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RAIDERS VS CARDINALS

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### **GAME PREVIEW**

The Oakland Raiders return home for the third preseason game on their schedule, a nationally-televised contest on NBC's Sunday Night Football against the Arizona Cardinals on Sunday, Aug. 30 at 5:00 p.m. PT at 0.co Coliseum. This will mark the second straight year that Oakland has been on national television for their third preseason game, as the team's match-up against the Packers in Green Bay was on CBS in 2014. Arizona returns to the Coliseum after visiting last year during the regular season, winning the Week 7 match-up by a final of 24-13. Last week, the Raiders had their first road trip of 2015, falling at Minnesota, 12-20. The Cardinals will play the entire AFC West division in their four preseason games this year, and they lost to the San Diego Chargers last week, 19-22, and to the Kansas City Chiefs, 19-34 the week before.

RB Latavius Murray led the offense early on against the Vikings last week, picking up 20 rushing yards on four carries and a 2-yard touchdown run through two drives. QB Derek Carr and WR Amari Cooper had their first explosive connection of the preseason, connecting on a 40-yard completion that set up Murray's touchdown. Oakland's defense created two turnovers on the night, starting with an interception by S Jonathan Dowling in the second quarter. LB Ben Heeney, who led the team in tackles, and DE Mario Edwards Jr. combined for a sack-fumble in the second half that was recovered by DE Shelby Harris.

Next week, the Raiders will have a quick turnaround for their final preseason game in Seattle against the Seahawks on Thursday, Sept. 3, while the Cardinals go to Denver to play the Broncos.

### THE SETTING

Date: Sunday, August 30 Kickoff: 5:00 p.m. PT Site: O.co Coliseum (1966)

Capacity/Surface: 56,063/Overseeded Bermuda

Preseason: Raiders lead, 7-6 Regular Season: Raiders lead, 5-4



## **QUICK HIT VS. ARIZONA**

The Raiders are 7-6 against the Cardinals all-time in the preseason, including 3-4 at home and 1-2 in the third preseason game.

## 2015 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

<b>PRESEASON</b>	(1-1)		
Fri., Aug. 14	ST. LOUIS RAMS	W, 18-3	
Sat., Aug. 22	at Minnesota Vikings	L, 12-20	
Sun., Aug. 30	ARIZONA CARDINALS	5:00 p.m.	NBC
Thu., Sept. 3	at Seattle Seahawks	7:00 p.m.	KTVU/KICU

REGULAR SEAS	SON		
Sun., Sept. 13	CINCINNATI BENGALS	1:25 p.m.	CBS
Sun., Sept. 20	BALTIMORE RAVENS	1:05 p.m.	CBS
Sun., Sept. 27	at Cleveland Browns	10:00 a.m.	CBS
Sun., Oct. 4	at Chicago Bears	10:00 a.m.	CBS
Sun., Oct. 11	DENVER BRONCOS	1:25 p.m.	CBS
Sun., Oct. 18	Bye Week		
Sun., Oct. 25	at San Diego Chargers	1:05 p.m.	CBS
Sun., Nov. 1	NEW YORK JETS	1:05 p.m.	CBS
Sun., Nov. 8	at Pittsburgh Steelers	10:00 a.m.	CBS
Sun., Nov. 15	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	1:05 p.m.	FOX
Sun., Nov. 22	at Detroit Lions	10:00 a.m.	CBS
Sun., Nov. 29	at Tennessee Titans	10:00 a.m.	CBS
Sun., Dec. 6	KANSAS CITY CHIEFS	1:05 p.m.	CBS
Sun., Dec. 13	at Denver Broncos	1:05 p.m.	CBS
Sun., Dec. 20	<b>GREEN BAY PACKERS</b>	1:05 p.m.	FOX
Thu., Dec. 24	SAN DIEGO CHARGERS	5:25 p.m.	NFLN
Sun., Jan. 3, 2016	at Kansas City Chiefs	10:00 a.m.	CBS

## **QUOTING DEL RIO**

"It was our first time on the road. We'll learn how to travel better, play better on the road. We did some good things and some things need to be corrected. It doesn't feel as good as last week, but it's similar. There was some growth. There were some areas where we're going to need to be better. It's that time of year. It's camp. You're going to like some of it, you're not going to like some of it. You go home happy if you get a win, and you don't go home happy if you don't." - Raiders Head Coach Jack Del Rio

## **BROADCAST INFORMATION**

#### **TELEVISION**

NBC Sunday Night Football
Play-by-play: Al Michaels
Color Analyst: Cris Collinsworth
Sideline: Michele Tafoya
Producer: Fred Gaudelli
Director: Drew Esocoff

RADIO

Raiders Radio Network (23 stations)

Flagship: 95.7 The Game Play-by-play: Greg Papa Color Analyst: Tom Flores Sideline: Lincoln Kennedy







## NOTABLE CONNECTIONS

#### **Pro Connections**

- Raiders **General Manager Reggie McKenzie** was a linebacker with the Phoenix Cardinals from 1989-90, where he played with Cardinals **running backs coach Stump Mitchell** (running back/return specialist) in 1989.
- Raiders wide receivers coach Rob Moore finished his playing career with seven seasons (1995-2001) as an Arizona Cardinal. Moore later worked as wide receivers coach at Phoenix (Ari.) Junior College in 2009.
- Raiders **DT Dan Williams** spent five seasons (2010-14) with the Cardinals after being drafted by Arizona in the 2010 NFL Draft.
- Raiders **DT Ricky Lumpkin** spent three seasons (2011-13) with Arizona.
- Cardinals **QB Carson Palmer** played two seasons (2011-12) with the Raiders, appearing in 25 games with 24 starts.
- Cardinals **DE LaMarr Woodley** played for the Raiders in 2014, starting 5-of-6 games he played in.
- Cardinals **T Jared Veldheer** was originally a third-round pick (69th overall) of the Raiders in the 2010 NFL Draft and went on to start 48 games for Oakland from 2010-13.
- Cardinals **DE Matt Shaughnessy** played for the Raiders from 2009-12, totaling 15.5 sacks over his four seasons in Oakland.
- Cardinals linebackers coach Bob Sanders held the same position with the Raiders from 2013-14.
- Cardinals **cornerbacks coach Kevin Ross** coached safeties with the Raiders from 2010-11.
- Raiders Head Coach Jack Del Rio (linebacker) and offensive line coach Mike Tice (tight end) played under Cardinals assistant head coach/offense Tom Moore with the Minnesota Vikings from 1992-93, where Moore was the assistant head coach/offensive coordinator/quarterbacks/wide receivers. Moore also coached assistant defensive backs coach Rod Woodson with the Pittsburgh Steelers from 1987-89.

#### **College Connections**

- Raiders **WR Andre Holmes** and Cardinals **T Jared Veldheer** are two of only six players in NFL history from Division II Hillsdale College, and their meeting in Week 7 last season marked the second ever meeting between two players from Hillsdale.
- Cardinals **RB Stepfan Taylor** attended Stanford from 2009-12 and rushed for 40 touchdowns in his career, while **DE Josh Mauro** played at Stanford from 2010-13.

#### Hometown/Family Connections

- Raiders team travel and logistics coordinator Pete Caracciolo's brother, Matt Caracciolo, works as football operations coordinator for the Cardinals.
- Cardinals **DT Alameda Ta'amu** was born in Alameda, Calif., where the Raiders' practice facility is located.
- Cardinals **OLB Lorenzo Alexander** was born in Oakland, Calif., and attended Saint Mary's College High School in Berkeley, before playing at Cal from 2001-04.
- Cardinals **S Deone Bucannon** is a Fairfield, Calif. native and attended Vanden High School.

### **2014 RANKINGS**

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	0	FFENSE		
	RAI	DERS	CARD	INALS
Category	Stats	Rank	Stats	Rank
Total Offense	282.2	32	319.8	24
Rush Offense	77.5	32	81.8	31
Pass Offense	204.7	26	238.0	14
Points Per Game	15.8	31	19.4	24
Third-Down Off. %	33.9	28	40.2	16
Fourth-Down Off. %		3t	75.0	1
Red Zone Off. (TD%)	72.4	1	42.1	30
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<u>Category</u> Total Defense	<u>Stats</u> 357.6	<u><b>Rank</b></u> 21	<u>Stats</u> 368.2	<u>Rank</u> 24
Rush Defense	119.4	22	108.7	13
Pass Defense	238.1	16	259.5	29
Points Per Game	28.3	32	18.7	5
Third-Down Def. %	38.5	14	37.7	12
Fourth-Down Def. %		14	38.5	10
Red Zone Def. (TD%		15	43.9	3
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		TEAM		
		DERS		INALS
Category	Stats	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Stats</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Turnover Ratio	-15	32	+8	5
Penalties	115	22t	91	6
Penalty Yards	939	20t	707	5

### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, Aug. 26	
11:48 a.m 12:20 p.m. (approx.)	Practice, open to media;
	Videography/photography limited
1:55 p.m. (approx.)	
	QB Derek Carr available
	Most players available upon request
Thursday, Aug. 27	
11:48 a.m 12:20 p.m. (approx.)	Practice, open to media:
	Videography/photography limited
1:55 p.m. (approx.)	3 1 3 1 3
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	coordinator Ken Norton, Jr.
	available
	Most players available upon request
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Friday, Aug. 28	Practice open to modia.
11:05 - 11:30 a.m. (approx.) 	Videography/photography limited
12:20 p.m	. <b>Head Coach Jack Del Rio</b> and
	most players available upon
	request

Monday, Aug. 31 ...... No availability

All times are Pacific and subject to change.

Saturday, Aug. 29 ...... No availability

5:00 p.m. ...... Raiders vs. Arizona Cardinals

Sunday, Aug. 30



## **2014 STATISTICAL LEADERS**

RAIDERS	<u>CARDINALS</u>				
Passing Ya					
Derek Carr 3,270	Drew Stanton 1,711				
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Latavius Murray 82	Stepfan Taylor 63				
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Latavius Murray 424	Kerwynn Williams . 246				
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Darren McFadden 2	Andre Ellington 3				
Latavius Murray2	Three tied1				
Receptio	ns				
James Jones73	Larry Fitzgerald 63				
Mychal Rivera58	John Brown 48				
Andre Holmes 47	Michael Floyd 47				
Receiving \	/ards				
Andre Holmes 693	Michael Floyd 841				
James Jones 666	Larry Fitzgerald 784				
Mychal Rivera 534	John Brown 696				
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Andre Holmes4	John Brown 5				
Mychal Rivera4	Stepfan Taylor 3				
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Khalil Mack 4.0	Calais Campbell 7.0				
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## 2014 AFC WEST STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	W	ī	Home	Road	Div.	Con. PF	PA	Streak	Last 5
Denver	12	4	8-0	4-4	6-0	10-2 482	354	W1	4-1
Kansas City	/ 9	7	6-2	3-5	3-3	7-5 353	281	W1	2-3
San Diego	9	7	5-3	4-4	2-4	6-6 348	348	L1	2-3
Oakland	3	13	3-5	8-0	1-5	2-10 253	452	L1	2-3

## **2014 NFC WEST STANDINGS**

<u>Team</u>	W	L	<u>Home</u>	Road	Div.	Con. PF	PA	Streak	Last 5
Seattle	12	4	7-1	5-3	5-1	10-2 394	254	W6	5-0
Arizona									
San Francisc	8 o:	8	4-4	4-4	2-4	7-5 306	340	W1	1-4
St. Louis	6	10	3-5	3-5	2-4	4-8 324	354	L3	2-3

## CARDINALS SNAPSHOT

**Overview:** Led by third-year **Head Coach Bruce Arians**, the Cardinals are coming off consecutive 10-win seasons, including an 11-5 record last year, tied for the most wins in franchise history and the most since 1975 (11-3). After a 9-1 start to the season, the team finished in second place in the NFC West, earning a Wild Card berth and the team's first postseason appearance since 2009. The Cardinals fell to the Carolina Panthers, 16-27, in their lone playoff game last year.

Offense: The Cardinals offense is captained by former Raiders QB Carson Palmer, who enters his third season at the helm in Arizona. In six games last season, in which he led the team to a 6-0 record, Palmer completed 141-of-224 passes (62.9 percent) with 11 touchdowns and just three interceptions before a torn ACL sidelined him in November. Palmer will have one of the league's top receivers, WR Larry Fitzgerald, as a primary target. Fitzgerald led the team with 784 yards and 63 receptions, while rookie WR John Brown and WR Michael Floyd posted five and six touchdowns, respectively. RB Andre Ellington, now in his third year, led the rushing attack in 2014 with 660 yards on 201 carries (3.3 avg.) with three touchdowns.

**Defense:** Arizona boasts a stout defense led by **defensive coordinator James Bettcher**, who takes over the role. The Cardinals ability to keep opponents' scores low helped them to 11 wins, as the team ranked fifth in the NFL in points allowed (18.7 points per game). The unit was also effective in forcing turnovers, recording 18 interceptions, tied for seventh in the league, with three returned for touchdowns. The pass rush aided the secondary in its efforts, posting 35 sacks on the season, including eight by **DE Alex Okafor** and seven from **DE Calais Campbell**. Veteran **S Rashad Johnson** led the team in tackling with 89 stops (72 solo).

## **LAST GAME VS. CARDINALS**

October 19, 2014 - Cardinals 24, Raiders 13 O.co Coliseum, Oakland, California

Team Statistics	<b>CARDINALS</b>	<b>RAIDERS</b>
Total Net Yards	365	220
Total Offensive Plays	69	48
Net Yards Rushing		
Total Rushing Plays		
Net Yards Passing	242	164
Attempts-Completions-INTs		
Total First Downs	25	13
Touchdowns	3	1
Field Goals Made-Attempted	1-1	2-2
Third Down Efficiency	9-15-60%	4-12-33%
Fourt Down Efficiency		
Red Zone Efficiency		
Penalties-Yards	6-43	8-74
Time of Possession	36:57	23:03

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Total</u>
Arizona Cardinals	7	7	7	3	24
Oakland Raiders	0	10	3	0	13

## Individual Leaders

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	Passing Yai	rds
Derek Carr	173	Carson Palmer 253

CABDINALS

Rushing Yards					
Darren McFadden 43	Andre Ellington 88				

Receiving Yards					
Brice Butler	55	Andre Ellington72			



### RAIDERS SUPERLATIVES

**VS. ARIZONA CARDINALS** 

Team Single-Game Highs/Lows:

**Total Yards:** 520; Nov. 24, 2002 **Rushing Yards:** 247; Oct. 7, 1973 **Passing Yards:** 333; Nov. 24, 2002

Fewest Total Yards Allowed: 88; Oct. 7, 1973 Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed: 49; Oct. 4, 1998 Fewest Passing Yards Allowed: 88; Oct. 7, 1973

Points Scored: 41; Nov. 24, 2002 Fewest Points Allowed: 9; Oct. 22, 2006

Touchdowns: 5; Nov. 24, 2002

Individual Single-Game Highs:

Pass Attempts: 45, two times; last: Rich Gannon; Nov. 24, 2002

Pass Completions: 29, Rich Gannon; Dec. 2, 2001 Passing Yards: 340, Rich Gannon; Nov. 24, 2002

Passing Touchdowns: 3, three times; last: Rich Gannon; Nov. 24, 2002

Carries: 25, Darren McFadden; Sept. 26, 2010 Rushing Yards: 114, Bo Jackson; Dec. 10, 1989

Rushing Touchdowns: 1, nine times; last: Darren McFadden; Sept. 26, 2010

Receptions: 7, three times; last: Randy Moss; Oct. 22, 2006

Receiving Yards: 129, Randy Moss; Oct. 22, 2006

Receiving Touchdowns: 2, two times; last: Jerry Porter; Nov. 24, 2002 Longest Field Goal: 54, Sebastian Janikowski; Sept. 26, 2010

## RAIDERS STANDOUTS

**INDIVIDUAL STATS VS. CARDINALS** 

#### Nate Allen

Career Totals: 20 tackles (11 solo), one interception with 43 return yards, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery in three games.

• Allen recorded an interception and returned it 43 yards against

the Cardinals on Dec. 1, 2013.

#### Michael Crabtree

Career Totals: 55 receptions for 739 yards (13.4 avg.) with seven touchdowns and two rushing attempts for 12 yards (6.0 avg.) in 10 career games (8-2).

 He scored four touchdowns against Arizona in 2012, going for five catches and 72 yards with two scores on Oct. 29, 2012, and eight receptions for 172 yards with two scores on Dec. 30, 2012.

#### Sebastian Janikowski

Career Totals: 10-of-14 (71.4 percent) on field goal attempts and 14-of-14 on extra point attempts for 44 total points in five games.

• In last season's Week 7 meeting, Janikowski went 2-for-2 on field goals, connecting from 53 and 29 yards out.

#### Malcolm Smith

Career Totals: 19 tackles (10 solo), one interception with a 32-yard return, one sack for an 8-yard loss and two passes defensed in seven career games (5-2).

 On Dec. 22, 2013, he intercepted a pass and returned it 32 yards, while also tying a then-career high with eight total tackles.

#### Charles Woodson

Career Totals: 20 tackles (14 solo), four interceptions with 121 return yards and two touchdowns, six passes defensed and five punt returns for 40 yards (8.0 avg.) in six career games (4-2); seven solo tackles, one pass defensed and one forced fumble in one postseason meeting.

 He recorded interception returns for touchdowns of 45 yards (Jan. 3, 2010) and 46 yards (Oct. 4, 1998).

### **ALL-TIME SERIES**

Oakland Raiders vs. Arizona Cardinals

Regular Season: Raiders lead, 5-4

Postseason: N/A

Preseason: Raiders lead, 7-6 Raiders At Home: 2-3 Raiders on Road: 3-1

Current Streak: Arizona has won two straight games.

#### **ALL-TIME REGULAR SEASON GAMES**

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<u>Date</u>	<b>Location</b>	<u>Winner</u>	Score	
10/7/73	St. Louis	Raiders	17-10	
12/11/83	Los Angeles	Cardinals	34-24	
12/10/89	Los Angeles	Cardinals	16-14	
10/4/98	Arizona	Raiders	23-20	
12/2/01	Oakland	Cardinals	34-31	
11/24/02	Arizona	Raiders	41-20	
10/22/06	Oakland	Raiders	22-9	
9/26/10	Arizona	Cardinals	24-23	
10/19/14	Oakland	Cardinals	24-13	







## RAIDERS VS. NFC WEST

Oakland will face off against three NFC West teams this preseason, following up a 2014 campaign in which they played all four NFC West teams in the regular season. Here is a look at Oakland's results against the NFC West last year, when the team posted a 1-3 record:

<u>Date</u>	Opponent	<u>Result</u>
9/19/14	Arizona	L, 13-24
11/2/14	at Seattle	L, 24-30
11/30/14	at St. Loius	L, 0-52
12/7/14	San Francisco	W. 24-13











## NOTES FROM LAST WEEK'S GAME VS. MINNESOTA



Oakland Raiders (1-1) vs. Minnesota Vikings (3-0) Preseason Week 2 | Saturday, Aug. 22, 2015 | 5:00 p.m. PT TCF Bank Stadium | Minneapolis, Minn.

	<u>1</u>	2	3	4	<u>Total</u>
Oakland Raiders	6	3	3	0	12
Minnesota Vikings	0	13	7	0	20



#### Carr Looks Deep for Cooper

- In the first quarter, QB Derek Carr found rookie WR Amari Cooper deep down the right sideline for a 40-yard gain, a career preseason long for Carr, for the duo's fourth connection of the preseason.
- Carr was 2-for-2 for 52 yards on the 6-play, 75-yard touchdown drive (2:24), also hitting FB Marcel Reece for 12 yards and a first down.
- Carr finished the game 4-for-8 for 78 yards, bringing his 2015 preseason total to 10-of-17 for 121 yards.
- Cooper improves his preseason total to four receptions for 66 yards (16.5 avg.).

#### "Tay Train" Gets Rolling

- RB Latavius Murray had an impressive second drive, rushing three times for 17 yards including a 2-yard rushing touchdown, his second career preseason score and first of the year.
- Murray totaled 20 yards on four carries in the game (5.0 avg.), bringing his 2015 preseason total to 10 carries for 55 yards (5.5 avg.) with one touchdown.



- Rookie DE Mario Edwards Jr. and rookie LB Ben Heeney combined for a sack of Vikings QB Taylor Heinicke, forcing a fumble which was recovered by DE Shelby Harris for the Raiders' second takeaway of the game.
- Heeney led the team in tackling for the second straight game, posting seven tackles (three solo) with 0.5 sacks and one forced fumble. Heeney now has 15 tackles (nine), 1.5 sacks and a forced fumble this preseason.
- Fellow fifth-round pick LB Neiron Ball added four stops (three) with two quarterback hits.



#### **Dowling Picks One Off**

• S Jonathan Dowling tracked down a deep pass from Vikings QB Shaun Hill in the second quarter for his first NFL interception in either the regular season or preseason. It marks the Raiders' first interception of the 2015 preseason.

#### Roberts Breaks Out

• WR Seth Roberts put his speed on display in the second quarter, catching a pass from QB Christian Ponder on a crossing pattern and racing up the sideline for a 39-yard gain. Roberts also had one rushing attempt for six yards, setting up Murray's 2-yard touchdown rush.

#### **Dyer Leads Rushing Attack**

- RB Michael Dyer led the team in both carries and rushing yards with 12 attempts for 45 yards (3.8 avg.).
- RB George Atkinson III showed some speed with two rushes for 14 yards (7.0 avg.), and RB Taiwan Jones added a pair of productive runs for 12 yards (6.0 avg.), including a 10-yard long.

#### **Butler Posts Team-High Three Receptions**

• WR Brice Butler led the Raiders in receptions for the second straight game, posting three catches for 26 yards (8.7 avg.). His postseason total improves to nine receptions for 83 yards (9.2 avg.) with one touchdown.

#### Tavecchio 2-for-2

• K Giorgio Tavecchio handled most of the kicking duties in the game, going 2-for-2 on field goal attempts from 26 and 37 yards. Tavecchio is now 3-for-3 in the preseason.

#### **Lightning Strikes Cause Delay**

• Action was suspended with 6:45 remaining in the second quarter due to lightning strikes in the proximity of TCF Bank Stadium. Play resumed following a 1-hour and 5-minute delay, and halftime was shortened as a result.



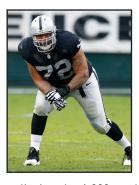
## WHAT TO WATCH FOR IN 2015

- The Raiders opening the season with two straight home games for the first time since 1969, John Madden's first year as head coach. Madden's Raiders began the 1969 season 3-0 and went on to finish 12-1-1.
- The Raiders earning a victory in Week 1 victory for the first time since 2011, when Hue Jackson, currently the Cincinnati Bengals offensive coordinator, was head coach.
- The Raiders extending their three-game home winning streak, the team's longest since a three-game streak in 2010. The last time the Raiders had a home winning streak longer than three games came in 2002 when the team won six straight – the final four games of the regular season and both AFC Playoff games.
- The team to snap an 11-game road losing streak, which dates back to the team's 28-23 win at Houston on Nov. 17, 2013.
- Any Raider rookie to start all 16 games, marking the second time in Raiders history the team has had a rookie start every game in back-to-back years. Matt Millen (1980) and Johnny Robinson (1981) comprise the only other pair to do so. Only 12 Raiders rookies have accomplished the feat, and last season, QB Derek Carr and LB Khalil Mack became the first pair of Raiders teammates to do so in the same year.
- QB Derek Carr throwing for 645 yards and seven touchdowns to eclipse Tom Flores (1960-61) for the most passing yards and passing touchdowns by a Raider in his first two NFL seasons.
- Carr to finish four games with at least 30 passing attempts and no interceptions, tying Jeff Garcia (10, 1999-2000) for the most such outings in his first two seasons.
- If Carr throws fewer than five interceptions in his first 151 attempts, he will jump to the top of the list in fewest interceptions thrown over a player's first two NFL seasons (min. 750 att.), supplanting Robert Griffin III (17, 2012-13) and Bernie Kosar (17, 1985-86).



- WR Amari Cooper catching at least 45 passes on the season to set the Raiders rookie record, passing TE Zach Miller (44 in 2007). Tim Brown holds the record for Raiders rookie wide receivers with 43 receptions (1988).
- Cooper hauling in at least eight receiving touchdowns to set the franchise rookie mark, passing Raymond Chester's seven touchdowns in 1970. With 772 receiving yards, Cooper would pass James Jett for the franchise rookie record.

- Cooper catching eight passes in a single game to tie the team rookie mark currently shared by Marcus Allen (1982), Tim Brown (1988), Raymond Chester (1970) and Zach Miller (2007).
- WR Michael Crabtree posting at least 673 receiving yards to reach the 5,000-yard mark for his career.
- K Sebastian Janikowski passing Tim Brown (240) for the most games played as a Raider. Currently at 236 games, Janikowski is on pace to eclipse Brown in Week 5 vs. Denver.
- Janikowski making four field goals of 50 yards or longer to tie Jason Hanson (52) for the all-time record.
- Janikowski booting seven touchbacks on kickoffs to set the NFL record for most touchbacks, passing Jason Hanson (323).
- P Marquette King punting seven times to reach 200 for his career, and punting for 963 yards to eclipse 10,000 career punting yards.
- **LB Curtis Lofton** starting his 100th consecutive game at line-backer. His 99 straight starts are currently second among active streaks behind the New York Jets' David Harris (100).
- T Donald Penn extending his streak of 124 consecutive starts at offensive tackle, good for third among active streaks behind the New York Jets' D'Brickashaw Ferguson and the Cleveland Browns' Joe Thomas.



- TE Mychal Rivera eclipsing the 1,000-yard, 100-reception and 10-touchdown marks for his career. Rivera needs 59 yards, four receptions and two touchdowns to reach those milestones.
- TE Clive Walford emerging onto the NFL scene and challenging Raymond Chester's rookie total of 556 receiving yards, a record for Raiders rookie tight ends that has remained unbroken since 1970
- **S Charles Woodson** intercepting a pass for the 18th consecutive season, putting him just one year behind Darrell Green's NFL-record 19 straight seasons (1983-2001).
- Woodson scoring his 14th defensive touchdown to pass his current assistant defensive backs coach Rod Woodson and Darren Sharper for the most all-time. An interception return for a touchdown would tie R. Woodson (12) for the most in NFL history.
- If Woodson returns a single punt in 2015, he will pass Tim Brown (38 years and 94 days) as the oldest NFL player to return a punt. Woodson moved into second place, shy of Brown by just 12 days, in Week 17 at Denver.



## **HEAD COACHING MATCH-UP**

### **JACK DEL RIO**



Jack Del Rio was named the 19th head coach in the 55-year history of the Oakland Raiders franchise on Jan. 15, 2015. The appointment marked a homecoming for Del Rio, who was raised in nearby Hayward, Calif.

Now in his 30th year in the NFL and his 19th season in coaching, He recently concluded his second stint as a defensive coordinator under

Head Coach John Fox, as the two also spent the 2002 season together in Carolina. In all, he has coached 18 players to a total of 27 Pro Bowl selections.

In his second season with the Broncos in 2013, Del Rio's defense helped Denver to a 12-4 record and an appearance in Super Bowl XLVIII. Del Rio also accepted the additional role of interim head coach (Weeks 10-13) while Fox underwent a heart procedure, and led the Broncos to a 3-1 record against teams with a combined record of 29-9 (.763).

Prior to joining the Broncos in 2012, 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.

The Jaguars posted an 11-5 record in 2007 to earn a second playoff berth in three years, in addition to claiming the franchise's first playoff win since the 1999 season, while becoming the first team in NFL history to win in Pittsburgh twice in one season.

In 2005, the Jaguars won eight of the last nine regular season games, including four straight on the road, en route to a 12-4 finish and a Wild Card playoff berth.

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 secondranked unit (290.4 yards per game allowed). Additionally, the 2002 Panthers squad led the NFL in rushing average against (3.7 avg.).

As linebackers coach for the Baltimore Ravens from 1999-2001, Del Rio tutored a talented group that included Ray Lewis. Baltimore's 2000 team set the NFL 16-game record by allowing only 165 points while recording four shutouts and forcing a league-best 49 turnovers. Lewis was named the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year and the MVP of Super Bowl XXXV that season.

Del Rio 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. For his career, he played 160 games in the regular season and totaled 1,078 tackles, 12 sacks and 13 interceptions.

Born on April 4, 1963, in Castro Valley, Calif., Del Rio and his wife, Linda, have three daughters, Lauren, Hope and Aubrey, and a son, Luke, who is a collegiate quarterback.

#### **COACHING BACKGROUND**

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
1997	New Orleans Saints	Assistant Strength Coach
1998	New Orleans Saints	Linebackers
1999-2001	Baltimore Ravens	Linebackers
2002	Carolina Panthers	Defensive Coordinator
2003-11	Jacksonville Jaguars	Head Coach
2012-14	Denver Broncos	Defensive Coordinator
2013 (Wks. 10-13)	Denver Broncos	Interim Head Coach
2015	Oakland Raiders	Head Coach

### BRUCE ARIANS



Bruce Arians was named Arizona's head coach on January 17, 2013 when he signed a four-year contract with a team option for a fifth. After earning NFL Coach of the Year honors for the second time (2012 with Indianapolis) in three years, Arians received a contract extension in February of 2015 that will keep him with the team through the 2018 season.

