



## ***Oakland Raiders Transcript***

### **Head Coach Jon Gruden**

**Opening Statement:** "We're going to list, like I said, Hunter Renfrow as out of the game. We'll have Trent Brown listed as questionable with a knee. But we're anxious to get on the plane again for the 44-thousandth mile today."

**Q: Did Trent Brown practice today?**

**Coach Gruden:** "No. He did not. He took part in a walk through, but he is going to be listed as questionable."

**Q: What about Lamarcus Joyner?**

**Coach Gruden:** "He practiced. No, he's ready to go. We're taking him off the list."

**Q: Has Trent been having to manage this throughout the last few weeks?**

**Coach Gruden:** "Yeah he has, yup. We've done everything we can to help him manage it and we'll continue to do that."

**Q: Is Rico Gafford someone you can use right away on special teams?**

**Coach Gruden:** "Yeah, there is a possibility he'll be up. We still have to look at how many receivers. We've been carrying five, which five will be determined here in the next couple hours."

**Q: Why do you like Arrowhead Stadium so much as a venue?**

**Coach Gruden:** "I like the old school stadiums personally. Nothing against these new ones, they are fantastic. A lot of history there, a lot of memories I have there. My first game I ever coached was there. It didn't go well, but some of our best wins that I was ever associated with happened there and I just love passionate football people and that place is full of them. So, it's just a cool place to play and if you're a football fan you should try to get there and see a game."

**Q: What extra dimension does Tyreek Hill add to that offense when he is in?**

**Coach Gruden:** "We'll see. Now, we're worried about all those guys but we're going to give it everything we have. We got a lot of respect for Hill, [Sammy] Watkins and all of those receivers. [Travis] Kelce you can name. You can keep naming them. The rookie from Georgia (Mecole Hardman) is playing extremely well. The other guy (Demarcus Robinson) hurt us bad. They are a very talented team."

**Q: Last game against the Chiefs they scored all four times from outside the red zone. Is the key with Patrick Mahomes trying to force the 10-plus play drives?**

**Coach Gruden:** "Yeah, I was surprised the NFL hasn't changed the rule and given them like a three-point shot. They score outside the red zone, they get eight points. They're capable of really making big plays, so we got to minimize that, or we won't win the game that's for sure. But they're explosive, they are going to be fresh too. They are coming off a bye and we know we are going to get a fired-up crowd with first place on the line."



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**Q: Is it going to be more important this week to sort of establish the run?**

**Coach Gruden:** "It's always important. Too many people I think today watch statistics. We never used to have these conversations about rushing stats and QB ratings and all this [...]. But I'm going to do everything I can to hand the ball off to Josh in critical situations and we're counting on him."