



OAKLAND RAIDERS

POSTGAME NOTES

OAKLAND RAIDERS (12-5) VS. HOUSTON TEXANS (10-7)



WILD CARD PLAYOFF | JANUARY 7, 2017 | 1:35 P.M. PT | NRG STADIUM

CAPTAINS

#27 Reggie Nelson, #52 Khalil Mack, #56 Daren Bates, #61 Rodney Hudson, #70 Kelechi Osemele, #90 Dan Williams

NRG Stadium Houston, Texas					
	1	2	3	4	Total
Oakland Raiders	7	0	0	7	14
Houston Texans	10	10	0	7	27

Raiders 14, Texans 27

- The Raiders fell to the Texans in their first playoff appearance since 2002 by a score of 14-27.
- The Raiders lost their first postseason matchup with the Texans, after defeating Houston in Week 11 during Monday Night Football in Mexico City.
- The Silver and Black exit the 2016 playoffs following their first 12-win season since 2000.

Game Themes

- **QB Connor Cook** threw his first career postseason touchdown in his first career NFL start.
- **RB Jalen Richard** set a new single-game postseason record for the Raiders with 68 punt return yards.
- **RB Latavius Murray** earned his first postseason rushing score.
- **P Marquette King** set a new Raiders' postseason record with 10 punts in today's matchup.

QB Connor Cook

- With the start in today's game, **QB Connor Cook** became the first quarterback in the Super Bowl era to make his first NFL start in a postseason game.
- Cook recorded his first career postseason passing touchdown by finding **WR Andre Holmes** for an 8-yard score. On the drive, Cook racked up 59 yards through the air to bring the score to 27-14, Texans.
- Cook completed 18-of-45 passes for 161 yards, with one touchdown and three interceptions.

WR Michael Crabtree

- **WR Michael Crabtree** has recorded a reception in each of his nine playoff game appearances.
- Crabtree recorded two catches for 33 yards (16.5 avg.) before exiting in the second half with a head injury.

WR Andre Holmes

- With 8:14 left in the game, **QB Connor Cook** connected with **WR Andre Holmes** for an 8-yard touchdown. Holmes' touchdown reception was the culmination of an 11-play, 75-yard drive lasting 4:18.
- Holmes joined James Jett as just the second undrafted Raider to score a receiving touchdown in the postseason. Jett caught a touchdown pass in three separate postseason games with the last one coming on Jan. 19, 2002 against New England.
- Holmes, who saw extensive action in the fourth quarter when **WR Michael Crabtree** left in the second half, finished as the Raiders' top receiver with 50 yards on four catches (12.5 avg.) with one touchdown.

RB Latavius Murray

- Following a 12-touchdown regular season, tied for third most in franchise history, **RB Latavius Murray** picked up where he left off by capping a five-play, 38-yard drive with a 2-yard touchdown to bring the Raiders to within a field goal (10-7).
- His rushing score is the first of his postseason career.
- Murray led Oakland's run game with 39 yards on 12 carries (3.3 avg.) while adding one reception for 12 yards.

RB Jalen Richard

- **RB Jalen Richard** set a new franchise postseason-long with his 37-yard punt return in the first quarter of play. His return jumpstarted the offense en route to their first touchdown of the game, a 2-yard score by **RB Latavius Murray**.
- Richard finished with 68 punt return yards, a mark that set a new Raiders single-game postseason record, besting Neal Colzie's previous record of 64 yards set in 1975 against the Bengals.
- Richard also chipped in with three carries for three yards (1.0 avg.) and two receptions for eight yards (4.0 avg.).

P Marquette King

- The NFL leader of punts traveling over 50 yards this season continued his dominance in his first career playoff start, notching two first half kicks of 56 and 62 yards to flip the field for the Raiders' defense.
- **P Marquette King** set a new franchise postseason-record with 10 punts in the game, averaging 45.7 on those kicks while pinning the Texans inside the 20-yard line two times.

Other Notables

- **T Austin Howard**
 - Started at RT, due to **T Menelik Watson** shifting to LT.
- **DE Khalil Mack**
 - Mack recorded 11 tackles (eight solo), two for loss, today in his first postseason appearance as a pro. Dating back to 1970, his 11 tackles are tied for fifth most in a single game in Raiders' postseason history.
 - Mack's 11 stops today were a game high.
- **TE Mychal Rivera**
 - Rivera recorded four receptions for 31 yards (7.8 avg.)
- **S Brynden Trawick**

- After recording nine tackles in his first appearance of the season on defense in Week 17, Trawick notched three (two solo) in today's matchup and one for a loss.
- **RB DeAndré Washington**
 - Washington rushed four times for 16 yards (4.0 avg.).
- **T Menelik Watson**
 - Started in place of an injured **T Donald Penn** at LT.