- Became an NFL head coach for the first time when hired by Arizona on January 17, 2013.
- Named the Associated Press Coach of the Year after leading the Cardinals to an 11-5 record and a berth in the postseason in 2014.
   It marked the second time in three years Arians was awarded NFL Coach of the Year honors (Indianapolis, 2012) and he became the first coach in NFL history to be named Coach of the Year multiple times in a three-year span with multiple teams.
- Has compiled a 30-14 record over his first 44 games serving as a head coach; he was 9-3 as an interim head coach with Indianapolis in 2012 and is 21-11 in two seasons with the Cardinals. Only three NFL head coaches have more wins in their last 44 games: John Fox (35), Bill Belichick (34) and Pete Carroll (34).
- His 21 wins are more than any head coach in Cardinals history through their first 32 games and only four teams – Denver (25), Seattle (25), New England (24) and Indianapolis (22) – have more wins than Arizona in the last two seasons.
- Joins 2015 Hall of Fame finalist Don Coryell as the only coaches in Cardinals history to lead the team to 10+ wins in back-to-back seasons. Arians was the first coach in franchise history to do so in his first two seasons with the team.
- In his first season, Arians led the Cardinals to a 10-6 record by winning seven of the final nine games; AZ doubled its win total from 2012 and the five-win improvement equaled the team's best one-season turnaround in team history in a 16-game season
- Arians came to AZ with 20 years of experience as an NFL assistant coach with five different teams: Indianapolis (2012; 1998-2000), Pittsburgh (2004-11), Cleveland (2001-03), New Orleans (1996), and Kansas City (1989-92).
- At the age of 30, was named head coach at Temple University and spent six seasons (1983-88) there. Also worked as an assistant coach at the collegiate level for 10 seasons with Virginia Tech (1977), Mississippi State (1978-80; 1993-95), and Alabama (1981-82; 1997).

#### **COACHING BACKGROUND**

<u>Years</u>	<u>College/Pro Team</u>	<u>Position</u>
1975-76	Virginia Tech	Graduate Assistant
1977	Virginia Tech	Running Backs
1978-80	Mississippi State	RBs/WRs
1981-82	Alabama	Running Backs
1983-88	Temple	Head Coach
1989-92	Kansas City Chiefs	Running Backs
1993-95	Mississippi State	Offensive Coordinator
1996	New Orleans Saints	Tight Ends
1997	Alabama	Offensive Coordinator
1998-2000	Indianapolis Colts	Quarterbacks
2001-03	Cleveland Browns	Offensive Coordinator
2004-11	Pittsburgh Steelers	Offensive Coordinator/WRs
2012	Indianapolis Colts	Offensive Coordinator/
		Interim Head Coach
2013-15	Arizona Cardinals	Head Coach



## **COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE**

The Raiders — who began play in the American Football League in 1960 — enter their 56th year of professional football competition, including the last 45 as a member of the National Football League.

In five memorable decades — the 1960s, '70s, '80s, '90s and the 2000s — the Raiders have been dominant in professional football since Al Davis first pledged in 1963 to build the finest organization in pro sports.

During these decades of dominance, the Raiders have won an AFL championship, four American Football Conference championships, and three world championships of professional football, participated in five Super Bowls, played in 14 championship games, won or tied for 17 division championships, had 21 playoff seasons, finished 34 seasons at .500 or better and played in 40 postseason games.

Pro football's dynamic organization placed first in the AFC West in 2000, 2001 and 2002 despite playing among the toughest schedules in the NFL in each of those seasons. With their appearance in Super Bowl XXXVII, the Raiders became the first NFL team to have had a season end in the Super Bowl in four different decades.

The Raiders are the only team to have been in Super Bowls in the '60s, the '70s, the '80s and the 2000s.

The Silver and Black are the only AFC team — and one of just two NFL teams (Minnesota) — to have a season that advanced to the conference championship game in the '60s, the '70s, the '80s, the '90s and the 2000s.

The Raiders are one of only two original AFL teams to have captured three world championships of professional football with Super Bowl victories. The Raiders are one of only four AFC teams to have won more than one Super Bowl since 1980.

In their five Super Bowl appearances, the Raiders have been led by four head coaches and started four quarterbacks.

With four postseason victories, the Raiders were the first of the AFC West teams to win multiple postseason contests in the new millennium by six years.

Since 1963, when Al Davis first took over the failing Oakland franchise that had struggled to win only nine of 42 league games in the initial three seasons of the new AFL and pledged to build the finest organization in sports, the Raiders have dominated professional football in terms of consistent victory. During those memorable 55 years in Oakland and Los Angeles, the Raiders have won 437 league games, tied 11 and lost 388.

"Commitment to Excellence" has never been an idle phrase to those who have proudly represented the Raiders organization during the '60s, '70s, '80s, '90s and the new millennium as shown by their domination of pro football.

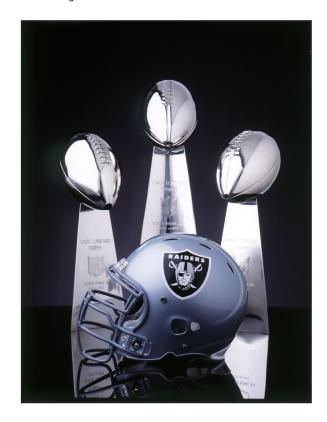
More than 20 of the great players who proudly wore the Silver and Black, as well as Owner-Leader Al Davis and legendary Head Coach John Madden, have been enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame. The Raiders have also produced five Coaches of the Year.

In addition, 62 Pro Bowl players have made 182 Pro Bowl appearances representing the Silver and Black. In 1970, as the Raiders began their second decade of play, the merger between the AFL and NFL became a reality on the field. In the 1970 through 2012 period of interconference play, the Raiders have compiled a remarkable 92-73-1 record against present National Football Conference rivals.

Another innovation came to professional football in 1970 — "Monday Night Football." The Raiders' domination of this prime-time television series has seen the Silver and Black build an incredible 37-27-1 record in Monday night play. In the 43 years of this series, the Raiders are 15-8-0 in "Monday Night Football" games at home.

Through the decades — the '60s, '70s, '80s, '90s and now the 2000s — the Raiders have had the greatest players, the greatest coaches, the greatest plays and participated in the greatest games in the annals of professional sports.

Challengers to Raider domination of professional football will arise as they have in the '60s, '70s, '80s, '90s and the new millennium. The Raider organization will continue to meet these challenges.











## REGGIE McKENZIE

## THE GENERAL MANAGER



Reggie McKenzie, a former draft pick by Raiders Owner Al Davis as a player, enters his 29th season in the National Football League and his fourth as General Manager of the Silver and Black. McKenzie was named to the position by Owner Mark Davis on Jan. 10, 2012, becoming the first General Manager of the franchise since Al Davis was hired as Head Coach and General

Manager in 1963.

In his first three years as General Manager, McKenzie has overseen significant changes in the organization's scouting, player personnel and football operations departments, while bringing refined football acumen to the Silver and Black. Adhering to a strategy of building a competitive roster through the draft while making strategic acquisitions via free agency and trades, McKenzie enters his fourth season at the helm having already earned plaudits from some of the most respected voices in football.

### UNDRAFTED GEMS

Every preseason, hundreds of undrafted free agents vie for a spot on their team's 53-man roster. **Reggie McKenzie** has brought in numerous players that were not drafted, developing them into significant contributors for the Silver and Black.

- **WR Andre Holmes**, originally an undrafted free agent with the Minnesota Vikings in 2011, has two of the Raiders' top four singlegame receiving totals over the last two seasons. He set career highs in 2014 with 47 catches for 693 yards and four touchdowns.
- In 2013, **P Marquette King** posted numbers among the NFL's best in both gross average and punting yards. With 4,107 punting yards on the year, King finished sixth in the NFL, and led the league in gross punting with an average of 48.9. In 2014, King set Raider franchise records in punts (109) and punting yards (4,930).
- **QB Matt McGloin** made his mark on the NFL in his rookie season, making his first career start on Nov. 17, 2013 at Houston. In that game, McGloin became the first undrafted rookie to throw for three-or-more touchdown passes in his first NFL start since 1987. He also became just the second quarterback to throw for three touchdowns without an interception in his first NFL start since the NFL-AFL merger in 1970.
- **WR Rod Streater** led the team in receptions (60) and receiving yards (888) in 2013 and totaled 39 receptions as a rookie in 2012, good for fourth most by a rookie in franchise history.

Below are some of the notable current Raiders who entered the NFL as undrafted free agents:

Player	School	Year	Team
LB R. Armstrong	Miami (Fla.)	2013	St. Louis
LS Jon Condo	Maryland	2005	Dallas
WR Andre Holmes	Hillsdale	2011	Minnesota
G/T Austin Howard	Northern Iowa	2010	Philadelphia
P Marquette King	Fort Valley State	2012	Oakland <sup>'</sup>
DE Benson Mayowa	ldaho	2013	Seattle
QB Matt McGloin	Penn State	2013	Oakland
FB/RB Jamize Olawale	North Texas	2012	Dallas
T Donald Penn	Utah State	2006	Minnesota
FB Marcel Reece	Washington	2008	Miami
S Brandian Ross	Youngstown State	2011	Green Bay
WR Rod Streater	Temple	2012	Oakland
WR K. Thompkins	Cincinnati	2013	New England

## 2014 DRAFT CLASS

#### First Round - LB Khalil Mack (No. 5 overall)

- Mack started all 16 games this season and has posted 84 tackles (59 solo), four sacks, four passes defensed and one forced fumble, according to official coaches' statistics.

- According to Pro Football Focus, Mack was the highest rated 4-3 outside linebacker in the NFL with a 56.4 overall rating and a 47.4 rating against the run, more than 25 points higher than the next highest rated player (Von Miller, 22.0).

- Mack finished second in the NFL behind J.J. Watt (12) with 11 tackles for loss against the run. He also ranks second behind Watt in stuffs with 11.5 tackles at or behind the line of scrimmage.

**Honors:** Finished third in Associated Press Defensive Rookie of the Year voting...Selected to the Pro Football Writers of America, Sports Illustrated and NFL.com All-Rookie Team...Was the only rookie named to the USA Football All-Fundamentals Team, which honors 26 NFL players who exhibit exemplary football techniques for young players to emulate.

#### Second Round - QB Derek Carr (No. 36 overall)

- Carr, the 14th NFL rookie quarterback to start all 16 games, is the owner of every franchise-rookie passing record and ranks first among 2014 rookies with 348 completions (second among all-time rookies), 3,270 passing yards (10th among rookies) and 21 touchdowns (T-5th among rookies).

- Carr boasted a 2.0 interception percentage despite attempting 599 passes, marking the best percentage among 2014 rookies and the seventh best among all NFL quarterbacks. He is one of just four rookies in NFL history with at least 20 touchdowns and 12-or-fewer picks.

Honors: Named to Sports Illustrated's All-Rookie Team.

#### Third Round - G Gabe Jackson (No. 81 overall)

- Jackson earned the starting left guard job during training camp and went on to play in 13 games with 12 starts. He is the first Raider offensive lineman to start at least 10 games since Stefen Wisniewski started 15 in 2011.

 In 528 passing plays, Jackson allowed just one sack and two pressures, ranking tied for seventh and tied for fifth among NFL guards, respectively, according to Pro Football Focus.

#### Fourth Round - DT Justin Ellis (No. 107 overall)

- Ellis was a surprise force on the defensive line, appearing in all 16 games with 14 starts after stepping into the starting position in Week 3.

- He finished the season with 39 tackles (21 solo) and one pass broken up.

*Honors:* Named to Sports Illustrated and Pro Football Writers of America's All-Rookie Team.

#### Fourth Round - CB Keith McGill (No. 116 overall)

- Despite being plagued by injury through much of the year, McGill contributed on special teams all season long, posting three special teams tackles. He finished the year with 12 tackles (six solo) and four passes defensed.

- McGill finally got his opportunity as the starting cornerback in Week 17 at Den., where he made a heads-up play by picking up a fumble on a lateral pass and returning it 18 yards for a touchdown.

#### Seventh Round - CB TJ Carrie (No. 219 overall)

- Carrie made immediate contributions on both defense and special teams, appearing in 13 games and starting four at cornerback. He finished the year with 48 stops (40 solo), an interception, 12 passes defensed, a forced fumble and two fumble recoveries (one special teams).

- As the Raiders' leading punt returner, Carrie brought back 26 punts for 195 yards (7.5 avg.). He also returned kickoffs, totaling 15 kick returns for 362 yards (24.1 avg.) with a long of 42 yards.



## **JACK DEL RIO**

## **DEL RIO QUICK FACTS**

- Jack Del Rio left the Jaguars tied with Tom Coughlin as the franchise's winningest head coach with 68 wins. Del Rio compiled a 68-71 regular season record (1-2 in the postseason) with Jacksonville from 2003 to '11. As the Broncos' interm head coach from Weeks 10-13 in 2013, he posted a 3-1 record, helping the Broncos secure the top seed in the AFC Playoffs.
- As a defensive coordinator and head coach, Del Rio's defenses have finished in the top 10 in total defense in seven times, and four times in the top five. Of the top seven defensive seasons in Jaguars team history, Del Rio was the head coach for for five of them.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rank</u>	Yds./Game
2002	Carolina	Def. Coord.	2	290.4
2003	Jacksonville	Head Coach	6	291.1
2005	Jacksonville	Head Coach	6	290.9
2006	Jacksonville	Head Coach	2	283.6
2011	Jacksonville	Head Coach	6	313.0
2012	Denver	Def. Coord.	2	290.8
2014	Denver	Def. Coord.	3	305.2

- Del Rio has coached 18 different players to a total of 27 total Pro Bowls during his 18 seasons as a position coach, coordinator or head coach.
- As Jacksonville's head coach from 2003 to '11, Del Rio helped the Jaguars rank seventh in total defense over that time period, allowing opponents to just 318.7 yards per game. They also ranked sixth in the NFL over that same time period, allowing opponents to just 105.1 yards per game on the ground.
- During his tenure as Denver's defensive coordinator (2012-14), the Broncos compiled 134 sacks in three seasons, the fourth most over that time span.
- With the Carolina Panthers in 2002, Del Rio inherited the NFL's
  worst defense from the season before (371.4 yards per game)
  and turned it into the league's No. 2-ranked unit (290.4). His
  Panthers also led the NFL in rushing average (3.7), and ranked
  second in sacks (52).
- In 2000, Del Rio coached the linebackers on a Baltimore Ravens unit that is considered by many as the best defensive unit in NFL history. Baltimore's defense set the NFL record for 16-game season with only 165 points allowed, including four shutouts and 49 turnovers.



### **DEL RIO BY THE NUMBERS**

11 seasons as an NFL linebacker with the New Orleans Saints (1985-86), Kansas City Chiefs (1987-88), Dallas Cowboys (1989-91) and Minnesota Vikings (1992-95).

 $160_{
m games}$  played throughout his NFL playing career with  $128_{
m starts}$ 

1,078 tackles, 12 sacks and 13 interceptions totaled by Del Rio during his NFL career.

.489 regular-season winning percentage as a head coach.

.594 winning percentage at home as a head coach with a 41-28 mark.

**52–46** record (.531) in games entering the fourth quarter with a scoring margin within seven points.

2 times (2005 and 2007) Del Rio took Jacksonville to the playoffs as head coach.

**5** times a team Del Rio has served on the coaching staff has at least made the Divisional Round.

times a Del Rio team where he was either the defensive coordinator or head coach has had a top five defense.

**3.94** yards per rushing attempt allowed by the Jaguars during Del Rio's tenure as head coach (2003 to 2011).

**141** interceptions recorded by Del Rio's Jaguars in his 139 games as head coach, intercepting 3.2 percent of all passes attempted against them.

18 second-half shutouts in his head-coaching career. His teams allowed just three second-half points an additional 12 times.

**5.75** points per game allowed in the postseason for the Super Bowl XXXV Champion Baltimore Ravens, where Del Rio coached the linebackers, including Defensive Player of the Year Ray Lewis.

1 touchdown allowed by his Ravens during the 2000 postseason Super Bowl run.





## **COORDINATORS**

## BILL MUSGRAVE



Bill Musgrave is in his 17th season in the NFL coaching ranks and second stint with the Raiders, having served as the team's quarterbacks coach in 1997

In his fifth assignment as an NFL offensive coordinator, Musgrave has served in that role with the Philadelphia Eagles, Carolina Panthers, Jacksonville Jaguars and Minnesota Vikings. He also spent

two seasons as the offensive coordinator at the University of Virginia. While at the helm of the Vikings from 2011-13, Musgrave oversaw the best rushing attack in the league over that span. During his three seasons at the helm, Minnesota led the league in rushing, posting 146.5 yards per game, and RB Adrian Peterson paced the NFL with 4,333 rushing yards. He has also mentored numerous of quarterbacks during his time in the league, including Matt Ryan, who won the 2008 Associated Press and Sporting News Offensive Rookie of the Year.

A former NFL quarterback himself, Musgrave played six seasons in the league for the San Francisco 49ers and Denver Broncos.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
1997	Oakland Raiders	Quarterbacks
1998*	Philadelphia Eagles	Offensive Assistant/
		Offensive Coordinator
1999	Carolina Panthers	Quarterbacks
2000	Carolina Panthers	Offensive Coordinator/
		Quarterbacks
2001-02	Virginia	Offensive Coordinator/
		Quarterbacks/Tight Ends
2003	Jacksonville Jaguars	Offensive Coordinator
2004	Jacksonville Jaguars	Offensive Coordinator/
		Quarterbacks
2005	Washington Redskins	Quarterbacks
2006-10	Atlanta Falcons	Quarterbacks
2011-13	Minnesota Vikings	Offensive Coordinator
2014	Philadelphia Eagles	Quarterbacks
2015	Oakland Raiders	Offensive Coordinator
	*served as the team's offensive	e coordinator for the final 10 games

## KEN NORTON, JR.



Ken Norton, Jr. joins the Raiders in 2015 for his sixth NFL coaching season, and his first as Oakland's defensive coordinator.

As an 18-year NFL veteran as a player and coach, Norton, Jr. has been a part of four Super Bowl-winning teams (three as a player and one as a coach). He is entering his 19th season overall in the NFL, with 13 coming as an All-Pro linebacker for the Dal-

las Cowboys and San Francisco 49ers. He and Raiders Head Coach Jack Del Rio played alongside one another in the linebacking corps of the Cowboys from 1989-91.

From 2010-14, Norton, Jr. served as Seattle's linebackers coach, helping the team to three NFC West Division titles, two NFC Championships and a Super Bowl XLVIII title. Over that period, he helped the Seahawks' defense rank second in total defense (309.5 yards per game) and the unit finished in the top 10 four times (2011-14), including leading the league in total defense the past two seasons. Additionally, he was part of a defensive staff that sent 11 players to the Pro Bowl from 2011-14.

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	<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
	2004	USC	Defensive Assistant/
			Linebackers
	2005-08	USC	Linebackers
	2009	USC	Assistant Head Coach
			Defense/Linebackers
	2010-14	Seattle Seahawks	Linebackers
	2015	Oakland Raiders	Defensive Coordinator

## **BRAD SEELY**



Brady Seely, in his 27th season as an NFL assistant coach, is in his first year as the Raiders special teams coordinator.

Seely begins his seventh assignment in charge of a team's special teams unit, as he previously directed those of the Carolina Panthers, New England Patriots, Cleveland Browns and San Francisco 49ers. In 37 years of coaching, Seely has also served NFL

stints with the New York Jets and Indianapolis Colts. Additionally, he spent 11 seasons at the collegiate level.

Seely spent 10 seasons as the New England Patriots special teams coach (1999-2008), where he was part of three Super Bowl championships. Over the span of his tenure in New England, the Patriots led the NFL in kickoff return average (23.5), were fourth in field goal percentage (83.4) and ranked eighth in punt return average (9.9). In addition, his units registered 11 returns for touchdowns, including eight on kickoffs, a figure that tied for second in the NFL over that 10-year stretch.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	Position
1978	South Dakota State	Assistant Coach
1979	Colorado State	Graduate Assistant
1980	Colorado State	Offensive Line
1981	SMU	Offensive Line
1982	North Carolina State	Offensive Line
1983	Pacific	Offensive Line
1984-88	Oklahoma State	Offensive Line
1989-93	Indianapolis Colts	Special Teams/Tight Ends
1994	New York Jets	Special Teams Coach
1995-98	Carolina Panthers	Special Teams Coach
1999-2008	New England Patriots	Special Teams Coach
2009-10	Cleveland Browns	Assistant Head Coach/
		Special Teams Coordinator
2011-14	San Francisco 49ers	Assistant Head Coach/
		Special Teams Coordinator
2015	Oakland Raiders	Special Teams Coordinator



## **DEFENSIVE ASSISTANTS**

### SAM ANNO



Sam Anno joined the NFL coaching ranks in 2015 as a defensive assistant for the Silver and Black after spending the last six seasons at the University of San Diego as an assistant head coach/linebackers and special teams.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2005-06	USC	Defensive/Special Teams
		Graduate Assistant
2007	USC	Video Assistant
2008	Central Conn. State	Linebackers/Special Teams
		Assistant Head Coach/
		LBs and Special Teams
2009-14	San Diego	Assistant Head Coach/
		LBs and Special Teams
2015	Oakland Raiders	Defensive Assistant

## JETHRO FRANKLIN



Jethro Franklin is in his first season with the Oakland Raiders as defensive line coach following four seasons at Miami (Fla.). Franklin brings 25 years of experience coaching defensive line at both the NFL and collegiate levels.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
1991-98	Fresno State	Defensive Line
1999	UCLA	Defensive Line
2000-04	Green Bay Packers	Defensive Line
2005	USC	Defensive Line
2006	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	Defensive Line
2007-08	Houston Texans	Defensive Line
2009	USC	Defensive Line
2010	Temple	Defensive Line
2011-14	Miami (Fla.)	Defensive Line
2015	Oakland Raiders	Defensive Line

### MARCUS ROBERTSON



Marcus Robertson is in his second season with the Raiders and first as defensive backs coach, after being promoted from assistant defensive backs coach in 2014. A 12-year NFL veteran as a player and former All-Pro safety, Robertson has served as an NFL assistant for eight years.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2007-08	Tennessee Titans	Assistant Secondary
2009-11	Tennessee Titans	Secondary
2012	Detroit Lions	Defensive Assistant/
		Secondary
2013	Detroit Lions	Secondary
2014	Oakland Raiders	Assistant Defensive Backs
2015	Oakland Raiders	Defensive Backs

### TRAVIS SMITH



Travis Smith is in his fourth year with the Raiders and first as quality control - defense. He previously served as a defensive assistant from 2012-14.

<u>Years</u> 2010	College/Pro Team Santa Monica JC	Position Assistant Tight Ends/ Defensive Line
2011	Colorado	Offensive Technical Intern
2012-14	Oakland Raiders	Defensive Assistant
2015	Oakland Raiders	Quality Control - Defense











## **DEFENSIVE ASSISTANTS**

### SAL SUNSERI



Sal Sunseri is in his first season with the Silver and Black as linebackers coach, bringing 31 years of coaching experience. He begins his eighth season in the NFL after spending the past two years coaching the defensive line and serving as the head coach of defense at Florida State.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
1985-91	Pittsburgh	Defensive Line/LBs
1992	Pittsburgh	Assistant Head Coach
1993	Iowa Wesleyan	Assistant Head Coach/
		Defensive Coordinator
1994	Illinois State	Defensive Coordinator
1995-97	Louisville	Linebackers
1998-99	Alabama A&M	Defensive Coordinator/
		Linebackers
2000	LSU	Special Teams Coordinator/
		Linebackers
2001	Michigan State	Special Teams Coordinator/
	•	Linebackers
2002	Carolina Panthers	Defensive Assistant
2003-08	Carolina Panthers	Defensive Line
2009-11	Alabama	Assistant Head Coach/
		Linebackers
2012	Tennessee	Defensive Coordinator
2013	Florida State	Defensive Ends
2014	Florida State	Head Coach of Defense
2015	Oakland Raiders	Linebackers

## **BRENT VIESELMEYER**



Brent Vieselmeyer is in his first season with the Silver and Black. He brings 15 years of coaching experience at the college and high school levels into his first NFL season, serving as assistant linebackers coach

Years	
2013-1	4

2015

College/Pro Team Houston Baptist

Oakland Raiders

#### **Position**

Co-Defensive Coordinator/ Linebackers Assistant Linebackers

### ROD WOODSON



Rod Woodson returned to Oakland this season for his second coaching stint with the Raiders, having coached cornerbacks in 2011. Woodson also Played in 26 games, all starts, with the Raiders from 2002-03, totaling 10 interceptions. A Pro Football Hall of Famer, Woodson recorded 71 interceptions, placing third all-time.

<u>Years</u> 2011 2015

College/Pro Team
Oakland Raiders
Oakland Raiders

<u>Position</u> Cornerbacks

Assistant Defensive Backs







## RAIDERS COACHES IN THE PRESS BOX



**Tim Holt**Assistant
Offensive Line



Nick Holz
Quality Control
- Offense



George Li Statistical Analyst



Jake Peetz Senior Offensive Asst.



**Travis Smith**Quality Control
- Defense



Brent Vieselmeyer Asst. LBs



**Rod Woodson** Assistant DBs



## **OFFENSIVE ASSISTANTS**

## **TODD DOWNING**



Todd Downing is in his 15th season in the NFL, his first with the Silver and Black, as quarterbacks coach. Downing joined the Raiders after spending the 2014 season in the same role with the Buffalo Bills.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2001-02	Minnesota Vikings	Coaching Intern/Assistant
2003-04	Minnesota Vikings	Football Systems Analyst
2005	Minnesota Vikings	Quality Control - Offense
2006-07	St. Loius Rams	Defensive Assistant/
		Assistant Special Teams
2008	St. Louis Rams	Assistant Secondary/
		Quality Control - Defense
2009	Detroit Lions	Offensive Quality Control
2010	Detroit Lions	Assistant Quarterbacks
2011-13	Detroit Lions	Quarterbacks
2014	Buffalo Bills	Quarterbacks
2015	Oakland Raiders	Quarterbacks

## BOBBY JOHNSON



Bobby Johnson is in his first year with Oakland as tight ends coach. In his 20-year coaching career, 15 of them at the collegiate level, Johnson has spent seven seasons coaching tight ends and the last five seasons working in the NFL.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
1995-96	Akron	Graduate Assistant
1997-98	Akron	Defensive Line
1999-2003	Miami (Ohio)	Tight Ends
2004	Miami (Ohio)	Offensive Line
2005-09	Indiana	Offensive Line
2010-11	Buffalo Bills	Assistant Offensive Line
2012	Jacksonville Jaguars	Tight Ends
2013	Detroit Lions	Tight Ends
2014	Detroit Lions	Assistant Offensive Line
2015	Oakland Raiders	Tight Ends





### TIM HOLT



Tim Holt returns to the NFL this season as the Raiders assistant offensive line coach after spending 2014 at Stetson University. Holt brings four years of NFL coaching experience to the Silver and Black along with 15 years in the college ranks. Holt has coached two Pro Bowlers, 22 All-Conference selections and three All-Americans.

<u>Years</u> 1995-96	College/Pro Team Southern Conn. State	Position Graduate Asst TEs/
1997-98	Lehigh	Assistant Offensive Line Assistant Tight Ends/ Offensive Line
1999	Cornell	Tight Ends/ Assistant Offensive Line
2000	Cornell	Running Backs
2001-03	American International	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line
2004 2005-07 2008	Southern Conn. State Southern Conn. State Stonehill College	Offensive Line Running Backs Offensive Line/ Run Game Coordinator
2009 2010-11 2012 2014	Tampa Bay Buccaneers Tampa Bay Buccaneers Chicago Bears Stetson	Offensive Assistant Assistant Offensive Line Offensive Line Offensive Line/ Run Game Coordinator
2015	Oakland Raiders	Assistant Offensive Line

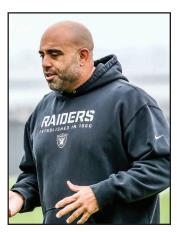
### NICK HOLZ



Nick Holz is in his first season as quality control – offense with the Raiders, having spent the previous three seasons as the team's offensive assistant.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2007	Nebraska	Offensive Quality Control
2008-11	Stanford	Offensive Assistant/
		Quarterbacks
2012-14	Oakland Raiders	Offensive Assistant
2015	Oakland Raiders	Quality Control - Offense







## **OFFENSIVE ASSISTANTS**

## **ROB MOORE**



Rob Moore joined the Silver and Black for his first season as wide receivers coach. Moore broke into the NFL ranks as a coach with the Buffalo Bills in 2014 after a 12-year NFL career as a wide receiver.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2009	Phoenix (Ariz.) JC	Wide Receivers
2010-13	Syracuse	Wide Receivers
2014	Buffalo Bills	Wide Receivers
2015	Oakland Raiders	Wide Receivers

### JAKE PEETZ



Jake Peetz is in his seventh NFL season and his first with the Silver and Black as senior offensive assistant. He joins the Raiders after spending 2014 as the offensive quality control/assistant wide receivers coach with the Washington Redskins.

<u>Years</u> 2006	College/Pro Team Santa Barbara (Calif.) City College	Position Safeties/Special Teams and Strength and Conditioning Coordinator
2007	UCLA	Defensive Quality Control
2008-09	Jacksonville Jaguars	Scouting Assistant
2010-11	Jacksonville Jaguars	BLESTO Scout - Southeast
2012	Jacksonville Jaguars	Offensive Assistant/
2013	Alabama	Assistant Quarterbacks Offensive Analyst/ Assistant Quarterbacks
2014	Washington Redskins	Offensive Quality Control/ Assistant Wide Receivers
2015	Oakland Raiders	Senior Offensive Asst.

