin Johnson</u>
<b>DT</b>	99	Jurrell Casey	97	Karl Klug	<u>75</u>	<u>Mike Smith</u>
<b>OLB</b>	91	Derrick Morgan	53	Deiontrez Mount	<u>52</u>	<u>Aaron Wallace</u>
					<u>93</u>	<u>Kevin Dodd</u>
<b>ILB</b>	59	Wesley Woodyard	55	Sean Spence	57	Justin Staples
					<u>56</u>	<u>Amarlo Herrera</u>
<b>ILB</b>	54	Avery Williamson	50	Nate Palmer	58	Curtis Grant
<b>OLB</b>	98	Brian Orakpo	51	David Bass	<u>41</u>	<u>J.R. Tavai</u>
<b>CB</b>	24	Perrish Cox	33	Brice McCain	38	B.W. Webb
			<u>36</u>	<u>LeShaun Sims</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>Kalan Reed</u>
<b>SS</b>	21	Da'Norris Searcy	39	Daimion Stafford	<u>42</u>	<u>Lamarcus Brutus</u>
<b>FS</b>	49	Rashad Johnson	28	Marqueston Huff	<u>20</u>	<u>Kevin Byard</u>
					35	Curtis Riley
<b>CB</b>	30	Jason McCourty	47	Antwon Blake	25	Blidi Wreh-Wilson
			37	Cody Riggs	44	Tyler Patmon

## SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>K</b>	4	Ryan Succop	3	<u>Aldrick Rosas</u>	6	Brett Kern
<b>KO</b>	4	Ryan Succop	<u>3</u>	<u>Aldrick Rosas</u>	6	Brett Kern
<b>P</b>	6	Brett Kern	4	Ryan Succop		
<b>H</b>	6	Brett Kern	16	Matt Cassel		
<b>PR</b>	22	Dexter McCluster	83	Harry Douglas	<u>19</u>	<u>Tajae Sharpe</u>
<b>KOR</b>	10	Tre McBride	22	Dexter McCluster	<u>19</u>	<u>Tajae Sharpe</u>
<b>LS</b>	48	Beau Brinkley	89	Phillip Supernaw	60	Ben Jones

Rookie and first-year players are underlined  
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**MEHDI ABDESMAD** (Meh-DI Abb-DES-mod); **Andy GALLIK** (GAL-lick); **MARQUESTON Huff** (mar-QUEST-un); **DAQUAN Jones** (Day-QUAN); **Karl KLUG** (KLOOG); **Taylor LEWAN** (leh-WAHN); **Marcus MARIOTA** (MAR-ee-OH-tah); **Tyler MARZ** (MARE-its); **JOSUE Matias** (HO-sway); **ROPATI PITOITUA** (roe-POT-ee Puh-TOE-uh-TWO-ah); **Will POEHLs** (Pales); **Jeremiah POUTASI** (Poe-TAS-ee); **Ryan SUCCOP** (SUCK-up); **Alex TANNEY** (TAN-nee); **J.R. TAVAI** (tuh-VIE)

## TENNESSEE TITANS ROSTER BY EXPERIENCE

<b>14TH YEAR</b>		<b>6TH YEAR</b>		Taylor Lewan		T	Will Poehls	T
Andre Johnson	WR	Byron Bell (IR)	T	Tyler Patmon	CB		J.R. Tavai	OLB
<b>12TH YEAR</b>		Jurrell Casey	DT	Bishop Sankey	RB		Jarrold West	WR
Matt Cassel	QB	Perrish Cox	CB	Justin Staples	LB	<b>ROOKIE DRAFT PICKS</b>		
<b>11TH YEAR</b>		Karl Klug	DL	Phillip Supernaw	TE	Kevin Byard	S	
Anthony Fasano	TE	DeMarco Murray	RB	Avery Williamson	LB	Jack Conklin	T	
Delanie Walker	TE	Da'Norris Searcy	S	<b>2ND YEAR</b>		Kevin Dodd	OLB	
<b>9TH YEAR</b>		<b>5TH YEAR</b>		Angelo Blackson	DE	Derrick Henry	RB	
Harry Douglas	WR	Antwon Blake	CB	Will Campbell	OL	Austin Johnson	DL	
Brett Kern	P	Beau Brinkley	LS	David Cobb	RB	Kalan Reed	CB	
Craig Stevens	TE	Ben Jones	C	Jerome Cunningham	TE	Tajae Sharpe	WR	
Wesley Woodyard	LB	Dennis Kelly	G/T	Jalston Fowler	FB	LeShaun Sims	CB	
<b>8TH YEAR</b>		Rishard Matthews	WR	Andy Gallik	C	Sebastian Tretola	G	
Rashad Johnson	S	Sean Spence	LB	Marcus Mariota	QB	Aaron Wallace	OLB	
Brice McCain	CB	Kendall Wright	WR	Tre McBride	WR	<b>ROOKIE FREE AGENTS</b>		
Jason McCourty	CB	<b>4TH YEAR</b>		Deiontrez Mount	OLB	Mehdi Abdesmad	DE	
Brian Orakpo	OLB	David Bass	OLB	Jeremiah Poutasi	G/T	Sam Bergen	FB	
Ryan Succop	K	Justin Hunter	WR	Cody Riggs	CB	Lamarcus Brutus	S	
<b>7TH YEAR</b>		Nate Palmer	LB	Curtis Riley	CB	Alex Ellis	TE	
Dexter McCluster	RB	Brian Schwenke	C	Quinton Spain	G	Reece Horn	WR	
Derrick Morgan	OLB	Daimion Stafford	S	Alex Tanney	QB	Tyler Marz	T	
Ropati Pitoitua	DE	Chance Warmack	G	Andrew Turzilli	WR	Bennett Okotcha (IR)	CB	
Al Woods	DL	B.W. Webb	CB	<b>1ST YEAR</b>		Nick Ritcher	T	
<b>3RD YEAR</b>		Blidi Wreh-Wilson	CB	David Fluellen	RB	Ben Roberts	WR	
Antonio Andrews	RB	<b>3RD YEAR</b>		Donte Foster	WR	Aldrick Rosas	K	
Marqueston Huff	DB	Antonio Andrews	RB	Curtis Grant	LB	Mike Smith	DE	
DaQuan Jones	DL	Marqueston Huff	DB	Amarlo Herrera	LB	Antwaun Woods	NT	
<b>3RD YEAR</b>		DaQuan Jones	DL	Josue Matias (IR)	G	As of Aug. 21, 2016		
<b>3RD YEAR</b>		<b>3RD YEAR</b>		Ronald Patrick	G/C			

## TENNESSEE TITANS ROSTER BY DRAFT ROUND

<b>ROUND 1</b>			Ben Jones	C	2012 (Hou)	<b>UNDRAFTED</b>		
<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Da'Norris Searcy	S	2011 (Buf)	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>
Jack Conklin	T	2016	Al Woods	DL	2010 (NO)	Mehdi Abdesmad	DE	2016
Marcus Mariota	QB	2015	<b>ROUND 5</b>			Sam Bergen	FB	2016
Taylor Lewan	T	2014	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Lamarcus Brutus	S	2016
Chance Warmack	G	2013	Tajae Sharpe	WR	2016	Alex Ellis	TE	2016
Kendall Wright	WR	2012	LeShaun Sims	CB	2016	Reece Horn	WR	2016
Derrick Morgan	OLB	2010	David Cobb	RB	2015	Tyler Marz	T	2016
Brian Orakpo	OLB	2009 (Was)	Avery Williamson	LB	2014	Bennett Okotcha (IR)	CB	2016
<b>ROUND 2</b>			Dennis Kelly	G/T	2012 (Phi)	Nick Ritcher	T	2016
<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Karl Klug	DE	2011	Ben Roberts	WR	2016
Kevin Dodd	OLB	2016	Perrish Cox	CB	2010 (Den)	Aldrick Rosas	K	2016
Derrick Henry	RB	2016	<b>ROUND 6</b>			Mike Smith	DE	2016
Austin Johnson	DL	2016	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Antwaun Woods	NT	2016
Bishop Sankey	RB	2014	Sebastian Tretola	G	2016	Curtis Grant	LB	2015 (SD)
Justin Hunter	WR	2013	Andy Gallik	C	2015	Josue Matias (IR)	G	2015
Dexter McCluster	RB	2010 (KC)	Amarlo Herrera	LB	2015 (Ind)	Cody Riggs	CB	2015
Anthony Fasano	TE	2006 (Dal)	Deiontrez Mount	OLB	2015	Curtis Riley	CB	2015
<b>ROUND 3</b>			Will Campbell	OL	2013 (NYJ)	Quinton Spain	G	2015
<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Nate Palmer	LB	2013 (GB)	J.R. Tavai	OLB	2015
Kevin Byard	S	2016	Brice McCain	CB	2009 (Hou)	Andrew Turzilli	WR	2015
Jeremiah Poutasi	T	2015	Delanie Walker	TE	2006 (SF)	Jarrold West	WR	2015 (NYJ)
Blidi Wreh-Wilson	CB	2013	<b>ROUND 7</b>			Antonio Andrews	RB	2014
Sean Spence	LB	2012 (Pit)	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Jerome Cunningham	TE	2014 (NYG)
Jurrell Casey	DT	2011	Kalan Reed	CB	2016	David Fluellen	RB	2014 (Phi)
DeMarco Murray	RB	2011 (Dal)	Aaron Wallace	OLB	2016	Donte Foster	WR	2014 (Min)
Rashad Johnson	S	2009 (Ari)	Tre McBride	WR	2015	Tyler Patmon	CB	2014 (Dal)
Harry Douglas	WR	2008 (Atl)	David Bass	OLB	2013 (Oak)	Ronald Patrick	G/C	2014 (Dal)
Craig Stevens	TE	2008	Daimion Stafford	S	2013	Will Poehls	T	2014
<b>ROUND 4</b>			Rishard Matthews	WR	2012 (Mia)	Justin Staples	LB	2013 (Cle)
<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Ryan Succop	K	2009 (KC)	Antwon Blake	CB	2012 (Jax)
Angelo Blackson	DE	2015	Matt Cassel	QB	2005 (NE)	Beau Brinkley	LS	2012
Jalston Fowler	FB	2015	<b>ROUND 8</b>			Phillip Supernaw	TE	2012 (Hou)
Marqueston Huff	DB	2014	<b>Player</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Year</b>	Alex Tanney	QB	2012 (KC)
DaQuan Jones	DL	2014	Kalan Reed	CB	2016	Byron Bell (IR)	T	2011 (Car)
Brian Schwenke	C	2013	Aaron Wallace	OLB	2016	Ropati Pitoitua	DE	2009 (NYJ)
B.W. Webb	CB	2013 (Dal)	Tre McBride	WR	2015	Brett Kern	P	2008 (Den)
<b>ROUND 5</b>			David Bass	OLB	2013 (Oak)	Wesley Woodyard	LB	2008 (Den)
<b>ROUND 6</b>			Daimion Stafford	S	2013	As of Aug. 21, 2016		
<b>ROUND 7</b>			Rishard Matthews	WR	2012 (Mia)			
<b>ROUND 8</b>			Ryan Succop	K	2009 (KC)			
<b>ROUND 9</b>			Matt Cassel	QB	2005 (NE)			



## HOW THE TENNESSEE TITANS WERE BUILT

YEAR	DRAFTEES (34)	FREE AGENTS (48)	TRADES/WAIVERS (8)
2016	T Jack Conklin (1) OLB Kevin Dodd (2a) DL Austin Johnson (2b) RB Derrick Henry (2c) S Kevin Byard (3) WR Tajae Sharpe (5a) CB LeShaun Sims (5b) G Sebastian Tretola (6) OLB Aaron Wallace (7a) CB Kalan Reed (7b)	CB Brice McCain (FA) C Ben Jones (UFA-HOU) QB Matt Cassel (UFA-DAL) WR Rishard Matthews (UFA-MIA) LB Sean Spence (UFA-PIT) CB Antwon Blake (UFA-PIT) S Rashad Johnson (UFA-ARI) LB Curtis Grant (FA) DE Mehdi Abdesmad (FA) S Lamarcus Brutus (FA) TE Alex Ellis (FA) T Tyler Marz (FA) T Nick Ritcher (FA) K Aldrick Rosas (FA) NT Antwaun Woods (FA) FB Sam Bergen (FA) WR Ben Roberts (FA) DE Mike Smith (FA) WR Reece Horn (FA) OL Will Campbell (FA) G/C Ronald Patrick (FA) WR Andre Johnson (FA) WR Donte Foster (FA) WR Jarrod West (FA)	RB DeMarco Murray (T-PHI) LB Nate Palmer (W-GB) TE Jerome Cunningham (W-NYJ) CB Tyler Patmon (W-MIA) LB Amarlo Herrera (W-IND) G/T Dennis Kelly (T-PHI)
2015	QB Marcus Mariota (1) G/T Jeremiah Poutasi (3) DE Angelo Blackson (4a) FB Jalston Fowler (4b) RB David Cobb (5) OLB Deiontrez Mount (6a) C/G Andy Gallik (6b) WR Tre McBride (7)	WR Harry Douglas (FA) S Da'Norris Searcy (UFA-BUF) OLB Brian Orakpo (UFA-WAS) TE Anthony Fasano (FA) CB Perrish Cox (UFA-SF) CB Cody Riggs (FA) CB Curtis Riley (FA) G Quinton Spain (FA) TE Phillip Supernaw (FA) LB Justin Staples (FA) CB B.W. Webb (FA) WR Andrew Turzilli (FA) OLB J.R. Tavai (FA) QB Alex Tanney (FA) RB David Fluellen (FA) T Will Poehls (FA)	OLB David Bass (W-CHI)
2014	T Taylor Lewan (1) RB Bishop Sankey (2) DL DaQuan Jones (4a) DB Marqueston Huff (4b) LB Avery Williamson (5)	RB Dexter McCluster (UFA-KC) DL Al Woods (UFA-PIT) LB Wesley Woodyard (UFA-DEN) RB Antonio Andrews (FA) K Ryan Succop (FA)	
2013	G Chance Warmack (1) WR Justin Hunter (2) CB Blidi Wreh-Wilson (3a) C Brian Schwenke (4) S Daimion Stafford (7)	TE Delanie Walker (UFA-SF) DE Ropati Pitoitua (UFA-KC)	
2012	WR Kendall Wright (1)	LS Beau Brinkley (FA)	
2011	DT Jurrell Casey (3) DL Karl Klug (5)		
2010	OLB Derrick Morgan (1)		
2009	CB Jason McCourty (6a)		P Brett Kern (W-DEN)
2008	TE Craig Stevens (3)		

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**QUARTERBACKS (3)**

16	Cassel, Matt	QB	6-4	228	5/17/82	12	Southern California	Northridge, Calif.	UFA (DAL)-'16
8	Mariota, Marcus	QB	6-4	222	10/30/93	2	Oregon	Honolulu, Hawaii	D1-'15
11	Tanney, Alex	QB	6-4	220	11/11/87	2	Monmouth (Ill.)	Lexington, Ill.	FA-'14

**RUNNING BACKS/FULLBACKS (9)**

26	Andrews, Antonio	RB	5-10	225	8/17/92	3	Western Kentucky	Fort Campbell, Ky.	FA-'14
40	Bergen, Sam	FB	6-0	250	3/6/92	R	Rutgers	East Stroudsburg, Pa.	FA-'16
23o	Cobb, David	RB	5-11	229	6/3/93	2	Minnesota	Killeen, Texas	D5-'15
32o	Fluellen, David	RB	5-11	224	1/29/92	1	Toledo	Lockport, N.Y.	FA-'15
45	Fowler, Jalston	FB	5-11	254	7/26/90	2	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	D4b-'15
2	Henry, Derrick	RB	6-3	247	1/4/94	R	Alabama	Yulee, Fla.	D2c-'16
22	McCluster, Dexter	RB	5-8	170	8/25/88	7	Mississippi	Largo, Fla.	UFA (KC)-'14
29	Murray, DeMarco	RB	6-1	220	2/12/88	6	Oklahoma	Las Vegas, Nev.	T (PHI)-'16
20o	Sankey, Bishop	RB	5-10	209	9/15/92	3	Washington	Wadsworth, Ohio	D2-'14

**WIDE RECEIVERS (12)**

83	Douglas, Harry	WR	6-0	183	9/16/84	9	Louisville	Jonesboro, Ga.	FA-'15
85	Foster, Donte	WR	6-1	199	11/10/90	1	Ohio	Guthrie, Okla.	FA-'16
87	Horn, Reece	WR	6-3	215	2/1/93	R	Indianapolis	Carmel, Ind.	FA-'16
15	Hunter, Justin	WR	6-4	203	5/20/91	4	Tennessee	Virginia Beach Va.	D2-'13
81	Johnson, Andre	WR	6-3	229	7/11/81	14	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	FA-'16
18	Matthews, Rishard	WR	6-0	217	10/12/89	5	Nevada	Santa Ana, Calif.	UFA (MIA)-'16
10	McBride, Tre	WR	6-0	210	12/1/92	2	William & Mary	McDonough, Ga.	D7-'15
12	Roberts, Ben	WR	6-4	215	9/7/92	R	Montana	Missoula, Mont.	FA-'16
19	Sharpe, Tajae	WR	6-2	194	12/23/94	R	Massachusetts	Piscataway, N.J.	D5a-'16
86	Turzilli, Andrew	WR	6-4	195	10/13/91	2	Rutgers	Butler, N.J.	FA-'15
14	West, Jarrod	WR	6-2	203	5/14/92	1	Syracuse	Bethlehem, Pa.	FA-'16
13	Wright, Kendall	WR	5-10	191	11/12/89	5	Baylor	Pittsburg, Texas	D1-'12

**TIGHT ENDS (6)**

84	Cunningham, Jerome	TE	6-3	250	5/25/91	2	Southern Connecticut State	Waterbury, Conn.	W (NYJ)-'16
49o	Ellis, Alex	TE	6-4	253	2/10/93	R	Tennessee	Delmar, Del.	FA-'16
80	Fasano, Anthony	TE	6-4	255	4/20/84	11	Notre Dame	Verona N.J.	FA-'15
88	Stevens, Craig	TE	6-3	263	9/1/84	9	California	San Pedro, Calif.	D3-'08
89	Supernaw, Phillip	TE	6-5	248	1/30/90	3	Ouachita Baptist	Katy, Texas	FA-'15
82	Walker, Delanie	TE	6-2	248	8/12/84	11	Central Missouri	Pomona, Calif.	UFA (SF)-'13

**CENTERS (3)**

69	Gallik, Andy	C/G	6-2	306	9/24/91	2	Boston College	Evergreen Park, Ill.	D6b-'15
60	Jones, Ben	C	6-3	308	7/2/89	5	Georgia	Brent, Ala.	UFA (HOU)-'16
62	Schwenke, Brian	C	6-3	318	3/22/91	4	California	Oceanside, Calif.	D4-'13

**GUARDS (6)**

64	Campbell, William	G/T	6-4	311	7/6/91	2	Michigan	Detroit, Mich.	FA-'16
72o	Patrick, Ronald	G/C	6-1	310	11/1/91	1	South Carolina	Cocoa, Fla.	FA-'16
73	Poutasi, Jeremiah	G/T	6-5	335	8/7/94	2	Utah	Las Vegas, Nev.	D3-'15
67	Spain, Quinton	G	6-4	330	8/7/91	2	West Virginia	Petersburg, Va.	FA-'15
79	Tretola, Sebastian	G	6-4	314	5/1/92	R	Arkansas	San Bernardino, Calif.	D6-'16
70	Warmack, Chance	G	6-2	323	9/14/91	4	Alabama	Atlanta, Ga.	D1-'13

**TACKLES (6)**

78	Conklin, Jack	T	6-6	308	8/17/94	R	Michigan State	Plainwell, Mich.	D1-'16
71o	Kelly, Dennis	G/T	6-8	321	1/16/90	5	Purdue	Chicago Heights, Ill.	T (PHI)-'16
77	Lewan, Taylor	T	6-7	309	7/22/91	3	Michigan	Cave Creek, Ariz.	D1-'14
68o	Marz, Tyler	T	6-7	316	9/9/92	R	Wisconsin	Springfield, Minn.	FA-'16
75o	Poehls, Will	T	6-8	334	11/27/91	1	Montana	Chandler, Ariz.	FA-'14
61	Ritcher, Nick	T	6-5	300	12/1/92	R	Richmond	Raleigh, N.C.	FA-'16

**LONG SNAPPER (1)**

48	Brinkley, Beau	LS	6-4	248	1/25/90	5	Missouri	Kearney, Mo.	FA-'12
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**PLACEKICKERS (2)**

3	Rosas, Aldrick	K	6-2	195	12/30/94	R	Southern Oregon	Orland, Calif.	FA-'16
4	Succop, Ryan	K	6-2	218	9/19/86	8	South Carolina	Hickory, N.C.	FA-'14

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## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN (10)

68d	Abdesmad, Mehdi	DE	6-6	284	9/28/91	R	Boston College	Montreal, Quebec	FA-'16
95	Blackson, Angelo	DE	6-4	318	11/14/92	2	Auburn	Wilmington, Del.	D4a-'15
99	Casey, Jurrell	DT	6-1	305	12/5/89	6	Southern California	Long Beach, Calif.	D3-'11
94	Johnson, Austin	DL	6-4	314	5/8/94	R	Penn State	Galloway, N.J.	D2b-'16
90	Jones, DaQuan	DL	6-4	322	12/27/91	3	Penn State	Johnson City, N.Y.	D4a-'14
97	Klug, Karl	DL	6-3	278	3/31/88	6	Iowa	Caledonia, Minn.	D5-'11
92	Pitoitua, Ropati	DE	6-8	298	4/6/85	7	Washington State	Lakewood, Wash.	UFA (KC)-'13
75d	Smith, Mike	DE	6-4	285	12/18/92	R	Southern Mississippi	Birmingham, Ala.	FA-'16
96	Woods, Al	NT	6-4	307	3/25/87	7	Louisiana State	Elton, La.	UFA (PIT)-'14
71	Woods, Antwaun	NT	6-1	318	1/3/93	R	Southern California	Los Angeles, Calif.	FA-'16

## LINEBACKERS (14)

51	Bass, David	OLB	6-4	256	9/11/90	4	Missouri Western State	St. Louis, Mo.	W (CHI)-'15
93	Dodd, Kevin	OLB	6-5	277	7/14/92	R	Clemson	Greenville, S.C.	D2a-'16
58	Grant, Curtis	LB	6-2	240	12/28/92	1	Ohio State	Richmond, Va.	FA-'16
56	Herrera, Amarlo	LB	6-1	249	9/20/91	1	Georgia	College Park, Ga.	W (IND)-'16
91	Morgan, Derrick	OLB	6-4	261	1/6/89	7	Georgia Tech	Coatesville, Pa.	D1-'10
53	Mount, Deiontrez	OLB	6-5	249	2/26/93	2	Louisville	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.	D6a-'15
98	Orakpo, Brian	OLB	6-4	257	7/31/86	8	Texas	Houston, Texas	UFA (WAS)-'15
50	Palmer, Nate	LB	6-2	248	9/23/89	4	Illinois State	Chicago, Ill.	W (GB)-'16
55	Spence, Sean	LB	5-11	231	6/7/90	5	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	UFA (PIT)-'16
57	Staples, Justin	LB	6-4	245	12/10/89	3	Illinois	Cleveland, Ohio	FA-'14
41	Tavai, J.R.	OLB	6-2	249	9/23/93	1	Southern California	Redondo Beach, Fla.	FA-'15
52	Wallace, Aaron	OLB	6-2	242	7/8/93	R	UCLA	San Diego, Calif.	D7a-'16
54	Williamson, Avery	LB	6-1	246	3/9/92	3	Kentucky	Milan, Tenn.	D5-'14
59	Woodyard, Wesley	LB	6-0	233	7/21/86	9	Kentucky	LaGrange, Ga.	UFA (DEN)-'14

## CORNERBACKS (10)

47	Blake, Antwon	CB	5-9	198	8/9/90	5	Texas El-Paso	Missouri City, Texas	UFA (PIT)-'15
24	Cox, Perrish	CB	6-0	190	1/7/87	6	Oklahoma State	Waco, Texas	UFA (SF)-'15
33	McCain, Brice	CB	5-9	190	12/10/86	8	Utah	Terrell, Texas	FA-'16
30	McCourt, Jason	CB	6-0	193	8/13/87	8	Rutgers	Nyack, N.Y.	D6a-'09
44	Patmon, Tyler	CB	5-10	188	1/26/91	3	Oklahoma State	Round Rock, Texas	W (MIA)-'16
32d	Reed, Kalan	CB	5-11	192	12/29/93	R	Southern Mississippi	Birmingham, Ala.	D7b-'16
37	Riggs, Cody	CB	5-9	187	12/30/91	2	Notre Dame	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	FA-'15
36	Sims, LeShaun	CB	6-0	203	9/18/93	R	Southern Utah	Las Vegas, Nev.	D5b-'16
38	Webb, B.W.	CB	5-11	190	5/3/90	4	William & Mary	Newport News, Va.	FA-'15
25	Wreh-Wilson, Blidi	CB	6-1	198	12/5/89	4	Connecticut	Edinboro, Pa.	D3a-'13

## SAFETIES (7)

42	Brutus, Lamarcus	S	6-0	206	2/10/93	R	Florida State	Port St. Lucie, Fla.	FA-'16
20d	Byard, Kevin	S	5-11	212	8/17/93	R	Middle Tennessee State	Lithonia, Ga.	D3-'16
28	Huff, Marqueston	DB	5-11	196	4/6/92	3	Wyoming	Texarkana, Texas	D4b-'14
49d	Johnson, Rashad	S	5-11	204	1/2/86	8	Alabama	Sulligent, Ala.	UFA (ARI)-'16
35	Riley, Curtis	DB	6-0	190	7/18/92	2	Fresno State	Orlando, Fla.	FA-'15
21	Searcy, Da'Norris	S	5-11	207	11/16/88	6	North Carolina	Decatur, Ga.	UFA (BUF)-'15
39	Stafford, Daimion	S	6-1	218	2/18/91	4	Nebraska	Riverside, Calif.	D7-'13

## PUNTERS (1)

6	Kern, Brett	P	6-2	214	2/17/86	9	Toledo	Grand Island, N.Y.	W (DEN)-'09
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NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED
68d	Abdesmad, Mehdi	DE	6-6	284	9/28/91	R	Boston College	Montreal, Quebec	FA-'16
26	Andrews, Antonio	RB	5-10	225	8/17/92	3	Western Kentucky	Fort Campbell, Ky.	FA-'14
51	Bass, David	OLB	6-4	256	9/11/90	4	Missouri Western State	St. Louis, Mo.	W (CHI)-'15
40	Bergen, Sam	FB	6-0	250	3/6/92	R	Rutgers	East Stroudsburg, Pa.	FA-'16
95	Blackson, Angelo	DE	6-4	318	11/14/92	2	Auburn	Wilmington, Del.	D4a-'15
47	Blake, Antwon	CB	5-9	198	8/9/90	5	Texas El-Paso	Missouri City, Texas	UFA (PIT)-'16
48	Brinkley, Beau	LS	6-4	260	1/25/90	5	Missouri	Kearney, Mo.	FA-'12
42	Brutus, Lamarcus	S	6-0	206	2/10/93	R	Florida State	Port St. Lucie, Fla.	FA-'16
20d	Byard, Kevin	S	5-11	212	8/17/93	R	Middle Tennessee State	Lithonia, Ga.	D3-'16
64	Campbell, William	G/T	6-4	311	7/6/91	2	Michigan	Detroit, Mich.	FA-'16
99	Casey, Jurrell	DT	6-1	305	12/5/89	6	Southern California	Long Beach, Calif.	D3-'11
16	Cassel, Matt	QB	6-4	228	5/17/82	12	Southern California	Northridge, Calif.	UFA (DAL)-'16
23	Cobb, David	RB	5-11	229	6/3/93	2	Minnesota	Killeen, Texas	D5-'15
78	Conklin, Jack	T	6-6	308	8/17/94	R	Michigan State	Plainwell, Mich.	D1-'16
24	Cox, Perrish	CB	6-0	190	1/7/87	6	Oklahoma State	Waco, Texas	UFA (SF)-'15
84	Cunningham, Jerome	TE	6-3	250	5/25/91	2	Southern Connecticut State	Waterbury, Conn.	W (NYJ)-'16
93	Dodd, Kevin	OLB	6-5	277	7/14/92	R	Clemson	Greenville, S.C.	D2a-'16
83	Douglas, Harry	WR	6-0	183	9/16/84	9	Louisville	Jonesboro, Ga.	FA-'15
49o	Ellis, Alex	TE	6-4	253	2/10/93	R	Tennessee	Delmar, Del.	FA-'16
80	Fasano, Anthony	TE	6-4	255	4/20/84	11	Notre Dame	Verona, N.J.	FA-'15
32o	Fluellen, David	RB	5-11	224	1/29/92	1	Toledo	Lockport, N.Y.	FA-'15
85	Foster, Donte	WR	6-1	199	11/10/90	1	Ohio	Guthrie, Okla.	FA-'16
45	Fowler, Jalston	FB	5-11	254	7/26/90	2	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	D4b-'15
69	Gallik, Andy	C/G	6-2	306	9/24/91	2	Boston College	Evergreen Park, Ill.	D6b-'15
58	Grant, Curtis	LB	6-2	240	12/28/92	1	Ohio State	Richmond, Va.	FA-'16
2	Henry, Derrick	RB	6-3	247	1/4/94	R	Alabama	Yulee, Fla.	D2c-'16
56	Herrera, Amario	LB	6-1	249	9/20/91	1	Georgia	College Park, Ga.	W (IND)-'16
87	Horn, Reece	WR	6-3	215	2/1/93	R	Indianapolis	Carmel, Ind.	FA-'16
28	Huff, Marqueston	DB	5-11	196	4/6/92	3	Wyoming	Texarkana, Texas	D4b-'14
15	Hunter, Justin	WR	6-4	203	5/20/91	4	Tennessee	Virginia Beach Va.	D2-'13
81	Johnson, Andre	WR	6-3	229	7/11/81	14	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	FA-'16
94	Johnson, Austin	DL	6-4	314	5/8/94	R	Penn State	Galloway, N.J.	D2b-'16
49d	Johnson, Rashad	S	5-11	204	1/2/86	8	Alabama	Sulligent, Ala.	UFA (ARI)-'16
60	Jones, Ben	C	6-3	308	7/2/89	5	Georgia	Brent, Ala.	UFA (HOU)-'16
90	Jones, DaQuan	DL	6-4	322	12/27/91	3	Penn State	Johnson City, N.Y.	D4a-'14
71o	Kelly, Dennis	G/T	6-8	321	1/16/90	5	Purdue	Chicago Heights, Ill.	T (PHI)-'16
6	Kern, Brett	P	6-2	214	2/17/86	9	Toledo	Grand Island, N.Y.	W (DEN)-'09
97	Klug, Karl	DL	6-3	278	3/31/88	6	Iowa	Caledonia, Minn.	D5-'11
77	Lewan, Taylor	T	6-7	309	7/22/91	3	Michigan	Cave Creek, Ariz.	D1-'14
8	Mariota, Marcus	QB	6-4	222	10/30/93	2	Oregon	Honolulu, Hawaii	D1-'15
68o	Marz, Tyler	T	6-7	316	9/9/92	R	Wisconsin	Springfield, Minn.	FA-'16
18	Matthews, Rishard	WR	6-0	217	10/12/89	5	Nevada	Santa Ana, Calif.	UFA (MIA)-'16
10	McBride, Tre	WR	6-0	210	12/1/92	2	William & Mary	McDonough, Ga.	D7-'15
33	McCain, Brice	CB	5-9	190	12/10/86	8	Utah	Terrell, Texas	FA-'16
22	McCluster, Dexter	RB	5-8	170	8/25/88	7	Mississippi	Largo, Fla.	UFA (KC)-'14
30	McCourt, Jason	CB	6-0	193	8/13/87	8	Rutgers	Nyack, N.Y.	D6a-'09
91	Morgan, Derrick	OLB	6-4	261	1/6/89	7	Georgia Tech	Coatesville, Pa.	D1-'10
53	Mount, Deiontrez	OLB	6-5	249	2/26/93	2	Louisville	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.	D6a-'15
29	Murray, DeMarco	RB	6-1	220	2/21/88	6	Oklahoma	Las Vegas, Nev.	T (PHI)-'16
98	Orakpo, Brian	OLB	6-4	257	7/31/86	8	Texas	Houston, Texas	UFA (WAS)-'15
50	Palmer, Nate	LB	6-2	248	9/23/89	4	Illinois State	Chicago, Ill.	W (GB)-'16
44	Patmon, Tyler	CB	5-10	188	1/26/91	3	Oklahoma State	Round Rock, Texas	W (MIA)-'16
72	Patrick, Ronald	G/C	6-1	310	11/1/91	1	South Carolina	Cocoa, Fla.	FA-'16
92	Pitoitua, Ropati	DE	6-8	298	4/6/85	7	Washington State	Lakewood, Wash.	UFA (KC)-'13
75o	Poehls, Will	T	6-8	334	11/27/91	1	Montana	Chandler, Ariz.	FA-'14
73	Poutasi, Jeremiah	G/T	6-5	335	8/7/94	2	Utah	Las Vegas, Nev.	D3-'15
32d	Reed, Kalan	CB	5-11	192	12/29/93	R	Southern Mississippi	Birmingham, Ala.	D7b-'16
37	Riggs, Cody	CB	5-9	187	12/30/91	2	Notre Dame	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	FA-'15
35	Riley, Curtis	DB	6-0	190	7/18/92	2	Fresno State	Orlando, Fla.	FA-'15
61	Ritcher, Nick	T	6-5	300	12/1/92	R	Richmond	Raleigh, N.C.	FA-'16
12	Roberts, Ben	WR	6-4	215	9/7/92	R	Montana	Missoula, Mont.	FA-'16
3	Rosas, Aldrick	K	6-2	195	12/30/94	R	Southern Oregon	Orland, Calif.	FA-'16
20o	Sankey, Bishop	RB	5-10	209	9/15/92	3	Washington	Wadsworth, Ohio	D2-'14
62	Schwenke, Brian	C	6-3	318	3/22/91	4	California	Oceanside, Calif.	D4-'13
21	Searcy, DaNorris	S	5-11	207	11/16/88	6	North Carolina	Decatur, Ga.	UFA (BUF)-'15
19	Sharpe, Tajae	WR	6-2	194	12/23/94	R	Massachusetts	Piscataway, N.J.	D5a-'16
36	Sims, LeShaun	CB	6-0	203	9/18/93	R	Southern Utah	Las Vegas, Nev.	D5b-'16
75d	Smith, Mike	DE	6-4	285	12/18/92	R	Southern Mississippi	Birmingham, Ala.	FA-'16
67	Spain, Quinton	G	6-4	330	8/7/91	2	West Virginia	Petersburg, Va.	FA-'15
55	Spence, Sean	LB	5-11	231	6/7/90	5	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	UFA (PIT)-'16
39	Stafford, Daimion	S	6-1	218	2/18/91	4	Nebraska	Riverside, Calif.	D7-'13
57	Staples, Justin	LB	6-4	245	12/10/89	3	Illinois	Cleveland, Ohio	FA-'14
88	Stevens, Craig	TE	6-3	263	9/1/84	9	California	San Pedro, Calif.	D3-'08
4	Succop, Ryan	K	6-2	218	9/19/86	8	South Carolina	Hickory, N.C.	FA-'14
89	Supernaw, Phillip	TE	6-5	248	1/30/90	3	Ouachita Baptist	Katy, Texas	FA-'15
11	Tanney, Alex	QB	6-4	220	11/11/87	2	Monmouth (Ill.)	Lexington, Ill.	FA-'15
41	Tavai, J.R.	OLB	6-2	249	9/23/93	1	Southern California	Redondo Beach, Calif.	FA-'15
79	Tretola, Sebastian	G	6-4	314	5/1/92	R	Arkansas	San Bernardino, Calif.	D6-'16
86	Turzilli, Andrew	WR	6-4	195	10/13/91	2	Rutgers	Butler, N.J.	FA-'15
82	Walker, Delanie	TE	6-2	248	8/12/84	11	Central Missouri	Pomona, Calif.	UFA (SF)-'13
52	Wallace, Aaron	OLB	6-2	242	7/8/93	R	UCLA	San Diego, Calif.	D7a-'16
70	Warmack, Chance	G	6-2	323	9/14/91	4	Alabama	Atlanta, Ga.	D1-'13
38	Webb, B.W.	CB	5-11	190	5/3/90	4	William & Mary	Newport News, Va.	FA-'15
14	West, Jarrod	WR	6-2	203	5/14/92	1	Syracuse	Bethlehem, Pa.	FA-'16
54	Williamson, Avery	LB	6-1	246	3/9/92	3	Kentucky	Milan, Tenn.	D5-'14
96	Woods, Al	DL	6-4	307	3/25/87	7	Louisiana State	Elton, La.	UFA (PIT)-'14
71	Woods, Antwaun	NT	6-1	318	1/3/93	R	Southern California	Los Angeles, Calif.	FA-'16
59	Woodyard, Wesley	LB	6-0	233	7/21/86	9	Kentucky	LaGrange, Ga.	UFA (DEN)-'14
25	Wreh-Wilson, Blidi	CB	6-1	198	12/5/89	4	Connecticut	Edinboro, Pa.	D3a-'13
13	Wright, Kendall	WR	5-10	191	11/12/89	5	Baylor	Pittsburg, Texas	D1-'12
<b>RESERVE/INJURED (3):</b>									
76	Bell, Byron	T/G	6-5	340	1/17/89	6	New Mexico	Greenville, Texas	UFA (CAR)-'15
66	Matias, Josue	G/T	6-5	309	1/6/93	1	Florida State	Union City, N.J.	FA-'15
23d	Okotcha, Bennett	CB	6-0	195	2/7/93	R	Texas-San Antonio	Coppell, Texas	FA-'16

Active Roster Count: 90

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**HEAD COACH:** MIKE MULARKEY

**ASSISTANT COACHES:** DICK LeBEAU (assistant head coach/defensive coordinator), TERRY ROBISKIE (offensive coordinator), BOBBY APRIL (special teams), BRANDON BLANEY (defensive asst.), BOB BRAT-KOWSKI (wide receivers), SYLVESTER CROOM (running backs), NICK EASON (defensive line), RUSS GRIMM (offensive line), STEVE HOFFMAN (special teams asst.), STEVE JACKSON (asst. secondary), JASON MICHAEL (quarterbacks), ARTHUR SMITH (tight ends), LOU SPANOS (linebackers), LUKE STECKEL (offensive asst.), MIKE SULLIVAN (asst. offensive line), DESHEA TOWNSEND (secondary), JASON TUCKER (asst. wide receivers), STEVE WATTERSON (assistant head coach/strength and conditioning), KEITH WILLIS (asst. defensive line)



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NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	AGE	EXP.	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED
2	Derrick Henry	RB	6-3	247	22	R	Alabama	Yulee, Fla.	D2c-'16
3	Aldrick Rosas	K	6-2	195	21	R	Southern Oregon	Orland, Calif.	FA-'16
4	Ryan Succop	K	6-2	218	29	8	South Carolina	Hickory, N.C.	FA-'14
6	Brett Kern	P	6-2	214	30	9	Toledo	Grand Island, N.Y.	W (DEN)-'09
8	Marcus Mariota	QB	6-4	222	22	2	Oregon	Honolulu, Hawaii	D1-'15
10	Tre McBride	WR	6-0	210	23	2	William & Mary	McDonough, Ga.	D7-'15
11	Alex Tanney	QB	6-4	220	28	2	Monmouth (Ill.)	Lexington, Ill.	FA-'15
12	Ben Roberts	WR	6-4	215	23	R	Montana	Missoula, Mont.	FA-'16
13	Kendall Wright	WR	5-10	191	26	5	Baylor	Pittsburg, Texas	D1-'12
14	Jarrod West	WR	6-2	203	24	1	Syracuse	Bethlehem, Pa.	FA-'16
15	Justin Hunter	WR	6-4	203	25	4	Tennessee	Virginia Beach, Va.	D2-'13
16	Matt Cassel	QB	6-4	228	34	12	Southern California	Northridge, Calif.	UFA (DAL)-'16
18	Rishard Matthews	WR	6-0	217	26	5	Nevada	Santa Ana, Calif.	UFA (MIA)-'16
19	Tajae Sharpe	WR	6-2	194	21	R	Massachusetts	Piscataway, N.J.	D5a-'16
20d	Kevin Byard	S	5-11	212	23	R	Middle Tennessee State	Lithonia, Ga.	D3-'16
20o	Bishop Sankey	RB	5-10	209	23	3	Washington	Wadsworth, Ohio	D2-'14
21	Da'Norris Searcy	S	5-11	207	27	6	North Carolina	Decatur, Ga.	UFA (BUF)-'15
22	Dexter McCcluster	RB	5-8	170	27	7	Mississippi	Largo, Fla.	UFA (KC)-'14
23	David Cobb	RB	5-11	229	23	2	Minnesota	Killeen, Texas	D5-'15
24	Perrish Cox	CB	6-0	190	29	6	Oklahoma State	Waco, Texas	UFA (SF)-'15
25	Blidi Wreh-Wilson	CB	6-1	198	26	4	Connecticut	Edinboro, Pa.	D3a-'13
26	Antonio Andrews	RB	5-10	225	24	3	Western Kentucky	Fort Campbell, Ky.	FA-'14
28	Marqueston Huff	DB	5-11	196	24	3	Wyoming	Texarkana, Texas	D4b-'14
29	DeMarco Murray	RB	6-1	220	28	6	Oklahoma	Las Vegas, Nev.	T (PHI)-'16
30	Jason McCourty	CB	6-0	193	29	8	Rutgers	Nyack, N.Y.	D6a-'09
32o	David Fluellen	RB	5-11	224	24	1	Toledo	Lockport, N.Y.	FA-'15
32d	Kalan Reed	CB	5-11	192	22	R	Southern Mississippi	Birmingham, Ala.	D7b-'16
33	Brice McCain	CB	5-9	190	29	8	Utah	Terrell, Texas	FA-'16
35	Curtis Riley	DB	6-0	190	24	2	Fresno State	Orlando, Fla.	FA-'15
36	LeShaun Sims	CB	6-0	203	22	R	Southern Utah	Las Vegas, Nev.	D5b-'16
37	Cody Riggs	CB	5-9	187	24	2	Notre Dame	Pembroke Pines, Fla.	FA-'15
38	B.W. Webb	CB	5-11	190	26	4	William & Mary	Newport News, Va.	FA-'15
39	Daimion Stafford	S	6-1	218	25	4	Nebraska	Riverside, Calif.	D7-'13
40	Sam Bergen	FB	6-0	250	24	R	Rutgers	East Stroudsburg, Pa.	FA-'16
41	J.R. Taval	OLB	6-2	249	22	1	Southern California	Redondo Beach, Fla.	FA-'15
42	Lamarus Brutus	S	6-0	206	23	R	Florida State	Port St. Lucie, Fla.	FA-'16
44	Tyler Patmon	CB	5-10	188	25	3	Oklahoma State	Round Rock, Texas	W (MIA)-'16
45	JaLston Fowler	FB	5-11	254	26	2	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	D4b-'15
47	Antwon Blake	CB	5-9	198	26	5	Texas El-Paso	Missouri City, Texas	UFA (PIT)-'16
48	Beau Brinkley	LS	6-4	260	26	5	Missouri	Kearney, Mo.	FA-'12
49o	Alex Ellis	TE	6-4	253	23	R	Tennessee	Delmar, Del.	FA-'16
49d	Rashad Johnson	S	5-11	204	30	8	Alabama	Sulligent, Ala.	UFA (ARI)-'16
50	Nate Palmer	LB	6-2	248	26	4	Illinois State	Chicago, Ill.	W (GB)-'16
51	David Bass	OLB	6-4	256	25	4	Missouri Western State	St. Louis, Mo.	W (CHI)-'15
52	Aaron Wallace	OLB	6-2	242	23	R	UCLA	San Diego, Calif.	D7a-'16
53	Deiontrez Mount	OLB	6-5	249	23	2	Louisville	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.	D6a-'15
54	Avery Williamson	LB	6-1	246	24	3	Kentucky	Milan, Tenn.	D5-'14
55	Sean Spence	LB	5-11	231	26	5	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	UFA (PIT)-'16
56	Amarlo Herrera	LB	6-1	249	24	1	Georgia	College Park, Ga.	W (IND)-'16
57	Justin Staples	LB	6-4	245	26	3	Illinois	Cleveland, Ohio	FA-'14
58	Curtis Grant	LB	6-2	240	23	1	Ohio State	Richmond, Va.	FA-'16
59	Wesley Woodyard	LB	6-0	233	30	9	Kentucky	LaGrange, Ga.	UFA (DEN)-'14
60	Ben Jones	C	6-3	308	27	5	Georgia	Brent, Ala.	UFA (HOU)-'16
61	Nick Ritcher	T	6-5	300	23	R	Richmond	Raleigh, N.C.	FA-'16
62	Brian Schwenke	C	6-3	318	25	4	California	Oceanside, Calif.	D4-'13
64	William Campbell	G/T	6-4	311	25	2	Michigan	Detroit, Mich.	FA-'16
67	Quinton Spain	G	6-4	330	25	2	West Virginia	Petersburg, Va.	FA-'15
68d	Mehdi Abdesmad	DE	6-6	284	24	R	Boston College	Montreal, Quebec	FA-'16
68o	Tyler Marz	T	6-7	316	23	R	Wisconsin	Springfield, Minn.	FA-'16
69	Andy Galik	C/G	6-2	306	24	2	Boston College	Evergreen Park, Ill.	D6b-'15
70	Chance Warmack	G	6-2	323	24	4	Alabama	Atlanta, Ga.	D1-'13
71o	Dennis Kelly	G/T	6-8	321	26	5	Purdue	Chicago Heights, Ill.	T (PHI)-'16
71d	Antwaun Woods	NT	6-1	318	23	R	Southern California	Los Angeles, Calif.	FA-'16
72	Ronald Patrick	G/C	6-1	310	24	1	South Carolina	Cocoa, Fla.	FA-'16
73	Jeremiah Poutasi	G/T	6-5	335	22	2	Utah	Las Vegas, Nev.	D3-'15
75o	Will Pehls	T	6-8	334	24	1	Montana	Chandler, Ariz.	FA-'14
75d	Mike Smith	DE	6-4	285	23	R	Southern Mississippi	Birmingham, Ala.	FA-'16
77	Taylor Lewan	T	6-7	309	25	3	Michigan	Cave Creek, Ariz.	D1-'14
78	Jack Conklin	T	6-6	308	22	R	Michigan State	Plainwell, Mich.	D1-'16
79	Sebastian Tretola	G	6-4	314	24	R	Arkansas	San Bernardino, Calif.	D6-'16
80	Anthony Fasano	TE	6-4	255	32	11	Notre Dame	Verona, N.J.	FA-'15
81	Andre Johnson	WR	6-3	229	35	14	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	FA-'16
82	Delanie Walker	TE	6-2	248	32	11	Central Missouri	Pomona, Calif.	UFA (SF)-'13
83	Harry Douglas	WR	6-0	183	31	9	Louisville	Jonesboro, Ga.	FA-'15
84	Jerome Cunningham	TE	6-3	250	25	2	Southern Connecticut State	Waterbury, Conn.	W (NYJ)-'16
85	Donte Foster	WR	6-1	199	25	1	Ohio	Guthrie, Okla.	FA-'16
86	Andrew Turzilli	WR	6-4	195	24	2	Rutgers	Butler, N.J.	FA-'15
87	Reece Horn	WR	6-3	215	23	R	Indianapolis	Carmel, Ind.	FA-'16
88	Craig Stevens	TE	6-3	263	31	9	California	San Pedro, Calif.	D3-'08
89	Phillip Supernaw	TE	6-5	248	26	3	Ouachita Baptist	Katy, Texas	FA-'15
90	DaQuan Jones	DL	6-4	322	24	3	Penn State	Johnson City, N.Y.	D4a-'14
91	Derrick Morgan	OLB	6-4	261	27	7	Georgia Tech	Coatesville, Pa.	D1-'10
92	Ropati Pitoitua	DE	6-8	298	31	7	Washington State	Lakewood, Wash.	UFA (KC)-'13
93	Kevin Dodd	OLB	6-5	277	24	R	Clemson	Greenville, S.C.	D2a-'16
94	Austin Johnson	DL	6-4	314	22	R	Penn State	Galloway, N.J.	D2b-'16
95	Angelo Blackson	DE	6-4	318	23	2	Auburn	Wilmington, Del.	D4a-'15
96	Al Woods	DL	6-4	307	29	7	Louisiana State	Elton, La.	UFA (PIT)-'14
97	Karl Klug	DL	6-3	278	28	6	Iowa	Caledonia, Minn.	D5-'11
98	Brian Orakpo	OLB	6-4	257	30	8	Texas	Houston, Texas	UFA (WAS)-'15
99	Jurrell Casey	DT	6-1	305	26	6	Southern California	Long Beach, Calif.	D3-'11
<b>RESERVE/INJURED (3):</b>									
23d	Bennett Okotcha	CB	6-0	195	23	R	Texas-San Antonio	Coppell, Texas	FA-'16
66	Josue Matias	G/T	6-5	309	23	1	Florida State	Union City, N.J.	FA-'15
76	Byron Bell	T/G	6-5	340	27	6	New Mexico	Greenville, Texas	UFA (CAR)-'15

Active Roster Count: 90

As of Aug. 21, 2016

**HEAD COACH:** MIKE MULARKEY

**ASSISTANT COACHES:** DICK LeBEAU (assistant head coach/defensive coordinator), TERRY ROBISKIE (offensive coordinator), BOBBY APRIL (special teams), BRANDON BLANEY (defensive asst.), BOB BRATKOWSKI (wide receivers), SYLVESTER CROOM (running backs), NICK EASON (defensive line), RUSS GRIMM (offensive line), STEVE HOFFMAN (special teams asst.), STEVE JACKSON (asst. secondary), JASON MICHAEL (quarterbacks), ARTHUR SMITH (tight ends), LOU SPANOS (linebackers), LUKE STECKEL (offensive asst.), MIKE SULLIVAN (asst. offensive line), DESHEA TOWNSEND (secondary), JASON TUCKER (asst. wide receivers), STEVE WATTERSON (assistant head coach/strength and conditioning), KEITH WILLIS (asst. defensive line)

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## **TITANS HEAD COACH MIKE MULARKEY**

### **PRESS CONFERENCE TRANSCRIPT**

**Aug. 21, 2016**

***(opening statement)***

It's going well. Getting ready for the next one. I felt good yesterday. Again, I'm not pleased with the outcome—never will be, not winning a game—but there were things in that game that afterwards, I felt good about the direction we were going. And then I wanted to come in here and watch the tape and see if what I felt yesterday was true, and it is. There are some things in that game that I think is helping build the process that we're trying to start here.

***(on what he liked in the game)***

Yeah, offensively, obviously I liked that we had some drives against a very good defense. We went no-huddle, scored on the no-huddle. The run game—again, that's a tough team to run the ball against. We knew that was going to be the case. That's the kind of team you've got to just keep running it. Eventually, that thing is going to happen. It's going to kick in. I know we didn't rush for 280 yards, but we rushed for a four-yard average. That, to me, is good. I thought our protection was good, was better than Week 1, which we wanted to have. I thought our mental errors had a drop off. I thought defensively, again, we had a couple mistakes. We had two plays that went for 100 yards and two plays that led to scores basically. One was a score. Other than that, against a team that likes to run the football, for eight rushes for 19 yards in the first half, that's stopping the run. I think they had 55, 56 yards total (rushing) for the whole game. That's what we have to do. I mean I would have liked to have seen if it was a regular season game how it would have played out, but it was a physical game for a preseason game. We knew that going in, but it was very physical. I wanted to see if we'd come back after Week 1, and we did.

***(on how he would assess the pass rush)***

Well, if you watch these guys during the game, the back and the tight end were constantly shifting up to the edges to attack us. So they were in max protection for a good bit of their passing game. They were not going to let us get to (them), so they were very aware of our pass rush to be able to do that—again, which gives him a little more time. But I just watched it with Coach (Dick) Lebeau here prior to coming in here. There was pressure. That pocket was closing in on him. So he made some very good throws early in that game, but there was some pretty good pressure coming from all sides.

***(on how many of Carolina's big plays were a result of poor tackling)***

Well, the touchdown, obviously—poor angle by Antwon Blake and then you've got (Da'Norris) Searcy standing there about five yards off, basically by himself in the middle of the field with Teddy Ginn (Jr). I've been around Teddy in Miami. He can fly, so not a fair fight when it came

down to that. So you can't miss tackles. It was a nine-yard pass. It was a nine-yard hook that he's probably defended 100 times that should have been a catch-tackle, move on.

***(on Brice McCain stating earlier in camp that he likes to play press coverage and if that technique is being used in games)***

A little bit of both. Even from the sideline, we're telling guys to get up there, to press. But I think more of what Brice (McCain) is talking about, what his role has been mainly has been as a nickel. He feels more comfortable as a nickel, which you can as a nickel press a little more than you do outside. But it felt that way—again, looking at the tape, probably a little bit softer than we want to be. That's been addressed.

***(on how to prevent opponents from having big opening drives for touchdowns)***

Well, we're going to continue to address it. That's the No. 1 thing. Two is make sure guys are in the right place so we don't have plays like that—a bad tackle, a missed tackle. Can't do that with anybody. Can't do it in the open field. Can't let the backs out of the backfield for big plays like we did yesterday on that third down-and-seven. Things like that, I mean, you can't do it but they've got to start doing it consistently. It's been addressed. It's just one guy here, one guy there. Again, defensively, I told you if you have one guy out of position, you can get burned.

***(on if Carolina's long pass to the running back had similarities to San Diego's long pass to the running back)***

No, this one (Brian) Orakpo should have peeled off the blitz. Again, we had an issue last week. It was more of we added on when we thought they were in protections. We added on and the back got out. A little different circumstance, but still, it's things we've got to correct.

***(on if he feels comfortable with the starting offensive line he has been using)***

There is still competition there. I can say that. There is still competition there. There's things we've got to get better at, but we're not going to declare that the starting five for Minnesota by any means.

***(on how Quinton Spain played)***

He played average. He played average. He did some good things and then did some things that he can be better at. A lot of it is really techniques, a lot of it is hand placement—things he can get better at and he's been coached to do that. He's on edge when he doesn't have to be. If he just corrects a couple things, he can be a force in there, but he's got to correct those things.

***(on how Brian Schwenke has played)***

(Brian) Schwenke has held his own over there. Yes, he has. He hasn't obviously had the amount of reps. We're going to give him more reps. We're actually going to give (Sebastian) Tretola some reps over there, as well, because he's playing well, too.

*(on if Brian Schwenke and Sebastian Tretola will get reps with the ones)*

We're talking about it, yeah—those three, again, working with the ones.

*(on how he would assess Rishard Matthews' progress)*

I've been really happy with Rishard (Matthews), really this last week in practice. His route running—he ran some really good routes yesterday. We didn't get the ball off. We had pressure on one of them on a big play down the field. His blocking has been very good. I mean everybody always talks about the receiving end of things and the route running, but his blocking has been very good, as well.

*(on how he expects teams to defend Tajae Sharpe after proving he is a threat)*

I mean it's really a game—about five plays, six plays. I don't know if they're going to go out of their way and try to eliminate Tajae (Sharpe) right now. I mean he made some big plays yesterday. I'm hoping he consistently does that so they do have to worry about him, but after one game, I'm not sure that's going to be a game-wrecker kind of identity as of yet.

*(on if Tajae Sharpe continuing to play at this level will take pressure off of Delanie Walker)*

Sure, absolutely. If you've got somebody that can consistently get open like he does and make the plays and they have to take two people to go over there or roll the coverage to him or whatever they do—cheat the safety to him—that opens up other options for everybody.

*(on if Jack Conklin improved in pass protection this week)*

Yeah, he still got tested inside on one. Again, that test will keep coming until he closes the door on it. Those are things that are good to see for him that hey, I've got to quit oversetting.

*(on if Marqueston Huff delivered a textbook hit on how to safely tackle over the middle)*

I'd say yes. I would. I mean that was a clean hit, and actually, I thought the penalty on the return was a clean hit. I'm going to call on that, but I'm trying to teach these guys to do things the right way. When they have penalties—and I'm sure when you get an unsportsmanlike conduct, a fine is probably going to follow—and before that goes down, I want to look at the tape with the officials and say, 'What are you looking for?' so I can teach the rest of these guys not to put themselves in that position. So we'll have that discussion.

*(on what caused the offsides penalty on the kick receiving team)*

We were anticipating these guys kicking it like they did there at the end of the half to kick off the time. We moved everybody up five yards, and they moved up too far. Actually, we had two guys that were offsides on that. I can't remember the last time (I have seen that happen).

*(on who was offsides)*

Our front line.