### BERNIE PARMALEE



Bernie Parmalee enters his first season with the Oakland Raiders as running backs coach. He returns to the NFL coaching ranks after spending a season with Kansas as quality control-offense/assistant running backs and playing nine seasons in the league.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2002	Miami Dolphins	Assistant Special Teams
2003	Miami Dolphins	Assistant Special Teams/
		Offensive Assistant (RBs)
2004	Miami Dolphins	Tight Ends
2005-06	Notre Dame	Tight Ends/Special
		Teams Co-Coordinator
2007-09	Notre Dame	Tight Ends
2010-12	Kansas City Chiefs	Tight Ends
2014	Kansas	Quality Control - Offense/
		Assistant Running Backs
2015	Oakland Raiders	Running Backs

#### MIKE TICE

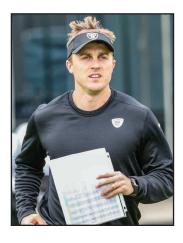


Mike Tice joins the Silver and Black as offensive line coach, bringing 18 years of NFL coaching experience, including eight seasons as an offensive line coach and four as a head coach.

<u>Years</u> 1996	College/Pro Team Minnesota Vikings	<u>Position</u> Tight Ends
1997-2001	Minnesota Vikings	Offensive Line/Assistant Head Coach
2001	Minnesota Vikings	Interim Head Coach
2002-05	Minnesota Vikings	Head Coach
2006	Jacksonville Jaguars	Assistant Head Coach/ Offense
2007-09	Jacksonville Jaguars	Assistant Head Coach/ Tight Ends
2010-11	Chicago Bears	Offensive Line
2012	Chicago Bears	Offensive Coordinator
2014	Atlanta Falcons	Offensive Line
2015	Oakland Raiders	Offensive Line











## **ASSISTANT COACHES**

### DARRYL ETO



Darryl Eto joined the Raiders as an assistant strength and conditioning coach following five seasons as the director of strength and conditioning with the NBA's Houston Rockets. Recognized as an expert in the field of plyometrics, conditioning and speed training, Eto brings nearly 30 years of experience to the Silver and Black.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	Position
1991-97	University of Arizona	Head Assistant Strength
		and Conditioning
2009-14	Houston Rockets	Director of Strength
		and Conditioning
2015	Oakland Raiders	Assistant Strength and
		Conditioning

### KEVIN KIJOWSKI



Kevin Kijowski is in his first NFL season as strength and conditioning assistant with the Raiders. Kijowski brings four years of experience at the collegiate level to the Silver and Black.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2013	Appalachian State	Strength and Conditioning
		Graduate Assistant
2014	UNC-Wilmington	Assistant Strength and
		Conditioning
2015	Oakland Raiders	Strength and Conditioning
		Assistant

## **JOE GOMES**



Joe Gomes, who brings over a decade of athlete training experience, is in his first season in his current role. He joins the Raiders after spending the previous nine years at EXOS (formerly Athlete's Performance).

YearsCollege/Pro Team2015Oakland Raiders

Position
Head Strength and
Conditioning

### **WES MILLER**



Wes Miller joins the Raiders for his first NFL season as strength and conditioning assistant after working as a performance coach at EXOS, formerly Athletes' Performance. Miller brings four years of experience in training elite athletes to the Silver and Black.

<u>Years</u> <u>Co</u> 2015 Oa

College/Pro Team
Oakland Raiders

<u>Position</u> Strength and Conditioning

Assistant

### TRACY SMITH



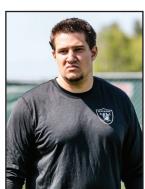
Tracy Smith is in his first season with the Raiders, serving as the team's assistant special teams coach. He is in his seventh NFL season in 2015, spending the previous three years with the San Francisco 49ers.

<u>Years</u>	College/Pro Team	<u>Position</u>
2004	Stephen F. Austin St.	Tight Ends/Video Coord.
2005	LSU	Offensive Graduate Asst.
2006-08	Utah State	Tight Ends
2009-10	Cleveland Browns	Special Teams Assistant
2011	Seattle Seahawks	Coaching Assistant
2012-14	San Francisco 49ers	Special Teams Assistant
2015	Oakland Raiders	Assistant Special Teams













## **COACHING STAFF NOTES**

## FROM PLAYERS TO COACHES

The 2015 Oakland Raiders coaching staff certainly has pedigree. Ten of team's coaches played at the NFL level before getting into coaching. The staff has 102 years of combined playing experience, with 15 Pro Bowl appearances, five All-Pro selections and one induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Raiders S Charles Woodson on having former players on the 2015 coaching staff: "Yeah, I think for any player, when you have a guy that played the game, he knows the scrutiny put on you as a player. He knows the bumps and bruises that you take on a day-in and day-out basis. He knows about being in training camp. He knows about what it takes to win. It's validation for that guy when he played the game. When you're a player, there's almost automatically a respect that you have for a person that's been in it, been in that fight, knows what it's all about. These guys really they do have a wealth of knowledge. I think our teaching level this year has been at an all-time high, as far as guys understanding where they're supposed to be each and every play. I think that'll go well for us.

Head Coach Jack Del Rio: 11 years as an NFL player

A veteran of 11 seasons as an NFL linebacker, 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)...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 INTs.

Offensive Coordinator Bill Musgrave: 6 years as an NFL player
Was drafted in the fourth round (106th overall) of the 1991 NFL Draft by the Dallas Cowboys...Played six seasons as a quarterback for the San Francisco 49ers (1991-94) and Denver Broncos (1995-96)...Servéd as a back up to Jóe Montana and Steve Young with the 49ers... Played under offensive coordinators Mike Holmgren and Mike Shanahan...Was a member of the 49ers' Super Bowl XXIX winning team in 1994...Followed Shanahan to Denver to play under offensive coordinator Gary Kubiak and backup John Elway from 1995-96.

Defensive Coordinator Ken Norton, Jr.: 11 years as an NFL player

Played in the NFL for 13 seasons...Was originally drafted by the Dallas Cowboys in the second round (41st overall) of the 1988 NFL Draft...Spent his first six seasons with the Čowbóys from 1988-93 and his final seven with the San Francisco 49ers from 1994-2000... Appeared in 191 games with 188 starts, recording 1,274 tackles (897 solo), 12.5 sacks, six forced fumbles, 13 fumble recoveries, five interceptions and 49 passes defensed...Named an Associated Press All-Pro in 1995...Is the only player in NFL history to play on three consecutive Super Bowl-winning teams (Dallas in 1992 and 1993 and San Francisco in 1994)...Earned All-American honors at UCLA in 1987.

Defensive Assistant Sam Anno: 7 seasons as an NFL player

Played seven years in the NFL as a linebacker and long snapper with the Los Angeles Rams (1987), Minnesota Vikings (1987-88), Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1989-91) and San Diego Chargers (1992-93)...Received NFL Special Teams Player of the Year honors in 1989.

Defensive Line Coach Jethro Franklin: 1 season as an NFL player

Drafted by the Houston Oilers in the 11th round (298th overall) of the 1988 NFL Draft...Spent the 1989 season playing defensive line for the Seattle Seahawks...No. 1 overall draft choice of the San Antonio Riders of the World League of American Football in 1991 before opting to begin his coaching career instead.

<u>Wide Receivers Coach Rob Moore: 12 seasons as an NFL player</u>
Played 12 years as a wide receiver in the NFL...Was selected by the New York Jets in the first round of the 1990 Supplemental Draft... Spent five seasons with New York (1990-94) and seven years with the Arizona Cardinals (1995-2001)...Played in 153 games with 146 starts, and totaled 628 receptions for 9,368 yards and 49 touchdowns, earning Pro Bowl berths in 1994 and 1997…Led the NFL in receiving yards in 1997 (1,584), earning All-Pro honors, and an All-Conference selection from Pro Football Weekly.

Running Backs Coach Bernie Parmalee: 9 seasons as an NFL player
Played nine seasons as a running back with the Miami Dolphins (1992-98) and the New York Jets (1999-2000)...Entered the NFL as a rookie free agent with Miami...Played in 134 games (26 starts), recording 567 rushes for 2,179 yards with 17 TDs and 168 receptions for 1,485 yards with three scores...Also registered 16 kickoff returns for 289 yards, as well as 123 special teams tackles.

Defensive Backs Coach Marcus Robertson: 12 seasons as an NFL player

Played 12 seasons as a safety with the Houston Oilers/Tennessee Oilers/Tennessee Titans (1991-2000) and the Seattle Seahawks (2001 02)...Selected by Houston in the fourth round (102nd overall) of the 1991 NFL Draft...Played in 162 career games with 144 starts, totaling 24 interceptions, 1.5 sacks, nine forced fumbles and 11 fumble recoveries...Earned All-Pro honors in 1993 after recording a career-high seven interceptions and three fumble recoveries with one touchdown...Also totaled five interceptions with three fumble recoveries and two touchdowns in 1997.

Offensive Line Coach Mike Tice: 14 seasons as an NFL player
Played 14 NFL seasons with the Seattle Seahawks (1981-88, 1990-91), Washington Redskins (1989) and Vikings (1992-93, '95) as a tight end...Played in 177 games (111 starts) with 107 receptions for 894 yards and 11 TDs.

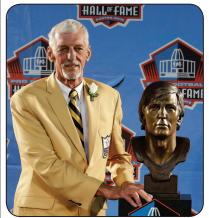
<u> Assistant Defensive Backs Coach Rod Woodson: 17 seasons as an NFL player</u>

Played 17 NFL seasons after being drafted 10th overall by the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1987...In 1993, had eight interceptions, 28 passes defensed, two forced fumbles, two sacks, blocked a field goal attempt, recorded a team high 79 solo tackles and was named NFL Defensive Player of the Year...Played 10 years with the Steelers from 1987-96, primarily at cornerback and returning kicks and punts... Spent 1997 with the San Francisco 49ers before switching to safety and joining the Baltimore Ravens from 1999-2001...Played in 26 games, all starts, with the Raiders from 2002-03, totaling 10 interceptions...In his 17 NFL seasons, he recorded 71 interceptions, good for third all-time; a then-NFL-record 1,483 interception return yards; 2,362 punt return yards and 17 touchdowns...Holds NFL record with 12 interception-return touchdowns...Named to the 1990s All-Decade Team...Voted to 11 Pro Bowls, a record for defensive backs... Was inducted to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2009.



## **HALL OF FAMERS**

The amount of people to have worn the Silver and Black and be enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, continues to grow. In 2014, former P Ray Guy became the first punter in NFL history to be enshrined into the Hall of Fame. A year later, WR Tim Brown and personnel executive Ron Wolf joined Guy in Canton. The Raiders now have 23 members in the Hall of Fame.



## <u>2014 - RAY GUY</u>

Raiders punter, 1973-86; NFL veteran, 1973-86

Inducted into Pro Football Hall of Fame on Aug. 2, 2014...First pure punter ever elected to the Hall of Fame...Largely revolutionized the position with his booming kicks, introducing the term "hang time" into the modern-day football lexicon and helping pioneer directional punting...Became the first punter selected in the first round of the NFL Draft when the Silver and Black chose him 23rd overall in 1973...Punted 14 seasons for the Raiders...Played in 207 consecutive games, finishing career ranked third on the team's all-time participation list...Punted 1,049 times for 44,493 yards, averaging 42.4 yards per effort...Also placed 209 punts inside the 20-yard line and had only three punts blocked...Averaged more than 40 yards per punt in 13 of 14 seasons...Named as the punter for the NFL's 75th Anniversary Team in 1994 and selected to the NFL's All-Decade Team for the 1970s...Played in seven Pro Bowls (1973-78, 80) and was named first-team All-Pro six times (1973-78)...Also named second-team All-Pro twice (1979-80)...Led the NFL in punting average three times; 1974 (42.2 avg.), 1975 (43.8 avg.) and 1977 (43.3 avg.)...Also finished second in the NFL in punting three times (1973, 78, 81)...Played on three Super Bowl champion Raider teams, helping the Silver and Black win NFL titles in Super Bowls XI, XV and XVIII...Played in 22 postseason games, averaging 42.2 yards on 111 punts...Finished his pro career with 619 straight punts without a block...Namesake for the Ray Guy Award, presented annually by the Greater

Augusta Sports Council to the nation's top collegiate punter.



### **2015 - TIM BROWN**

Raiders wide receiver, 1988-2003; NFL veteran, 1988-2004

Inducted into Pro Football Hall of Fame on Aug. 8, 2015...Played 17 NFL seasons, including first 16 campaigns with the Raiders...Joined Raiders as the sixth player selected in the 1988 NFL Draft after winning the Heisman Trophy at Notre Dame...Finished career as the most decorated receiver in Raiders history, setting franchise records with 1,070 receptions for 14,734 yards and 99 touchdowns...Finished career with most seasons (16) and games played (240) in franchise annals...Also Raiders all-time leader with 3,272 yards and three touchdowns on punt returns and 14,924 total yards from scrimmage...Racked up 19,443 combined net yards as a Raider...Topped 1,000 yards receiving in a season nine straight times from 1993-2001, and posted four of the top five seasons for receiving yardage in franchise history...Career totals include 1,094 catches for 14,934 yards and 100 touchdowns...Reception total ranked third in NFL history and yardage mark was second in league record book at time of his retirement...Punt return yardage total of 3,320 is sixth in league history...Only player in NFL history to record at least 75 receptions in 10 straight seasons (1993-2002)...Posted 11 seasons with 50-or-more receptions and recorded a reception in 179 straight games from 1993-2004...Averaged 87 catches and 1,191 yards per season from 1993-2002...Also posted more yards after the catch than any other NFL receiver from 1992-2004 with 4,475...Set an NFL record for wide receivers with 176 straight starts...Selected to play in

nine Pro Bowls, including five straight from 1994-98...Named All-Pro twice (1988 and 1997)...Garnered first-team All-Pro recognition in 1997 after setting franchise single-season records with 104 catches for 1,408 yards...Six-time recipient of the Raiders' Commitment to Excellence Award...Led Raiders to three-straight AFC West titles from 2000-02.



## **2015 - RON WOLF**

Raiders Personnel Executive/Contributor, 1963-74, 1979-89; AFL/NFL veteran, 1963-2001

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## FREE AGENT ADDITIONS

## S Nate Allen



Started 69-of-74 games in five seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles...Posted a career-high four INTs, two forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries in 2014...Tallied a career-high 94 tackles in 2013 as he started all 16 games for the first time in his career...As a rookie, earned NFL Defensive Rookie of the Month honors for September 2010 after recording 19 tackles (13 solo), two INTs and one sack in three games...Became the only rookie in Eagles franchise history to record at least three INTs and two sacks in his rookie campaign...Career totals include 74 games played with 69 starts, 380 tackles (257 solo), 10 INTs, 28 passes defensed, four sacks, three forced fumbles and four fumble recoveries.

## **WR Michael Crabtree**



Career totals include 79 games played with 77 starts, 347 receptions for 4,327 yards (12.5 avg.) and 26 TDs...Also has three rushing attempts for 18 yards in his career...Postseason totals include eight games played with 40 receptions for 516 yards (12.9 avg.) and four TDs...Helped the 49ers to an appearance in Super Bowl XLVII following the 2012 campaign...Has caught at least one pass in all 79 career games, with at least three receptions in 66 contests...Owns eight regular season 100-yard performances, including a career-high 172 yards (Dec. 30, 2012 vs. Ari.)...Set career highs in 2012 with 85 receptions for 1,105 yards and nine TDs.

## **C Rodney Hudson**



Accomplished center enters his first season with the Raiders after signing with the team as an unrestricted free agent this offseason...Has played in 51 games with 35 starts at center and guard over four seasons...Has started 31 of the last 32 games...Started at center in all 16 games for the first time in his career in 2014...Originally entered the NFL as a second-round draft pick of the Chiefs in 2011.

## **LB Curtis Lofton**



Has appeared in all 112 games in his career, the longest active streak among inside linebackers...Also has started 99 straight games at inside linebacker, the second most consecutive starts among active linebackers...Has posted at least 100 tackles in all seven NFL seasons...Named to the Pro Football Weekly and The Sporting News' All-Rookie Team in 2008...Named the NFC Defensive Player of the Week in 2011 for his Week 17 performance against TB...Recorded a career-high and New Orleans Saints franchise-record 185 tackles in 2014...Career totals include 112 games played with 111 starts, 1,058 tackles (689 solo), seven sacks, 11 forced fumbles, four fumble recoveries, three INTs and one INT-TD.

## **RB Trent Richardson**



Veteran running back enters his first season with the Silver and Black following stints with the Cleveland Browns and Indianapolis Colts...Has totaled 614 carries for 2,032 yards (3.3 avg.) and 17 TDs, and 113 receptions for 912 yards (8.1 avg.) and two TDs...Led the Colts in rushing attempts and yards in 2014...Named to USA Today's All-Joe Team in 2012... Set Browns rookie records in rushing yards (950), rushing TDs (11), scrimmage yards (1,317) and total TDs (12).

## LB Malcolm Smith



Spent his first four seasons with the Seattle Seahawks, helping the team to two NFC Championships (2013 and 2014) and a Super Bowl XLVIII title...Named Super Bowl XLVIII MVP after totaling nine tackles (five solo), one fumble recovery and a 69-yard INT-TD...Set career highs in 2013 for tackles (50), forced fumbles (one), INTs (two) and passes defensed (four)...Career totals include 57 games played with 16 starts, 105 tackles (68), two sacks, three forced fumbles, two INTs and seven passes defensed...Postseason totals include eight games played with two starts, 27 tackles (16), one fumble recovery, two INTs and two passes defensed.

## **DT Dan Williams**



Run-stuffing defensive tackle enters his sixth NFL season, his first with Oakland...Signed with the team as an unrestricted free agent in March...Career totals include 70 games played with 40 starts, totaling 179 tackles (116 solo), two sacks, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery, two INTs and seven passes defensed...Played in all 16 games for the first time in his career in 2014, recording a career-high 45 tackles...Made a career-high 11 starts in 2012...Has also appeared in one postseason game, totaling six tackles.



## **2015 DRAFT PICKS**



#### WR Amari Cooper, First Round, Fourth Overall

- Alabama's all-time leader in every major passing category, including receptions (228), receiving yards (3,463) and receiving TDs (31).
- Finished third in Heisman Trophy voting, won the Fred Biletnikoff Award and was a unanimous first-team All-American in 2014 after catching

124 passes for 1,727 yards and 16 TDs.

- One of just two Alabama players to record two 1,000-yard receiving seasons (2012 and 2014).
- Ranks near the top of the SEC record books in every major category, finishing third all-time in receptions, second all-time in receiving yards and tied for first in receiving TDs.



#### DE Mario Edwards Jr., Second Round, 35th Overall

- Three-year starter for the BCS Champion (2013) Florida State Seminoles, starting 26-of-36 games from 2012-14.
- Media and coaches named him to the All-ACC First Team as a junior, and coaches to the All-ACC Third Team in 2013.
- Near consensus top-rated high school prospect in the nation in 2012, being named the USA Today Defensive Player of the Year and a Parade All-American.
- Father, Mario, was also a star player at FSU and played five seasons as a cornerback in the NFL.



#### TE Clive Walford, Third Round, 68th Overall

- Started 35-of-49 games on way to becoming the seventh tight end in school history to total 1,000 yards.
- Set all major school tight end receiving records, totaling 121 receptions for 1,753 yards [14.5 avg.] and 14 TDs.
- Named a finalist for the John Mackey Award in his senior year, along with earning third-team All-American and second-team All-ACC honors.
- Did not start playing football until his senior year of high school.



#### G/C Jon Feliciano, Fourth Round, 128th Overall

- Extremely durable lineman, playing in 48 games with 46 starts over his four-year career.
- Three-time All-ACC honorable mention from 2012-14
- $\bullet$  Showed great versatility, making starts at left tackle, left guard, right tackle and right guard

over his four seasons.
• Helped the Hurricanes' offense produce over 430 total yards per game as a senior in 2014.



#### LB Ben Heeney, Fifth Round, 140th Overall

- Tallied 335 tackles (214 solo) in his career at Kansas, eighth best in school history.
- Owns two 100-tackle seasons and recorded at least 50 solo tackles in each of his last three seasons, leading the Big 12 in solo tackles as a senior.
- Earned All-Big 12 Second-Team honors in 2012 and 2013, before earning first-team recognition as a senior.
- First-team all-state running back at Hutchinson (Kan.) High School, totaling 2,083 yards and 39 TDs as a senior.



#### LB Neiron Ball, Fifth Round, 161st Overall

- Played four years at Florida, appearing in 45 games with 16 starts at linebacker.
- Forced to sit out the entire 2011 season after suffering an arteriovenous malformation (AVM) condition in the spring.
- After returning in 2012, named finalist for the Uplifting Athletes Rare Disease Champion Award and earned the Florida's Chris Patrick Courage Award.
- Named first-team all-state defensive line in Georgia Class AAA by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution coming out of high school in Jackson, Ga.



#### DE Max Valles, Sixth Round, 179th Overall

- Played two years at Virginia, appearing in 22 games with 16 starts, after spending the 2012 season at Fork Union (Va.) Military Academy.
- Totaled 78 tackles (32 solo), 13 sacks, four forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries, one INT and 12 passes defensed in his brief collegiate ca-

reer.

• Ranked second in the ACC with nine sacks as a sophomore in 2014.



#### T Anthony Morris, Seventh Round, 218th Overall

- Played four seasons at Tennessee State, appearing in 35 games with 11 starts.
- Blocked for two 1,000-yard rushers during his tenure.
- Led the offensive line to a No. 18 ranking in FCS, giving up only 1.17 sacks per game in 2014.
- Played on both the offensive and defensive lines in high school, recording 60 tackles (2.6 per game) and two sacks over his last two seasons.



#### WR Andre Debose, Seventh Round, 221st Overall

- Injured his Achilles' during the offseason program and will look to make his NFL debut in 2016.
- Played four years at Florida, appearing 42 games with eight start and totaling 79 kickoff returns for 2,111 yards (26.7 avg.) with four TDs.
- Owns school record with four career kick re-

turn TDs at Florida, also tying him for the SEC record with Willie Gault (Tennessee), Felix Jones (Arkansas) and Brandon Boykin (Georgia).

• Former teammate of Raiders LB Ray-Ray Armstrong at Seminole High School in Sanford, Fla., where the pair won the 2008 Class 6A state title with a 40-yard TD pass from Armstrong to Debose.



#### CB Dexter McDonald, Seventh Round, 242nd Overall

- Played three seasons (2011, 2013-14) at Kansas, spending one year at Butler (Kan.) Community College in 2012.
- A two-year starter at Kansas, totaled 81 tackles (58 solo) with a forced fumble, four INTs and 25 passes defensed in 31 career games.
- Recorded two INTs and two passes defensed in a 2014 win over Southeast Missouri State, earning him multiple defensive player of the week honors (Big 12, CFPA and Kansas).
- An All-Big 12 honorable mention (coaches) in 2013 and a preseason second-team All-Big 12 selection (Phil Steele) in 2014.



## McGLOIN TO BUTLER

Since entering the league together in 2013, **QB Matt McGloin** and **WR Brice Butler** have developed quite the connection in the preseason. In their very first preseason game together against the Dallas Cowboys on Aug. 9, 2013, McGloin found Butler for a 30-yard touchdown to give the Raiders the lead late in the second half, on which Butler made a sensational diving grab. A year later on Aug. 15, 2014 against the Detroit Lions, the two connected for a game-winning touchdown with :06 remaining in the game. In this season's first preseason contest, they hooked up for a 16-yard score in the third quarter. Here is a look at their preseason numbers over the past three seasons, when Butler has caught all six of his touchdown passes from McGloin:

#### McGLOIN TO BUTLER PRESEASON CONNECTION (2013-15)

Rec.	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Lg.</u>	<u>TD</u>
16	253	15.8	40	6

#### McGLOIN PRESEASON STATISTICS (2013-15)

Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	Pct.	TD	INT
73	122	874	59.8	7	5

#### **BUTLER PRESEASON STATISTICS (2013-15)**

Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	<u>Lg.</u>	<u>TD</u>
27	397	14.7	40	6



## "MEAT AND POTATOES"

During a press conference in training camp, **LB Khalil Mack** revealed that he calls **DTs Justin Ellis** (6-foot-2, 335 pounds) and **Dan Williams** (6-foot-2, 330 pounds) the Raiders' "meat and potatoes" up front.

With Ellis and Williams and the rest of the Raiders' defense playing the run, Oakland has limited opponents to just 3.3 yards per rush through its first two preseason games, with the opposition gaining just 173 yards on 53 carries. Below is a look at how the Raiders' run defense has performed through the preseason:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Rushing Yards	<u>Attempts</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
8/14/15	StL.	86	21	4.1
8/22/15	at Min.	87	32	2.7
Totals		173	53	3.3

### **WINNING WAYS**

The Raiders are among the elite teams in the NFL, ranking among the top five from 1963-2014 in winning percentage of teams playing at least 500 games. The Raiders rank eighth with a .546 percentage since Al Davis was named head coach and general manager in 1963.

#### **NFL WINNING PERCENTAGE 1963-2014**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	I	Pct.
1.	Dallas Cowboys	467	324	3	.590
2.	Pittsburgh Steelers	449	337	8	.571
3.	Miami Dolphins	423	325	4	.565
4t.	Green Bay Packers	430	350	14	.551
4t.	Minnesota Vikings	433	352	9	.551
4t.	San Francisco 49ers	432	352	11	.551
7.	Denver Broncos	430	355	9	.548
8.	Oakland Raiders	428	355	11	.546

## ROAD WARRIORS

The Raiders are among the top-performing road teams in NFL history. The Silver and Black rank ninth since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger with a .462 winning percentage in games away from home.

#### **TOP ROAD RECORDS 1970-2014**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	W	<u>L</u>	Ţ	Pct.
1.	San Francisco 49ers	179	168	1	.516
2.	Dallas Cowboys	179	169	0	.514
3.	Miami Dolphins	177	171	1	.509
4.	Pittsburgh Steelers	173	174	1	.499
5t.	New England Patriots	165	183	0	.474
5t.	Philadelphia Eagles	162	180	5	.474
7.	Denver Broncos	161	183	2	.470
8.	Indianapolis Colts	163	185	0	.468
9.	Oakland Raiders	159	185	4	.462

## O.CO WINNING

Dating back to Nov. 20 of last season, the Raiders have now won four consecutive games at 0.co Coliseum, ending the 2014 regular season with three straight wins over the Kansas City Chiefs, San Francisco 49ers and Buffalo Bills, and opening up the 2015 preseason slate with a victory over the St. Louis Rams.

In the preseason, Oakland has won five of its last six home games dating back to 2012. In those contests, they have beaten the Detroit Lions (twice), Dallas Cowboys, Seattle Seahawks and St. Louis Rams. The only loss came against the Chicago Bears on Aug. 23, 2013.

The Raiders will look to their three-game home winning streak (not counting preseason), the team's longest since a three-game streak in 2010. The last time Oakland had a home winning streak longer than three games came in 2002 when the team won six straight – the final four games of the regular season and both AFC Playoff games.