*(on how Dennis Kelly played)*

I thought he did well for being here a short time. The one issue when we went to the no-huddle with Alex Tanney was does Dennis (Kelly) know what to do at the line? And he kicked right in. All go check, and it was immediately like, yeah, he's good to go. So we kicked it in. That was really impressive on his part. He made a couple mistakes—one on the fumble down there with (David) Cobb. He blocked out on a play, left a three-technique coming screaming out of the backfield. But for the most part, he did his role.

*(on how Kevin Byard did returning kicks and his plan to use Kalan Reed in the return game)*

Yeah, I wanted to get Kalan (Reed). Kalan has really been the one guy that hasn't gotten a lot of reps. I'm going to try to make that happen here these next couple of weeks. But Kevin (Byard), other than putting the ball on the ground—I could see it because I said in the team meeting, 'Kevin, you're the one guy that doesn't handle the ball a whole lot. You need to have more focus on handling the ball.' (It was) a good lesson for him, but I thought when he settled down, he just has a knack of finding ways to make yards. He can make some people miss, just like you see on interception returns. He's got a knack.

*(on if Marcus Mariota's interception was due to underthrowing the ball or trying to do too much on the play)*

We're constantly talking about taking what the defense gives you. We didn't do that there. Based on the coverage, both outside guys would have been easy completions to move the sticks. Marcus (Mariota)—I think he tried to force something in there that he wishes he didn't. A good example of just take what the defense gives you and we'll have points one way or another on that drive.

*(on how tightly snap infractions are being called and the effect it has on Ben Jones)*

That was a point of emphasis. We get an officials' tape weekly on things that they're going to be looking for. So again, I address it with the team exactly what they're looking for, because you know they are going to try to make an example somewhere in the game. So we talked about it, Russ (Grimm) talked about it in meetings, I talked about it in the team meeting about moving the ball. You can't go flat to 90 degree, or they're going to call it. It was close. I mean it wasn't like he was trying to make the defense jump offsides. It wasn't anything exaggerated, but I just think it had something to do with that tape that they're going to set an example.

*(on whether Antonio Andrews didn't get more carries because he wanted to get David Cobb more involved)*

Yeah, I wanted to get David (Cobb) a little more work other than a scrimmage.

***(on how Marcus Mariota has played over the first two games)***

Yeah, he's done a lot of good things. He has a very good command of what's going on, and we're doing a lot of things with moving parts, a lot of shifts, a lot of motions. He's doing that, even with himself within the no-huddle. We started in one set—he's naturally making some shifts happen by putting us in sets to attack the defense, and he's doing it and giving us plenty of time to do it. It's not like we've had a lot of times where the clock has been close to going out with Marcus (Mariota). He's very aware of the situation with time management and putting guys in position to do their job. He's been very impressive.

***(on how difficult Alex Tanney has made the decision to keep three quarterbacks)***

Again, we're going to have a couple tough decisions when it comes down to it in a number of areas—quarterback is no different. It's rare that you can come into a camp and have three guys that can put an offense into the right sets, the right protections. So it will be a tough decision when it comes down to it.

***(on how much Alex Tanney has improved since last year)***

He's been very steady in his improvement. Nothing really flusters him. He's very smooth in how he operates. He's been that way since he's been here. Running the scout team, it's very similar to what he did out there against (Indianapolis) that last game when he played the second half.

***(on the competition at nose tackle)***

Austin (Johnson) is getting better. He is. We're trying to give them both fair opportunities, but they're getting better. He has picked up his game since we put that roster together for the Chargers game, and he was in the third slot. He's picked it up a little bit since then.

***(on if that roster helped to motivated Austin Johnson)***

I think it did, based on his performance since then. Yeah.

***(on if he was pleased with the way Derrick Henry was able to evade defenders tackling him low on his 13-yard run)***

I would think he would run through a lot of those. I would. I wouldn't have anticipated them tackling him like that if they were smart. Tackle this guy up high. He's a load, so he's just got to get used to that, but I think he is just going to run through that.

***(on what are his expectations are from Kevin Dodd this week)***

We're going to get him more involved in the team segments. It's been more things like seven-on-seven. Things where there's not going to be physical contact. We have an extra day on Monday, so by the time we get to the week's end, he should be good to go. Speaking on his conditioning, that's another (thing). We'll see where he is with that.

*(on if he anticipates Kevin Dodd will get snaps in the game against Oakland)*

Yes, he and Aaron Wallace.

*(on whether Jason McCourty will practice tomorrow)*

He should be practicing tomorrow.

*(on when Kendall Wright will return)*

I'm hoping by the end of the week. Hopefully by Thursday or by Wednesday, which will be a Thursday type of day (for us).

*(on Kendall Wright's game status)*

That would be questionable.

*(on whether the starters will get the most extended playing time against Oakland)*

More than the first two games, yeah.

*(on if it's important to have guys come out at the half)*

No, I've talked about it with the staff. No, not for us.

*(on if Justin Hunter is playing better and is more motivated)*

I think he has responded (well) since the trade. I think he is studying more. There are still things in that game—he fell down on another route. We were trying to take a shot with him, he fell down on it. Those types of things. The two-point play wasn't a great throw, but you (would) like to see him come down, and somehow make that play happen. But other than that, he did some good things in the game—caught the ball over the middle. He's trying. He knows where his status is, and he knows there's a lot of demands on him.

*(on if he can tell guys are more pressed now that the first roster cut is approaching)*

Some individuals you can tell that, but for the most part—more young guys than anybody that are pressed.

*(on if there is anything borderline players can do in one game to help their chances)*

Again, do something that wows the coaches. Again, do something special teams wise, so if you're sitting there on the border, this guy or that guy—the one guy that did something in an actual preseason game would probably give him the edge over the other one. So yeah, there's plenty of time still. All of these practices will count on where these guys will be on the roster when it's all said and done.



*(on what the conversations are like with Jon Robinson regarding the roster)*

Jon (Robinson) and I talk about it every day. It hasn't really changed. That's something that, since we've been together, we're constantly talking about where we need help, how guys are playing. Jon (Robinson) sits in with us and watches the tapes, so he understands exactly what's going on from the coaches. I think that's really good for him and his department. But we are constantly talking about every position and where we need help or where we need guys to play better. All that comes up with him.

*(on what went wrong on a throw to the sideline with Justin Hunter)*

It was more feet, and it was more route. That route is not designed to be flattened off like that, so he put himself in that position to where basically the ball had to go out of bounds and the route dictated that. If he had stayed on a higher angle, that's a route you can catch and run with it. So, that route was not good.

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**Aug. 22, 2016**

*(on today's short practice)*

You like these? Yeah, we got a lot of work in in that short amount of time. It was very good. We got a little Oakland work in with the pads on, and the tempo of it was outstanding by these guys to come out here and do what they did. We got a lot accomplished.

*(on if they are working on Oakland to try to win or to get the players used to preparing for opponents)*

Well, I think the objective is to win. I mean we want to win every game, but it is to get them into a routine. That's coaches, as well. That's everybody in the building that's got to get in a weekly routine. There are going to be some things different, as you've noticed. We're going to practice after lunch on Wednesdays, which is new for the last couple of years. It gives them kind of a feel for how long they're going to be in the building, what we're going to cover, when their time is that they can come in or stay after. It's a dry run for everybody, including the travel.

*(on the balance of preparing for a preseason opponent that the team will play again in the regular season)*

Well, they're a little bit down the line. We'll have plenty of time to game plan again, seeing how other opponents are attacking them. We're not going to do anything that we feel like we want to hold for that regular season. We'll hold it, but we've got to have some kind of a plan to be able to attack and have some success in really all three phases.

*(on if the starters will play for three quarters against Oakland)*

No, I think they're going to play a half. That's the plan right now. Again, we'll discuss that probably Thursday as a staff, but my initial thought is a half.

*(on if he would bring the starters out after halftime to get them in a halftime routine)*

I don't think that's going to be. They've been playing long enough to know how it feels to come out after halftime, so no. That's the original plan right now.

*(on how Sebastian Tretola has improved)*

He's a little more patient, seeing things a little better—the line games, the stunts that are happening in front of him. They're slowing down a little bit on him, and again, a lot of that's his over-aggressiveness to be physical. He's just got to be patient and let some things unfold in front of him. He's gotten better since he's gotten here.

*(on if Sebastian Tretola's patience allows his strengths to come through)*

I think it does. He is a physical player in there. He's been very good in the run game for us. It's really been the protections.

*(on if it can be a good thing when a player shows he is overaggressive)*

It is to a point. Again, obviously in pass protection, you've got to be careful. I mean, there's a lot of moving parts in front of him. You can't stick on one. And again, he's had some issues with it and he will continue to have those until everybody sees that he can stop it. That's like Jack (Conklin) on the right side. Until he stops that inside rush, he's going to keep getting tested with it. No different.

*(on if he prefers big offensive linemen like Sebastian Tretola and Dennis Kelly)*

I'm not focusing and locking in on just the body type. I know some teams do that. No, it's really I like guys that can come in and pick it up quickly—really intelligent players that can play multiple positions. Body type—that's a plus if we can get it.

*(on a reasonable timeline for getting Kevin Dodd back in the mix this week)*

They've got a padded practice tomorrow, which he'll get more reps. He'll get more reps on Wednesday with the shells where it's still a fast practice. I'll have a better feel then. But it's hard. This is his first day out here really in the mix of things. It's really too early to tell.

*(on if Kevin Dodd needs to get his confidence and conditioning back)*

Both. I think you have to get both. I mean, you haven't done really anything in a long time, so I think he's got to get the confidence. I can tell you as I stand here, he's not in game-shape, so we'll have to work him in until he gets to that point.

*(on backup linebackers making more plays compared to last season)*

I think for everybody it feels a little bit better than we did this time last year. We knew we were in a little bit of a predicament, where we were in this camp at this time going into the season. What happened -- happened. You know, we foresaw it a little bit. I think we feel better about the guys we have. We definitely have depth that we didn't have.

*(on how he feels about the roster overall in comparison to last year)*

I think we're deeper in some areas.

*(on if there are some positions that could still add depth)*

Yeah, I think so. I think we still have time -- we still have a couple weeks here. We got a good week of work. We won't be able to do this next week, because it's a short week, but we still have some time to figure out where we are with our depth.



***(on how the preseason games have helped this year in terms of getting a variety of different looks)***

It's been great. It's been a really good variety of looks. Again, this is another different defense. You can say it's a three-four, (but) it's really not a three-four, it's a five-two. They're going to try and make a lot of match-ups up front with our o-line, so it's totally different from the first two weeks. We get a week at least to see it on tape. Our players will see it, but I like that we're getting all these variations.

***(on Jalston Fowler's playing time)***

He is in the game plan more. We haven't gotten to some of the things that he's been involved with, but when he's been in there, he's been what we've hoped for.

***(on whether Kendall Wright will play this weekend)***

I would have to say he'd have to practice by Wednesday to even consider it, but right now I look at him as doubtful.

***(on how the second team running backs are looking)***

It's pretty tight. I think they've all really shown that they can play at this level. I don't think anybody -- other than the fumble that David (Cobb) had -- I think they've all been very competitive and done very well for what we want to do in the run game. Again, it's going to be a hard decision, but it's a really nice problem to have.

***(on how much of a detraction against a player it is to have a fumble)***

Well, you have to take it into consideration, especially with the emphasis that was put on turnovers. We knew it was going to rain, we knew the field conditions. Your focus has to go way up, especially -- rain or whatever -- on the minus five yard line, inside your own (redzone), you can't fumble the ball. You just can't do it.

***(on how much of how they've played in the past goes into the decision)***

That plays into it. That does. Like I've been saying, the special teams will play (a part).(David) Cobb will get more opportunities with the special teams this week than he has, because he needs to show he can play, because Antonio (Andrews) has shown that already. He's returned, he's been a couple different phases. I'm going to give David (Cobb) that same chance, and Bishop (Sankey's) been on special teams. A lot of that, like you said, even from the past will play into part of the decisions.

***(on which second team running back is in front)***

Well, I think right now ... Antonio (Andrews), because of some of the things he's doing protection wise and the edge. If there is one, it's special teams.



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# **GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

**2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS -- TEAM OFFENSE**

Game	8/13 vs. SD	8/20 vs. CAR
Points	27	16
1st Qtr	10	0
2nd Qtr	7	7
3rd Qtr	0	3
4th Qtr	10	6
Overtime	0	0
TDs (Ru-P-Ret)	3-0-0	0-2-0
PATs (M/A)	3/3	1/1
2PT Convs (M/A)	0/0	0/1
FGs (M/A)	2/2	1/1
Safeties	0	0
First Downs	18	20
Rushing	13	7
Passing	5	13
Penalty	0	0
3rd Down Conv (M/A)	4/10	6/11
3rd Down Conv Pct	40.0%	54.6%
4th Down Conv (M/A)	0/0	0/1
4th Down Conv Pct	0.0%	0.0%
Red Zone Conv (M/A)	1/2	1/1
Red Zone Conv Pct	50.0%	100.0%
Goal to Go Conv (M/A)	0/0	1/1
Goal to Go Conv Pct	0.0%	100.0%
Total Net Yards	437	330
Total Off. Plays	56	60
Avg. Gain Per Play	7.8	5.5
Net Yards Rushing	288	96
Total Rushing Plays	33	24
Avg. Gain Per Rush	8.7	4.0
Net Yards Passing	149	234
Times Sacked	3	2
Yards Lost on Sacks	18	11
Gross Yards Passing	167	245
Pass Attempts	20	34
Pass Completions	14	26
Completion Pct	70.0%	76.5%
Avg. Gain Per Pass	6.5	6.5
Interceptions	0	2
Fumbles / Fum. Lost	2/1	2/1
Penalties	7	6
Penalty Yards	58	40
Punts	4	3
Gross Punting Average	36.3	49.3
Touchbacks	0	1
Inside20	2	0
Punts Blocked	0	0
Net Punting Average	37.0	37.3
Punt Returns	3	3
Punt Return Yards	17	26
Punt Return Avg.	5.7	8.7
Fair Catches	0	0
Kickoff Returns	3	5
Kickoff Return Yards	72	63
Kickoff Return Avg.	24.0	12.6
Time of Possession	29:16	31:59



**2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS -- TEAM DEFENSE**

Game	8/13 vs. SD	8/20 vs. CAR
Points	10	26
1st Qtr	7	10
2nd Qtr	3	3
3rd Qtr	0	6
4th Qtr	0	7
Overtime	0	0
TDs (Ru-P-Ret)	0-1-0	0-3-0
PATs (M/A)	1/1	2/3
2PT Convs (M/A)	0/0	0/0
FGs (M/A)	1/1	2/2
Safeties	0	0
First Downs	16	17
Rushing	7	2
Passing	9	15
Penalty	0	0
3rd Down Conv (M/A)	5/13	7/14
3rd Down Conv Pct	38.5%	50.0%
4th Down Conv (M/A)	0/1	0/0
4th Down Conv Pct	0.0%	0.0%
Red Zone Conv (M/A)	0/0	2/3
Red Zone Conv Pct	0.0%	66.7%
Goal to Go Conv (M/A)	0/0	2/2
Goal to Go Conv Pct	0.0%	100.0%
Total Net Yards	330	393
Total Off. Plays	60	58
Avg. Gain Per Play	5.5	6.8
Net Yards Rushing	115	53
Total Rushing Plays	26	21
Avg. Gain Per Rush	4.4	2.5
Net Yards Passing	215	340
Times Sacked	2	0
Yards Lost on Sacks	13	0
Gross Yards Passing	228	340
Pass Attempts	32	37
Pass Completions	15	25
Completion Pct	46.9%	67.6%
Avg. Gain Per Pass	6.3	9.2
Interceptions	2	0
Fumbles / Fum. Lost	1/0	0/0
Penalties	9	8
Penalty Yards	80	65
Punts	5	5
Gross Punting Average	52.8	42.6
Touchbacks	2	0
Inside20	0	2
Punts Blocked	0	0
Net Punting Average	41.4	37.4
Punt Returns	1	2
Punt Return Yards	-3	16
Punt Return Avg.	-3.0	8.0
Fair Catches	1	0
Kickoff Returns	4	4
Kickoff Return Yards	103	55
Kickoff Return Avg.	25.8	13.8
Time of Possession	30:44	28:01

## 2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

**BOLD** denotes rookie

## OFFENSE

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**BOLD** denotes rookie

## DEFENSE

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## 2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME PASSING

### MATT CASSEL

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Att	Cmp	Yds	Pct	Y/A	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sac	Lost	Rating
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	5	3	55	60.0	11.00	0	0.0	0	0.0	24	1	6	97.9
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	7	5	38	71.4	5.43	0	0.0	1	14.3	12	1	8	44.6
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>66.7</b>	<b>7.75</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>55.2</b>

### MARCUS MARIOTA

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Att	Cmp	Yds	Pct	Y/A	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sac	Lost	Rating
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	5	5	45	100.0	9.00	0	0.0	0	0.0	31	0	0	104.2
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	10	9	104	90.0	10.40	1	10.0	1	10.0	23	1	3	103.8
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>93.3</b>	<b>9.93</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>102.5</b>

### ALEX TANNEY

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Att	Cmp	Yds	Pct	Y/A	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Lg	Sac	Lost	Rating
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	10	6	67	60.0	6.70	0	0.0	0	0.0	23	2	12	80.0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	17	12	103	70.6	6.06	1	5.9	0	0.0	27	0	0	105.8
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>66.7</b>	<b>6.30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>96.2</b>

## 2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME RUSHING & RECEIVING

### ANTONIO ANDREWS

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	8	41	5.1	9	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### SAM BERGEN

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### MATT CASSEL

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	1	3	3.0	3	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### DAVID COBB

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	6	27	4.5	12	0	1	1	1.0	1	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

### JEROME CUNNINGHAM

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### HARRY DOUGLAS

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	2	2.0	2	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	3	39	13.0	23	1
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1</b>

### ALEX ELLIS

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	10	10.0	10	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	2	17	8.5	9	1
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>

### ANTHONY FASANO

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### DAVID FLUELLEN

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	3	13	4.3	11	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### DONTE FOSTER

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



**JALSTON FOWLER**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0

**DORIAN GREEN-BECKHAM**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	15	15.0	15	0
Totals:	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	15	15.0	15	0

**DERRICK HENRY**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	10	74	7.4	16	1	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	5	31	6.2	13	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	1	15	105	7.0	16	1	0	0	-	0	0

**REECE HORN**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0

**JUSTIN HUNTER**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	4	54	13.5	27	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	0	0	-	0	0	4	54	13.5	27	0

**ANDRE JOHNSON**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	2	15	7.5	15	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	0	0	-	0	0	2	15	7.5	15	0

**MARCUS MARIOTA**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	2	13	6.5	8	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	2	2	13	6.5	8	0	0	0	-	0	0

**RISHARD MATTHEWS**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	-	0	0	2	32	16.0	24	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	0	0	-	0	0	1	6	6.0	6	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	2	0	0	-	0	0	3	38	12.7	24	0

**TRE McBRIDE**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	5	5.0	5	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	4	23	5.8	10	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	0	0	-	0	0	5	28	5.6	10	0

**DEXTER McCLUSTER**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	2	12	6.0	9	0	1	23	23.0	23	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	2	12	6.0	9	0	1	23	23.0	23	0

**DeMARCO MURRAY**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	6	93	15.5	71	1	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	5	20	4.0	13	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	2	11	113	10.3	71	1	0	0	-	0	0

**BEN ROBERTS**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0

**BISHOP SANKEY**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	3	52	17.3	41	1	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	2	2	1.0	4	0	1	6	6.0	6	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	5	54	10.8	41	1	1	6	6.0	6	0

**TAJAE SHARPE**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	-	0	0	2	35	17.5	31	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	1	-11	-11.0	-11	0	6	68	11.3	20	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	2	1	-11	-11.0	-11	0	8	103	12.9	31	0

**CRAIG STEVENS**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	2	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0

**PHILLIP SUPERNAW**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	2	22	11.0	16	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	3	22	7.3	9	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	0	0	-	0	0	5	44	8.8	16	0

**ALEX TANNEY**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	1	8	8.0	8	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	0	1	8	8.0	8	0	0	0	-	0	0

**ANDREW TURZILLI**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	8	8.0	8	0
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	1	8	8.0	8	0

**DELANIE WALKER**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	1	7	7.0	7	0	1	9	9.0	9	0
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	2	1	1	7	7.0	7	0	1	9	9.0	9	0

**JARROD WEST**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0

**KENDALL WRIGHT**

Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Rush	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	Rec	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/27 at OAK					-					-		
9/1 at MIA					-					-		
Totals:	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0

# 2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME OFFENSIVE LINE

WILLIAM CAMPBELL			JACK CONKLIN			ANDY GALLIK			BEN JONES			DENNIS KELLY		
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	8/13 vs. SD	1	1	8/13 vs. SD	0	0	8/13 vs. SD	1	1	8/13 vs. SD	-	-
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	8/20 vs. CAR	1	0
8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK		
9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA		
Totals:	0	0	Totals:	2	2	Totals:	1	0	Totals:	2	2	Totals:	1	0

TAYLOR LEWAN			TYLER MARZ			JOSUE MATIAS			RONALD PATRICK			WILL POEHLS		
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	8/13 vs. SD	1	0	8/13 vs. SD	0	0	8/13 vs. SD	1	0	8/13 vs. SD	1	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	8/20 vs. CAR	-	-	8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	8/20 vs. CAR	1	0
8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK	-	-	8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK		
9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA	-	-	9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA		
Totals:	2	2	Totals:	2	0	Totals:	0	0	Totals:	1	0	Totals:	2	0

JEREMIAH POUTASI			NICK RITCHER			BRIAN SCHWENKE			QUINTON SPAIN			SEBASTIAN TRETOLA		
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Date/Opp.	GP	GS
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	8/13 vs. SD	1	0	8/13 vs. SD	1	0	8/13 vs. SD	1	1	8/13 vs. SD	1	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	8/20 vs. CAR	1	0
8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK			8/27 at OAK		
9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA			9/1 at MIA		
Totals:	2	0	Totals:	1	0	Totals:	2	0	Totals:	2	2	Totals:	2	0

CHANCE WARMACK		
Date/Opp.	GP	GS
8/13 vs. SD	1	1
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1
8/27 at OAK		
9/1 at MIA		
Totals:	2	2





RASHAD JOHNSON			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	3	1	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DAQUAN JONES			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
KARL KLUG			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	2	2	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BRICE McCAIN			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JASON McCOURTY			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	1	1	2	0	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DERRICK MORGAN			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEIONTREZ MOUNT			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	4	3	1	1.0	5.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	4	3	1	1.0	5.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
BRIAN ORAKPO			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	3	2	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NATE PALMER			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	5	5	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	7	6	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TYLER PATMON			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROPATI PITOITUA			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
KALAN REED			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	4	1	3	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	6	2	4	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CODY RIGGS			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	1	0	1	0	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

CURTIS RILEY			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	3	3	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	5	4	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Da'NORRIS SEARCY			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	3	2	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	5	4	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LeSHAUN SIMS			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIKE SMITH			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEAN SPENCE			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
DAMION STAFFORD			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
JUSTIN STAPLES			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	3	2	1	0	0.0	1	19	19	0	1	0	0	0	1
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	2	1	1	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	5	3	2	0	0.0	1	19	19	0	2	0	0	0	1
J.R. TAVAI			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	4	1	3	1	8.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	6	2	4	1	8.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AARON WALLACE			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.W. WEBB			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	2	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AVERY WILLIAMSON			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	5	4	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	5	4	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AL WOODS			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANTWAUN WOODS			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	1	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	2	1	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



WESLEY WOODYARD			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	2	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

BLIDI WREH-WILSON			TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES			
Date/Opp.	GP	GS	Tot	Solo	Asst	Sk	Yds	No	Yds	Lg	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds	SpT
8/13 vs. SD	1	0	1	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	3	3	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/27 at OAK																
9/1 at MIA																
Totals:	2	0	4	4	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Additional Special Teams Tackles:** Brinkley 2 (vs. CAR), Andrews 1 (vs. SD), Roberts 1 (vs. SD), Supernaw 1 (vs. CAR)  
**Special Teams Fumble Recovery:** Byard 1 (vs. CAR)

## 2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS - RETURNS

### ANTONIO ANDREWS

Date/Opp.	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	19	19.0	19	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### KEVIN BYARD

Date/Opp.	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	0	0	2	0	18	9.0	9	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>

### TRE McBRIDE

Date/Opp.	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	3	72	24.0	35	0	3	0	17	5.7	16	0
8/20 vs. CAR	2	37	18.5	21	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>

### DEXTER McCLUSTER

Date/Opp.	KR	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD	PR	FC	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
8/13 vs. SD	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
8/20 vs. CAR	0	0	-	0	0	1	0	8	8.0	0	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Additional Kickoff Returns: Au. Johnson 1 for 7 yards (vs. CAR), Fowler 1 for 0 yards (vs. CAR)

## 2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS - KICKING

### ALDRICK ROSAS

Date/Opp.	GP	PAT		FG			1-19		20-29		30-39		40-49		50+		Blk	LG	Pts
		Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Pct	Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Ma	Att			
8/13 vs. SD	1	1	1	1	1	100.0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	33	4
8/20 vs. CAR	1	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>4</b>

### RYAN SUCCOP

Date/Opp.	GP	PAT		FG			1-19		20-29		30-39		40-49		50+		Blk	LG	Pts
		Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Pct	Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Ma	Att	Ma	Att			
8/13 vs. SD	1	2	2	1	1	100.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	47	5
8/20 vs. CAR	1	1	1	1	1	100.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	48	4
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>9</b>

## 2016 PRESEASON GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS - PUNTING

### BRETT KERN

Date/Opp.	GP	No.	Yds	Avg	Ret	Yds	R Avg	TB	In	Lg	Blk	Net
8/13 vs. SD	1	4	145	36.3	1	-3	-3.0	0	2	45	0	37.0
8/20 vs. CAR	1	3	148	49.3	2	16	8.0	1	0	59	0	37.3
8/27 at OAK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9/1 at MIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>37.1</b>



TENNESSEE  
**TITANS**

**LAST WEEK'S  
PLAY-BY-PLAY**



# Week 3 PreSeason

## National Football League Game Summary

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Date: Saturday, 8/20/2016

Carolina Panthers at Tennessee Titans  
at Nissan Stadium, Nashville, Tennessee

Start Time: 2:07 PM Central

### Game Day Weather

Game Weather: Cloudy

Temp: 80° F (26.7° C) Humidity: 89%, Wind: 0 mph

Played Outdoors on Turf: Grass

Outdoor Weather: Cloudy, Wind Chill: 80

### Officials

Referee: Blakeman, Clete (34)

Umpire: George, Ramon (128)

Head Linesman: Cruz, Hugo (94)

Line Judge: Spanier, Mike (90)

Side Judge: Larrew, Joe (73)

Field Judge: Nelson, Justin

Back Judge: Patrick, Steve (17)

Replay Official: Reels, Richard (0)

### Lineups

#### Carolina Panthers

Offense			Defense		
WR	13	K.Benjamin	LDE	95	C.Johnson
LT	73	M.Oher	LDT	98	S.Lotulelei
LG	68	A.Norwell	RDT	99	K.Short
C	67	R.Kalil	RDE	94	K.Ealy
RG	70	T.Turner	CB	25	B.Benwikere
RT	74	M.Remmers	MLB	59	L.Kuechly
TE	80	S.Simonson	WLB	58	T.Davis
WR	19	T.Ginn	LCB	24	J.Bradberry
QB	1	C.Newton	RCB	26	D.Worley
FB	35	M.Tolbert	SS	20	K.Coleman
RB	28	J.Stewart	FS	33	T.Boston

#### Tennessee Titans

Offense			Defense		
WR	18	R.Matthews	DE	90	D.Jones
TE	82	D.Walker	NT	96	A.Woods
LT	77	T.Lewan	DT	99	J.Casey
LG	67	Q.Spain	OLB	91	D.Morgan
C	60	B.Jones	ILB	59	W.Woodyard
RG	70	C.Warmack	ILB	54	A.Williamson
RT	78	J.Conklin	OLB	98	B.Orakpo
TE	88	C.Stevens	CB	33	B.McCain
WR	19	T.Sharpe	SS	21	D.Searcy
QB	8	M.Mariota	FS	49	R.Johnson
RB	29	D.Murray	CB	47	A.Blake

### Substitutions

P 2 K.Redfern, QB 3 D.Anderson, P 5 M.Scifres, K 9 G.Gano, WR 10 C.Brown, WR 12 M.Shuler, QB 14 J.Webb, WR 15 K.Garrett, WR 16 A.Capers, WR 17 D.Funchess, WR 18 D.Byrd, DB 22 L.Young, CB 27 R.McClain, CB 30 T.Dixon, DB 31 Z.Sanchez, RB 32 B.Wegher, RB 34 C.Artis-Payne, DB 36 M.Ball, RB 38 J.Simmons, DB 39 T.Robinson, DB 42 C.Jones, RB 43 F.Whittaker, LS 44 J.Jansen, TE 48 B.Deaver, LB 49 J.Barber, LB 50 B.Blechen, LB 52 J.Norris, LB 54 S.Thompson, LB 55 D.Mayo, LB 56 A.Klein, LB 57 J.Cash, T 60 D.Williams, G 61 D.Yankey, G 62 R.Dismukes, T 63 D.Foucault, C 64 M.Masifilo, DE 65 R.Drew, G 66 G.Gradkowski, G 69 T.Larsen, DE 71 A.Miley, DT 72 E.Crume, G 72 J.Rigsbee, DT 76 R.Thomas, DE 78 T.Lally, G 78 D.Hawkins, T 79 C.Scott, WR 81 K.Norwood, WR 82 M.Lucas, TE 85 B.Sandland, WR 86 L.Byrd, WR 87 S.Hill, DT 90 P.Solai, DE 91 R.Delaire, DT 92 V.Butler, DE 96 W.Horton, DE 97 M.Addison

RB 2 D.Henry, K 3 A.Rosas, K 4 R.Succop, P 6 B.Kern, WR 10 T.McBride, QB 11 A.Tanney, WR 12 B.Roberts, WR 15 J.Hunter, QB 16 M.Cassel, S 20 K.Byard, RB 20 B.Sankey, RB 22 D.McCluster, RB 23 D.Cobb, CB 25 B.Wreh-Wilson, RB 26 A.Andrews, DB 28 M.Huff, CB 32 K.Reed, RB 32 D.Fluellen, CB 35 C.Riley, CB 36 L.Sims, CB 37 C.Riggs, CB 38 B.Webb, S 39 D.Stafford, FB 40 S.Bergen, LB 41 J.Tavai, S 42 L.Brutus, DB 44 T.Patmon, FB 45 J.Fowler, LS 48 B.Brinkley, TE 49 A.Ellis, LB 50 N.Palmer, LB 51 D.Bass, LB 53 D.Mount, LB 55 S.Spence, LB 56 A.Herrera, LB 57 J.Staples, LB 58 C.Grant, C 62 B.Schwenke, DE 68 M.Abdesmad, T 68 T.Marz, C 69 A.Gallik, NT 71 An.Woods, T 71 D.Kelly, T 73 J.Poutasi, DE 75 M.Smith, T 75 W.Poehls, G 79 S.Tretola, TE 80 A.Fasano, WR 81 A.Johnson, WR 83 H.Douglas, TE 84 J.Cunningham, TE 89 P.Supernaw, DE 92 R.Pitoitua, DL 94 Au.Johnson, DE 95 A.Blackson, DT 97 K.Klug

### Did Not Play

WR 11 B.Bersin, CB 21 T.Williams, S 29 D.Marlowe, TE 46 E.Wallace, LB 53 B.Jacobs, T 71 W.Smith, DE 75 L.Webster, DE 77 R.Cox, TE 84 E.Dickson, TE 88 G.Olsen, DT 93 K.Love

### Did Not Play

WR 13 K.Wright, WR 14 J.West, CB 24 P.Cox, CB 30 J.McCourty, LB 52 A.Wallace, T 61 N.Ritcher, G 64 W.Campbell, G 72 R.Patrick, WR 85 D.Foster, WR 86 A.Turzilli, WR 87 R.Horn, LB 93 K.Dodd

### Not Active

### Not Active

### Field Goals (made ( ) & missed)

G.Gano		(41) (23)		R.Succop		(48)			
				1		2		3	
								4	
								OT	
								Total	
VISITOR:	Carolina Panthers			10		3		6	
HOME:	Tennessee Titans			0		7		3	

### Scoring Plays

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Panthers	1	12:48	T.Ginn 61 yd. pass from C.Newton (G.Gano kick) (5-93, 2:12)	7	0
Panthers	1	0:20	G.Gano 41 yd. Field Goal (7-49, 3:01)	10	0
Titans	2	10:54	H.Douglas 23 yd. pass from M.Mariota (R.Succop kick) (9-81, 4:26)	10	7

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Panthers	2	0:03	G.Gano 23 yd. Field Goal (10-52, 1:45)	13	7
Titans	3	10:04	R.Succop 48 yd. Field Goal (8-45, 4:56)	13	10
Panthers	3	4:49	K.Norwood 8 yd. pass from D.Anderson (kick failed, hru) (2-9, 0:45)	19	10
Panthers	4	6:01	J.Simmons 6 yd. pass from J.Webb (G.Gano kick) (8-61, 4:33)	26	10
Titans	4	1:55	A.Ellis 9 yd. pass from A.Tanney (pass failed) (10-68, 4:06)	26	16
Paid Attendance: 60,802				Time: 3:23	

## Final Team Statistics

	Visitor Panthers	Home Titans
<b>TOTAL FIRST DOWNS</b>	17	20
By Rushing	2	7
By Passing	15	13
By Penalty	0	0
<b>THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY</b>	7-14-50%	6-11-55%
<b>FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY</b>	0-0-0%	0-1-0%
<b>TOTAL NET YARDS</b>	393	330
Total Offensive Plays (inc. times thrown passing)	58	60
Average gain per offensive play	6.8	5.5
<b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>	53	96
Total Rushing Plays	21	24
Average gain per rushing play	2.5	4.0
Tackles for a loss-number and yards	0-0	4-15
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	340	234
Times thrown - yards lost attempting to pass	0-0	2-11
Gross yards passing	340	245
<b>PASS ATTEMPTS-COMPLETIONS-HAD INTERCEPTED</b>	37-25-0	34-26-2
Avg gain per pass play (inc.# thrown passing)	9.2	6.5
<b>KICKOFFS Number-In End Zone-Touchbacks</b>	6-2-1	4-1-0
<b>PUNTS Number and Average</b>	5-42.6	3-49.3
Had Blocked	0	0
<b>FGs - PATs Had Blocked</b>	0-0	0-0
<b>Net Punting Average</b>	37.4	37.3
<b>TOTAL RETURN YARDAGE (Not Including Kickoffs)</b>	24	26
No. and Yards Punt Returns	2-16	3-26
No. and Yards Kickoff Returns	4-55	5-63
No. and Yards Interception Returns	2-8	0-0
<b>PENALTIES Number and Yards</b>	8-65	6-40
<b>FUMBLES Number and Lost</b>	0-0	2-1
<b>TOUCHDOWNS</b>	3	2
Rushing	0	0
Passing	3	2
<b>EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts</b>	2-3	1-2
Kicking Made-Attempts	2-3	1-1
Passing Made-Attempts	0-0	0-1
<b>FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts</b>	2-2	1-1
<b>RED ZONE EFFICIENCY</b>	2-3-67%	1-1-100%
<b>GOAL TO GO EFFICIENCY</b>	2-2-100%	1-1-100%
<b>SAFETIES</b>	0	0
<b>FINAL SCORE</b>	26	16
<b>TIME OF POSSESSION</b>	28:01	31:59



# Final Individual Statistics

## Carolina Panthers

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Wegher	8	24	3.0	11	0
J.Stewart	3	10	3.3	5	0
C.Artis-Payne	3	10	3.3	6	0
M.Tolbert	2	6	3.0	4	0
J.Simmons	1	3	3.0	3	0
C.Newton	2	2	1.0	1	0
J.Webb	2	-2	-1.0	-1	0
Total	21	53	2.5	11	0

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
D.Anderson	20	12	118	0/0	1	19	0	93.3
C.Newton	12	8	162	0/0	1	61	0	137.5
J.Webb	5	5	60	0/0	1	19	0	156.2
Total	37	25	340	0/0	3	61	0	123.7

PASS RECEIVING	TAR	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
M.Lucas	3	3	39	13.0	19	0
D.Byrd	6	3	36	12.0	19	0
K.Norwood	4	3	31	10.3	15	1
K.Benjamin	3	2	29	14.5	16	0
C.Artis-Payne	3	2	24	12.0	15	0
D.Funchess	4	2	19	9.5	11	0
L.Byrd	2	2	18	9.0	10	0
C.Brown	2	2	16	8.0	11	0
T.Ginn	1	1	61	61.0	61	1
F.Whittaker	2	1	36	36.0	36	0
B.Deaver	1	1	15	15.0	15	0
J.Stewart	1	1	6	6.0	6	0
J.Simmons	1	1	6	6.0	6	1
S.Hill	1	1	4	4.0	4	0
S.Simonson	3	0	0	0.0	0	0
Total	37	25	340	13.6	61	3

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
B.Benwikere	1	9	9.0	9	0
Z.Sanchez	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0
Total	2	8	4.0	9	0

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN20	LG
K.Redfern	5	213	42.6	37.4	0	2	54
Total	5	213	42.6	37.4	0	2	54

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
D.Byrd	2	16	8.0	0	12	0
[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
Total	2	16	8.0	0	12	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
F.Whittaker	3	39	13.0	0	15	0
D.Byrd	1	16	16.0	0	16	0
Total	4	55	13.8	0	16	0

## Tennessee Titans

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
D.Henry	5	31	6.2	13	0
D.Cobb	6	27	4.5	12	0
D.Murray	5	20	4.0	13	0
M.Mariota	2	13	6.5	8	0
A.Tanney	1	8	8.0	8	0
D.Walker	1	7	7.0	7	0
B.Sankey	2	2	1.0	4	0
M.Cassel	1	-1	-1.0	-1	0
T.Sharpe	1	-11	-11.0	-11	0
Total	24	96	4.0	13	0

PASSING	ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
A.Tanney	17	12	103	0/0	1	27	0	105.8
M.Mariota	10	9	104	1/3	1	23	1	103.8
M.Cassel	7	5	38	1/8	0	12	1	44.6
Total	34	26	245	2/11	2	27	2	90.9

PASS RECEIVING	TAR	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
T.Sharpe	6	6	68	11.3	20	0
J.Hunter	7	4	54	13.5	27	0
T.McBride	5	4	23	5.8	10	0
H.Douglas	5	3	39	13.0	23	1
P.Superdaw	3	3	22	7.3	9	0
A.Ellis	2	2	17	8.5	9	1
D.Walker	1	1	9	9.0	9	0
B.Sankey	2	1	6	6.0	6	0
R.Matthews	1	1	6	6.0	6	0
D.Cobb	1	1	1	1.0	1	0
J.Cunningham	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
Total	34	26	245	9.4	27	2

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TD
Total	0	0	0	0	0

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	IN20	LG
B.Kern	3	148	49.3	37.3	1	0	59
Total	3	148	49.3	37.3	1	0	59

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
K.Byard	2	18	9.0	0	9	0
D.McCluster	1	8	8.0	0	8	0
[DOWNED]	2	0	0.0	0	0	0
Total	3	26	8.7	0	9	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	LG	TD
T.McBride	2	37	18.5	0	21	0
A.Andrews	1	19	19.0	0	19	0
Au.Johnson	1	7	7.0	0	7	0
J.Fowler	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
[TOUCHBACK]	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
Total	5	63	12.6	0	21	0

## Final Individual Statistics

## Carolina Panthers

FUMBLES	FUM	LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
M.Addison	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
C.Jones	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
D.Mayo	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0

## Tennessee Titans

FUMBLES	FUM	LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
K.Byard	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Cobb	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

First Quarter

CAR wins toss, elects to Receive, and TEN elects to defend the North goal.

R.Succop kicks 66 yards from TEN 35 to CAR -1. F.Whittaker to CAR 17 for 18 yards (P.Superdaw).

PENALTY on CAR-M.Ball, Offensive Holding, 6 yards, enforced at CAR 13.

Carolina Panthers at 15:00, (1st play from scrimmage 14:55)

1-10-CAR 7	(14:55) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to K.Benjamin to CAR 23 for 16 yards (A.Blake; D.Searcy).	P1
<u>1-10-CAR 23</u>	(14:21) J.Stewart up the middle to CAR 26 for 3 yards (W.Woodyard).	
2-7-CAR 26	(13:40) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass incomplete short left to K.Benjamin (D.Jones).	
3-7-CAR 26	(13:33) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to K.Benjamin to CAR 39 for 13 yards (D.Searcy).	P2
<u>1-10-CAR 39</u>	<b>(12:59) (No Huddle, Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to T.Ginn for 61 yards, TOUCHDOWN.</b>	P3
	G.Gano extra point is GOOD, Center-J.Jansen, Holder-M.Scifres.	

CAR 7 TEN 0, 5 plays, 93 yards, 2:12 drive, 2:12 elapsed

G.Gano kicks 60 yards from CAR 35 to TEN 5. T.McBride to TEN 26 for 21 yards (T.Dixon).

Tennessee Titans at 12:48, (1st play from scrimmage 12:43)

1-10-TEN 26	(12:43) M.Mariota pass short right to T.Sharpe pushed ob at TEN 36 for 10 yards (J.Bradberry).	P1
<u>1-10-TEN 36</u>	(12:05) D.Murray left end to TEN 36 for no gain (K.Ealy).	
	PENALTY on CAR-K.Short, Defensive Offside, 5 yards, enforced at TEN 36 - No Play.	
1-5-TEN 41	(11:41) T.Sharpe right end to TEN 30 for -11 yards (T.Boston).	
2-16-TEN 30	(11:02) (Shotgun) D.Murray left guard to TEN 32 for 2 yards (K.Short).	
3-14-TEN 32	(10:25) (Shotgun) M.Mariota pass deep middle to T.Sharpe to CAR 48 for 20 yards (T.Boston; D.Worley).	P2
	Penalty on CAR-C.Johnson, Defensive Offside, declined.	
<u>1-10-CAR 48</u>	(9:53) D.Walker left end pushed ob at CAR 41 for 7 yards (K.Coleman).	
2-3-CAR 41	(9:15) M.Mariota pass short left to D.Walker to CAR 32 for 9 yards (D.Worley).	P3
<u>1-10-CAR 32</u>	(8:34) M.Mariota scrambles left guard to CAR 27 for 5 yards (L.Kuechly).	
2-5-CAR 27	(7:48) (Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short right intended for H.Douglas INTERCEPTED by B.Benwikere at CAR 12. B.Benwikere to CAR 21 for 9 yards (A.Johnson).	
	PENALTY on TEN-A.Johnson, Face Mask (15 Yards), 15 yards, enforced at CAR 21.	

Carolina Panthers at 7:37

1-10-CAR 36	(7:37) J.Stewart right guard to CAR 41 for 5 yards (A.Blake).
2-5-CAR 41	(7:02) J.Stewart left tackle to CAR 43 for 2 yards (B.Orakpo; A.Woods).
3-3-CAR 43	(6:21) (No Huddle, Shotgun) C.Newton scrambles left guard to CAR 44 for 1 yard (B.Orakpo).
4-2-CAR 44	(5:40) (Punt formation) K.Redfern punts 41 yards to TEN 15, Center-J.Jansen. D.McCluster to TEN 23 for 8 yards (A.Klein).

Tennessee Titans at 5:31

1-10-TEN 23	(5:31) D.Murray left end pushed ob at TEN 24 for 1 yard (J.Bradberry).
2-9-TEN 24	(4:58) (Shotgun) D.Murray up the middle to TEN 28 for 4 yards (L.Kuechly).
3-5-TEN 28	(4:13) (Shotgun) M.Mariota sacked at TEN 25 for -3 yards (K.Ealy).
4-8-TEN 25	(3:36) (Punt formation) B.Kern punts 59 yards to CAR 16, Center-B.Brinkley. D.Byrd to CAR 28 for 12 yards (B.Brinkley).

Carolina Panthers at 3:21

1-10-CAR 28	(3:21) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to J.Stewart pushed ob at CAR 34 for 6 yards (D.Searcy).	
2-4-CAR 34	(2:48) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass incomplete short left to D.Funchess.	
3-4-CAR 34	(2:45) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to F.Whittaker to TEN 30 for 36 yards (S.Spence).	P4
<u>1-10-TEN 30</u>	(2:10) (No Huddle, Shotgun) J.Stewart left end to TEN 27 for 3 yards (N.Palmer).	
	PENALTY on CAR-S.Simonson, Face Mask (15 Yards), 15 yards, enforced at TEN 30 - No Play.	
1-25-TEN 45	(1:48) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short right to C.Brown to TEN 34 for 11 yards (R.Johnson).	
2-14-TEN 34	(1:16) (No Huddle, Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to D.Funchess to TEN 23 for 11 yards (B.McCain).	
	Timeout #1 by CAR at 00:28.	
3-3-TEN 23	(:28) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass incomplete short right to S.Simonson (S.Spence).	
4-3-TEN 23	<b>(:24) (Field Goal formation) G.Gano 41 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-J.Jansen, Holder-M.Scifres.</b>	

CAR 10 TEN 0, 7 plays, 49 yards, 3:01 drive, 14:40 elapsed

K.Redfern kicks 62 yards from CAR 35 to TEN 3. T.McBride to TEN 19 for 16 yards (C.Artis-Payne).

Tennessee Titans at 0:20, (1st play from scrimmage 0:15)

1-10-TEN 19	(:15) (Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short left to T.Sharpe to TEN 24 for 5 yards (D.Worley).
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END OF QUARTER

	Score	Time Poss	First Downs				Efficiencies	
			R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Carolina Panthers	10	7:19	0	4	0	4	2/4	0/0
Tennessee Titans	0	7:41	0	3	0	3	1/2	0/0

Tennessee Titans continued.

2-5-TEN 24	(15:00) D.Murray right guard to TEN 37 for 13 yards (T.Boston).	R4
<u>1-10-TEN 37</u>	(14:19) (No Huddle, Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short left to T.Sharpe to TEN 49 for 12 yards (D.Worley).	P5
<u>1-10-TEN 49</u>	(13:46) (Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short right to H.Douglas to CAR 47 for 4 yards (K.Coleman).	
2-6-CAR 47	(13:23) (No Huddle) D.Murray right tackle to CAR 47 for no gain (J.Bradberry).	
3-6-CAR 47	(12:59) (No Huddle, Shotgun) <i>PENALTY on TEN-B.Jones, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at CAR 47 - No Play.</i>	
3-11-TEN 48	(12:38) (Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short left to T.Sharpe to CAR 36 for 16 yards (D.Worley).	P6
<u>1-10-CAR 36</u>	(12:00) (No Huddle, Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short left to T.Sharpe to CAR 31 for 5 yards (T.Davis).	
2-5-CAR 31	(11:34) (No Huddle, Shotgun) M.Mariota scrambles up the middle to CAR 23 for 8 yards (L.Kuechly).	R7
<u>1-10-CAR 23</u>	<b>(11:00) M.Mariota pass deep right to H.Douglas for 23 yards, TOUCHDOWN.</b>	P8
	R.Succop extra point is GOOD, Center-B.Brinkley, Holder-B.Kern.	

<b>CAR 10 TEN 7, 9 plays, 81 yards, 4:26 drive, 4:06 elapsed</b>
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R.Succop kicks 60 yards from TEN 35 to CAR 5. F.Whittaker to CAR 20 for 15 yards (K.Reed).

*PENALTY on TEN-J.Staples, Offside on Free Kick, 5 yards, enforced at CAR 20.***Carolina Panthers at 10:54, (1st play from scrimmage 10:48)**

1-10-CAR 25	(10:48) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass incomplete short right to D.Funchess.	
2-10-CAR 25	(10:43) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short right to D.Funchess to CAR 33 for 8 yards (A.Blake).	
3-2-CAR 33	(9:57) C.Newton scrambles right end to CAR 34 for 1 yard (C.Grant).	
4-1-CAR 34	(9:09) (Punt formation) K.Redfern punts 48 yards to TEN 18, Center-J.Jansen. K.Byard to TEN 28 for 10 yards (M.Addison). FUMBLES (M.Addison), and recovers at TEN 27. K.Byard to TEN 27 for no gain (M.Addison).	

**Tennessee Titans at 8:57**

1-10-TEN 27	(8:57) M.Cassel sacked at TEN 19 for -8 yards (B.Benwikere).	
2-18-TEN 19	(8:15) (Shotgun) D.Henry up the middle to TEN 22 for 3 yards (A.Klein; J.Bradberry).	
	<i>PENALTY on CAR-K.Ealy, Defensive Offside, 5 yards, enforced at TEN 19 - No Play.</i>	
2-13-TEN 24	(7:45) D.Henry left tackle to TEN 23 for -1 yards (K.Short; B.Benwikere).	
3-14-TEN 23	(7:09) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass short left to R.Matthews to TEN 29 for 6 yards (C.Jones).	
4-8-TEN 29	(6:29) (Punt formation) B.Kern punts 45 yards to CAR 26, Center-B.Brinkley. D.Byrd pushed ob at CAR 30 for 4 yards (B.Brinkley).	

**Carolina Panthers at 6:20**

1-10-CAR 30	(6:20) D.Anderson pass incomplete deep middle to D.Byrd.	
2-10-CAR 30	(6:14) M.Tolbert up the middle to CAR 34 for 4 yards (S.Spence).	
3-6-CAR 34	(5:29) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short right to D.Byrd ran ob at CAR 45 for 11 yards.	P5
<u>1-10-CAR 45</u>	(5:00) (No Huddle, Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short left to C.Brown to 50 for 5 yards (B.Webb).	
2-5-50	(4:19) (Shotgun) M.Tolbert up the middle to TEN 48 for 2 yards (K.Klug).	
3-3-TEN 48	(3:38) (Shotgun) C.Artis-Payne right tackle to TEN 47 for 1 yard (D.Bass).	
4-2-TEN 47	(2:54) (Punt formation) K.Redfern punts 34 yards to TEN 13, Center-J.Jansen, downed by CAR-A.Klein.	
	<i>PENALTY on CAR-L.Byrd, Face Mask (15 Yards), 15 yards, enforced at TEN 13.</i>	

**Tennessee Titans at 2:44**

1-10-TEN 28	(2:44) <i>PENALTY on TEN-T.Lewan, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at TEN 28 - No Play.</i>	
1-15-TEN 23	(2:44) D.Henry up the middle to TEN 30 for 7 yards (S.Thompson).	
2-8-TEN 30	(2:03) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass short right to H.Douglas to TEN 42 for 12 yards (S.Thompson).	P9

Two-Minute Warning

<u>1-10-TEN 42</u>	(1:55) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass short middle intended for H.Douglas INTERCEPTED by Z.Sanchez (A.Klein) at CAR 44. Z.Sanchez to CAR 43 for -1 yards (H.Douglas).	
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**Carolina Panthers at 1:48**

1-10-CAR 43	(1:48) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short left to D.Byrd to CAR 49 for 6 yards (B.Wreh-Wilson).	
2-4-CAR 49	(1:27) (No Huddle, Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short right to S.Hill to TEN 47 for 4 yards (A.Blake).	P6
<u>1-10-TEN 47</u>	(1:02) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass deep middle to D.Byrd to TEN 28 for 19 yards (K.Byard).	P7
<u>1-10-TEN 28</u>	(:40) (No Huddle, Shotgun) D.Anderson pass incomplete deep left to D.Byrd.	
2-10-TEN 28	(:35) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass incomplete short right to F.Whittaker.	
3-10-TEN 28	(:32) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short left to K.Norwood to TEN 13 for 15 yards (K.Byard).	P8
	Timeout #2 by CAR at 00:25.	
<u>1-10-TEN 13</u>	(:25) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass incomplete short left to S.Simonson.	

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- 2-10-TEN 13      (:20) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short left to L.Byrd to TEN 5 for 8 yards (B.Wreh-Wilson).  
Timeout #3 by CAR at 00:13.  
Timeout #1 by TEN at 00:13.
- 3-2-TEN 5      (:13) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass incomplete short right to D.Byrd.
- 4-2-TEN 5      (:08) (Field Goal formation) G.Gano 23 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-J.Jansen, Holder-M.Scifres.

CAR 13 TEN 7, 10 plays, 52 yards, 1:45 drive, 14:57 elapsed

K.Redfern kicks 39 yards from CAR 35 to TEN 26. J.Fowler (didn't try to advance) to TEN 26 for no gain (B.Wegher).  
*Penalty on TEN, Offside on Free Kick, declined.*

Tennessee Titans at 0:03, (1st play from scrimmage 0:01)

- 1-10-TEN 26      (:01) M.Cassel kneels to TEN 25 for -1 yards.

END OF QUARTER			First Downs				Efficiencies	
	Score	Time Poss	R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Carolina Panthers	13	7:18	0	4	0	4	2/5	0/0
Tennessee Titans	7	7:42	2	4	0	6	1/2	0/0



# First Half Summary

## PERIOD SCORES

Panthers	10	3 = 13
Titans	0	7 = 7

## TIME OF POSSESSION

Panthers	14:37
Titans	15:23

## Scoring Plays

Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Panthers	1	12:48	T.Ginn 61 yd. pass from C.Newton (G.Gano kick) (5-93, 2:12)	7	0
Panthers	1	0:20	G.Gano 41 yd. Field Goal (7-49, 3:01)	10	0
Titans	2	10:54	H.Douglas 23 yd. pass from M.Mariota (R.Succop kick) (9-81, 4:26)	10	7
Panthers	2	0:03	G.Gano 23 yd. Field Goal (10-52, 1:45)	13	7

	Carolina Panthers	Tennessee Titans
<b>TOTAL FIRST DOWNS</b>	8	9
First Downs Rushing-Passing-by Penalty	0 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0
<b>THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY</b>	4-9-44%	2-4-50%
<b>TOTAL NET YARDS</b>	249	145
Total Offensive Plays	32	27
<b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>	19	34
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	230	111
Gross Yards Passing	230	122
Times thrown-yards lost attempting to pass	0-0	2-11
<b>Pass Attempts-Completions-Had Intercepted</b>	24 - 15 - 0	13 - 11 - 2
<b>Punts-Number and Average</b>	3 - 41	2 - 52
<b>Penalties-Number and Yards</b>	5 - 46	4 - 30
<b>Fumbles-Number and Lost</b>	0 - 0	1 - 0
<b>Red Zone Efficiency</b>	0-1-0%	0-0-0%
<b>Average Drive Start</b>	CAR 28	TEN 25

Carolina Panthers										Tennessee Titans																	
RUSHING						ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	RUSHING						ATT	YDS	AVG	LG	TD						
J.Stewart						3	10	3.3	5	0	D.Murray						5	20	4.0	13	0						
M.Tolbert						2	6	3.0	4	0	M.Mariota						2	13	6.5	8	0						
C.Newton						2	2	1.0	1	0	D.Walker						1	7	7.0	7	0						
C.Artis-Payne						1	1	1.0	1	0	D.Henry						2	6	3.0	7	0						
											M.Cassel						1	-1	-1.0	-1	0						
											T.Sharpe						1	-11	-11.0	-11	0						
Total						8	19	2.4	5	0	Total						12	34	2.8	13	0						
PASSING						ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT	PASSING						ATT	CMP	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
C.Newton						12	8	162	0/0	1	61	0	137.5	M.Mariota						10	9	104	1/3	1	23	1	103.8
D.Anderson						12	7	68	0/0	0	19	0	74.3	M.Cassel						3	2	18	1/8	0	12	1	43.1
Total						24	15	230	0/0	1	61	0	108.0	Total						13	11	122	2/11	1	23	2	91.8
PASS RECEIVING						TAR	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD	PASS RECEIVING						TAR	REC	YDS	AVG	LG	TD				
D.Byrd						6	3	36	12.0	19	0	T.Sharpe						6	6	68	11.3	20	0				
K.Benjamin						3	2	29	14.5	16	0	H.Douglas						5	3	39	13.0	23	1				
D.Funchess						4	2	19	9.5	11	0	D.Walker						1	1	9	9.0	9	0				
C.Brown						2	2	16	8.0	11	0	R.Matthews						1	1	6	6.0	6	0				
T.Ginn						1	1	61	61.0	61	1																
F.Whittaker						2	1	36	36.0	36	0																
K.Norwood						1	1	15	15.0	15	0																
L.Byrd						1	1	8	8.0	8	0																
J.Stewart						1	1	6	6.0	6	0																
S.Hill						1	1	4	4.0	4	0																
S.Simonson						2	0	0	0.0	0	0																
Total						24	15	230	15.3	61	1	Total						13	11	122	11.1	23	1				

Carolina Panthers

Regular Defensive Plays

Special Teams

Misc

First Half Summary

	TKL	AST	COMB	SK	/ YDS	TFL	Q	IN	PD	FF	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
D.Worley	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Bradberry	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L.Kuechly	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Boston	2	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	12	2	14	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Tennessee Titans	Regular Defensive Plays											Special Teams					Misc			
	TKL	AST	COMB	SK	/ YDS	TFL	QH	IN	PD	FF	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
A.Blake	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Searcy	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Byard	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
S.Spence	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	9	2	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

TEN elects to Receive, and CAR elects to defend the North goal.