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## STANDING GROUND

The Raiders' revamped offensive line excelled in pass protection in 2014, ranking among the best units in the league in that regard. Oakland only allowed 28 sacks on the season, good for tied for sixth in the NFL. Here is how the Raiders stack up against other offensive fronts in 2014:

#### **SACKS ALLOWED IN 2014**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	Sacks Allowed	Sack Yards
1.	Denver	17	118
2.	Baltimore	19	167
3.	Cincinnati	23	130
4t.	New England	26	170
4t.	Houston	26	108
6t.	Oakland	28	181
6t.	Arizona	28	182
8.	Indianapolis	29	168

### CLEAN QB JERSEYS

In Week 2 (9/14 vs. Hou.) and Week 3 (9/21 at NE) of the 2014 season, the Raiders offensive line recorded clean sheets by not allowing a single sack in either game. That marks the second straight season, and the 10th time since team sacks became an official statistic in 1982, that the Raiders' line kept the quarterback upright in back-to-back games. The Raiders also allowed zero sacks in a contest four times in 2014. Here is a look at those streaks since 1990:

#### **CONSECUTIVE GAMES NOT ALLOWING A SACK (SINCE 1990)**

Consec. Games	<b>Beginning</b>	<u>End</u>	W/L
3	12/2/07 vs. Den.	12/16/07 vs. Ind.	1-2
2	9/14/14 vs. Hou.	9/21/14 at NE	0-2
2	11/24/13 vs. Ten.	11/28/13 at Dal.	0-2
2	12/24/11 at KC	1/1/12 vs. SD	1-1
2	11/23/08 at Den.	11/30/08 vs. KC	1-1
2	12/16/90 vs. Cin.	12/22/90 at Min.	2-0

## FOURTH DOWN SUCCESS

Fourth down in the NFL is a "do or die" situation for offenses, and Oakland's offense was effective in those situations this season. The Raiders finished third in the NFL when facing fourth down, extending drives at a 60.0 percent clip. Here is a look at how the Raiders stack up against the rest of the NFL last season:

#### **FOURTH DOWN PERCENTAGE IN 2014**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Attempts</u>	<b>Conversions</b>	Pct.
1.	Arizona	4	3	75.0
2.	Philadelphia	11	7	63.6
3t.	Oakland	15	9	60.0
3t.	Carolina	10	6	60.0
5.	Houston	17	10	58.8
6.	NY Jets	16	9	56.3

## **PUNCHING IT IN**

When the Raiders get down inside the opponent's 20-yard line, which they did 29 times in 2014, the offense has shown the ability to gain those crucial final yards and cross the goal line. The Raiders scored touchdowns on 21-of-29 red zone possessions, good for first in the league with a 72.4 percent success rate. Here is a look at the top red zone teams from 2014:

#### **RED ZONE TD PERCENTAGE IN 2014**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Possessions</u>	<u>Touchdowns</u>	<u>TD%</u>
1.	Oakland	29	21	72.4
2.	Dallas	51	33	64.7
3.	Chicago	47	30	63.8
4.	Denver	62	39	62.9
5.	Atlanta	44	27	61.4
6.	New Orlean	s 65	39	60.0
7.	NY Giants	61	36	59.0



## STUFFING THE RUN

Since the Raiders returned to Oakland in 1995, the team limited the opposition to less than two yards per carry in a game only 13 times, including three in 2013 and twice in 2014. The 1.0 yards per carry allowed vs. Buffalo was the seventh time since 2012 that the Silver and Black have allowed an average of less than two yards per carry. Here is a look at the games:

<u>Date</u>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Rushing Yards</b>	<b>Attempts</b>	Avg.
12/16/12	Kansas City	10	10	1.0
12/21/14	Buffalo	13	13	1.0
10/26/14	at Cleveland	39	25	1.6
9/10/12	San Diego	32	20	1.6
9/15/13	Jacksonville	34	19	1.8
10/27/13	Pittsburgh	35	19	1.8
10/6/13	San Diego	36	19	1.9





## **SACKS & TURNOVERS**

In their Week 1 contest at the New York Jets, the Raiders were able to force two turnovers (one **S Charles Woodson** interception and one **CB TJ Carrie** forced fumble/recovery). Oakland also racked up two sacks in the game, one coming when **S Tyvon Branch** registered a 19-yard sack of Geno Smith on third down, knocking the Jets out of field goal range. When **LB Sio Moore** caused a sack-fumble, it marked the first time since 2011 that Oakland had forced at least two fumbles and recorded at least two sacks in their season-opener. The Raiders forced three turnovers and posted five sacks in their win over the Broncos on Sept. 12, 2011. In Week 14 vs. San Francisco, the Raiders added five sacks and two more interceptions. Here is a look at the two games:

Date/Opp.	<u>Sacks</u>	Forced Turnovers	Result
9/12/11 at Den.	5	3	W, 23-20
9/7/14 at NYJ	2	2	L, 14-19
12/7/14 vs. SF	5	2	W, 24-13



## **MILES AND MILES**

Factoring in three trips to the Eastern time zone and two more to the Central time zone, the Raiders will travel the third most miles in the NFL this season. According to Pro Football Reference, Oakland travels 26,336 miles in 2015, with three trips over 2,000 miles. The Raiders trail only the Miami Dolphins (26,452 miles, including a trip to London) and San Francisco 49ers (27,998) Here is a look at the teams that travel the most in 2015:

#### **2015 TRAVELING BREAKDOWN**

<u>Team</u>	2015 Traveling Miles	2,000+ Mile Trips
San Francisco 49ers	27,998	4
Miami Dolphins*	26,452	2
Oakland Raiders^	26,336	3
Seattle Seahawks	25,086	1
San Diego Chargers^	24,274	2
Arizona Cardinals	23,652	1
Kansas City Chiefs*^	21,640	1
Baltimore Ravens	20,550	3
Detroit Lions*	20,272	1
New York Jets*	19,866	2
Jacksonville Jaguars*	19,101	1
Dallas Cowboys	17,148	0
Cincinnati Bengals	16,062	2
Denver Broncos^	15,912	0

<sup>\* -</sup> includes a trip to London

## FRED BILETNIKOFF

Pro Football Hall of Famer **Fred Biletnikoff** is one of the most beloved Raiders of all-time. He is is the second leading receiver in Raiders history, catching 589 passes for 8,974 and 76 touchdowns during his 14-year career as a Raider and the collegiate award given annually to the nation's top wide receiver is named after him. After not having a winner of Biletnikoff Award in more than a decade, the Raiders now have two on the team - **WR Amari Cooper** (2014 winner) and **WR Michael Crabtree** (2007 and 2008 winner). Oakland is one of three teams in the league (Detroit Lions and Jacksonville Jaguars) who have two winners of the award on their roster.

Cooper on Biletnikoff and meeting him at training camp this year: "He was a really great receiver and that award was something that I really wanted, that I really sought after my whole career in college. It was nice to finally meet him. It means a lot to just be in the NFL. To play for the team that Fred Biletnikoff played for is just a great feeling to try to continue that legacy."

Biletnikoff on having two winners of the Biletnikoff Award on the Raiders this season: "It's great. I'm excited about it. It means a helluva lot to me to have both of these guys on the team, with both of them winning the award. I have big expectations of those two guys and I'm so happy they're playing together and they're going to be a part of this team. They're going to make a big difference with this team, they really are."



In April 2015, Raiders **Owner Mark Davis** donated \$50,000 to Fred and Angela Biletnikoff and the Biletnikoff Foundation to help increase education in an effort to eradicate this horrible dilemma. In addition to monetary support, the Raiders will execute an extensive platform, including ongoing programs and public service campaigns to assist in preventing domestic violence and sexual assault.

"The Raiders are proud of our continuing commitment to raising awareness of this important issue that is close to the heart of the Raider family," said Davis. "We are excited to have the opportunity to work with this tremendous organization and assist them in reaching the ultimate goal, ending domestic violence and sexual assault."

The Biletnikoff Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting youth, primarily from low to moderate income neighborhoods or backgrounds, who are "at risk," particularly to the realities of drug and alcohol addiction as well as domestic and gender violence. The mission of the Biletnikoff Foundation is to commemorate Tracey Biletnikoff's life and her untimely death and to enable young people to realize their full potential through the support of community and education programs that effectively address the related problems of substance abuse and gender violence.

<sup>^ -</sup> AFC West team



## RAIDERS OFF THE FIELD/INTERESTING FACTS

- General Manager Reggie McKenzie has an identical twin brother, Raleigh, who is a college scout for the team. He also has a son, Kahlil, who is a freshman defensive lineman at Tennessee, his father's alma mater.
- **Head Coach Jack Del Rio**, who grew up in nearby Hayward, Calif., was a standout catcher on USC's baseball team and was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays in 1981.
- Assistant linebackers coach Brent Vieselmeyer coached Jack Del Rio's son, Luke, when he was the head coach at Valor Christian High School in Highlands Ranch, Colo., when Luke was the team's starting quarterback.
- LB Ray-Ray Armstrong and WR Andre Debose were high school teammates at Seminole High School in Sanford, Fla., and helped the team to a Class 6A title. Armstrong, playing quarterback, connected with Debose in the final seconds of the championship game to secure the victory.
- RB George Atkinson III is the son of former Raiders S George Atkinson, Jr., who played 10 seasons with Oakland from 1968-77.
- G Tony Bergstrom's wife, Jessica, is an amateur MMA fighter.
- WR Brice Butler is a DJ in his spare time and goes by the name"DJ Duffle Bag."
- QB Derek Carr is the brother of former No. 1 overall pick of the Houston Texans, David. The two brothers started a training facility for all athletes in Southern California called Carr Elite.

- WR Andre Holmes' brother, Jason, is a member of St. Kilda Football Club of the Australian Football League.
- T Austin Howard played basketball in college at Northern Iowa.
- K Sebastian Janikowski is a former member of the Polish national under-17 soccer team and turned down various pro soccer offers to enroll at Florida State.
- LB Sio Moore was born in Monrovia, Liberia.
- T Donald Penn was a Raider fan growing up in Inglewood, Calif., going to Raiders games as kid in Los Angeles.
- QB Christian Ponder is married to ESPN reporter Samantha Ponder.
- S Brandian Ross founded and owns the clothing line "Unity Over Self."
- K Giorgio Tavecchio was born in Milan, Italy.
- T Menelik Watson was born in Manchester, England and was raised there before attending Marist College to play basketball.
- S Charles Woodson is a wine entrepreneur, owning the wine label TwentyFour by Charles Woodson, leasing acres of vine-yards in Napa Valley, Calif., a short distance from the Raiders' training-camp home.

## RAIDERS WIN/LOSS BREAKDOWN

	2015 Season			Jack Del Rio Career				
	Overall	vs. AFCW	Home	Road	Overall	vs. AFCW	Home	Road
Overall	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	71-72	15-5	42-28	29-44
On grass	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	64-52	15-5	42-28	22-24
On artificial surfaces	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	7-20	0-0	0-0	7-20
When scoring first	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	48-14	10-0	30-5	18-9
When opponent scores first	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	22-59	5-5	12-23	10-36
In overtime	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	5-2	0-0	3-1	2-1
When leading after first quarter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	39-10	8-0	24-4	15-6
When leading at halftime	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	38-23	10-1	24-7	14-16
When leading after third quarter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	42-19	11-1	21-10	21-9
When trailing after first quarter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	18-48	4-4	8-19	10-29
When trailing at halftime	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	21-34	3-3	12-14	9-20
When trailing after third quarter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	12-36	1-3	9-10	3-26
When tied at halftime	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	12-15	2-1	6-7	6-8
On Sunday	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	67-67	15-5	39-24	28-43
On Monday	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-3	0-0	3-2	0-1
On Thursday	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-2	0-2	0-0
On Saturday	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-0
Day games (before 5 p.m. PT)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	65-64	14-5	36-22	29-42
Night games (after 5 p.m. PT)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	6-8	1-0	6-6	0-2
When team had 100-yard rusher	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	38-16	5-0	22-3	16-13
When team had 100-yard receiver	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	17-17	5-4	11-8	6-9
When team had 300-yard passer	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	8-7	4-1	5-3	3-4
When opponent had 100-yard rushe		0-0	0-0	0-0	7-21	4-4	3-5	4-16
When opponent had 100-yard received	<b>ver</b> 0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	22-23	5-1	12-10	10-13
When opponent had 300-yard passe	<u>er</u> 0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	13-11	3-1	8-6	<u>5-5</u>



## RAIDERS QUICK FACTS

First Season: 1960 (American Football League)

Founding Co-owners and Directors: Y. Charles Soda, F. Wayne Valley, Robert L. Osborne, Don Blessing, Charles L. Harney, Roger D. Lapham, Jr., Wallace A. Marsh, William J. Hayes, Ed-

ward W. McGah

All-Time Record: Regular season: 437-388-11 (.530)

Postseason: 25-18 (.581)

AFL Championships: 1 - 1967

**Super Bowl Championships:** 3 - 1976, 1980, 1983

Division Titles: 17 - 1967-70, 1972-76, 1980, 1982-83, 1985, 1990,

2000-02

Conference: American Football Conference

Division: AFC West Stadium: 0.co Coliseum Capacity: 56,057

Surface: Overseeded Bermuda

Year opened: 1966

League games: 291 (including 17 postseason)

Team Colors: Silver and Black

Radio: Flagship KGMZ (95.7 The Game) and nation-wide Raiders

Radio Network (23 stations)

Preseason TV: KTVU-TV (Ch. 2) and KICU-TV (Ch. 36) in Bay Area

### RAIDERS MEDIA WEBSITE

Last season, the Oakland Raiders have introduced a media website, open to all members of the media, updated with content and publications from the Raiders media relations staff, including media guides, weekly releases, transcripts, post-game notes, flip cards and other information. In an effort to help media members with their coverage of the Raiders, the content will be updated on a daily basis. For any further questions, please contact a member of the Raiders media relations staff.

http://media.raiders.com/



## **CRAIG LONG AWARD**

Last season, the Raiders introduced the **Craig Long Award**, presented to the player who best exemplifies professionalism and collaboration with the media at large. The award, chosen by a select group of local media and facilitated by the Oakland Raiders' media relations department, was won by DL Antonio Smith.

Craig Long, who passed away in 2007 at age 36, was a valuable member of the Oakland Raiders' public relations staff from 1997-2004. An Iowa native, Long fulfilled his childhood dream of working in the front office for his favorite team.



## RAIDERS EXCELLENCE

Each season, Raiders players vote on which teammate should receive the prestigious Commitment to Excellence Award, given to the Raider who best exemplifies hard work, leadership, and excellence on and off the field throughout the season. In 2014, **S Charles Woodson** was presented with the award following another standout season on the field, as well as impressive list of off-the-field work. It started as the Gorman Award in 1967 and was later renamed the Commitment to Excellence Award in 1983. Here is a look at the winners of the award since 1967:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Winner</u>
1967	QB Daryle Lamonica
1968	C Jim Otto
1969	CB Willie Brown
1970	QB/K George Blanda
1971	C Jim Otto
1972	RB Marv Hubbard
1973	QB Ken Stabler
1974	QB Ken Stabler
1975	RB Pete Banaszak
1976	QB Ken Stabler
1977	RB Mark Van Eeghen
1978	TE Dave Casper
1979	TE Raymond Chester
1980	LB Ted Hendricks
1981	LB Rod Martin
1983	LB Rod Martin
1984	RB Marcus Allen
1985	RB Marcus Allen
1986	DT Bill Pickel
1987	RB Marcus Allen
1988	RB Marcus Allen
1989	DE Greg Townsend
1990	DE Greg Townsend
1991	S Ronnie Lott
1992	RB Marcus Allen
	CB Terry McDaniel
1993	WR Tim Brown
1994	CB Terry McDaniel
1995	WR Tim Brown
1996	QB Jeff Hostetler
1997	WR Tim Brown
	QB Jeff George
	DT Russell Maryland
1998	LB Greg Biekert
1999	WR Tim Brown
2000	QB Rich Gannon
2001	WR Tim Brown
	G Steve Wisniewski
2002	WR Tim Brown
2003	WR Jerry Rice
2004	WR Ronald Curry
	OL Barry Sims
2005	DE Derrick Burgess
2006	CB Nnamdi Asomugha
2007	RB Justin Fargas
2008	CB Nnamdi Asomugha
2009	RB Justin Fargas
	TE Zach Miller
2010	RB Rock Cartwright
2011	RB Rock Cartwright
2012	LS Jon Condo
2013	FB Marcel Reece
2014	S Charles Woodson



## CHARLES WOODSON

## A LEADER IN PICKS



**5 Charles Woodson**, who posted nine interceptions when he won the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year award in 2009, is the NFL's active leader in interceptions. Woodson, who just completed his 17th NFL campaign, has 60 interceptions, 17 more than DeAngelo Hall's 43. Woodson has five seasons with at least five picks in his Hall of

Fame career.

#### **ACTIVE INTERCEPTION LEADERS**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Player</u>	INTs
1.	S Charles Woodson (Oak.)	60
2.	CB DeAngelo Hall (Was.)	43
3.	CB Terence Newman (Cin.)	37
4.	CB Charles Tillman (Chi.)	36

## LONG-TERM HAWK

Remarkably, **S Charles Woodson** has intercepted at least one pass in each of his first 17 NFL seasons. Woodson has joined an elite company of just one other player to intercept a pass in at least 17 consecutive seasons. He is now in sole possession of second place on this list, trailing only Hall of Famer Darrell Green. Woodson has four seasons of at least seven interceptions in his career.

<u>Player</u>	Consec. Seasons w/INT	Years
Darrell Green#	19	1983-2000
Charles Woods	on* 17	1998-2014
Eugene Robinso	on 16	1985-2000
Willie Brown#	16	1963-78

\* - Still Active # - Hall of Famer

## FIRST TO 50 AND 60/20

In Week 12 against Kansas City, **S Charles Woodson** achieved some history. With a third quarter sack of Chiefs QB Alex Smith, Woodson became the first player since sacks became an official statistic in 1982 to record 50 interceptions and 20 sacks for his career. Woodson is the only active player with at least 60 career picks and one of just 11 players in NFL history. His 20 sacks are tops among current defensive backs and make him just one of eight defensive backs to record at least 20 sacks for their career.



## **WOODSON QUICK HITS**

- Only two players in football history have ever won a Heisman Trophy, Associated Press Rookie of the Year, Associated Press Player of the Year and a Super Bowl in their career. Charles Woodson is one of them. The other? Former Raiders RB Marcus Allen.
- Since 1995, only four players have won both the Associated Press Defensive Rookie of the Year and Associated Press Defensive Player of the Year awards in their career Raiders S Charles Woodson (1998 & 2009), Ravens OLB Terrell Suggs (2003 & 2011), former Bears LB Brian Urlacher (2000 & 2005) and Panthers LB Luke Kuechly (2012 & 2013).
- S Woodson posted an interception touchdown in six straight seasons (2006-11), becoming the first player in NFL history to do so. No other NFL player has accomplished the feat in more than four consecutive seasons.
  - In 2009, Woodson became the fourth player in NFL history (since sacks became an official statistic in 1982) to record at least nine interceptions and two sacks in a single season.
  - Is the only player in NFL history to post at least seven interceptions and two sacks in back-to-back seasons.
  - Became the first NFL player (since sacks became an official statistic in 1982) to record two interceptions, an interception touchdown, a sack and a fumble recovery in the same game when he posted all of those statistics on 11/26/09 at Det.
  - Became the first player in NFL history to record 60 interceptions and 20 sacks for his career on Dec. 21, 2014.

## TAKING IT TO THE HOUSE

The only thing better than forcing a turnover is turning it into a touchdown, and **S Charles Woodson** has done that just as well as anybody in the history of the NFL. Woodson is one interception-touchdown away from tying **assistant defensive backs coach Rod Woodson**'s all-time mark, and just one defensive touchdown away from setting the all-time mark. With every touchdown going forward, Woodson will be adding a new note to the NFL record books.

#### NFL ALL-TIME INT-TDs

Rank	<u>Player</u>	INT-TDs
1.	Rod Woodson	12
2t.	Charles Woodson	11
2t.	Darren Sharper	11

#### **NFL ALL-TIME DEFENSIVE TDs**

Rank	<u>Player</u>	Defensive TDs
1t.	Charles Woodson	13
1t.	Rod Woodson	13
1t.	Darren Sharper	13
4.	Aeneas Williams	12



## **KHALIL MACK**

## **SILVER AND MACK**



As the Raiders' first-round pick in the 2014 NFL Draft, **LB Khalil Mack** had lofty expectations in his rookie season and he met them all and more. Mack finished the third third in Associated Press Defensive Rookie of the Year voting, falling to St. Louis' DT Aaron Donald. Proving to be of the NFL's best run defenders and generating pressure on quarterbacks that didn't always show up

on the stat sheet, Mack was selected to the Pro Football Writers of America, Sports Illustrated and NFL.com All-Rookie Teams.

Mack was the **only rookie named to the 2014 USA Football All-Fundamentals Team**, on December 10, 2014, an honor awarded to 26 NFL players who exhibit exemplary football techniques for young players to emulate. The USA Football All-Fundamentals Team was assembled with guidance from a five-person selection committee: Charles Davis, Herm Edwards, Merril Hoge, Carl Peterson, Bill Polian.

Last season, became the third Raider Linebacker to start all 16 games in his rookie season, and the first to do so since General Manager Reggie McKenzie in 1985. Matt Millen also started all 16 games as a rookie in 1980.

While most of Mack's success last year didn't always show up on the stat sheet, he'll look to improve on the below numbers from last year, seeing a lot of time as a defensive end.

#### KHALIL MACK 2014 STATS

<u>GP</u>	GS	<u>Total</u>	<u>Solo</u>	Asst.	Sacks	Yds.	INTs	PD FF
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## **NO GUARANTEED GAINS**

According to unofficial press box statistics, Mack totaled 75 tackles (59 solo) in 2014. Of those 75 tackles, 52 (69.3 percent) of them were made for a loss or within three yards of the line of scrimmage. Of his 59 solo tackles, 37 (62.7 percent) of those have been for a loss or within three yards of the line of scrimmage.

He finished second among defensive players in "stuffs" with 11.5 tackles at or behind the line of scrimmage, according to STATS, INC.

Total Tackles	Stuffs
78	13.5
75	11.5
146	11
a.) 38	10.5
57	10
	78 75 146 a.) 38

Mack was tied for 10th in tackles for loss in the NFL with 16, according to unofficial press box statistics.

#### **ROOKIES WITH MULTI-SACK GAMES**

<u>Player</u>	Date/Opponent
Devon Kennard (NYG)	11/30/14 vs. Jac., 12/07/14 at Ten.
Jonathan Newsome (Ind.)	11/03/14 at NYG, 11/30/14 vs. Was.
Khalil Mack (Oak.)	12/07/14 vs. SF
Kasim Edebali (NO)	10/26/14 vs. GB
Avery Williamson (Ten.)	11/17/14 vs. Pit.
Timmy Jernigan (Bal )	12/14/14 vs. Jac

## S"MACK" TALK

**LB Khalil Mack**'s NFL career is still in its initial stages, but opposing coaches and players are already taking notice. Mack has made an impact on games as a run defender and pass rusher. Here are a few things players and coaches around the NFL have had to say about Mack:

"Khalil was definitely a guy that we thought was an instinctive player, an explosive player, a guy that we felt like his best football was ahead of him, because we felt like this is a guy that can really rush the passer and also probably drop into pass coverage, be a second-level defender. That's what we see on tape, he's a really good football player." - Texans Head Coach Bill O'Brien, Sept. 10, 2014

"No. 52 [Khatil Mack] is a phenomenal player. He's a great pass rusher, but he's really good in the run game. We knew it was going to be a challenge." - Cardinals QB Carson Palmer, Oct. 19, 2014

"He was a guy that was definitely highly rated on our board. We thought a lot of him coming out. And sometimes you don't necessarily get the sack production and people can be fooled by that. We look at the effectiveness of a rusher – how much they're affecting the quarterback. They might not be getting the finish, they might be causing production for somebody else." - Browns Head Coach Mike Pettine, Oct. 22, 2014

"Talking to the guys in the locker room, he gained the respect of everybody on our team. That guy 52, Khalil Mack, is one of the best players we've gone against this year and that's a unanimous decision in that locker room. He gained all of our respect, and we knew coming in he was going to be a tough player." - Browns QB Brian Hoyer, Oct. 26, 2014

"He's a rookie, but you wouldn't think that by the way he's been playing. When you look at him on film, he attacks the line and he's aggressive. He makes plays." - Browns RB Terrance West, Oct. 26, 2014

"I think he's really good. He jumps off the film. Every one of our coaches, when they break up and start looking at the Raiders and taking seriously what they're doing well, everybody comes back talking about him. He's almost unblockable and he's got a great motor. He's fast, he's tough, he's instinctive. We think he's an obvious factor." - Seahawks Head Coach Pete Carroll, Oct. 29, 2014

"Every week, one of the teams I watch early on is the Raider defense, and the reason I want to watch is Khalil Mack. He's not just one of the best rookies to come out, he's the best linebacker in the National Football League, and he is the best against the run."

- Former NFL RB and current ESPN analyst Merrill Hoge





## **DEREK CARR**

## CARR AT THE HELM



**QB Derek Carr** was named the Raiders' starting quarterback heading into Week 1 last year, becoming the first rookie quarterback in franchise history to start in Week 1. Oakland's second-round pick of the 2014 NFL Draft was solid in his NFL debut, finishing the game 20-for-32 passing for 151 yards, two TDs and a passer rating of 94.7. Carr became the ninth Raider QB and

second rookie to throw at least two TD passes in his debut. His 94.7 passer rating is the third highest for a Raider rookie in his first start. Carr began his career nearly perfect, going 7-for-7 for 53 yards and one TD before throwing his first incompletion in the second guarter.

Carr began his career with a completion percentage of at least 60.0 in his first four games. In NFL history, only two other quarter-backs have accomplished the feat: Robert Griffin III (Was.) in 2012 and Rick Mirer (Sea.) in 1993.

Carr's 300-yard passing performance (328) on Oct. 26 at Cleveland was the first 300-yard passing game of his career and first ever by a Raider rookie.

Carr engineered his first game-winning drive in Week 12 against Kansas City, producing a 17-play, 80-yard touchdown drive that took 7:21, ending with a touchdown pass with 1:42 remaining.

Carr set a career high with a passer rating of 140.2 on Dec. 7 vs. San Francisco, and it is the seventh highest single-game passer rating in franchise history (min. 20 attempts). It is also the sixth-best passer rating by a rookie quarterback since 1960 (min. 20 attempts).

## HISTORICAL FEAT

**QB Derek Carr** vaulted himself into rare company following his 4 TD performance in Week 6 vs. San Diego last year. Carr posted eight TD passes in his first five games, which is the most ever by a rookie quarterback in the first five games of his career. Here is a look at where Carr's historical start to his career stacks up:

#### TD PASSES BY ROOKIE QBs (FIRST FIVE GAMES)

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Player</u>	Season	TD Passes	
1.	Derek Carr	2014	8	
2t.	Andrew Luck	2012	7	
2t.	Cam Newton	2011	7	
2t.	Geno Smith	2013	7	
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**QB Derek Carr** completed passes with the kind of pinpoint accuracy only seen a handful of times previously in league history. In his first four games, Carr completed 84-of-133 passes for a completion rate of 63.2 percent. Since 1960, that places Carr second among rookie quarterbacks with at least 100 passing attempts through their first four games. Here is a look:

#### HIGHEST COMP. % BY ROOKIE QB IN FIRST 4 GAMES (MIN. 100 ATT.)

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Cmp. %</u>
1	Robert Griffin III (Was.)	2012	69.35
2	Derek Carr (Oak.)	2014	63.16
3	Chris Weinke (Car.)	2001	62.14
4	Jim Kelly (Buf.)	1986	61.17
5	Russell Wilson (Sea.)	2012	60.00

## **ELITE EFFICIENCY**

Carr attempted 599 passes last season, second all-time among rookies. Despite the heavy workload, Carr completed his passes at a 58.1 percent clip, fourth best all-time among rookies (min. 500 attempts).

Of the eight rookie QBs ever to attempt 500 passes in a season, Carr owns the fourth highest completion percentage (Sam Bradford) 60.0 percent in 2010; Cam Newton - 60.0 percent in 2011; Andy Dalton - 58.1 percent in 2011).

Carr also ranks first among rookies since 1960 with four games of at least 40 attempts and 25 completions.

Carr owns the fewest interceptions of any rookie in NFL history with at least 500 attempts. Carr's 2.0 interception percentage also ranksed first among 2014 rookies and seventh among NFL QBs.

On six occasions, Carr threw at least 30 times without an interception, tied with Andy Dalton for the most such games by any rookie since 1960. Lastly, Carr was one of four rookies with at least 20 TDs and fewer than 12 INTs (R. Griffin III, D. Marino and R. Wilson).

Carr was just the 14th quarterback since the 16-game season was adopted in 1978 to start every game in his rookie campaign. He and his brother, David Carr (fourth quarterback, 2002), comprise the only pair of siblings to have accomplished the feat.

## **LEADING THE CLASS**

With his rookie campaign behind him, Derek Carr was in elite company, as he ranks in or near the top 10 in multiple rookie passing categories. Here is a look at how Carr stacked up against 2014 rookie guarterbacks and all-time rookie passers.

Category	Carr	2014 Rookie Rank	All-Time Rookies
Completions	348	1	2
Passing Yards	3,270	1	10
Passing TDs	21	1	5t
QB Rating	76.6	2	14

## **PUTTING UP POINTS**

The owner of 21 career TD passes, Carr quickly jumped into the history books as one of the most prolific rookie scorers in NFL history.

Carr's 21 touchdowns tied with Cam Newton for fifth all-time among NFL rookies.

Carr tied for sixth among rookies since 1960 with six multi-TD performances, including two three-TD outings (Week 6 vs. SD and Week 14 vs. SF).

In Week 6, Carr lit up the Chargers defense for 282 yards and four TDs, a career high and tied for the second-most TDs ever thrown by a rookie in a single game. It was also the most touchdowns ever thrown by a rookie against San Diego.

Carr's four-TD day also marked the first time an NFL rookie threw four in a game since Russell Wilson and Andrew Luck each did it in 2012, and just the eighth four-TD game by a rookie since 2000.



## **AMARI COOPER**

## FIRST-ROUNDER



**WR Amari Cooper** was tabbed as the Raiders' first-round draft pick in the 2015 NFL Draft and the fourth-overall selection. He was the highest wide receiver taken in the draft and the first receiver taken by Oakland in the first round since 2009. Despite the hype, the even-keeled Cooper has garnered rave reviews from his college play-

ing days and so far in his young NFL career. While enjoying one of the most dominant careers a wide receiver has ever had at the college level, Cooper looks for that success to translate to the NFL.



### **COLLEGIATE CAREER**

In three years at Alabama, Cooper emerged as one of the nation's most explosive and polished receivers. Below is a look at his offensive totals at Alabama.

RECEIVING						
Year	School	Games	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
2012	Alabama	14	59	1,000	16.9	11
2013	Alabama	12	45	736	16.4	4
2014	Alabama	14	124	1,727	13.9	16
RECE	IVING TOTA	LS 40	228	3,463	15.2	31

RUSHING						
Year	School	Games	Att.	Yds	Avg	TD
2012	Alabama	14	0	0	-	0
2013	Alabama	12	1	28	28.0	0
2014	Alabama	14	5	23	4.6	0
RUSH	RUSHING TOTALS 40 6 51 8.5 0					

## THE TROPHY CASE

#### **AWARDS**

- 2014 Fred Biletnikoff Award winner Nation's top wide receiver
- 2014 Unanimous All-American and Preseason All-American
- 2014 SEC Offensive Player of the Year and First Team All-SEC
- Third in 2014 Heisman Voting (1,023 points)
- 2012 Consensus All-American (FWAA, Sporting News, CBSS-ports.com, CollegeFootballNews.com and Scout.com)
- 2012 SEC All-Freshman (selected by coaches)

#### **TITLES**

- Two-time SEC Champion (2012, 2014)
- BCS National Champion (2013)

## **COOPER QUICK HITS**

Here is a brief look at where Cooper's offensive exploits ranked among his peers in the SEC and NCAA, along with some other notables from his Alabama career:

#### Receiving Touchdowns

- Ranks first in SEC annals (since 1956) with 31 career TDs
- Finished first in the SEC, and second in the NCAA, with 16 TDs in 2014
- Second in the SEC with 11 TDs as a freshman in 2012, an Alabama-freshman record

#### Receptions

- Ranks third in SEC history (since '56) with 228 career receptions
- Topped the SEC and NCAA in 2014 with 124 receptions, setting the SEC record
- In 2012, finished with 59 cathces, second all-time among Alabama freshmen

#### **Receiving Yards**

- Second all-time in SEC history (since '56) with 3,463 yards
- Led the SEC, finishing second in the NCAA, with 1,727 yards in 2014
- His 1,000-yard season in 2012 was good for fifth in the SEC that season, and the third-best yardage total among Alabama freshman



## **QUOTES ON COOPER**

"He is a pro. He is a legit pro and he's been a pro even when he wasn't a pro. He is gym rat who just only wants to play football. On the field, he's just polished. ... He is smart enough and savvy enough to do a lot of things, and that's great. If he's the kind of player that the Raiders think and a lot of other people around the NFL think, then you're going to have to find ways to get him out of double coverage, and moving him around will help." - NFL Network reporter lan Rapoport

"They have their new Tim Brown. He's very much like Tim Brown, very explosive, got speed to burn, really going to strike fear into the opposing team." - Pro Football Hall of Fame and former Raiders WR Jerry Rice



## **SACK ARTIST**



In an effort to bolster the pass rush, Oakland signed proven pass rusher **DE Justin Tuck** before the 2014 campaign. Tuck, who owns 65.5 career sacks, joined the Raiders after nine seasons with the New York Giants. He helped the Giants win two Super Bowls during his tenure, while earning two trips to the Pro Bowl and two Associated Press

All-Pro selections (one first team and one second team).