K.Redfern kicks 65 yards from CAR 35 to end zone, Touchback.

#### Tennessee Titans at 15:00

1-10-TEN 25	(15:00) D.Henry right guard to TEN 31 for 6 yards (M.Addison).	
	<i>PENALTY on CAR-W.Horton, Defensive Offside, 5 yards, enforced at TEN 25 - No Play.</i>	
1-5-TEN 30	(14:38) D.Henry right tackle to TEN 43 for 13 yards (A.Klein).	R10
<u>1-10-TEN 43</u>	(14:02) D.Henry right end to TEN 45 for 2 yards (S.Thompson).	
2-8-TEN 45	(13:22) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass short left to P.Supernaw to CAR 47 for 8 yards (M.Ball).	P11
<u>1-10-CAR 47</u>	(12:38) D.Henry right guard to CAR 37 for 10 yards (C.Jones).	R12
<u>1-10-CAR 37</u>	(11:54) <i>PENALTY on TEN-J.Poutasi, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at CAR 37 - No Play.</i>	
1-15-CAR 42	(11:31) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass short left to T.McBride to CAR 35 for 7 yards (L.Young).	
2-8-CAR 35	(10:55) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass incomplete short left to J.Hunter.	
3-8-CAR 35	(10:50) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass short left to P.Supernaw to CAR 30 for 5 yards (C.Jones).	
4-3-CAR 30	<b>(10:09) (Field Goal formation) R.Succop 48 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-B.Brinkley, Holder-B.Kern.</b>	

**CAR 13 TEN 10, 8 plays, 45 yards, 1 penalty, 4:56 drive, 4:56 elapsed**

A.Rosas kicks 63 yards from TEN 35 to CAR 2. D.Byrd pushed ob at CAR 30 for 28 yards (C.Riggs).

*PENALTY on CAR-R.Dismukes, Offensive Holding, 9 yards, enforced at CAR 18.*

#### Carolina Panthers at 10:04, (1st play from scrimmage 9:59)

1-10-CAR 9	(9:59) <i>PENALTY on CAR-S.Simonson, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at CAR 9 - No Play.</i>	
1-15-CAR 4	(9:58) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short right to K.Norwood to CAR 12 for 8 yards (K.Byard).	
2-7-CAR 12	(9:27) D.Anderson pass incomplete short right to C.Artis-Payne.	
	Timeout #1 by CAR at 09:21.	
3-7-CAR 12	(9:21) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short right to C.Artis-Payne pushed ob at CAR 27 for 15 yards (K.Byard).	P9
<u>1-10-CAR 27</u>	(8:49) (No Huddle, Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short right to C.Artis-Payne to CAR 36 for 9 yards (N.Palmer).	
2-1-CAR 36	(8:10) (No Huddle) C.Artis-Payne left guard to CAR 42 for 6 yards (A.Blackson).	R10
<u>1-10-CAR 42</u>	(7:29) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short left to L.Byrd to TEN 48 for 10 yards (L.Sims).	P11
<u>1-10-TEN 48</u>	(6:48) (No Huddle, Shotgun) D.Anderson pass incomplete deep right to K.Norwood (M.Huff). CAR-K.Norwood was injured during the play. His return is Questionable.	
2-10-TEN 48	(6:42) (Shotgun) C.Artis-Payne up the middle to TEN 45 for 3 yards (C.Riggs; An.Woods).	
3-7-TEN 45	(5:58) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass incomplete deep right to S.Simonson (J.Staples).	
4-7-TEN 45	(5:52) (Punt formation) K.Redfern punts 36 yards to TEN 9, Center-J.Jansen, downed by CAR-B.Wegher.	
	<i>PENALTY on TEN-M.Huff, Unnecessary Roughness, 5 yards, enforced at TEN 9.</i>	

#### Tennessee Titans at 5:42

1-10-TEN 4	(5:42) D.Cobb up the middle to TEN 4 for no gain (C.Jones). FUMBLES (C.Jones), RECOVERED by CAR-D.Mayo at TEN 9. D.Mayo to TEN 9 for no gain (D.Kelly).
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#### Carolina Panthers at 5:34

1-9-TEN 9	(5:34) B.Wegher right tackle to TEN 8 for 1 yard (J.Tavai; N.Palmer).	
2-8-TEN 8	<b>(4:54) (No Huddle, Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short left to K.Norwood for 8 yards, TOUCHDOWN.</b>	P12
	G.Gano extra point is No Good, Hit Right Upright, Center-J.Jansen, Holder-M.Scifres.	

**CAR 19 TEN 10, 2 plays, 9 yards, 0:45 drive, 10:11 elapsed**

K.Redfern kicks 65 yards from CAR 35 to TEN 0. A.Andrews to TEN 19 for 19 yards (J.Cash).

#### Tennessee Titans at 4:49, (1st play from scrimmage 4:43)

1-10-TEN 19	(4:43) A.Tanney pass short left to P.Supernaw to TEN 28 for 9 yards (C.Jones; B.Blechen).	
2-1-TEN 28	(4:07) D.Cobb left tackle to TEN 40 for 12 yards (D.Mayo).	R13
<u>1-10-TEN 40</u>	(3:25) A.Tanney pass short middle to J.Hunter to CAR 45 for 15 yards (R.McClain).	P14
<u>1-10-CAR 45</u>	(2:46) A.Tanney pass incomplete short right to J.Hunter.	
2-10-CAR 45	(2:40) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass incomplete short right to J.Cunningham.	
3-10-CAR 45	(2:34) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass short right to D.Cobb to CAR 44 for 1 yard (D.Mayo).	
4-9-CAR 44	(1:45) (Punt formation) B.Kern punts 44 yards to end zone, Center-B.Brinkley, Touchback.	
	The game has been suspended. Lightning	
	The game has resumed. Game resumed at 4:50pm. Game delay was 30 minutes.	

#### Carolina Panthers at 1:34



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1-10-CAR 20 (1:34) B.Wegher right guard to CAR 21 for 1 yard (C.Grant).  
2-9-CAR 21 (1:02) B.Wegher right tackle to CAR 22 for 1 yard (J.Tavai).  
3-8-CAR 22 (:17) (Shotgun) J.Webb pass short right to M.Lucas to CAR 29 for 7 yards (K.Byard; K.Reed).

END OF QUARTER

	Score	Time Poss	First Downs				Efficiencies	
			R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Carolina Panthers	19	6:41	1	3	0	4	1/3	0/0
Tennessee Titans	10	8:19	3	2	0	5	0/2	0/0

Fourth Quarter

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Play By Play

Carolina Panthers continued.

4-1-CAR 29 (15:00) (Punt formation) K.Redfern punts 54 yards to TEN 17, Center-J.Jansen. K.Byard to TEN 26 for 9 yards (L.Young; J.Jansen).

Tennessee Titans at 14:45

1-10-TEN 26	(14:45) A.Tanney pass short left to J.Hunter to TEN 30 for 4 yards (J.Cash).	
2-6-TEN 30	(14:10) D.Cobb right tackle to TEN 38 for 8 yards (C.Jones). CAR-M.Ball was injured during the play. His return is Questionable.	R15
1-10-TEN 38	(13:40) D.Cobb left end to TEN 46 for 8 yards (J.Cash).	
2-2-TEN 46	(13:05) D.Cobb left tackle to TEN 45 for -1 yards (R.Thomas).	
3-3-TEN 45	(12:22) (Shotgun) A.Tanney scrambles up the middle to CAR 47 for 8 yards (M.Ball).	R16
1-10-CAR 47	(11:36) A.Tanney pass incomplete short left to T.McBride.	
2-10-CAR 47	(11:26) A.Tanney pass short left to J.Hunter to CAR 39 for 8 yards (L.Young).	
3-2-CAR 39	(10:43) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass incomplete short right to J.Hunter.	
4-2-CAR 39	(10:41) D.Cobb right guard to CAR 39 for no gain (T.Lally; R.Thomas).	

Carolina Panthers at 10:34

1-10-CAR 39	(10:34) J.Webb pass short right to B.Deaver to TEN 46 for 15 yards (K.Reed; C.Grant).	P13
1-10-TEN 46	(9:59) J.Webb pass short right to M.Lucas to TEN 27 for 19 yards (K.Reed).	P14
1-10-TEN 27	(9:22) B.Wegher right end to TEN 24 for 3 yards (C.Riley).	
2-7-TEN 24	(8:45) B.Wegher right tackle to TEN 19 for 5 yards (C.Grant). TEN-C.Grant was injured during the play. His return is Questionable.	
3-2-TEN 19	(8:05) B.Wegher left end pushed ob at TEN 8 for 11 yards (C.Riley).	R15
1-8-TEN 8	(7:29) B.Wegher left guard to TEN 7 for 1 yard (C.Riley).	
2-7-TEN 7	(6:48) B.Wegher right guard to TEN 6 for 1 yard (B.Wreh-Wilson).	
3-6-TEN 6	(6:05) (Shotgun) J.Webb pass short middle to J.Simmons for 6 yards, TOUCHDOWN.	P16
G.Gano extra point is GOOD, Center-J.Jansen, Holder-M.Scifres.		

CAR 26 TEN 10, 8 plays, 61 yards, 4:33 drive, 8:59 elapsed
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K.Redfern kicks 40 yards from CAR 35 to TEN 25. Au.Johnson to TEN 32 for 7 yards (K.Norwood).

Tennessee Titans at 6:01, (1st play from scrimmage 5:56)

1-10-TEN 32	(5:56) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass short left to T.McBride to TEN 33 for 1 yard (Z.Sanchez).	
2-9-TEN 33	(5:26) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass short right to T.McBride pushed ob at TEN 38 for 5 yards (Z.Sanchez).	
3-4-TEN 38	(4:54) (No Huddle, Shotgun) A.Tanney pass short middle to T.McBride to TEN 48 for 10 yards (J.Norris).	P17
1-10-TEN 48	(4:27) (No Huddle, Shotgun) A.Tanney pass short left to B.Sankey to CAR 46 for 6 yards (J.Cash).	
2-4-CAR 46	(4:05) (Shotgun) B.Sankey up the middle to CAR 48 for -2 yards (J.Cash).	
3-6-CAR 48	(3:32) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass deep right to J.Hunter ran ob at CAR 21 for 27 yards.	P18
1-10-CAR 21	(3:20) (No Huddle) A.Tanney pass incomplete short middle to B.Sankey.	
2-10-CAR 21	(3:15) (Shotgun) B.Sankey right tackle to CAR 17 for 4 yards (J.Norris).	
3-6-CAR 17	(2:35) (No Huddle, Shotgun) A.Tanney pass short right to A.Ellis to CAR 9 for 8 yards (J.Norris).	P19

Two-Minute Warning

1-9-CAR 9	(2:00) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass short right to A.Ellis for 9 yards, TOUCHDOWN.	P20
TWO-POINT CONVERSION ATTEMPT. A.Tanney pass to J.Hunter is incomplete. ATTEMPT FAILS.		

CAR 26 TEN 16, 10 plays, 68 yards, 4:06 drive, 13:05 elapsed
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A.Rosas kicks 64 yards from TEN 35 to CAR 1. F.Whittaker to CAR 11 for 10 yards. Player slid down!

Carolina Panthers at 1:55, (1st play from scrimmage 1:52)

1-10-CAR 11	(1:52) J.Simmons up the middle to CAR 14 for 3 yards (J.Staples).	
Timeout #1 by TEN at 01:45.		
2-7-CAR 14	(1:45) J.Webb pass short right to M.Lucas to CAR 27 for 13 yards (K.Reed; J.Staples).	P17
1-10-CAR 27	(:56) J.Webb kneels to CAR 26 for -1 yards.	
2-11-CAR 26	(:20) J.Webb kneels to CAR 25 for -1 yards.	

END OF QUARTER

	Score	Time Poss	First Downs				Efficiencies	
			R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down
Carolina Panthers	26	6:43	1	4	0	5	2/2	0/0
Tennessee Titans	16	8:17	2	4	0	6	4/5	0/1

## Final Defensive Statistics

Carolina Panthers	Regular Defensive Plays												Special Teams					Misc			
	TKL	AST	COMB	SK	/ YDS	TFL	Q	IN	PD	FF	FR		TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
C.Jones	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Worley	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Cash	4	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Bradberry	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L.Kuechly	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Thompson	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Norris	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Boston	2	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Z.Sanchez	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Mayo	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L.Young	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Coleman	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Ball	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Benwikere	1	1	2	1	8	1	1	1	1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Short	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Thomas	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Ealy	1	0	1	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Klein	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Davis	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.McClain	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Blechen	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Lally	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Addison	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Dixon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Artis-Payne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Wegher	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Norwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Jansen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	44	8	52	2	11	5	2	2	3	1	1		8	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

TKL = Tackle AST = Assist COMB = Combined QH=QB Hit IN = Interception PD = Pass Defense FF = Forced Fumble FR = Fumble Recovery



## Final Defensive Statistics

Tennessee Titans	Regular Defensive Plays												Special Teams					Misc			
	TKL	AST	COMB	SK	/ YDS	TFL	QH	IN	PD	FF	FR		TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
K.Byard	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
A.Blake	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Grant	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Reed	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Wreh-Wilson	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Riley	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Searcy	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Spence	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Staples	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Orakpo	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Palmer	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Tavai	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W.Woodyard	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Johnson	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.McCain	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Webb	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Klug	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Bass	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Blackson	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L.Sims	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Riggs	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Woods	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
An.Woods	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Jones	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Huff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Brinkley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P.Supernaw	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Johnson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
H.Douglas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
D.Kelly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	33	14	47	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0		5	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0

# Ball Possession And Drive Chart

## Carolina Panthers

#	Time Recd	Time Lost	Time Poss	How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	15:00	12:48	2:12	Kickoff	CAR 7	5	93	0	93	3	CAR 39	Touchdown
2	7:37	5:31	2:06	Interception	CAR 36	3	8	0	8	0	CAR 44	Punt
3	3:21	0:20	3:01	Punt	CAR 28	7	64	-15	49	1	TEN 23	Field Goal
4	10:54	8:57	1:57	Kickoff	CAR 25	3	9	0	9	0	CAR 34	Punt
5	6:20	2:44	3:36	Punt	CAR 30	6	23	0	23	1	TEN 47	Punt
6	1:48	0:03	1:45	Interception	CAR 43	10	52	0	52	3	* TEN 5	Field Goal
7	10:04	5:42	4:22	Kickoff	CAR 9	9	51	-5	46	3	TEN 45	Punt
8	5:34	4:49	0:45	Fumble	TEN 9	2	9	0	9	1	* TEN 8	Touchdown
9	1:34	14:45	1:49	Punt	CAR 20	3	9	0	9	0	CAR 29	Punt
10	10:34	6:01	4:33	Downs	CAR 39	8	61	0	61	4	* TEN 6	Touchdown
11	1:55	0:00	1:55	Kickoff	CAR 11	4	14	0	14	1	CAR 26	End of Game

(339) Average CAR 31

## Tennessee Titans

#	Time Recd	Time Lost	Time Poss	How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	12:48	7:37	5:11	Kickoff	TEN 26	8	42	5	47	3	CAR 27	Interception
2	5:31	3:21	2:10	Punt	TEN 23	3	2	0	2	0	TEN 25	Punt
3	0:20	10:54	4:26	Kickoff	TEN 19	9	86	-5	81	5	CAR 23	Touchdown
4	8:57	6:20	2:37	Punt	TEN 27	3	-3	5	2	0	TEN 29	Punt
5	2:44	1:48	0:56	Punt	TEN 28	3	19	-5	14	1	TEN 42	Interception
6	0:03	0:00	0:03	Kickoff	TEN 26	1	-1	0	-1	0	TEN 26	End of Half
7	15:00	10:04	4:56	Kickoff	TEN 25	8	45	0	45	3	CAR 30	Field Goal
8	5:42	5:34	0:08	Punt	TEN 4	1	0	0	0	0	TEN 4	Fumble
9	4:49	1:34	3:15	Kickoff	TEN 19	6	37	0	37	2	CAR 44	Punt
10	14:45	10:34	4:11	Punt	TEN 26	9	35	0	35	2	CAR 39	Downs
11	6:01	1:55	4:06	Kickoff	TEN 32	10	68	0	68	4	* CAR 9	Touchdown

(255) Average TEN 23

\* Inside opponent's 20

Time of Possession by Quarter		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Visitor	Carolina Panthers	7:19	7:18	6:41	6:43		28:01
Home	Tennessee Titans	7:41	7:42	8:19	8:17		31:59
Kickoff Drive No.-Start Average		Panthers: 4 - CAR 13		Titans: 6 - TEN 24			

# Miscellaneous Statistics Report

Carolina Panthers vs Tennessee Titans

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## Ten Longest Plays for Carolina Panthers

Yards	Qtr	Play Start	Play Description
61	1	1-10-CAR 39	(12:59) (No Huddle, Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to T.Ginn for 61 yards, TOUCHDOWN.
36	1	3-4-CAR 34	(2:45) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to F.Whittaker to TEN 30 for 36 yards (S.Spence).
19	2	1-10-TEN 47	(1:02) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass deep middle to D.Byrd to TEN 28 for 19 yards (K.Byard).
19	4	1-10-TEN 46	(9:59) J.Webb pass short right to M.Lucas to TEN 27 for 19 yards (K.Reed).
16	1	1-10-CAR 7	(14:55) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to K.Benjamin to CAR 23 for 16 yards (A.Blake; D.Searcy).
15	2	3-10-TEN 28	(:32) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short left to K.Norwood to TEN 13 for 15 yards (K.Byard).
15	3	3-7-CAR 12	(9:21) (Shotgun) D.Anderson pass short right to C.Artis-Payne pushed ob at CAR 27 for 15 yards (K.Byard).
15	4	1-10-CAR 39	(10:34) J.Webb pass short right to B.Deaver to TEN 46 for 15 yards (K.Reed; C.Grant).
13	1	3-7-CAR 26	(13:33) (Shotgun) C.Newton pass short left to K.Benjamin to CAR 39 for 13 yards (D.Searcy).
13	4	2-7-CAR 14	(1:45) J.Webb pass short right to M.Lucas to CAR 27 for 13 yards (K.Reed; J.Staples).

## Ten Longest Plays for Tennessee Titans

Yards	Qtr	Play Start	Play Description
27	4	3-6-CAR 48	(3:32) (Shotgun) A.Tanney pass deep right to J.Hunter ran ob at CAR 21 for 27 yards.
23	2	1-10-CAR 23	(11:00) M.Mariota pass deep right to H.Douglas for 23 yards, TOUCHDOWN.
20	1	3-14-TEN 32	(10:25) (Shotgun) M.Mariota pass deep middle to T.Sharpe to CAR 48 for 20 yards (T.Boston; D.Worley).
16	2	3-11-TEN 48	(12:38) (Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short left to T.Sharpe to CAR 36 for 16 yards (D.Worley).
15	3	1-10-TEN 40	(3:25) A.Tanney pass short middle to J.Hunter to CAR 45 for 15 yards (R.McClain).
13	2	2-5-TEN 24	(15:00) D.Murray right guard to TEN 37 for 13 yards (T.Boston).
13	3	1-5-TEN 30	(14:38) D.Henry right tackle to TEN 43 for 13 yards (A.Klein).
12	2	1-10-TEN 37	(14:19) (No Huddle, Shotgun) M.Mariota pass short left to T.Sharpe to TEN 49 for 12 yards (D.Worley).
12	2	2-8-TEN 30	(2:03) (Shotgun) M.Cassel pass short right to H.Douglas to TEN 42 for 12 yards (S.Thompson).
12	3	2-1-TEN 28	(4:07) D.Cobb left tackle to TEN 40 for 12 yards (D.Mayo).

## Touchdown Scoring Information

		Offense	Defense	Special Teams
VISITOR	Carolina Panthers	3	0	0
HOME	Tennessee Titans	2	0	0

## Player Scoring Information

Club	Player	TD	Rush TD	Rec TD	KO TD	Punt TD	Int TD	Fum TD	Misc TD	FG	XP	2Pt Rush	2Pt Rec	Sfty	Points
CAR	G.Gano	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	8
CAR	K.Norwood	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
CAR	T.Ginn	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
CAR	J.Simmons	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
TEN	H.Douglas	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
TEN	A.Ellis	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
TEN	R.Succop	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	4

## Possession Detail

	First Half		Second Half		Game	
	Visitor	Home	Visitor	Home	Visitor	Home
Largest Lead	10	0	16	0	16	0
Drives Leading	5	0	5	0	10	0
Time of Possession Leading	12:25	0:00	13:24	0:00	25:49	0:00
Largest Deficit	0	-10	0	-16	0	-16
Drives Trailing	0	6	0	5	0	11
Time of Possession Trailing	0:00	15:23	0:00	16:36	0:00	31:59
Times Score Tied Up		0		0		0
Lead Changes		1		0		1

# Playtime Percentage

*Percent of playtime per player on offense, defense and special teams*

Carolina Panthers								Tennessee Titans							
		Offense		Defense		Special Teams			Offense		Defense		Special Teams		
S Simonson	TE	43	72%			7	28%	B Schwenke	C	41	61%			2	8%
D Williams	T	41	68%			4	16%	D Kelly	T	36	54%			2	8%
D Hawkins	T	38	63%			5	20%	S Tretola	G	36	54%			2	8%
T Larsen	C	38	63%			3	12%	J Poutasi	T	36	54%				
D Yankey	G	38	63%			3	12%	Q Spain	G	35	52%				
B Sandland	TE	28	47%			3	12%	T McBride	WR	34	51%			4	16%
K Norwood	WR	27	45%			8	32%	J Hunter	WR	34	51%				
G Gradkowski	C	27	45%			2	8%	C Warmack	G	31	46%				
D Anderson	QB	27	45%					B Jones	C	31	46%				
D Byrd	WR	23	38%			4	16%	J Conklin	T	31	46%				
T Turner	G	18	30%			2	8%	T Lewan	T	31	46%				
A Norwell	G	18	30%			2	8%	A Tanney	QB	27	40%				
M Oher	T	18	30%			2	8%	T Marz	T	27	40%				
C Newton	QB	18	30%					T Sharpe	WR	26	39%				
R Kalil	C	18	30%					P Supernaw	TE	23	34%			9	36%
M Lucas	WR	16	27%			6	24%	M Mariota	QB	22	33%				
C Brown	WR	16	27%					D Murray	RB	21	31%				
M Remmers	T	15	25%			2	8%	J Cunningham	TE	20	30%			5	20%
J Webb	QB	15	25%					D Walker	TE	20	30%				
K Garrett	WR	15	25%					H Douglas	WR	20	30%				
F Whittaker	RB	14	23%			8	32%	M Cassel	QB	18	27%				
B Deaver	TE	14	23%			5	20%	D Henry	RB	17	25%			2	8%
S Hill	WR	13	22%			1	4%	D Cobb	RB	15	22%				
J Stewart	RB	13	22%					A Johnson	WR	15	22%				
B Wegher	RB	12	20%			14	56%	R Matthews	WR	15	22%				
C Artis-Payne	RB	12	20%			6	24%	B Roberts	WR	14	21%			2	8%
D Funchess	WR	12	20%					A Ellis	TE	12	18%			3	12%
J Rigsbee	G	12	20%					B Sankey	RB	11	16%			2	8%
M Tolbert	FB	9	15%			2	8%	C Stevens	TE	10	15%				
K Benjamin	WR	8	13%					A Fasano	TE	9	13%			1	4%
L Byrd	WR	7	12%			6	24%	J Fowler	FB	8	12%			5	20%
M Masifilo	G	7	12%			3	12%	S Bergen	FB	6	9%				
T Ginn	WR	7	12%					D McCluster	RB	5	7%			1	4%
J Simmons	RB	5	8%			4	16%	K Byard	DB			33	55%	10	40%
M Shuler	WR	5	8%			1	4%	A Blake	CB			33	55%	8	32%
D Foucault	T	4	7%			5	20%	N Palmer	LB			31	52%	10	40%
R Dismukes	G	4	7%			4	16%	L Sims	DB			30	50%	14	56%
W Smith	T	4	7%					J Staples	LB			27	45%	10	40%
A Capers	WR	1	2%			1	4%	D Mount	LB			27	45%	9	36%
R McClain	CB			48	72%	5	20%	J Tavai	LB			27	45%	6	24%
C Jones	FS			45	67%	11	44%	B Webb	CB			26	43%	7	28%
M Ball	SS			39	58%	8	32%	S Spence	LB			26	43%	7	28%
L Young	CB			36	54%	8	32%	B Wreh-Wilson	CB			25	42%	7	28%
Z Sanchez	DB			31	46%	5	20%	C Grant	LB			25	42%	3	12%
V Butler	DT			27	40%	1	4%								



J Bradberry	DB	26	39%	6	24%	A Woods	NT	24	40%	5	20%
D Worley	DB	26	39%	6	24%	D Stafford	SS	21	35%	9	36%
T Boston	FS	26	39%	1	4%	M Abdesmad	DE	21	35%	3	12%
D Mayo	LB	23	34%	11	44%	A Johnson	NT	20	33%	6	24%
R Delaire	DE	23	34%	4	16%	D Bass	LB	19	32%	10	40%
L Kuechly	LB	22	33%	1	4%	K Klug	DT	17	28%	6	24%
K Short	DT	22	33%	1	4%	A Blackson	DE	17	28%	2	8%
K Coleman	FS	22	33%	1	4%	C Riggs	CB	16	27%	6	24%
T Davis	LB	22	33%	1	4%	B McCain	CB	16	27%	3	12%
C Johnson	DE	22	33%			M Huff	FS	15	25%	10	40%
R Thomas	DT	22	33%			R Johnson	FS	15	25%	4	16%
S Thompson	LB	21	31%	2	8%	A Williamson	LB	15	25%	2	8%
K Ealy	DE	21	31%	1	4%	D Searcy	SS	14	23%	3	12%
J Cash	LB	20	30%	9	36%	B Orakpo	LB	14	23%	2	8%
A Klein	LB	19	28%	11	44%	K Reed	DB	13	22%	5	20%
A Miley	DE	18	27%	5	20%	D Morgan	LB	13	22%	2	8%
W Horton	DE	18	27%	3	12%	R Pitoitua	DE	13	22%	1	4%
S Lotulelei	DT	18	27%	1	4%	C Riley	CB	12	20%	6	24%
T Lally	DE	18	27%			D Jones	DE	12	20%	2	8%
E Crume	DT	17	25%			J Casey	DT	12	20%	2	8%
B Blechen	LB	16	24%	3	12%	A Herrera	LB	8	13%	9	36%
P Soliai	DT	16	24%	1	4%	M Smith	DE	7	12%		
B Benwikere	CB	15	22%	1	4%	A Woods	NT	6	10%	2	8%
M Addison	DE	14	21%	4	16%	W Woodyard	LB	5	8%	3	12%
J Norris	LB	12	18%	11	44%	L Brutus	DB	4	7%	2	8%
R Drew	DE	12	18%			T Patmon	CB	1	2%	2	8%
K Redfern	P			11	44%	A Andrews	RB			9	36%
J Jansen	LS			10	40%	D Fluellen	RB			5	20%
J Barber	LB			6	24%	B Kern	P			5	20%
M Scifres	P			5	20%	B Brinkley	LS			5	20%
G Gano	K			5	20%	R Succop	K			4	16%
T Robinson	FS			2	8%	W Poehls	T			2	8%
T Dixon	CB			1	4%	A Gallik	C			2	8%
						A Rosas	K			2	8%
						R Horn	WR			2	8%



TITANS

68d	ABDESMAD, Mehdi.....	DE
26	ANDREWS, Antonio.....	RB
51	BASS, David.....	OLB
40	BERGEN, Sam.....	FB
95	BLACKSON, Angelo.....	DE
47	BLAKE, Antwon.....	CB
48	BRINKLEY, Beau.....	LS
42	BRUTUS, Lamarcus.....	S
20d	BYARD, Kevin.....	G/T
64	CAMPBELL, William.....	S
99	CASEY, Jurrel.....	DT
16	CASSEL, Matt.....	QB
23	COBB, David.....	RB
24	CONKLIN, Jack.....	T
78	COX, Perrish.....	CB
84	CUNNINGHAM, Jerome.....	TE
93	DODD, Kevin.....	OLB
83	DOUGLAS, Harry.....	WR
490	ELLIS, Alex.....	TE
80	FASANO, Anthony.....	RB
320	FLUELLEN, David.....	WR
85	FOSTER, Donté.....	WR
45	FOWLER, Jalston.....	FB
69	GALLIK, Andy.....	C/G
58	GRANT, Curtis.....	LB
2	HENRY, Derrick.....	RB
56	HERRERA, Amarlo.....	LB
87	HORN, Reece.....	WR
28	HUFF, Marqueston.....	DB
15	HUNTER, Justin.....	WR
81	JOHNSON, Andre.....	WR
15	JOHNSON, Austin.....	LS
94	JOHNSON, Rashad.....	DL
49d	JONES, Ben.....	S
60	JONES, DaQuan.....	C
90	KELLY, Dennis.....	DL
710	KERN, Brett.....	G/T
6	KLUG, Karl.....	P
97	KLWAN, Taylor.....	DL
77	LEWAN, Taylor.....	T
8	MARZ, Tyler.....	QB
680	MATTHEWS, Rishard.....	T
18	MCBRIDE, Tre.....	WR
30	McCAIN, Brice.....	WR
33	McCLUSTER, Dexter.....	CB
22	MCCOURTY, Jason.....	CB
30	MORGAN, Derrick.....	CB
91	MOUNT, Deiontrez.....	OLB
53	MURRAY, DeMarco.....	OLB
29	MURRAY, DeMarco.....	RB
98	ORAKPO, Brian.....	OLB
50	PALMER, Nate.....	CB
44	PATMON, Tyler.....	LB
72	PATRICK, Ronald.....	G/C
92	PITOITUA, Ropati.....	DE
750	POEHLIS, Will.....	DE
33	POUTASI, Jeremiah.....	G/T
73d	REED, Kalan.....	CB
67	RIGGS, Cody.....	CB
37	RILEY, Curtis.....	DB
35	RITCHER, Nick.....	T
61	ROBERTS, Ben.....	WR
3	ROSAS, Aldrick.....	WR
200	SANKEY, Bishop.....	RB
62	SEARCY, Da'Norris.....	S
21	SEARCY, Da'Norris.....	C
19	SHARPE, Tajae.....	WR
36	SIMS, LeShaun.....	CB
75d	SMITH, Mike.....	DE
67	SPAIN, Quinton.....	G
55	SPENCE, Sean.....	LB
39	STAFFORD, Daimion.....	S
57	STAPLES, Justin.....	LB
88	STEVENS, Craig.....	TE
4	SUCCOP, Ryan.....	K
89	SUPERNAW, Phillip.....	TE
11	TANNEY, Alex.....	QB
41	TAVAI, J.R.....	OLB
79	TRETOLA, Sebastian.....	G
86	TURZILLI, Andrew.....	WR
88	WALKER, Delanie.....	TE
52	WALLACE, Aaron.....	OLB
82	WARMACK, Chance.....	G
70	WEBB, B.W.....	CB
38	WEST, Jarrod.....	WR
14	WILLAMSON, Avery.....	LB
54	WOODS, Al.....	DL
96	WOODS, Al.....	DL
71d	WOODYARD, Wesley.....	NT
59	WREH-WILSON, Blidi.....	LB
25	WRIGHT, Kendall.....	CB
13		WR

TENNESSEE TITANS

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	AGE	EXP.	COLLEGE
2	Derrick Henry	RB	6-3	247	22	R	Alabama
3	Aldrick Rosas	K	6-2	195	21	R	Southern Oregon
4	Ryan Succop	P	6-2	218	29	R	South Carolina
6	Brett Kern	P	6-2	214	30	R	Toledo
8	Marcus Mariota	QB	6-4	222	22	R	Oregon
10	Tre McBride	WR	6-0	210	23	R	William & Mary
11	Ben Roberts	WR	6-4	215	23	R	Monmouth (Ill.)
12	Kendall Wright	WR	5-10	191	26	R	Montana
13	Jarrold West	WR	6-2	203	24	R	Syracuse
14	Justin Hunter	WR	6-4	203	25	R	Tennessee
15	Matt Cassel	QB	6-4	228	34	12	Southern California
16	Rishard Matthews	WR	6-0	171	26	R	Nevada
18	Tajae Sharpe	WR	6-2	194	21	R	Massachusetts
20d	Kevin Byard	S	5-11	212	23	R	Middle Tennessee State
200	Bishop Sankey	RB	5-11	209	23	R	Washington
21	Da'Norris Searcy	S	5-11	207	27	R	North Carolina
22	Dexter McCluster	RB	5-8	170	27	R	Mississippi
23	David Cobb	RB	5-11	229	23	R	Minnesota
24	Perrish Cox	CB	6-0	190	29	R	Oklahoma State
25	Blidi Wreh-Wilson	CB	6-0	198	26	R	Connecticut
26	Antonio Andrews	RB	5-10	225	24	R	Western Kentucky
28	Marqueston Huff	DB	5-11	196	24	R	Wyoming
29	DeMarco Murray	RB	6-0	220	28	R	Oklahoma
30	Jason McCourty	CB	6-0	193	29	R	Rutgers
320	David Fluellen	RB	5-11	224	24	R	Toledo
32d	Kalan Reed	CB	5-11	192	22	R	Southern Mississippi
33d	Brice McCain	CB	5-9	190	29	R	Utah
35	Curtis Riley	DB	6-0	203	24	R	Fresno State
36	LeShaun Sims	CB	6-0	203	22	R	Southern Utah
37	Cody Riggs	CB	5-9	187	24	R	Notre Dame
38	B.W. Webb	CB	5-11	190	26	R	Nebraska
39	Daimion Stafford	S	6-0	218	25	R	Rutgers
40	Sam Bergen	FB	6-0	250	24	R	William & Mary
41	J.R. Tavai	OLB	6-2	249	22	R	Rutgers
42	Lamarcus Brutus	OLB	6-4	206	23	R	Southern California
44	Tyler Patmon	CB	6-0	206	23	R	Florida State
45	Jalston Fowler	CB	5-10	188	25	R	Oklahoma State
47	Antwon Blake	FB	5-11	254	26	R	Alabama
48	Beau Brinkley	LS	6-4	198	26	R	Texas El-Paso
490	Alex Ellis	TE	6-4	248	26	R	Missouri
50	Rashad Johnson	S	6-4	253	23	R	Tennessee
51	Nate Palmer	LB	5-11	204	30	R	Alabama
52	Aaron Wallace	OLB	6-2	248	26	R	Illinois State
53	Deiontrez Mount	OLB	6-2	242	23	R	Missouri Western State
54	Avery Williamson	LB	6-5	249	23	R	Louisville
55	Sean Spence	LB	5-11	231	26	R	Kentucky
56	Amarlo Herrera	LB	6-1	249	24	R	Miami (Fla.)
57	Justin Staples	LB	6-4	245	26	R	Georgia
58	Curtis Grant	LB	6-2	240	23	R	Illinois
59	Wesley Woodyard	LB	6-0	308	30	R	Kentucky
60	Ben Jones	C	6-3	303	27	R	Georgia
61	Nick Ritcher	T	6-5	300	23	R	Richmond
62	Brian Schwenke	G/T	6-3	318	25	R	California
64	William Campbell	G	6-4	311	25	R	Michigan
68d	Quinton Spain	DE	6-4	330	25	R	West Virginia
68d	Mehdi Abdesmad	DE	6-6	284	24	R	Western College
680	Tyler Marz	T	6-7	316	23	R	Wisconsin
69	Andy Galik	C/G	6-2	306	24	R	Boston College
70	Chance Warmack	G	6-2	323	24	R	Alabama
710	Dennis Kelly	G/T	6-8	321	26	R	Purdue
71d	Antwaun Woods	NT	6-1	318	23	R	Southern California
72	Ronald Patrick	G/C	6-1	310	24	R	Utah
73	Jeremiah Poutasi	G/T	6-5	335	22	R	South Carolina
750	Will Poehlis	T	6-8	334	24	R	Montana
75d	Mike Smith	DE	6-4	285	23	R	Southern Mississippi
77	Taylor Lewan	T	6-7	309	25	R	Michigan State
78	Jack Conklin	T	6-6	308	25	R	Arkansas
79	Sebastian Tretola	T	6-6	314	24	R	Notre Dame
80	Anthony Fasano	TE	6-4	314	32	11	Ohio
81	Andre Johnson	WR	6-3	255	32	11	Michigan State
82	Delanie Walker	WR	6-3	229	35	14	Notre Dame
83	Harry Douglas	TE	6-0	248	32	R	Miami (Fla.)
84	Jerome Cunningham	WR	6-2	183	31	R	Central Missouri
85	Donte Foster	TE	6-3	250	25	R	Louisville
86	Andrew Turzilli	WR	6-1	199	21	R	Southern Connecticut St.
86	Reece Horn	WR	6-4	195	24	R	Rutgers
88	Craig Stevens	TE	6-3	215	24	R	Indianapolis
89	Phillip Supernaw	TE	6-3	263	31	R	California
90	DaQuan Jones	DE	6-5	248	26	R	Ouachita Baptist
91	Derrick Morgan	OLB	6-4	322	24	R	Penn State
92	Ropati Pitoitua	OLB	6-4	261	27	R	Georgia Tech
93	Kevin Dodd	DE	6-8	298	31	R	Washington State
94	Austin Johnson	OLB	6-5	277	24	R	Clemson
95	Angelo Blackson	DE	6-4	314	22	R	Penn State
96	Al Woods	DL	6-4	318	23	R	Auburn
97	Brian Klug	DL	6-4	307	29	R	Louisiana State
98	Jurrell Casey	OLB	6-3	278	30	R	Iowa
99		DT	6-4	257	28	R	Texas
		DT	6-1	305	26	R	Southern California

CAROLINA PANTHERS

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	AGE	EXP.	COLLEGE
1	Cam Newton	QB	6-5	245	27	6	Auburn
2	Kasey Redfern	P	6-2	215	24	1	Wofford College
3	Derek Anderson	QB	6-6	235	33	12	Oregon State
5	Mike Scifres	P	6-2	215	35	14	Western Illinois
9	Graham Gano	K	6-2	205	29	7	Florida State
10	Corey Brown	WR	5-11	190	24	3	Ohio State
11	Brenton Bersin	WR	6-3	210	26	3	Wofford College
12	Miles Shuler	WR	5-10	175	22	R	Northwestern
13	Kevin Benjamin	WR	6-5	245	25	3	Florida State
14	Joe Webb	QB	6-4	235	29	7	Alabama-Birmingham
15	Keyarris Garrett	WR	6-3	215	23	R	Tulsa
16	Avius Capers	WR	5-9	195	24	1	Johnson C. Smith
17	Devin Funchess	WR	6-4	225	22	2	Michigan
18	Damiere Byrd	WR	5-9	180	23	1	South Carolina
19	Ted Ginn, Jr.	WR	5-11	180	31	10	Ohio State
20	Kurt Coleman	S	5-11	200	28	7	Ohio State
21	Teddy Williams	CB	6-1	210	28	5	Texas-San Antonio
22	Lou Young	CB	6-1	205	24	1	Georgia Tech
24	James Bradberry	CB	6-0	210	23	R	Samford
25	Bené Benwikere	CB	6-0	200	24	3	San Jose State
26	Daryl Worley	CB	6-1	205	21	R	West Virginia
27	Robert McClain	CB	5-9	195	28	5	Connecticut
28	Jonathan Stewart	RB	5-10	240	29	9	Oregon
29	Dean Marlowe	S	6-1	210	24	2	James Madison
30	Travell Dixon	S	6-1	210	25	1	Washington
31	Zack Sanchez	CB	5-11	185	22	R	Oklahoma
32	Brandon Wegher	RB	5-10	205	25	2	Morningside College
33	Tre Boston	S	6-1	205	24	3	North Carolina
34	Cameron Artis-Payne	RB	5-10	220	26	2	Auburn
35	Mike Tolbert	FB	5-9	250	30	9	Coastal Carolina
36	Marcus Ball	S	6-1	215	29	2	Memphis
38	Jalen Simmons	RB	5-8	210	24	R	South Carolina State
39	Trenton Robinson	S	5-9	200	26	4	Michigan State
42	Colin Jones	S	6-0	205	28	6	Texas Christian
43	Fozzy Whitaker	RB	5-10	205	27	4	Texas
44	J.J. Jansen	LS	6-2	240	30	9	Notre Dame
46	Eric Wallace	TE	6-6	260	27	1	Seattle
47	Devon Johnson	FB	6-0	245	23	R	Marshall
48	Braxton Deaver	TE	6-5	245	24	R	Duke
49	Jared Barber	LB	6-0	235	23	R	West Virginia
50	Brian Blechen	LB	6-2	230	24	1	Utah
52	Jared Norris	LB	6-1	240	23	R	Utah
53	Ben Jacobs	LB	6-4	240	28	4	Fresno State
54	Shaq Thompson	LB	6-0	230	22	4	Washington
55	David Mayo	LB	6-2	245	23	2	Texas State
56	A.J. Klein	LB	6-1	240	25	4	Iowa State
57	Jeremy Cash	LB	6-0	215	23	R	Duke
58	Thomas Davis	LB	6-1	235	33	12	Georgia
59	Luke Kuechly	LB	6-3	238	25	5	Boston College
60	Daryl Williams	T	6-6	335	23	2	Oklahoma
61	David Yankey	G	6-6	310	24	2	Stanford
62	Reese Dismukes	C	6-3	300	23	1	Auburn
63	David Foucault	G	6-8	315	27	2	Montreal
64	Matt Masifilo	C	6-3	305	26	2	Stanford
65	Ray Drew	DT	6-4	300	23	1	Georgia
66	Gino Gradkowski	C	6-3	300	27	5	Delaware
67	Ryan Kalil	C	6-2	300	31	10	Southern California
68	Andrew Norwell	G	6-6	325	24	3	Ohio State
69	Tyler Larsen	G	6-4	335	25	1	Utah State
70	Trai Turner	G	6-3	310	23	3	Louisiana State
71	Arthur Miley	DE	6-6	270	23	2	Southern
72d	Eric Crume	DE	6-0	330	22	1	Syracuse
720	Jordan Rigsbee	T	6-4	315	23	R	California
73	Michael Oher	T	6-4	315	30	8	Mississippi
74	Mike Remmers	T	6-5	310	27	4	Oregon State
75	Larry Webster	DE	6-6	275	26	2	Bloomsburg
76	Robert Thomas	DE	6-3	325	25	1	Arkansas
77	Rakim Cox	DE	6-4	275	25	1	Villanova
780	Donald Hawkins	DE	6-4	310	24	2	Texas
78d	Tom Lally	DE	6-2	260	22	R	Mount Union
79	Chris Scott	G	6-4	340	29	5	Tennessee
80	Scott Simonson	TE	6-5	255	24	3	Assumption College
81	Kevin Norwood	WR	6-2	210	26	2	Alabama
82	Marcus Lucas	TE	6-4	250	24	1	Missouri
84	Ed Dickson	TE	6-4	255	29	1	Oregon
85	Beau Sandland	TE	6-4	255	23	R	Montana State
86	LaRon Byrd	WR	6-4	225	27	3	Miami (Fla.)
87	Stephen Hill	WR	6-4	210	25	4	Georgia Tech
88	Greg Olsen	TE	6-5	255	31	10	Miami (Fla.)
90	Paul Soliai	DE	6-4	345	32	10	Utah
91	Ryan Delaire	DE	6-4	265	24	2	Towson
92	Vernon Butler	DT	6-1	315	29	R	Louisiana Tech
93	Kyle Love	DT	6-4	325	22	3	Mississippi State
94	Kony Ealy	DE	6-4	275	24	5	Missouri
95	Charles Johnson	DE	6-2	275	30	10	Georgia
96	Wes Horton	DE	6-5	265	26	4	Southern California
97	Mario Addison	DE	6-2	260	28	6	Troy
98	Star Lotulelei	DE	6-3	315	26	4	Utah
99	Kawann Short	DT	6-3	315	27	4	Purdue





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## **TITANS SIX PACK: THINGS THAT STOOD OUT VS. PANTHERS**

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Preseason game No. 2 is in the books for the Titans.

Here's a look at six things that stood out from the team's 26-16 loss to the Panthers:

### **Sharpe's poise**

There's nothing timid about rookie receiver Tajae Sharpe. He runs crisp routes, and he attacks the football when it's in the air. I've been especially impressed with Sharpe's ability to go across the middle to make tough catches so early in his career. On the team's fourth offensive play against Carolina, Sharpe caught a pass from quarterback Marcus Mariota while running down the middle of the field, in traffic. I've seen a lot of receivers get alligator arms in similar situations. Sharpe was all-in, just like he's been all offseason.

### **Fowler impact**

Titans fullback Jalston Fowler was only in the game for eight snaps, but I noticed him, and the Panthers surely did as well. There's no doubt they felt him. Fowler attacked his man and delivered several nice blocks on Saturday, including two on back-to-back runs by running back Derrick Henry. Fowler was beat up last season because of injuries. He looks poised to beat up on opposing defenses this fall.

### **Sloppy tackling**

The Panthers made it look easy on their first possession, moving the ball 93 yards in just over two minutes to score a touchdown. The big play came on a 61-yard TD pass from quarterback Cam Newton to receiver Ted Ginn. The play should've been stopped for a minimal gain, but cornerback

Antwon Blake was guilty of sloppy tackling, and safety Da'Norris Searcy got caught flat-footed. They're just two examples of some sloppy tackling. The Titans can't afford to have these kinds of miscues when the calendar flips to September 11.

### **Hunter dilemma**

Fourth-year receiver Justin Hunter is the type of player who gives coaches and general managers fits. Hunter is extremely talented, and a good athlete. He always has been. In the NFL, he's also been inconsistent, and he's frustrated those around him with his inconsistency. Numerous coaches have tried different motivational techniques to jumpstart Hunter. The Titans, and Hunter, are on the spot here. In the final year of his contract, he's clearly on the bubble. Hunter showed some spunk on Saturday, catching four passes for 54 yards. He also made some mistakes. Hunter needs to stay consistent down the stretch to make a case for himself.

### **Run game solid**

No, it wasn't 288 rushing yards. Not even close. What the Titans did against the Chargers in Week One was always going to be tough to match. Despite gaining just 96 yards on the ground against the Panthers, I thought the run game was still effective and impressive against a tough Carolina defense. Running backs Derrick Henry (6.2), David Cobb (4.5) and DeMarco Murray (4.0) all ran for at least four yards per carry, which was Tennessee's average as a team. Not flashy, but not bad.

### **Mariota's wheels**

I get asked a lot about whether Mariota might take off and run more this season than a year ago, and I suspect the answer is yes. What we've seen so far this preseason is Mariota not hesitating to tuck it and run for 6-7 yards at a time if he has open space. Yes, the Titans will have some designed runs in for Mariota. And yes, there will be

times when he takes off on scrambles. But those quick-hitters, when Mariota takes off and runs, can be very effective. And he seems to have the baseball slide down as well.

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## **SIX HOT TOPICS FROM MIKE MULARKEY'S PRESS CONFERENCE**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Titans coach Mike Mularkey met with reporters on Sunday at Saint Thomas Sports Park, one day after the team's 26-16 preseason loss to the Panthers.

Here's a look at six hot topics:

Offensive line not set yet

The Titans used the same starting five on the offensive line against the Panthers – tackles Taylor Lewan and Jack Conklin, guards Chance Warmack and Quinton Spain, and center Ben Jones.

But Mularkey said he's still evaluating the group.

"There's still competition there," Mularkey said. "There's things we have to get better at. We're not going to declare that the starting five for Minnesota by any means."

Mularkey said Spain "played average."

"He did some good things, and did some things he could be better at," Mularkey said of Spain.

Brian Schwenke has played well in his work with the first-team line the last two weeks, and Mularkey said the team plans to give rookie Sebastian Tretola some reps at guard as well, possibly with the ones.

Mularkey said Conklin got tested inside, and is still learning. He said offensive lineman Dennis Kelly was mostly solid after just joining the team last week following the trade with Philadelphia.

Injury update

The plan is for linebacker Kevin Dodd (foot) to be more involved in

the team segments in practices this week, and Mularkey expects him to make his preseason debut against the Raiders on Saturday.

Linebacker Aaron Wallace is also expected to play this week after being sidelined with an ankle injury.

Cornerback Jason McCourty (hip flexor) should practice tomorrow, and receiver Kendall Wright (hamstring) could return to practice mid-week, Mularkey said.

Matthews praise

Rookie receiver Tajae Sharpe has earned plenty of media attention with his play, and Mularkey complimented him again on Sunday.

Mularkey also praised veteran receiver Rishard Matthews, who has three catches for 38 yards the first two weeks of the preseason.

"I am really happy with Rishard," Mularkey said. "The last week in practice, his route-running. He ran some really good routes yesterday. ... His blocking has been very good. Everybody always talks about the receiving end of things, but his blocking has been very good as well."

What about Hunter?

Receiver Justin Hunter told reporters last week the trade of receiver Dorial Green-Beckham got his attention, and has him on high alert.

"I think he has responded since the trade," Mularkey said of Hunter. "I think he is studying more."

Hunter made four catches for 54 yards against the Panthers, but he was unable to get his feet inbounds on a sideline play and Mularkey said "there's still things in that game" he needed to do better.

"He fell down on a route," Mularkey said. "Those types of things – the two-point play (to him) wasn't a great throw but you would like to see him come down with it or

somehow make that play happen. But he did some good things in the game. He caught the ball over the middle.

"He is trying. He knows where his status is, and he knows there's a lot of demands on him."

QB buzz

Marcus Mariota has completed 14-of-15 passes for 149 yards in the preseason, and has a passer rating of 102.5.

"He has done a lot of good things," Mularkey said. "He has very good command of what's been going on."

Matt Cassel, meanwhile, has completed 8-of-12 passes for 93 yards.

Mularkey said quarterback Alex Tanney has been impressive as well. Tanney has completed 18-of-27 passes for 170 yards, with a passer rating of 96.2.

"It is rare when you come into a camp and you have three guys who can put an offense into the right sets, the right protections," Mularkey said. "(Alex) has been very steady in his improvement. Nothing really flusters him. He has been very smooth with how he operates and he has been that way since he's been here."

Game review

Mularkey watched film of Saturday's game, and said he came away mostly pleased with what he saw.

"I liked offensively, we had some drives against a very good defense," Mularkey said. "We went no-huddle, and scored on the no-huddle. The run game – that's a tough team to run the ball against – and I know we didn't rush for (288 yards like vs. San Diego) but we rushed for a four-yard average and that to me is good."

Mularkey said he thought the protection improved from Week 1. The Titans allowed just two sacks

against the Panthers. Mularkey said the Titans missed tackles, however, and need to clean some things up on both sides of the football.

Panthers quarterback Cam Newton was in the game for four series, and the Panthers scored 10 points. In two of those four series, the Titans forced a three-and-out.

“I thought our mental errors had a drop off,” Mularkey said. “Defensively, we had a couple of mistakes. We had two plays that went for 100 yards, and two plays that led to scores... Other than that, against a team that likes to run the football. (They) had eight rushes for 19 yards in the first half – that’s stopping the run. They had (53) yards total for the whole game – that’s what we have to do. ... It was a physical game for a preseason game.”

Mularkey said the starters should play more this week against the Raiders than they did against the Chargers and Panthers.

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## **6 TITANS QUICK HITS: 'LOT OF DEMANDS' ON JUSTIN HUNTER**

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In reviewing the tape of Saturday's 26-16 loss to the Carolina Panthers, Titans coach Mike Mularkey said he was disappointed in the outcome but pleased with the progress he saw in various areas.

Here is a rundown of Mularkey's comments Sunday on key topics:

1) On the progress of wide receiver Justin Hunter, a 2013 second-round pick who's battling for a roster spot in the absence of Dorial Green-Beckham:

"I think he has responded since the (Green-Beckham) trade. I think he is studying more. There's still things in that game ... he fell down on a route. We tried to take a shot with him, and he fell down on it — those types of things.

"The two-point play (thrown to Hunter) wasn't a great throw, but you'd like to see him come down and try to somehow make that play happen. Other than that, did some good things in the game. He caught the ball over the middle. He's trying. He knows where his status is and he knows there's a lot of demands on him."

2) On what he's seen so far from second-year quarterback Marcus Mariota, who is 14-of-15 in two preseason games (the other throw was an interception):

"He's done a lot of good things. He has very good command of what's going on. We're doing a lot of things with moving parts, a lot of shifts, a lot of motions.

"He's naturally making some shifts happen by putting guys in sets to attack the defense. He's doing it and giving us plenty of time to do that.

It's not like we've had lot of time where the (play) clock has been close to going out with Marcus. He's very aware of his situation with time management, putting guys in position to do their job. It's been very impressive."

On Mariota's interception against the Panthers: "We're constantly talking about taking what the defense gives you. We didn't do that there. Based on the coverage, we had both outside guys (open), and it would have been an easy completion to move the sticks. Marcus tried to force something in there and he wishes he didn't."

3) On rookie running back Derrick Henry shedding tacklers who dive at his ankles:

"I would think he'd run through a lot of those. I would. But I wouldn't anticipate (defenders) tackling like that if they're smart. Tackle this guy up high ... he's a load. So he just has to get used to that. But I think he's going to run through a lot of that."

4) On rookie safety Kevin Byard, who returned two punts for 18 yards, but fumbled on one return:

"I could see (the turnover) because I said at the team meeting, 'Kevin, you're the one guy that doesn't handle the ball a whole lot. You need to have more focus on handling the ball.' It was a good lesson for him. But I thought when he settled down, he just has a knack of finding ways to make yards. He can make some people miss. Just like you see in the interception returns, he's got a knack."

5) On the ongoing competition at left guard:

"There is still competition there. There are things we have to get better at. We're not declaring a starting five for Minnesota (season opener) by any means.

"(Quinton) Spain played average. He did some good things and did some things he can be better at. A lot of it is really techniques, a lot of it is hand placement, things he can get

better at and he's been coached to do that.

"(Brian) Schwenke held his own over there. Obviously he hasn't had the amount of reps. We're going to give him more reps (with the first team), and we're going to give (rookie Sebastian Tretola) some reps over there as well because he's playing well also."

6) On injuries:

Mularkey said he expects cornerback Jason McCourty (hip flexor) to return to practice Monday, and he's hoping that wide receiver Kendall Wright (hamstring) will practice by the end of the week.

Rookie linebackers Kevin Dodd (foot) and Aaron Wallace (ankle) will continue to increase their practice time this week and are expected to play Saturday when the Titans visit the Oakland Raiders (7 p.m., WTVF-5, 104.5-FM).

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## ESPN TITANS BLOG

**BY PAUL KUHARSKY**  
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### **Titans' Derrick Henry faced first 'real test' vs. Panthers but still moved piles**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- In his first preseason game, Derrick Henry got a taste of NFL life when everything goes right.

The Tennessee Titans sliced through and ran over the Chargers for 288 yards, and he turned 10 carries into 74 yards and a touchdown.

Week 2 of the preseason was an entirely different story. Saturday afternoon, Tennessee ran for only 96 yards, and Henry's five rushes amounted to 31 yards.

"I still think he ran the ball with some power," coach Mike Mularkey said. "I saw piles moving."

"I thought they were a real test," Henry said.

Henry's longest run of the game was a 13-yard play up the middle on a first-and-5 at the start of the third quarter.

He angled a bit right to start and a bit left before linebacker A.J. Klein tackled him. That wasn't until after linebacker David Mayo dove at his legs from Henry's left to no avail and free safety Colin Jones tried the same with the same result coming at Henry from the other side.

"I would think he would run through a lot of those," coach Mike Mularkey said. I wouldn't have anticipated them tackling him like that if they were smart. Tackle this guy up high. He's a load, so he's just got to get used to (people going after his feet), but I think he is just going to run through that."

Players coming at his legs is something Henry -- who is 6-foot-3, 247 pounds -- will probably

encounter from defenders wary of his size.

"I feel like I've got to go back to practice and work on my quickness," he said. "It's going to happen, because I'm a tall running back so guys tend to target my lower body."

"But I've just got to make them miss. Or run them over. Just do anything to make sure I fall forward, gain yards."

### **Mike Mularkey wants Titans corners playing tighter**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- For a long time, the Tennessee Titans cornerbacks have appeared timid, so scared of getting beat and so determined to keep receivers in front of them that they line up well off the line of scrimmage.

Brice McCain arrived in Nashville talking of how he likes to play a receiver close so he can control a route. But he's been primarily a nickel corner, and that sort of mindset is more common and easier to employ inside.

The Titans were without starters Jason McCourty (slight hip strain) and Perrish Cox (ankle) in their second preseason game Saturday afternoon, a 26-16 loss to Carolina, so McCain and Antwon Blake started, with B.W. Webb added to the mix as the third corner with McCain moving inside.

And the Titans' defensive backs, particularly Blake, played well off the Panthers' receivers -- and suffered the consequences.

But who decides how much of a cushion a defensive back should give a receiver -- the coaches or the players?