#### **NFL SACK LEADERS (SINCE 2007)**

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Sacks</u>
9.	OLB Tamba Hali (KC)	71.5
10.	OLB James Harrison (Pit.)	67.5
11.	OLB Terrell Suggs (Bal.)	66.5
12.	DE Justin Tuck (Oak.)	64.5
13.	DE Cameron Wake (Mia.)	63.0
14.	DE Charles Johnson (Car.)	62.5

### **DOUBLE DIGIT SACKS**

With 11.0 sacks in 2013, **DE Justin Tuck** recorded the fourth double-digit sack season of his career. The 11.0 sacks (9.5 of which came over the final six games) were the third highest total of his career. Here is a look at Tuck's season-by-season sack numbers, with the double-digit campaigns bolded:

#### **JUSTIN TUCK SEASON-BY-SEASON SACKS**

<u>Season</u>	<u>Sacks</u>
2005	1.0
2006	0.0
2007	10.0
2008	12.0
2009	6.0
2010	11.5
2011	5.0
2012	4.0
2013	11.0
2014	5.0
Totals	65.5

## SUPER BOWL PERFORMER

In the biggest game there is in football, **DE Justin Tuck** has performed. He has played in two Super Bowls, and has two Super Bowl rings. He ranks in the top five of career sacks in the Super Bowl (since 1982) with four. Here is a look at his career stat lines in the big game:

#### JUSTIN TUCK SUPER BOWL STATS

<u>GP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Solo</u>	Asst.	<u>Sacks</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>FF</u>
2	1	9	8	1	4.0	24.0	1

## MAN IN THE MIDDLE



**LB Curtis Lofton** was signed as a free agent this offseason, bolstering the Raiders defense up the middle. Lofton, who has made stops with the Atlanta Falcons and New Orleans Saints, is a tackling machine, recording at least 100 tackles in each of his first seven NFL seasons. He also set a career high and Saints franchise record with

185 tackles last season. Below is a look at his career numbers:

#### **CURTIS LOFTON YEAR-BY-YEAR TACKLES**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Solo</u>	<u>Assist</u>
2008	108	67	41
2009	160	118	42
2010	142	101	41
2011	167	101	66
2012	157	94	63
2013	139	83	56
2014	185	125	60
Totals	1.058	689	369

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In just three seasons with the Saints (2012-14), Lofton had a big impact. Two of his tackle totals from those seasons ranked in the franchise's top three tackle seasons.

#### **NEW ORLEANS SAINTS SINGLE-SEASON TACKLE TOTALS**

Player	Year	Tackles
Curtis Lofton	2014	185
Winfred Tubbs	1997	160
Curtis Lofton	2012	157
Sam Mills	1994	155
Jonathan Vilma	2008	151

## SUPER BOWL XLVIII MVP



Coming over from the Seattle Seahawks in the offseason, LB Malcolm Smith has big-game pedigree. Appearing in eight postseason games over the last three years, Smith has totaled 27 tackles [16 solo], two interceptions, two passes defensed and one fumble recovery. In Seattle's win over the Denver Broncos in Super Bowl XLVIII, Smith

earned Super Bowl MVP honors after posting nine tackles (five solo), one fumble recovery and one interception returned 69 yards for a touchdown. Smith also intercepted 49ers QB Colin Kaepernick in the final seconds of the 2014 NFC Championship Game, clinching a victory over San Francisco and a Super Bowl berth.





## DJ AT CORNER



The Raiders' first-round selection (No. 12 overall) in the 2013 NFL Draft, **CB DJ Hayden** has come a long way. After suffering a life-threatening injury to his heart in November 2012, Hayden played a major role in Oakland's defensive makeover. In his rookie year, Hayden recorded 29 tackles and two PD. In the Week 5 win vs. San Diego, Hayden

hauled in his first NFL interception, picking off Philip Rivers in the end zone to stop a potential Chargers scoring drive. His season was cut short due to a groin injury on Nov. 20, 2013.

After spending the first seven weeks on the PUP list to start the 2014 season after rehabbing from an offseason foot injury, Hayden returned to game action on Oct. 26, 2014 at Cleveland. In his first significant action of 2014, Hayden had four passes defensed in the Raiders' match-up with the defending champion Seattle Seahawks. He also added his first interception of the season in Week 10 against the Broncos. Here is a look at his numbers last season:

#### **DJ HAYDEN 2014 STATS**

 GP
 GS
 Total
 Solo
 Asst.
 INTs
 PD
 FF
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 10
 8
 45
 37
 8
 1
 16
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## ENERGETIC MOORE



**LB Sio Moore**, the Raiders' high-energy third-round selection in the 2013 NFL Draft, emerged onto the scene in his rookie season. Moore, who played in 15 games and started 11, and was named the NFL Pepsi Next Rookie of the Week for his eight-tackle, 1.5-sack performance on 10/27 vs. Pit. He was also named to the Pro Football

Writer's Association's All-Rookie Team. Moore dealt with some injuries last season, but managed to post his first 100-tackle season. Here is a look at Moore's 2014 campaign:

#### SIO MOORE 2014 STATS

 GP
 GS
 Total
 Solo
 Asst.
 Sacks
 Yds.
 INTs
 PD
 FF

 11
 11
 79
 33
 3.0
 21.0
 0
 2
 1

## ADDING ALLEN



The Raiders added a reliable member of the secondary in free agency this past offseason, signing **S Nate Allen** in March. Allen joins Oakland following five seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles, where he played in 74 games and made 69 starts. Originally a second-round pick in 2010, Allen has totaled 10 career interceptions and 28 passes de-

fensed.

#### Career Highlights

- Posted a career-high four interceptions, two forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries in 2014.
- Tallied a career-high 94 tackles in 2013 as he started all 16 games for the first time in his career.
- As a rookie, earned NFL Defensive Rookie of the Month honors for September 2010 after recording 19 tackles (13 solo), two interceptions and one sack in three games.
- Became the only rookie in Eagles history to record at least three interceptions and two sacks in his rookie campaign.

#### DYNAMIC TJ



Bay Area-native **CB TJ Carrie** was drafted by the Raiders in the seventh round of the 2014 NFL Draft and immediately showed he belongs. Carrie proved to be one of Oakland's most versatile players last season, contributing on defense and special teams. Not only did he handle his assignment as one of the team's top cornerbacks, he

#### **TJ CARRIE 2014 STATS**

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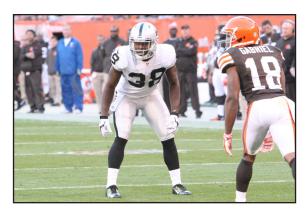
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2014 KICKOFF RET.

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## MURRAY MAKES HISTORY



**RB Latavius Murray** emerged onto the scene late in 2014, totaling 424 rushing yards on 82 carries (5.2 avg.) in six games since Week 11. Murray, who spent the 2013 season on the reserve/injured list, made a name for himself in his sophomore campaign, getting the majority of the carries down the stretch last season.

In Week 12 against Kansas City, Murray burst onto the scene on national television, producing 112 rushing yards on just four carries (28.0 avg.) and two touchdowns before leaving the game due to injury. Here are a few notes from Murray's breakthrough performance:

Murray scored his first career touchdown on an 11-yard run around the left end in the first quarter and added a 90-yard rushing touchdown in the second quarter. Murray finished with four carries for 112 yards [28.0 avg.] and two touchdowns, making him the Raiders' first 100-yard rusher since Marcel Reece ran for 123 yards at NYJ on 12/8/13.

Murray is the first player in NFL history to gain at least 110 rushing yards on five or fewer carries, posting four rushes for 112 yards (28.0 avg.) and two touchdowns, all in the first half.

Murray's 11-yard touchdown run in the first quarter was the first rushing touchdown allowed by the Kansas City Chiefs in their last 12 games (12/22/13 vs. Ind.). It was also the Raiders' third rushing touchdown of the season and the first since 10/19 vs. Arizona.

Murray's 90-yard touchdown run was the Raiders' second rushing touchdown of 90-plus yards since 1998 and the longest by a Raider since Terrelle Pryor's 93-yard score against the Steelers on Oct. 27, 2013.

Murray's 90-yard touchdown was the longest offensive scoring play in the NFL in 2014 and the fourth rushing touchdown of 90-plus yards in Raiders history (last: Terrelle Pryor's 93-yard score vs. Pit., 10/27/13).



### THE LEAD BACK



Since 2009, **FB Marcel Reece** has been lethal out of the backfield when it comes to picking up big yards through the air. Reece, who is second in the NFL during this time in average yards per reception among active RBs and FBs, averages 10.0 yards per catch.

#### RECEIVING AVERAGE LEADERS AMONG RBs/FBs (SINCE 2009)

<b>Rank</b>	<u>Player</u>	Avg.	Rec.	Yds.
1.	DeAngelo Williams	10.1	100	1,012
2.	Marcel Reece	10.0	175	1,746
3.	Le'Veon Bell	9.8	128	1,253
4.	Joique Bell	9.7	139	1,354
5.	Shane Vereen	9.7	107	1,023



### DUAL THREAT

**FB Marcel Reece** is moving up the franchise's all-time list for receptions by a running back or fullback. Currently in sixth, Reece will look to move into the top five this season.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Player</u>	Rec.	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>TDs</u>
1.	Marcus Allen	446	4,258	9.5	18
2t.	Darren McFadden	211	1,769	8.4	5
2t.	Charlie Garner	211	1,905	9.0	7
4.	Clem Daniels	201	3,291	16.4	24
5.	Hewritt Dixon	190	1,750	9.2	10
6.	Marcel Reece	175	1,746	10.0	9
7.	Harvey Williams	165	1,229	7.4	5
8.	Mark van Eeghen	162	1,467	9.1	3
9.	Charlie Smith	141	1,596	11.3	10
10.	Jon Ritchie	129	1,026	8.0	4



## RIVERA STEPS UP



**TE Mychal Rivera** proved to be one of **QB Derek Carr**'s favorite targets last season, as he finished second on the team with 58 receptions and third with 534 receiving yards. Since being drafted in the sixth round of the 2013 NFL Draft, Rivera has emerged as the Raiders' primary tight end, providing a security blanket for quarterbacks. In

Week 14 vs. San Francisco in 2014, Rivera posted a career high with 109 receiving yards on seven catches and one touchdown, becoming the first Raiders tight end since 2012 to eclipse 100 yards. Here is a look at his 2014 season:

#### **MYCHAL RIVERA 2014 STATS**

 GP
 GS
 Rec.
 Yards
 Avg.
 TDs

 16
 10
 58
 534
 9.2
 4



## DURABLE PENN



**T Donald Penn** joined the Raiders prior to the 2014 season after he was released from the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Last season, Penn was widely considered one of the better left tackles in the league and helped Oakland yield only 28 sacks on the year, good for sixth in the NFL.

Since 2007, Penn has been one of the most durable players in the NFL. He has played in 128 consecutive games and started 124 conecutive games. Both of the totals are fourth in the NFL during that time frame among offensive lineman. His streak will carry into its ninth season in 2015.

Originally signed by the Minnesota Vikings as an undrafted free agent in 2006 out of Utah State - where he started 44 consecutive games - Penn earned Pro Bowl honors after the 2010 season, when he helped the Buccaneers to one of the best offensive seasons in franchise history.

### CRAB CROSSES THE BAY



When the Raiders signed **WR Michael Crabtree** in April, they immediately upgraded their offense with a proven performer. After being selected by the San Francisco 49ers in the first round (10th overall) of the 2009 NFL Draft, Crabtree has caught at least one pass in each of his 79 games played. Before joining the NFL ranks, "Crab"

turned in one of the most prolific receiving careers in college football history, winning the Biletnikoff Award - given to the nation's most outstanding wide receiver - in each of his two seasons at Texas Tech. He was the first and only player to win the coveted award twice.

#### Career Highlights

- Became the first 49ers player since WR Terrell Owens in 2003 to post a 1,000-yard receiving season, tallying a career year in 2012 with 85 receptions for 1,105 yards and nine touchdowns.
- Registered two 100-yard receiving games in the 2012 postseason with three touchdown receptions.
- Has registered at least three receptions in 66 of his 79 career games.
- Scored the first touchdown in Levi's Stadium history on Sept. 14 2014

#### **Awards and Honors**

• Named to USA Today's All-Joe Team in 2012

#### **Career Statistics**

Year	Team	GP	GS	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	Lg.	TD
2009	SF	11	11	48	625	13.0	50	2
2010	SF	16	15	55	741	13.5	60t	6
2011	SF	15	14	72	874	12.1	52t	4
2012	SF	16	16	85	1,105	13.0	49t	9
2013	SF	5	5	19	284	14.9	60	1
2014	SF	16	16	68	698	10.3	51	4
2015	Oak.	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Totals		79	77	347	4,327	12.5	60t	26





## BASS' GAME-WINNERS



K Sebastian Janikowski kicked two game-winning field goals in 2012. His 43-yard field goal as time expired against the Steelers on Sept. 23, 2012 marked his 12th career game-winning field goal, and his overtime game-winner against Jacksonville came from 40 yards out and marked the 13th of his career. Below are Janikowski's career game-winning field goals:

Date	Opp.	Dist.	Time Left	Made Score	Final	
<del>10/1</del> 5/00	at KC	43	0:25	20-17	20-17	
10/29/00	at SD	24	0:13	15-13	15-13	
9/9/01	at KC	31	0:15	27-24	27-24	
9/14/03	Cin.	39	0:09	23-20	23-20	
9/28/03	SD	46	*5:01	34-31	*34-31	
11/7/04	at Car.	19	0:06	27-24	27-24	
11/20/05	at Was.	19	1:08	16-13	16-13	
10/19/08	NYJ	57	*2:30	16-13	*16-13	
11/22/09	Cin.	33	0:15	20-17	20-17	
11/7/10	KC	33	*12:07	20-20	*23-20	
12/24/11	at KC	36	*12:47	16-13	*16-13	
9/23/12	Pit.	43	0:00	34-31	34-31	
10/21/12	Jac.	40	*12:54	26-23	26-23	
*Denotes overtime						

## HITTING FROM A DISTANCE

Known for his booming leg, **K Sebastian Janikowski** is in historic company when it comes to long-distance field goals. With five more field goals over 50 yards, Janikowski will pass Jason Hanson's mark of 52.

<u>Rank</u>	Player	NFL Seasons	50+ FGs
1.	Jason Hanson	21	52
2.	Sebastian Janikows	ki 15	48
3.	John Kasay	20	42
4.	Morten Andersen	25	40
5.	Jason Elam	17	39



## ALL-TIME RAIDER

Moving up the all-time games played list for a franchise as historic as the Raiders takes longevity, and **K Sebastian Janikowski** has it. In 2013, Janikowski moved into second place on the all-time list, and will eventually pass Tim Brown for sole possession of first place this year. Here is where Janikowski ranks on the Raiders' all-time games played list:

<b>Rank</b>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Games</u>
1.	Tim Brown	1988-2003	240
2.	Sebastian Janikowski	2000-14	236
3.	Gene Upshaw	1967-81	217
4.	Jim Otto	1960-74	210

### PUNTING KING



In his first season as the Raiders' punter in 2013, **P Marquette King** put up numbers among the NFL's best in both gross and punting yards. With 4,107 punting yards, King finished sixth in the league and led the NFL in gross punting with an average of 48.9. Here's how the second-year player from Fort Valley State finished the year:

#### **NFL GROSS PUNTING AVERAGE (2013)**

	<u>Player</u> Marquette King (Oak.)	<u>Avg.</u> 48.9	<u>Lg.</u> 66	<u>TB</u> 11
2.	Brandon Fields (Mia.)	48.8	66	7
3.	Andy Lee (SF)	48.2	62	9
4.	Brad Nortman (Car.)	47.8	72	5

King continued his punting success into his second season in 2014, ranking at the top of the league in punts, punting yards and punts inside the opponents' 20-yard line. In 2014, he set Raider franchise records for punts (109) and punting yards (4,930). He led the league in both categories.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Punts</u>
1.	Marquette King (Oak.)	109
2.	Bryan Anger (Jac.)	94
3.	Spencer Lanning (Cle.)	93

Rank	<u>Player</u>	<b>Punting Yards</b>
1.	Marquette King (Oak.)	4,930
2.	Bryan Anger (Jac.)	4,464
3.	Spencer Lanning (Cle.)	4.119

Rank	<u>Player</u>	Punts Inside 20
4t.	Marquette King (Oak.)	31
4t.	Dustin Colquitt (KC)	31
4t.	Colton Schmidt (Buf.)	31
7.	Pat McAfee (Ind.)	30
8.	Sam Martin (Det.)	29

## **HISTORICAL PUNTER**

In 2013, **P Marquette King** became the third punter in franchise history to lead the league in gross punting with an average of 48.9. It was the eighth time since 1974 that a Raiders punter has led the league in the category. Shance Lechler accomplished the feat four times, and newly-inducted Hall of Famer Ray Guy did it three times. Below is a look at the seasons a Raiders punter has led the league in gross average:

<u>Season</u>	<u>Player</u>	Avg.
2013	Marquette King	48.9
2009	Shane Lechler	51.1
2007	Shane Lechler	49.1
2004	Shane Lechler	46.7
2003	Shane Lechler	46.9
1977	Ray Guy	43.3
1975	Ray Guy	43.8
1974	Ray Guy	42.2



<u>Underline</u>: Rookie [Brackets]: Injured

## **DEPTH CHART**

OFFE	ENSE			
WR	15 Michael Crabtree	85 Kenbrell Thompkins	10 Seth Roberts	83 Kris Durham
		·	80 Rod Streater	<u> 19 Josh Harper</u>
LT	72 Donald Penn	69 Khalif Barnes	79 Anthony Morris	·
LG	66 Gabe Jackson	<u>68 Jon Feliciano</u>	74 Mitch Bell	
C	61 Rodney Hudson	70 Tony Bergstrom	63 Lamar Mady	
RG	76 J'Marcus Webb	73 Matt McCants	67 Quinterrius Eatmon	
RT	71 Menelik Watson	77 Austin Howard	65 Dan Kistler	
TE	86 Lee Smith	81 Mychal Rivera	88 Clive Walford	87 Brian Leonhardt
WR	89 Amari Cooper	18 Andre Holmes	12 Brice Butler	82 Gabe Holmes 17 Milton Williams III
***	or Amari Cooper	To Andre Hottiles	13 Devon Wylie	16 Trindon Holliday
QB	4 Derek Carr	9 Christian Ponder	14 Matt McGloin	8 Cody Fajardo
RB	28 Latavius Murray	33 Trent Richardson	26 Roy Helu, Jr.	22 Taiwan Jones
	,		40 Michael Dyer	34 George Atkinson
FB	45 Marcel Reece	49 Jamize Olawale		, and the second
DEE	ENSE			
DE	91 Justin Tuck	97 Mario Edwards Jr.	96 Denico Autry	
DT	90 Dan Williams	98 C.J. Wilson	93 Ricky Lumpkin	
NT	78 Justin Ellis	92 Stacy McGee	99 Leon Orr	
DE	52 Khalil Mack	95 Benson Mayowa	75 Shelby Harris	94 Max Valles
SAM	57 Ray-Ray Armstrong	58 Neiron Ball	54 Gary Wilkins	47 Josh Shirley
MIKE	50 Curtis Lofton	51 Ben Heeney	48 Spencer Hadley	56 Chase Williams
WILL	53 Malcolm Smith	55 Sio Moore	46 Horace Miller	
LCB	25 DJ Hayden	39 Keith McGill	41 James Dockery	30 SaQwan Edwards
DOD	20 TLO :	04 N 'I TI	2/ D ID I	35 Chimdi Chekwa
RCB	38 TJ Carrie	31 Neiko Thorpe	36 Ras-I Dowling	21 Dexter McDonald 32 Rob Daniel
FS	20 Nate Allen	29 Brandian Ross	23 Jonathan Dowling	37 Tevin McDonald
SS	24 Charles Woodson	42 Larry Asante	43 Jimmy Hall	
SPEC	CIAL TEAMS			
P P	7 Marquette King	2 Steven Clark		
ĸ	11 Sebastian Janikowski	6 Giorgio Tevecchio		
H	7 Marquette King	9 Christian Ponder		
LS	59 Jon Condo	86 Lee Smith	48 Spencer Hadley	
KR	16 Trindon Holliday	28 Latavius Murray	,	
PR	16 Trindon Holliday	38 TJ Carrie		
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## **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

96	Larry Asanteah-SAHN-tay  Denico Autryduh-KNEE-co  Neiron Ballnurr-ON	11	Roy <b>Helu</b> , Jrhuh-L00 Sebastian <b>Janikowski</b> . jan-ah-C0W-skee Brian <b>Leonhardt</b> LEE-in-hart	29	Mychal Rivera MIKE-uhl Brandian Ross BRAN-don Giorgio TavecchioJORE-gee-oh
	Khalif Barneskuh-LEEF		Khalil MackKAH-leel		ta-VECK-ee-oh
35	Chimdi Chekwa CHIM-dee CHECK-wah	63	Lamar <b>Mady</b> MAY-dee Benson <b>Mayowa</b> may-OH-uh	85	Kenbrell Thompkinsken-BRELL Neiko ThorpeKNEE-co
36	Ras-I Dowlingroz-EYE	46	Horace Millerho-RACE	94	Max <b>Valles</b> VALL-ess
	<b>Quinterrius</b> Eatmon.quinn-TAIR-ee-us	55	Sio Moore SEE-oh		Menelik Watson MEN-ah-lick
30	SaQwan Edwards SAY-kwon		<b>Latavius</b> Murraylah-TAY-vee-us	76	<b>J'Marcus</b> Webbjuh-MAR-cuss
8	Cody <b>Fajardo</b> fuh-JAR-do	49	Jamize Olawale juh-MAZE	13	<b>Devon</b> Wylie DEH-vihn
68	Jon <b>Feliciano</b> fuh-LEE-see-ah-no		oh-lah-WALL-ee		



# **NUMERICAL ROSTER**

No.	Name Chaves Clask	<u>Pos.</u>	Ht.	Wt. 230	Birthdate	<u>Age</u> 24	Exp.	School	Hometown	<u><b>Acq.</b></u> FA-'15
2 4	Steven Clark Derek Carr	QB	6-6 6-3	230 215	07/20/91 03/28/91	24	1 2	Auburn Fresno State	Kansas City, Mo. Bakersfield, Calif.	D2-'14
6	Giorgio Tavecchio	K	5-10	180	07/16/90	25	1	California	Milan, Italy	FA-'15
7 8	Marquette King Cody Fajardo	P QB	6-0 6-2	195 225	10/26/88 03/29/92	26 23	4 R	Fort Valley State Nevada	Macon, Ga. Brea, Calif.	FA-'12 FA-'15
9	Christian Ponder	QB	6-2	230	02/25/88	27	5	Florida State	Colleyville, Texas	UFA-'15 (Min.)
10	Seth Roberts	WR	6-2	195	02/22/91	24	1	West Alabama	Moultrie, Ga.	FA-'14
11 12	Sebastian Janikowski Brice Butler	K WR	6-1 6-3	265 215	03/02/78 01/29/90	37 25	16 3	Florida State San Diego State	Daytona Beach, Fla. Norcross, Ga.	D1-'00 D7a-'13
13	Devon Wylie	WR	5-9	185	09/02/88	26	2	Fresno State	Roseville, Calif.	FA-'15
14	Matt McĞloin	QB	6-1	210	12/02/89	25	3	Penn State	Scranton, Pa.	FA-'13
15 16	Michael Crabtree Trindon Holliday	WR WR/RS	6-1 5-5	215 165	09/14/87 04/27/86	27 29	7 6	Texas Tech LSU	Dallas, Texas Baton Rouge, La.	UFA-'15 (SF) FA-'15
17	Milton Williams III	WR	6-2	220	03/07/94	21	R R	Delaware State	Washington, D.C.	FA- 15 FA-'15
18	Andre Holmes	WR	6-4	210	06/16/88	27	4	Hillsdale	Elk Grove, Ill.	W-'13 (NE)
19 20	Josh Harper Nate Allen	WR S	6-1 6-0	185 210	12/01/91 11/30/87	23 27	R 6	Fresno State South Florida	Stockton, Calif. Cape Coral, Fla.	FA-'15 UFA-'15 (Phi.)
21	Dexter McDonald	CB	6-1	200	11/30/91	23	R	Kansas	Kansas City, Mo.	D7c-'15
22	Taiwan Jones	RB	6-0	195	07/26/88	27	5	Eastern Washington	Antioch, Calif.	D4b-'11
23 24	Jonathan Dowling Charles Woodson	S S	6-3 6-1	190 210	12/08/91 10/07/76	23 38	2 18	Western Kentucky Michigan	Bradenton, Fla. Fremont, Ohio	D7c-'14 FA-'13
25	DJ Hayden	CB	5-11	190	06/27/90	25	3	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1-'13
26	Roy Hélu, Jr.	RB	5-11	220	12/07/88	26	5	Nebraska	Danville, Calif.	UFA-'15 (Was.)
28 29	Latavius Murray Brandian Ross	RB S	6-3 6-0	230 190	01/18/90 09/28/89	25 25	3 4	UCF Youngstown State	Nedrow, N.Y. Meadowbrook, Va.	D6b-'13 W-'14 (Mia.)
30	SaQwan Edwards	CB	6-0	200	05/13/92	23	Ř	New Mexico	Houston, Texas	FA-'15
31	Neiko Thorpe	CB	6-1	200	02/01/90	25	3	Auburn	Tucker, Ga.	FA-'14
32 33	Rob Daniel Trent Richardson	CB RB	6-1 5-9	210 230	10/01/91 07/10/90	23 25	R 4	BYU Alabama	San Jose, Calif. Pensacola, Fla.	FA-'15 FA-'15
34	George Atkinson III	RB	6-1	220	11/29/92	22	1	Notre Dame	Stockton, Calif.	FA-114
35	Chimdi Chekwa	CB	6-0	190	01/07/88	27	4	Ohio State	Clermont, Fla.	D4a-'11
36 37	Ras-I Dowling Tevin McDonald	DB S	6-1 5-11	200 195	05/09/88 07/17/92	27 23	3 R	Virginia Eastern Washington	Chesapeake, Va. Fresno, Calif.	FA-'14 FA-'15
38	TJ Carrie	CB	6-0	205	07/28/90	25 25	2	Ohio	Antioch, Calif.	D7a-'14
39	Keith McGill	CB	6-3	210	03/09/89	26	2	Utah	La Mirada, Calif.	D4b-'14
40 41	Michael Dyer James Dockery	RB CB	5-9 6-1	220 185	10/13/90 11/09/88	24 26	R 5	Louisville Oregon State	Little Rock, Ark. Palm Desert, Calif.	FA-'15 UFA-'15 (Car.)
42	Larry Asante	S	6-0	210	03/07/88	27	4	Nebraska	Alexandria, Va.	FA- 13 (Cal.)
43	Jimmy Hall	S	6-1	230	11/18/91	23	R	Northwestern	Toledo, Ohio	FA-'15
45	Marcel Reece	FB LB	6-1 6-1	250 240	06/23/85 08/28/90	30 24	6 1	Washington UTEP	Inglewood, Calif.	FA-'08 FA-'15
46 47	Horace Miller Josh Shirley	LB	6-1	235	01/04/92	23	R	UNLV	Baltimore, Md. Fontana, Calif.	FA- 15 FA-'15
48	Spencer Hadley	LB	6-1	230	10/30/89	25	1	BYU	Connell, Wash.	FA-'14
49	Jamize Olawale	FB/RB	6-1	240 245	04/17/89	26 29	3 8	North Texas	Long Beach, Calif.	FA-'12
50 51	Curtis Lofton Ben Heeney	LB LB	6-0 6-0	230	06/02/86 05/13/92	29	8 R	Oklahoma Kansas	Kingfisher, Okla. Hutchinson, Kan.	FA-'15 D5a-'15
52	Khalil Mack	LB	6-3	250	02/22/91	24	2 5	Buffalo	Fort Pierce, Fla.	D1-'14
53	Malcolm Smith	LB	6-0	225	07/05/89	26	5	USC	Northridge, Calif.	UFA-'15 (Sea.)
54 55	Gary Wilkins Sio Moore	DE LB	6-2 6-1	240 245	02/09/92 05/02/90	23 25	R 3	Furman Connecticut	Covington, Ga. Cary, N.C.	FA-'15 D3-'13
56	Chase Williams	LB	6-1	230	10/16/91	23	R	Virginia Tech	Leesburg, Va.	FA-'15
57	Ray-Ray Armstrong	LB	6-3	220	03/05/91	24	3	Miami (Fla.)	Sanford, Fla.	W-'14 (StL.)
58 59	Neiron Ball Jon Condo	LB LS	6-3 6-3	235 240	08/20/92 08/26/81	23 33	R 9	Florida Maryland	Jackson, Ga. Philipsburg, Pa.	D5b-'15 FA-'06
61	Rodney Hudson	С	6-2	300	07/12/89	26	5	Florida State	Mobile, Ala.	UFA-'15 (KC)
63	Lamar Mady	G	6-2	315	12/13/90	24	2	Youngstown State	Topeka, Kan.	FA-'13
65 66	Dan Kistler Gabe Jackson	T G	6-7 6-3	315 335	03/30/91 07/12/91	24 24	1 2	Montana Mississippi State	Seattle, Wash. Liberty, Miss.	FA-'14 D3-'14
67	Quinterrius Eatmon	T/G	6-6	310	12/04/91	23	Ŕ	South Florida	Prichard, Ala.	FA-'15
68	Jon Feliciano	G/C	6-4	325	02/10/92	23	R	Miami (Fla.)	Davie, Fla.	D4-'15
69 70	Khalif Barnes Tony Bergstrom	T/G G	6-6 6-5	320 315	04/21/82 08/06/86	33 29	11 4	Washington Utah	Spring Valley, Calif. Salt Lake City, Utah	UFA-'09 (Jac.) D3-'12
71	Menelik Watson	Ť	6-5	315	12/22/88	26	3	Florida State	Manchester, England	D2-'13
72	Donald Penn	T	6-4	315	04/27/83	32	10	Utah State	Inglewood, Calif.	FA-'14
73 74	Matt McCants Mitch Bell	T/G G	6-6 6-3	310 345	08/18/89 09/12/92	26 22	3 R	UAB Louisiana Tech	Mobile, Ala. Houston, Texas	FA-'13 FA-'15
75	Shelby Harris	DE	6-2	290	08/11/91	24	1	Illinois State	Milwaukee, Wis.	D7b-'14
76	J'Marcus Webb	G <u>/</u> T	6-7	330	08/08/88	27	5	West Texas A&M	Mesquite, Texas	FA-'15
77 78	Austin Howard Justin Ellis	T DT	6-7 6-2	330 335	03/22/87 12/27/90	28 24	6 2	Northern Iowa Louisiana Tech	Davenport, Iowa Monroe. La.	UFA-'14 (NYJ) D4a-'14
79	Anthony Morris	T	6-7	300	03/25/92	23	Ŕ	Tennessee State	Memphis, Tenn.	D7a-'15
80	Rod Streater	WR	6-2	195	02/09/88	27	4	Temple	Burlington, N.J.	FA-'12
81 82	Mychal Rivera Gabe Holmes	TE TE	6-3 6-5	245 255	09/08/90 03/29/91	24 24	3 R	Tennessee Purdue	Valencia, Calif. Miramar, Fla.	D6c-'13 FA-'15
83	Kris Durham	WR	6-5	215	03/17/88	27	4	Georgia	Calhoun, Ga.	FA-'15
85	Kenbrell Thompkins	WR	6-1	195	07/29/88	27	3	Cincinnati	Miami, Fla.	W-'14 (NE)
86 87	Lee Smith Brian Leonhardt	TE TE	6-6 6-5	265 255	11/21/87 04/02/90	27 25	5 2	Marshall Bemidji State	Powell, Tenn. Blaine, Minn.	UFA-'15 (Buf.) FA-'13
88	Clive Walford	TE	6-3 6-4	250 250	10/01/91	23	R R	Miami (Fla.)	Blaine, Minn. Belle Glade, Fla.	D3-'15
89	Amari Cooper	WR	6-1	210	06/17/94	21	R	Alabama	Miami, Fla.	D1-'15
90 91	Dan Williams Justin Tuck	DT DE	6-2 6-5	330 265	06/01/87 03/29/83	28 32	6 11	Tennessee Notre Dame	Memphis, Tenn. Kellyton, Ala.	UFA-'15 (Ari.)
91 92	Stacy McGee	DE	6-3	265 310	03/29/83	32 25	3	Oklahoma	Muskogee, Okla.	UFA-'14 (NYG) D6d-'13
93	Rický Lumpkin	DT	6-3	300	09/07/88	26	1	Kentucky	Mount Holly, N.J.	FA-'13
94	Max Valles	DE	6-4	250	08/05/94	21	R	Virginia d	Sicklerville, N.J.	D6-'15
95 96	Benson Mayowa Denico Autry	DE DE	6-3 6-5	240 270	08/03/91 07/15/90	24 25	3 2	ldaho Mississippi State	Inglewood, Calif. Albemarle, N.C.	W-'14 (Sea.) FA-'14
97	Mario Edwards Jr.	DE	6-3	280	01/25/94	21	R	Florida Štate	Gautier, Miss.	D2-'15
98 99	C.J. Wilson	DL DT	6-3	290	03/30/87	28	6 R	East Carolina	Pinetown, N.C.	UFA-'14 (GB)
77	Leon Orr	וט	6-5	320	02/11/92	23	К	Florida	New Port Richey, Fla.	FA-'15
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84	Andre Debose	WR	6-0	190	09/12/90	24	R	Florida	Sanford, Fla.	D7b-'15