A little bit of both," Mularkey said. "Even from the sideline, we're telling guys to get up there, to press. But more of what Brice is talking about, what his role has been mainly is as a nickel. You can, as a nickel, press a little more than you do outside."

"But it felt that way again. Looking at the tape, (we were) probably a little bit softer than we want to be. And that's been addressed."

Blake was lined up 10 yards off of receiver Ted Ginn on a first-and-10 from the Carolina 39 on the fifth play from scrimmage. When Ginn caught a pass from Cam Newton about 10 yards downfield, Blake was another yard behind him.

Blake slipped right off of Ginn, who turned and raced for a 61-yard catch-and-run touchdown for the Panthers.

"You can't miss tackles," Mularkey said. "It was a 9-yard pass. A 9-yard hook that he's probably defended 100 times that should have been a catch-tackle."

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## **SHARPE SET TO REDEFINE ROOKIE STANDARD FOR TITANS RECEIVERS**

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What makes Tajae Sharpe different from a lot of other rookies is that he does not see a big difference between the NFL and college football.

"I'm just going out there and playing my game," the Tennessee Titans wide receiver said. "Just going out there competing to the best of my abilities. Just going out there and having fun, remembering that it's still football — the same game we've been playing since we were younger."

Two weeks into the preseason, it is clear that the fifth-round pick out of Massachusetts is not just another rookie. Sharpe is the 26th different wide receiver the franchise drafted since 1997, the year it relocated to Tennessee. None of the first 25 had more than 10 receptions in the preseason as a rookie.

Already Sharpe has eight. And he has gotten them against NFL starters.

He has played with the first team in both contests and was the target of Marcus Mariota's first pass in each. He started with a 31-yard reception against San Diego and a 10-yard gain Saturday against the Carolina Panthers at Nissan Stadium.

"I'm glad he's out there with us on the first team making plays," tight end Delanie Walker said. "I think he's going to be a great asset to our offense when we need somebody that can make a play. We can always count on him to make that play and be in the right spot. He's doing a great job for his first year."

A big hit on the big gain against the Chargers — still the longest pass play for the Titans in this preseason — sent him to the sideline early in

that one or he might have even more receptions.

As it is, he is tied for second among all NFL rookies this preseason. Philadelphia's Paul Turner has nine catches, only two of which have come in the first half. Charone Peak of the New York Jets is the only other rookie with eight receptions, and only half of his have come in the first half.

Chances are most of the other Titans rookies who have had productive preseasons also saw most of their action in the second half against other rookies and roster hopefuls.

"Nothing but positive," coach Mike Mularkey said of Sharpe. "... We have an X wide receiver that you can count on really on big plays, when you need it.

"Tajae has been a pleasant pick. It's hard to...he's the word consistent, if you want to use the word I've been using for months, he's consistent."

A rundown of the leading reception totals by wide receivers drafted by the Titans in their first preseasons:

Courtney Roby, 2005 (third round)  
– 10 catches, 150 yards, 1 TD

Brandon Jones, 2005 (third round) –  
9 catches, 140 yards

Kendall Wright, 2012 (first round) –  
9 catches, 116 yards, 1 TD

Roydell Williams, 2005 (fourth  
round) – 8 catches, 140 yards, 1 TD

Kenny Britt, 2009 (first round) – 8  
catches, 115 yards, 1 TD

Dominique Edison, 2009 (sixth  
round) – 8 catches, 111 yards, 2 TDs

x-Tajae Sharpe, 2016 (fifth round) –  
8 catches, 103 yards

Marc Mariani, 2010 (seventh round)  
– 7 catches, 131 yards

Dorial Green-Beckham, 2015  
(second round) – 7 catches, 93 yards

Damian Williams, 2010 (third  
round) – 7 catches, 70 yards

Justin Hunter, 2013 (second round)  
– 7 catches, 62 yards, 2 TDs

(x-through two games)

In Saturday's 26-16 loss to Carolina, Sharpe had a game-high six receptions for 68 yards. All of them came with Mariota at quarterback. He recorded half of them during the Titans' only first-half scoring drive. Four of the six went for first downs.

"He makes it easy," Mariota said. "You know, he is a very versatile athlete. He has done a lot for us already, great separation in and out of his routes. We are going to continue to expect these kinds of things out of him."

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## **SOME GOOD, SOME BAD IN PRESEASON LOSS TO PANTHERS**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Titans earned rave reviews after an easy win in preseason game No.1.

On Saturday, they received reminders of ways they still need to improve against the defending NFC champion Carolina Panthers.

It was hardly a lost cause, however.

Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota stayed hot in the preseason, and the defense settled down after a sloppy start in an eventual 26-16 loss to the Panthers at Nissan Stadium.

“Disappointed obviously in the loss,” Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. “We wanted to come back and put back-to-back clean games together and failed to do so. I told some teams there are some positives that are going to come out of this.

“But there’s a lot of things we can get better off the tape from this game.”

First, the good news: Mariota completed 9-of-10 passes for 104 yards and a touchdown, he’s now completed 14-of-15 passes for 149 yards in two games in the preseason. His completion percentage is 93.3, and his passer rating is 102.5.

“Not bad,” Mariota said when asked about his start. He blamed himself for being greedy in the early INT.

For the second week in a row, however, the Titans were sloppy early on defense. And the Titans also committed a pair of turnovers – one near Carolina’s end zone, and once near their own end zone.

On their opening drive, the Panthers drove the ball 93 yards on just five plays, and capped it off with a 61-yard touchdown pass from

quarterback Cam Newton to receiver Ted Ginn to make in 7-0. On the play, Ginn escaped a tackle from Titans cornerback Antwon Blake, and then maneuvered past safety Da’Norris Searcy en route to the end zone.

The Titans also allowed a touchdown on San Diego’s opening drive last week.

“We take pride in trying to make sure we make stops and put our offense in the best situation,” defensive lineman Jurrell Casey said. “To put them behind like the start of the game was very unacceptable for us as a defense.

“We pride ourselves on trying to be the No.1 defense in the league and to be that we can’t allow things like that to happen.”

Added linebacker Brian Orakpo: “Another situation where our defense did well, but we have to find a way to finish the plays. On a couple missed tackles, (Ted) Ginn (Jr.) was able to go to the house. Once again, we started slow, but I really liked how we handled it. We came back and were able to start getting off the field.”

The Titans responded with a nice drive of their own, but Mariota was intercepted as the team was driving. The Panthers then moved ahead 10-0 on a 41-yard field goal by kicker Graham Gano.

But after a shaky start, the Titans responded, and offered more reasons for optimism a week after rushing for 288 yards in a win over the San Diego Chargers.

Mariota drove the team down the field and capped off an 81-yard drive with a beautiful 23-yard completion to receiver Harry Douglas in the corner of the end zone to make it 10-7. Mariota competed three passes to rookie receiver Tajae Sharpe on the drive, which also included a 13-yard run by DeMarco Murray.

“I’d say we’re doing a great job of playing as one, and playing as a group,” Douglas said. “It takes all 11 guys for us to be successful, so we have all 11 buying into the system and want to great for one another. Nothing but success can come out of it.

“It was a great job by everybody (on the touchdown). Great throw by Marcus. Great job by the o-line. Great job by Andre (Johnson). I think a couple guys went with him, they left me wide open, and all I had to do was complete the catch.”

Veteran Matt Cassel replaced Mariota on the next series, and Alex Tanney entered the game in the third quarter.

Sharpe continued to impress. He led the team with six catches for 68 yards in the first half.

The Panthers led 13-7 at the half after Gano made a 13-yard field goal with three seconds remaining in the half. The Titans cut the lead to 13-10 early in the third quarter on a 48-yard field goal by kicker Ryan Succop. Late in the third, running back David Cobb fumbled, and the Panthers cashed it in for a quick score to stretch the lead to 19-10.

In the fourth quarter, following a weather delay, the Panthers stretched the lead to 26-10 on a touchdown pass from quarterback Joe Webb to running back Jalen Simmons.

Late in the fourth quarter, Tanney connected with tight end Alex Ellis for a nine-yard touchdown to make it 26-16.

“It will definitely be one of my top football memories ever,” Ellis said. “I am just thankful I got the call.”

The Titans face the Raiders in preseason game No.3 next week.

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# **TITANS QB MARCUS MARIOTA RED-HOT AFTER TWO PRESEASON GAMES**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Marcus Mariota has thrown 15 passes so far in the preseason, and not one has hit the ground.

Of course one of those was an interception on Saturday, and that bothers the Titans quarterback most

“That’s something to learn off of,” Mariota said after the team’s 26-16 loss to the Panthers. “I felt I was kind of on a roll, and I tried to force the ball probably where I shouldn’t have.”

Panthers cornerback Bene Benwikere got Mariota on Saturday at the end of Tennessee’s first drive.

But it’s the only mistake Mariota’s made so far in two games.

Mariota is 14-of-15 for 149 yards with a touchdown and an interception in games against the Chargers and Panthers, good for a completion percentage of 93.3 percent and a passer rating of 102.5. He was 9 of-10 for 104 yards on Saturday, with a 23-yard touchdown pass to receiver Harry Douglas. Last week, Mariota was a perfect 5-of-5 for 45 yards in a win over the Chargers.

“Not bad,” Mariota said of his start to the preseason. “I wish I wouldn’t have thrown the (interception), especially toward that end of the field where we were in scoring territory, but it is something I can learn off of. I can’t get too greedy in those situations.”

Mariota set franchise records for most touchdowns (19), completions (230), passing yards (2,818) and passing attempts (370) in his first NFL season despite missing four games with knee injuries.

So far this preseason, he’s already developed great chemistry with rookie receiver Tajae Sharpe, who leads the team with eight catches for 103 yards. Sharpe had six catches for 68 yards against the Panthers, including a 20-yard completion across the middle.

Mariota has also carried the ball twice for 13 yards in two preseason games. He played three series last week against the Chargers, and three more series on Saturday against the Panthers before being relieved by quarterback Matt Cassel.

The Titans face the Raiders next Saturday. Titans coach Mike Mularkey said he’d love to see Mariota stay on the same path leading up to the regular season opener against Minnesota on September 11.

“He is operating this offense, both the huddle and no-huddle,” Mularkey said. “Everything we’re asking him to do he’s putting us ... in a position to give us a chance to win.

“Marcus has been outstanding.”

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## **ROOKIE WR TAJAE SHARPE LOOKING LIKE A REAL GEM FOR TITANS**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — On the first day of training camp, Tajae Sharpe's family showed up three hours early to see him in a Titans uniform for the first time. Like the rest of the team's fans, they waited until security opened the gate.

On Saturday, they once again arrived early – an hour before gates at Nissan Stadium opened, and three hours before the Titans faced the Panthers.

It's almost like they expected Sharpe to do so well, so early.

A fifth-round pick out of Massachusetts, Sharpe has been one of the bright spots for the Titans so far in 2016. He worked his way onto the first-team in practices during the offseason, and now he's worked his way into quarterback Marcus Mariota's comfort zone with his steady play.

"He makes it easy," Mariota said of Sharpe. "He is a very versatile athlete, and he's done a lot for us already. He creates separation in and out of his routes and we are going to continue to expect these kinds of things out of him."

Sharpe caught six passes for 68 yards in Saturday's 26-16 loss to the Panthers, and he now leads the Titans with eight catches for 103 yards in the preseason.

Sharpe has catches of 20 and 31 yards in the first two weeks. Keep in mind he didn't play past the first quarter last week against the Chargers, and he was easily out of the game by halftime on Saturday.

"There's a big trust level," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said of Mariota, and Sharpe. "What you're seeing is what he basically does in practices. He's made some big

catches that we haven't had here in a while.

"... Tajae has been a pleasant pick. ... He's consistent."

Sharpe (6-2, 194) finished his career at Massachusetts as the school's all-time leader in receptions (277) and receiving yards (3,486). He arrived in Tennessee as an underdog, with veterans ahead of him on the depth chart.

But Sharpe has hardly played like a rookie, which was his plan from the get-go.

"I don't want to look like a rookie," Sharpe said. "I just want to look like an NFL receiver."

Sharpe said he's worked hard to be where Mariota wants him to be in practices, and in games.

When the ball is in his vicinity, he considers it his football.

"The mindset I have," Sharpe said, "is whenever he puts his trust in me, it is my job to come down with it. If I am the intended target for Marcus, I consider that my ball."

In recent weeks, Sharpe admits he's heard his name called more often from fans in the crowd. It's made him smile.

Some of those voices are very familiar. His mom, dad, sister, girlfriend and other family member were all there on Saturday, just like last week. They waited a while to see him.

"My parents, they've played a big part of my success," Sharpe said. "They have always been extremely supportive of me, whether it was sports or academics. They always told me whatever I want to do in life, I can do it. I just have to work hard at it. The way I was raised, they helped make me what I am today and I have to thank them for that.

"But I know I have to keep working. It is a good feeling to have the support from my family, and the fans, and to have some success. But

there's so much more I have to do. Having the support, I definitely want to perform for myself, my family and my teammates as well. I know I have to keep it up."

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## **GAME NOTES: TITANS VS. PANTHERS**

### **BY STAFF REPORTS**

#### **TITANS ONLINE**

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Things that stood out in Saturday's preseason game against the Carolina Panthers.

**TITANS HIT THE ROAD:** Now that the first two games of the preseason are in the books, the Titans will travel to Oakland (Aug. 27) and Miami (Sept. 1) to finish the preseason. It marks the first time since 2008 the Titans will play their final two preseason games on the road.

**RUSHING DEFENSE:** The Titans defense allowed the Panthers to rush for only 53 yards on 21 carries, an average of 2.5 yards per attempt. The Panthers, who had the NFL's second-ranked rushing offense in 2015 at 142.6 yards per game, recorded only two runs against the Titans longer than five yards (six and 11 yards).

**TITANS GO AGAINST 4-3 DEFENSE:** The Titans offense got its only look of the preseason against a 4-3 defense, the front typically employed by the Minnesota Vikings, who the Titans will host in the regular season opener on Sept. 11. Their other three preseason opponents (San Diego Chargers, Oakland Raiders and Miami Dolphins) use a 3-4 defensive scheme. The Titans rushed for 24 yards on 96 carries (4.0 avg.) against the Panthers while allowing two sacks.

**WEATHER STOPPAGE:** There were intermittent periods of rain during the game with one stoppage due to the conditions. With 1:34 remaining in the third quarter and the Panthers ahead 19-10, the contest was suspended due to lightning in the area. Play resumed after a half-hour break.

**MARIOTA'S PRESEASON THROUGH TWO GAMES:** Second-year quarterback Marcus Mariota was on the field for three

possessions against Carolina and was 9-of-10 passing for 104 yards with one interception, one touchdown and a passer rating of 103.8. His first touchdown pass of the preseason came on a 23-yard strike to wide receiver Harry Douglas. He also rushed for 13 yards on two attempts. In two preseason games, Mariota's totals include 14 completions on 15 passes (93.3 percent) for 149 yards, one touchdown, one interception and a passer rating of 102.5.

**HENRY IMPRESSES AGAIN:** Second-round rookie running back Derrick Henry carried the ball five times for 31 yards, averaging 6.2 yards per attempt with a long rush of 13 yards. The majority of his yards came in a single drive in the third quarter, as he posted three carries for 25 yards to help put the team in position for a field goal. Henry's two-game preseason totals include 15 rushes for 105 yards (7.0 avg.) and a touchdown.

**SHARPE LEADS RECEIVERS:** In his second NFL preseason game, rookie wide receiver Tajae Sharpe led all players with six receptions for 68 yards. The fifth-round pick from the University of Massachusetts started for the second consecutive game and played a total of three series. His two-game preseason totals include a team-high eight catches for 103 yards.

**COBB TAKES MOST OF THIRD-STRING CARRIES:** In the first two preseason games, veteran running back DeMarco Murray has received the first several handoffs of the game, followed by rookie Derrick Henry with the second string. Against the Panthers, 2015 fifth-round pick David Cobb was next in line, and he totaled six carries for 27 yards with a fumble. In the previous game against the San Diego Chargers, third-year veteran Antonio Andrews took the bulk of the carries after Murray and Henry were finished.

**ROOKIE ELLIS SCORES:** Late in the fourth quarter, undrafted rookie tight end Alex Ellis caught a nine-yard touchdown pass from

quarterback Alex Tanney. Ellis, a graduate of the University of Tennessee, had one touchdown during his career with the Volunteers.

**BYARD GETS A CHANCE AT RETURNS:** Third-round rookie safety Kevin Byard tried his hand at punt returns for the first time this preseason, totaling 18 yards on two attempts. During his career at Middle Tennessee State, he was credited with one punt return for a 76-yard touchdown. Byard also led the Titans with five tackles against the Panthers.

**STARTING CORNERS:** With Jason McCourty and Perrish Cox sidelined due to injuries, a pair of 2016 free agent additions started at cornerback. Brice McCain recorded his second start of the preseason, while Antwon Blake registered his first start.

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## **TITANS VS. PANTHERS: 5 THINGS WE LEARNED**

**BY JASON WOLF**  
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Five things we learned from the Titans' 26-16 preseason loss against Cam Newton and the reigning NFC champion Panthers on Saturday at Nissan Stadium:

1) Tajae Sharpe could be a star.

The Titans went to the fifth-round rookie on three of their first four plays.

Sharpe opened with a 10-yard reception and an end around that lost 11 yards, which made it clear the Titans are looking for ways to get the ball in his hands. Two plays later, Sharpe made a gorgeous 20-yard catch on third-and-14.

He caught all six of his targets for 68 yards, an average of 11.3 yards per catch.

"What you're seeing is what he basically does in practice," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "He made some bigger catches today, some big catches that we haven't had here in a while."

2) Marcus Mariota played three series, ending his day with a 23-yard touchdown pass to Harry Douglas to trim the Titans' deficit to 10-7 early in the second quarter.

The nine-play, 81-yard scoring drive featured several impressive catches by Sharpe, including a 16-yard grab on third-and-11.

Mariota completed 9 of 10 passes for 104 yards, a touchdown, an interception and a 103.8 passer rating. He also rushed for 13 yards on two carries.

The Titans' first drive ended when Mariota was intercepted in the red zone by Bene Benwikere on a pass intended for Douglas. He was

sacked by Kony Ealy as the Titans went three-and-out on their second possession. DeMarco Murray missed a block on the play.

Mariota has completed 14 of 15 passes for 149 yards through two preseason games.

3) A week after punishing the Chargers, the "thunder-and-thunder" combination of running backs Murray and Derrick Henry found middling success against the Panthers.

Murray had 20 rushing yards on five carries in the first half. Henry added 31 yards on five carries.

The Titans picked up a couple of first downs on the ground on their scoring drive. Murray ran for 13 yards on second-and-5, and Mariota scrambled 8 yards for a first down at the Panthers' 23, immediately before throwing the touchdown to Douglas on the far right side of the end zone.

David Cobb saw his first game action after missing last week with a strained hamstring. He fumbled on his first touch deep in Titans territory, leading to a quick Panthers touchdown. He finished with 27 yards on six carries.

4) The Titans defense was once again mauled on the first drive, allowing the Panthers to go 93 yards on five plays to take a 7-0 lead.

Ted Ginn took a short pass from Cam Newton 61 yards for the score, immediately after the Titans allowed the Panthers to convert on third-and-7. Titans cornerback Antwon Blake dived at Ginn but missed, and the speedy wide receiver torched the rest of the Tennessee secondary.

Last week, the Chargers opened the game by driving 75 yards in seven plays, with Melvin Gordon turning a short pass from Philip Rivers into a 44-yard touchdown.

5) Trouble in the secondary. The Titans were without both starting cornerbacks, with Perrish Cox

sidelined by an ankle injury and Jason McCourty sitting with a hip flexor.

Blake and Brice McCain started in their place, with McCain switching to slot and B.W. Webb joining in nickel defense. Last season, Cox and McCourty were only healthy enough to play in one full game together.

The first-team defense was also gashed on the third drive as Panthers running back Fozzy Whittaker was wide open for a screen pass, taking it for a 36-yard gain. Da'Norris Searcy missed a tackle on the play.

Newton played four drives, completing 8 of 12 passes for 162 yards, a touchdown and a 137.5 passer rating.

McCourty expects to return to practice Monday.

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## **TITANS' MARCUS MARIOTA, TAJAE SHARPE LOOK LIKE OLD PROS**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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In terms of background, Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota and rookie wide receiver Tajae Sharpe couldn't be more different.

Mariota led his Oregon team to the national championship game, won a Heisman Trophy and was the second overall pick in the 2015 draft.

Sharpe, on the other hand, played his college football in relative obscurity, piling up just enough statistics at Massachusetts that the Titans chose him in the fifth round last April.

After just a couple of preseason games together, however, Mariota and Sharpe are looking like they're a combination that will be making an impact for quite some time.

Mariota has targeted Sharpe eight times in the limited stretch that both have been on the field, and Sharpe has caught every pass for 103 yards — an average of nearly 13 yards per reception.

"I think it's a big trust level," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said of the chemistry between Mariota and Sharpe.

"What you're seeing is basically what (Sharpe) does in practice. He's made some bigger catches today, some big catches that we haven't had here in a while.

"It's a trust factor. He believes and knows he's going to be in the right place at the right time and to this point — since he's been here — he has."

The connection between the two could not have looked any sharper than it did in the Titans' 26-16 loss

to Carolina on Saturday. Mariota and Sharpe were only in the game for three series, but that was enough for the Titans' starting quarterback to complete six passes to Sharpe for 68 yards.

The two biggest plays came on third downs:

On third-and-14 during the Titans' first drive, Mariota hit Sharpe deep down the middle for a 20-yard gain. On third-and-11 during the Titans' third drive, Mariota hit Sharpe for a 16-yard gain, one that helped Tennessee score its first touchdown.

"I want to be where I'm supposed to be all the time because I know with him, being the great quarterback he is, he is going to find you," Sharpe said. "I want to be a reliable target. If he's looking for me, I want to be where he is expecting me. That's something I take pride in and like I said, it all starts in practice."

The Titans twice in recent years used second-round picks to select "X" receivers with a lot of potential — Justin Hunter in 2013 and Dorial Green-Beckham in 2015. But based on early returns, it looks as if Mariota has found his favorite target — and it's Sharpe, the 140th overall pick in 2016.

"He makes it easy," Mariota said of Sharpe. "He is a very versatile athlete. He has done a lot for us already, and he gets great separation in and out of his routes. We are going to continue to expect these things out of him."

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## **TITANS' DEFENSE TRYING TO FIX FAMILIAR PROBLEM**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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As the Titans look ahead to Saturday's third preseason game against Oakland, the team finds itself once again trying to fix a familiar problem.

In Saturday's loss to Carolina, the Panthers pummeled the Titans on the first drive of the game, cruising 93 yards on just five plays to score the contest's first touchdown.

It was all too reminiscent of the preseason opener, when the Chargers rolled 75 yards for a touchdown on their first drive.

The shaky defensive starts are a huge concern for a defensive unit that has talked about being one of the best in the league through training camp.

"We take pride in trying to make stops and put our offense in the best situation," Titans defensive end Jurrell Casey said. "To put them behind like that to start the game was very unacceptable for us as a defense. We pride ourselves on being the number one defense in the league, and to be that, we can't allow things like that to happen."

There were at least two similarities between the Chargers' and Panthers' opening drives — third-down conversions and big plays.

In the opener San Diego converted two third downs — one a third-and-15 — and scored on a 44-yard pass from Philip Rivers to running back Melvin Gordon, who'd been left uncovered.

In Saturday's loss to Carolina, the Panthers converted a third-and-7, and then scored one play later when Cam Newton connected with Ted Ginn for a 61-yard touchdown.

"It's more than just two weeks — it's been in the past as well, that opening drive," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "We've got to find a way to stop the opponent's offense when you know they are throwing the best they have at you ... At some point, you've got to make a stand."

Titans cornerback Jason McCourty didn't play, but he had a front-row seat to notice another problem during Carolina's opening drive — a missed tackle.

Cornerback Antwon Blake had a clear opportunity to bring down Ginn before he was at full speed, but didn't get the job done.

"We have to do a better job of tackling overall," McCourty said. "On that first long play, it was just two missed tackles. If we just tackle the ball where Ginn catches it, it's maybe a 7- or 8-yard gain and they still have to go another 50 yards to be able to score."

McCourty said he hopes the defense isn't developing a complex about its early struggles.

"For whatever reason, the past three years, it's been something we've struggled with," McCourty said. "I don't know if guys maybe are thinking too much on the first drive about (this could happen or that could happen), as opposed to maybe just going out there and playing. But that's just something we need to address and look at it."

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## **TITANS THUMBS UP, THUMBS DOWN VS. CAROLINA**

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Here are three thumbs up and three thumbs down from the Titans' preseason loss to Carolina on Saturday:

#### **THUMBS UP**

Rookie wide receiver Tajae Sharpe: The fifth-round draft pick out of Massachusetts has been outstanding through training camp, and he put on quite an exhibition in the first half against the Panthers. Sharpe caught six passes for 68 yards against Carolina, giving him eight catches in limited duty in the first two preseason contests.

Mariota's efficiency: Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota did throw his first interception of the preseason, but was otherwise outstanding. He connected on 9 of 10 passes for 149 yards, a total that included his first preseason touchdown — a 23-yard rollout pass to Harry Douglas. Mariota also showed his mobility, running twice for 13 yards.

Cobb's resiliency: Running back David Cobb's first touch of the preseason was a nightmare (see below), as his fumble turned the ball over to Carolina on the Titans' 9. But after getting stuffed on that play, Cobb picked up 27 yards on his next five carries and added a reception as well. Cobb is competing with Antonio Andrews and Bishop Sankey for a spot behind DeMarco Murray and Derrick Henry.

#### **THUMBS DOWN**

First defensive series: One of the Titans' big priorities coming into this contest was to get off to a better defensive start, after the Chargers had rolled 75 yards for a touchdown

the previous week. Things were no better during Carolina's first drive, as the Panthers drove 93 yards for a touchdown on their first series. Cam Newton's 13-yard pass to Kelvin Benjamin converted a third down, and Newton's 61-yard pass to Ted Ginn put the Panthers ahead 7-0.

Secondary tackling: On Carolina's initial touchdown pass, Antwan Blake missed a tackle that allowed Ginn to turn downfield and use his speed to get to the end zone. On a play later in the second quarter, safety Da'Norris Searcy missed a tackle that helped Fozzy Whittaker pick up a 36-yard gain into Titans territory.

Turnover trouble: The Titans surrendered a pair of interceptions and lost a fumble in the game's first three quarters. A Marcus Mariota interception ended a promising Titans drive in the first quarter, Matt Cassel was intercepted around midfield in the second quarter and Cobb fumbled midway through the third quarter. Carolina scored a touchdown seconds after the Cobb turnover.

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## **TITANS INSTANT REPLAY FROM LOSS TO CAROLINA**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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Sports writer John Glennon's analysis of the Titans' 26-16 preseason loss to Carolina at Nissan Stadium on Saturday:

First missed completion: Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota completed his first eight passes of the preseason — he went 5-for-5 against San Diego last week and 3-for-3 at the start of the Carolina game. But his first non-completion was a big one. Mariota was picked off by cornerback Bene Benwikere, stopping a promising drive in Carolina territory. Mariota finished the game 9-for-10 for 104 yards.

Struggling secondary: San Diego quarterback Philip Rivers posted a quarterback rating of 149.3 in one series against Tennessee. On Saturday, Carolina starting quarterback Cam Newton posted a 137.5 rating, completing 8 of 12 passes for 162 yards and a touchdown. The Panthers cruised 93 yards on their opening drive and scored a touchdown against the Titans' first-team defense.

Rookie is rolling: Rookie wide receiver Tajae Sharpe didn't see much action in the preseason opener after taking a hit to the head early. But he was all over the field against the Panthers, catching six of Mariota's nine completions for 68 yards. The two appear to have a great chemistry.

Tamer Murray: In his first preseason game, running back DeMarco Murray rumbled 93 yards on six carries against San Diego — including a 71-yard touchdown run. Against a stiffer Carolina defense, Murray carried five times for 20 yards — a total that included a 13-yard gain.

Henry picks up steam: Titans rookie running back Derrick Henry carried

just two times for 6 yards in the first half. But he picked up steam on the Titans' first second-half drive, carrying twice for 23 yards. Henry had carried 10 times for 74 yards in Tennessee's preseason opener.

Titans "trickieration": The Titans ran a Statue of Liberty play for the second straight week, giving the ball to tight end Delanie Walker. Mariota ran it smoothly, handing the ball behind his back to the big tight end. Walker gained 7 yards on the carry. Running the play twice in two weeks means opponents will have to keep an eye out for it during the regular season.

Player quote: "We didn't start fast again," Titans linebacker Brian Orakpo said. "That's something we definitely have to fix. I know it's a repeated statement, but we have to."

Coach's quote: "We have to do a better job early," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "We've got to do a better job stopping these teams on the first drive. Everyone's just got to do a better job."

What's next?: The Titans go on the road for the first time next Saturday, as they travel to Oakland for a 7 p.m. game. The two teams will meet in Nashville during the regular season on Sept. 25.

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## MARCUS MARIOTA, TITANS PRODUCE FROM NO-HUDDLE AGAIN

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- The Tennessee Titans got good results for the second week in a row when they went no-huddle with Marcus Mariota.

Trailing 10-0, the Titans got the ball for the third time and went no-huddle. It sparked the most efficient play from the first-team offense: a nine-play, 81-yard touchdown drive that culminated with a pretty touchdown throw and catch in the second quarter of a 26-16 loss.

Mariota faked a handoff, rolled right and threw on the move to Harry Douglas, who was heading for the right sideline beyond the pylon in the end zone. He caught it with safety Kurt Coleman in pursuit.

"It was a great job by everybody," Douglas said. "Great throw by Marcus. Great job by the O-line. Great job by Andre [Johnson]. I think a couple guys went with him, they left me wide open, and all I had to do was complete the catch."

En route to the score, Mariota hit on four passes to Tajae Sharpe and one to Douglas. He handed off twice to DeMarco Murray, and he bought himself room on an 8-yard scramble with a pump fake that froze linebacker Thomas Davis.

A week earlier, the Titans had success with the no-huddle against San Diego. They used it on their third possession, on which Mariota made a good call at the line and adjusted the blocking assignment for Douglas and watched Murray take a handoff 71 yards for a score.

"For the most part, I think the entire offense is comfortable in it," Mariota said of the no-huddle. "I've kind of lived in that realm for a long time, so I feel kind of comfortable operating in it. It makes it a little

easier for us. We can kind of go and push the tempo as fast as we want or slow down and dictate how we play.

"I think if we can do that on a consistent basis, both in the no-huddle and huddling up, we can be pretty good offense."

The question when no-huddle works well is often: Why not jump straight into it?

The answer is typically that it needs to be a changeup. In order to benefit from the increase in tempo and the shorter breaks between plays, the defense has to have experienced both slow and fast paces.

"We have it," coach Mike Mularkey said. "It's a way to attack a defense whenever we want to do it. However, we want to use it -- to start a series, to get us out of a rut, to start the game. We have many ways we'll use it. We've had it planned out where we're going to go to it, and it's worked well the last two weeks."

QB depth chart: Mariota threw a flat-footed interception to Bene Benwikere to kill a good first-quarter drive. It was his lone miss in 10 attempts, and he recovered with a nice rollout touchdown pass to Douglas later. Mariota continues to find Sharpe, who pulled in six passes on six targets for 68 yards. In relief, Matt Cassel was 5-for-7 for 38 yards and an interception. Alex Tanney finished it off.

Maybe that player could start: No one who isn't in line to start did anything in this game that screamed, "I should start."

Who got hurt? Linebacker Curtis Grant needed attention in the fourth quarter but limped off on his own. Mularkey said Grant twisted an ankle and was the only injury of note.

A surprise player who impressed: New offensive linemen Dennis Kelly saw his first action with the Titans. He was acquired from Philadelphia in the trade for receiver Dorial Green-Beckham and threw a couple good blocks for Derrick

Henry while working as the second-team right tackle. Kelly also made a mistake that let a defender force running back David Cobb to move quickly on a play on which he lost a fumble, Mularkey said.

When it was starters vs. starters, the Titans looked ... OK. The Panthers were the better team, which is what you'd expect when one team isn't far removed from going to the Super Bowl and the other isn't far removed from the first pick in the draft. The Panthers drove to an easy touchdown on the game-opening drive and picked off Mariota on their first defensive series. The frontline Titans responded to bad developments on both sides pretty well.

One reason to be concerned: Antwon Blake, who came into the game ranking as the team's fourth cornerback, struggled. With Jason McCourty (minor hip strain) and Perrish Cox (ankle) out, Blake started. Another newcomer, Brice McCain, has talked about how he likes to control a route by playing up on a receiver. But Blake played, as Titans corners have frequently in recent years, with a big cushion. He missed a tackle on Ted Ginn Jr. on what turned into a 61-yard catch and run for a touchdown.

Backup linebackers shine: Sean Spence tipped a Cam Newton pass on a third-and-3. Grant flew out of nowhere to tackle Newton a yard short of a first-down run. David Bass had a backfield trip up of Cameron Artis-Payne for a 1-yard gain on a third-and-3. Three backup linebackers made first-half plays of note, a good sign about the Titans' linebacker depth.

Misdirection: The Titans have shown a good share of slow-developing misdirection in the run game. It looked better against San Diego than it did against Carolina. Sharpe got swallowed up for an 11-yard loss on a reverse that started with a fake to Murray. Delanie Walker got 6 yards on a Statue of Liberty play, the second one the Titans have run in two games.



## **NEWTON LEADS 2 SCORING DRIVES AS PANTHERS BEAT TITANS 26-16**

**BY STEVE MEGARGEE  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Cam Newton threw for 162 yards and led scoring drives on two of his four series Saturday and the Carolina Panthers defeated the Tennessee Titans 26-16 in a preseason game.

The game was delayed about 30 minutes because of lightning late in the third quarter.

Newton went 8 of 12 before leaving midway through the second quarter. He opened the game by leading a 93-yard drive that included a 61-yard completion to Ted Ginn Jr.

Ginn caught Newton's pass about 10 yards downfield. Antwon Blake missed a tackle as soon as the catch was made, then the 31-year-old Ginn outraced the other Titans to the end zone.

"He's probably one of the fastest guys in the NFL," Newton said. "That's not a reach. He is. Of course they will (mention) his age, but this is what I say. .... I feel as if when Ted comes to Carolina, this is only team that probably used him in the receiver position the way he wants to and is supposed to.

"I think so much of his career he's been labeled a return specialist, and in the return game, you may have one or maybe two opportunities to prove yourself, so that leaves a lot of tread on the tires for him."

This was the second straight week the Titans have allowed an opponent to score a long touchdown on its opening series.

"We take pride in trying to make sure we make stops and put our offense in the best situation," Titans defensive tackle Jurrell Casey said.

"To put them behind like (that) to start the game was very unacceptable for us as a defense. We pride ourselves on trying to be the No. 1 defense in the league, and to be that we can't allow things like that to happen."

That opening series also featured two completions to Kelvin Benjamin, who missed the 2015 season with a torn left anterior cruciate ligament after a big rookie year. Benjamin caught a 16-yard pass on the game's first play from scrimmage and had a 13-yard reception on a third-and-7.

Newton also led a 49-yard drive that ended with Graham Gano's 41-yard field goal.

Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota directed three series and went 9 of 10 for 104 yards with one touchdown and an interception. On his final pass, Mariota rolled right and found Harry Douglas in the right corner of the end zone for a 23-yard touchdown.

Mariota is 14 of 15 through two preseason games.

### **POSITION BATTLES**

Panthers: Carolina's listed first-team cornerbacks on the depth chart were rookies James Bradberry and Daryl Worley, but two other cornerbacks (Bene Benwikere and Zack Sanchez) intercepted passes Saturday. Benwikere started Saturday's game at nickel. The Panthers are retooling the cornerback position after All-Pro Josh Norman signed with the Washington Redskins and Charles Tillman retired.

Titans: Wide receiver Tajae Sharpe strengthened his bid for a starting spot, as the fifth-round pick from Massachusetts had six catches for 68 yards while Mariota was in the game. "He made some bigger catches today, some big catches we haven't had here in a while," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. The Titans shook up their receiving group Tuesday by trading 2015 second-round pick Dorial Green-

Beckham to the Philadelphia Eagles for offensive lineman Dennis Kelly.

### **INJURY UPDATES**

Panthers: Tight end Greg Olsen didn't play because of back spasms. Tight end Ed Dickson also didn't play. ... Safety Travell Dixon injured his chest in the first quarter. ... Safety Trenton Robinson injured his shoulder in the first half. ... Wide receiver LaRon Byrd was being evaluated for a concussion in the second half.

Titans: Cornerbacks Jason McCourty (hip flexor) and Perrish Cox (ankle), wide receiver Kendall Wright (hamstring), and outside linebackers Kevin Dodd (foot) and Aaron Wallace (ankle) didn't play.

### **ROOKIE WATCH**

Panthers: The playing time earned by Bradberry, Worley and Sanchez suggests all three will have featured roles at cornerback this season. Bradberry is a second-round pick from Samford, Worley a third-rounder from West Virginia and Sanchez a fifth-round selection from Oklahoma. ... Jalen Simmons, a free agent from South Carolina State, caught a 6-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter.

Titans: Derrick Henry, a second-round selection from Alabama, had five carries for 31 yards. ... Third-round draft pick Kevin Byard of Middle Tennessee fumbled a punt return, though the Titans recovered. ... Alex Ellis, a free agent from Tennessee, had a 9-yard touchdown catch with 1:55 left.

### **QUOTABLE**

Panthers: "I think we started pretty fast, and that's what you want to do — start fast and finish fast, too," Newton said.

Titans: "We've got to do something about the first drive," Mularkey said. "It's two weeks in a row. It's more than two weeks. It's (happened to us) in the past as well."



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## **TITANS OWNER COMMITTED TO BUILDING A WINNER**

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BOCA RATON, Fla. — It's been roughly one year since Amy Adams Strunk took over as controlling owner of the Tennessee Titans, and plenty has changed since.

Here at the NFL owners meetings, the franchise has a new general manager (Jon Robinson), head coach (Mike Mularkey), and team president (Steve Underwood). The Titans picked a face-of-the-franchise quarterback in Marcus Mariota in last year's NFL Draft, and the team has made some key additions in free agency more recently.

And with Strunk calling the shots, the organization has a new vision as well.

Strunk, the daughter of late Titans owner Bud Adams, admits she had some sleepless nights to get to this point. She's made some difficult decisions, no doubt. While taking a break in between today's sessions, however, she spoke optimistically about the outlook moving forward. She's excited about what's ahead.

"I had a vision and I agonized on how I was going to get to that vision. But my vision has been clear, and it was always to get this team on track, and to get to winning," Strunk said.

"I am passionate about this team. Since I was six years old going to my first Oilers game, I've been passionate about it. Back then I was that star-struck fan. I waited outside the locker room to get autographs just like millions of other kids have done. It's always been in my blood. The main thing now is I want to win. We all want to win, and we want to be a force in the NFL. It's time."

Following a 3-13 season, and with just five wins over the past two

seasons, the Titans have taken steps to make it happen.

Last season, Strunk dismissed coach Ken Whisenhunt, and named Mularkey the interim coach. In January, after a coaching search, Strunk made the decision to stick with Mularkey. Also in January, Strunk hired Robinson after she opted not to renew the contract of former GM Ruston Webster.

When free agency began, the Titans dove in head-first. The team traded for former Eagles running back DeMarco Murray, and since the beginning of March the Titans have signed seven new players to the team, while also re-signing several of their own free agents.

"I am so happy with how things have gone," Strunk said. "Jon has done such a good job. I think people who have graded our free agency have said 'Wow, The Titans are in there.' I think it has been fantastic.

"And Mike, from the beginning he has said he wanted to get a strong running back and we have that in DeMarco. I think it is going to help Marcus, and our whole offense. DeMarco gives us a weapon."

Strunk praised Robinson for executing the plan. And she also expressed confidence in Mularkey, who served as the team's interim coach the final nine games of the 2015 season.

"I am so happy when I hear free agents say: 'I want to play for Mike,' Strunk said. "That says everything to me, it really does. He is a good coach.

"Jon, he told me he wasn't going to go crazy overspending, that he would get us the players we need but he'd be smart about it and he's done that."

All the changes, Strunk said, needed to be made. Strunk said the Titans will continue to build the roster.

"We needed to improve, and we need to start winning. Really, that is what it is all about. And we are

headed in that direction," Strunk said. "I didn't have to tell (Jon) too much. Sometimes throwing that money (at free agents) works and sometimes it doesn't. I think Jon has been judicious in his choices, and from an owner's standpoint I like what I see. I am excited about all these guys. They are really going to add to the team."

Robinson, who worked previously with the Patriots and Buccaneers praised Strunk for her commitment, and helping him make the transition to his new role.

"I would say she has been outstanding, emphatically outstanding," Robinson said of Strunk. "She is extremely approachable, she has a great personality, she is into football, and she is passionate about this football team. She wants to see this football team succeed. She wants to make the entire state of Tennessee and Nashville proud of the Titans. And she wants the fans to know they are a part of the family.

"Amy, we talk multiple times throughout the course of the week, either by phone call or text. She has made my transition to this job fun."

This week, Strunk has been surrounded by others NFL owners at the Boca Raton Resort.

Texans owner Bob McNair said he's visited with Strunk, and seen her in general sessions.

"She has been active, and in attendance and paying attention to what is going on, and seems to be enjoying it," McNair said. "I think she is very interested in the team and very committed to trying to improve the fortunes of the team."

In recent weeks, Strunk has also been more involved in the community in Nashville as well.

Strunk spoke during an event for season-ticket holders at the Convention Center in Nashville last month. Over the weekend, she attended 104.5-FM's annual

SportsFest event at Nissan Stadium, where she mingled with fans.

“She has made a concentrated effort to get out and be more visible in the public, and not just the public but around the organization,” Mularkey said of Strunk. “She has been around a bunch more, and she wants to be more involved. Jon and I stay in constant contact with her, keeping her updated. She wants to know what is going on on a daily basis. She is very active, and I think that has been good for the organization.”

In the coming weeks, the Titans will see more changes. Mularkey has spoken about improvements inside Saint Thomas Sports Park, from the locker room to the indoor practice facility.

The Titans have the No. 1 pick in the NFL Draft, and the team is scheduled to make eight picks.

Strunk, of course, wants to see the biggest changes on the football field.

She knows she’s not the only one.

“When I first took over I felt like I had to watch and learn and see how we needed to move this team toward winning, and I think as time has gone on I was able to put my stamp on it,” Strunk said. “When I see the fans, they are excited, and that makes me happy. I want to help us start winning.

“The fans, they have been great, and very encouraging to me. I want to win like they do, and I want to win for them. I want that stadium to go back to the way it was, when it was rocking, rocking because we were winning.

“Winning, it’s a really good feeling and losing is a bad feeling I don’t like. I want us to win games.”

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## **TITANS OWNER SENDS MESSAGE WITH FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. —OK, she peeked. Titans controlling owner Amy Adams Strunk admits it up front.

After the Titans made significant changes inside the building at Saint Thomas Sports Park, Strunk looked at pictures of the impressive renovations – including a glitzy new locker room -- before she walked into the facility over the weekend. She couldn't resist.

And she was blown away regardless.

"It was like "Wow!" It's just stunning," Strunk said. "I always say go big or go home, so that's what we did. And I think we accomplished what we wanted."

When the Titans wrapped up their offseason program in mid-June, work began on a renovation project at the team's headquarters in MetroCenter. Strunk saw the finished product for the first time over the weekend, after players reported for training camp. The changes are evident from the first step inside the entrance for players.

Straight ahead is the lit up Titans fireball logo. Just inside the building and to the left is a giant Vince Lombardi trophy with the words "One team. One goal."

The locker room is dramatically different.

New lockers, new carpet and new televisions decorate the spacious locker room. There's a huge, lit-up, Titans fireball logo on the ceiling. Two round tables with a Titans logo, surrounded by cushioned stools, are in the middle of the locker room.

Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota passed Strunk during her tour.

"Thank you for everything," Mariota told Strunk. "It looks great."

"You deserve it," Strunk told the quarterback.

"I want the players to know we are on board with you," Strunk said. "We want to be a part of a winning team, and the first step is giving them this beautiful facility."

Strunk was beaming as she made her way through the facility, guided by Titans general manager Jon Robinson and coach Mike Mularkey.

In the hallways, messages are delivered with flashy colors, photos, and murals:

Among the mantras on the walls:

A good plan violently executed now is better than the perfect plan next week. ... Work uphill all week, so you can play downhill on Sundays. ... Teamwork means success. Work together, win together. ... Individuals play the game. Teams win championships. ... Miracles are made through hard work and discipline.

"All the sayings Jon and Mike came up with," Strunk said. "It's inspiring."

The state-of-the-art, wide-open locker room is the highlight of the project completed in roughly six weeks. It changed the look inside the building, home of the team since 1999.

"It's the best thing since I have been here," receiver Kendall Wright said. "I think they did it for us, and we appreciate it. I am not saying this will happen, but when big-time free agents come see us, this will help, too. And that's bigger than us. I am glad they did it."

"We love Nashville and love the organization and what they have done for us and our families and to

see the changes that have gone on, it is really exciting, not only for the older guys but the younger guys as well," cornerback Jason McCourty said. "So much effort is being done to help us be the best we can be and to help us win football games as the end result."

At the start of another training camp, Strunk said the organization wants to prove to players and fans the team is committed to winning.

She's spent the last three days at training camp. There's a different look – and feel – these days, she said.

"This is an opportunity to show the players how much we support them," Strunk said. "We are going to invest in whatever gets a winning team."

"I am excited for the fans. They deserve to have a first-class organization. The players are so excited, and there's a lot of optimism here. Big expectations. So we are going to work hard and we are going to get there. ... I am just really happy for everybody that works here. It's a new day."

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## **NEW GM JON ROBINSON WANTS TO BUILD FANS A WINNER**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — New Titans general manager Jon Robinson saved the best for last during his introductory press conference on Monday.

Now, his goal is to take the Titans from worst to first.

The Union City, Tennessee, native knows he's going to need some time.

But on his 40th birthday, he didn't hesitate to reach out to a fan base that's dealt with far too much heartache of late. The Titans are coming off a 3-13 season, and have won just five games over the last two seasons.

Hired last week as the team's chief decision-maker on personnel, Robinson made a final statement at the end of 51-minute press conference that left a mark.

"If you only remember one thing from this presser, please remember this, and this goes out to our fans: This is my home and you guys are my family. I've been a Titans fan ever since '97 when this football team moved here. We're going to build this team the right way. All decisions that we make will be made in the best interests of this team, your football team. Please let us earn your support," Robinson said.

"I grew up on a small 10-acre farm in West Tennessee. I watched my dad get up every morning and drive to a tire plant where he worked for 30-plus years. My mother packed his lunch box before he walked out. I helped work that farm as supplemental income. I know what hard work is. Coach knows what hard work is. I was part of an organization in New England for 12 years that is still the standard of excellence today. We're ready to go

to work for you, because you're our family. Thank you."

The Titans announced Robinson as the team's new general manager last week after interviewing five other candidates for the position. He replaces Ruston Webster, whose contract wasn't renewed at the end of last season.

Robinson joined the Titans after spending the past two seasons as director of player personnel with the Buccaneers, during which time he oversaw all areas of the scouting department, both college and pro, in addition to free agency preparation, evaluating players in the NFL and other professional leagues.

Robinson spent 12 seasons with the Patriots (2002-13), where he worked as New England's director of college scouting (2009-13), and prior to that served as a regional scout and an area scout for the Patriots.

On Monday, Robinson thanked his parents and his family for helping mold him as a person. He thanked the Patriots and Buccaneers for helping him develop as a talent evaluator in the NFL.

Now, his job is to mold the Titans into a contender. He provided a glimpse of a vision he shares with Titans coach Mike Mularkey

"Our goal here is to win. Bottom line," Robinson said. "It's the measuring stick that all franchises are measured by. Mike and I have an aligned vision of what we want this team to look like. We want tough players, we want coachable players, we want smart players, and most importantly we want players with a team-first attitude. My role here is to ensure that we find those players. I will coach the personnel staff on the type of players we want and identify the guys that are true fits in what we are looking for in a Titan."

Titans President and CEO Steve Underwood said the team's ownership group, led by Amy Adams Strunk, chose Robinson

because they saw something special in him.

"Jon Robison is the product of the most extensive search for a general manager in our club's history," Underwood said. "We are so impressed with Jon's experience, his vision, and his focus on restoring our franchise to greatness. ... Amy believes his talents and attitude are just what we need for our club at this moment and time."

Robinson will have control of the team's 53-man roster.

He'll provide the players Mularkey will have to work with during the offseason, and on Sundays.

Robinson wants to upgrade the talent, through free agency, and drafts. The Titans have the No.1 overall pick in this year's draft.

Robinson also wants more wins.

"I think in the end we want to put the most competitive 90 guys on the field this spring and let them battle it out. We want a tough, physical football team. And we are going to try and get guys out there that are tough and physical and get to 53 in August," Robinson said.

"We want to add competitive, tough guys who are going to go out there and fight on Sundays for this football team."

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## RESUSCITATING THE TITANS

**BY PETER KING**  
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INDIANAPOLIS — NFL Quiz. Jon Robinson is:

- a. The Falcons long-snapper.
- b. The Vikings salary-cap manager.
- c. An equipment man for the Buccaneers.
- d. The NFL Scouting Combine's director of operations.
- e. The man holding the first pick in the 2016 draft.

Guess I'm a bad quiz-giver. The first four wouldn't be of much interest right now. The new GM of the Titans, Robinson, 40, was born and raised in the western Tennessee metropolis of Troy (pop. 760), a one-blinking-red-light burb near the borders of Kentucky, Missouri and Arkansas. Robinson nearly died twice as a child because of kidney failure, grew up baling hay on a farm and rooting for the Danny White Cowboys and played college football at Southeast Missouri. He got his big break in the business at 26, when he got hired to be a southeastern scout with the then-Super Bowl champion Patriots.

And now he's got eight weeks to decide whose name gets picked first in the draft as he tries to turn around his home-state team. In a hour-long conversation over coffee in the Westin Hotel here about his life and goals for the Titans, Robinson sat at a side table just off the bustling lobby wearing a white Titans cap. Times recognized: zero.

"That's the way I like it," he said. "It's never about me. It's about what we can accomplish as a team."

There certainly is a lot of work to do. The Titans are 5-27 in the past two years. They seem to have a franchise quarterback in Marcus Mariota, but they need help at

tackle—they allowed the most sacks in football last year—and at pass-rusher and in the secondary. Lots of help. In this draft, there's a tailor-made pick sitting there in Mississippi left tackle Laremy Tunsil, who appears to be quick enough to keep the speed-rushers mostly off Mariota for the next few years. But what Robinson really wants to do, unlikely as it seems today, is to create a buzz for the top pick, perhaps by encouraging those beneath him to leapfrog quarterback-needy Cleveland for one of the two top passers in the draft. There's probably not enough excitement about quarterbacks Carson Wentz or Jared Goff being sure things to make that happen, but lots can change in two months. Players can rise and fall, and Robinson's certainly going to try to create action around the pick.

"I'm going to be making a pretty impactful decision for the future of the franchise," he said. "I've pondered the significance of the decision quite a bit. It's big. I'm the kind of guy, when I walk the hallways of our building in Nashville, I get chill-bumps. It's pretty cool to be working for the team in my home state. I'm a Tennessean, through and through. And I want to do something good for the people of Tennessee."

I always wonder when I see a story like this—a kid from a small town in Tennessee, who played middling college football, who was a low-level assistant at Nicholls (La.) State—how a person gets to be an NFL general manager. In Robinson's case, it started with Kalimba Edwards.

Remember Kalimba Edwards? Former linebacker at South Carolina. Drafted by the Lions as a defensive end in the second round in 2002. Had 31 sacks in seven so-so NFL seasons. When the Patriots summoned Robinson—then a Nicholls (La.) State assistant coach and NFL scouting liaison—for an interview for a scouting job in the winter of 2002, personnel chief Scott Pioli handed Robinson three video tapes of Edwards to watch.

After Robinson watched, he told Pioli that Edwards had been playing out of position at South Carolina and should be a defensive end, and he took a couple of minutes to explain why. Pioli, as Robinson recalled, looked at him and said: "Just write what you see—like that—when you evaluate players. If you keep doing that, you'll have a chance in this business."

Robinson climbed the Patriot ladder for a few years, and when Pioli left to become the Kansas City GM early in 2009, Robinson was made the Patriots' director of college scouting. In taking the job, Robinson remembers going into coach/franchise czar Bill Belichick's office early that offseason to tell him how he planned to put together the board.

"I'm not going to be right all the time," Robinson recalls telling him. "But my role will be to get everything organized for you so at the end of the season you can start the process of learning about these guys. I'll strive for perfection, but I might make some mistakes."

Robinson recalls Belichick telling him, "Are you kidding me? You know how many time I've been wrong?"

In his four years in New England, Robinson got that reinforced a lot, and it should serve him well in Tennessee.

"We're going to be a draft-first team," said Robinson. "I want team-first, coachable guys. I want to stack good draft classes on each other, one by one. When these guys in this draft walk in the door, I want them to make a statement to our team."

Tunsil, says Robinson, "checks off a lot of boxes for us. But personality-wise, we're in the infancy stages of getting to know him and whether he'd be a fit."

I said, "He seems really reserved as a person."

“Yeah,” said Robinson. “I think he likes to block people more than he likes doing talk shows.”

Great line. True line.

Last point: Robinson knows he’s pretty lucky to be alive, never mind running the NFL franchise 167 miles from home. When he was in fourth grade, he was struck down by the kidney disease nephritis. His heart stopped, and paramedics started it again before putting him in an ambulance for the hospital in nearby Union City. On the way to the hospital, his heart stopped again and he had to be saved. After being comatose for days, Robinson began to recover and lived a pretty normal boyhood. “What I remember,” he said, “is my first question to the doctors: Am I still gonna be able to play football?” The answer was yes.

He played well enough, and was honorable enough, to get an appointment to the Air Force Academy. But he said he was miserable there, and got a discharge, moving to Southeast Missouri, where he was a play-making inside linebacker. The coaching bug bit him, and he climbed the ladder at Nicholls (La.) State. And then came New England, and then Tampa Bay for two years, and now the Titans. His home team.

“Jon is a proud Tennessean who is excited to be coming home,” said the owner, Amy Adams Strunk, when Robinson was named GM. She’s right. Now he’s got to get his Titans out of the biggest hole in franchise history.

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## **TITANS GM JON ROBINSON CREDITS DAD FOR TRADE BACKGROUND**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Five trades in seven months.

New Titans general manager Jon Robinson has proven quickly he isn't afraid to make a deal.

It runs in the family.

The most recent example of Robinson's wheeling and dealing played out this morning, when the Titans traded receiver Dorial Green-Beckham to the Philadelphia Eagles in exchange for versatile offensive lineman Dennis Kelly.

While Robinson learned plenty at previous NFL stops with the Patriots and Buccaneers, the Union City native said he first learned the tricks of trade at a young age, by watching his dad.

"He's bought and sold hunting dogs, tractors, guns, knives, cars, boats — you name it," Robinson said of his father, Don. "I'll never forget, we used to go to James R. Cash auctions, state auctions and farm auctions, and we would buy hay rakes and bush hogs and all that kinds of stuff.

"Just to watch him haggle back and forth with people, it was kind of fun. And yeah, that sticks with you."

Robinson's memory takes him back to when he was anywhere from six to 10 years old. From his father's truck, the two listened to the Swap Shop at noon on 1240-WENK in Union City.

"I can't tell you how many things we bought while riding in that truck," Robinson said.

The experience stuck with him.

"(My dad) would generally come out on top," Robinson said, "or at least walk away thinking he came away with a good deal."

Robinson made Tuesday's trade in an effort to increase competition on an offensive line in charge of protecting quarterback Marcus Mariota, while also clearing holes for the running backs.

Robinson's previous four trades since taking over in January have panned out well so far:

- The Titans swapped fourth-round picks with the Eagles in exchange for running back DeMarco Murray, the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year in 2014 while with the Cowboys. Murray was impressive in the preseason opener on Saturday night, running for 93 yards, including a 71-yard touchdown run.

- Robinson traded the No.1 pick of the draft to the Los Angeles Rams for the 15th overall pick in the draft, two second-round picks (43 and 45), and a third-rounder (76) in 2016. The Titans also received the Rams' first-round pick in 2017, along with their third-round pick in next year's draft. It put the team in a position to make further moves, and build the roster with multiple picks.

- The Titans traded the 15th and the 76th overall pick, along with a second-round pick in 2017, to move up in the draft to land Michigan State tackle Jack Conklin with the eight overall pick. The Titans also received the Browns' sixth-round pick, No. 176. Conklin has performed well in training camp, and is on track to start as a rookie.

- On the third day of the draft, the Titans traded with the Broncos and acquired cornerbacks LeShaun Sims (5th round, 157) and Kalan Reed (seventh round, 253rd) in exchange for the 176th pick of the draft and a sixth round pick in 2017. Sims and Reed have been impressive in training camp.

The trade with the Eagles got plenty of attention across the NFL on Tuesday.

Kelly has played in 30 games, with 15 starts, after being selected by the Eagles in the fifth round 2012 NFL Draft. Kelly has started nine games at right tackle and three games at right guard and three games at left guard during his career. The 6-foot-8, 321-pounder played at Purdue.

"I like his versatility," Robinson said of Kelly. "He has really good size, he's versatile, he's played a lot of positions. He embodies the traits we look for in an offensive lineman — smart, tough, and dependable."

Green-Beckham was a second-round pick by the Titans last year, and he had his moments in 2015. Throughout training camp, however, coaches have talked about his struggles with consistency.

Robinson decided it was time to make another move.

"Not to speak on Philly's behalf, but they inquired about it," Robinson said. "They thought it was a good opportunity for him, and we thought adding Dennis would be good for our football team. We are moving on. I appreciate everything Dorial did when he was here. He bought in to what we are trying to do. But in the end we felt like this was the best decision for the team."

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## **MIKE MULARKEY PLANS TO CHANGE MINDSET, RESULTS**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — When Mike Mularkey was named head coach of the Tennessee Titans last month, he asked fans to give him a chance.

On Thursday, he was greeted with applause at an event for season ticket members as he laid out his plan moving forward.

It involves winning.

“This is different than my first two opportunities,” said Mularkey, referring to his previous head-coaching jobs with the Bills and Jaguars. “The circumstances are different, the situation is different, and certainly the quarterback is different. There’s a lot going on that is very good here.

“This is a very good organization, and this is a great city. The fans are great. ... We want to get back to where opposing fans are not filling in the bottom level of our stadium — that’s got to go. I know it is going to take winning to do that.”

Mularkey, general manager Jon Robinson and controlling owner Amy Adams Strunk all spoke to fans in a Q&A session with Titans radio play-by-play man Mike Keith at an exclusive event for Titans season ticket members. Roughly 3,000 fans turned out for the event in the Grand Ballroom at the Music City Center in downtown Nashville.

Another event was held Thursday night.

At both events, Mularkey seemed relaxed, and excited.

“There’s more guys, coming off a 3-13 season, that are (at the facility) working out getting ready for the 2016 season,” Mularkey said. “There’s more guys in there now

working out than there has been in years. If they were not excited about what’s about to take place in 2016, they wouldn’t be in there.”

Mularkey, hired last month on a permanent basis after serving as interim coach during the last nine games of the 2015 season, addressed a number of topics on Thursday.

Mularkey made one thing especially clear — he wants a tough, hard-nosed football team.

“This place was a tough place to play, and that’s we want,” he said. “We want this place to be a place where when people come in here they better have their big boy pads on.”

Mularkey received cheers on several occasions as he delivered his message.

At one point, when discussing his veteran coaching staff, he generated some laughter.

“We have a lot of experience. All the coaches, if you add up the years of experience, we have 369 years of NFL coaching experience. Of course, Dick LeBeau is 1/3 of that,” Mularkey, with a smile, said of the team’s long-time defensive coordinator.

Then he got serious.

“It is a little bit of old school,” Mularkey continued. “And I think that is what we need right now. We need a little bit of old-school coaching to hold players accountable.

“I hired guys who like to win, and they like to win by beating the hell out of people. That’s why I hired them.”

Mularkey said the defense will be different in 2016 with LeBeau, who worked alongside Ray Horton a year ago. Horton won’t be back this fall.

The offense will be simplified to help players play faster, he said. It

should benefit quarterback Marcus Mariota, among others.

The offense was described as “exotic smashmouth” when he coached in Pittsburgh, he said.

“(Opponents) are going to know we are going to be very hard to defend, and it is going to be a physical football game,” he said. “When it is all said and done they are going to know they have been in a fight.”

As for Mariota, Mularkey said: “He would be perfect in any style of offense. He’s a special player, and even with him, there’s things we have to do to make sure he is in the right position to have success every play.

“I believe in balance. Whatever it takes to win on Sunday, that’s what we’re going to do.”

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## TITANS CAMP REPORT: MULARKEY BRINGS PHYSICALITY

**BY EMILY KAPLAN**  
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NASHVILLE — When the Titans announced the hiring of Mike Mularkey as coach, the overwhelming outside sentiment was: Huh? It felt like an uninspiring choice for a franchise with a budding star quarterback, defensive promise, and the No. 1 pick in the 2016 draft. In relieving the fired Ken Whisenhunt, Mularkey had gone 2-5 as interim, dropping his career coaching record to 18-37.

What's more, the Titans seemed uninterested in engaging in conversation with the hiring cycle's hottest candidates: Adam Gase, Hue Jackson, Dirk Koetter, Josh McDaniels and the like.

Surely Mularkey, 54, had convinced Tennessee ownership he had learned from his previous coaching gigs—one lasting one season (Jacksonville in 2012), the other two (Buffalo in 2004-05)—and was ready to get this job right.

"I didn't get it wrong the first two times, in my opinion," Mularkey says. "Remember, I resigned in Buffalo, for a variety of personal reasons. So I haven't changed my coaching style one bit. My philosophy and message has been consistent for 20-something years: I like being a physically tough team, and I hope you do too if you want to be around here."

As most of the NFL trends towards quickness, embracing technology and scientific edges, the Titans believe they can build a winning team by going old school. Instead of exploiting Marcus Mariota's athleticism, the offense is committing to a ground-and-pound running game. Tablets are accepted, but coaches ask players to take most of their notes with pen and paper. Modern concepts take a backseat to experience; half of Mularkey's 18

assistant coaches are older than 57. Three of those men—Bob Bratkowski, Russ Grimm, Steve Jackson—had been out of coaching for at least three seasons before returning to help with the Titans. And then there's defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau, who, at 78, is using the same zone blitzes he essentially introduced to the NFL before most current players were born, but has stayed "in good enough shape to keep up with guys and yell in their face."

"Mularkey believes in a throwback culture," Mariota says. "And I think guys have really bought into it. I have. Hopefully it makes us more successful."

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Mularkey played nine seasons as a tight end for the Vikings and the Steelers from 1983-91. At the time, Minnesota began camp later than most teams, and the players didn't put on pads until halfway through camp. The Steelers, under Chuck Noll, hit nearly every day. Mularkey was inspired by the physicality-wins-championships approach and when he began his coaching career as a tight ends coach in 1994, he fully embraced it. "When I was coaching tight ends, we were going to be the most physical position group on the field," Mularkey says. "The culture Chuck Noll built is the one I'm familiar with and the only one I've ever wanted."

When Mularkey and general manager Jon Robinson built the Titans coaching staff, they kept narrow focus. Every assistant coach on staff either played with or coached with Mularkey at some point—the only exception is assistant secondaries coach Steve Jackson, though LeBeau vouched for him. "This is the first time in my three tries that I got all of my guys," Mularkey says. "I trust them. They don't have any hidden agendas to be coordinators, or have eyes on other jobs. They just want what I want and that's to win." That explains why on most afternoons, at least five or six chairs are crammed into LeBeau's modest office. Or why the entire

team embraces physicality. "Hitting is pretty much the same as last year, but guys coming off the ball, flying around a lot more," Mariota says. "The tempo of practices has been a lot more intense."

At an intersquad scrimmage at Nissan Stadium on Monday night, it didn't take 15 minutes for evidence to emerge. Center Brian Schwenke walked off with a foot-long blood stain stretching from his stomach to his thigh (official injury: cut middle finger). Schwenke returned to action a few minutes later, by which point bodies were still flying. (After being rained out before an offday, the players hadn't hit for two days.) Rookie running back Derrick Henry powered past tacklers, proving Robinson's commitment to bruising backs this offseason—the Titans also signed DeMarco Murray—to relieve pressure and protect Mariota. The second-year quarterback appeared shaky, being intercepted by backup safety Daimion Stafford, but defense ruled the day anyway. Veteran safety Jason McCourty, who missed almost all of last season with injury, jarred a bar loose from towering receiver Doran Green-Beckham. Even undrafted rookie defensive end Mike Smith, who sang the national anthem by nomination of teammates who were impressed by his shower crooning habits, recovered a fumble from backup quarterback Matt Cassell and returned it for a touchdown.

Last year, LeBeau was in an awkward situation as co-defensive coordinator with one of his protégées, Ray Horton. Though LeBeau's influence was ubiquitous, he was frustrated by not being able to call defensive plays for the first time in his career. Back in the helm, LeBeau says he's excited to blitz a bit more, especially since there is more depth in his front seven.

"I'd be very surprised if we are not a more aggressive team this year," Mularkey says.

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Nobody is immune to it—not the starting quarterback Mariota, not the hotshot rookie Henry. Mularkey plays role of disciplinarian. After a long meeting, the coach will demand a player to turn in his notes. “He just wants to make sure you’re paying attention,” Mariota says. “It reminds you of a pop quiz,” says undrafted rookie linebacker Aaron Wallace. “I was a little scared because I like to doodle a lot.”

Explains Mularkey: “You’re Derrick Henry, you’re the big back, you’re No. 2, I want to see what you’ve written down in your role as a special teams player. Usually the first time, it’s not very good but the second time it’s amazing how detailed and how much information they have because they don’t want to embarrass themselves.” The coach will then hand off the notes to position coaches, who can discipline at will.

“No feedback is good feedback,” Mariota says.

The old-school tactics are rigid, but Mariota says players are responding. Through OTAs, Mularkey displayed a chart each week listing the most-penalized players, hoping to fix bad habits through peer-humiliation.

The coach has made at least one change to his style. “I’m trying to have a little more fun this time around,” he says. “I’m making it a little more fun to come into work.” Recently, Mularkey told 10 rookies there would be a pop quiz the next day. They would be called in front of the team auditorium and drilled on concepts that had been installed in the last week.

“I know for a fact that 10 of them went home and studied beyond belief,” Mularkey says.

When the competition began, Mularkey called an audible. Actually, this is going to be a spelling bee. The entire room burst into laughter.

Henry finished runner-up to guard Sebastian Tretola. The winning word: acceptable.

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#### FIVE THINGS I THOUGHT ABOUT THE TITANS

1. Mariota spent most of his first offseason working out at his alma mater, Oregon. A big focal point was his footwork, specifically drops under center. “Getting more depth, timing, everything,” he says. “Just being able to feel powerful doing a quicker drop while still getting the power I needed if I took a longer, deeper drop. This is something I feel like I’m significantly better at now than I was at this point last season.”

2. One of the Titans’ quiet strengths last season was the defensive line, which finished eighth in the league with 3.9 yards allowed per rush. The defense actually ranked 12th in the league overall, impressive considering the team’s sputtering record. Much of the success is credited to ascending star defensive tackle Jurrell Casey, as well as pass-rushing linebackers Brian Orakpo, who notched seven sacks, and Derrick Morgan, who recorded 4.5 sacks in just 10 games. All return for 2016, as does another player the coaching staff seems to be high on: third-year defensive lineman Da’Quan Jones, a fourth-round draft pick out of Penn State in 2014. Jones was promoted into the starting lineup last year and quietly recorded 67 tackles and 15 quarterback pressures. “If he makes the same jump he did from year one to year two,” Mularkey says. “Then I think he could be something special.”

3. LeBeau doesn’t look 78, and he sure doesn’t act it. The Hall of Fame coach speaks with such passion for the game—and appears in fantastic shape—it’s hard to imagine him ever retiring soon. “I wish I could say I’m not done anytime soon, but the law of averages says otherwise,” LeBeau says. “I’m enjoying everything I’m doing, and as long as I have the vitality to do it, I can stay up with the guys and can feel like I’m contributing to the growth of the

team, that’s what I like to do. I do this because I’m a teacher, and you have to have players around to teach. You can’t teach on the golf course.”

4. I’m always careful to take too much out of one training camp practice, especially an intrasquad scrimmage. But it was hard not to be impressed with Henry, who had a handful of powerful runs and scored on two touchdown runs. Looking at his physique and the way he powers his legs, he’s an incredibly tough runner to bring down. The Heisman-winner definitely has value as a bruising complement to Murray, but I’m curious to see how they will incorporate him into the passing game.

5. Not only did teammates nominate Smith, an undrafted rookie from Southern Mississippi, to sing the national anthem, but also the 6-foot-4, 282-pound lineman crushed it.

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## **TITANS DC DICK LEBEAU: "I REALLY LOVE BEING HERE"**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Dick LeBeau has spent a lifetime in the NFL, first as a player, and then as a coach.

The year he spent with the Titans in 2015 convinced the defensive wizard he wasn't ready to hang it up after 57 years in the league. Until recently, however, he wasn't 100 percent sure where he'd work.

When the Titans named Mike Mularkey head coach, things came into focus.

"I talked to some people, but I was never going to go anywhere if I could come back here," LeBeau said on Thursday. "I have respect for Mike. We worked together in Pittsburgh, and he's an excellent coach. But I also like our players, the way they work, the way they fought through a tough situation last year.

"I was never going anywhere but here, if they'd have me."

Following a season when the Titans made some significant improvements on the defensive side of the ball, Mularkey on Wednesday hired LeBeau as the team's assistant head coach/defensive coordinator.

LeBeau, who's 78, said he's already looking forward to the 2016 season, under Mularkey.

"I am probably as excited for this season as any I can remember. It is a great challenge, but I know the personnel so much better, and the players know me so much better. We are going to continue to grow together," LeBeau said.

"By definition, an assistant coach assists the head coach and that's what your job entails. I am here to assist Mike in any way that I can,

and the best I can do is get our defense on up there. We need to get some more wins around here and give our fans something to get excited about."

In LeBeau's first season with the Titans, the team improved in nearly every defensive category, including total defense (12th from 27th), rush defense (18th from 31st) and pass defense (7th from 15th). It was the highest ranking in total defense by the Titans since 2008.

LeBeau served as assistant head coach/defense in 2015, while long-time protégé Ray Horton was the team's defensive coordinator. Horton won't be on the staff this fall.

In 2016, LeBeau said he plans to do some things differently.

"We changed significantly (last year), and I think next year we are going to change even more. We are definitely going to be a little different," LeBeau said. "I think the players responded well to the new stuff, and I think it's good to have new stuff in so teams that know you well, especially your divisional opponents, they are going to have to prepare for different things. It's not the same old, same old.

"There were a lot of ideas we didn't have time to implement last year, and we can do that now."

In 2015, the Titans finished sixth in the NFL in sacks per play, and the running defense (8th in rush average) improved compared to the previous season. LeBeau liked what he saw most the season, but he didn't like all the big plays allowed. He also didn't like the fact the Titans allowed 30 points or more in the last five games.

Prior to joining the Titans, LeBeau served as defensive coordinator for the Steelers for 11 seasons (2004 – 2014). Overall, he's spent 13 seasons (1995-96, 2004-14) as defensive coordinator for the Steelers, during which time the defense finished in the top five in defensive rankings 10 times, and

five seasons as number one in defense (2004, 07, 08, 11, 12).

"I want to get better in every single category," LeBeau said of the Titans. "When you take where we were after the 2014 season and see where we were after the 2015, you'd have to say we made significant progress. I want to continue with that progress, and that's in all areas. I don't want to get fat and happy with any of them. ... I want to acknowledge they made solid progress, but we have to keep getting better."

On Thursday, LeBeau joked when asked about his secret to success, and why he continues to coach while others his age are enjoying retirement.

He'll turn 79 in the fall, but looks much younger.

Is it the exercise?

"I stay active. I am more of a walker," LeBeau said. "I love to play golf. If I ride, which I often do since I don't carry my clubs, I park the damn cart away from my golf ball and walk to it and walk back. I am always moving on the practice field. You have to have exercise."

How about the diet?

"I am on a see-food diet. I see food, and eat it," he said with a smile. "I just try and be smart. I try not to put too much poison in my body. Your body will tell you if you are overdoing anything, so I try and listen to my body."

More than anything, he just likes being around positive people.

And winning.

"I like Tennessee a lot. I really love being here," LeBeau said. "We just have to win more games and that will make it even better."

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## **DICK LEBEAU TALKS TITANS, CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS AND MORE**

**BY ANDREW MARANISS**  
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At age 78, Titans defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau enters his 57th year in the NFL as a player or coach. He was elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2010.

What was your first experience with football?

The day I was big enough to walk, I was playing football. I was born in 1937 so, needless to say, that was before video games, because that was before video. We were outdoors all the time. We played in the post office yard in my little hometown of London, Ohio. We would go and take the "Keep off the Grass" sign down because that was our football field. Hell, I kicked my football up on the roof all the time.

Did you wear a leather helmet?

I never had a leather helmet. But when we were in junior high school, they had a closet about the size of my office. All the old equipment from the old days was in there. Way in the back, there were still some leather helmets, but nobody had to wear them. But I saw the leather helmets. I do go back that far.

You played at Ohio State for Woody Hayes and won a National Championship in 1957. My memory of Hayes is him punching a Clemson player. Was he harder on you guys than he was on that Clemson player?

Oh, definitely. He didn't hardly even hit that guy. We weren't allowed water on the practice field. Every now and then, if Woody was in a good mood, he'd give us an ice cube. Their whole concept was to make you tough enough to compete in the fourth quarter. There's an old saying that if it doesn't kill you, it's

good for you. As far as I know, Woody didn't kill anybody.

You went to college with golfing legend Jack Nicklaus. What was he like then?

The few times I got to play golf with Jack were enough to let me know that I better really concentrate on football. We were playing one time and I was screwing around with my shot and he said, 'What the hell are you doing?' I'm trying to decide what club to hit, between a 7- and 8-iron. He said, 'Take the 7-iron and hit it two grooves up and that will take about seven yards off it.' What do you mean two damn grooves, I'm just trying to hit it!

Where were you when JFK was killed?

There was a guy with this big idea for the Detroit Lions to put out a Christmas record. Friday was a lighter day of practice and they had rented this studio, and I don't know how many of us went over there, probably 10 or 15 of us who liked to sing. And this guy had choreographed the carols and songs. If you can imagine professional football players singing Christmas carols, and there were maybe only one or two of us who could carry a tune. We were working on that damn record when we heard the news.

Speaking of Christmas, you recite "The Night Before Christmas" for your teams. How did that get started? You used to do it for your mom and your aunt, correct?

I've done it for my family for a long, long time. We were middle class, and that's a nice way of saying kind of poor, but we never knew it, because everybody in town was in the same boat. They came through the Depression and World War II. Nobody had much of anything. But at Christmas time, you would have thought we were the Rockefellers. I wanted to let my family know they had passed the spirit of Christmas — giving and concern for your fellow man and the birth of Jesus.

So I thought what would be a good way to do that? I've always loved that poem. I think I'll learn it. I sit down putting together bikes and dollhouses on Christmas Eve with a beer, which is not a good idea if you're trying to learn that poem. There's more stanzas than you think. It took me a couple of years and, finally, about the third year, I said I think I'll see how far I can go without the beer. So, I started doing it just for the family.

Then, I was coaching in Cincinnati and I said, well, my defense is like my family, I'm going to do it for them. And I did, and the head coach said, "I heard you did 'The Night Before Christmas.' I want you to do it for the whole team." That's when I started doing it for everybody. I love to do it. They indulge me and act like they're paying attention. But, as I see players who maybe I haven't seen for 15 years, one of the first things out of their mouth is, "Are you still doing 'The Night Before Christmas?'" It's a part of their memories, too.

You've been around great teams, mediocre teams, bad teams. How do you feel about where this team stands now in its progression?

I think we made a lot of progress last year. It just didn't reflect in the win-loss column. We were in the majority of our games and leading late in a lot of our games. You've got to go through that process in this league a lot of times. We're really looking forward to continuing that process and reaping the rewards of winning some games.

I remember my first trip to the Super Bowl with Cincinnati, we played San Francisco. It was a 14-game season, and both teams were 3-11 the year before. They looked like sudden turnarounds, but they weren't. It was a gradual build-up of a lot of things.

You're really into movies. What's your favorite football movie of all time?

When I was playing in college and pro, I went to movies all the time.

What's the one where Ronald Regan as Knute Rockne says to win one for the Gipper? Or "Father Was a Fullback" with Fred MacMurray. You ever see that? I like the feel-good stuff. I get enough of the realism getting your ass beat.

You sing, you play the guitar. Have you gotten to do any real "Nashville" types of things since you've been here?

I got to go down to a Hayes Carll concert with my son. I've been a fan of his since he started recording. I'd never been to a concert with my son. That was a milestone, and then for it to be with Hayes Carll, it made my day. Definitely without a doubt, one of the highlights of my life was that concert.

You're in the Hall of Fame and won two Super Bowls and that was a highlight of your life?

It was Hayes Carll, man. It don't get any better than that.

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## **NEW TITANS COORDINATOR TERRY ROBISKIE EXCITED TO SCHEME**

**BY JASON WOLF  
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MOBILE, Ala. – Terry Robiskie stood under the cold metal bleachers at Senior Bowl practice Wednesday afternoon and spoke publicly for the first time since being named the Titans' offensive coordinator last week.

He hasn't had time to learn much about the team's personnel, aside from quarterback Marcus Mariota, who he spoke with briefly over the phone. And he didn't want any of the Titans assistants to catch him up, either, preferring to make his own judgement calls in time.

But those aren't the only calls he's tasked with.

Robiskie will be calling plays for the first time since 2004, when he was the offensive coordinator and interim head coach of the Browns. But the excitement, he said, doesn't stem from being charged with dictating the plays, but from scheming, coaching and seeing his athletes find success.

"It's exciting to be able to sit and design something," Robiskie said. "I don't think the excitement is in, to sit down and call it. No. I think the excitement is to draw it up. The excitement is to prepare, to put it together, to practice it, to work it, and then to see them execute it."

Coach Mike Mularkey and general manager Jon Robinson have talked about wanting smart, team-first players. Of course, those seem like platitudes, attributes every organization desires.

But the process of making that a reality begins with the coaching staff, and Robiskie embodies the team-first attitude.

"You draw up a play, you put it in, you call it and it's there, we miss it, whatever it is," Robiski said. "We call a bench route for a touchdown and, boy, it was wide open and we missed it. That's disappointing. I don't care who called it. It's disappointing."

"I think the joy and the greatness of (coaching), you saw something in practice or you saw something on film, and you worked it, and all of a sudden Harry Douglas catches it and scores, and then all the guys, the whole team goes crazy and is excited. That's the joy of it for me. The joy isn't to say I called it. I don't care who called it. It doesn't matter to me who called it. It's who executed it. It ain't about the play; it's about players. It's about who can make that play come to life."

Robiskie, 61, has 33 years of NFL coaching experience, including five as an offensive coordinator. He spent the past eight seasons as the Falcons' wide receivers coach, the first four working alongside Mularkey, who was the team's offensive coordinator.

Robiskie was key in the development of stars Roddy White and Julio Jones and also coached Douglas from the time he was drafted in the third round in 2008 until the veteran wide receiver joined the Titans last season.

The Falcons played against the AFC South last season, which gives him a head start on understanding the division, he said.

Robiskie said he will work in tandem with new wide receivers coach Bob Bratkowski, who was Mularkey's offensive coordinator with the Jaguars in 2012. The two are friends, he said, and will be able to strike a healthy balance.

"Bob's been in my seat, I've been in Bob's seat. We'll interchange that extremely well," Robiskie said. "I think I'll walk in his room and when I get in there too much, Bob's going to tell me to leave. He knows when to tell me to leave."

Robiskie makes sweeping gestures as he speaks, and the Super Bowl XVIII ring on his right hand reveals the depth of his experience. It stems from the start of his career, and his second of 11-season run with the Los Angeles Raiders that concluded with four years as offensive coordinator.

Former Heisman Trophy-winner Jim Plunkett led Los Angeles to a 38-9 victory against the Redskins on Jan. 22, 1984.

More than three decades later, Robiskie hopes to set an "aggressive, physical, nasty" tone and eventually have another Heisman winner deliver a ring for his other hand.

If the primary reason he accepted the Titans' job was to reunite with Mularkey, a close second was the opportunity to work with Mariota.

"He looks like just a natural-born football player," Robiskie said. "He looks like a guy that just enjoys going out and playing the game, and it looks like he's having fun doing it."

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## **ANTONIO ANDREWS NOT BACKING DOWN FROM COMPETITION**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Antonio Andrews rose to the top of the top of the team's depth chart at running back last season, adding another chapter to his underdog story in the process.

Now, Andrews finds himself fighting for survival.

With the addition of veteran DeMarco Murray and a talented rookie in Derrick Henry, Andrews knows he has to prove himself all over again with the Titans.

So, what's new?

"People count me out every year, but that's just fuel to the fire, and motivation," Andrews said. "I am not trying to make no best friends. I am trying to feed my family.

"So it's the same mindset as I've always had – be the starter and keep working hard and stay consistent."

Andrews, who played in four games in 2014 after making the team as an undrafted free agent out of Western Kentucky, led the Titans in rushing with 520 yards and three touchdowns last season. He also caught 21 passes for 174 yards.

Things have changed since then, though. Following the trade for Murray, the team drafted Henry, last year's Heisman Trophy winner out of Alabama, in the second round. The Titans also have running backs Bishop Sankey, David Cobb and David Fluellen in the mix.

Andrews said it's a tight group, despite the competition.

"I am real cool with DeMarco -- we are locker buddies so we are clowning all the time," Andrews said. "I've talked to Derrick a little

bit, too. We are a close group, and we talk to each other.

"There's a lot of competition, but that will make us better. The reps are limited so when you do something you want to do your best. The competition will be upped because reps are limited and you have to perform."

Titans coach Mike Mularkey said Andrews has responded well to the competition, like the other backs.

"(He's been) very positive," Mularkey said of Andrews. "That's one thing I'll give credit to that group, if anything they've all picked up their game. They're all much more detailed. We're making less mistakes. You see no body language that has affected them and what we're doing at that position. That's one group I've been really pleased with the way they come out to work every day."

Andrews, who worked his way up to the active roster from the practice squad in 2014, said he was pleased with his accomplishments last season. While he kicked himself at the end of the year after a missed blocking assignment against the Patriots led to quarterback Marcus Mariota being sacked – and injured – and a fumble that was scooped up and returned for a score against the Texans, he felt he answered the call.

Heading into training camp, Andrews is fully aware not every running back on the roster now will make the team.

He plans to do everything possible to convince the Titans he's worthy.

"They know what I can do and they know I am only getting better," Andrews said. "I don't really worry about (the number of backs who will make it). We had a lot of running backs my rookie year, and last year we had a lot of tight ends. So you never know.

"(Last year) I reached my personal goal by becoming a starter, even if the season didn't go as planned. But I know everyone is getting better,

and we've made some moves. So it is real competitive now.

"You just have to compete," Andrews continued. "At the end of the day, I am an undrafted free agent, whether I was a starter last year or not. I am an undrafted free agent and I am going to bring everything I can to the table."

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**TITANS LB DAVID BASS  
MORE COMFORTABLE,  
READY TO PRODUCE**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Titans scored a nice catch at the start of last season in linebacker David Bass.

Coming off a productive year, Bass is happy he's not in catch-up mode, and he's ready to contribute again.

He's had a solid training camp, when he's built on his reputation.

"Oh man," linebacker Brian Orakpo said of Bass, who was claimed off waivers from Chicago the Sunday before last year's season opener. "He has like a lucky horseshoe in his back pocket. This guy is around every loose ball, every interception. We have all kinds of nicknames for him. Every ball, we know Bass is coming up with it."

Bass, heading into his fourth NFL season, posted 42 tackles, 1.5 sacks and an interception last year. He started seven games, and provided a nice boost when the team lost linebacker Derrick Morgan to injury during the season.

A year later, Bass is feeling more comfortable. And he's been playing like it.

"It was on the go last year," Bass said. "I am still learning, and really, you can never learn too much. I am always trying to build chemistry and get more comfortable in the playbook. But I've had a whole offseason to work at things I needed to improve on from last year, switching to a 3-4... and I think I am better with the playbook, and making plays.

"Last year was my first year playing in the 3-4, so I am trying to get better at dropping, being in space ... and setting the edges. ... I am never satisfied, you can't be content in this game. I am working every day."

With Orakpo and Morgan set to start for the team at outside linebacker, Bass should provide a key piece to the rotation. In Saturday's preseason opener against the Chargers, Bass was credited with a tackle, just five days after a scrimmage at Nissan Stadium when he came up an interception. Linebackers J.R. Tavai and Deiontrez Mount were among those with sacks on Saturday night. Another outside linebacker, second-round pick Kevin Dodd, came off PUP on Wednesday, and he's looking to make an impact.

Bass said having a healthy Orakpo and Morgan — and depth -- will be key.

"The rotation is everything," Bass said. "If we can keep fresh bodies on the field it is going to be tough for the offenses to get a hold of what we are doing, and if they do they still have to stop us. With everybody back, we're going to be a defense to mess with. We're going to be good."

Titans coach Mike Mularkey said he's seen improvement out of Bass, who also recorded an interception — and what would've been a Pick-6 — early in camp.

"His level of play has gone up, so now you're talking about we've got two bookends with Derrick being back—and he looks really good," Mularkey said of Bass. "We're being smart about it, but he looks really good. So we've got some depth at that position, which we didn't feel like we had last year."

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**TITANS DL ANGELO  
BLACKSON WANTS TO  
PLAY FASTER IN SECOND  
NFL SEASON**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Angelo Blackson sprinted around the practice field on the final day of the team's minicamp earlier this month looking like a sprinter trapped in a defensive lineman's body.

He was part of a four-man relay team, and his performance was pretty impressive – especially for a 300-pounder.

“One of my goals this offseason was to get faster,” Blackson said. “I’ve dropped a few pounds. I wanted to add a little more speed to my game.”

Blackson, of course, won't be making many long-distance runs from his position on the defensive line. He wants to impact play with quick bursts, and he feels like he improved during his first full NFL offseason.

A 6-foot-4, 318-pounder, Blackson was a fourth-round draft pick by the Titans out of Auburn in last year's NFL Draft. He played in all 16 games for the Titans last season, finishing with 19 tackles, 2.5 sacks and two quarterback pressures.

He was pleased with his offseason progress.

“It has been great,” he said. “(I’ve) just been trying to improve on the things I know I needed to improve at and trying to take it step by step, day by day.

“Some technical things, pads level, hand placement – I’ve been working on a lot of things. But the biggest thing is more the approach from the IQ, from the pre-snap, being able to read formations better.”

Blackson has worked at both defensive end positions this

offseason, and said he's also worked some at nose tackle.

Coach Mike Mularkey praised Blackson as he flashed during his rookie season.

“What he can do along the line of scrimmage,” Mularkey said Blackson, “I think he is more athletic than a lot of the guys he is going up against. He is extremely good with his hands. The combination of that...I think he is going to be a good player.”

Blackson believes he's faster, and he's in better condition heading into Year 2.

He's already looking forward to training camp, which begins the end of July.

“(Year One) was different, but like everybody, you need to adjust,” Blackson said. “You just have to learn the mental, and be a mental player and put yourself in a better position pre-snap.

“I’m just taking it day by day and improving at the things I need to improve at. And when camp comes around I want to do my best and put my best foot forward.”

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## ANTWON BLAKE READY TO PLAY WITH AN EDGE FOR TITANS

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. —One of Antwon Blake's first memories of the Titans involved running back Eddie George.

"I was playing offense when I was younger and you try and emulate the people who are superstars at the time," Blake said. "Eddie George was definitely one of the superstars in the league when I was growing up. His Titans jersey was one of the first I ever had as a kid."

As Blake grew older, another former Titan caught his attention – cornerback Cortland Finnegan.

"I loved the way he conducted himself on the field," Blake said of Finnegan, who played from 2006-2011 in Nashville. "He wasn't afraid to get out there and mix it up."

Blake, a four-year NFL veteran who played the past three seasons with the Steelers, decided to join the Titans because of what's taking place now, however. The feisty cornerback said on Friday morning he's ready to do his part to help the team any way he can.

His familiarity with coach Mike Mularkey and defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau played a role in his decision.

"I feel like the direction this team is going in, there's going to be great things in the future and I definitely want to be a part of that. The moves being made around here, they're from an organization that wants to win and do big things," Blake said.

"Basically, I am going to contribute on special teams and contribute on defense. As far as my role or what it will be, I am willing to do whatever the team needs me to do in order to be successful. It is all about the team. I am not really concerned

about myself or egos or anything like that, I just want to come in and help the team as much as I can."

A 5-foot-9, 198-pounder, Blake started 16 games for the Steelers in 2015. He recorded a career-high 76 tackles, one sack and two interceptions during the regular season, including one he returned 70 yards for a touchdown. Blake also recorded an interception, returning it 35 yards, in the team's playoff win over the Bengals.

Blake, 25, entered the NFL in 2012 as an undrafted free agent with the Jaguars out of Texas El-Paso. He's played in 62 games in his first four NFL seasons.

When free agency began last week, Blake received plenty of interest. He made visits to the Patriots and Lions, in addition to his visit to Tennessee.

"It definitely feels good to be wanted," Blake said. "It shows that you did something right throughout your career, so people want to give you a shot."

Blake said he picked the Titans for a number of reasons. His familiarity with LeBeau from his days in Pittsburgh helped, but he also played under Mularkey while with the Jaguars in 2012.

"I feel like he was a great coach, a players' coach," Blake said of Mularkey. "He's honest with you. It was my rookie year when I was with him in Jacksonville, and rookie years can be tough. He made it a great experience for me. I have nothing but great things to say about coach Mularkey and I look forward to being up under him again."

Earlier in free agency, the Titans also added a pair of former Steelers in cornerback Brice McCain and linebacker Sean Spence. Both have experience under LeBeau, who joined the Titans in 2015 after a long run in Pittsburgh. McCain played under LeBeau in 2014, and with the Dolphins in 2015.

"He definitely made a big impact on me," Blake said of LeBeau. "Talking with him during my visit, it just reminded me of how much I missed him coaching me and how much I feel he could help my career and my development as a player."

Blake now wants to make an impact with the Titans.

General Manager Jon Robinson said Blake's speed – he was clocked at a 4.24 in the 40 (laser time) at his Pro Day at Texas El-Paso – made him even more intriguing.

Blake is expected to compete at outside cornerback in the defense, and he'll also play on special teams. He's been a gunner on punt coverage, and he was a primary contributor on kick coverage in Pittsburgh.

"He's fast and physical, that's really what stood out about him as we watched him," Robinson said of Blake. "He is certainly not afraid to throw (his body) in there. He'll take a shot. He is not the tallest guy or the widest guy, but he packs a punch when he throws his body in there. He is strapped together pretty good, and he's not afraid to uncoil and pop."

In addition to Mularkey and LeBeau, Blake said he's also familiar with new Titans secondary coach Deshae Townsend, who played under LeBeau with the Steelers. He knows several players on the team in addition to McCain and Spence.

Blake, who received just one scholarship offer out of high school (UTEP) and was passed over in the 2012 NFL draft, said he wants to reward the Titans for signing him.

He plans to do it by playing with an edge. Along with other members of the Pittsburgh secondary, Blake faced criticism at times in Pittsburgh while playing on a defense that finished 30th in the NFL in passing defense.

"(Finnegan) is a guy who's built the same way as me stature-wise, and



he's obviously made a lot of plays in this league. I feel like when you are a smaller player you have to have a lot of extra attributes in order to make it out here and I feel like my physicality and my speed are a big part of my game," Blake said.

"Proving people wrong, that is not really what I am in to. It is more about going out there and believing in myself and doing things for my family, and showing my family what I can do. It is not about the doubters, it is about making my family happy, making myself happy and proving things to myself and my family, the coaches who believe in me and my teammates.

"I feel like this is a great place to be and I'm ready to do my part."

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## **TITANS ROOKIE KEVIN BYARD HAD TO GROW UP FAST**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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He wasn't ready to be a father figure, not at the age of 14.

But Kevin Byard didn't have much of a choice at the time.

When his parents divorced in 2007, Byard headed south to Atlanta with his mother, older brother and five younger siblings — including three little sisters ages seven, five and three.

There was no plush new home awaiting the U-Haul when it rolled in from Virginia, no sense of financial security for the family either. They lived in the basement of a friend's house at first, wondering how they would afford to set out on their own.

The resulting circumstances meant Byard would grow up much quicker than expected, as — even in high school — he and his older brother took responsibility for the younger members of the family while their mother worked long hours as a waitress at the Piccadilly Restaurant.

Byard helped hold his family together through the years, even as it was evicted seven times in less than a decade.

Though he missed out on many of the traditional teenager experiences along the way, Byard — a former Middle Tennessee State University standout who's now a Titans rookie safety — credits the difficult times earlier in his life for helping to forge an advanced maturity and focus.

Those are some of the traits the Titans saw in Byard when they chose him in the third round of the NFL draft. He signed his contract last week and will compete for a place in the starting lineup when training camp begins next week.

"When I look back at that time, it was definitely the most adverse time in my life — my mom moving with little to no money, and me and my oldest brother having to be caretakers for my little brothers and sisters," Byard said. "But it's definitely something I feel like groomed me into the man I am today and into being responsible at a young age. It definitely helped me grow up fast."

Crying all the way to Georgia

Byard's mother, Artina Stanley, was taking online college courses at the time of her divorce, so she'd recently received a Pell Grant check for a couple of thousand dollars.

Stanley put almost all of that money into the family move, figuring a fresh start in Atlanta would be good for a couple of reasons. It would provide more athletic exposure for Byard, who was already showing signs of becoming a very good football player. And one of her best friends lived in the area.

"I knew I had to take advantage of the opportunity to go, so I closed my eyes, got in the U-Haul and got on the road," Stanley said. "We all cried the whole way to Georgia, but I felt in my gut it was just the right thing to do.

"By the time we got to Georgia, I might have had 100-something dollars left. I was scared, very afraid."

Stanley's friend connected her with another friend, who lodged the family of eight in a finished basement. Within a couple of weeks, Stanley landed her job as a waitress, a job she still holds.

But with Stanley having to work from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m., Byard and his older brother, Kavonne, took on parental roles at home — even as they attended high school and played football.

"It was a trying time for me because I was always the type of parent that was saying I will never have my

children watch my children," Stanley said. "But I had no other choice.

"(Kavonne) had to pick up one of his baby sisters at day care every day. Kevin would be at home straightening up the house or making sure his little sisters and brothers had lunch, or possibly preparing dinner or whatever. They had to do all this between the time they were dismissed from school and when they had to go back to practice at 4. They had to do this before they could do anything else."

Said Byard: "When my mother came home at night, we had to make sure the house was together and everything. My sisters were still so young that they were just running around, acting crazy. So it was definitely on our shoulders. We were the ones getting yelled at, not the younger ones."

Byard admits he wasn't always thrilled with his new responsibilities, but he understood and accepted them.

"I was just 14 going on 15, so being that age, you really want to be a teenager," he said. "You want to go out there and do the different things that everybody else is doing, but you've got to make that sacrifice.

"You gotta' change from being a teenager. You can't go out. You have to come home and make sure the house is clean. That was pretty much the biggest change for me, doing stuff that I didn't want to do. But it was something I had to sacrifice for me and my mother."

I got your back, Mom

Stanley worked more than one job to provide for the big family, taking part-time positions at Golden Corral and at Primerica Insurance at different times.

"I had to show my children that hard work pays off," she said. "Never wait for anyone to bring you anything. You work hard until you accomplish what you want to accomplish."

But even with her incomes, as well as the support provided by Byard's father, it was difficult making ends meet and paying all the bills.

Byard recalls having to pick up and move three times during his four years of high school.

"When we got out of the basement and got our own place, things kind of stabilized a little bit," Byard said. "But it definitely never really got easy."

In fact, Stanley said the family has been evicted seven times in the nine years since moving to Georgia.

"There have been times we had to move, or we'd have the heat turned off on us," Stanley said. "But we were never homeless and we have never been hungry. That always makes me smile."

Through the hard times, Stanley said neither Kevin nor his older brother ever wavered on their decision to stay with their mother, nor shirked the responsibilities to their younger siblings.

"I think there were times where Kevin wondered, 'Why do I have to do this?' " Stanley said. "But at the same time, he was like, 'I got your back, Mom. Don't worry about it. We got it.' "

A room for every child

Even before Byard signed his contract, the advances he was able to get after the Titans drafted him last April allowed for an important step: He moved the family into a bigger Atlanta home — one with a room for every sibling — and began paying the new rent as well.

"I hated having to see her pack up and keep moving like that," Byard said. "I just wanted her to be somewhere stable. She doesn't have to move anymore."

Said Stanley: "That was an amazing, amazing blessing for me that he was able to do that. That was one of my biggest worries all of my

life, like, 'Oh God, am I going to get the rent?' "

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Stanley is still working at the Piccadilly Restaurant, where she keeps her regular customers informed on her children's accomplishments. Kavonne is working toward a master's degree at Valdosta State, while another brother is preparing for his first year at Wagner College in Staten Island, N.Y.

"It's been a tremendous challenge to all of us," Stanley said. "But I'm starting to see the fruits of our labor."

Byard, meanwhile, appears to have a bright future with the Titans, who were every bit as impressed with his work ethic, learning ability and intelligence as they were his talents on the football field.

He tested out better than any other prospect in terms of his ability to process the schemes and defensive information the Titans threw at him during the interview.

"We try to give the same questions and the same board work to everyone, so it's a fair evaluation," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "He just clearly stood out, to be able to get back up there and spit it back out. ... He was easily the best on the board in being able to retain (information) and shoot it back at us."

Byard is looking forward to battling for a starting job in training camp, and to beginning his NFL career less than an hour away from where he starred for the Blue Raiders.

His status these days is a far cry from what it was a decade ago, when Byard began to play a father-figure role to five younger siblings in the basement of a friend's house. But who's to say where life might have led him otherwise, had he not endured the hardships and learned the lessons he did during that time?

"At the end of the day," Byard said, "it definitely helped me out to become a better person."

## **JURRELL CASEY CHALLENGED ON AND OFF THE FIELD**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. —Jurrell Casey has proven he can hold his own on the football field.

The 305-pound defensive lineman has pushed around, maneuvered past, and outworked large offensive linemen for five years in the NFL as a member of the Tennessee Titans.

Yet he's met his match off the field in fiancée Ryann Gray, who has passed the bar exam in California and Tennessee after graduating from Loyola Law School. She's currently with the Public Defender's Office in Nashville.

"She's a very strong woman," Casey said of Gray. "I am very proud of her."

So, does Casey ever win any arguments?

"Never," Casey said with a smile. "We debate all the time. It is actually great. She teaches me a whole lot, but you ain't winning no (argument)."

Casey doesn't seem to mind. On the couple's wedding website, in fact, Casey is wearing a shirt that reads "Real Men Marry Lawyers."

The Titans, of course, don't mind if Casey comes up on the short end of verbal sparring over board games, household chores or hot topics with his lawyer fiancée — the two are scheduled to be married on July 1. Just as long as he wins his battles on the football field, that's all that matters.

And coming off a Pro Bowl season, Casey said he's as motivated as ever. He said he learned from the experience, and picked up some valuable tips along the way.

"Definitely," Casey said. "I appreciate (the Pro Bowl experience) every day, especially to get the opportunity to be around all the great players. I think it was a real eye-opener for me to see how hard you have to work to get there and when you do get there, the learning experience you can get from those guys. You are only around them for a short period of time, but they have a lot of knowledge and it is something that is pushing me to try and get out there again for another year."

Casey does have one regret, he admits. Previously, he turned down two chances to go to the Pro Bowl as an alternate.

In 2015, Casey started all 16 games at defensive tackle, and tied for the team lead with seven sacks. Casey ranked second on the team with 11 tackles for loss, and a career-high 28 quarterback pressures, while also racking up 86 tackles.

After turning down a chance to go to the Pro Bowl in back-to-back years as an alternate, Casey opted to go this past year when a spot opened up. In 79 career games, he's recorded 28 sacks, and totaled over 70 tackles in all five NFL seasons.

"I definitely wish I would've done it earlier," Casey said. "It actually humbled me a little bit, seeing all the guys there. I think I should've just went as an alternate, at the end of the day it wasn't that bad. You have so many great players in this league, I can't be a guy who thinks I am better than the next guy because everyone is fighting every year to get there. I think it has humbled me a whole lot, to think when you do get in as an alternate just take it. It's a great learning experience going there."

A two-time team captain, Casey reported to the team for the start of the offseason program on Monday. He's been working out with his teammates the past few days, preparing for the 2016 season.

Following an offseason of change — 10 new players have been added since March -- inside the building, Casey said he's ready for more success in 2016, individually, and as a team. He learned by watching some of his peers at the Pro Bowl.

His bride-to-be, of course, also keeps him on his toes.

"I am here for the long haul and I am dedicated to this team, so no matter, every time the season starts I know we are looking to get on the right path and start winning games," Casey said. "I am very confident. We can only really go up, we can't really go down any more."

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## **TITANS' JURRELL CASEY GUARANTEES MORE PRO BOWL APPEARANCES**

**BY JASON WOLF  
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Jurrell Casey has said he regrets twice turning down invitations to the Pro Bowl as an alternate before finally participating in his first all-star game last season.

But the Titans' defensive end guarantees there are more Pro Bowl appearances in his future.

"Oh, definitely. Plenty more to come," Casey said last week after helping serve fast food customers breakfast during a promotional appearance in Bellevue. "It's just a start to the beginning. And it's up to me to make sure it happens, though, so I'm going to go out there and do that."

The Titans report for the start of training camp Friday with an updated coaching staff, roster and practice facilities, as well as a renewed focus to put the last two woeful seasons behind them. Tennessee produced an NFL-worst 5-27 record during that stretch.

"It's something that I've been looking forward to since the end of last year," Casey said, "and after the season we had, you can't be nothing but ready for these next several weeks and the season. And I think hopefully, a lot of the guys come back with the same mindset. ... Come out, stay healthy and be ready to dominate."

The defensive line, among the strengths of the team, and the entire starting front seven remain among the few aspects largely unchanged from a year ago.

Casey will again line up alongside nose tackle Al Woods and defensive end DaQuan Jones in the Titans' 3-4 defensive front. Woods, who visited the Seahawks this offseason,

re-signed with the Titans for three years and \$10.5 million.

Starting outside linebackers remain Brian Orakpo and Derrick Morgan, whose 2015 season was cut short by a shoulder injury that required surgery. Starting inside linebackers remain Wesley Woodyard and Avery Williamson.

The consistency, Casey said, should only help.

"I think our front three, our front seven is going to be a dominating force this year," Casey said. "I think a lot of teams are going to have a hard time competing with us. Guys got the right mindset, to come in with that dominating mindset. Guys are just ready to perform. All I can do is wait for camp to start up and see if what we talk about is going to live up to expectations."

Blitz-happy Hall of Famer Dick LeBeau, who joined the staff a year ago as assistant head coach/defense under Ken Whisenhunt, has transitioned to defensive coordinator under coach Mike Mularkey and vows an aggressive approach in 2016.

Former defensive coordinator Ray Horton accepted the same position with the Browns, leaving LeBeau as the lone figurehead on that side of the ball. Casey appreciates the freedom he's afforded.

"He's actually been great. He allows me to go out there and play the way I love to play," Casey said. "He don't put any restrictions as most 3-4s do, and Dick, he lets me go out there and experience the game the way I want to do it. As long as I abide by the rules here and there throughout the defense, I'm free to do as I please, and I thank Dick for that because a lot of times you get coordinators who want you to play the way they want to play, and I think it's going to just allow me to open my game a lot more."

Last season, Casey started all 16 games for the second year in a row, finishing with seven sacks and 54

tackles. He also knocked down three passes.

This season, he's looking for more.

"Expectations for myself is always high," Casey said. "I always try to come out and be the best player on the field, when I step on the field, and try to be the best in the league. That's going to always be my goal and my passion, to go out there and dominate the field whenever I get the chance. And this year I'm looking for big numbers again."

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**NORM CHOW: TITANS  
NEARLY LANDED MATT  
CASSEL IN 2005**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Quarterback Matt Cassel became a member of the Tennessee Titans this week. If Norm Chow got his wish, it would've happened 11 years ago.

“Things turned out OK for Matt,” Chow said with a chuckle. “He’s about \$50 million richer now than he was back then, and he’s had a heck of a career.”

The Titans signed the Cassel on Thursday as the team’s back-up, behind starter Marcus Mariota. Cassel has played for the Patriots, Chiefs, Vikings and Cowboys during his 11-year NFL career.

Back in 2005, Cassel was a relative unknown leading up to the NFL Draft. He played sparingly at USC behind starter Matt Leinart, although Chow knew him well, having served as USC’s offensive coordinator from 2001-04. Chow remembers how crushed Cassel was when he didn’t get the job after Carson Palmer graduated.

Chow joined the Titans as the team’s offensive coordinator in 2005. He said he’d convinced Titans general manager Floyd Reese and the scouting department to sign Cassel as an undrafted free agent following the completion of the 2005 draft.

“As soon as the draft was over, I was going to call Matt and he was going to come to the Titans as a free agent,” Chow recalled on Thursday night from Los Angeles, where he was en route to see the Lakers-Cavs game. “Then, the seventh round occurs, and we’re in that crazy room downstairs and someone runs down and says “They just drafted your boy. It was Matt Cassel.”

“They” turned out to be the New England Patriots, who selected

Cassel in the seventh round, with the 230th pick of the draft. Chow couldn’t believe it, considering Cassel completed just 20 of 33 passes for 192 yards, with no touchdowns and one interception, in four seasons at USC.

The Titans had quarterbacks Steve McNair and Billy Volek, and Chow thought Cassel was worth developing.

“People thought I was nuts because Matt never had a chance to play. He had to send out practice tape,” Chow said of Cassel. “But USC needed a quarterback to throw at Pro Day that year, and Matt wowed them at Pro Day.

“It’s crazy. It was all set up. And I had already told Matt earlier – I am going to call you because you are probably not going to get drafted. How could he, because he never played?”

Cassel, who has thrown for over 17,000 yards in his NFL career, smiled on Thursday, when asked if he thought he was close to being a member of the Titans back then. New Titans general manager Jon Robinson was with the Patriots then as a scout.

Cassel was third on New England’s depth chart behind quarterbacks Tom Brady and Doug Flutie in 2005 after beating out two veterans, Chris Redman and Rohan Davey. He ended up playing in 30 games for the Patriots over the next four seasons, and started 15 games in 2008 after Brady suffered a season-ending injury in the preseason.

“I know that there was contact made from the Tennessee organization, but it never came to fruition obviously because I got drafted,” Cassel said. “But Norm coached me in college, so there was a connection there in terms of the possibility of me coming here.”

The next year, of course, Chow was in a position to get another one of his former USC quarterbacks in Leinart, but the Titans drafted

quarterback Vince Young out of Texas instead.

Chow is convinced the team would’ve snagged Cassel had he been around after the draft.

“They didn’t listen to me about Matt Leinart,” Chow said with a smile, “but they listened to me about Matt. Some people thought I was crazy, because no one had really seen him play.

“Matt deserves so much credit because he worked so hard to get to where he is today. I am really happy for him.”

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**TITANS RB DAVID COBB:  
“I HAVE A LOT TO  
PROVE”**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – David Cobb's rookie season didn't play out like he hoped it would.

Now, the second-year Titans running back knows he's really on the spot, with some new, talented players surrounding him at the position.

“It is only natural to think about it,” Cobb said. “The room changes and good guys come in like that, it raises the level of competition. It raises your focus. Every guy wants to play, but at the same time we have a good group that pushes everybody and everybody is supportive.”

A fifth-round pick by the Titans in 2015, Cobb spent the first half of last season on injured reserve with a calf injury. During the second half of the year, he had limited success carrying the football. Cobb finished his rookie season with 146 yards on 52 carries (2.8-yard average) while appearing in seven games, with one start.

He left town in January with plans to come back and start in Year 2.

Then the Titans traded for veteran DeMarco Murray, and drafted Heisman Trophy winner Derrick Henry. In addition to Cobb, the team already had running backs Dexter McCluster, Antonio Andrews, Bishop Sankey and David Fluellen.

“You can't look left, you can't look right,” Cobb said. “You have to worry about yourself and let the chips fall where they may and when your number is called you have to be ready.”

Cobb, who ran for 2,829 yards and 20 touchdowns in his final two seasons at Minnesota, said he feels like he's in a better position to compete following an offseason

when he got himself into better shape.

Cobb said he's also down seven pounds from a year ago.

“It helps a lot (to be able to have time to get healthy), especially when you have tissue injuries like me just to get some time off and let everything heal up and take a break from it and come back with a little motivation,” Cobb said.

“Last year I didn't play as much or had the year that I wanted. I had high expectations for myself. But it's a new year, a fresh start and I have a lot to prove.”

Cobb admits he's been impressed with Murray, the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year in 2014 while with the Cowboys, as well as Henry.

“He has a great presence,” Cobb said of Murray. “DeMarco, the things he has done in his career. You can watch film and pick his brain and see what he sees on a couple of runs. And Derrick, a guy that is that big and can move like that, that's pretty amazing.”

Cobb is going to have need a good offseason, and training camp, to be in the mix in 2016.

No one has to him it's a crowded position. All he has to do is look around.

“The biggest thing is (the new additions), it brings competition,” Cobb said. “You go into the offseason thinking one thing and then you come back and it's a whole new environment. I just have to keep continuing to improve and show that you belong and show that you can play with anybody.”

“I think for anybody, a competitor coming in and wanting a chance to start, and you see the moves like that, it doesn't demotivate you or anything like that. You are still motivated. But at the same time it puts a little chip on your shoulder and a guy like me who didn't play a lot last year, I have a lot to prove.”

You just want to come in every day and show that you belong.”

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## FIRST-ROUND PICK JACK CONKLIN SETTLING IN WITH TITANS

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Jack Conklin hasn't played in an NFL game yet, but that doesn't mean he hasn't faced pressure in his rookie season.

Take, for instance, the heated battles that go on between the offensive linemen and defensive linemen every day in training camp. He had one earlier this week with the "WWE belt" on the line.

Conklin, the team's first-round pick out of Michigan State, won his while working against edge rusher Derrick Morgan. It gave the whole unit bragging rights.

"Those situations I want to be in," he said. "It's the most game-like situation I think I am going to be in around practice. The pressure is on, and it's a game-is-on-the-line kind of thing. That's why you play football."

Conklin has settled in nicely for the Titans during his first NFL camp. He's worked with the first group at right tackle from Day One, and hasn't flinched.

"He's done a great job," quarterback Marcus Mariota said of Conklin. "He hasn't been overwhelmed too much as far as I've seen. He's come in and stepped up. Obviously everyone is going to have their mistakes. But he's learning from them and continuing to grow. We are going to need a lot of him out of that right tackle spot."

"Jack has been very solid, there's no question," coach Mike Mularkey said. "You wouldn't know he was a rookie."

Defenders have also been impressed.

"I think he is doing really well," Morgan said. "It is tough to come in as a rookie lineman, but he is holding his own. He has been consistent."

Offensive line coach Russ Grimm said Conklin remains a work in progress, but he also likes what he's seen.

"He is getting there," Grimm said. "Obviously he is not there yet, but Jack is a physical player and he is a smart guy but obviously he is a rookie. There's going to be some growing pains, but so far he has been making some good progress."

A 6-foot-6, 308-pounder, the Titans drafted Conklin with the eighth overall pick back in April. When veteran Byron Bell suffered a season-ending ankle injury during the offseason, Conklin went from splitting time to getting pretty much all the reps with the first-team unit, opposite left tackle Taylor Lewan.

Conklin has endured some teasing from Lewan, who went to rival Michigan.

But he's learned a great deal from him as well, he said.

"Taylor has been a big help for me, a guy who has gone through it," Conklin said. "He's a guy who I can really ask any question and he'll give me a good answer for it."

"Yeah, there's always a jab here or there (about Michigan State), but we are teammates, and we are Titans now, and that is what matters, the Titans winning."

Mularkey said he anticipates Conklin will make some mistakes as he grows as a player, but said they've been few and far between so far.

When the Titans open the preseason on August 13 against the Chargers, Conklin will be tested even more.

Conklin plans to be ready.

"I am starting to understand the offense better, and now it is less

thinking, "I need to go here, or here'," Conklin said. "Now I can just move fast and get in the right position, and that's the point you want to be in, to move fast."

"The game is definitely faster at this level, and these guys are the best of the best. You have to be focused and locked in at all times. It goes from being one or two guys on the team to the entire defensive line, so you have to be on the top of your game."

"I am just going to keep working. It's my first camp and I hold myself to high standards and I want to be one of the best guys in the country at my position. I want to be in the right spot and know exactly what I am doing when the games come. But I am excited, and I am having fun."

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## **PERRISH COX READY TO REPLACE BAD MEMORIES WITH GOOD ONES**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Perrish Cox has turned the page, and he's hoping the next chapter is his best yet.

Coming off a disappointing season in 2015, the Titans cornerback is optimistic about what's ahead for 2016 -- for himself, and the Titans.

"I wasn't happy with last year," Cox said. "It was everything. It was me not making plays I could've made, me guessing routes instead of me playing my own game. And then to get injured, and when I did get back to myself we were on the losing end.

"I was more frustrated with last season than anything, and to not finish like I wanted to finish, it hurts. It makes me frustrated and it makes me mad. I know I have to go out and show what I can do because I know I can do it."