# **ALPHABETICAL ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthdate	Age	Exp.	School	Hometown	Acq.
20	Allen, Nate	S	6-0	210	11/30/87	<u>Age</u> 27	6	South Florida	Cape Coral, Fla.	UFA-'15 (Phi.)
57	Armstrong, Ray-Ray	LB	6-3	220	03/05/91	24	3	Miami (Fla.)	Sanford, Fla.	W-'14 (StL.)
42	Asante, Larry	S	6-0	210	03/07/88	27	4	Nebraska Nebraska	Alexandria, Va.	FA-'14
34 96	Atkinson III, George Autry, Denico	RB DE	6-1 6-5	220 270	11/29/92 07/15/90	22 25	1 2	Notre Dame Mississippi State	Stockton, Calif. Albemarle, N.C.	FA-'14 FA-'14
58	Ball, Neiron	LB	6-3	235	08/20/92	23	Ŕ	Florida	Jackson, Ga.	D5b-'15
69	Barnes, Khalif	T/G	6-6	320	04/21/82	33	11	Washington	Spring Valley, Calif.	UFA-'09 (Jac.)
74	Bell, Mitch	G	6-3	345	09/12/92	22	R	Louisiana Tech	Houston, Texas	FA-'15
70	Bergstrom, Tony	G	6-5	315	08/06/86	29	4	Utah	Salt Lake City, Utah	D3-'12
12	Butler, Brice	WR	6-3	215	01/29/90	25	3	San Diego State	Norcross, Ga.	D7a-'13
4	Carr, Derek	QB	6-3	215	03/28/91	24	2	Fresno State	Bakersfield, Calif.	D2-'14
38	Carrie, TJ Chekwa. Chimdi	CB CB	6-0	205	07/28/90	25 27	2 4	Ohio	Antioch, Calif.	D7a-'14
35 2	Clark, Steven	Р	6-0 6-6	190 230	01/07/88 07/20/91	24	1	Ohio State Auburn	Clermont, Fla. Kansas City, Mo.	D4a-'11 FA-'15
59	Condo, Jon	ĹS	6-3	240	08/26/81	33	9	Maryland	Philipsburg, Pa.	FA-13
89	Cooper, Amari	WR	6-1	210	06/17/94	21	Ŕ	Alabama	Miami. Fla.	D1-'15
15	Crabtree, Michael	WR	6-1	215	09/14/87	27	7	Texas Tech	Dallas, Texas	UFA-'15 (SF)
32	Daniel, Rob	CB	6-1	210	10/01/91	23	R	BYU	San Jose, Calif.	FA-'15
41	Dockery, James	CB	6-1	185	11/09/88	26	5	Oregon State	Palm Desert, Calif.	UFA-'15 (Car.)
23	Dowling, Jonathan	S	6-3	190	12/08/91	23	2	Western Kentucky	Bradenton, Fla.	D7c-'14
36	Dowling, Ras-I	DB WR	6-1 6-5	200 215	05/09/88	27 27	3	Virginia	Chesapeake, Va.	FA-'14
83 40	Durham, Kris Dyer, Michael	RB	6-3 5-9	220	03/17/88 10/13/90	24	R R	Georgia Louisville	Calhoun, Ga. Little Rock, Ark.	FA-'15 FA-'15
67	Eatmon, Quinterrius	T/G	6-6	310	12/04/91	23	R	South Florida	Prichard, Ala.	FA- 15
30	Edwards, SaQwan	CB	6-0	200	05/13/92	23	R	New Mexico	Houston, Texas	FA-'15
97	Edwards Jr., Mario	DE	6-3	280	01/25/94	21	R	Florida State	Gautier, Miss.	D2-'15
78	Ellis, Justin	DT	6-2	335	12/27/90	24	2	Louisiana Tech	Monroe, La.	D4a-'14
8	Fajardo, Cody	QB	6-2	225	03/29/92	23	R	Nevada	Brea, Calif.	FA-'15
68	Feliciano, Jon	G/C	6-4	325	02/10/92	23	R	Miami (Fla.)	Davie, Fla.	D4-'15
48	Hadley, Spencer	LB	6-1	230	10/30/89	25	1	BYU	Connell, Wash.	FA-'14
43	Hall, Jimmy	S WR	6-1 6-1	230 185	11/18/91	23 23	R R	Northwestern	Toledo, Ohio	FA-'15
19 75	Harper, Josh Harris, Shelby	DE	6-1	290	12/01/91 08/11/91	23 24	1	Fresno State Illinois State	Stockton, Calif. Milwaukee, Wis.	FA-'15 D7b-'14
25	Hayden, DJ	CB	5-11	190	06/27/90	25	3	Houston	Houston, Texas	D1-'13
51	Heeney, Ben	LB	6-0	230	05/13/92	23	Ř	Kansas	Hutchinson, Kan.	D5a-'15
26	Helu, Jr., Roy	RB	5-11	220	12/07/88	26	5	Nebraska	Danville, Calif.	UFA-'15 (Was.)
16	Holliday, Trindon	WR/RS	5-5	165	04/27/86	29	6	LSU	Baton Rouge, La.	FA-'15
18	Holmes, Andre	WR	6-4	210	06/16/88	27	4	Hillsdale	Elk Grove, Īll.	W-'13 (NE)
82	Holmes, Gabe	TE	6-5	255	03/29/91	24	R	Purdue	Miramar, Fla.	FA-'15
77	Howard, Austin	T	6-7	330	03/22/87	28	6	Northern Iowa	Davenport, Iowa	UFA-'14 (NYJ)
61 66	Hudson, Rodney Jackson, Gabe	C G	6-2 6-3	300 335	07/12/89 07/12/91	26 24	5 2	Florida State Mississippi State	Mobile, Ala. Liberty, Miss.	UFA-'15 (KC) D3-'14
11	Janikowski, Sebastian	K	6-1	265	03/02/78	37	16	Florida State	Daytona Beach, Fla.	D1-'00
22	Jones, Taiwan	ŔB	6-0	195	07/26/88	27	5	Eastern Washington	Antioch, Calif.	D4b-'11
7	King, Marguette	Р	6-0	195	10/26/88	26	4	Fort Valley State	Macon, Ga.	FA-'12
65	Kistler, Dan	T	6-7	315	03/30/91	24	1	Montana	Seattle, Wash.	FA-'14
87	Leonhardt, Brian	TE	6-5	255	04/02/90	25	2	Bemidji State	Blaine, Minn.	FA-'13
50	Lofton, Curtis	LB	6-0	245	06/02/86	29	8	Oklahoma	Kingfisher, Okla.	FA-'15
93 52	Lumpkin, Ricky Mack, Khalil	DT LB	6-3 6-3	300 250	09/07/88 02/22/91	26 24	1 2	Kentucky Buffalo	Mount Holly, N.J. Fort Pierce, Fla.	FA-'13 D1-'14
63	Mady, Lamar	G	6-3 6-2	315	12/13/90	24	2	Youngstown State	Topeka, Kan.	FA-'13
95	Mayowa, Benson	DE	6-3	240	08/03/91	24	3	Idaho	Inglewood, Calif.	W-'14 (Sea.)
73	McCants, Matt	T/G	6-6	310	08/18/89	26	3	UAB	Mobile, Ala.	FA-'13
21	McDonald, Dexter	ĊВ	6-1	200	11/30/91	23	R	Kansas	Kansas City, Mo.	D7c-'15
37	McDonald, Tevin	S	5-11	195	07/17/92	23	R	Eastern Washington	Fresno, Calif.	FA-'15
92	McGee, Stacy	DT	6-3	310	01/17/90	25	3	Oklahoma	Muskogee, Okla.	D6d-'13
39	McGill, Keith	CB	6-3	210	03/09/89	26	2	Utah	La Mirada, Calif.	D4b-'14
14 46	McGloin, Matt Miller, Horace	QB LB	6-1 6-1	210 240	12/02/89 08/28/90	25 24	3 1	Penn State UTEP	Scranton, Pa. Baltimore. Md.	FA-'13 FA-'15
55	Moore, Sio	LB	6-1	245	05/02/90	25	3	Connecticut	Cary, N.C.	D3-'13
79	Morris, Anthony	T	6-7	300	03/25/92	23	Ř	Tennessee State	Memphis, Tenn.	D7a-'15
28	Murray, Latavius	RB	6-3	230	01/18/90	25	3	UCF	Nedrow, N.Y.	D6b-'13
49	Olawale, Jamize	FB/RB	6-1	240	04/17/89	26	3	North Texas	Long Beach, Calif.	FA-'12
99	Orr, Leon	DT	6-5	320	02/11/92	23	R	Florida	New Port Richey, Fla.	FA-'15
72	Penn, Donald	T	6-4	315	04/27/83	32	10	Utah State	Inglewood, Calif.	FA-'14
9 45	Ponder, Christian Reece, Marcel	QB FB	6-2 6-1	230 250	02/25/88 06/23/85	27 30	5 6	Florida State Washington	Colleyville, Texas Inglewood, Calif.	UFA-'15 (Min.) FA-'08
45 33	Richardson, Trent	RB FB	5-1 5-9	230	06/23/85	30 25	6 4	wasnington Alabama	Pensacola, Fla.	FA- 08 FA-'15
81	Rivera, Mychal	TE	6-3	245	09/08/90	24	3	Tennessee	Valencia, Calif.	D6c-'13
10	Roberts, Seth	WR	6-2	195	02/22/91	24	1	West Alabama	Moultrie, Ga.	FA-'14
29	Ross, Brandian	S	6-0	190	09/28/89	25	4	Youngstown State	Meadowbrook, Va.	W-'14 (Mia.)
47	Shirley, Josh	LB	6-1	235	01/04/92	23 27	R	UNLŬ	Fontana, Calif.	FA-'15
86	Smith, Lee	TE	6-6	265	11/21/87	27	5	Marshall	Powell, Tenn.	UFA-'15 (Buf.)
53	Smith, Malcolm	LB	6-0	225	07/05/89	26	5	USC	Northridge, Calif.	UFA-'15 (Sea.)
80 6	Streater, Rod Tavecchio, Giorgio	WR K	6-2 5-10	195 180	02/09/88 07/16/90	27 25	4 1	Temple California	Burlington, N.J. Milan. Italv	FA-'12 FA-'15
85	Thompkins, Kenbrell	wr.	6-1	195	07/29/88	25 27	3	Cincinnati	Milan, Italy Miami, Fla.	W-'14 (NE)
31	Thorpe, Neiko	CB	6-1	200	02/01/90	25	3	Auburn	Tucker, Ga.	FA-'14
91	Tuck, Justin	DE	6-5	265	03/29/83	32	11	Notre Dame	Kellyton, Ala.	UFA-'14 (NYG)
94	Valles, Max	DE	6-4	250	08/05/94	21	R	Virginia	Sicklerville, N.J.	D6-'15
88	Walford, Clive	ŢΕ	6-4	250	10/01/91	23	R	Miami (Fla.)	Belle Glade, Fla.	D3-'15
71	Watson, Menelik	T C/T	6-5	315	12/22/88	26	3	Florida State	Manchester, England	D2-'13
76 54	Webb, J'Marcus	G/T DE	6-7 6-2	330 240	08/08/88 02/09/92	27 23	5 R	West Texas A&M Furman	Mesquite, Texas Covington, Ga.	FA-'15 FA-'15
54 56	Wilkins, Gary Williams, Chase	LB	6-2 6-1	230	10/16/91	23 23	R R	Furman Virginia Tech	Leesburg, Va.	FA- 15 FA-'15
90	Williams, Dan	DT	6-2	330	06/01/87	28	6	Tennessee	Memphis, Tenn.	UFA-'15 (Ari.)
17	Williams III, Milton	WR	6-2	220	03/07/94	21	Ř	Delaware State	Washington, D.C.	FA-'15
98	Wilson, C.J.	DL	6-3	290	03/30/87	28	6	East Carolina	Pinetown, N.C.	UFA-'14 (GB)
24	Woodson, Charles	S	6-1	210	10/07/76	38	18	Michigan	Fremont, Ohio	FA-'13
13	Wylie, Devon	WR	5-9	185	09/02/88	26	2	Fresno State	Roseville, Calif.	FA-'15
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84	Debose, Andre	WR	6-0	190	09/12/90	24	R	Florida	Sanford, Fla.	D7b-'15
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# POSITIONAL ROSTER

# **OFFENSE**

# **OFFENSIVE LINE** 61 Rodney Hudson......C 63 Lamar Mady......G 65 Dan Kistler.....T 66 Gabe Jackson ......G 67 Quinterrius Eatmon.....T/G 68 Jon Feliciano......G/C 69 Khalif Barnes.....T/G 70 Tony Bergstrom ......G 71 Menelik Watson.....T 72 Donald Penn ......T 73 Matt McCants.....T/G 74 Mitch Bell......G 76 J'Marcus Webb ...... G/T 77 Austin Howard ......T 79 Anthony Morris.....T **QUARTERBACKS** 4 Derek Carr......QB Cody Fajardo......QB 9 Christian Ponder ...... QB 14 Matt McGloin.....QB **RUNNING BACKS** 22 Taiwan Jones ......RB 26 Roy Helu, Jr.....RB 28 Latavius Murray.....RB 33 Trent Richardson ...... RB 34 George Atkinson III ......RB 40 Michael Dyer.....RB 45 Marcel Reece.....FB 49 Jamize Olawale ......FB/RB **TIGHT ENDS** 81 Mychal Rivera .....TE 82 Gabe Holmes .....TE 86 Lee Smith ......TE 87 Brian Leonhardt .....TE 88 Clive Walford.....TE WIDE RECEIVERS 10 Seth Roberts.....WR 12 Brice Butler ...... WR 13 Devon Wylie .......WR 15 Michael Crabtree ...... WR 16 Trindon Holliday......WR/RS 17 Milton Williams III......WR 18 Andre Holmes......WR 19 Josh Harper.....WR 80 Rod Streater ......WR 83 Kris Durham ......WR 85 Kenbrell Thompkins ......WR 89 Amari Cooper ......WR

# **DEFENSE**

DEFENSIVE LINE  54 Gary Wilkins	
LINEBACKERS  46 Horace Miller	
SECONDARY  20 Nate Allen S 21 Dexter McDonald CB 23 Jonathan Dowling S 24 Charles Woodson S 25 DJ Hayden CB 29 Brandian Ross S 30 SaQwan Edwards CB 31 Neiko Thorpe CB 32 Rob Daniel CB 35 Chimdi Chekwa CB 36 Ras-I Dowling DB 37 Tevin McDonald S 38 TJ Carrie CB 39 Keith McGill CB 41 James Dockery CB 42 Larry Asante S 43 Jimmy Hall S	
SPECIALISTS  2 Steven Clark	
<b>RESERVE/INJURED</b> 84 Andre DeboseWR	



# 2014 PARTICIPATION CHART

	9/7	9/14	9/21	9/28	10/12	10/19	10/26	11/2	11/9	11/16	11/20	11/30	12/7	12/14	12/21	12/28				_
Plaver	at NYJ	Hou.	at NE	Mia.	10/12 SD	Ari.	at Cle.	at Sea.	Den.	at SD	KC	at StL.	SF	at KC	Buf.	at Den.	GP	GS	DNP	INA
Armstrong, Ray-Ray		NOR	NOR	NOR	INA	X	X	X	Х	X	X	X	X	WLB	WLB	WLB	11	3	0	1
Asante, Larry	NOR	NOR	NOR	NOR	NOR	NOR	NOR	X	SS	X	SS	X	X	IR	IR	IR	6	2		<u>.</u>
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Bergstrom, Tony	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	0	0		16
Boothe, Kevin	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9	0		0
Branch, Tyvon	SS	SS	SS	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	3	3		0
Brown, Tarell	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	RCB	IR	IR	14 7	14		0 7
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Butler, Brice	INA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	15	0		1
Carr, Derek	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	16	16		0
Carrie, TJ	X	X	X	X	CB	X	X	LCB	INA	CB	INA	X	X	X	RCB	INA	13	4		3
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Chekwa, Chimdi	INA	CB	INA	CB	Χ	Χ	Χ	INA	INA	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	INA	INA	10	2	0	6
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Harris, Shelby	INA	INA	PS PUP	PS PUP	PS PUP	PS	PS v	PS v	PS LCB	PS LCB	PS LCB	PS	PS LCB	PS LCB	PS LCB	X	10	0		<u>2</u>
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Jackson, Gabe	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	INA	INA	INA	X	LG	LG	LG	LG	13	12		3
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Jones, James	Χ	Χ	Χ	WR	WR	WR	WR	Χ	Χ	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	Χ	16			0
Jones, Taiwan	Χ	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	IR	1	0	0 1	0
Jones-Drew, M.	RB	INA	INA	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	DNP	DNP	12	1	2	2
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King, Marquette	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	16	0		0
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Leonhardt, Brian	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	TE	TE	X	TE	X	INA	INA	INA	IR	12	3		3
Lumpkin, Ricky	PS	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	PS SLB	X SLB	X SLB	X SLB	X SLB	X SLB	5 16	0 16		<u>0</u> 0
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Mayowa, Benson	X	X	X	X	X	X	LE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	16	1		0
McCants, Matt	INA	INA	INA	INA	X	X	INA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11	0		5
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Moore, Denarius	WR	Χ	WR	INA	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	INA	INA	INA	INA	INA	10	2		6
Moore, Sio	WLB	WLB	INA	INA	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	WLB	INA	IR	IR	11			3
Murray, Latavius	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	INA	X	RB	RB	RB	15	3		1
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Roberts, Seth	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	PS	0			0
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Smith, Antonio	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	16			0
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X = substituted; IR = reserve/injured list; IR/DFR = reserve/injured list - designated for return; PUP = physically unable to perform; NOR = not on roster; PS = practice squad; SUS = reserve/suspended list



# HOW THE RAIDERS WERE BUILT

<u><b>Year</b></u> 2015	<b><u>Record</u></b> 0-0	Draftees (28) WR Amari Cooper (1)	Free Agents (57) S Nate Allen (UFA - Phi.)	<u>Trades/Waivers (5)</u>
		DE Mario Edwards Jr. (2) TE Clive Walford (3) G/C Jon Feliciano (4) LB Ben Heeney (5a) LB Neiron Ball (5b) DE Max Valles (6) T Anthony Morris (7a) CB Dexter McDonald (7c)	G Mitch Bell P Steven Clark WR Michael Crabtree (UFA - SF) CB Rob Daniel CB James Dockery (UFA - Car.) WR Kris Durham RB Michael Dyer T/G Quinterrius Eatmon CB SaQwan Edwards	
			QB Cody Fajardo S Jimmy Hall WR Josh Harper RB Roy Helu, Jr. (UFA - Was.) WR/RS Trindon Holliday TE Gabe Holmes C Rodney Hudson (UFA - KC) LB Curtis Lofton S Tevin McDonald LB Horace Miller DT Leon Orr QB Christian Ponder (UFA - Min.) RB Trent Richardson LB Josh Shirley TE Lee Smith (UFA - Buf.) LB Malcolm Smith (UFA - Sea.) K Giorgio Tavecchio G/T J'Marcus Webb DE Gary Wilkins LB Chase Williams DT Dan Williams (UFA - Ari.) WR Milton Williams III WR Devon Wylie	
2014	3-13	LB Khalil Mack (1) QB Derek Carr (2) G Gabe Jackson (3) DT Justin Ellis (4a) CB Keith McGill (4b) CB TJ Carrie (7a) DE Shelby Harris (7b) S Jonathan Dowling (7c)	S Larry Asante RB George Atkinson III DE Denico Autry CB Ras-I Dowling LB Spencer Hadley T Austin Howard (UFA - NYJ) T Dan Kistler T Donald Penn WR Seth Roberts CB Neiko Thorpe DE Justin Tuck (UFA - NYG) DL C.J. Wilson (UFA - GB)	LB Ray-Ray Armstrong (W - StL.) DE Benson Mayowa (W - Sea.) S Brandian Ross (W - Mia.) WR Kenbrell Thompkins (W - NE)
2013	4-12	CB DJ Hayden (1) T Menelik Watson (2) LB Sio Moore (3) RB Latavius Murray (6b) TE Mychal Rivera (6c) DT Stacy McGee (6d) WR Brice Butler (7a)	TE Brian Leonhardt DT Ricky Lumpkin G Lamar Mady T/G Matt McCants QB Matt McGloin S Charles Woodson	WR Andre Holmes (W - NE)
2012	4-12	G Tony Bergstrom (3)	P Marquette King FB/RB Jamize Olawale WR Rod Streater	
2011	8-8	CB Chimdi Chekwa (4a) RB Taiwan Jones (4b)		
2009	5-11		T/G Khalif Barnes (UFA - Jac.)	
2008	5-11		FB Marcel Reece	
2006	2-14		LS Jon Condo	
2000	12-4	K Sebastian Janikowski (1)		



# 2015 TRANSACTIONS

Date	<u>Player</u>	Transaction	Date	Player	Transaction
	RB Terrance Cobb	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 11	CB Chance Casey	Waived
Dec. 30, 2014	WR Jeremy Gallon	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 11	RB Terrance Cobb	Waived
Dec. 30, 2014	LB Justin Jackson	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 11	RB Gus Johnson	Waived
	DB Vernon Kearney	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 11	DB Vernon Kearney	Waived
	T Dan Kistler	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 11	LB Braylon Mitchell	Waived
	G Lamar Mady	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 12	G Mitch Bell	Signed as FA
	WR Seth Roberts	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 12	CB Travell Dixon	Signed as FA
	DT Kona Schwenke	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 12	RB Michael Dyer	Signed as FA
	CB Jansen Watson	Signed as Reserve/Future FA	May 12	CB SaQwan Edwards	
Feb. 24	K Giorgio Tavecchio	Signed as FA	May 12	DE Gary Wilkins	Signed as FA
March 3	S Tyvon Branch	Released	May 12	WR Austin Willis	Signed as FA
March 5	DE LaMarr Woodley	Released	May 12	WR Jeremy Gallon	Placed on Reserve/Injured List
March 6	RB M. Jones-Drew	Released/Retired	May 12	WR Austin Hill	Signed as FA Waived
March 6 March 6	LB Nick Roach S Usama Young	Released/Failed Physical Released/Failed Physical	May 12 May 12	WR M. Williams III WR Andre Debose	Signed Rookie Contract
March 11	RB Roy Helu, Jr.	Signed as Unrestricted FA (Was.)	May 12 May 12	T Anthony Morris	Signed Rookie Contract
March 11	C Rodney Hudson	Signed as Unrestricted FA (KC)	May 15	DE Max Valles	Signed Rookie Contract
March 11	LB Curtis Lofton	Signed as FA	May 15	G/C Jon Feliciano	Signed Rookie Contract
March 11	TE Lee Smith	Signed as Unrestricted FA (Buf.)	May 20	CB Chimdi Chekwa	Signed as FA
March 11	LB Malcolm Smith	Signed as Unrestricted FA (Sea.)	May 20	S Terrell Pinson	Waived
March 11	DT Dan Williams	Signed as Unrestricted FA (Ari.)	May 21	LB Neiron Ball	Signed Rookie Contract
March 12	S Nate Allen	Signed as Unrestricted FA (Phi.)	May 26		Signed Rookie Contract
March 13	P Steven Clark	Signed as FA	May 27	LB Horace Miller	Signed as FA
March 13	CB James Dockery	Signed as Unrestricted FA (Car.)	May 27	WR M. Williams III	Re-signed as FA
March 13	QB Christian Ponder	Signed as Unrestricted FA (Min.)	May 27	CB Travell Dixon	Waived
March 16	QB Matt Schaub	Released	May 27	WR Austin Hill	Waived
March 17	RB Trent Richardson	Signed as FA	June 3	WR/RS T. Holliday	Signed as FA
March 30	DL C.J. Wilson	Re-signed as FA	June 3	WR Andre Debose	Waived/Injured
March 31	DL Antonio Smith	Released	June 4	WR Andre Debose	Placed on Reserve/Injured List
April 2	T J'Marcus Webb	Signed as FA	June 4	LB Miles Burris	Waived
April 8	S Larry Asante	Re-signed as Restricted FA	June 4	LB Jacoby Hale	Waived/Injured
April 8	WR Andre Holmes	Re-signed as Restricted FA	June 4	TE Scott Simonson	Waived
April 8	P Marquette King	Re-signed as Restricted FA	June 4	WR Kris Durham	Signed as FA
April 8	S Brandian Ross	Re-signed as Restricted FA	June 4	LB Chase Williams	Signed as FA
April 8 April 8	WR Rod Streater	Re-signed as Restricted FA	June 5 June 16	LB Jacoby Hale TE Clive Walford	Placed on Reserve/Injured List Signed Rookie Contract
April 8	DE Denico Autry TE Brian Leonhardt	Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA	June 17	WR Jeremy Gallon	Waived
April 8	T Matt McCants	Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA	June 19	LB Jacoby Hale	Waived
April 8	FB/RB J. Olawale	Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA	June 19		Signed Rookie Contract
April 8	CB Neiko Thorpe	Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA	July 27	LB Sio Moore	Placed on Active/PUP
April 13		Signed as Unrestricted FA (SF)	July 31	WR Rod Streater	Placed on Active/NFI
May 5	LB Bojay Filimoeatu	Waived	July 31	RB Trent Richardson	Placed on Active/NFI
May 5	LB Justin Jackson	Waived	July 31	WR/RS T. Holliday	Placed on Active/PUP
May 5	DT Kona Schwenke	Waived	July 31	DT Stacy McGee	Placed on Active/PUP
May 5	CB Jansen Watson	Waived	Aug. 1	LB Sio Moore	Passed Physical
May 5	TE Nick Kasa	Waived/Failed Physical	Aug. 3	WR/RS T. Holliday	Passed Physical
May 5	LB Miles Burris	Waived/Injured	Aug. 6	RB Trent Richardson	-
May 5	G Kevin Boothe	Released	Aug. 16	WR Rod Streater	Passed Physical
May 5	WR James Jones	Released	Aug. 18	WR Devon Wylie	Signed as FA
May 6	LB Miles Burris	Placed on Reserve/Injured List	Aug. 18	WR Austin Willis	Waived
May 7	WR Amari Cooper CB Rob Daniel	Signed Rookie Contract			
May 8 May 8	T/G Q. Eatmon	Signed as FA Signed as FA	By Player		
May 8	QB Cody Fajardo	Signed as FA	Allen, Nate -	ς	
May 8	LB Jacoby Hale	Signed as FA		s Unrestricted FA (Phi.	] [3/12]
May 8	S Jimmy Hall	Signed as FA	Asante, Larry		, (0, .2)
May 8	WR Josh Harper	Signed as FA		ed as Restricted FA (4/8	1)
May 8	TE Gabe Holmes	Signed as FA	Autry, Denico		•
May 8	RB Gus Johnson	Signed as FA		ed as Exclusive Rights F	-A (4/8)
May 8	S Tevin McDonald	Signed as FA	Ball, Neiron -		
May 8	LB Braylon Mitchell	Signed as FA		ookie Contract (5/21)	
May 8	DT Leon Orr	Signed as FA	Bell, Mitch - (	3	
May 8	S Terrell Pinson	Signed as FA		s FA (5/12)	
May 8	LB Josh Shirley	Signed as FA	Boothe, Kevir		
May 8	WR M. Williams III	Signed as FA	<ul> <li>Released</li> </ul>	1 (5/5)	
May 11	WR Jeremy Gallon	Waived/Injured	l		