Cox, who signed with the team as a free agent last offseason after playing previously with the Broncos, 49ers (twice) and Seahawks, played in 13 games for the Titans after earning a starting spot. He had an interception, and also tallied 31 tackles and seven passes defended.

But he admits he also batted inconsistency when he played. He didn't make plays he thought he should have in the run game and in pass defense. Late in the season, his effort was called into question when he failed to make a hit on Jets running back Bilal Powell near the goal-line. It was part of an embarrassing team performance which resulted in a 30-8 loss.

Heading into camp, Mularkey said tackling is one of the things he's looking for in the fight for the starting outside spot opposite Jason McCourty. Cox's chief competition

for the spot – Brice McCain – has been sidelined with a hamstring injury in camp.

"I'd like to see who can be the most consistent, and I've been saying that really from early on," Mularkey said. "Making the plays, being where they're supposed to be. When we get into these games, who's going to force the runs like we want. If you play corner for our team, you have to tackle. That's important, we going to see who wants to tackle."

Cox said he wants to leave no doubt in the fight for the starting spot.

He believes he's poised for a solid season.

"I want to be the best, not just on the team, but around the league," Cox said. "I am looking at the bigger picture, as far as what I can do right now. I want to make it to the playoffs. I want to get back to the Super Bowl again. I want to help change the atmosphere of the Tennessee Titans. If I can do my best to help that out, and compete to be the best, I think that will help out.

"Last year was a frustrating one, but I plan on making this one better. And I know I can do it. I've worked hard, I've competed against players my whole career as far as making the team and earning a spot. So I want to earn it by showing what I can do. I hope my teammates, the guys I am competing with, do the best they can. But I want to earn it and I want to come in and make as many plays as I can to help the team."

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## **WHY BEST IS YET TO COME FOR TITANS' ROOKIE KEVIN DODD**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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Heading into the NFL draft last month, the Titans knew they needed to boost their edge pass-rushing by adding a 3-4 outside linebacker.

One issue, however, was that because not a lot of colleges play 3-4 defenses, NFL teams have to project just how well a 4-3 defensive end can transition to the different scheme.

In selecting Kevin Dodd in the second round, the Titans are predicting that the 6-foot-5, 277-pounder will be able to make the move, learning to successfully drop into space, cover backs and tight ends when necessary, and master more complicated blitzing packages.

The upside, assuming Dodd succeeds, could be a big one for the Titans.

Last year in his only season with significant playing time, Dodd was a monster for Clemson, piling up 23.5 tackles for loss and 12 sacks.

"Trust me, his best football is still ahead of him," Clemson defensive coordinator Brent Venables said. "(The Titans) are getting a player that's still on the ascension. Whatever people think they have in Kevin Dodd, everyone is going to be pleasantly surprised because it's going to be better than what you think.

"I say that without question because he was just coming into his own and was probably our most consistent player up front."

### **Moving to outside linebacker**

In assessing whether to draft him, the Titans had to answer at least two questions — why Dodd had just one big season in college, and whether

his skills as a 4-3 defensive end would translate to a 3-4 outside linebacker.

The first issue was explained away by a variety of reasons.

Dodd was not a very polished player when he arrived at Clemson, his second year was cut short by a toe injury, and he was subsequently buried on the depth chart behind a number of talented defensive ends.

"He was more a victim of circumstance than anything else," Venables said. "The year after he came back from the injury, we were the No. 1 defense in the country in like 15 categories, and all four of the guys that were in front of him are on NFL rosters. So there weren't a lot of reps to go around."

Evaluating how Dodd would fit as a 3-4 outside linebacker was more difficult, since he played more in the 4-3 at Clemson.

"There's really not a lot of 3-4 teams collegiately overall," Titans general manager Jon Robinson said. "Alabama plays some three-man stuff, but most of the guys you draft are conversions — they're ends that you have to project to outside linebacker. ... They're all really guys with their hands down that have to learn how to play standing up."

That meant projecting what Dodd would do on the NFL level based in large part on what Robinson and his scouts saw in his workout.

"What we looked for was his ability to get depth, to get off the line of scrimmage and get back into coverage," Robinson said. "You're looking at his footwork. How quickly do his feet move? You're looking at his hips — does he drop (smoothly) or does he look stiff when he's moving out of there? And then, does he have the ability — once he settles in that zone spot — to turn on the speed and break on the ball?"

"We felt comfortable in the time we spent with him that he would be able to make that transition."

### **Learning about pass coverage**

One thing that should work to Dodd's advantage is that he has a pair of veteran teammates — Derrick Morgan and Brian Orakpo — who successfully made the switch from 4-3 defensive end to 3-4 outside linebacker.

Morgan made the transition prior to the 2014 season, when former coach Ken Whisenhunt implemented the new scheme. He predicts the easiest part of the change for Dodd will be the pass-rushing, as many elements of getting after the quarterback remain the same for the 3-4 and 4-3.

What will be most difficult for Dodd, Morgan believes, is grasping the intricacies of pass coverage, something that 4-3 defensive ends don't do much.

"It's just kind of understanding your role within the defense — how your alignment can help you in coverage, whether you're lining up head on or inside of a tight end, or if you need to give some extra depth initially if you're guarding a receiver to make it easier," Morgan said. "It's also knowing where your help is from the other defensive backs and linebackers in coverage, and really just playing your man — not necessarily looking at the quarterback.

"That's how I learned to be in a better position, by looking at my man, and then once I located him, kind of having the peripheral vision on the quarterback."

Morgan said it took time to adjust, but in 26 games since the switch, he's piled up 11 sacks, 40 quarterback pressures, 19 tackles for loss and three forced fumbles.

"It was probably midway through my first season in 2014, before I felt at ease and pretty comfortable," Morgan said. "There's a lot of things that come into it, but it's all part of the learning process."

At his best in big games

Assuming his transition from defensive end to linebacker is a successful one, Dodd could turn into a scary player.

Analysts considered him one of the best edge defenders against the run last season, when his big-play impact was undeniable. Consider that in three of his biggest games — against Notre Dame, Oklahoma and Alabama — Dodd piled up 17 tackles, 12 tackles for loss and six sacks.

Might the fact that he really only played one year at Clemson mean he's just beginning to show his potential?

"The best is yet to come for him," Venables said. "It's going to happen for Kevin Dodd, and the reason I say that is because of his humility and his work ethic. He's got a great skill set and a great mind, but also a willingness and a humility to learn. He'll be a film junkie, a weight-room junkie, all of that."

Said Robinson: "We certainly hope there's more upside. Hopefully the sky is the limit for him."

The easygoing Dodd said he's not concerned about those who might doubt his credentials because he only excelled for one year in college. He's just eager to go to work.

"I don't really think I have too much to prove," Dodd said. "But I definitely want to show I can play this game. It's just football at the end of the day, and I want to come in and work and compete."

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**HARRY DOUGLAS ON  
TERRY ROBISKIE: "I  
THINK IT'S A GREAT FIT"**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
**TITANS ONLINE**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – The Titans hired Terry Robiskie as the team's offensive coordinator on Wednesday, and veteran receiver Harry Douglas has already heard from many of his curious teammates.

Douglas, who played seven seasons under Robiskie with the Falcons, has also chatted with many of his former teammates in Atlanta, including receivers Julio Jones and Roddy White, since the veteran coach was first linked to the Titans.

"I've been talking to those guys the last few days, and (Falcons quarterback) Matt (Ryan), too. Trust me, they are going to really, really, really miss coach Robiskie," Douglas said. "I've had a lot of people in Atlanta calling me, telling me: You stole him away. I'm like, we didn't steal him, but I'm happy to have him, I'll tell you that."

Robiskie brings 34 years of NFL coaching experience to the Titans, including six seasons as an offensive coordinator. He's spent the last eight seasons as receivers coach for the Falcons. Robiskie worked under Titans head coach Mike Mularkey when he served as offensive coordinator in Atlanta, and he also worked with him in Miami.

Robiskie will call the offensive plays in Tennessee. The Titans finished 30th in the NFL on offense during a 3-13 season in 2015.

"No.1, I know we are going to be a tough football team with these guys," Douglas said of Mularkey and Robiskie. "We are going to run the football, we are going to be able to pass the football, but the main thing is we are just going to be efficient, and do things that fit the strengths of the players.

"The way those guys operate, they demand excellence. They are not cool with being mediocre; that doesn't fly with those guys. They know how to push their players to get the best of their players. I think it's a great move, it's the right move."

Jason Michael, who served as offensive coordinator for the Titans the past two seasons, will be the team's quarterbacks coach this fall. Shawn Jefferson, the team's receivers coach the past three seasons, has been hired by the Miami Dolphins.

Douglas, who had a 1,000-yard season under Mularkey and Robiskie in Atlanta in 2013, said the team's young players, including quarterback Marcus Mariota and receiver Dorion Green-Beckham, will benefit from Robiskie's presence.

"He is a great guy and he makes the game of football easy for young guys," Douglas said of Robiskie. "When I came in as a rookie, he made the game of football so much more fun for me, and he makes it where you can just play the game. And the same with Julio. And he helped Roddy get on track. He'll be good for (Marcus)."

Overall, Douglas said Robiskie will be good for the entire team.

"First of all, I love him – football-wise, off-the-field wise, everything that has to do with life and the game of football, he is a perfect example," Douglas said. "He is so well-connected, and so knowledgeable about football. In Atlanta, he would literally stay at the complex all night to try and get us a tip on DBs, or things we could do to get an advantage. And he was a receivers coach then.

"I know he loves the game of football, and he loves players. Now he loves tough players, and he doesn't take any b.s. But he is a great guy and I think he's going to do a great job.

"He demands so much out of his players, and he's going to help make us better."

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**ANTHONY FASANO  
BRINGS EXPERIENCE,  
VETERAN LEADERSHIP  
TO TITANS**

**BY AMBER HARDING  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- When free agent tight end Anthony Fasano visited Saint Thomas Sports Park last month, he knew he and the coaches were speaking the same language.

"I'd always heard great things about Coach Whisenhunt and (tight ends coach) Mike Mularkey," he said. "I went and took a visit, and I just felt great energy."

It's no mystery why Fasano clicked with the coaching staff. Whisenhunt and Mularkey are both former NFL tight ends. With a shared position, Fasano says, comes a shared approach to the game.

"I think we'll be able to see a lot of the same things and communicate the same way," he said. "But setting aside position, I just think they're great football minds. I've heard great things from guys who have played for them in the past, and I'm looking forward to getting to know them and working for them."

The 31-year-old Fasano inked a two-year contract with the Titans on March 13, making Tennessee the fourth team of his nine-year NFL career. He was originally drafted by the Cowboys in the second round (53rd overall) in 2006.

"I was a young player in Dallas and learned a tremendous amount from Jason Witten," he said. "He's a great player, a Hall of Fame type player. I was actually on a team with a ton of great players, so there weren't a lot of balls coming my way."

But that all changed in Miami. Traded to the Dolphins in 2008, he

quickly became a staple in then-head coach Tony Sparano's offense. In five seasons with Miami, the New Jersey native averaged 421 yards and 35 receptions per season.

"I kind of established Miami to be my home," he said. "I lived here, put down some roots."

While he saw the ball a lot for the Dolphins, Fasano isn't regarded to be a huge receiving threat. His biggest strength lies in his ability to assist the run game. In 2006, he was part of a blocking unit that helped Cowboys running back Julius Jones rush for over 1,000 yards.

"With the systems I've been in, usually when I have the better years and teams have the better years is when we're able to run the ball and run the ball well," he said. "I take pride in trying to help out in that facet of the game. I think it's kind of lost in the tight end position currently, and it's a big asset."

A nagging bone bruise in Fasano's knee Fasano limited his production the last two seasons in Kansas City, but the Notre Dame alum says he's feeling great heading into this year's offseason program.

"The second half of the season was definitely not where I wanted to be health-wise and kind of held me back from being able to play in my role there," he said. "Luckily it was nothing serious."

Fasano will certainly have his work cut out for him. With the return of Delanie Walker, Craig Stevens and Taylor Thompson, he joins a Titans team already heavy with tight end talent. But Fasano says he sees this depth as an advantage.

"I've seen teams with five or six tight ends on the roster in camp then a couple weeks into the season they're low on tight ends and need some," he said. "The position can change so fast. I think having good players all in the same room breeds competition and brings out the best in people."

And coming off a 2-14 season, the Titans will certainly need their best. But Fasano is no stranger to that scenario. The Dolphins were 1-15 the season before he was traded. In his first year with Miami, they went 11-5 and won the AFC East. The Chiefs won just two games in 2012 before Fasano signed. When he came to KC? Eleven wins and a playoff bid.

"I've been in this situation before," he said. "It doesn't scare me off."

Quite the opposite, in fact.

"I think we'll be able to shock a lot of people," he said. "I hope to be able to help get wins and get to the playoffs and make a run in the playoffs."

For now, though, Fasano plans to become an "integral part of the team" and to bring veteran leadership to the offense. If you love the game, he said, it'll show on the field.

"It's easy to be a leader when things are going well, but when things start getting tough, that's where leadership is tested," he said. "I look forward to getting up there with my new team and working."

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**DORIAL GREEN-  
BECKHAM: I SEE MYSELF  
BEING A NO. 1 WR**

**BY TERRY MCCORMICK  
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Tennessee Titans coach Mike Mularkey was asked at the NFL Combine last month about what role wide receiver Dorial Green-Beckham would play in the offense in 2016.

Mularkey turned that question around and pointed things right back to Green-Beckham in giving his answer.

“A lot of that will depend on Dorial, when he comes in, what he’s done up to this point,” Mularkey said.

DGB has apparently taken Mularkey’s comments to heart in the off-season, saying he uses that as motivation to be ready for the upcoming season and to make even more of a contribution in the Titans offense.

“I feel like them saying that is them giving a challenge to me and saying to me that working in the off-season and (they’re) using that to get my head into motivation,” Green-Beckham said. “That motivates me that I can become one of the big guys in this offense and on this team. I want to try to do that for myself also. I use that as motivation every time I go and work out. That’s what I’m trying to become is the person they want me to become.”

While the Titans have added Rishard Matthews as a free agent and might take a flier on a receiver in the draft next month, Green-Beckham believes he can be the team’s long sought-after No. 1 receiver.

“I see myself as being that No. 1 receiver, because I know that I can help this offense. I know that I can do big things,” DGB said. “That’s my motivation, to go out in the off-season and work hard and try to become that No. 1 receiver and go

**DORIAL GREEN-BECKHAM**

out there and just dominate. That’s my motivation right now.”

Green-Beckham spent time working out this off-season in Phoenix, but has since returned to Nashville and said he has been a regular working out at the facility. He said his goal is to play at 230 pounds and said he isn’t far off that weight right now.

“I want to play at 230 during the season and I’m still in the 230 range right now. So far the off-season has been going good with me staying in shape and conditioning, so when I come back, I won’t have any problems,” he said.

Green-Beckham said he has been in communication with Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota this off-season, as well as with some of the team’s other receivers. The group all plans to get together in a few days to do some informal work before the off-season program starts on April 18.

“I’ve talked to Marcus. We’ve all talked in a group chat. Marcus is going to come back here in the next couple of days and we’ll all get back together as receivers, get back and throw the ball around,” Green-Beckham said.

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**TITANS' HENRY  
ATTEMPTING TO ADD  
DIMENSIONS TO HIS  
GAME**

**BY TERRY MCCORMICK  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tennessee Titans rookie running back Derrick Henry left a lasting impression in Thursday's practice.

The 2015 Heisman Trophy winner took a handoff from Marcus Mariota, hit the hole, then lowered his shoulder and knocked linebacker Nate Palmer, who was trying to make the stop.

"That's a real play," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "He's going to move the pile, whoever's in the way better get out of the way. Some of the things he did out here with some of the cuts where he broke it to the outside, he had speed to get away from some of our outside guys, which again was a real play in practice so it's good to see."

That's the Derrick Henry everyone knows and expects to be part of the Titans offense this season.

But the second-round pick has worked hard to show that he is more than just a cut-and-go running back.

Henry aspires not only to be a threat running the football, but also catching passes and protecting quarterbacks. Being able to do more than just run between the tackles would put the rookie in a better position to stay on the field for more snaps as he backs up DeMarco Murray.

With Murray expected to only see limited action in Saturday's preseason opener against the San Diego Chargers, Henry could get an extended chance to show off his skills with the first team, which means being able to handle whatever role is called.

"It's very important (to be a complete back)," Henry said. That's

what I want to be known as. That's why I'm working hard to get better every day. I work on catching the ball, running the ball and pass protection just so I can become a complete back."

Henry wasn't asked to do much receiving at Alabama, where he won the Heisman and helped the Crimson Tide win the 2015 national championship. Henry caught 11 passes last season and totaled 17 receptions in his three years at Alabama. But the Titans have shown a willingness to be more creative by splitting him out wide in certain packages.

"He's done well in all the areas," Titans running backs coach Sylvester Croom said. "He's got to get better in all of them, but we haven't put any limitations on him. We expect him to be good in all those areas. He's working toward that. He hasn't put any limitations on himself. He's been willing to learn, and he learns very fast.

"He has good hands. If fact, he dropped one pass in the offseason and he hasn't dropped any in camp so far."

How good are Henry's receiving skills? When the Titans practiced Monday in their intra-squad scrimmage at Nissan Stadium, Henry was one of several players in line to field kickoffs in pregame warmups. He didn't drop one.

Although he didn't get to show much of his versatility in college, Henry is confident he can contribute when his number is called as a pass receiver.

"I definitely want to be a threat in the passing game and catch the ball out of the backfield," he said.

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## **DERRICK HENRY MAY PROVIDE THE THUNDER THE TITANS NEED**

**BY MARK WIEDMER  
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NASHVILLE — Midway through practice Friday afternoon at the Tennessee Titans' rookie camp, Jacob Huesman handed the ball to Derrick Henry, then watched in awe as the 2015 Heisman Trophy winner put on as much of a show an NFL running back can in a game of touch football while wearing a helmet and shorts.

"He took one up the middle, went to the sideline and hit another gear," said Huesman, the former University of Tennessee at Chattanooga quarterback who was invited to the camp as a tryout player. "I was like, 'Wow, that's the next level.'"

Another gear.

The next level.

That's where the Titans hope Henry can help take them, much as he carried Alabama to the national championship last season while totaling 2,219 rushing yards and 28 touchdowns.

For a team that finished 25th in the NFL in rushing on its way to a 3-13 season, including a total of eight rushing touchdowns from its top five ground-gainers, a player like Henry would seem essential for the Titans, even with 2014 offensive player of the year DeMarco Murray on the roster via an offseason trade.

That's been the early criticism of drafting Henry in the second round, especially since his 40-yard time of 4.52 seconds is slower than Murray's 4.41. But Henry is also seven years younger than Murray, who's 28, and with running backs, the legs can go quickly, especially as the 30th birthday nears.

Besides, if the Titans really can find a way to run the ball effectively with both Murray and Henry earning double-digit carries, it shortens the game for a Tennessee defense that hasn't proven it can become a championship-caliber unit.

Defensive lineman Jurrett Casey might not agree — "I think we'll be a top-five defense, for sure," he said during the Titans Caravan's stop in Chattanooga earlier this month — but regardless of how much the defense improves, Henry should do much to help the offense and the man who preceded him as the Heisman winner: Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota.

"I liked a lot of things he did," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said Friday after watching Henry practice for the second time that day. "Some of the holes, some of the plays we are running — his reads on the run were good for the very first day with a whole new offensive line and a fullback in front of him."

You might expect that of a Heisman winner. But another thing that impressed Mularkey about Henry might have been unexpected of a guy known for running it and running it and running it until he averaged 26.2 carries a game last season for the Crimson Tide.

Added Mularkey: "Some of the things he did protection-wise — some of the guys got beat up front, and he had no problem stepping right up and picking up the leakage."

If you want to know one reason why Alabama has won four national championships in seven seasons under coach Nick Saban, Henry's response to being told of Mularkey's praise as a blocker bears repeating.

"That's Alabama," Henry said. "Everybody blocks."

The best news for the Titans is that not even the NFL has many backs throwing blocks who stand 6-foot-3 and tip the scales at 240 or more pounds while running a 4.52 in the 40.

Or as rookie offensive tackle and Titans first-round pick Jack Conklin noted Friday, "(Henry) looks like a D-end out there running the ball, but he is a lot faster."

Added Huesman: "Most of the guys at this camp are a lot like me speed-wise. It's not that different from college. But (Henry's) different. I watched him on television a lot. Now I'm seeing it again. I haven't seen speed like that very often in person."

Befitting any rookie, Henry said Titans running backs coach and former Crimson Tide player Sylvester Croom is already on him about his footwork.

"I felt comfortable, but I know there's things I definitely have to get better at," Henry said. "But it was good to get out there and fly around, do everything we learned in meetings. If I've got pads on, I'm going to play. I'm just trying to play hard and hustle."

There are those who question the wisdom of employing two power backs on the order of the 6-0, 217-pound Murray and Henry in an increasingly pass-happy, quick-strike league.

But maybe that's also the Titans' secret weapon. Be different. Be physical. Force over flash. If there's an analogy, it might be why wishbone-type teams are often successful on the college level. If you only see this type of attack once or twice a season, it can be difficult to defend.

Or as Titans safety Rashad Johnson told The Tennessean when describing the offensive potential of Murray and Henry over the traditional backfield of thunder and lightning (power and speed), "Thunder and thunder."

It may not work, of course. Nothing much has for this franchise since 2008, the last season the Titans made the playoffs. But this being another election year at the close of a two-term presidency, history could repeat.



Even if it doesn't, Henry sounds like a Heisman winner any team would love to have, just like the Heisman winner just before him who also proudly represents the Titans.

"Marcus and I talk all the time," Henry said. "As long as I work hard and behave myself, everything else will take care of itself."

That mindset would certainly seem the best way for the Titans to not only find that other gear needed to reach the next level but also develop the consistency required to remain there for more than a season or two.

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# **WILL RECEIVER JUSTIN HUNTER PROVE HE BELONGS WITH TITANS?**

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Justin Hunter needs to prove he belongs. Not only to the Titans and the rest of the NFL, but to himself.

The former University of Tennessee star is preparing to enter the fourth and final season of his rookie contract — but is not guaranteed to make the team, having fallen well short of expectations since the Titans traded up to draft him with the 34th overall pick in the second round in 2013.

Hunter knows the deal, that a strong season could result in a hefty payday in free agency, or conversely, that this could be the end of his NFL career, and certainly his tenure in Nashville. But he's trying to ignore it. He compares his situation to his final season with the Volunteers.

"I'm not trying to think about it," Hunter said. "I'm just trying to think about what's going on right now. I can't be thinking on that. It's just like you're in college, you think about the draft. But I've got to worry about the now instead of later."

"It's hard. People always tell you, like now it's a contract year," he said. "In college, they were always talking about, 'You know you're about to leave and all that. You think about the draft?' They always telling you, and you're not trying to think about it. ... It's hard. But you've got to block it out."

Two weeks of structured, full-team, offseason preparation remain — this is the last week of voluntary organized team activities, and is followed by a mandatory minicamp from June 14-16 — before the Titans regroup for training camp in late July.

Titans coach Mike Mularkey has already put Hunter on notice, publicly and in private, in an attempt to shake the talented 6-foot-4, 203-pound receiver from his funk.

"He needs more confidence in his body language, in his, everything about him. He's got such talent. I think he's got to believe he's got the talent. We're giving him opportunities."

Titans coach Mike Mularkey on Justin Hunter

"I'm asking him to step up and be more aggressive about it, to get up at the line and look at the guy across from him and tell him, 'You can't cover me,' " Mularkey said last week. "He needs more confidence in his body language, in his, everything about him. He's got such talent. I think he's got to believe he's got the talent. We're giving him opportunities. We're going to give them fair opportunities to show that they have the talent. And he knows. I met with him this morning personally to talk to him. I want him to be successful. I'm on his side. What's it going to take to get you to play at the level we want you to play at?"

Hunter hasn't recorded 30 catches or 500 yards receiving in a season, and had his last two seasons cut short because of injuries. A lacerated spleen ended his second season after 12 games, and a fractured ankle ended last season after nine. He made five starts.

The final stats — 22 catches for a career-low 264 yards and one touchdown.

"I most definitely want to be a starter," Hunter said. "I definitely want to be productive for the team, lead the team in categories, I want to be a good blocker for running backs to help move the ball."

It's all far easier said than done.

Dorial Green-Beckham is likely to start on the outside after leading all Titans wide receivers with 549 yards and four touchdowns as a

rookie last season, as is former Dolphins receiver Rishard Matthews, who signed in free agency.

Kendall Wright, who will likely start in the slot, is guaranteed \$7.32 million this season after his fifth-year option was exercised prior to last season.

Rookie fifth-round draft pick Tajae Sharpe is also a lock to make the roster. He has drawn praise from Mularkey for his performance in OTAs, and led the nation with 111 catches last season at Massachusetts.

"Tajae Sharpe and Rishard, they're really good players and everything," Hunter said, assessing the newcomers, "and I feel like that's going to push us at the same time, just add some more playmakers to the team. And I've got to do what I've got to do."

The Titans may only keep five receivers, which leaves Hunter battling for a spot with veteran Harry Douglas, whose 36 catches tied Wright for the team lead among wide receivers last season. Douglas is also familiar with first-year offensive coordinator Terry Robiskie, his position coach for seven seasons with the Falcons.

Hunter's release would save the Titans \$1.14 million, per [overthecap.com](http://overthecap.com).

"Obviously, he's got the stride and the speed to be a deep threat," Mularkey said, "but he's got to do it all in this offense. He's got to be able to run all the routes, especially at that X position."

Hunter understands that time is running out.

He knows he has something to prove:

"Just that I can be the playmaker," Hunter said, "that they want and they need."

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**VETERAN ANDRE  
JOHNSON ALREADY  
FITTING IN WITH TITANS**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Andre Johnson made life miserable for the Titans for 12 seasons while playing for the Texans.

Amy Adams Strunk lived in Houston during Johnson's playing days there, and heard plenty about it. Too much. When the team's controlling owner met Johnson this weekend, she told him about it.

"She was pretty much saying she was glad to have me aboard, and not to have to see me on the other side any more," Johnson said with a smile on Thursday. "We had a good laugh and conversation. I told her I was glad to be here, and happy for the opportunity."

Johnson wrapped up his fifth training camp practice with the Titans on Thursday. The seven-time Pro Bowler signed with the Titans last Friday.

He's off to a good start.

"He doesn't look 50 years old," offensive coordinator Terry Robiskie said. "When Andre came in and everybody said: 'He's an old guy, he's an old guy.' Well, he is moving very smooth. He looks good to me."

Johnson, set to begin his 14th NFL season, had a solid day on Thursday. He got open early in one-on-one drills vs. defenders on several occasions, and made some nice grabs in team drills.

"It's been fun," he said. "I'm just trying to learn everything with the offense, and trying to fit and learn my role here. I'm helping the young guys if they need it... I am here just trying to find my place and get better every day."

"But my body feels good. I am just out there trying to learn everything and trying to get better."

Johnson said he's been especially impressed with the team's young receiving corps, calling the group perhaps the best he's been around. Rookie Tajae Sharpe and veteran Rishard Matthews have consistently worked with the first team so far in camp, with Dorial Green-Beckham, Justin Hunter, Tre McBride, Andrew Turzilli and others also getting time. Veteran Harry Douglas has stood out on several days.

Kendall Wright got off to a great start in camp, but he's currently sidelined with a hamstring injury.

"I really like the group," Johnson said. "I think it's a very talented group and one of the most talented groups I've been around actually. I think the biggest thing is them being young, having that veteran guy there to show them the ropes (helps), and show them what it takes to be in the league and play for a long time. As far as talent, the talent is there, there is no doubt in my mind. Those guys can go out there and make plays with anybody."

Johnson has appeared in 185 regular season games during his NFL career and accumulated career totals of 1,053 catches, 14,100 receiving yards and 68 touchdowns.

He played last season with the Colts after beginning his career with the Texans, where he became the team's all-time leader in receptions, yards and touchdowns. He had enormous success against the Titans.

Johnson said he's starting to develop chemistry with quarterback Marcus Mariota, but admitted it's a work in progress.

He's also still learning to put names with faces inside the building. He said he's plenty motivated, and has been since he first arrived in the NFL determined not to be "a bust."

"It is different," Johnson, with a smile, said of playing for a new

team. "I experienced it last year (in Indianapolis) and it was kind of shocking to me last year because I had been somewhere for so long. You never think you'll leave the place and you end up playing for another team."

"It was shocking last year, but this year it is not as surprising because I got to experience it last year... I am just trying to learn as much as I can. ... (On the field) hopefully I can go out and be very successful for this team and help the team be very successful."

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**TITANS TARGET, LAND  
PENN STATE DL AUSTIN  
JOHNSON**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. —Penn State defensive lineman Austin Johnson spent some time with Titans defensive line coach Nick Eason at the NFL Combine, and got good vibes.

Later, during the pre-draft process, he made a visit to Tennessee, and talked to defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau.

On Friday night, Johnson found out just how much the Titans liked him.

The Titans selected Johnson in the second round (43rd overall) in Friday's NFL Draft.

Johnson (6-4, 314) racked up 154 tackles and 24 tackles for a loss in three seasons at Penn State. He had 78 tackles, 15 tackles for a loss and 6.5 sacks in 2015.

"We've targeted Austin for a while there," Titans general manager Jon Robinson said. "He can play nose, he can play five technique, he can play three technique.

"There is a lot of versatility along the defensive line with him. He's got some quickness -- he's actually got some ability to shoot gaps and win on third down situations too as a sub rush."

Johnson was a two-year starter at Penn State, where he proved to be durable -- he started 26 games over the past two seasons -- and dependable. He doesn't mind doing the dirty work.

Johnson said himself he "can play a lot of positions."

He watched the draft with Titans defensive lineman DaQuan Jones, his former teammate at Penn State.

"Being a competitor, all of us want to go first round and stuff like that," Johnson said. "You hear stuff, but those things never really end up going like they're supposed to.

"I'm a guy who is going to grind, going to work hard and do whatever he can to get on the field and make an impact as quick as I can and help the team to get some wins."

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**NFL VETERAN RASHAD JOHNSON: 'COACH SABAN CHANGED MY MINDSET TREMENDOUSLY'**

**BY MARK INABINETT  
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Tennessee Titans safety Rashad Johnson played two of his five years at Alabama for coach Nick Saban. But those seasons have helped him play seven seasons in the NFL.

"Coach Saban came in and changed my mindset tremendously," Johnson said during an appearance on "The Johnny 'Ballpark' Franks Show" on WNSR-AM 560 in Nashville on Tuesday. "I actually had just moved over to safety the year before he got there. He just began to teach me the little things about playing the position, to be able to recognize plays before they happen -- which has become kind of like my forte -- to be able to understand how offenses are trying to attack me based on the formations they give you, the motions they give you.

"But I think the most important thing he gave me was understanding that there's always a process to it all. Each and every day, you can get better. There's something that you can improve on every day no matter what level you're at. And that's something that I've carried over into my career and that's been a huge part of allowing me to be able to be where I'm at. Each and every day, we work hard. I treat each and every practice like a game, so on Sundays it's not as hard."

One thing that Saban didn't need to give Johnson was determination. Johnson started his collegiate career as a walk-on running back from Sulligent High School and ended it as a two-time Alabama team captain and an All-American safety.

"It was a tough time period coming out of high school, going into college because I didn't get any big-time college offers -- only Division II offers and those were partial scholarships," Johnson said. "I was

fortunate enough that my parents allowed me to step out on my dream, on what I wanted to do. And I just chased it. It was an interesting transition from being a walk-on and having to go through the stages of being a walk-on, but I just kept my faith. I've always been a man of God, always been a faithful man that understands there's going to be trials, there's going to be hard times, but there's always victory on the other side of it. So I just continued to endure. I just continued to push forward and did what I knew was right."

Arizona selected Johnson in the third round of the 2009 NFL Draft, and he'd spent his entire pro career with the Cardinals until signing a one-year contract with Tennessee as a free agent in March.

The Titans have missed the playoffs for seven straight seasons and have won five games in the past two years. But Johnson thinks he's joining Tennessee at just the right time.

"I think that's kind of been my story -- to be a part of teams that are on the brink of doing something special, being a good team," Johnson said. "Kind of like at Alabama. Things weren't great early in my career. I was able to help turn things around, and we ended my senior year at 12-2 -- kind of like the foundation that started all the national championships. And then in Arizona, we weren't good early in my career, and I was able to be a part of the turnaround there -- making it to the NFC championship last year."

In Johnson's sophomore and junior seasons, Alabama had a cumulative record of 13-13. In his first four seasons with Arizona, the Cardinals went 28-36. In the past three seasons, the Cards had a combined mark of 34-14.

Tennessee used the second pick in last year's NFL Draft on Oregon quarterback Marcus Mariota and held the first pick in this year's draft until trading it to the Los Angeles Rams. Giving up the No. 1 position netted Tennessee extra draft

choices, and the Titans hold six picks in the first 76 selections in next week's draft.

The previous team to draft at least six times in the first 76 choices was the Dallas Cowboys in 1991. Dallas, which had missed the playoffs for five straight seasons, went to the postseason in 1991 and won the Super Bowl for the 1992, 1993 and 1995 seasons.

The Titans started their offseason program for 2016 on Monday.

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## **TITANS' RASHAD JOHNSON HAS MORE TO PROVE**

**JOE REXRODE  
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Rashad Johnson wasn't supposed to be there, sitting in the Titans locker room Tuesday, seven years of an NFL career behind him and at least one more season as a starting safety ahead.

This is a guy who had no major-college offers coming out of Sulligent (Ala.) High in 2004. He was reminded of that again during a break in the team's final week of organized team activities.

"Merril Hoge came and spoke to us today, and he talked about just finding a way," Johnson said. "And that's kind of how my career has been. I've always found a way to put myself in position to achieve the goals I wanted to do in life."

The NFL was a big one. The former Alabama walk-on running back and 2009 third-round pick of the Cardinals has done more than could have been predicted in this league — 100 games, 51 starts, 344 tackles, 15 interceptions, two playoff wins and one middle finger partially lost in action (he missed two games).

Now the question is how much longer the 30-year-old Johnson can stay in it, and whether he can be part of a Titans turnaround. Based on his production, I'm surprised he didn't come out of free agency with more than a one-year, \$2 million deal.

As it is, the Titans can slide Johnson in for the 2016 season at the free safety position vacated by Michael Griffin, and maybe give up some speed and gain some savvy in the process. And they can count on him to help groom the guy who will probably replace him at some point, rookie Kevin Byard of MTSU, because Johnson is smart enough to know that there's no halting youthful turnover in the NFL.

"Just trying to enjoy this and live it up while I can," said Johnson, whose 12 picks since he returned in 2013 from the torn finger on his left hand are tied for second in the NFL.

"He's that voice on the sideline, someone I can go to," Byard said of Johnson. "Any time I have questions on a play or a particular coverage, he's always there to be helpful."

Maybe Johnson could have found a longer, more lucrative deal on the market, but he said the Titans were first to call. And it was the call he was most hoping to get, after it became clear Arizona — which signed free-agent safety Tyvon Branch — was not going to offer.

Late in 2015, it was hard for Johnson to be so far away from his father, Randy Johnson, as he battled pancreatic cancer. Randy Johnson required a 13-hour surgery to remove a tumor from the pancreas, but he has not required chemotherapy or radiation. He's all clear at this point.

"It's really a miracle story," said Johnson, who made the 3½-hour drive to visit his parents over the weekend — a drive he's already made often, a drive that was foremost on his mind when he chose the NFL team closest to home.

That wasn't the entire decision, though. Like most defensive backs, Johnson was intrigued by the opportunity to play for Dick LeBeau, and he said he sensed potential when he met Titans brass and coaches.

"I felt like this organization was headed in another direction," he said. "It's been some troubled times here, but I really felt like the right guys are in place to move this organization forward. And I wanted to be part of a team that was going forward, and not going backward."

Johnson will be "a plus for us," LeBeau said, because he's a "good, smart, veteran player."

The leadership role Johnson had with the Cardinals should carry over to the Titans. There must have been some doubts out there about the playmaking doing the same.

Maybe Johnson will defy those doubters and extend his stay. Maybe he's a one-year bridge to Byard. At least age strengthens perspective.

Sitting in front of his locker Tuesday, Johnson said: "I was never supposed to be where I am right now."

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## **TITANS CENTER BEN JONES OVERCAME TRAUMATIC CHILDHOOD**

**BY JOHN GLENNON**  
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In just three months, center Ben Jones has established himself as one of the liveliest personalities on the Titans.

He's shared shocking stories about eating cockroaches and, yes, drinking his own urine on dares by previous NFL teammates, not to mention one about ripping the dreadlocks off a college opponent and tying them to his ceiling fan.

It's easy to believe the affable Alabama native, who's been known to break up monotonous practices with a joke as he and teammates are lining up for a play, hasn't suffered much in his 26 years.

But that's far from the case.

Jones' childhood and formative years were marked by a near-death experience, as well as the unexpected deaths of his father and a close friend. The combination of the events made Jones wonder why he'd been singled out to suffer, and caused him to question his own faith as well.

"Especially when you're young, you're like, 'Why is all this happening to me? What is going on?' " the 6-foot-3, 308-pounder said during Titans minicamp.

### **Mom was 'a real rock'**

A tortuous stretch of months for Jones began just a few months after his 10th birthday in 1999, when his father, Steve, died in a helicopter crash.

Steve Jones did timber work of all kinds, everything from planting trees to helping them grow and eventually cutting them down. He was aboard a helicopter that was spraying pesticide on Alabama pines when the chopper's fuel

system malfunctioned. The crash killed Jones and the pilot.

Since then, Ben Jones has worn the No. 60 when it was available. It was the number his father wore playing high school football in Thomasville, Ga.

But it was Jones' mother, Vickie Jones, who became a bigger part of her son's life, even stepping into the role of Little League coach her husband had held.

"It was tough because I really relied on my Dad," Ben Jones said. "But my mom just stepped in and was a real rock. She was the discipline in the house. If I didn't do my running throughout the year, she'd wake me up at night and be like, 'Hey, run to the mailbox and back,' and that's about a mile and a half on the farm.

"She stayed on us just like my Dad was doing. She pushed me to be who I am today."

### **'I still have screws in my head'**

Only months after the passing of his father, Jones was battling for his own life.

Attending a high school baseball game, Jones was walking from his seat behind home plate toward the outfield seats, where his mother was watching the contest. But as he came around the corner of the dugout, Jones ran straight into the warm-up swing of a player, the bat thumping his uncovered skull.

Jones passed a doctor's concussion test afterward, so it looked like he might be OK. But his condition spiraled downward.

"I started throwing up because there was a blood clot was pressing on my brain, making me sick," Jones said. "It was very bad. I had to have emergency surgery to get rid of the blood clot on the brain. They went ahead and opened my head up and drained the blood clots out."

Jones remained in intensive care for a couple of days before leaving the

hospital with some everlasting mementos.

"I still have screws in my head," he said, "so I guess you could say I might have a couple screws loose."

In order to make sure he didn't suffer any more damage, Jones had to wear a batting helmet to school for a year.

"I was the kid in class with the helmet on, the kid going to (recreation) with a helmet on," Jones said. "Fortunately, I was a pretty big kid, so nobody was going to say much to me."

### **'I just didn't understand'**

Jones had to sit out a season of youth football because of the brain surgery, but by the time high school rolled around, he was back on the field, playing on the same team with his older brother, Clay.

But tragedy sought Jones out again during his junior year, when one of his best friends was killed in a four-wheeler accident. Jones was not present when it occurred.

Faith had been important to Jones growing up, but he found it hard to reconcile it with the events of his life to that point.

"I just didn't understand," he said. "Why is this all getting taken from me at such a young age? But stuff happens and at some point you realize, 'Hey, there's more in life like this.' So you have to grow up early."

The older brother of Jones' friend, a youth minister, spoke at the funeral and delivered a message that resonated.

"He said there's a reason (this death) happened, and I want somebody to get saved because of it," Jones said. "I feel like it helped a lot of people really turn their life around."

Since getting drafted by the Texans in 2012, Jones said he and his wife regularly attend religious retreats with other professional athletes,

many of whom have lost parents, children or friends. He said they have all come to rely on team chaplains, spouses and family members to help them deal with hard times.

But Jones said his mother, who still works the 300-acre farm the family has had since he was young, has had the greatest influence.

“Everything is a learning point and you reach out to different people,” Jones said. “But my mom, really, she never cracked. Just seeing a God-fearing woman like her showed us an example every day on how to live that Christian life.”

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**DIRECTSNAPS: BEN  
JONES - CLAY'S LITTLE  
BROTHER**

**BY BEN JONES  
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*DirectSnaps is a story series contributed by Tennessee Titans players sharing their perspectives, both on and off the field, with fans. This week's entry comes from C Ben Jones.*

Back home in Brent, Alabama, I'm just Ben.

Actually, I'm Clay Jones' little brother.

You see, Clay was a way better athlete in everything. He was the town favorite. If I hit a home run in baseball, it was, "There goes Clay Jones' little brother!" It was never me.

I'm the one playing on Sundays now, but I'm still Clay Jones' little brother in my hometown. I love that, because people respect him, what he does and how hard he works.

Coming from a small town like that, I love that I can go home and they treat me just like a normal person, like they always have. I can go to the little league field and nobody bothers me. I can go to church and the same old women come up and give me a hug and a kiss on the cheek when I walk in. The people who were there for me in the hard times are still there for me now. I guess that's the thing I love about home is everybody treats you the same because they know you and your story.

I don't talk about it much, but I went through some things when I was a kid. I lost my dad when I was 10 and my best friend in high school, both in sudden accidents. When you get hurt at a young age like that, you don't want to get hurt again. It's like a part of me got taken away as a kid. Those people back home were there when it was hard. They're there when it's great now, too.

In many ways, this building is just like my hometown. I can let go in these walls, just be me. I joke around and love to have fun with my teammates. But at the Titans, now I'm the older brother.

When Coach Mularkey and Jon Robinson called me back in March, they told me what they were building. I wanted to be a part of that. I knew I was going to be the old guy on the line, and I kind of wanted that. I want to be the guy who everyone can rely on and other guys can look up to, because I'm going to bust my tail and they ought to know I'm going to come in and work every day.

I've never been the biggest, the strongest, the fastest, but they respect me for what I do here. This is my kind of team. I want to be a smash-mouth team. We want a physical team that's tough, and that's why they brought me here. I felt like I was respected more for my qualities. I knew I wanted to be at a place where they really respected me for how hard I worked. Being Clay Jones' little brother taught me that.

It's never a bad day here to me. I'm so excited to be here, and I give everything I have. I could be in the football office 20 hours a day and do training camp all year long. This is my passion. I love being around the guys in the locker room and the coaches. I just love football.

These are not the same ole Titans of the past. We've been working all offseason, and something has changed. Now it's time to get out there on that field and show that we are a new team. I'm ready.

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**NEW LINEMAN DENNIS  
KELLY A GOOD FIT,  
TITANS SAY**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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In acquiring 6-8, 321-pound lineman Dennis Kelly from Philadelphia in the Dorial Green-Beckham trade, the Titans hope they've found an offensive lineman who will be a natural fit for new offensive line coach Russ Grimm's power system.

"I felt good about him when we discussed making this (trade)," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "I watched tape of him. I felt good about watching him play, his style. I thought he would fit with what we do."

Kelly started just two of the 15 games he played in for Philadelphia last season, but he still saw a solid amount of playing time. Per Pro Football Outsiders, Kelly got 453 snaps in 2015, the sixth-highest total of any Eagles lineman.

In the Eagles' first preseason game against Tampa Bay, Kelly saw 36 snaps, the fourth-highest total of any Philadelphia offensive lineman.

He's started 15 of the 30 NFL games he's played in, 10 of them coming in his rookie season of 2012.

"He's played, started games, he was in in the second series against Tampa and played a good portion of the first half," Mularkey said. "I liked what he did there. Again, he's very similar, in versatility (to injured Byron Bell and Josue Matias).

"(But) if somebody better comes across the waiver wire, we're going to go snag him if we can. We're going to try to improve this roster every day."

The Titans will likely start Kelly out at left tackle, but he can play a

variety of different spots, which is important for the Titans because they don't have much experience at left guard either.

Dennis Kelly of the Philadelphia Eagles was traded

"I just think based on his skill set, he's big, smart and tough and he's versatile," Titans general manager Jon Robinson said. "He's played a lot of positions, so he'll be a nice added mix to that group for us.

"(The trade) was really just value based. Dennis was a guy we thought could help our football team, would make us a more competitive position up there."

Kelly's brother, Tim, was offensive quality control coach in Houston, where he coached current Titans center Ben Jones.

"I've already talked to (Kelly)," Jones said. "We're always excited to get another offensive lineman in the room who has some playing experience. It's always good to have more guys who've played some snaps."

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**TITANS' KERN MAKES  
SURPRISE ACTING DEBUT  
DURING FG TRY**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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Titans punter Brett Kern's acting career may have to remain on hold for a while after Monday's training camp performance.

Prior to the team's special-teams drills, Titans coach Mike Mularkey instructed Kern — who doubles as the holder for field-goal attempts — to fake a cramping injury. Mularkey told no one else on the team.

Sure enough, just before the team was getting ready to kick a field goal, Kern went down as if he'd been shot. His acting could probably be described as a little over the top.

"Some of the guys thought I dislocated my foot," a smiling Kern said afterward. "They came over and said, 'Dude, are you alright?'"

"(Titans director of sports medicine Todd Toriscelli) came over and asked if I was alright. I told him I was faking it. He got upset at me for faking it because he didn't understand why."

Mularkey could only shake his head at the degree of Kern's acting efforts.

"He was way over (the top)," Mularkey said of Kern. "I couldn't do anything about it (at the time). I couldn't say, 'Brett, that was bad.' But it was bad."

"I asked him to play it up, but he went two-fold over playing it up. It was a cramp. I've seen guys with dislocated ankles that didn't do what he did."

The point of the fake injury was to make sure the field-goal attempt unit was on its toes.

Quarterback Matt Cassel did a good job of jumping in as the reserve holder. But Ryan Succop missed

both 43-yard field goal attempts while Cassel was holding. When Kern returned for a third Succop field-goal attempt, Succop connected.

"I was trying to put Ryan under a lot of pressure," Mularkey said. "Here's another holder, and all of a sudden you're trying the game-winning field goal. He's got to be able to make those. He didn't pass the test. He'll get another chance."

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**KLUG EXCITED TO RUN  
PLAYS INVENTED BY  
LEBEAU**

***BY TERRY MCCORMICK  
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The Tennessee Titans seem to like what Dick LeBeau is bringing to the table.

After all, as defensive lineman Karl Klug point out, the Titans are getting some of the basic plays of the 3-4 defense straight from the horse's mouth.

LeBeau, 77, joins the Titans after parting ways with the Steelers and is regarded as the architect of the , 3-4 zone blitz system that so many teams, now including the Titans, run. So Klug is excited to get the play directly from its original source.

“I love coach LeBeau,” Klug told the Johnson City Press. “I had an older coach at Iowa. I love working with older coaches. I feel like they have so much wisdom to share.

“It’s funny when they’re showing plays up on the board and he’s saying ‘I invented that play.’ That’s pretty neat when coaches keep using his plays and you get to meet the guy who created it.”

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## **TAYLOR LEWAN MAY BE MOST INTERESTING MAN ON TITANS**

**BY JOE REXRODE**  
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The most intriguing player on the Tennessee Titans' roster at this moment is left tackle Taylor Lewan.

And he'd probably react to that sentence with a sneer, so the impulse to designate Lewan as anything but an enigmatic third-year lineman is perhaps rash. But his potential as a player — and a leader, with what you might call a “non-traditional” approach — is obvious.

First, the most important thing that stood out about Lewan during minicamp and organized team activities: He was healthy, in top form physically and moving extremely well.

“He's probably in the best shape of any lineman I've been around,” Titans coach Mike Mularkey said of Lewan, possibly the boldest statement given by anyone in the past few weeks. “He can run all day. He covers on every play, (then) back in the huddle. It's obvious he's been working at it. That's a lot of maturity I'm seeing.”

If that continues, Lewan could be on his way to a breakthrough season as the protector of Marcus Mariota's blind side, after a sophomore season that saw him struggle at times and deal with a neck/shoulder nerve issue.

The Titans drafted Jack Conklin No. 8, but the Michigan State left tackle has been purely a right tackle with the Titans. The best-case scenario was always Lewan solidifying himself on the left side — the only side he has played — while Conklin adjusted to the right side.

Meanwhile, new offensive line coach Russ Grimm has chopped down on the terminology and simplified some of the Titans' protection schemes. The balance

between keeping things simple and having enough answers for all the pressures an offensive line will encounter isn't easy to find, but Lewan said this change “makes us a faster team.”

And it's probably good for young players. Conklin has “quietly done his job,” Mularkey said, getting more early reps with the ones because of a dislocated ankle suffered by Byron Bell.

Lewan has not quietly done his job. He'll never quietly do his job. He's the loudest guy on the field.

That means a lot of trash talk, too, and too much emotion on the field has hurt Lewan in the past. Mularkey cited a relative lack of experience when he stripped Lewan of his captain status late last season, but that probably doesn't happen if Lewan is conducting himself like a captain.

That can't be easy on a losing team going through a head coaching change. It's also not easy to lead a team if you aren't one of its best players.

Now Lewan is earning credit for his leadership. And he insists he's not going out of his way to be a “rah-rah” guy.

“We're not in high school,” Lewan said. “We're all paid to do this job. I don't need to sit here and openly criticize guys on the field, that's not my job. My job is to play left tackle. And my job is to play left tackle to the best of my abilities and do my part for this team to win.”

All true. Yet NFL coaches seem to value vocal leadership in the locker room as much as college coaches do.

Of course it's different when a wide age range and large salaries are involved, but the great teams have strong personalities and accountability within their locker rooms.

And every team needs guys who are comfortable talking to anyone, who

can joke around and make things light, yet demonstrate what it means to be prepared and professional. Lewan is naturally the first part of that, and he might be figuring out how to be all of it.

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## TITANS' TAYLOR LEWAN EMBRACES HIS 'INTERNAL STRUGGLE'

**BY JASON WOLF**  
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Everyone's eyes were on Taylor Lewan.

At 6-foot-7 and 309 pounds, the Titans' left tackle was the svelte member of a four-man relay team, handpicked by coach Mike Mularkey, that raced around the practice field at Saint Thomas Sports Park in less than a minute last month to earn the entire team the rest of the afternoon off, putting an early end to the final day of minicamp.

"He's a speed demon," left guard Chance Warmack joked later, after running the last leg of the race, as the Titans went their separate ways until training camp begins on July 29.

All kidding aside, the loquacious Lewan has plenty to prove this season, his third in the NFL since being drafted out of Michigan with the 11th overall pick in 2014. The Titans have won just five of 32 games since, and are in the midst of a major overhaul, from the front office to the facilities.

Lewan was put on notice early in the process. He was stripped of his captaincy when Mularkey took over as interim coach seven games into last season, finished with the most penalties on the team, and struggled with a painful injury that affected a nerve in his left shoulder, sapping his strength and keeping him sidelined for the finale. Then his role with the team became a major topic of conversation, as numerous NFL prognosticators believed the Titans would select a left tackle with the top overall pick in the draft and bump Lewan to the right side of the line.

After the Titans drafted Michigan State tackle Jack Conklin eighth overall, Lewan was adamant that

he'd remain the Titans' starting left tackle, protecting franchise quarterback Marcus Mariota's blind side. And at the conclusion of OTAs and minicamp, a day after Mularkey praised him for his mature attitude and conditioning, Lewan was equally matter-of-fact.

"I don't have anything to prove to anybody but to myself," Lewan said. "I think the biggest thing in life is competing against other people and your internal struggle with yourself is the biggest thing that's going to keep you as a motivating factor. The feeling that makes me work so hard and makes me do the things that I want to do to be successful is me pushing myself against myself and being better than I have (been). If I go into something and I'm not as good as I once was, then I don't want to be a Toby Keith song. I want to keep moving forward, keep being better."

"As far as compliments go or insults or whatever they are, they're just words," Lewan said. "That's what they are. And the only thing I can do is focus is focus on myself and how I play the game. It's nice to get a compliment, but I take everything with a grain of salt now."

Mularkey, however, didn't mince words, gushing about a player he once felt the need to put in his place.

"He hasn't said a lot verbally," Mularkey said about Lewan, "but his actions of what he's done in the weight room, out here on the field, he's in tremendous shape. He's probably in the best shape of any lineman I've been around. He can run all day. He covers on every play, back in the huddle. It's obvious he's been working at it. That's a lot of maturity I'm seeing."

On a fun final day on the practice field, Lewan ran the second leg of the relay race, taking the baton from defensive lineman DaQuan Jones, passing it to another in Angelo Blackson, and continued running alongside his teammates for the duration, as Warmack finished the spectacle.

"The most exciting part was seeing Taylor run," cornerback Perrish Cox said. "Man, I don't know if you was looking at him run out there, but I didn't know he had it like that man. That's exciting right there. He was bringing them knees up, I was like, 'Gaaawwwd!' I've got to call out a couple of our safeties man. I'm like, man, Taylor give y'all a run for y'all money. For real, for real."

"I don't know who's been in Taylor's head," Cox said. "Somebody's been talking to him. His work ethic, man, is completely different than last year. I feel like he wants it more. ... Because his mentality this whole offseason has been terrific. When we're running to the ball, man, you see Taylor come flying by, tagging you off. I've never seen that side of him."

At one point last season, Lewan struggled to use his left arm to lift a 25-pound barbell over his head.

But he's healthy now, he said, physically and mentally, and eager to be the left tackle the team needs.

"As far as like nerve damage goes and stuff like that, it is what it is, and I can't really change what happened," Lewan said. "The only thing I can do is work as hard as I can to get back to where I am supposed to be, and I'm there now and then some. I've made some huge leaps and bounds from a mental standpoint and a physical standpoint."

"And what it shows to these guys, I don't know," he said. "You'll have to ask them. But as far as I'm concerned, I haven't done anything yet. I ran around pretty well in underwear. And that's really it. So I have a lot to prove, to myself, and however everybody else takes it is up to them."

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## MARCUS MARIOTA KEEPS FOCUS ON FAMILY AND TITANS FOOTBALL

**BY JASON WOLF**  
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In the winter of his junior year, before Marcus Mariota ever started a high school football game, his parents sold their house on a bluff overlooking picturesque Diamond Head, a dormant volcano on the Hawaiian island of Oahu.

The proceeds helped Alana and Toa afford their son's private school education and travel to camps to increase the young quarterback's exposure to college recruiters on the mainland.

Six years later, after a high school state championship, a national title game appearance with Oregon, winning the Heisman Trophy and being selected by the Titans with the second overall pick in the 2015 NFL draft, toward the end of his first pro season, when triumphs and tribulations undulated like the needle on a seismograph, Mariota's mother prepared Christmas dinner in a million-dollar penthouse condo overlooking downtown Nashville.

Mariota calls his perch in the Gulch a practical location. It's close to the Titans' training facility and Nissan Stadium, with restaurants a mere elevator ride away. But Mariota, as reserved in demeanor as his play is rousing on the field, has barely begun to embrace all the city has to offer.

"A lot of times I'm just kind of hanging around the house," Mariota said in a recent, exclusive interview with *The Tennessean*. "We don't have a whole lot of (free) time, but I went down on Broadway for a little bit, just to hang out at some of the — like Acme (Feed & Seed) and I think it's called Tootsies. Anyway, we kind of just got to see Broadway a little bit and heard a lot of music at the country bars. It was a lot of fun. ... We're still kind of exploring."

By "we," Mariota clarifies, he means he and his parents or his girlfriend, former Oregon soccer player Kiyomi Cook, who he's been dating for two years.

Mariota returned to Hawaii a week after the season finale, staying in Nashville those extra days to continue medical treatment on a sprained knee.

Mariota knows his well-being, development and performance are critical to the Titans' future. He calls his responsibility a gift, and understands no two franchise quarterbacks are identical, including those competing in Super Bowl 50 Sunday in Santa Clara, Calif.

He notes Cam Newton's passing prowess and how his ability to run between the tackles provides the Panthers' offense an extra dimension. He appreciates Peyton Manning's cerebral approach, how the Broncos QB consistently wins at the line of scrimmage and has overcome injury and growing physical limitations this season.

But Mariota also says he's seen enough, at least this season, even though he headed to the San Francisco Bay area for Super Bowl festivities.

"I'll be there, at some of the events," Mariota said during a phone interview. "But I won't — I don't think I'll take in the game. For me, I'm a competitor still, and it'll be tough to watch two other teams play in the Super Bowl. That's just who I am, and the competitor in me. So I don't think I'll watch the game."

Seriously?

"To me, I always want to play at the highest level of our sport, and not being in the game is frustrating," he said. "Not being in the playoffs is frustrating. And we've just got to use it as motivation for this upcoming offseason and next year."

Goal to play in Hawaii

Mariota was thrilled when teammates Delanie Walker and

Jurrell Casey made the Pro Bowl as first alternates, replacing Panthers tight end Greg Olsen and defensive tackle Kawann Short, respectively.

He was less enthused when Buccaneers quarterback Jameis Winston, a fellow Heisman-winning rookie drafted ahead of him at No. 1 overall, was tapped to replace Tom Brady, who declined his invitation.

But he insists it didn't bother him.

"He deserves it. I think he had a good year," Mariota said. "It is, to me, a goal of mine to come back to Hawaii and to play in the Pro Bowl. Unfortunately, it wasn't this year."

While he missed four games with knee injuries and the Titans finished 3-13, tied for the worst record in the league, the Bucs remained in the NFC wild card race until the final weeks of the season.

Does Mariota use Winston as a measuring stick?

"Not at all. I only focus on what I can do," he said. "What he does and what his team does doesn't affect me at all. I don't pay attention to it. Again, for me, I really just kind of look upon myself and try to find ways that I can get better. And I'm not going to compare myself to anybody, because then you lose sight of the fact of how good you can really be. My focus has always been good. I take it one day at a time, find ways to improve and find ways to get wins."

Mariota, with a floral lei and beads draped over his green Hawaiian shirt, joined students from his alma mater, Saint Louis School, on the Aloha Stadium field at halftime of the Pro Bowl, when all varsity football players on the island were honored. He posed for a photo with Walker, then watched Winston throw two second-half touchdowns, including one to the Titans' tight end.

Understanding the spotlight

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On this day, Mariota laughs nervously before most of his answers.

He finds the spotlight awkward.

"It's something that I don't really look for or like," he said, "but I understand it comes with the position and I'll always do my best to represent my family and where I come from in the best way."

Mariota appreciates the authentic vibe of Nashville, a star-studded city with a small-town feel, whether he and his loved ones are popping into Burger Republic or walking to Saint Añejo, one of his favorite spots for Mexican food.

"Whenever we're out in town, people are always super nice," Mariota said. "And to me, that's incredible, because you can go around and be bothered, but a lot of times the people of Nashville, the community is just very respectful and really just kindhearted."

Mariota's parents sat beside him, but declined to be interviewed.

"To be honest with you, they're even more private than I am," Mariota said. "Even through college, they would not do interviews. I think it would be tough to get them to change their mind."

Their reticence, he explained, stems from Samoan culture.

"Just do your business and everything else will take care of itself," he said.

Mariota remained in his penthouse on New Year's Eve, as live music blared and a record crowd of more than 150,000 revelers spilled into the streets of downtown Nashville.

The Titans' season finale was in three days, and although Mariota knew he wouldn't play, he planned to head to the training complex early the next morning. Focused on football and family, the franchise quarterback sat high atop the city and kept his evening low-key.

"My girlfriend and I ended up watching the ball drop from New York," Mariota said. "And then we were just kind of hanging out, watching TV and I fell asleep."

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## **MARCUS MARIOTA BRINGS 'HOPE' IN YEAR 2 TO TENNESSEE TITANS AMID OFFSEASON OF CHANGE**

**BY ANDREW THEEN  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Construction cranes dot the emerging skyline and the metro area of 1.8 million is growing by the day. Nashville, the Southern capital known as Music City, is booming.

Marcus Mariota is ready to grow with it.

The famously unassuming Tennessee Titans quarterback is gearing up for year two in the NFL, and he feels at home in a city that is embracing his game and his personality.

Mariota's face appears on sporadic digital billboards on the network of interstates circling downtown Nashville with the slogan, "Ready for Battle," and on front-page advertisement wraps on The Tennessean newspaper. At a draft day party at Nissan Stadium — butted up against the Cumberland River across from downtown's famous strip of Honky-tonk bars — thousands of fans received printed calendars with Mariota's face on the cover.

Fans, and the city, have embraced their quarterback. "They know that they have a guy that's special," head coach Mike Mularkey said, "that can be special, that wants to be special. (He) represents this franchise and this city about as well as anybody you could ask for."

As Jon Robinson, the Titans' baby-faced general manager, navigates the three-day carnival known as the NFL draft, the team has a laundry list of needs on both offense and defense. Two weeks ago, Robinson traded away the No. 1 overall draft pick for a slew of picks. On Thursday he traded up to draft a highly-touted offensive lineman.

It's clear the franchise is building everything around Mariota.

"We want to make sure to put him in the best position possible to succeed," Robinson said in a predraft news conference, eyes red and baggy ahead of the biggest weekend of his career.

Despite a bumpy 3-13 year when Mariota, 22, saw his coach and general manager fired, and missed four games to injury, there's still a palpable sense of optimism. And much of it rests with Mariota.

As Titans season ticket-holder Ryan Newcomb says, "He gives the city hope."

Marcus everywhere

Before the first pick was called Thursday night, a crowd estimated at 15,000 mingled inside Nissan Stadium at the Titans' draft party.

It was a pleasant and positive scene, and Mariota jerseys and shirts were everywhere, including from his University of Oregon days.

Sgt. Mark Seymour, an Army refueler based at Fort Campbell about 60 miles northwest of Nashville, drove down with his girlfriend, Rhonda Begley, to watch the draft on the stadium's big screens.

Seymour, a West Linn native who's been in Tennessee for six years, wore his Mariota Oregon jersey. "Everyone feels like they just know the guy," Seymour said, "He's just a great role model."

Seymour plans to drive several hours to a Kroger grocery store to meet Mariota in a couple weeks.

Nick Lee, who also wore a Mariota jersey, said he's optimistic for the quarterback's second season and the franchise's future. The South is dominated by college football's Southeastern Conference, but Lee said there's room for another star. "I think the bigger we get," he said of

Nashville's population growth, "the more notoriety he will get."

At Motlow State Community College's suburban campus in Smyrna 23 miles southeast of Nashville, Matt Romano pulled into the parking lot in his beat-up pickup flying a battered Titans flag and sporting a smattering of Titans stickers.

Romano, a self-described "biggest Titans fan in the world," fished out a dusty mug commemorating the 2000 Central Division champion team from the truck bed and expounded on Mariota's virtues one year after he was drafted.

"I loved what he stood for," Romano said, wearing a Mariota jersey, Titans hat and camouflage slip-on shoes. "You didn't have to be flashy, you didn't have to be a showboat, you didn't have to be rude. You could be respectful and you could be genuine."

Keep it competitive

After a trying season, when he showed glimpses of the talent that made him the Heisman Trophy winner with the Oregon Ducks and the second overall draft pick in 2015, Mariota spent weeks rehabbing, relaxing, and competing at his newest obsession: golf.

The links have laid claim to the hearts of Mariota and his close friend and former teammate and roommate, Hroniss Grasu.

The duo, who led Oregon to the national championship game in their final season as Ducks, picked up golf with a passion bordering on addiction.

It offered an escape from the grind of the NFL season. Year one was a blur: from the college heartbreak against the Ohio State Buckeyes, to draft day, offseason workouts, training camp and the chaos of the 17-week NFL season.

"I loved the challenge of it," Mariota said. "Whenever I get a free moment, I like to play."

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They spent the entire month of January in Eugene, where Mariota recently bought a condo. Mariota said he loves Eugene because of the familiar faces, and he can fly under the radar. Mariota craves normalcy above all else.

Grasu, now a Chicago Bears offensive lineman, said he and Mariota settled into a schedule which featured a heavy dose of golf.

"There's always something on the line," he said. "We make it competitive no matter what." The loser paid for the next Starbucks run or dinner that night.

They golfed in Eugene, Southern California, and in Arizona at former Ducks offensive coordinator Scott Frost's wedding. At the wedding, they golfed with PGA Tour veteran Robert Garrigus, a graduate of Crescent Valley High School in Corvallis. Grasu said he and Mariota "felt like kids in a candy shop" watching the professional's towering drives. They asked Garrigus questions about his approach to the game and how they could improve.

"People are always asking him 101 questions about stuff," Grasu said of Mariota, "But it was awesome to watch Marcus return the favor to someone else."

From January through the return to offseason workouts in April, Grasu spent all but a couple weeks with Mariota.

"Unfortunately, we didn't get better," Grasu said of their golf games.

On the course, Marcus is characteristically calm if he shanks a drive or approach shot, but it's a different story on the green.

"If he ever misses a short putt," Grasu said, "you'll see a side of Marcus you don't want to see."

Trying year

The drive to the Titans' practice facility winds along the Cumberland River and a nearby slough, where a "Duck Crossing" sign fittingly sits in a grassy median near the facility's gates.

The Titans won just three games last season, tied for the NFL's worst record. Mariota missed four games due to knee injuries, was sacked 38 times and lost six fumbles.

Mariota said he played "OK." What he doesn't say is that his passer rating was third-highest in team history, behind only Steve McNair's co-MVP season in 2003 and Warren Moon's 1990 season, when he led the league in passing.

"I spent a lot of time just kind of reflecting on some of the decisions I made in games and how I played," Mariota said.

Fans, and his coach, are quick to note Mariota had some breakthrough performances.

"He caught a touchdown, he threw a touchdown, he ran a touchdown, he had that 87-yard run against the (Jacksonville) Jags," Romano said.

Mularkey, who played in the league and has coached a variety of positions for more than 20 years, pointed to the game against the New Orleans Saints.

The team had just fired Ken Whisenhunt that week, but Mariota threw for 371 yards and four touchdowns, including the game winner in overtime.

"That'll tell you a lot about that guy," Mularkey said, "that one game."

Even in defeat, he was unflappable on the sideline, and in the huddle.

Mularkey said he's not seen a lot of guys like Mariota.

"He has the 'it' factor," Mularkey said from his office as players filed off the practice field.

"No matter how bad the situation is, you never think you're not in the game."

The Titans' busy offseason included a trade for running back DeMarco Murray to help ease the offensive load. More help should arrive in the draft, and there are high hopes for Mariota's continued development heading into his second pro season. The team also added 2015 Heisman Trophy winning running back Derrick Henry in the draft.

Mularkey said he's already seeing Mariota's confidence soar.

"His ability is going to skyrocket," he predicted.

The season is coming

Mariota said he's ready for the season to begin, though the first preseason game isn't until Aug. 13.

Outside of football, he's focused his attention on setting up a new foundation to help underprivileged youth in his three homes of Hawaii, Oregon and Nashville. He doesn't talk much about specifics, but said wants to be an influential part of the community. "Finding ways to help others is kind of what I've always felt is the thing, especially athletes now, what they should do," he said.

Grasu said NFL fame hasn't changed Mariota in the slightest. "If anything, he got much better as a person," he said, "as a football player, as a son, as a brother, as a friend. I don't see that changing."

Despite Mariota's unassuming nature, Grasu said he has no doubt that Mariota is ready for a breakthrough in his second year.

"He's very confident," Grasu said. "Very confident."

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## THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING MARCUS

**BY KEVIN CLARK**  
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Few football players embody the modern game quite like Tennessee Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota. He can pass, he can move, and he ran a college offense that's helping to shape the future of football. His highlight reels should be beamed into space to show aliens what humans can do.

But ability doesn't always translate into results. And so as the Titans embark on a crucial stretch for the former no. 2 overall draft pick on the eve of his second professional season, coach Mike Mularkey has forged a bold plan: In an age when seemingly everyone wants to be cutting edge, the Titans and their modern-age quarterback aren't going to be particularly innovative offensively. And that's by design.

"I'm going to do the things that I've had success with since 2001, and I will continue to do that until someone stops us," said Mularkey, who served as the Titans' interim head coach for part of the 2015 season and is now their full-time boss. Statistics show that NFL teams are passing more than ever, with teams throwing an average of 20 percent more yards in 2015 than they did in 2005. But Mularkey has no intention of adjusting his offense to fit that new reality, or indeed even accepting that there is a new reality: "I know people say this is a passing league," Mularkey said. "I'll argue with that."

Bill Murray became a dramatic actor. Taylor Swift transitioned from country to pop. And now Mariota, the most famous player to ever emerge from Oregon's electric spread offense, is moving to a ground-and-pound attack.

To Mularkey, people who think Tennessee's offense could or should be more like Oregon's "don't understand the NFL."

"I'm very careful about watching college and those schemes because I don't think they are close to being similar to the NFL plays. It's totally different," Mularkey said. "There are some good things that happen there, but I don't think anyone, at least that I know, are going to use that."

The evidence doesn't necessarily support Mularkey's statement. The Panthers have embraced many spread principles to help Cam Newton become one of the best quarterbacks in football, and that's just one example.

Another, of course, is Mariota's original Tennessee coach. Upon acquiring the prized rookie, Ken Whisenhunt changed plenty about Mariota's game, but not everything. Seventy-six percent of Mariota's passes came on plays out of the shotgun formation during Mariota's starts, and although the Titans didn't replicate the Ducks' breathless tempo, they operated out of the no-huddle on about 8 percent of Mariota's pass attempts last season.

Mariota threw 19 touchdowns and 10 interceptions in a season cut to 12 games because of two separate MCL sprains. He also showed some promise on the ground, including on an 87-yard touchdown against Jacksonville, but managed just 252 rushing yards in total. No quarterback who attempted at least 300 passes on the season was sacked more often on a per-pass basis than Mariota, who was brought down 9.3 percent of the time he dropped back due to a mixture of slow-developing plays and a mediocre offensive line.

Even when he was scrambling to avoid pressure, Mariota looked exciting. But the team struggled mightily, and Whisenhunt was fired after posting a 1-6 mark in 2015 and a 3-20 record overall.

When tight ends coach Mularkey took over, his chief concern was addressing the team's tendency to let Mariota get hit too often. The passer had sprained his MCL in October under Whisenhunt, and that

knee injury meant health needed to be a priority.

Mularkey had to change the scheme to emphasize protecting Mariota, bunching receivers to keep more bodies near the QB and shield him from an onslaught of defenders. But the personnel couldn't change midseason along with the scheme, and Mariota was sacked 12 times in his three December appearances. When he reinjured his other knee in December, he was ruled out for the season.

It was time to invest further in protecting him, so Mularkey decided to build a tough, physical juggernaut around Mariota. The team traded for beleaguered Eagles running back DeMarco Murray and drafted Alabama star and 2015 Heisman Trophy winner Derrick Henry in the second round, securing two massive components for Mularkey's desired ground-and-pound style. Mularkey can still envision Mariota running in 2016, but in a take-what-the-defense-gives-us way. "I had Kordell Stewart in Pittsburgh, and he was very talented," Mularkey said when discussing capitalizing on the holes a defense can leave open. "But not as talented as Marcus Mariota."

Focusing more on the two new running backs and less on designed Mariota runs meant shifting away from spread elements—and spread players. The team spent the offseason with that in mind, and general manager Jon Robinson selected Michigan State offensive tackle Jack Conklin eighth overall and Alabama's Henry 45th, noting that those players appealed to him in large part because they came from pro-style college offenses. "These are teams built around running the ball," Robinson said of MSU and Bama, "hence they would do things a little more technique-wise that we are going to favor."

That means we'll see fewer of the plays that resulted in Mariota's first pro touchdown pass, for instance, which featured a tinge of Oregon: the shotgun, the QB read of the

defense, and the eventual pass once the D had frozen.

In college, variations of that style of play led to Mariota's development into one of the most tantalizing pro prospects in years. While masterfully piloting Oregon's no-huddle, defense-shattering attack, he posted a 105-to-14 touchdown-to-interception ratio over three seasons, adding 29 career rushing touchdowns (and two receiving scores!) to boot.

Though the Titans never committed fully to the no-huddle last year, expect even less of that this season. Mularkey wants deliberate play calls from huddles to help spell out specific blocking instructions, and he wants Mariota under center so that the QB can more easily hand the ball off to new additions Murray and Henry or run play-action. Mularkey, who's never been a fan of the shotgun, said it's easier to be deceptive from under center since a run play develops quicker, allowing the offense to catch a defense off-guard with a misdirection play. In the shotgun, it's harder to disguise where a running back is headed because the run starts so far behind the line of scrimmage.

Mariota has always known an NFL coach might want him to abandon his shotgun base. "It's not totally brand new to me," Mariota told *The Ringer* this week. "I did [plays from under center] in games in Pop Warner and high school."

The day after his last college game, a national championship loss to Ohio State, Mariota began preparing for that possibility, taking snaps under center in workouts and in practice. He admits that learning to take the snap from under center is the biggest adjustment he's had to make at the pro level—and that it's still a work in progress. But Mularkey is encouraged and said it's Mariota's most improved trait thus far in camp.

Fans of the spread will have to cope with watching Mariota in an offense built for protection, not for highlights. Tennessee isn't going to

let Mariota operate in the wide-open fashion he might have if he'd gone to another franchise. Most notably, then-Eagles (and now-Niners) coach Chip Kelly, the league's foremost spread practitioner, offered a haul to try to acquire the draft pick that Tennessee used to select Mariota, with the generally understood plan being that the Eagles would then run the up-tempo spread that made both coach and player famous at Oregon. The Titans declined the offer, and came up with their own plan.

Mularkey compared Mariota's release to that of Matt Ryan, whom he coached in Atlanta. That might not be the flashy corollary Mariota fans are looking for, but Mularkey is convinced that the impact passes will come once the run game is established. The young QB's development, the coach said, is already "pretty darn good."

Mariota, for his part, was typically diplomatic when discussing the change this week. "I'm focused on what the coaches want me to do. I don't have an opinion on it."

He might not. But the football world surely will come September.

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## **TITANS WR RISHARD MATTHEWS REMEMBERS HIS FALLEN BROTHER ON MEMORIAL DAY**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Rishard Matthews puts on an NFL uniform on Sundays. Over the years, he's signed countless autographs, taken pictures with fans, and has been cheered by crowds for making big catches and scoring touchdowns.

Like so many of his NFL brothers, the Titans receiver worked hard – and sacrificed plenty – to fulfill his lifelong dream.

Matthews, however, believes the true heroes are in the military. And on Memorial Day, he'll have his older brother on his mind, like he does every day. It's been just over seven months since Christopher Ruiz was killed while serving as a retired Marine working as a private defense contractor in Afghanistan.

"In my eyes, they make so many movies on people who are heroes," said Matthews, who signed with the Titans in March after playing his first four seasons with the Miami Dolphins, "and there are people out there fighting for our freedom. There's a lot of people who are gone and didn't come back, and unfortunately (Christopher) is one of them. He is our family's hero."

Christopher Ruiz was Matthews' half-brother, but the two were close. They had been family since Matthews was 5-years-old, when Christopher's mom married Rishard's dad, who served 21 years in the Marines himself.

Ruiz served in the Marines for 10 years, and served overseas in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He was in Afghanistan last October working as a civilian contractor, training locals to fight for their country, when he was killed. He was supposed to come home from Afghanistan to his wife and three

young children just three weeks after the accident. Ruiz was one of six U.S. Airmen and five other civilian contractors killed in the crash of an Air Force C-130 as it tried to put down at the Jalalabad Airfield on Oct. 2.

"They answered their nation's call and died in service to their country," Brig. Gen. Dave Julazadeh said in a news release following the accident. "There are no words that truly describe the depth of sorrow and pain we feel."

Matthews, 26, said the accident changed his perspective on a lot of things.

"Don't take anything for granted," Matthews said. "I have little cousins growing up, and I try and stress that in general. Don't take anything for granted. (Christopher) was there so much, during Iraq and other stuff. When he left, you just thought he was always coming back. I grew up military so I have known people to go and come back. My whole family, we all thought he would be coming back. And then you get that call that he's not coming back."

On the day he signed his contract with the Titans in March, Matthews was wearing a bracelet with the words "Forever by my side." It has his brother's name on it, along with the Marines logo. He wears it every day.

He has shirts with the word "Hero" on them, along with his brother's face. Prior to a game in Miami last season, his teammates wore the shirt in warm-ups, on a Sunday when Ruiz was honored by the team.

On Instagram, Matthews has posted two tributes to his brother on special dates:

**"YOU BEING GONE I STILL DONT BELIEVE. I WILL FOREVER SALUTE YOU. THIS IS THE LAND OF THE FREE BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE. HAPPY BIRTHDAY BIG BROTHER."**

**"I Will Always Love You. You Are My Big Brother & Forever My Hero  
#ForeverRemembered  
#RipChristopherRuiz  
#ARealAmericanHero"**

Matthews sent out this message via Twitter on Sunday: I hope people truly understand the meaning of Memorial Day. This is far more than just a weekend to party. Not even remotely close.

He added another: Truly the LAND of the FREE BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE!!

"I think about him a lot, every day," Matthews said. "It is an unfortunate situation. He left behind three beautiful kids, and I try and be in their life as much as I can really, and help out my sister-in-law."

As he lives his own life, Matthews said he plans to honor his brother every step of the way.

Matthews has been a success story himself. A seventh-round pick by the Dolphins out of Nevada, Matthews developed into a player many teams were interested in during free agency after catching 43 passes for 662 yards and four touchdowns last season. The Titans signed him, and he's expected to play a big role this fall.

Moving forward, Matthews wants to deliver for the Titans.

He'll have his brother on his mind.

"He was always there for me for motivation, and support," Matthews said. "We grew up in a military family. He was always on the military side, I was always on the sports side. I always said I wanted to play sport, and he always wanted to go in the military, that was his passion."

"It's still hard for me to believe he's not coming back. It was just a real eye-opener on life and how precious life is. You really can't take anything for granted."

## **TITANS WR TRE MCBRIDE AIMS TO WORRY LESS, PRODUCE MORE**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Tre McBride learned plenty in his first NFL season.

One of the biggest lessons, however, had nothing to do with the game itself.

“Last year,” the Titans receiver said, “I did a lot of irrational worrying about things I can’t control, and that kind of messed with my game. This year, I feel confident about where I am right now. I know I can play, and I am not worried about the cuts or anything else.”

The result?

“I’m a lot more comfortable,” McBride said. “I’m a lot more comfortable in my skin and I’m a lot more comfortable with how to be in the NFL and I think that is translating pretty well. I am able to play a little faster and feel good about it.”

A seventh-round pick out of William & Mary in the 2015 NFL Draft, McBride spent the first half of the season on the team’s practice squad after being released at the end of training camp.

McBride was promoted in the second half of the season, and he played in seven games, primarily on special teams – he returned kicks (10 for 190 yards), and was used as a gunner. He forced a fumble on coverage teams.

In the second-to-last-game of the season, McBride made his first career catch against the Texans. Later in that game, he scored his first career touchdown.

The experience gave him confidence.

“Internally, I know I can play in the league,” McBride said. “Now it is just about whenever I get the opportunities, maximizing it. I am trying to do everything I can to help. The new coaching staff, they are go-getters, and they really, really, want to win. I want to do my part to help make that happen.”

McBride is fighting to get noticed at a position group with plenty of competition. Kendall Wright, Rishard Matthews, Dorial Green-Beckham, Justin Hunter, Harry Douglas and Tajae Sharpe all currently rank ahead of McBride on the unofficial depth chart, and Andrew Turzilli is also in the mix, among others.

But the competition will heat up in training camp, and some things could change.

Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota has noticed McBride this offseason.

“His work ethic definitely stands out,” Mariota said. “He is one of those guys that is always working out, trying to better his game. He is a gym rat. And I think that has helped him out on the field this year. He has made a few plays and catches and getting open against the defense.”

McBride caught two passes for eight yards in 2015, with those two catches coming against the Texans. Injuries to Hunter and Wright helped get him promoted, and on the field as a rookie.

In training camp, he wants to stand out by doing everything right. A year ago, he admits he had to break some bad habits in college that slowed him down. He wants to quash any talk he did too much freelancing last year.

“I wasn’t purposely defying, I just had habits from college that I wasn’t able to break quick enough when I got to the NFL. But I am working really hard to do everything exactly how the coaches want them done,” McBride said. “I had some habits I couldn’t shake right away and that

came with the inexperience and being uncomfortable at this level.

“I want to play in the league for a long time. I want coach (Mike) Mularkey to have success, he is a good coach. And I want to do what he asks me. He gave me my shot last year and now I feel like he has the confidence in me.

“I definitely feel like I can add some value to this team,” McBride continued. “I am going to have to show it. I can’t talk about it. I have to show it.”

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**BRICE MCCAIN HAPPY TO  
BE REUNITED WITH DC  
DICK LEBEAU**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Brice McCain has played seven seasons in the NFL, and been around thousands of players and coaches.

One man has stood out: Dick LeBeau.

“He is a good coach, and he is smart. He has a good vibe to him,” McCain said of LeBeau on Wednesday. “He makes you want to run through a brick wall for him.”

McCain, a defensive back who has played 100 games during his NFL career with Houston (2009-13), Pittsburgh (2014) and Miami (2015), signed with the Titans on Wednesday. McCain (5-9, 190) has nine career interceptions.

When McCain played in LeBeau’s defense in Pittsburgh he registered three interceptions and 25 tackles in 14 games, including nine starts. LeBeau joined the Titans in 2015, and he’ll serve as assistant head coach/defensive coordinator in 2016 under coach Mike Mularkey.

“With coach LeBeau, it is very stress-free,” McCain said. “You know what you are going to get. He breaks everything down for you, and you know why he is calling what he is calling, and it makes you play faster because you know what is going on.

“Him being here, it was a big influence. Playing for him before, I know how good the defense can be and I want to be a part of it. I learned a lot from him. I think it was a good fit here because I have a lot of history with coach LeBeau, and he is a great guy. I had a very exciting and productive year with him in Pittsburgh. I think it was a good fit for me, and with coach Mularkey.”

With the Dolphins, McCain played in 14 games with 11 starts in 2015. He totaled 39 tackles, eight passes defended and one interception. Prior to joining the Dolphins and before his year in Pittsburgh, McCain spent five seasons with the Houston Texans after being drafted by the franchise in the sixth round of the 2009 NFL Draft. He was a three-year starter at the University of Utah.

As a member of the Texans, McCain returned an interception 38 yards for a touchdown in a game against the Titans at Nissan Stadium in 2011.

McCain has experience playing on the inside and the outside, but he’s expected to compete at the nickel position inside for the Titans. McCain previously visited the Buccaneers, and had another visit lined up before deciding to sign with the Titans.

“(I’ve played) mostly inside, but I could play outside as well. Whatever they want me to, I’ll do it. But right now they really like me inside, like a lot of teams do,” McCain said. “I am the kind of guy who can do it all. I want to be remembered as one of the best to play in the slot position. I pride myself as being the best in there. Right now I am the nickel, but there is nothing wrong with competing.

“But right now I am focusing on getting back together with coach LeBeau and learning the playbook again.”

In addition to LeBeau and Mularkey, McCain met with general manager Jon Robinson and the rest of the team’s defensive coaching staff, including secondary coach Deshea Townsend and assistant secondary coach Steve Jackson during his visit.

He’s looking forward to meeting his teammates in the near future. He’s very familiar with many of them, including Pro Bowl defensive lineman Jurrell Casey and linebacker Brian Orakpo.

Jason McCourty and Perrish Cox return for the Titans in the secondary, along with Blidi Wreh-Wilson and Cody Riggs, among others.

“I see a lot of them on film all the time,” McCain said. “Casey catches my eye, chasing down a screen or making a play. He is so versatile. And Orakpo, I’ve seen him since he played (in college) at Texas. He can come off the edge and as a cornerback that’s what you want, you want someone to come off the edge to make the quarterback step up and throw it faster than he wants to throw it.

“I know there’s a good quarterback here, which is nice, and I like what I hear about the guys. There’s a good vibe here. And I like what coach Mularkey is preaching. He is a family guy, and that is first before anything. If you are a family you are more comfortable, you win more games.”

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**DEXTER MCCLUSTER  
WANTS TO ADD  
LIGHTNING TO  
BACKFIELD**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — “Boom Boom Pow.”

Yeah, it’s a Black Eyed Peas song from 2009. But it might also describe how the Titans would like their backfield to work this fall.

Since trading for DeMarco Murray and drafting Derrick Henry this offseason, the buzz surrounding the running back position has centered on the two bruising backs. Titans General Manager Jon Robinson called the tandem “Thunder and Thunder.”

Veteran Dexter McClusterwants to provide some lightning.

Murray thinks he’s capable.

“(Dexter) is a guy that whenever he gets in the game he can be electrifying,” Murray said.

McCluster is ready to do his part. He believes the presence of Murray and Henry should help his cause.

“I think it will open up a lot more opportunities for me,” said the 5-foot-8, 170-pound McCluster. “When you have some big guys that are going to run downhill, that can cause more confusion to a lot of people. I hope (defenses) forget all about me and I can get open.

“I think coach (Mike) Mularkey knows the type of player I am and (offensive coordinator Terry) Robiskie knows it as well. So they are going to make a conscious effort to keep me involved, and special teams has been great for me so I am going to do my best to make an impact there too.”

McCluster, who’s headed into his seventh NFL season, had his 2015 season cut short because of an

injury. He played in 11 games, and ran for 247 yards and a touchdown while also catching 31 passes for 260 yards and another score. McCluster set single-game and career highs for rushing yards and scrimmage yards in a game at Cleveland in September when he ran for 98 yards on 10 carries. Add in his receiving yards (26) and return yards (41) on the day and he amassed a combined total of 165 yards against the Browns. McCluster was limited to just 45 carries in his other 10 games, however.

McCluster, who played his first four NFL seasons with the Chiefs, returned 24 punts for the Titans last season as well. The Titans believe he has the skill set to be a consistent weapon.

Mularkey has spoken highly of McCluster on numerous occasions this offseason.

“I think I’ve said it before: He clearly has a role here,” Mularkey said of McCluster. “The offense is multi-faceted, and he will be parts of many different packages to try and attack defenses.”

McCluster believes he can add a change of pace while providing a spark in a backfield that features two big men in Murray (6-0, 217) and Henry (6-3, 247).

Named a captain last season when Mularkey took over, McCluster also prides himself as being a leader. The advice he has for the other young backs on the team – David Cobb, Antonio Andrews, Bishop Sankey, and David Fluellen – is the same as he tells himself.

“One thing I try and tell them is I’ve been here seven years now, and I’ve been around the best of the best,” McCluster said. “All you can control is what you do. You show up and work hard and know what you are doing and the chips will fall where they may. It’s not your job to worry about others, it’s your job to worry about your situation and how you can help the team.

“The running backs we have, I think we can definitely be the strength. But we all have to lock in and know what we all do best, and make it happen.”

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## **JASON MCCOURTY APPRECIATES GAME MORE AFTER FRUSTRATING SEASON**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Jason McCourty never took the game for granted, but missing most of last season changed his perspective on a lot of things.

It really made him think, about how fortunate he's been, and about what's ahead.

"This year," said McCourty, set to begin his eighth season with the Titans, "it is kind of a newfound appreciation of where I am. Being out there with the guys, you just enjoy it just a little more just to know how quick it can be taken from you.

"I always worked my butt off to get to where I am. But as you get older you realize the end is closer than the beginning. And you start to realize what a blessing it is. I know I have been blessed."

Drafted by the Titans in the sixth round of the 2009 NFL Draft, McCourty has played in 94 games, with 76 starts, at cornerback in his first seven seasons. He's been named a captain three times, and along the way developed a reputation for being an accountable, dependable pro.

His success has fulfilled a childhood dream shared by McCourty and his twin brother, Devin, a defensive back with the New England Patriots.

"At a young age, we always told my mom we were going to make it to the NFL or the NBA and we were going to provide for her and do things," McCourty said. "So I think just from that very young age sports was always something we dreamed of and we've just been blessed that it was able to become a reality."

It wasn't a cakewalk from middle school to high school to college to the NFL for McCourty or his brother. Last season, McCourty's upbeat attitude and resiliency were tested because of a sports hernia injury that required two surgeries, and sidelined him most of the 2015 season.

A full-time starter since 2011, McCourty was able to play in just four games last season. He was placed on Injured Reserve in November and was forced to watch home games from the sideline in street clothes, and road games from his living room couch, on television.

"It was rough," McCourty said. "Watching the Jets game, I remember watching (receiver) Brandon Marshall catch the ball and he was wide open and I remember turning the TV off. It was frustrating. You can't be out there, and you can't be on the sideline. You almost feel like you are not a part of it -- like you're just a regular fan. It was very, very frustrating not being able to be out there.

"It really has changed my thinking. I think for me last year, only being able to play in four games, when you come out to training camp, instead of complaining about some of the tough days you start to relish it."

McCourty, who has 453 tackles and 11 career interceptions, was healthy at the start of the offseason program in April, and he's been a fixture in the secondary throughout the offseason.

He's ready to lead again in 2016, and his teammates are thrilled he's back.

"He's a professional guy, someone you can count on and know he is going to do his job," said Titans linebacker Derrick Morgan, teammates with McCourty since the 2010 season. "He is very consistent. Knowing No. 30 is out there, it makes you feel comfortable. He is real even-tempered and very consistent, day in and day out.

"In this league, the NFL stands for 'Not For Long', and people come and go. And to see him all the years since I have been here, he has all the intangibles you are looking for in a teammate."

Tight end Delanie Walker praised McCourty for his approach, on and off the field.

"He's a family man, and when he comes on the field it is nothing but business," Walker said. "He is very respected around the league, and he's a leader in the locker room. I respect his game and respect everything he does. He is not going to sell you short. If he tells you something, he is going to do it. And since I have been here that's the way he's always been."

Titans coach Mike Mularkey said McCourty is a tone-setter, and a message-deliverer to the team.

"He's one of those guy who doesn't say a whole lot, but when he does, players listen," Mularkey said. "He is kind of like Marcus (Mariota) -- he doesn't say a whole lot. Delanie doesn't say a whole lot. Brian Orakpo doesn't say a whole bunch. They just do their jobs really well. Jason does his job really well."

The Titans kick off preseason game No.2 on Saturday against the Carolina Panthers. In a few weeks, the team will kick off the season at Nissan Stadium against the Minnesota Vikings.

McCourty, like many of his teammates, is counting the days.

Orakpo, following a recent practice when McCourty performed extremely well, exclaimed "J-Mac is back! J-Mac is back!" Anyone within 50 yards could've heard him.

McCourty happened to be standing nearby, and he smiled.

Yes, he's back. And he sure is thankful.

"I love the game," McCourty said. "And I want to make a positive impact on those around me. I

remember coming into the league and guys telling me the one way you stay in this league is with consistency. Let coaches and GMs know what they can expect from you every time you step on the field and I think over those years I've also tried to become a leader and lead by example. So those are two words I'd love for people to remember about me when I'm done playing."

But first, McCourty wants to help the Titans return to winning ways.

He's as optimistic as ever.

"I got a chance to talk to our owner the other day," McCourty said of controlling owner Amy Adams Strunk, "and the excitement in her voice, it made me feel really proud as a player just knowing she is right in this thing with us and she wants to much good for us.

"As an older guy on this team, just to be able to talk to her and shake her hand and see how excited she is, you want to go out there and win for her and the fans and the city of Nashville. It is a different feeling and a different buzz right now and as a player you want to follow that up with wins because that is what's going to keep the buzz going."

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**DIRECTSNAPS: JASON  
MCCOURTY ENTERING  
8TH NFL SEASON**

**BY JASON MCCOURTY  
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*DirectSnaps is a story series contributed by Tennessee Titans players sharing their perspectives, both on and off the field, with fans. This week's entry comes from CB Jason McCourty.*

My wife sent me an email on Friday, the night before our first training camp practice. She was reminiscing on how this all began—my rookie year, driving down from Jersey in my little Nissan Altima, car packed full of clothes, not knowing if I was going to be here for a few weeks or a few years.

I was the 203rd pick in the 2009 NFL Draft and the eighth corner on the roster when I got here. I tried to stay as even-keeled and consistent as I possibly could in that first camp, but it was hard. When we got to the day of final roster cuts, I was hiding in the players' lounge hoping nobody came and tapped me on the shoulder to go see the coach.

Right after cuts, we went into the bubble to line up for stretch. All throughout those weeks at training camp, stretch lines were filled with 10 or 11 guys in each line. I remember looking around and feeling this very real sense of relief that I had made the team but also feeling for the guys that used to be in those lines, the guys I had been out there grinding with on all those tough days of camp, whose dreams had been crushed. David Thornton, a veteran linebacker on the team, looked at me and I'll always remember what he said: "Never forget this feeling. Remember what you've put into these past few weeks and remember those guys you played alongside that are no longer here."

That moment has continued to drive me. Now I'm going into my eighth season just realizing what a blessing

it is. Sometimes training camp can have a "here we go again" feel. But this year is different, for me and for the team.

This is a new chapter.

Last year, I got hurt five days into camp. We thought it was just a little injury, but I ended up needing to have two surgeries and missed 12 games. Next thing you know, I'm being labeled as "injury prone," "old" and "can't play like he used to."

I have a chip on my shoulder now. I'm just so energized. I have something to prove, not only to the naysayers who think I can't do it anymore, but a little bit to myself, too.

It's funny. I'm about to be 29, but I still have that feeling of being a late-round pick coming in, always needing to perform and feeling like someone is on your heels. When you go through an injury like I did last season, you want to make sure you get back out there for the fans, the coaches and your teammates. But my mind is also focused on showing myself that I can still do it and be a good player.

During my years here, I've seen a lot of ups and downs, changes and even confusion at times. But right now, I see us all of one accord, moving forward together. I think Jon Robinson has done a really good job of assembling a team that's better than in previous years. With Coach Mularkey, he lets us know that we're all a part of it. As a player, that's huge. The changes around the building show what the ownership thinks of this team and how much they want to win.

There is new excitement for this team. It's real, not just hype. We want to reward the fans, coaches and owners for putting so much in. And the way we reward them is by winning. Hopefully we're on our way to doing just that.

**DERRICK MORGAN  
THRILLED TO BE BACK  
ON FIELD**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Derrick Morgan is on the comeback trail.

While the Titans outside linebacker isn't 100 percent yet, he's getting closer. Being back on the field has given him an extra bounce in his step after missing the final six games last season.

"I feel good," said Morgan, who finished last year on Injured Reserve after suffering a torn labrum in October. "I haven't been cleared for camp, but I'll be back for camp and ready to go."

"Just being back out there, it's huge. The camaraderie and building the chemistry with teammates is important. It's great to be back in the fold and working toward a common goal together."

In organized team activities, Morgan has been working in individual drills and 7-on-7 drills, he said, but will eventually be cleared for team drills.

A year ago, Morgan racked up 4 ½ sacks in the first four games, and he looked to be on track for a monstrous season. Then Morgan suffered a shoulder injury on October 25 against the Falcons.

He initially played through the injury, but was eventually shut down.

The team's first-round draft pick in the 2010 NFL Draft, Morgan has 27.5 career sacks. Playing alongside veteran Brian Orakpo, and with youngsters like Kevin Dodd and Deiondre Mount in the mix, Morgan is optimistic about his position group, and himself, for 2016. David Bass also played well after Morgan was injured last season.

Dodd, the team's second-round pick out of Clemson, is currently recovering from foot surgery. Mount has been practicing as he works his way back from the torn ACL he suffered last season.

"I set high goals for myself each and every year," Morgan said. "Just being able to go out there and pick up where I left off, and having a full successful year (is my goal)."

"We have a good group. (Dodd) is eager to learn. And coming in, he is not acting like he knows it all. And he is a huge guy. I definitely believe he'll help us. We just have to get him healthy, but I am looking forward to working with him."

"Overall, I have a lot of optimism with the direction we are going," Morgan said. "I think everyone is ready to go."

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**SECOND-YEAR LB  
DEIONTREZ MOUNT  
THRILLED TO BE BACK  
ON FIELD**

**BY JIM WYATT  
TITANS ONLINE  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Titans linebacker Deiontrez Mount only played in four games during his rookie season, but he experienced a roller coaster of emotions.

First came the high. It came in the team's season-opener at Tampa Bay, when Mount intercepted Buccaneers quarterback Jameis Winston.

"I saw how that lit up the bench and made my teammates excited," said Mount, a sixth-round pick out of Louisville in the 2015 NFL Draft. "There's nothing else better in the world.

"It felt so good, and that made me even hungrier. I wanted to be out there even more, making plays like that."

Then came a big low. Mount suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament in practice on October 15, just a few days prior to the team's fifth game of the season. He was placed on Injured Reserve, had surgery, and spent the rest of the year rehabbing.

"Until then, I was progressing more and more as a player they wanted me to become," Mount said. "And then right as I was starting to peak, that happened. It seemed like the end of the world, but I had a strong support system that kept me positive."

In four games, Mount registered a tackle, an interception and a special teams stop in 2015. He missed the final 12 games of the season after being placed on IR on October 17.

He's currently taking part in the team's organized team activities, but on a limited basis as he works his way back from the injury.

"I am about 80 to 90 percent right now," Mount said. "I should be back to full by training camp. At this point we're just trying to be smart with it, and take our time with it. I don't need to be ready until training camp, so they're trying to ease me into it."

Mount said he's looking forward to competing in training camp. He believes he'll be in a better position to be successful after adding 10 pounds to his 6-foot-5 frame this offseason.

He feels stronger, and more durable.

In four seasons at Louisville, Mount racked up 82 tackles and 9.5 sacks, including five in his final season at the school.

"Just to be back out there, it feel outstanding," Mount said. "It is good to be around the fellas and the coaches again, and feel a part of the team.

"Now I am just trying to get as comfortable out there as I can. Even though I am a little bit limited, I am learning the defense and the scheme of it and becoming more comfortable with the plays and my teammates. It's great to be back out there."

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**NEW TITANS RB  
DEMARCO MURRAY "100  
PERCENT" MOTIVATED**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — During a frustrating season in Philadelphia, running back DeMarco Murray never lost his sense of humor.

“I feel like I took a year off last year, so I am fresh,” Murray, with a smile, said on Wednesday.

Murray said he also didn’t lose a step, something he aims to prove to the rest of the NFL after being traded from the Eagles to the Titans on Wednesday.

It’s safe to say he’ll be one motivated Titan in 2016.

Murray was the league’s Offensive Player of the Year in 2014 after leading the NFL and setting Cowboys franchise records in rushing yards (1,845), and scrimmage yards (2,261) on 392 carries. After signing a five-year deal with the Eagles last season, however, Murray gained 702 yards on just 193 carries. His average yards per carry dipped from 4.7 to 3.6 yards, the lowest average of his career.

It led some to question whether Murray can become one of the NFL’s elite running backs again.

“I have never been one to pay attention to the critics, but you obviously hear stuff and are around people and you hear things that are said and it definitely fires you up and motivates you,” Murray said in an interview with Titans Online on Wednesday after arriving in town.

“I’m 100 percent (motivated). The NFL is a place where you have to make the best of your opportunities, and every day is a challenge, every day is a competition. I look forward to competing every day and getting back on track and running the ball

the way I know I can, and running plays I am intrigued by.”

Murray scored 13 touchdowns on 392 carries in 2014, and averaged 115.3 yards per game. He posted 12 100-yard games in 2014, including a 167-yard performance against the Titans in a game at Nissan Stadium in September.

In his lone season with the Eagles, Murray had less than half the carries from the previous season while splitting time with running backs Ryan Mathews and Darren Sproles. Matthews finished last season with 539 yards while finished with 317 yards.

Murray is expected to get a heavy workload with the Titans, who finished 25th in the NFL in rushing offense, averaging just 92.8 yards per game, in 2015.

The team returns running backs Antonio Andrews, Dexter McCluster, Bishop Sankey and David Cobb from a year ago. Andrews led the team in rushing last season with 520 yards, followed by McCluster (247), Sankey (193) and Cobb (146) among running backs.

Murray noted Titans coach Mike Mularkey’s work with running back Michael Turner when he served as offensive coordinator with the Falcons. Turner ran for over 1,300 yards three seasons – including a 1,699-yard season in 2008 – under Mularkey from 2008-2011.

“As a running back, everybody wants to run the ball. I know they have some great backs here already. I am excited to compete, and I am really excited to get things going,” Murray said.

“I have seen what coach Mularkey has done with a guy like Michael Turner in Atlanta and that excites me. Whatever they ask me to do I am willing to do it, whether it is carrying the ball 20 times, 30 times, whatever. I’m excited, and I am going to do my best to help this team out and do as much as I can.”

**DEMARCO MURRAY  
FEELS FRESH AFTER  
LIGHT WORKLOAD IN  
PHILLY**

**BY TERESA M. WALKER  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — DeMarco Murray feels good after a much lighter workload than he prefers last season in Philadelphia, and now the NFL's 2014 rushing leader also has the fresh start he wanted along with a new contract in Tennessee.

"I didn't get as much work as would have hoped to," Murray said Thursday when asked about last year at a news conference. "I feel fresh and I feel good, but not because of my choice."

After signing a five-year, \$40 million contract last March, Murray ran 193 times for 702 yards under coach Chip Kelly — a big drop from his 1,845 yards with Dallas in 2014. With Kelly fired before the last game, the Eagles traded away Murray to the Titans simply for the price of swapping fourth-round picks in April's draft.

For the Titans, this is the first big move by new general manager Jon Robinson to rebuild a franchise that has gone 5-27 the past two seasons and hasn't reached the playoffs since 2008.

The Titans also confirmed deals for Texans center Ben Jones, Miami wide receiver Rishard Matthews and veteran quarterback Matt Cassel. The Titans hold the No. 1 draft selection. Robinson said the Titans also are scheduling some visits as free agency moves past the first 24 hours.

"Today is just a start of the change that's coming here for this football team," Robinson said.

The process of adding the NFL's offensive player of the year in 2014 started at the NFL combine. Robinson said they researched

Murray and credited the running back with studying up on the Titans too. Murray said he even talked with Hall of Fame running back Jerome Bettis to learn about coach Mike Mularkey, Bettis' offensive coordinator in Pittsburgh between 2001-03.

Murray also looked at how Mularkey used Michael Turner in Atlanta and running backs coach Sylvester Croom's track record. Murray said he likes what the Titans have offensively with quarterback Marcus Mariota, veteran tight end Delanie Walker and receiver Dorial Green-Beckham.

"I think this offense is definitely fit for myself," Murray said.

The Titans have not had a running back run for 100 yards or more in a game since Chris Johnson in the final game of the 2013 season, and they released Johnson in April 2014 to avoid the final three years of his contract. The Titans ranked 25th in the NFL last season, running for 92.8 yards per game. Mularkey has made it very clear he wants the Titans to run the ball much better this season, which will help quarterback Marcus Mariota as well.

Murray was asked to run more out of the shotgun formation in Philadelphia rather than deeper behind the line with the quarterback under center. Mularkey said he ran the offense Dallas used with Murray while offensive coordinator in Miami in 2006. The Titans coach said he took some pieces of that scheme for the offense he's running now, so Murray should have a head start in learning Tennessee's playbook.

Mularkey also said Mariota will be under center more than working out of the shotgun, and now the Titans have a tailback in Murray to go with fullback Jalston Fowler.

"It's going to be that smashmouth," Mularkey said. "You can talk all you want about that."

Robinson said Jones, who has started 43 games of 64 games played with Houston, will primarily work at center. The Titans started three different centers in 2014, and Robinson said he has been impressed since talking to Jones at the combine when the lineman was coming out of Georgia.

Jones, 6-foot-3 and 308 pounds, started at right and left guard in Houston, and he started 16 games at center for the Texans last season. He signed his multi-year deal Thursday and said he brings an attitude with him.

"I got to bring something to the table," Jones said. "I'm not the biggest or the tallest guy, most athletic but by golly you're going to have to whip my tail every play."

Cassel, 33, will compete with Zach Mettenberger to back up Mariota. Mularkey said Cassel brings experience with over 80 starts. Mettenberger, a sixth-round draft pick out of LSU in 2013, is 0-10 as a starter.

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## **BRIAN ORAKPO LETTING HIS VOICE, ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDLY**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — In the case of Titans linebacker Brian Orakpo, it's not easy to let his actions speak louder than his words.

Hear his voice, and you'll understand.

"He has a subwoofer, man," linebacker Derrick Morgan said of Orakpo. "We were getting something to eat the other day, and he called my name, 'Derrick.' I stood up. I thought I was in trouble. It was just a natural reaction. His voice, it's crazy. When he talks, people listen."

Orakpo also gets plenty of attention with his play. And he's made a lot of noise in his first season with the Tennessee Titans.

After playing his first six NFL seasons with the Washington Redskins, Orakpo signed with the Titans in March. He's made an immediate impact.

Orakpo has recorded seven sacks in the team's first ten games, and he now has 47 sacks in his seven-year career. With a sack against the Jaguars, Orakpo tied a career high with his fourth consecutive game with at least one sack. He is the Titans' only player other than Jevon Kearse since the beginning of the 1999 season to record a four-game sack streak.

He's exactly what the Titans were looking for when they targeted pass rushers during the offseason.

"He's one of those guys, when opponents say he's a game-wrecker, he's one of them," Titans interim coach Mike Mularkey said of Orakpo. "I think maybe he didn't get the credit early on, but people knew about him and were trying to do things differently to take him out

of the game. I think our defense has done a good job of scheming to try to get him some 1-on-1 matchups and move him around. Teams have struggled with that. But he has been like that, he has been coming like that since day one, since he's been here."

A three-time Pro Bowler with the Redskins, Orakpo wanted to land in an NFL city where he could make a difference when he became a free agent during the offseason. He had a bad run of luck with injuries in Washington, D.C., and knew teams would have to trust he could stay healthy, and produce moving forward.

The Titans emerged as one of those teams, and after considering his options, Orakpo landed in Tennessee.

On a new team, with new teammates, Orakpo knew he'd have to prove himself.

It didn't take him long to fit in. In fact, he was named one of the team's captains earlier this season.

"It is always tough, and different, coming to a new team, and new environment," Orakpo said. "You have to get used to different personalities. But the fit has been great, everyone from the coaching staff to the locker room. I knew that we were rebuilding, that we were a team on the rise. I just wanted to be one of the leaders to help get the team over the hump.

"Already I love it here; Nashville has been great to me. And even though the record isn't what we want it to be, we have great camaraderie on this team. We are a team on the rise. As for the city, it has been phenomenal. My wife and kids love it."

Spend enough time around Orakpo, and among the first things you'll notice – after hearing his voice – is he's a no-nonsense guy.

In the locker room, he doesn't joke around. On the field, he doesn't mess around.

"To me, he is a consummate professional," Titans assistant head coach/defense Dick LeBeau said of LeBeau. "He goes about his job as a pro. He prepares every week, and plays every down. Really, he's a coach's dream."

Orakpo, 29, said he developed his work ethic by watching his parents, who are immigrants from Nigeria.

His dad, Arthur, and mother, Gloria, raised him in Houston, where he played his high school football. Orakpo went to college at Texas, where he became a star, and put himself in a position to be a first round pick (13th overall) by the Redskins in the 2009 NFL Draft.

Orakpo won the Nagurski Trophy (nation's top defensive lineman), Lombardi Award (nation's top lineman) and Hendricks Award (nation's top defensive end) at Texas. His determination from a young age also set a positive example for his younger siblings when the family dealt with adversity. Arthur Orakpo is currently back in Nigeria.

"I just saw their work ethic, and it molded me into how I am today," Orakpo said of his parents. "They didn't have to be strict on me. I was the oldest sibling and I always wanted to set a good example for my brother and sister, and carried it my whole life. My brother and sister would tell you I was dad No.2 in certain situations, just the way I tried to keep them out of trouble."

Orakpo's key to success?

"My drive, man, and just trying to do the right thing, trying to be a man," he said. "I learned a lot from my parents, being Nigerian and coming from a third world country and coming here, their work ethic really translated into me and I really take that as motivation."

Titans safety Michael Griffin went to school with Orakpo at Texas.

Griffin said Orakpo has been a perfect fit with the Titans.

“He has come in and brought leadership presence, and older guy, veteran guy,” Griffin said. “He has done all the things you can possibly do – Pro Bowl, All-Pro, and things of that nature. He is speaking up when need be, but he is definitely letting his actions speak louder than his words.”

Ah yes, back to that voice. Even Orakpo can’t help but smile when asked about it.

It turns out it’s been a topic of conversation from the time he was in elementary school. He was always the kid with the booming voice.

Now he’s the NFL star who happens to make a lot of noise when he opens his mouth, or steps on the field.

“I had an easy childhood as far as dealing with people. (My voice) has always stood out, and I think people always thought I was older than I really was. I was kind of the elder statesman among my peers,” Orakpo said.

“I guess you could say it’s one of a kind. I like it.”

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**JEREMIAH POUTASI  
STILL CONFIDENT WHILE  
ADJUSTING TO GUARD**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. —First things first: Jeremiah Poutasi might've lost his starting job, but he hasn't lost his confidence.

The Titans rookie offensive lineman isn't walking around Saint Thomas Sports Park sulking these days.

"My confidence is very high right now," Poutasi said. "I still have confidence in myself, and know what I can do. I have people believing in me, and I believe in myself. As far as confidence, I feel if I had to go in at right tackle and if I have to go in at guard, I'll play well at either."

A third-round pick out of Utah, Poutasi began the season as the team's starting right tackle. He had his moments, both good and bad, something he freely admits. Poutasi was replaced in some games, and eventually in the starting lineup when the team moved veteran Byron Bell to right tackle for the November 11 game at New Orleans.

The Titans began working Poutasi at left guard in practices, but the team started Joe Looney three straight games before putting rookie Quinton Spain in the starting lineup last Sunday vs. Oakland, when Poutasi was inactive for the first time as a pro. Poutasi was in uniform, but didn't play in a few games prior to being declared inactive.

"It is a humbling experience, but there is nothing wrong with learning more than what you know. It is part of my role," Poutasi said. "Obviously I want to get in there and play, but the right time will come when I get in there. My role right now is to make sure I know everything and if something happens I know what to do."

Titans interim coach Mike Mularkey shuffled the offensive line after taking over for Ken Whisenhunt. He said Poutasi was inactive on Sunday because veteran Jamon Meredith is currently better suited to step in at all the offensive line positions because of his experience.

Mularkey said Poutasi has handled things "extremely well."

"We're not down on Jeremiah," Mularkey said. "We're just trying another rotation to see if they can shorten the line and get our run game going, number one, first, and keep this quarterback upright for the remainder of our games."

Poutasi (6-5, 335) said he's learning while working on the scout team in practices.

Poutasi played at both left and right tackle in college at Utah, but in the long run thinks he might be better suited to play guard in the NFL.

Teammates and coaches have told him to "Keep your head up, keep playing," he said.

"I was happy, a rookie starting at the start of the season -- it's every rookie's dream. And I told myself I was going to do the best I could (at tackle). I have the same mindset at guard," Poutasi said

"I feel like I am a versatile player, but to be honest, I feel like guard is my home. It feels more natural to me. I still have a lot to learn at that position, a lot of technique things to learn, but I feel comfortable at it."

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## **ONE TITANS 'MR. IRRELEVANT' TO ANOTHER: ENJOY THE ATTENTION**

**BY JASON WOLF**  
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She announced his name on stage, not long after the teams swapped picks.

“With the final selection in the 2016 NFL draft...”

One presenter held a Titans helmet. Another unfurled an orange Broncos jersey with the number 253, prepared well in advance. The nameplate read “MR IRRELEVANT,” and nothing says irrelevant quite like the NFL shrugging.

“... Kalan Reed, a defensive back from Southern Mississippi.”

The TV announcer laughed. But for Reed, his selection was a dream come true, a chance to play professional football in Nashville, where he lived as a small child and once played pee wee ball on the Titans’ field. While he’s familiar with Middle Tennessee, he didn’t know much about “Mr. Irrelevant.”

“I thought you just got picked and you went in like everyone else,” he said.

Not quite. Every year since 1976, the last man drafted is bestowed with the moniker and feted with a weeklong celebration in Newport Beach, Calif., an event founded by former NFL receiver Paul Salata. It was his daughter, Melanie Fitch, the CEO of “Irrelevant Week,” who announced Reed’s selection and thrust her fist into the air, concluding the third and final day of the draft on April 30 in Chicago.

This year’s event, which includes a beach party, a parade, a trip to Disneyland and the presentation of the Lowsman Trophy — which

mimics the Heisman Trophy, but with the figurine fumbling the ball — runs from June 3-5.

Reed and former Alabama running back Derrick Henry were among six draft picks to agree to terms with the Titans on Monday, the first day rookies reported to the team’s training complex. But while much has been made of the Titans drafting Henry in the second round — giving Tennessee two Heisman winners, including quarterback Marcus Mariota — relatively little has been said about Reed, a first-team All-Conference USA selection whose addition creates another unlikely pair.

Titans kicker Ryan Succop, drafted with the final pick by the Chiefs in 2009 and entering his eighth season in the NFL, is one of the greatest Mr. Irrelevants of all time. He signed with the Titans as a free agent in 2014.

Would he share some advice for his fellow “irrelevant” teammate?

“I’ll tell you this,” Succop said during a recent stop on the Titans Caravan promotional tour. “You’ve just got to kind of be able to laugh at yourself a little bit, because the whole thing is ... they’re going to roast you and they’re going to toast you. It’s a lot of fun.

“I remember when you first get there, there’s all kinds of people waiting for you when you get off the plane at the airport,” he said. “They have a parade for you. I remember, for me, they tell me I’m going to this parade down at Newport Beach, at the yacht club, and there’s all these million-dollar yachts, and they’re like, ‘Hey, we’re going to bring you in on a boat.’ I’m like, ‘This is awesome. I’m going to be coming in on one of these like 60-foot yachts.’