# **2015 TRANSACTIONS**

Branch, Tyvon - S

Released (3/3)

Burris. Miles - LB

Waived/Injured (5/5)

Placed on Reserve/Injured List (5/6)

• Waived (6/4)

Casey, Chance - CB

• Waived (5/11)

Chekwa, Chimdi - CB

Signed as FA (5/20)

Clark, Steven - P

• Signed as FA (3/13)

Cobb, Terrance - RB

Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Waived (5/11)

Cooper, Amari - WR

• Signed Rookie Contract (5/7)

Crabtree, Michael - WR

Signed as Unrestricted FA (SF) (4/13)

Daniel, Rob - CB

Signed as FA (5/8)

Debose, Andre - WR

Signed Rookie Contract (5/12)

Waived/Injured (6/3)

Placed on Reserve/Injured List (6/4)

Dixon, Travell - CB

Signed as FA (5/12)

Waived (5/27)

Dockery, James - CB

Signed as Unrestricted FA (Car.) (3/13)

Durham, Kris - WR

• Signed as FA (6/4)

Dyer, Michael - RB

Signed as FA (5/12)

Eatmon, Quinterrius - T/G

• Signed as FA (5/8)

Edwards, SaQwan - CB

• Signed as FA (5/12)

Edwards Jr., Mario - DE

• Signed Rookie Contract (6/19)

Fajardo, Cody - QB

Signed as FA (5/8)

Feliciano, Jon - G/C

Signed Rookie Contract (5/15)

Filimoeatu, Bojay - LB

• Waived (5/5)

Gallon, Jeremy - WR

Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Waived/Injured (5/11)

Placed on Reserve/Injured List (5/12)

Waived (6/17)

Hale, Jacoby - LB

Signed as FA (5/8)

Waived/Injured (6/4)

• Placed on Reserve/Injured List (6/5)

Waived (6/19)

Hall, Jimmy - S

Signed as FA (5/8)

Harper, Josh - WR

Signed as FA (5/8)

Helu, Jr., Roy - RB

Signed as Unrestricted FA (Was.) (3/11)

Hill, Austin - WR

Signed as FA (5/12)

Waived (5/27)

Holliday, Trindon - WR/RS

Signed as FA (6/3)

Placed on Active/Physically Unable to Perform list (7/31)

Passed Physical (8/3)

Holmes, Andre - WR

Re-signed as Restricted FA (4/8)

Holmes, Gabe - TE

• Signed as FA (5/8)

Hudson, Rodney - C

Signed as Unrestricted FA (KC) (3/11)

Jackson, Justin - LB

• Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Waived (5/5)

Johnson, Gus - RB

• Signed as FA (5/8)

• Waived (5/11)

Jones, James - WR

Released (5/5)

Jones-Drew, Maurice - RB

• Released/Retired (3/6)

Kasa. Nick - TE

• Waived/Failed Physical (5/5)

Kearney, Vernon - DB

Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Waived (5/11)

King, Marquette - P

Re-signed as Restricted FA (4/8)

Kistler, Dan - T

• Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Leonhardt, Brian - TE

• Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA (4/8)

Lofton, Curtis - LB

Signed as FA (3/11)

Mady, Lamar - G

Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

McCants, Matt - T

Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA (4/8)

McDonald, Dexter - CB

Signed Rookie Contract (5/26)

McDonald, Tevin - S

Signed as FA (5/8)

McGee, Stacy - DT

Placed on Active/Physically Unable to Perform list (7/31)

Miller, Horace - LB

Signed as FA (5/27)

Mitchell, Braylon - LB

• Signed as FA (5/8)

• Waived (5/11)

Moore, Sio - LB
• Placed on Active/Physically Unable to Perform list (7/27)

Passed Physical (8/1)

Morris, Anthony - T

• Signed Rookie Contract (5/12)

Olawale, Jamize - FB/RB

• Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA (4/8)

Orr, Leon - DT

• Signed as FA (5/8)

Pinson, Terrell - S

Signed as FA (5/8)

Waived (5/20)

Ponder, Christian - QB

Signed as Unrestricted FA (Min.) (3/13)

Richardson, Trent - RB

Signed as FA (3/17)

Placed on Actve/Non-Football Illness list (7/31)

Passed Physical (8/6)



# **2015 TRANSACTIONS**

Roach, Nick - LB

Released/Failed Physical (3/6)

Roberts, Seth - WR

Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Ross, Brandian - S

Re-signed as Restricted FA (4/8)

Schaub, Matt - QB

Released (3/16)

Schwenke, Kona - DT

Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Waived (5/5)

Shirley, Josh - LB

Signed as FA (5/8)

Simonson, Scott - TE

Waived (6/4)

Smith, Antonio - DL

Released (3/31) Smith, Lee - TE

Signed as Unrestricted FA (Buf.) (3/11)

Smith, Malcolm - LB

Signed as Unrestricted FA (Sea.) (3/11)

Streater, Rod - WR

Re-signed as Restricted FA (4/8)

Placed on Actve/Non-Football Illness list (7/31)

Passed Physical (8/16)

Tavecchio, Giorgio - K

Signed as FA (2/24)

Thorpe, Neiko - CB

Re-signed as Exclusive Rights FA (4/8)

Valles, Max - DE

Signed Rookie Contract (5/15)

Walford, Clive - TE

Signed Rookie Contract (6/16)

Watson, Jansen - CB

Signed as Reserve/Future FA (12/30/14)

Waived (5/5)

Webb, J'Marcus - T

Signed as FA (4/2)

Woodley, LaMarr - DE

Released (3/5)

Williams, Chase - LB

Signed as FA (6/4)

Williams, Dan - DT

Signed as Unrestricted FA (Ari.) (3/11)

Williams III, Milton - WR

Signed as FA (5/8)

Waived (5/12)

Re-signed as FA (5/27)

Willis, Austin - WR

Signed as FA (5/12)

Waived (8/18)

Wilson, C.J. - DL

Re-signed as FA (3/30)

Wylie, Devon - WR

Signed as FA (8/18)

Young, Usama - S

Released/Failed Physical (3/6)



# COACHES/MISC. INFO

# **2015 COACHES**

Jack Del Rio, Head Coach

Bill Musgrave, Offensive Coordinator Ken Norton, Jr., Defensive Coordinator **Brad Seely**, Special Teams Coordinator

Sam Anno, Defensive Assistant Todd Downing, Quarterbacks

Darryl Eto, Assistant 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 Assistant Wesley Miller, Strength and Conditioning Assistant

Rob Moore, Wide Receivers

Bernie Parmalee, Running Backs Jake Peetz, Senior Offensive Assistant Marcus Robertson, Defensive Backs **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

# COACHING BREAKDOWN

<u>Coach</u>	NFL seasons	Raiders seasons
Jack Del Rio	19	First
Bill Musgrave	17	2
Ken Norton, Jr.	6	First
Brad Seely	27	First
Sam Anno	First	First
Todd Downing	15	First
Darryl Eto	First	First
Jethro Franklin	10	First
Joe Gomes	First	First
Tim Holt	5	First
Nick Holz	4	4
Bobby Johnson	6	First
Kevin Kijowski	First	First
Wesley Miller	First	First
Rob Moore	2	First
Bernie Parmalee	7	First
Jake Peetz	7	First
Marcus Robertson	9	2
Tracy Smith	7	First
Travis Smith	4	4
Sal Sunseri	8	First
Mike Tice	19	First
Brent Vieselmeyer	First	First
Rod Woodson	2	<u>2</u>
Totals	180	33

# PLAYING BREAKDOWN

<u>Coach</u>	NFL playing seasons
Jack Del Rio	11
Bill Musgrave	6
Ken Norton, Jr.	13
Sam Anno	7
Jethro Franklin	1
Rob Moore	12
Bernie Parmalee	9
Marcus Robertson	12
Mike Tice	14
Rod Woodson	<u>17</u>
Totals	102

# **ROSTER BREAKDOWN**

**Oldest Raider:** Charles Woodson, 38 (born 10/7/76)

Youngest Raider: Max Valles, 21 (born 8/5/94)

Most Seasons as a Raider: Sebastian Janikowski, 16

Most NFL Seasons: Charles Woodson, 18

College with the most Raiders: Florida State (Mario Edwards Jr., Rodney Hudson, Sebastian Janikowski, Christian Ponder and Menelik Watson)

Conference with the most Raiders: SEC [10]

Tallest Raider: Austin Howard, Dan Kistler, Anthony Morris and

J'Marcus Webb at 6-foot-7

Shortest Raider: Trindon Holliday at 5-foot-5

### Former First-Round Draft Picks: 9

- Amari Cooper (Oak., 2015)
- Michael Crabtree (SF, 2009)
- DJ Hayden (Oak., 2013)
- Sebastian Janikowski (Oak., 2000)
- Khalil Mack (Oak., 2014)
- Christian Ponder (Min., 2011)
- Trent Richardson (Cle., 2012)
- Dan Williams (Ari., 2010)
- Charles Woodson (Oak., 1998)

### Pro Bowlers: 6

- Jon Condo (2009)
- Sebastian Janikowski (2011)
- Donald Penn (2010)
- Marcel Reece (2012-14)
- Justin Tuck (2008, 2010)
- Charles Woodson (1998-2001, 2008-11)

100 and Up: K Sebastian Janikowski is the senior member on the Raiders roster, having played in 236 regular season contests, just four short of Tim Brown's franchise record of 240 games played in the Silver and Black. Here is a look at the Raiders with at least 100 regular season games played in the NFL:

- Charles Woodson 238
- Sebastian Janikowski 236
- Justin Tuck 142
- Khalif Barnes 137
- Jon Condo 131
- Donald Penn 128
- Curtis Lofton 112



# **2015 PRESEASON STATISTICS**

WON 1, LOST 1					
08/14 W 18- 3	St. I	01118		50	,801
08/22 L 12-20		nneso	+-		,656
08/30	Arizo		Ld	50	, 656
09/03	at Se	attle		_	
		Oak.		Opp.	
TOTAL FIRST DOWN	IS		37	37	
Rushing			16	10	
Passing			19	24	
Penalty			2	3	
3rd Down: Made	Att	12/	25	17/34	
3rd Down Pct.			48.0	50	. 0
4th Down: Made	Att	0	/2	3/4	
4th Down Pct.	.,		0.0	75	. 0
POSSESSION AVG.		29:		30:01	
TOTAL NET YARDS			06	545	
			03.0	272	
Avg. Per Game					
Total Plays		1.	23	131	
Avg. Per Play		_	4.9		.2
NET YARDS RUSHIN	1G		22	173	
Avg. Per Game			11.0	86	
Total Rushes			61	53	
NET YARDS PASSIN	1G	3	84	372	
Avg. Per Game		1	92.0	186	.0
Sacked/Yards I	Lost	2	/9	4/25	
Gross Yards		3	93	397	
Att./Completio	ons	60/	40	74/47	
Completion Pct			66.7	63	
Had Intercepte			4	1	
PUNTS/AVERAGE		6/	50.3	7/42	
NET PUNTING AVG.			37.8	7/36	
PENALTIES/YARDS		15/1		11/85	. 0
FUMBLES/BALL LOS			/0		
	ST	U		2/1	
TOUCHDOWNS			3	3	
Rushing			1	1	
Passing			2	2	
Returns			0	0	
* SCORE BY PERIO	DDS	Q1 Q	2 Q3	Q4 OT	PTS
TEAM		9	9 6	6 0	30
OPPONENTS		3 1	3 7	0 0	23
* SCORING T	D-Ru-P	a-Rt 1	K-PAT	FG S	PTS
Tavecchio	0 0	0 0	0/0	3/ 3 0	9
Butler	1 0	1 0		0	6
A. Holmes	1 0	1 0		0	
Murray	1 1	0 0		0	-
Janikowski	0 0	0 0	0/0	1/10	
TEAM	3 1	2 0			_
	3 1		0/0	-,	
OPPONENTS			2/ 3	1/50	23
2-Pt Conv: TM 0-		0-0			
SACKS: Heeney 1.			, Shir	ley 1,	
M. Edwards 0.5,	TM 4,	OPP 2			
FUM/LOST:					

* RUSHING		No.	Yds		Long		
Dyer		17	56	3.3	7	0	
Murray		10	55	5.5	17	1	
T. Jones		5	27	5.4	11	0	
Richardson		10	23	2.3	7	0	
Atkinson		8	20	2.5	8	0	
Fajardo		5	17	3.4	11	0	
Ponder		3	13	4.3	10	0	
Roberts		1	6	6.0	6	0	
Cooper		1	3	3.0	3	0	
Reece		1	2	2.0	2	0	
TEAM		61	222	3.6	17	1	
OPPONENTS		53	173	3.3	16	1	
* RECEIVING		No.	Yds	Avg	Long		
Butler		9	83	9.2	16t	1	
Roberts		5	81	16.2	39	0	
Cooper		4	62	15.5	40	0	
Durham		3	27	9.0	20	0	
Thompkins		3	20	6.7	7	0	
G. Holmes		3	13	4.3	9	0	
Walford		2	28	14.0	22	0	
Crabtree		2	15	7.5	15	0	
Atkinson		2	7	3.5	7	0	
Rivera		1	19	19.0	19	0	
Reece		1	12	12.0	12	0	
Wylie		1	11	11.0	11	0	
Harper		1	7	7.0	7	0	
Streater		1	6	6.0	6	0	
A. Holmes		1	3	3.0	3t	1	
Dyer		1	-1	-1.0	-1	0	
TEAM		40	393	9.8	40	2	
OPPONENTS		47	397	8.4	35	2	
* INTERCEPTIONS		No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TD	
J. Dowling		1	0	0.0	0	0	_
TEAM		1	0	0.0	0	0	
OPPONENTS		4	22	5.5	21	0	
* PUNTING	No. Yo	ds A	vg N	et TB	In Lg	В	
King	4 19		.8 42		1 65		_
Clark	2 10	07 53	.5 29	.0 1	0 57	0	
TEAM	6 30	02 50			1 65	0	
OPPONENTS	7 29		.0 36		3 59	0	
* PUNT RETURNS				Avg			
Holliday		1 1	22	22.0		0	_
Willis TM		0 1	0			0	
TEAM		1 2	22	22.0	22	Ö	
OPPONENTS		3 0	35	11.7		Ö	
* KICKOFF RETURNS			Yds		ong	TD	
Holliday		1		23.0	23	0	
T. Jones		1		27.0	27	Ö	
Richardson		1		11.0	11	0	
TEAM		3		20.3	27	0	
OPPONENTS		3		29.0	49	0	
* FIELD GOALS	1-19					0+	
Tavecchio		0 1/	1 2			/0	
Janikowski		0 0/	0 0		-	/0	
TEAM		0 1/	1 2			/0	
OPPONENTS		0 0/		•	•	/0	
Tavecchio: (39G) (26			J -	, , ,	, _ 0	, ,	

Tavecchio: (39G) (26G,37G)
Janikowski: (44G) ()
TM: (44G,39G) (26G,37G)
OPP: (31G,48N) (35N,38N,49N)

* PASSING	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/I	Lost	Rating
Ponder	19	13	128	68.4	6.74	1	5.3	1	5.3	39	1/	1	82.8
McGloin	18	15	124	83.3	6.89	1	5.6	1	5.6	20	0/	0	90.7
Carr	17	10	121	58.8	7.12	0	0.0	1	5.9	40	0/	0	56.3
Fajardo	6	2	20	33.3	3.33	0	0.0	1	16.7	11	1/	8	4.2
TEAM	60	40	393	66.7	6.55	2	3.3	4	6.7	40	2/	9	68.3
OPPONENTS	74	47	397	63.5	5.36	2	2.7	1	1.4	35	4/	25	80.7



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WON 3, LOST 13			* RUSHING	No. Yds	Avg Long TD
09/07 L 14-19	at New York Jets	78,160	McFadden	155 534	3.4 25 2
09/14 L 14-30	Houston	54,063	Murray	82 424	5.2 90t 2
09/21 L 9-16	at New England	68,756	Jones-Drew	43 96	2.2 13 0
09/28 L 14-38	Miami	83,436	Carr	29 92	3.2 41 0
10/12 L 28-31	San Diego	53,329	Reece	21 85	4.0 11 0
10/19 L 13-24 10/26 L 13-23	Arizona	52,101	Thompkins LG	2 5	2.5 7 0 2.5 7 0
10/26 L 13-23 11/02 L 24-30	at Cleveland at Seattle	67,431 68,337	Thompkins TM McGloin	2 5 2 3	2.5 7 0 1.5 3 0
11/02 L 24-30 11/09 L 17-41	Denver	54,803	D. Moore	1 1	1.0 1 0
11/16 L 6-13	at San Diego	66,720	Olawale	2 0	0.0 0 0
11/20 W 24-20	Kansas City	52,865	TEAM	337 1240	3.7 90t 4
11/30 L 0-52	at St. Louis	55,650	OPPONENTS	481 1911	4.0 89t 17
12/07 W 24-13	San Francisco	55,300	* RECEIVING	No. Yds	Avg Long TD
12/14 L 13-31	at Kansas City	72,153	J. Jones	73 666	9.1 42 6
12/21 W 26-24	Buffalo	53,436	Rivera	58 534	9.2 33 4
12/28 L 14-47	at Denver Oak.	76,929 Opp.	Holmes Reece	47 693 37 265	14.7 77t 4 7.2 19 1
TOTAL FIRST DOWN		320	McFadden	36 212	5.9 23 0
Rushing	56	95	Butler	21 280	13.3 55 2
Passing	173	190	Thompkins LG	21 262	12.5 50 0
Penalty	19	35	Thompkins TM	15 209	13.9 50 0
3rd Down: Made	Att 80/236	85/221	Murray	17 143	8.4 46 0
3rd Down Pct.	33.9	38.5	V. Brown	12 118	9.8 20 0
4th Down: Made		4/9	D. Moore	12 115	9.6 28 0
4th Down Pct.	60.0	44.4	Jones-Drew	11 71 9 84	6.5 12 0
POSSESSION AVG. TOTAL NET YARDS	28:20 4515	31:40 5721	Streater Leonhardt	9 84 6 35	9.3 17 1 5.8 12 1
Avg. Per Game	282.2	357.6	Olawale	5 18	3.6 7 2
Total Plays	994	1041	Ausberry	2 14	7.0 7 0
Avg. Per Play	4.5	5.5	G. Jackson	2 -5	-2.5 1 0
NET YARDS RUSHIN	IG 1240	1911	Penn	1 3	3.0 3t 1
Avg. Per Game	77.5	119.4	Barnes	1 1	1.0 1 0
Total Rushes	337	481	TEAM	365 3456	9.5 77t 22
NET YARDS PASSIN		3810	OPPONENTS	343 3967	11.6 70t 29
Avg. Per Game	204.7	238.1	* INTERCEPTIONS Woodson	No. Yds 4 35	Avg Long TD 8.8 30 0
Sacked/Yards I Gross Yards	ost 28/181 3456	22/157 3967	Ross LG	4 35 2 7	8.8 30 0 3.5 7 0
Att./Completion		538/343	Ross TM	2 7	3.5 7 0
Completion Pct	•	63.8	Carrie		28.0 28 0
Had Intercepte		9	Tuck	1 7	7.0 7 0
PUNTS/AVERAGE	109/45.2	83/43.8	Hayden	1 -1	-1.0 -1 0
NET PUNTING AVG.	· ·	83/38.7	TEAM	9 76	8.4 30 0
PENALTIES/YARDS	116/939	116/941	OPPONENTS		22.3 65 2
FUMBLES/BALL LOS	·	19/5			et TB In Lg B
TOUCHDOWNS Rushing	28 4	51 17		9 4930 45.2 40 9 4930 45.2 40	0.0 3 31 62 0 0.0 3 31 62 0
Passing	22	29		3 3634 43.8 38	
Returns	2	5	* PUNT RETURNS	Ret FC Yds	
* SCORE BY PERIO		Q4 OT PTS	Carrie	26 11 195	3 3
TEAM	50 60 56	87 0 253	D. Moore	8 6 38	4.8 23 0
OPPONENTS	116 127 106		Woodson	3 0 28	
	D-Ru-Pa-Rt K-PAT	FG S PTS	TEAM	37 17 261	
Janikowski		19/22 0 85	OPPONENTS	47 33 513	
J. Jones Holmes	6 0 6 0 4 0 4 0	0 36 0 24	* KICKOFF RETURNS Murray	No. Yds 19 429	Avg Long TD 22.6 38 0
Rivera	4 0 4 0	0 24	Carrie		24.1 42 0
Butler	3 0 2 1	0 18	Atkinson		19.1 28 0
McFadden	2 2 0 0	0 12	McFadden		19.7 23 0
Murray	2 2 0 0	0 12	Thompkins LG	3 43	14.3 21 0
Olawale	2 0 2 0	0 12	Thompkins TM		14.3 21 0
Leonhardt	1 0 1 0	0 6	TEAM		21.9 42 0
McGill	1 0 0 1	0 6	OPPONENTS		32.5 76 0
Penn	1 0 1 0 1 0	0 6 0 6	* FIELD GOALS	0/0 2/2 5	-39 40-49 50+ 5/ 5 9/10 3/5
Reece Streater	1 0 1 0	0 6	Janikowski TEAM	0/0 2/2 5	
		19/22 0 253	OPPONENTS		/10 8/13 4/4
		32/38 0 452	Janikowski: ()()(49G		
2-Pt Conv: TM 0-		, · <del></del>	(46G,38G) (48G,51N) (4	, , , , , , ,	
	lack 4, S. Moore 3	3, Smith 3,	(53G,33G) (45G,36G,38		
	nch 1, Lumpkin 1,		OPP: (45G,42G)(33G,3		
	1, TM 22, OPP 28		(41G) (30G) (41G) (52G,		
	.0/4, J. Jones 3/1		(20G,28G) (23G,48N,52		
	ub 3/1, Carrie 2/		47N) (44N, 41G, 47N) (54		
Darmes 1/1, Jone	ew 1/U, McFac.	den 1/1, D. MOOTE	e 1/1, Murray 1/0, Reed	ce 1/1, Wishiet	ADVT T\T
* PASSING	Att Cmr	Yds Cmp% Yds/	Att TD TD% Int Int% 1	Long Sack/Lost	Rating
Carr		18 3270 58.1 5.4		77t 24/ 149	76.6

* PASSING	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp% 1	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/	Lost	Rating
Carr	599	348	3270	58.1	5.46	21	3.5	12	2.0	77t	24/	149	76.6
McGloin	19	12	129	63.2	6.79	1	5.3	2	10.5	29	1/	8	61.0
Schaub	10	5	57	50.0	5.70	0	0.0	2	20.0	16	3/	24	27.9
McFadden	1	0	0	0.0	0.00	0	0.0	0	0.0		0/	0	39.6
TEAM	629	365	3456	58.0	5.49	22	3.5	16	2.5	77t	28/	181	74.4
OPPONENTS	538	343	3967	63.8	7.37	29	5.4	9	1.7	70t	22/	157	96.9



# DEFENSE/SPECIAL TEAMS STATS

				DEFE	NSE								
		TA	CKL	ES		INT	ERC	EPT	101	NS.	Fl	JMB	LES
Player	Total	Solo	Asst.	Sk.	Yds.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	TD	PD	FF	FR	Yds.
Charles Woodson	160	105	55	1.0	10.0	4	35	30	0	9	0	1	0
Miles Burris	159	87	72	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
Sio Moore	112	79	33	3.0	21.0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
Khalil Mack	84	59	25	4.0	29.0	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0
Brandian Ross	68	47	21	0.0	0.0	2	7	0	0	8	1	0	0
Tarell Brown	66	48	18	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
Justin Tuck	51	34	17	5.0	34.0	1	7	7	0	6	2	0	0
TJ Carrie	48	40	8	0.0	0.0	1	28	0	0	12	1	1	0
DJ Hayden	45	37	8	0.0	0.0	1	-1	0	0	16	0	0	0
Carlos Rogers	45	32	13	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0
Justin Ellis	39	21	18	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Antonio Smith	36	19	17	3.0	15.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Pat Sims	36	16	20	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
C.J. Wilson	34	22	12	2.0	14.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	21
Tyvon Branch	34	21	13	1.0	19.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Usama Young	29	19	10	1.0	11.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Ray-Ray Armstro	ng 25	15	10	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Larry Asante	23	18	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kaluka Maiava	16	5	11	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benson Mayowa	15	10	5	1.0	2.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Denico Autry	13	8	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Keith McGill	12	6	6	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	18
LaMarr Woodley	11	6	5	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Bojay Filimoeatu	11	3	8	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ricky Lumpkin	9	6	3	1.0	2.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chance Casey	7	5	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Chimdi Chekwa	5	4	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Stacy McGee	5	3	2	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jonathan Dowling	<b>j</b> 3	2	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ras-I Dowling	3	2	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Neiko Thorpe	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Jamar Chaney	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shelby Harris	2	1	1	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taiwan Jones	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nick Roach	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spencer Hadley	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	1,210	782	428	22.0	157.0	9	76	30	0	98	10	4	39

<b>Player</b>	Int	Fum	Safeties
Keith McGill	TD	Ret	
Keith McGill	0	1	0

**DEFENSIVE SCORING** 

<u>DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS</u> Keith McGill 18-yard fumble return

SP	ECI/	L TEA	MS			
Player To	otal	Solo	Asst.	FF	FR	Blk
Chimdi Chekwa	9	9	0	0	0	0
Jamize Olawale	7	7	0	1	0	0
Neiko Thorpe	6	6	0	0	0	0
Larry Asante	5	5	0	0	0	0
Marcel Reece	5	4	1	0	0	0
Brian Leonhardt	4	4	0	1	0	0
Jonathan Dowling	3	3	0	0	0	0
Ray-Ray Armstrong	3	3	0	0	0	0
Latavius Murray	3	3	0	0	0	0
Jamar Chaney		3	0	0	0	0
Keith McGill	3	3	0	0	0	0
Kaluka Maiava	3	2 2 2 2 2	1	0	0	0
Bojay Filimoeatu	3	2	1	0	0	0
Denico Autry	2	2	0	0	0	1
Chance Casey	2	2	0	0	0	0
Benson Mayowa	2		0	0	0	0
Andre Holmes	2	1	1	0	0	0
Jon Condo	2	0	2	0	1	0
Usama Young	1	1	0	0	0	0
Tyvon Branch	1	1	0	0	0	0
TEAM	1	1	0	0	0	0
Mychal Rivera	1	1	0	0	0	0
Terrell Brown	1	1	0	0	0	0
Marquette King	1	1	0	0	0	0
George Atkinson III	1	1	0	0	0	0
Brandian Ross	1	1	0	0	0	0
Sebastian Janikowsk		1	0	0	0	0
Miles Burris	1	0	1	0	0	0
TJ Carrie	0	0	0	0	1	0
Justin Tuck	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	77	70	7	2	2	2