“Sure enough, they take me around the back of the marina,” he said, “and there’s a little canoe with like a five-horsepower engine on the back. And since I was drafted by the Chiefs, I had an Indian headdress that they made me wear. So my grand entrance into the Mr.

Irrelevant Week to the parade was in a canoe with a five-horsepower engine on the back.

“You’ve definitely got to be able to laugh at yourself and just enjoy it. It’s a pretty fun week.”

The 5-foot-11, 192-pound Reed is naturally far more concerned about making the Titans’ final 53-man roster, never a guarantee for a late seventh-round draft pick.

But he’ll have a good shot. Some analysts expected him to be taken higher, and the secondary is among the Titans’ greatest weaknesses.

Reed had 56 tackles, four interceptions and a school record 19 pass breakups last season. He ran the 40-yard dash in 4.38 seconds and recorded a 41½-inch vertical leap at the Southern Miss pro day in March.

“I’m just grateful to have the opportunity to play football with a tough team like the Tennessee Titans and change the atmosphere around like they’re doing,” Reed said.

The Oilers/Titans franchise has a history of unearthing productive defensive backs with late draft picks, including four-time Pro Bowl safety Blaine Bishop in the now non-existent eighth round in 1993, All-Pro cornerback Cortland Finnegan in the seventh round in 2006, and current starting cornerback Jason McCourty in the sixth round in 2009.

“I think he’s a smart kid, he’s going to figure it out pretty quick,” Succop said. “But I’m excited for him. It’s pretty ironic that Mr. Irrelevant is on the Titans this year. It’s kind of a neat little fraternity, and man, I wish him all the best. He’ll have a great week.”

As for two Heisman winners and two Mr. Irrelevants on the same roster?

“What do y’all think is a bigger deal?” Succop asked. “They’re both

pretty cool, right? Mr. Irrelevant,  
right?”

His small audience laughed and  
nodded.

“OK. Just checking. That’s what I  
thought, too.”

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**O-LINEMAN BRIAN  
SCHWENKE WORKING ON  
HIS GAME IN OTAS**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Brian Schwenke doesn't have to look far to find competition on the field, and in the Titans locker room.

Only Schwenke, who's headed into his fourth NFL season, doesn't view things that way.

He's good friends with new Titans offensive lineman Ben Jones, who is expected to start at center this fall after playing previously with the Texans. Schwenke started the past two seasons as the team's starting center, but injuries cut those seasons short.

"Ben is awesome," Schwenke said Jones. "We have a good group. It is not about competing in my mind. It's about getting on the field and playing the best football you can play, no matter the position. It is just about going out there and being the best "you" you can be. That's something I can control, and I'm going to work as hard as I can to be the best player I can be."

Schwenke, who has started 25 games at center over the past three seasons, continues to recover from an injury. The popular offensive lineman dislocated his left ankle in the team's loss to the Dolphins last October. He was taken off the field on a cart, his lower leg in an air cast, after being tended to by medical personnel on the field at Nissan Stadium. Then came surgery.

Schwenke's been practicing in OTAs, although Jones has been with the first unit.

"First, I have to get back to 100 percent," Schwenke said. "I am pretty much there, but I don't know if I could play in a full game right now. If we had a game tomorrow, it would be a rough game for me, quantity-wise, the number of plays.

"But it feels pretty good, and I'm getting closer. It doesn't feel like it did before I hurt it. It gets sore after a couple of days, but that's a part of the process."

A fourth-round draft pick by the Titans in the 2013 draft, Schwenke's 2014 season was cut short because of a knee injury.

Schwenke said he's been working this offseason at both center and guard, a position he played in college at California. He said he likes the attitude of the team's offensive line, which includes another newcomer in rookie tackle Jack Conklin.

"I played three years of guard at college," Schwenke said. "I don't want to say you lose it after not doing it, but it takes time learning the nuances of the position. But it's a lot of fun. I enjoy the game.

"It is a good group we have (at offensive line). We are all meshing well. Sometimes you have a situation where guys don't mesh as well as they should and guys butt heads, but I don't think there is any of that going on. We are all working hard and trying to make each other better."

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**DA'NORRIS SEARCY  
LIVING OUT HIS DREAM  
IN NFL**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Ever since he could first write his name, Da'Norris Searcy had a Plan A.

He never had a Plan B.

Questions about his dreams and aspirations started in elementary school, and continued in middle school. In high school, those around him insisted he should explore more options when his answer never changed.

"They all asked me what I wanted to be when I was older, for my job," Searcy recalled. "Career day would come along and they'd ask me what I wanted to be and I'd tell them I wanted to play in the NFL. They would always say, 'Well, you need a Plan B. What's your Plan B?' And I'd always tell them, 'Plan A and Plan B are the same. I plan on playing football.'"

Tracy Searcy, his mom, remembers well.

"He didn't have a back-up plan. He never had a back-up plan," she said with a smile. "I used to tell him myself he needed to have a second idea of what he wanted to do, too. But he always said he didn't have to because he was going to play in the NFL. I guess he was right."

Yes, Searcy was right. The safety is in his fifth NFL season, his first with the Tennessee Titans.

On Sunday at Nissan Stadium, Searcy will line up against his old team, the Buffalo Bills. Searcy spent his first four seasons in Buffalo before signing a four-year deal with the Titans during the offseason.

Searcy smiles when he thinks about his childhood dream. But he doesn't pinch himself.

In his mind, there was never a doubt.

"I always give thanks, because I am thankful, and blessed. But I don't pinch myself, no," he said. "I'm not going to lie. I always imagined myself playing in the NFL. I never thought it wouldn't happen."

After playing in 62 games from 2011-14 with the Bills, the Titans signed Searcy in March, and paired him on the back end with veteran safety Michael Griffin.

In his first three games with the Titans, Searcy has made 11 tackles, which ranks him seventh on the team. The 5-foot-11, 207-pounder from Decatur, Ga., has also brought a lively spirit to the defense.

The Titans expect him to be a playmaker for years to come. Searcy tallied 191 tackles, five interceptions and four sacks in Buffalo, and he also forced three fumbles. He scored on a pick-6 in 2013.

"In evaluating the safeties that were out there (in free agency), he stood out as a guy who could do a lot of things for you – play coverage, be physical, and be very active. Just watching his tape, he was impressive," coach Ken Whisenhunt said of Searcy. "We liked everything about him. And he's been good."

"He brings intensity that brings a lot to our football team. It shows up in the weight room, in the meeting rooms, on the field. It shows up in a lot of places. He is a good team player and that helps build that chemistry."

Searcy grew up in an athletic family, his father Donald the leader of the bunch.

Donald Searcy, a linebacker, played semi-pro football. Searcy also had uncles, and a brother who played the game. While his mother

preached academics – and the back-up plan – Donald Searcy pushed his son to be as good as he could possibly be on the football field. He trained him, and instructed him.

Da'Norris Searcy put in the time. He began playing at the age of 4, and loved it. He still remembers watching Monday Night Football every week with his grandmother, Virginia, who passed away in 2002. Searcy wore the No.21 at North Carolina because of his grandmother, who was born in 1921, and he's back in that number with the Titans after wearing No.25 in Buffalo.

When he takes the field on Sundays, he remembers his roots. Searcy has a tattoo of a cross and an angel wings to represent his grandmother and great grandmother.

"The last name on the jersey represents them," Searcy said. "My dad and my uncles, I know they all dreamed about playing in the NFL. My dad, he has always been my No.1 fan. Since I'm the one who is getting a chance to do it, I try and represent them well."

On the field, Searcy is known for his instincts, and play-making ability. With the Bills, he intercepted three passes in 2014, forced a fumble and also caused one.

His teammates with the Titans say he brings an edge.

"He is a very instinctive player," cornerback Jason McCourty said. "He is not the tallest guy, but he packs a lot of power. He has that sense of swag, when he steps foot on the field he expects to make plays."

Griffin said Searcy brings something else.

"Da'Norris, he's a weird guy," Griffin said with a smile. "He's into action figures, Superheroes. He dresses the worst of anyone in practice, and even his whole thing



with cars -- he is into old school American muscle cars. The music he likes, everything is different.

“But he’s a great guy, and he can play football. And he hits the weights hard. He’s a strong, strong guy. And he’s a great guy to have on the team.”

Searcy, who’s married (Kennetra) with a daughter (Kenna), said he’s enjoying Nashville, with the Titans. He misses his friends in Buffalo, but not necessarily the cold weather.

In Tennessee, he’s closer to home. Tracy Searcy is from Chattanooga, and Searcy has family in Nashville and Knoxville. He’s also not far from where his parents now live, in Stone Mountain, Georgia.

Nicknamed Spiderman because he used to do flips on the playground as a kid, Searcy plans to make a mark with the Titans in the years to come.

He wants to make the most of Plan A. And Plan B.

“I had people come forward and say they didn’t think I’d make it.” Searcy said. “Later they came up and apologized for it, and said they were glad to see someone from my neighborhood was courageous enough to do it and it make them proud.

“I love this game. I always have loved football. Off the field I am calm and I am laid back; my wife will tell you I’m nonchalant. But on the field I am zero to 100. I’m always going to go all out and give it everything I have.”

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**DA'NORRIS SEARCY  
WANTS TO BE A "GAME-  
CHANGER" IN 2016**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Da'Norris Searcy made that highlight-reel play every defender loves to make, but he had to wait for it -- all the way until the season-finale, in fact.

That's when the Titans safety recorded his first interception with the team, picking off a pass against the Colts. It set up a touchdown.

"I was due, huh?," Searcy said with a smile afterward.

After playing his first four seasons with the Bills, the Titans signed Searcy to a four-year deal in March. He started at safety alongside veteran Michael Griffin, playing in 15 of 16 games. Searcy didn't have as many "splash" plays as he would've liked in 2015, but coaches were pleased with his performance.

Titans defensive coordinator Ray Horton praised Searcy for his unselfishness.

"He did exactly what we asked," Horton said of Searcy. "He patrolled, and really, he put his ego to the side and said 'OK, I'll do what you guys ask me to do. He didn't freelance and go where he wanted to. Stats are important, but sometimes you have to do the dirty work and make sure you're where you're supposed to do to protect the defense. And the defense got better."

"I am not disappointed with what he did at all. He has range, he has fantastic hands, and he is smart. And I expect him to have a better year next year because he learned our defense."

Searcy finished the season with 54 tackles, a half-sack, four passes defended, and the interception of Colts quarterback Josh Freeman.

Searcy had three interceptions in his final season with the Bills, in 2014, and now has six in his five-year NFL career.

"They knew when they brought me in I was an aggressive type safety, and they knew I was smart, and could read formations and different routes. But I had to sacrifice jumping routes to protect guys in the defense," Searcy said. "You could say I sacrificed a lot for the good of the defense, and we (finished) in the top 10 in pass defense (7th).

"Sure, I want to make more flash plays. I want to be a game-changer on the defensive side of the ball. You have a lot of game-changers on offense, and I want to be mentioned in the same company as the other elite safeties. What separates those guys from everybody else is the ability to make game-changing plays, so I would love the opportunities to do that. But anything coaches needed me to do I was willing to do for the sake of the defense."

With a year under his belt with the Titans, Searcy isn't sure exactly what's in store around him.

Griffin has a year left on his contract, but his status is uncertain because of a hefty salary for 2016. Griffin talked about that uncertainty on numerous occasions at the end of the year. Right now, the Titans are also in the middle of interviews for the head coaching job.

Searcy has already set his goals for 2016, however.

"The two Ps -- playoffs and Pro Bowl," Searcy said. "That's what you want every year, but there's a lot more emphasis on it this coming season. This past season it was about coming to a new environment, and I was the new guy coming in. I didn't want to step on any toes, I wanted to come in and help.

"I definitely want to be more of a game-changer next season for this defense."

## **EAGER ROOKIE WR TAJAE SHARPE BROUGHT HIS OWN FOOTBALL**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – When Titans rookie receiver Tajae Sharpe showed up for his first day on the job last week, he brought his own football with him.

Sharpe carried the pigskin across the parking lot and into the front door at Saint Thomas Sports Park. From there, he went to the locker room.

Talk about coming prepared.

Turns out it was just another day for Sharpe, an enthusiastic fifth-round draft pick out of Massachusetts who plans to make a name for himself in the NFL.

“I am a man that plays football so I want to always have it in my hand,” Sharpe explained. “I just like to hold the football. I usually go to sleep with my football. This is my job and this is my dream. I love it, and I’m going to carry it around as much as I can, just because.”

Sharpe was impressive during the team’s open rookie mini-camp practice on Friday, catching roughly a half-dozen passes in competitive drills. Earlier in the week, a video produced by Titans Online the day the rookies reported for the start of the offseason program showed Sharpe clutching a football as he walked in. It left some fans fired up.

Sharpe didn’t think much of it. He said he’s been carrying a football just about everywhere he goes since he first started playing the game. He remembers doing so in high school.

The Titans, of course, have hundreds of footballs inside the walls at STSP. Sharpe might be the first Titan to ever to bring his own football to work.

“Nobody said anything to me about it (here), but that’s something I

usually always do,” he said with a smile. “As a receiver you are going to have the ball in your hands most of the time so you have to get used to the football. I just like to carry it.”

Occasionally, Sharpe took a football to classes. When he traveled to Nashville, he put the football in a bag when he strolled through the airport. Friends and teammates seem to like it based on the impromptu games of catch that always seem to break out.

“The strangest place I’ve taken it?,” Sharpe said, repeating a question. “I’ve taken it in the bathroom. ... I’ve taken it a lot of places.

“No, I’ve never taken it on a date or anything like that.”

The Titans like Sharpe’s attitude, and his potential.

In 2015, he led the nation with 111 catches. Sharpe (6-2, 194) turned the catches into 1,319 receiving yards and five touchdowns last season. In four seasons at Massachusetts, he caught 277 passes for 3,386 yards and 16 touchdowns.

The Titans selected Sharpe with the 140th pick in the fifth round of the NFL Draft.

Now, he’s hoping to make a name for himself in the NFL by being consistent.

“We have to earn everyone’s respect,” he said of the rookie class. “Respect is earned and not given. If a veteran speaks to you, that’s great. But you don’t want to be all loud ... You want to show the guys you are about winning.

“I am just going to come in here and work hard and study hard and do my best to prove I can play at this level.”

This much is certain: Sharpe is thankful for the opportunity.

If the sight of him carrying the football across the parking wasn’t

convincing enough, just look behind his left ear. There, you’ll find the word “Blessed.”

Sharpe got the tattoo just a few days ago.

“It describes me,” Sharpe said. “I truly am blessed, having my dreams come true when I got drafted by the Titans. It is something I can’t even put into words. So it is something I want to be able to express and can look at every single day and remind myself how truly blessed I am.

“A lot of people wish they were in my position so I don’t want to take anything for granted. I plan to give this organization 110 percent every single day.”

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## WHY TITANS ROOKIE TAJAE SHARPE LOOKS LIKE THE REAL DEAL

**BY JOHN GLENNON**  
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It was easy to believe the magic would fade at some point, that Titans rookie wide receiver Tajae Sharpe would eventually look like, well, a rookie.

Maybe it would happen at the start of minicamp in June, when veterans started playing alongside the rookies.

Maybe at the start of training camp, when everything gets more serious. Maybe when practices in full pads began.

All those key dates have come and gone, however, and less than a week before the Titans play their first preseason game Sharpe still looks like one of the team's biggest surprise stories.

The fifth-round draft pick out of Massachusetts is still running with the first team — ahead of former second-round picks Dorial Green-Beckham and Justin Hunter — and giving every indication he'll be difficult to unseat.

"I would put him in the category of a natural football player who understands the game," Titans wide receivers coach Bob Bratkowski said. "He operates at a level of a third-year professional. He's got it figured out. He knows what it takes to be a pro, which is rare for a rookie."

What's behind Sharpe's preseason success? Here are three factors that have contributed to the 140th overall selection's climb up the depth chart:

### Background

Sharpe may have played at a small Division I school — Massachusetts

is part of the Atlantic 10 Conference — but he played under a head coach with a big-time NFL background.

Mark Whipple, who coached Sharpe during his last two seasons at UMass, served as Steelers quarterbacks coach from 2004-06, an Eagles offensive assistant in 2008, and as Browns quarterbacks coach from 2011-12.

The Minutemen ranked 37th out of 128 FBS teams in passing offense last season, averaging 257.5 yards per game. That's pretty impressive for a school that only moved into the FBS four seasons ago.

Sharpe was without a doubt the No. 1 option in Whipple's offense, as he caught 196 passes over his final two seasons, including a national-best 111 as a senior.

"He got a lot of good coaching," Bratkowski said. "But he was also raised very well. He has a maturity to him."

It shouldn't be ignored that Sharpe played four seasons of college football, as opposed to three for Hunter and just two for Green-Beckham.

"He's not a completely finished product," Bratkowski said, "but he's well on his way."

### Precision

The fact that Sharpe doesn't have spectacular athletic skills — he ran the 40-yard dash in 4.55 seconds at the NFL combine and posted a 33.-5-inch vertical leap — meant that he had to find different ways to beat defensive backs.

His footwork, route-running, deceptiveness and ability to gain separation are all excellent.

"He's not the biggest guy and probably not the fastest guy. But he's quick and I think he understands the game. He's good in and out of his breaks," Titans cornerback Jason McCourty said. "I know going against (former Colts star) Reggie Wayne for years, he

probably wasn't the biggest guy and he wasn't the fastest guy either, but he knew how to run routes.

"When you can change the tempo of your routes and not show it in your body, and do the small things, you can get open. When you can get open and catch the ball, you can make plays."

The 6-foot-2, 194-pound Sharpe has also minimized the common rookie mistakes — like lining up in the wrong place, forgetting a route or failing to concentrate on catches.

"He's making some typical (mistakes) but not very many," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "For being with the ones and for getting the number of reps he's getting, they're not bad for a rookie."

### Attitude

One of the most commonly heard phrases about Sharpe is that he doesn't act like a rookie.

"We felt like he fit from the beginning — I don't think he was intimidated by anything," Titans offensive coordinator Terry Robiskie said. "He didn't walk in with the rookie attitude of, 'Hey, let's see what's happening here.' He came in with the heart and desire to make it happen.

"I don't think he wants to be looked at as a rookie. He looks like he fits. He wants you to feel like he belongs and he wants to demonstrate he belongs."

Part of the way Sharpe has demonstrated his desire is the effort he puts in off the field. Titans coaches have said the Piscataway, N.J., native makes frequent visits to their offices, asking questions about completed practices or looking ahead to the next day's challenge.

"He spends a lot of time studying," Bratkowski said. "He's taken a lot on his own by spending all the extra time he can, making sure he's got everything down pat."

**CB LESHAUN SIMS WANTS  
TO BRING PHYSICAL  
PLAY TO NFL**

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“Of course it’s going to be a learning curve just like with anything else,” Sims said. “I’m just ready to come in and learn as much as I can and try to contribute to a team any way I can.”

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — LeShaun Sims earned a reputation in college for being a tough, physical football player.

The Titans believe that will carry over in the National Football League.

On Saturday, the Titans selected the Southern Utah cornerback with the 157th pick in the fifth round.

The team moved up to get him, giving up pick 176 (sixth round) and a 6th-round pick in 2017 for the 157th pick (Sims) and a seventh round pick (253) this year.

“I’m just happy to get the opportunity to play for the Titans,” Sims said on Saturday. “I am happy with how today went.”

Sims (6-0, 203) racked up 220 tackles in four seasons at Southern Utah, where he was a four-year starter for the Thunderbirds. He was a no-star recruit out of high school while playing receiver and free safety. After redshirting as a freshman, he intercepted three passes in his first college season.

Sims worked out for Titans defensive backs coach DeShea Townsend in March, and met with team officials at the NFL Combine.

Sims started 12 games as a senior in 2015, when he also has 12 passes defensed and two interceptions while earning first team All-Big Sky honors.

NFL.com projects Sims as a press corner in the NFL, describing him as a "constant annoyance to receivers getting into their framework with jabs from press and then crowding them throughout their route."



**UNDRAFTED GUARD  
FEELS HE'S NOT  
FINISHED STARTING**

**BY DAVID BOCLAIR**  
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Quinton Spain didn't have the reputation he thought.

When the time came, he didn't have much of a plan either.

Some players who don't get drafted study NFL rosters and consult with their agents at length to try and determine where they might get the best opportunity. Ignored by pretty much every other franchise despite the fact that he was a two-time All-Big 12 player at West Virginia, Spain, a 6-foot-4, 330-pound guard, went where he felt wanted.

"It wasn't planned like that but I felt Tennessee was the place to be because coming out of college," he said. "I didn't go to the combine, I didn't have the Senior Bowl and Tennessee still gave me a private visit. So I felt like they were interested. After the draft, I didn't hear my name called [but] Tennessee called and I just went and signed."

He couldn't have picked a better spot if he tried.

Spain not only made the active roster out of training camp, he remained on it throughout the entire season and by late November he was the starter at left guard. When training camp opened last week, he was still in that spot.

"My mindset from the start (of the offseason) was, 'It's my job to lose,'" he said. "I just have to keep competing and better the team. Whatever happens, happens."

He is the exception on a starting line that otherwise consists of high-profile, highly coveted players. Left tackle Taylor Lewan, right guard Chance Warmack and right tackle Jack Conklin all were first-round picks. Center Ben Jones signed a

high-priced free agent deal during the offseason.

And there are times when Spain looks out of place.

"He's been a little bit hot-and-cold," coach Mike Mularkey said Thursday. "More hot than cold, but when he's had his mistakes, they've been pretty significant. I mean, they stand out. ... He was an undrafted free agent last year (and) he's held his own, but the more he gets, the better he's going to get as well. He's still in a competition at that left guard position."

It's certainly a step up from a year ago when he was in competition just to get a place on the roster. Not that Spain cares either way.

"It felt great to be able to come in here and compete for a spot," he said. "Now I'm up there but I still have to compete for the whole camp. So we'll see what happens."

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**TITANS ADD  
LINEBACKER WHO  
OVERCAME  
DEVASTATING KNEE  
INJURY**

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Every step in Sean Spence's career at this point is a bonus.

The latest was to sign a free agent contract with the Tennessee Titans, which is a notable one for a player whose career once looked as if it was over before it started.

The Titans announced the deal with the 27-year-old inside linebacker Wednesday. According to ProFootballTalk.com, it is a one-year pact worth \$2.5 million.

A third-round pick by Pittsburgh in the 2012 draft, he did not play a down his first two years in the league because of a devastating knee injury sustained during the Steelers' 2012 preseason finale. He required reconstructive surgery on all three ligaments in the knee, which also sustained nerve damage.

He spent that season on injured reserve and all of 2013 on the reserve – physically unable to perform list. Pittsburgh personnel at the time said it would be a miracle if he played again.

Spence told the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette prior to the 2013 season, "I know I'm going to beat the odds."

He appeared in all 16 games (nine starts) in 2014 and 15 games (four starts) last fall, when he had 34 tackles, one sack and two special teams tackles. The Steelers named him their 2014 Ed Block Courage Award recipient.

"I think my faith and courage was tested ... with what I was going through and being away from football for two seasons," Spence said at that time. "It showed patience and continuing to work no

matter what others thought the outlook was like."

Spence is the second free agent addition to the defense this offseason (the first was cornerback Brice McCain). Both played for defensive coordinator Dick LeBeau at Pittsburgh.

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## **CRAIG STEVENS WANTS TO MAKE CONTACT, NOT FRIENDS ON FIELD**

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Craig Stevens likes to get the last shove, not the last word.

On the football field, that's not necessarily the best way to make lot of friends.

"I'm probably annoying to guys," the Titans tight end said with a smile. "A lot of those guys are talking smack to me. I don't talk, I keep my mouth shut and play. I think that probably frustrates guys, but I just don't get into that.

"Really, I just always play snap to the whistle and just try to play with relentless effort, and not stop, not give up. I think coach (Mike) Mularkey likes that. Any coach wants guys to give it full effort and that's what I try to do. I've always done that I guess."

The Titans clearly like it. On Thursday, the Titans agreed to terms with Stevens on a new contract.

A third round draft pick by the Titans in 2008, Stevens has spent all eight of his NFL seasons with the Titans. He's considered one of the NFL's best blocking tight ends.

"I am really happy about it. I'm stoked," Stevens said. "This is home. I didn't want to go anywhere else. I am very fortunate they wanted me back.

"And I feel good. I just try and play as hard as I can, and do the best I can. And when I can't play as hard as I can, I'll be done. But I am as strong as I've ever been, I have been working hard, and I feel good. I am really excited about this year."

Stevens has played in 109 career games. He played in all 16 games in 2015, with 11 starts, and recorded 12 catches for 121 yards and two

touchdowns. Stevens has 60 receptions for 724 yards and six touchdowns in his career. He joins veteran tight ends Delanie Walker and Anthony Fasano on the roster.

In making the announcement Thursday night at an event for season ticket holders at the Music City Center, Titans general manager Jon Robinson described Stevens as a "roll your sleeves up" kind of guy.

"We were fortunate enough to resign one of our cornerstone pieces offensively," Robinson said of Stevens. "I was watching him again the other night against New Orleans and (defensive end) Cam Jordan is a pretty good player for New Orleans and (Craig) he pushed him around pretty good all game long. So we're glad to have him back."

Stevens, voted by his teammates as the recipient of the Ed Block Courage Award for his comeback from a leg injury in the 2014 season that limited him to five games, said he's ready to do his part.

He's a big fan of Mularkey, who served as his position coach before being promoted to interim head coach last season. The Titans removed the interim tag from Mularkey's job title last month.

"When I had my injury, I didn't know if I was going to be able to bounce back from that. Coach Mularkey really supported me, and believed in me," Stevens said. "We were lucky to have him as our tight ends coach and now we're luckier to have him as our head coach.

"He knows how to get the best out of you, and push you. He just wants guys to play with full effort. He treats everyone really well. I really like the direction we are going in. Guys on the team like him and want to play hard for him, too."

Stevens is also a big fan of winning, and wants to get back to it.

The Titans haven't been to the playoffs since his rookie season in 2008. The past two seasons, the

Titans have won just five games total.

"I talk about it all the time. That was a very exciting time, a lot of fun," Stevens said of the '08 season. The Titans went 13-3 in the regular season that year, but lost in the playoffs to Baltimore. "You put so much work into it, and the game is so much more fun when you are winning.

"I just want to get some wins. I don't know how many years I have left and I want to finish on top."

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**TITANS KICKER RYAN  
SUCCOP CADDIES FOR  
FRIEND WESLEY BRYAN  
AT NASHVILLE GOLF  
OPEN**

**BY MICHAEL MURPHY**  
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BRENTWOOD — For Wesley Bryan, Friday's second round at the Nashville Golf Open was a bit of a mixed bag.

Bryan, the first-day leader after firing a course-record 9-under 63 on Thursday, struggled through a difficult final nine holes to finish 4 over on day two at Nashville Golf and Athletic Club, falling out of the top spot and into an 11-way tie for 14th at 5-under 139 for the tournament.

"I shot 43 coming into the house, so I'm pretty hot right now," said Bryan, who was plagued by three bogeys and a pair of double bogeys on his back nine. "I got off to a good start and just didn't finish well."

Fortunately for the 25-year-old South Carolinian who already has secured his 2017 PGA Tour card, he had a friendly face close by in college friend and Titans kicker Ryan Succop.

"He really helped keep me from blowing up on the back nine," said Bryan, who, despite some friendly back-and-forth after the round, took all of the blame for Friday's round. "I accept full responsibility for today. He had no way, shape or form anything to do with the implosion on the back nine."

Said Succop: "I didn't give him any numbers at all today. I didn't read any putts. My job was very simple, to carry the bag, give zero golf advice and just have fun."

In fact, Bryan and Succop, who have remained friends since the two attended the University of South Carolina, appeared to have a pretty good time considering Bryan carded

his worst Web.com Tour round since May 14.

"We've been buddies for a long time and obviously with what Wesley has been able to do with his pro career has been special," said Succop, who has connected on 33 of 38 field goals since signing with the Titans in 2014. "To get a chance to be a part of it, that's a great day, I don't care what the number was."

"The score does not indicate how much fun we had," Bryan added.

Succop, who missed Thursday's opening round in order to attend the Titans' minicamp, also will be on the bag this weekend as Bryan, who made his PGA Tour debut at last week's FedEx St. Jude Classic in Memphis, looks to capture his third Web.com Tour tournament title of 2016, becoming the 11th player to earn an automatic performance promotion to the PGA Tour and the first to do so since 2014.

"We'll be better tomorrow," Bryan said.

"Obviously the number wasn't what we wanted, but we're in a great spot and looking forward to playing this weekend," Succop said. "I'm a glass-is-half-full kind of a guy."

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**ROOKIE LINEMAN  
SEBASTIAN TRETOLA  
ADJUSTING TO NFL'S  
GAME**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Comparing Titans guard Sebastian Tretola to a bull in a china shop would be an insult to all those who play around him.

The NFL doesn't have any dainty, porcelain-like objects on the field.

It is accurate, however, to say the Titans are trying to reign Tretola in during his first few months on the job.

"He has to watch his aggression," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said of Tretola. "He is too overly aggressive trying to get thick into guys and he can't do that. He has to use his hands a little better than he's been using them.

"It's a good problem. I'd rather pull him back than beg him to do it. I saw some (improvement) but he has some room to grow."

The 6-foot-4, 318-pound Tretola doesn't deny it.

"Don't move so fast," he said, critiquing himself. "Obviously when you get to this level, the d-linemen and the linebackers you play are so good with their hands, and they are good at reading plays. So if they see a play going one way they are going to ride it, if (there's) a cutback, they're going to make a play to get back on the ball carrier. So with that you have to gradually come up, you can't go all-in and try and smack them. So that is one of the things I have to work on.

"Through the whole draft process, (my aggressiveness) was my biggest plus. I am extremely, extremely physical. So obviously that is what you want. It is a good problem to have to try and be less physical, so I

am going to work on it and get better every day."

The Titans still haven't decided on who will play left guard on the team's five-man offensive line, opposite right guard Chance Warmack.

Quinton Spain worked with the starters at the position during OTAs and minicamp, and right now Mularkey said he's the front-runner. But players like Tretola and second-year pro Jeremiah Poutasi are also in the mix. Brian Schwenke has also worked some at guard this offseason, and Josue Matias is also in the mix.

Tretola said he's learning, and hopes to be a contender.

"Obviously there is competition, and I want to be a starter for this team and be a great player for this team, but at the same time I have to learn. I have to sit back and take the baby steps and learn and let it come as it may," he said.

"I expected it to be fast (in the NFL), and I expected it to be powerful. Efficiency, I wasn't expecting that to be the key factor that stood out. I feel like that is the biggest difference between college and the NFL is how efficient everybody is. Everybody knows what they are doing every single time and they know where they are supposed to be. So with that, you have to be just as efficient, if not more to get your job done."

The Titans selected Tretola in the sixth round (193rd overall) of the NFL Draft. Tretola started all 13 games at left guard last season and 24 straight contests to close his career at Arkansas. He allowed one sack on the season to help Arkansas lead the SEC in fewest sacks allowed for the third straight season. He earned an 80 percent offensive grade in 10 of 13 games, according to Arkansas.

Tretola said he's seen improvement since walking in the door in early May, after the draft.

He's already looking forward to the end of July, when training camp begins – and the pads come on.

"It is starting to slow down, and things are starting to make sense," he said. "I am starting to see things in a different light, see it in a different way and reacting better. I definitely feel I am getting better in time.

"I am definitely looking forward to putting the pads on. You can't really play o-line without pads on. Without being able to judge, getting hit every play or hitting a guy every play. Hitting him is different, moving him is different, everything is different. Once we get these pads we're definitely going to get the ball rolling here."

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## **DELANIE WALKER MOTIVATED FOR MORE SUCCESS IN 2016**

**BY JIM WYATT  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Delanie Walker made history with his record-breaking season in 2015.

The veteran tight end, who's preparing for his 11th NFL season, has no plans to let up. He knows folks are counting on him, both inside and outside the building at Saint Thomas Sports Park.

"Someone asked me before: How do I keep my momentum? How do I keep the love for the game playing for so many years in the NFL?," Walker said on Tuesday. "I always say it's my family. I take care of my family, at least 75 percent of my family, and I think football is what helps me do it.

"And I love playing the game. I love being in this atmosphere with my teammates. I don't think there is anything like it. This is a job people wish they could have, being able to play a game you love and being able to interact with some of your best friends, and get paid to do it."

Walker led the Titans and all NFL tight ends in receptions in 2015. He caught 94 passes for 1,088 receiving yards, with six touchdowns.

He set a franchise records for tight ends in catches and receiving yards, and became just the ninth tight end in NFL history to record 90 catches in a season, joining Tony Gonzalez (five times), Jason Witten (four), Todd Christensen (two) and Dallas Clark, Jimmy Graham, Ben Coates, Martellus Bennett and Rob Gronkowski.

The work earned Walker a trip to the Pro Bowl, and put him right in the middle of the conversation about the NFL's best at the position.

He's motivated to keep it going.

"I always felt like I was an elite tight end in the league, and I finally got the opportunity to play in the Pro Bowl," Walker said. "But it hasn't changed me. I am still hungry, and I want to do more. This time, I don't want to be an alternate. I want to be that guy that gets voted in and I know that takes us winning games. This year I really think we are going to win the games and I'll probably get the recognition I deserve."

Walker is excited because of some of the changes around him.

The team has been busy this offseason, adding 10 new players since the beginning of March, including a trade for former Cowboys and Eagles running back DeMarco Murray.

Last week, Titans general manager Jon Robinson also pulled off a trade involving the No.1 pick. Robinson shipped the pick to the Rams, and acquired a boatload of picks in exchange, including two second-round picks in this year's draft and an additional first-round pick next year.

"I think there's been some great moves," Walker said. "The GM is bringing in players who can compete, guys who will make this team better and get us going in the right direction. Coming from the Patriots and how that organization usually handles business, I knew he would bring that mindset here to try and turn this organization around."

In Murray, the Titans now have a proven running back to lead a younger group. In 2014, Murray was named the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year after racking up 1,845 rushing yards with the Cowboys.

"Just watching him over the years and seeing the things he has done," Walker said, "I know he is a playmaker and he has the ability to take over the game and that is something that can help our offense."

On Monday, coach Mike Mularkey mentioned the addition of Murray

could mean more blocking assignments for Walker.

The idea had already crossed Walker's mind.

"I am pretty sure," Walker said. "When you have a threat like that, and you have a tight end threat, if I am on the field at all times blocking and running routes, I think that gives us a mismatch on the field. Defenses won't know what is going on, and that just gives you another opportunity to put points on the board."

Walker, who has caught at least 60 passes in every season since joining the Titans in 2013, won't lie when asked about the favorite part of his job description.

"I'd rather catch the football," he said with a smile.

But coming off two and three-win seasons over the past two years, he's willing to do whatever for the team to have success.

"I mean, they pay me to play football, and if I have to block, I'll block," Walker said. "I'll block when I need to, and I have fun doing that. And if we need a bigger guy to come in we have a guy who can do that as well. We signed Craig (Stevens) back and he is one of the best blockers in the NFL. I have no worries. Whatever they ask me to do I am willing to do it.

"I just want to win games."

Tight end Delanie Walker has two events later this week:

### **Carving It Up with Delanie Walker**

What: Walker will join guests for a cocktail reception, appetizers, and a live and silent auction (including tickets, jerseys and helmets). The event will benefit the Delanie Walker Gives Back Foundation, which provides inner city and low-income children with educational opportunities and resources to reach their full potential and beat the odds.

## DELANIE WALKER

For more information, visit [delaniewalker.org](http://delaniewalker.org).

feel like they are safe. It's a safe zone where they can learn."

When: Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

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Where: Texas de Brazil (210 25th Avenue N #110

Cost: \$50 tickets at [delaniewalker.org](http://delaniewalker.org)

Walker quote: "It's just trying to build awareness for our community in Nashville. I want people to know the Titans are doing things in the community and trying to help the kids, and our future. The kids will be the doctors, the lawyers, the teachers of the future."

### **Delanie Walker's Imagination Station**

What: Walker will reveal a community outreach program to students. A new reading room, created in collaboration with Scholastic Book Fairs, will be furnished with bookshelves, beanbag chairs, a reading module and stereo listening center and audio library. The station will provide access to 1,200 age-appropriate books and serve as a dedicated area where students and their families can read, lead and explore together. Walker will read to the students at the end of the event.

When: Friday

Where: Fall-Hamilton Elementary School

Cost: This is private event, open to invited guests.

Walker quote: "It's a library we built, and it's a free safe zone where they can pick a book of their choice. We have found out when kids pick a book of their choice, they are more likely to read it. So this gives them an opportunity where they can study, do their homework and also read. It is something dear to me. I feel like if I can help kids learn, or help parents who can't afford to help get them a library card, this is an opportunity for them to get a book. They can do their homework in there, or play games, and they can

**TITANS' DELANIE  
WALKER: NO RUSH TO  
BEFRIEND ROOKIES**

**BY JASON WOLF  
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Delanie Walker wasn't given anything — he had to earn it.

From the moment he stepped on an NFL practice field as a rookie sixth-round draft pick of the 49ers in 2006 — the same year San Francisco used a first-round selection on tight end Vernon Davis — until today, when he's recognized as one of the top tight ends in the game, he's had to prove himself.

And the Titans' Pro Bowl tight end holds Tennessee's rookies to the same standard.

Perhaps more so. While it's good to see his Titans teammates during the offseason organized team activities that began this week, and pull on a helmet and run around, Walker is sure to keep the newcomers at arm's length.

"I don't get to know anybody until they make the team," Walker said. "I talk to them, but they might not be here. There ain't too much I need to learn from them till they make the team. That's everybody. Anyone that's a rookie.

"You've got to earn the right," he said. "These rookies come in nowadays, stuff's given to them. I'm not going to be your friend until you make the team."

The Titans had 10 draft picks under first-year general manager Jon Robinson, including five of the first 64 players taken, and most are virtually guaranteed roster spots. They're among 23 rookies on the Titans' current 90-man roster.

The group includes former Michigan State tackle Jack Conklin, selected eighth overall, and former Alabama running back Derrick

Henry, who just happened to win the Heisman Trophy.

Walker, 31, is coming off the best season of his career, having finished with 94 catches for 1,088 yards and six touchdowns, with most of the passes coming from then-rookie quarterback Marcus Mariota, another Heisman winner.

He's is going to get to know many of these young guys well. And he knows it.

"I've been sizing up Henry, man, and he's a big dude," Walker said earlier this month. "I have to put him in his place early. But he's a good dude. I'm just messing with him, giving him a hard time because I feel like he's going to be a monster for this team. I usually don't talk to the rookies until they make the team. But he's one of the guys that I think can help this team out."

Walker, who was already under contract for the upcoming season, signed a two-year, \$14.7 million extension this month that will keep him with the Titans through the 2018 season.

He's considered one of the team's leaders, especially on offense, and the rookies know their place, that they have something to prove.

"They don't talk to me at all. Not at all," Walker laughed. "I'm a good dude, but they know. You've got to make the team first."

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**AARON WALLACE'S  
VERSATILITY GETS  
TITANS COACHES'  
ATTENTION**

**BY TERRY MCCORMICK  
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During last week's rookie mini-camp, Tennessee Titans coaches wanted to challenge their newcomers to be able to do as much as possible without being overloaded.

Some of the rookies apparently were quick to make an impression, including seventh-round linebacker Aaron Wallace of UCLA, who showed a knack for versatility.

Wallace, who figures to have to earn his roster spot this fall in part on special teams, also showed plenty of smarts at the linebacker position, playing in all four spots during the rookie work. That was something that, no doubt, impressed head coach Mike Mularkey.

"Aaron Wallace, he practiced all four linebacker positions. For the very first day, that kind of gives you an indication of where he's at and his ability to pick up things," Mularkey said.

For his part, Wallace said playing both the outside spots and on the inside is not a difficult adjustment, though he has to remind himself mentally on occasion of what to do at what position.

"It's been good. It's going back to back and switching positions. I kind of have to switch gears a lot in my head, but in the week that I've been here, I've been able to take in a lot of information," Wallace said. "Being able to move around is only going to make me more valuable as a player."

Indeed, Wallace's first taste of NFL life showed him what type of adjustment he would have to make from college to the pro game.

"It really doesn't feel all that different. But this is the highest level of football there is. This is grown men playing the game. This is it, it's a dream come true," Wallace said.

Wallace also said he recognizes that the Titans, just 5-27 the past two years, are attempting to change the overall atmosphere with a new coach, new general manager and new philosophy. He went through the same thing at UCLA, as Jim Mora, Jr. took over the Bruins in 2012.

"When I was at UCLA, this same transition was happening with the new coach, trying to establish a new culture for the team. Guys being tough and being physical, and if you can't be like that, you're not gonna be on the team. I think I can fit the mold of a high effort, smart player," Wallace said.

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## **TITANS' AVERY WILLIAMSON ENJOYS BEING ON TEAM**

***BY BRANDON SHIELDS  
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Avery Williamson spent a day each year growing up riding with his parents to Jackson and getting autographs during the Tennessee Titans Caravan stop in the Hub City.

“It was always exciting to me when I was younger to be there and meet those guys and dream about being where they were,” said Williamson, who is a 2010 graduate of Milan High School and '14 graduate from the University of Kentucky. “So being in this situation now, being one of the guys on the team is great for me.

“I love talking with fans – from Milan or anywhere else – and getting to know them and appreciating the fact they want to come talk to me.”

Williamson got to be one of the Titans signing the autographs on Saturday for the second time, two years almost to the day after he was selected in the fifth round by the Titans. Offensive lineman Taylor Lewan was also there along with radio broadcaster Mike Keith and the mascot, T-Rac.

The experience is also an exciting one for his parents, Henry and Jacinta, who still live in Milan in the house Avery grew up in on the north side of town.

“We don’t go anywhere often where someone doesn’t ask us how Avery is doing,” Jacinta said. “It’s been like that since he was in college, and we of course love talking about our children.”

It didn’t take long for Avery to make an impact for the Titans.

“I was excited for him because he did get that opportunity, and he’s really flourished in that role,” Henry said. “He’s done a great job, and

we’re blessed to watch him do what he’s gained the ability to do.” He spent his rookie season as the third-leading tackler on the team and taking over starting duties at middle linebacker in the fifth game when injuries higher on the depth chart created the opportunity for him.

Avery finished that rookie season with 79 total tackles and three sacks to go along with a pair of fumble recoveries.

His production increased last season as his total tackles jumped to 102 with 3.5 sacks and an interception.

He’s quickly become a fan favorite among the Titans fan base because of his production, his hometown being 130 miles away from Nissan Stadium and one memorable incident involving the eventual league MVP last year, Carolina quarterback Cam Newton.

With the game in hand, Newton ran for a touchdown late in the game and danced in the end zone for what Williamson felt like was a little too long and confronted him in the end zone.

His mother would’ve preferred he didn’t have the conversation. “I can’t say exactly what I said to him, but I let him know he didn’t need to go that long,” Avery said with a laugh before answering a question about how much fan devotion might have increased after that visible conversation. “I’ve gotten a lot of comments about it from people thanking me for it and appreciating the fact that I stood up for the team.”

“Maybe just take a seat and let somebody else handle it,” Jacinta suggested with a grin.

But Avery’s parents haven’t missed a home game in Nashville and don’t plan on it as long as Avery is with the team.

“I love that he’s in Nashville, but I love that he’s doing what he’s always dreamed of,” Henry said. “It gives us a chance to be here today.”



## AL WOODS LOVES DOING DIRTY WORK ON FIELD FOR TITANS

**BY JIM WYATT**  
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Al Woods grew up on a Louisiana farm, working in the heat and getting dirty ever since he can first remember.

You name, and Woods did it.

“I’m a second-generation cattleman, because my dad has been doing it,” Woods said on Monday. “I remember when I was six years old, my dad would put the truck in first gear and let it take off slow and I would stand in the seat and drive it. And my dad and my uncle would be outside throwing hay in the back of the truck, on the trailer. And when it would get to the end, he would turn (the truck) around for me.

“He would say: ‘Hold it straight.’ I’d drive it real slow and they’d stack the hay. That’s how I learned how to drive actually.”

Years later, Woods is still doing the dirty work -- on the farm, and on the football field.

On Monday, Woods officially signed a new contract with the Titans. In Tennessee, he’s getting paid for being disruptive in the middle of the trenches as the team’s nose tackle. He arguably had the best season of his six-year NFL career in 2015.

But during the offseason he still works on the farm -- with about 300 head of cattle and horses -- he now owns back in Elton, La. These days he’s planting rice, working the cattle, and counting the days until he’s ready to bale some more hay.

He loves both jobs. His wife, Megan, vouched for him on the day he showed up at Saint Thomas Sports Park to sign his contract.

“The days can get long (on the farm),” Woods said. “She will call

me and tell me ‘It’s time for you to come home. You need to turn that tractor off and come home.’ It is 9-9:30 at night and I am still out there with the lights on trying to finish up.”

On the football field, Woods likes to finish off opponents.

His play on the field earned him a new contract with the Titans. Woods, who played at LSU, also received an offer from the Seahawks after a visit last week at the start of free agency.

Following a season when he tied his career high with 31 tackles, including three for a loss, Woods said he wanted to return to Tennessee because of his teammates and coaches.

“I love the new GM (Jon Robinson) and what direction he is taking us in, and I love the coaches,” Woods said. “I feel like it is going to be a totally different deal coming into this new season and I definitely want to be a part of it. I love the coaches, my teammates. When I was going through this process, there was nothing bad I could say about Tennessee. So it was like, ‘Why not come back?’

“Really, I feel like it’s a match made in heaven.”

Playing in the trenches on Sundays, however, Woods sometimes has to go through hell.

“It can get bad,” Woods said. “It can get brutal... But that doesn’t bother me. I wouldn’t trade it for anything.”

Woods (6-4, 307), who joined the Titans in 2014 after spending two-plus seasons with the Steelers, said he doesn’t mind working in the not-so-glamorous position.

Except for the times he fails to reach his own expectations.

“I’ll come home and if it is a game where I don’t feel like I completely dominated people, sometimes I just won’t talk, I won’t eat, I won’t do

anything,” said Woods, who has played in 69 career games -- and tallied 103 tackles and 3.5 sacks -- since 2010. “I scream on the inside, ‘I should have done this better. I shouldn’t have done that.’ .... Nobody plays a perfect game, but we all strive to perfection.

“I feel like if am playing, if I have my hand on the dirt, whether it’s in practice or an NFL game, you have people riding on this. It could be my family, the Titans family, coaches and their families. One play can dictate a touchdown or a loss of a game. I just feel like every down is important and I have to do my job.”

So what drives the man who learned to drive on the farm?

Woods, with his wife by his side on Monday, mentioned her and his children -- daughter Raigen (7) and son Brayden (2) -- on several occasions during the course of an interview with Titans Online.

Megan Woods, who has known Al since he was three years old, said her husband has always been a perfectionist. It’s partly why he didn’t take a vacation from high school until last summer, when he finally allowed himself to take a mental break on a trip to the Bahamas. Even then, it took him a few days to really relax.

“I know my little boy, my daughter and my wife are in the stands watching me play,” Woods said. “I definitely don’t want to leave a game and have my little girl say, ‘Daddy, you got beat up.’ I don’t want to have that happen. I want to be the one who gives the beating. ... She notices if I get pushed off the ball, or if I fell the wrong way.

“I do it for them, and for the team. And I want to be the best I can possibly be. I am always striving to be the best, and I’ll never stop doing that.”

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# **PRO FOOTBALL FOCUS: TITANS' WESLEY WOODYARD TOP RUN- STOPPER**

**BY JOHN GLENNON  
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Titans inside linebacker Wesley Woodyard recorded one of the best statistical seasons of his career in 2015, piling up 110 tackles, five sacks and nine quarterback pressures.

The last time he put up those kinds of numbers, Woodyard lost his starting job the following season.

Such is life for Woodyard, who has always seemed to be — take your pick — underrated or overlooked ever since he was passed over in the 2008 draft.

Woodyard did earn some notoriety last week, however, when the analytics site Pro Football Focus revealed that he posted the highest run-stop percentage of any inside linebacker in the league, edging out Carolina's three-time All-Pro Luke Kuechly.

PFF explains run stops as tackles that prevent an offensive success (defined as gaining 40 percent of required yardage on first down, 60 percent on second down, and the entire required yardage on third or fourth).

"That was pretty cool to see," Woodyard said. "But at the end of the day, that's my job to stop the run and make plays.

"It's definitely an honor anytime you are No. 1 in a category in the NFL. And anytime you can beat out Luke Kuechly, that's a huge honor and something I'm going to keep pressing for."

Woodyard, it should be noted, played only 507 snaps last season, a good bit less than Kuechly (965) and

many of the other top-graded linebackers.

Still, the fact that Woodyard finished first in PFF's run-stop-percentage among inside linebackers — not to mention sixth in run defense and ninth overall among inside linebackers — shows that he was very effective when he was on the field from an analytics standpoint.

"I think he is (underrated)," Titans coach Mike Mularkey said. "I see things about him. (Outsiders) don't know who he is and what he brings to this team. He is a valuable player on and off the field for this organization."

Accolades of any nature aren't likely to swell the head of Woodyard, who originally signed with Denver as an undrafted free agent coming out of Kentucky in 2008. One of the main reasons Woodyard's always had to deal with doubters is that his 6-foot, 233-pound frame doesn't fill out a uniform the way other bigger linebackers do.

"I always get overlooked because of my size," Woodyard said. "That's the reason I always play with a chip on my shoulder. I have to go out there every year and prove that I belong on the field. To me, that's the only way to survive in this league, that's pushing yourself every day and challenging everyone to become better."

The most recent affront to Woodyard's pride came at the start of last season, when — coming off a career-best 134 tackles in 2014 — he was replaced in the starting lineup by the younger, bigger and more athletic Zach Brown.

That change lasted just three games, however, as Woodyard returned to the starting lineup following the team's bye week.

"It was a good example of 'It's not how you start, but how you finish,'" Woodyard said. "I was able to go in there, and my teammates still

believed in me from Week 1 to the final week of the season.

"I always live by this and I always tell the rookies, 'Never worry about what you can't control. Just control what you can control.' That just means whenever you get your opportunity, shine in your moment and don't look back."

Mularkey said Woodyard handled the temporary demotion — which came under former head coach Ken Whisenhunt — like a professional, noting that he maintained the same strong leadership presence that's helped Woodyard be a team captain in each of his eight seasons.

"He's the kind of guy who sits in on every special teams meeting, even though he's not on every special teams (unit)," Mularkey said. "He's vocal in them. He'll call guys out if he doesn't feel like they're paying attention. He does everything you want in a leader and a guy of his stature you want to do in this locker room."

The example he sets, it seems, has not been lost on his younger teammates.

"I get to see him work every day, so I get to see the tenacious attitude he brings to the room," said outside linebacker Deiondre Mount, readying for his second season. "We know he was a guy that coming into the league was very small, but he's so resilient — he just keeps battling and battling.

"He keeps proving coaches wrong. Everyone knows that about him and admires that about him."

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## **TITANS' BLIDI WREH-WILSON BATTLING BACK AFTER BAD SEASON**

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In the closing seconds of the first half last December, Jaguars quarterback Blake Bortles threw a deep pass toward Allen Robinson down the right sideline.

Titans cornerback Blidi Wreh-Wilson appeared to be in good position to make a play, but instead surrendered a 36-yard completion that led to a field goal.

The play proved to be the last straw for Titans defensive coaches, who benched Wreh-Wilson for the remainder of the game and the final four games of the season.

Months later, Wreh-Wilson is simply trying to secure a roster spot, battling against a crowded group of cornerbacks. But don't count the former third-round pick out just yet.

After an offseason spent rededicating himself to his craft, a more confident Wreh-Wilson has produced some nice plays in training camp, the kind the Titans envisioned him making more of when they made him the 70th overall pick of the 2013 draft.

"This offseason was a big time for me," Wreh-Wilson said. "I had to make sure to take care of my techniques and make sure I always had something to hang my hat on."

"There was a lot that happened in a short period of time to me last year — my mind, my body, my technique, all that. So going forward, I wanted to make sure that when I showed up here, I was going to be at my best to help the team."

Wreh-Wilson's struggles took on a familiar pattern last season.

There were plenty of plays that turned out just like the deep completion to Robinson, plays in which Wreh-Wilson looked as if he was close enough to knock the ball away, only to surrender a long completion instead.

"I was right there," Wreh-Wilson said. "I just had to finish them."

That's why a play Wreh-Wilson made late last week in training camp left him especially pleased.

Quarterback Matt Cassel lobbed a red-zone fade toward high-jumping Justin Hunter near the sideline of the end zone. Wreh-Wilson put himself in good position to battle Hunter and eventually knocked the ball away.

"That's all you've got to do — get the ball out," Wreh-Wilson said. "If I would have done that a couple more times last year, it would have been a completely different season for myself. I know that in this league, those opportunities are valuable. In that moment, you have to be there."

Titans coach Mike Mularkey said plays like the one against Hunter are the things Wreh-Wilson needs to keep doing.

Veteran Titans cornerback Jason McCourty said he spoke often to the 6-foot-1, 198-pound Wreh-Wilson during the offseason about fine-tuning technique and playing to his strengths.

McCourty sees a more confident Wreh-Wilson this training camp.

"He has a good understanding of his body type and how he should be playing from a press technique," McCourty said. "He's really worked a lot this offseason on playing the ball down the field, running and looking (for the ball) late."

"For him going into year four, it has to start to click. I think he's taken it very personal to get better and play his best football."

**KENDALL WRIGHT  
MOTIVATED FOR  
GREATER SUCCESS IN  
2016**

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Titans want more out of Kendall Wright — and all the receivers — in 2016.

Wright, who is roughly 13 pounds heavier than he was last season, is ready to deliver.

“I feel way more explosive and I’m ready to be out there,” Wright said as the Titans kicked off organized team activities on Tuesday. “I missed way too much time last year, and that wasn’t fun for me.”

Jumpstarting Wright and the receivers has been a mission of the coaching staff since early in the offseason. Coach Mike Mularkey believes new offensive coordinator Terry Robiskie and receivers coach Bob Bratkowski should help Wright return to his 2013 form, when he caught 94 passes for 1,079.

Back at the owners meetings in March, Mularkey made it known he’d like to see more from Wright.

“I think Kendall has potential that still has not been pulled out of him. I am talking about himself as well, doing it himself,” Mularkey said. “Every offseason you hope that he recognizes that, what his capabilities are, and how bad he wants to see it as much as we do when the season starts. I’m hoping that’s the case this year.

“We are hoping Kendall is part of that process of wanting to take it to another level.”

More recently, Mularkey said the entire position group needed to make improvements.

Wright, a first-round pick in 2012 who’s headed into the final year of his contract, said the message was received in-house.

“We hear it, but I embrace it,” Wright said. “They obviously want us to do something good. I have had talks with him already and he says he thinks I can do more and I definitely think I can do more. I embrace those words that he said. He came down on the receivers hard and I like it. That means we’ll be out there and we will have a lot of opportunities to make plays.”

Wright was slowed by injuries a year ago, and played in just 10 games. He finished the year with just 36 catches for 408 yards in 2015. Wright caught 57 passes for 715 yards in 2014, and in 2012, Wright made 64 catches for 626 yards.

“(We’re) trying to put him in position where we know he’s successful,” Mularkey said of Wright. “There’s some things he does better than others and we’re going to try and put him in good positions.”

Wright said one of the biggest keys is for him to stay healthy. The same applies to all the receivers, from Justin Hunter to Dorial Green-Beckham to Rishard Matthews to Harry Douglas. Wright said he’ll line up wherever he’s needed in the offense.

“Staying healthy is the main thing,” he said. “And we just have to go out there and really execute, catch the ball when it comes to us and make those plays. We just have to make the plays that we’re supposed to make and make the plays that make everybody like y’all say, ‘Wow’. We just have to go out there and do what we know we can do and that’s score touchdowns.

“I don’t know what the plan is (as far as where I’ll line up),” Wright continued. “If they say, ‘Hey, Kendall, you need to play in the slot,’ what am I going to say: ‘No?’ I am going to go out there and play in the slot and hopefully there’s a linebacker on me. I know those guys definitely can’t cover me and it would be hard for a DB or whoever to cover me in the slot. If I am told

to play in the slot, that’s what I’ll do.”

Wright feels like he’ll be in a better position to be successful because he feels sturdier, and more explosive.

“I wanted to be a little bigger than I was,” he said. “I was like 183 last year, and I’m up to 195. That’s where I want to play at and I felt way more explosive at that weight. I am doing everything right in the weight room.”

He also knows the Titans should be in a better position to succeed in 2016 with new additions in free agency and the draft.

Running backs DeMarco Murray and Derrick Henry should help everyone, including the receivers, he said.

“We have more talent everywhere,” Wright said. “We’ve added DBs, and we’ve added receivers. We’ve added two running backs that I know for sure can play this game. I think we have a really talented football team and it is only getting better. We are just getting started.

“To me, you can smile because you know you can get out there and run the football and get a lot of yards with the two big backs that we have. ... And that should make the whole team better.”

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