MISCELLA	NEOUS TA	ACKLES		
Player	Tkl	FF	FR	
Stefen Wisniewski	2	0	2	
Donald Penn	2	0	1	
Maurice Jones-Drew	2	0	0	
Darren McFadden	2	0	0	
Khalif Barnes	2	0	0	
Derek Carr	1	0	3	
Menelik Watson	1	0	1	
Rod Streater	1	0	0	
Latavius Murray	1	0	0	
Matt McGloin	1	0	0	
Brice Butler	1	0	0	
Jamize Olawale	1	0	0	
Brian Leonhart	1	0	0	
Mychal Rivera	1	0	0	
Austin Howard	1	0	0	
Andre Holmes	1	0	0	
Scott Simonson	1	0	0	
James Jones	0	0	1	
Matt Schaub	0	0	1	
Kevin Boothe	0	0	1	
Totals	22	0	10	



# GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

OFFENSE	!	!		,	1	ł	ł	!		1	{	!	
	W <sub>R</sub>	늬	פט	O	RG G	RT	삐	N N	OB	RB B	<u>R</u>	3WR/2TE	OTHER
9/7 at NYJ	D. Moore	D. Penn (	G. Jackson	D. Moore D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A. I	A. Howard	K. Barnes	M. Rivera	R. Streater	D. Carr	D. Carr M. Jones-Drew	M. Reece	1	ı
9/14 vs. Hou.	-	D. Penn	G. Jackson	D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	K. Barnes	M. Rivera	R. Streater	D. Carr D	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece		M. Watson
9/21 at NE	D. Moore	D. Penn (	G. Jackson	D. Moore D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	K. Barnes	M. Rivera	R. Streater	D. Carr	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece	ı	ı
9/28 vs. Mia.	J. Jones	D. Penn (	G. Jackson	J. Jones D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	K. Barnes	M. Rivera	A. Holmes	D. Carr D	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece		1
10/12 vs. SDJ.	J. Jones	D. Penn (	G. Jackson	J. Jones D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	Howard M. Watson M. Rivera	M. Rivera	A. Holmes	D. Carr	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece	ı	ı
10/19 vs. Ari.	J. Jones	D. Penn	G. Jackson	J. Jones D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	M. Watson M. Rivera	M. Rivera	A. Holmes	D. Carr D	D. Carr D. McFadden	1	K. Thompkins	1
10/26 at Cle.	J. Jones	D. Penn (	G. Jackson	D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	M. Watson	ı	A. Holmes	D. Carr	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece	K. Thompkins	ı
11/2 at Sea.	-	D. Penn	G. Jackson	D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard		M. Watson B. Leonhardt A. Holmes	A. Holmes	D. Carr D	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece		K. Barnes
11/9 vs. Den.	K. Thompkin	s D. Penn	K. Barnes	K. Thompkins D. Penn K. Barnes S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	M. Watson	M. Watson B. Leonhardt A. Holmes	A. Holmes	D. Carr	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece	1	ı
11/16 at SD	J. Jones	D. Penn	K. Barnes	J. Jones D. Penn K. Barnes S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	M. Watson	•	A. Holmes	D. Carr D	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece	K. Thompkins	
11/20 vs. KC	J. Jones	D. Penn	K. Barnes	J. Jones D. Penn K. Barnes S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard		M. Watson B. Leonhardt A. Holmes	A. Holmes	D. Carr	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece	ı	ı
11/30 at StL.	J. Jones	D. Penn	K. Barnes	D. Penn K. Barnes S. Wisniewski	A. Howard	M. Watson	M. Watson M. Rivera	A. Holmes	D. Carr	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece		1
12/7 vs. SF	J. Jones		G. Jackson	D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	K. Barnes	M. Rivera	A. Holmes	D. Carr	D. Carr D. McFadden	M. Reece	1	1
12/14 at KC	J. Jones	D. Penn	G. Jackson	D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	K. Barnes	M. Rivera	A. Holmes	D. Carr	L. Murray	M. Reece		ı
12/21 vs. Buf.	J. Jones	D. Penn (	G. Jackson	J. Jones D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A.	A. Howard	K. Barnes	ı	A. Holmes	D. Carr	L. Murray	M. Reece	K. Thompkins	ı
12/28 at Den. K. Thompkins D. Penn G. Jackson S. Wisniewski A. F	K. Thompkin.	s D. Penn (	G. Jackson	S. Wisniewski	A. Howard		K. Barnes M. Rivera A. Holmes	A. Holmes	D. Carr	L. Murray	M. Reece		

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8	C. Chekwa	ı	C. Chekwa	T. Carrie	1	ı	1	B. Ross	T. Carrie	B. Ross	1	1	1	ı	C. Casey
<u>SS</u> T. Branch	T. Branch	T. Branch	U. Young C. Chekwa	U. Young	U. Young	B. Ross	B. Ross	L. Asante	B. Ross	L. Asante	B. Ross	B. Ross	B. Ross	B. Ross	B. Ross
<u>LCB</u> <u>FS</u> C. Rogers C. Woodson	C. Rogers C. Woodson	C. Rogers C. Woodson	T. Brown C. Rogers C. Woodson	T. Brown C. Rogers C. Woodson	T. Brown C. Rogers C. Woodson	T. Brown C. Rogers C. Woodson	T. Carrie C. Woodson	T. Brown D. Hayden C. Woodson	T. Brown D. Hayden C. Woodson	T. Brown D. Hayden C. Woodson	T. Brown D. Hayden C. Woodson	T. Brown D. Hayden C. Woodson	D. Hayden C. Woodson	D. Hayden C. Woodson	K. McGill D. Hayden C. Woodson
LCB C. Roge		C. Rog	C. Rog	C. Rog	C. Rog	C. Rog	T. Car	D. Hay	D. Hay	D. Hay	D. Hay				
RCB T. Brown	T. Brown	T. Brown	T. Brown		T. Brown	T. Brown	T. Brown	T. Brown			T. Brown	T. Brown	T. Brown	T. Carrie	
SLB K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack	K. Mack
MLB M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris	M. Burris
WLB S. Moore	S. Moore	K. Maiava	K. Maiava	S. Moore	S. Moore	S. Moore	S. Moore	S. Moore	S. Moore	S. Moore	S. Moore	S. Moore	R. Armstrong	R. Armstrong M. Burris	R. Armstrong M. Burris
ا. 100	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	1	ı	J. Ellis C. Wilson	J. Ellis B. Mayowa	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	J. Tuck	J. Tuck
NT P. Sims	P. Sims	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis	J. Ellis
DI A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith	A. Smith
RE DT L. Woodley A. Smith		L. Woodley A. Smith	L. Woodley A. Smith	L. Woodley A. Smith	L. Woodley A. Smith	C. Wilson	C. Wilson	ı		1	C. Wilson	C. Wilson	C. Wilson	C. Wilson	1
9/7 at NYJ	9/14 vs. Hou.	9/21 at NE	9/28 vs. Mia.	10/12 vs. SD	10/19 vs. Ari.	10/26 at Cle.	11/2 at Sea.	11/9 vs. Den.	11/16 at SD	11/20 vs. KC	11/30 at StL.	12/7 vs. SF	12/14 at KC	12/21 vs. Buf.	12/28 at Den.



# TEAM STATS - RAIDERS

	9/7 at NYJ 9/14 vs. Hou.		9/21 at NE 9/	9/28 vs. Mia. 10/12 vs. SD 10/19 vs. Ari. 10/	0/12 vs. SD 1	.0/19 vs. Ari.	26 at Cle.	11/2 at Sea.	11/9 vs. Den.	11/16 at SD	11/20 vs. KC	11/30 at StL	12/7 vs. SF	12/14 at KC 1	12/21 vs. Buf. 1	12/28 at Den.	Totals
Score by Qtr.																	i
1st Qtr.	7	0	9	7	7	0	0	3	3	3	7	0	3	0	0	7	20
2nd Qtr.	0	0	0	0	7	10	9	0	7	0	7	0	7	3	13	0	09
3rd Qtr.	0	0	9	0	7	ĸ	0	14	0	0	3	0	7	æ	9	7	56
4th Qtr.	7	14	0	7	7	0	7	7	7	c	7	0	7	7	7	0	87
ОТ				-	•	•	•	1	1	•	•	•	1	٠	•	•	•
First Downs																	
Total	11	22	14	17	17	13	19	17	10	6	18	17	19	17	18	10	248
Rush	2	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	0	2	∞	2	2	4	7	3	26
Pass	7	16	6	15	11	8	16	13	6	7	6	12	13	10	11	7	173
Penalties	2	Т	2	0	Т	2	0	2	1	0	1	3	Т	æ	0	0	19
Third Downs																	
Conversions	m	2	2	9	00	4	9	7.	Ŋ	m	00	4	9	ľ	Ŋ	ľ	80
Attempts	12	6	13	14	13	12	19	15	18	15	16	18	13	18	16	15	236
Fourth Downs																	
Conversions	0	2	0	0	0	0	8	2	0	н	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Attempts	0	2	0	1	0	0	4	2	0	1	1	1	П	1	0	1	15
Total Offense						ı	ı		ı	ı		ı		ı	ı	ı	
Plays	49	29	26	64	54	48	81	09	62	55	99	75	09	77	71	57	994
Yards	158	364	241	317	396	220	387	226	222	233	351	244	330	280	347	199	4,515
Average	3.2	6.2	4.3	5.0	7.3	4.6	4.8	3.8	3.6	4.2	5.3	3.3	5.5	3.6	4.9	3.5	4.5
Net Rushing																	
Attempts	15	17	22	18	20	19	71	18	15	19	30	21	31	17	36	18	337
Yards	25	101	29	53	114	26	22	37	30	71	179	61	82	78	140	29	1,240
Touchdowns	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4
Net Passing																	
Attempts	32	42	34	44	34	28	92	41	47	34	35	48	28	26	34	36	629
Completions	20	27	21	28	18	16	34	24	30	16	18	29	22	27	17	18	365
Yards	133	263	174	264	282	164	328	189	192	162	172	230	245	202	214	132	3,275
Touchdowns	2	1	0	2	4	0	1	2	2	0	1	0	cc	1	2	1	22
Interceptions	0	2	7	æ	⊣	0	1	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	16
Sacked	2	0	0	2	0	1	4	1	0	2	1	9	1	4	1	3	28
Punts																	
Number	6	3	2	9	4	9	7	9	6	6	9	∞	5	11	9	6	109
Gross Average	44.6	40.0	43.2	48.7	41.3	39.3	44.0	52.3	43.2	49.6	49.3	44.1	46.8	43.4	44.2	46.4	45.2
Net Average	40.7	37.0	41.8	47.2	34.0	38.2	43.0	46.2	37.4	44.7	40.8	39.3	42.2	29.2	39.0	42.3	40.0
Penalties																	
Number	4	2	9	6	11	∞	∞	5	4	00	7	∞	10	10	4	6	116
Yards	20	24	49	80	79	74	54	69	37	41	09	73	84	75	35	98	939
Fumbles																	
Number	1	4	0	1	П	0	4	4	2	2	2	3	0	1	1	2	28
Lost	0	2	0	1	0	0	2	T	1	Н	1	2	0	1	0	1	13
Two-Point Conv.																	
Conversions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Time of Posession	25:10	21:24	28:25	29:06	22:58	23:03	34:52	24:54	27:38	25:14	30:02	36:56	32:55	30:00	33:47	26:59	28:20



# TEAM STATS - OPPONENTS

	9/7 at NYJ 9/14 vs. Hou.		9/21 at NE 9/28 vs. Mia. 10/12 vs. SD 10/19 vs. Ari. 10/	10/12 vs. SD	10/19 vs. Ari.	10/26 at Cle.	11/2 at Sea.	11/9 vs. Den.	11/16 at SD	11/20 vs. KC 1.	11/30 at StL.	12/7 vs. SF	12/14 at KC 1	12/21 vs. Buf. 1	12/28 at Den.	Totals
Score by Qtr.																i
1st Qtr.	3	14			7	9	14	3	7	0	21	7	7	7	10	116
2nd Qtr.	7	3 1	10 21	7	7	3	10	17	3	3	17	3	3	3	10	127
3rd Qtr.	3	10	0 14	7	7	0	0	21	33	7	0	3	21	0	10	106
4th Qtr.	9	3	0 9	10	3	14	9	0	0	10	14	0	0	14	17	103
ОТ	,			,	٠	,	٠	,	٠	٠	,	٠	,	,	,	1
First Downs																
Total	20	20 2	21 24	24	25	15	21	25	18	16	17	18	16	15	25	320
Rush	10	6	5	7	7	1	∞	7	9	æ	9	2	8	T	6	92
Pass	6		4 15		14	12	6	17	11	11	6	10	10	12	13	190
Penalties	1	2	2 1	2		2	4	1	1	2	2	33	8	2	3	35
Third Downs					ı	ı		ı	ı	ı			ı	ı		
Conversions	5					2	7	7	4	2	1	c	8	4	7	85
Attempts	12	15 1	18 11	14	15	12	18	15	15	14	∞	11	13	15	15	221
Fourth Downs																
Conversions	0		0 1	0	0	0	0	Н	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	4
Attempts	0	0		1		0	0	Н	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	6
Total Offense																
Plays	65	65 71	1 66	69	69	54	74	76	89	62	49	26	59	64	74	1,041
Yards	(1)	( )	7	7	(1)	306	326	471	300	313	348	248	388	321	451	5,721
Average						5.7	4.4	6.2	4.4	5.0	7.1	4.4	9.9	5.0	6.1	5.5
Net Rushing																
Attempts	34	46 3.	32 35	33	37	25	38	27	32	24	26	18	27	13	34	481
Yards	212	188 7	76 157	116	123	39	149	118	120	96	172	26	93	13	142	1,911
Touchdowns	1	1	0 2	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	3	17
Net Passing																
Attempts	29	19 3	7 31	35	31	28	35	49	34	36	22	33	31	49	39	538
Completions	23	14 24			22	19	17	33	22	20	13	18	18	32	23	343
Yards	190	139 234	4 278	313	253	267	177	353	180	217	183	174	295	329	312	3,810
Touchdowns	1	2	1 2	3	2	1	0	5	1	2	2	1	2	c	1	29
Interceptions	1			0		0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	6
Sacked	2	0	2 0	1	1	1	1	0	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	22
Punts																
Number	2	2	5 2	3	4	7	9	5	6	7	9	4	7	∞	3	83
Gross Average	44.2 50				42.0	46.3	35.2	45.2	42.2	42.4	45.8	52.5	39.9	42.5	46.3	43.8
Net Average		48.5 40.8	8 32.0	37.7	38.8	40.0	26.5	40.4	41.4	41.7	41.8	42.8	36.9	38.0	32.0	38.7
Penalties																
Number	11	7	6 5	7	9	9	6	12	9	7	00	7	11	7	1	116
Yards	105	85 5	59 35	09	43	30	65	95	40	59	09	20	84	55	16	941
Fumbles																
Number	2			1		1	0	П	0	2	2	0	1	1	2	19
Lost	1	0	0 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Two-Point Conv.																
Conversions	0	0	0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempts	1					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Time of Posession	34:50 38:	38:36 31:35	5 30:54	37:02	36:57	25:08	35:06	32:22	34:46	29:55	23:04	27:05	30:00	26:13	33:01	31:40



# TEAM/INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

# **RAIDERS**

	TEAM	
<u>Statistic</u>	<u>High</u>	Date/Opp.
Points	28	10/12 vs. SD
Points in a quarter	14; twice (fourth and third)	last; 11/2 at Sea.
Points in a half	21 (second)	11/2 at Sea.
Offensive plays	81	10/26 at Cle.
Yards per play	7.3	10/12 vs. SD
First downs	22	9/14 vs. Hou.
Third down %	62	10/12 vs. SD
Total net yards	396	10/12 vs. SD
Net rushing yards	179	11/20 vs. KC
Rushing attempts	36	12/21 vs. Buf.
Rushing average	6.0	11/20 vs. KC
Net passing yards	316	10/26 at Cle.
Completions	34	10/26 at Cle.
Passing attempts	56; twice	last; 12/14 at KC
Completion %	78.6	12/7 vs. SF
Time of possession	36:56	11/30 at StL.
Gross punting	52.3	11/2 at Sea.
Net punting	47.2	9/28 vs. Mia.

## **INDIVIDUAL**

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Player</u>	Date/Opp.
Points 12; th	ree times	last; Latavius Murray	11/20 vs. KC
Touchdowns 2; the	ree times	last; Latavius Murray	11/20 vs. KC
Field goals	4	Sebastian Janikowski	12/21 vs. Buf.
Field goal attempts	5	Sebastian Janikowski	12/21 vs. Buf.
Longest field goal	57	Sebastian Janikowski	12/7 vs. SF
Longest FG attempt	57	Sebastian Janikowski	12/7 vs. SF
Rushing attempts	23; twice	last; Latavius Murray	12/21 vs. Buf.
Rushing yards	112	Latavius Murray	11/20 vs. KC
Rushing average	28.0	Latavius Murray	11/20 vs. KC
Rushing long	90t	Latavius Murray	11/20 vs. KC
Rushing touchdowns	2	Latavius Murray	11/20 vs. KC
Completions	34	Derek Carr	10/26 at Cle.
Attempts	56	Derek Carr	12/14 at KC
Completion %	78.6	Derek Carr	12/7 vs. SF
Passing yards	328	Derek Carr	10/26 at Cle.
Passing touchdowns	4	Derek Carr	10/12 vs. SD
Passing long	77t	Derek Carr	10/12 vs. SD
Yards per attempt	9.1	Derek Carr	12/7 vs. SF
Receptions	9	James Jones	9/14 vs. Hou.
Receiving yards	121	Andre Holmes	10/12 vs. SD
Receiving long	77	Andre Holmes	10/12 vs. SD
Rec. touchdowns	2; twice	last; Mychal Rivera	11/2 at Sea.
Tackles	14	Charles Woodson	11/16 at SD
Sacks	2; twice	last; K. Mack, A. Smith	
Interceptions 1; n	ine times	last; C. Woodson, B. Ross	12/21 vs. Buf.
Int. return yards	30	Charles Woodson	10/19 vs. Ari.
Kickoff returns	5	Latavius Murray	9/28 vs. Mia.
Kickoff return yards	112	Latavius Murray	9/28 vs. Mia.
Punt returns	4	TJ Carrie	9/21 at NE
Punt return yards	36	TJ Carrie	9/21 at NE
Longest punt	62	Marquette King	11/16 at SD
Punts inside 20	4; twice	last; Marquette King	12/28 at Den.

# **OPPONENTS**

TEAM								
<u>Statistic</u>	<u>High</u>	Date/Opp.						
Points	52	11/30 at StL.						
Points in a quarter	21; four times (last; third)	last; 12/14 at KC						
Points in a half	38 (first)	11/30 at StL.						
Offensive plays	76	11/9 vs Den.						
Yards per play	7.1	11/30 at StL.						
First downs	25; three times	last; 12/28 at Den.						
Third down %	60	twice, last 10/19 vs. Ari.						
Total net yards	471	11/9 vs. Den.						
Net rushing yards	212	9/7 at NYJ						
Rushing attempts	46	9/14 vs. Hou.						
Rushing average	6.6	11/30 at StL.						
Net passing yards	353	11/9 vs. Den.						
Completions	33	11/9 vs. Den.						
Passing attempts	49; twice	last; 12/21 vs. Buf.						
Completion %	79.3	9/7 at NYJ						
Time of possession	38:36	9/14 vs. Hou.						
Gross punting	52.5	12/7 vs. SF						
Net punting	48.5	9/14 vs. Hou.						

## **INDIVIDUAL**

<u>Statistic</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Player</u>	Date/Opp.
Points	18; twice	last; C.J. Anderson	12/28 at Den.
Touchdowns	3; twice	last; C.J. Anderson	12/28 at Den.
Field goals	4	Connor Barth	12/28 at Den.
Field goal attempts 4;	three times	last; Connor Barth	12/28 at Den.
Longest field goal	54	Dan Carpenter	12/21 vs. Buf.
Longest FG attempt	54	Dan Carpenter	12/21 vs. Buf.
Rushing attempts	28	Arian Foster	9/14 vs. Hou.
Rushing yards	138	Arian Foster	9/14 vs. Hou.
Rushing average	15.0	Eddie Royal	11/16 at SD
Rushing long	89t	Tre Mason	11/30 at StL.
Rushing touchdowns	3	C.J. Anderson	12/28 at Den.
Completions	32	Kyle Orton	12/21 vs. Buf.
Attempts	49	Kyle Orton	12/21 vs. Buf.
Completion %	79.3	Geno Smith	9/7 at NYJ
Passing yards	340	Peyton Manning	11/9 vs. Den.
Passing touchdowns	5 5	Peyton Manning	11/9 vs. Den.
Passing long	70t	Alex Smith	12/14 at KC
Yards per attempt	9.9	Alex Smith	12/14 at KC
Receptions	11	Demaryius Thomas	11/9 vs. Den.
Receiving yards	115	Demaryius Thomas	12/28 at Den.
Receiving long	70t	Knile Davis	12/14 at KC
Rec. touchdowns	2; twice	J. Thomas, E. Sanders	11/9 vs. Den.
Tackles 13; th	nree times	last; Chris Borland	12/7 vs. SF
Sacks	3; twice	last; Robert Quinn	11/30 at StL.
Interceptions	2	Trumaine Johnson	11/30 at StL.
Int. return yards	65; twice	last; Trumaine Johnson	11/30 at StL.
Kickoff returns	3; twice	last; Marcus Thigpen	12/21 vs. Buf.
Kickoff return yards	92	Bruce Ellington	12/7 vs. SF
Punt returns	8	De'Anthony Thomas	12/14 at KC
Punt return yards	156	De'Anthony Thomas	12/14 at KC
Longest punt	69	Dustin Colquitt	11/20 vs. KC
Punts inside 20	5; twice	Dustin Colquitt	12/14 at KC



# BIG PLAYS - RAIDERS

Yards	Description	Date/Opp.	Outcome
90t	Latavius Murray rush up the middle for a touchdown	11/20 vs. KC	W, 24-20
77t	Andre Holmes touchdown reception from Derek Carr	10/12 vs. SD	L, 28-31
55	Brice Butler reception from Derek Carr	10/19 vs. Ari.	L, 13-24
51	Andre Holmes reception from Derek Carr	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
50	Kenbrell Thompkins reception from Derek Carr	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
47t	Brice Butler touchdown reception from Derek Carr	10/12 vs. SD	L, 28-31
46	Latavius Murray reception from Derek Carr	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
41	Derek Carr rush	9/14 vs. Hou.	L, 14-30
37	Andre Holmes reception from Derek Carr	11/20 vs. KC	W, 24-20
35	Kenbrell Thompkins reception from Derek Carr	11/16 at SD	L, 6-13
33	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr	11/16 at SD	L, 6-13
33	Andre Holmes reception from Derek Carr	12/14 at KC	L, 13-31
31	Andre Holmes reception from Derek Carr	10/26 at Cle.	L, 13-23
30t	James Jones touchdown reception from Derek Carr	9/7 at NYJ	L, 14-19
30	James Jones reception from Derek Carr	9/28 vs. Mia.	L, 14-38
30	Andre Holmes reception from Derek Carr	10/12 vs. SD	L, 28-31
29	Andre Holmes reception from Derek Carr	9/21 at NE	L, 9-16
29	James Jones reception from Matt McGloin	9/28 vs. Mia.	L, 14-38
28	Denarius Moore reception from Derek Carr	11/9 vs. Den.	L, 17-41
28	James Jones reception from Derek Carr	11/16 at SD	L, 6-13
27	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr	12/7 vs. SF	W, 24-13
27	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr	12/7 vs. SF	W, 24-13
25	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr	11/9 vs. Den.	L, 17-41
25	Latavius Murray rush	12/14 at KC	L, 13-31
25	Latavius Murray rush	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
25	Darren McFadden rush	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
23	Darren McFadden reception from Derek Carr	9/14 vs. Hou.	L, 14-30
23	Darren McFadden reception from Derek Carr	11/2 at Sea.	L, 24-30
23	Latavius Murray rush	11/16 at SD	L, 6-13
22	Andre Holmes reception from Matt McGloin	9/28 vs. Mia.	L, 14-38
22	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr	10/26 at Cle.	L, 13-23
22	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr	10/26 at Cle.	L, 13-23
22	Andre Holmes reception from Derek Carr	12/7 vs. SF	W, 24-13
22	James Jones reception from Derek Carr	12/14 at KC	L, 13-31
20	Vincent Brown reception from Derek Carr	12/7 vs. SF	W, 24-13



# BIG PLAYS - OPPONENTS

<u>Yards</u>	<u>Description</u>	Date/Opp.	Outcome
89t	Tre Mason rushing touchdown	11/30 at StL.	L, 0-52
70t	Knile Davis touchdown reception from Alex Smith	12/14 at KC	Ĺ, 13-31
71t	Chris Ivory rushing touchdown	9/7 at NYJ	L, 14-19
51t	C.J. Anderson touchdown reception from Peyton Manning	11/9 vs. Den.	Ĺ, 17-41
48	Taylor Gabriel reception from Brian Hoyer	10/26 at Cle.	Ĺ, 13-23
48	Albert Wilson reception from Alex Smith	12/14 at KC	L, 13-31
44	Malcom Floyd reception from Philip Rivers	10/12 vs. SD	L, 28-31
42t	Sammy Watkins touchdown reception from Kyle Orton	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
40	Arian Foster rush	9/14 vs. Hou.	L, 14-30
39	Marshawn Lynch reception from Russell Wilson	11/2 at Sea.	L, 24-30
38	Virgil Green reception from Brock Osweiler	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
37	Andre Ellington reception from Carson Palmer	10/19 vs. Ari.	L, 13-24
37	Dwayne Bowe reception from Alex Smith	12/14 at KC	Ĺ, 13-31
35	Brian Hartline reception from Ryan Tannehill	9/28 vs. Mia.	L, 14-38
35t	Tre Mason touchdown reception from Shaun Hill	11/30 at StL.	L, 0-52
35	Wes Welker reception from Peyton Manning	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
34	Stedman Bailey reception from Shaun Hill	11/30 at StL.	Ĺ, 0-52
34	Fred Jackson reception from Kyle Orton	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
33	Michael Floyd reception from Carson Palmer	10/19 vs. Ari.	L, 13-24
32	Andrew Hawkins reception from Brian Hoyer	10/26 at Cle.	L, 13-23
32t	Emmanuel Sanders touchdown reception from Peyton Manning	•	L, 17-41
32t	Julius Thomas touchdown reception from Peyton Manning	11/9 vs. Den.	L, 17-41
31	Emmaunel Sanders reception from Peyton Manning	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
31	Chris Hogan reception from Kyle Orton	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
30	Jordan Cameron reception from Brian Hoyer	10/26 at Cle.	L, 13-23
30	Jamaal Charles reception from Alex Smith	11/20 vs. KC	W, 24-20
30	Robert Woods reception from Kyle Orton	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
29t	Eddie Royal touchdown reception from Philip Rivers	10/12 vs. SD	L, 28-31
29t	Scott Chandler touchdown reception from Kyle Orton	12/21 vs. Buf.	W, 26-24
27	Ladarius Green reception from Philip Rivers	10/12 vs. SD	L, 28-31
27	Travis Kelce reception from Alex Smith	11/20 vs. KC	W, 24-20
27	Demaryius Thomas reception from Peyton Manning	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
26	Jeff Cumberland reception from Geno Smith	9/7 at NYJ	Ĺ, 14-19
26	Garrett Graham reception from Ryan Fitzpatrick	9/14 vs. Hou.	Ĺ, 14-30
26	Stedman Bailey reception from Shaun Hill	11/30 at StL.	L, 0-52
25	Daniel Thomas reception from Ryan Tannehill	9/28 vs. Mia.	L, 14-38
25	C.J. Anderson rushing touchdown	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
24	Eric Decker reception from Geno Smith	9/7 at NYJ	L, 14-19
24	Ronnie Brown reception from Philip Rivers	10/12 vs. SD	L, 28-31
24	Dwayne Bowe reception from Alex Smith	11/20 vs. KC	W, 24-20
23	Rishard Matthews reception from Ryan Tannehill	9/28 vs. Mia.	L, 14-38
23	Albert Wilson reception from Alex Smith	11/20 vs. KC	W, 24-20
23	Vernon Davis reception from Colin Kaepernick	12/7 vs. SF	W, 24-13
23	Demaryius Thomas reception from Peyton Manning	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
22	Eric Decker reception from Geno Smith	9/7 at NYJ	L, 14-19
22	Rob Gronkowski reception from Tom Brady	9/21 at NE	L, 9-16
22	John Brown reception from Carson Palmer	10/19 vs. Ari.	L, 13-24
22	Miles Austin reception from Brian Hoyer	10/26 at Cle.	L, 13-23
22	Malcolm Floyd reception from Philip Rivers	11/16 at SD	L, 6-13
22	Garrett Celek reception from Colin Kaepernick	12/7 vs. SF	W, 24-13
22	C.J. Anderson rush	12/28 at Den.	L, 14-47
21	Eric Decker reception from Geno Smith	9/7 at NYJ	L, 14-19
21	Lamar Miller rush	9/28 vs. Mia.	L, 14-38
21	Demaryius Thomas reception from Peyton Manning	11/9 vs. Den.	L, 17-41
21	Travis Kelce reception from Alex Smith	11/20 vs. KC	W, 24-20
21	Dwayne Bowe reception from Alex Smith	12/14 at KC	L, 13-31



# **TAKEAWAYS**

			RAIDERS TAKEAWAYS	
Date/Opp.	Quarter	<u>Score</u>	<u>Turnover</u> <u>Result of ensuing posses</u>	sion
9/7 at NYJ	1	3-0, NYJ	Charles Woodson interception (Geno Smith pass) Touchdown	
9/7 at NYJ	2	7-3, Oak.	TJ Carre forced fumble, TJ Carrie recovery (Geno Smith fumble) Punt	
9/28 vs. Mia.	2	17-7, Mia.	Brian Leonhardt forced fumble, Jon Condo recovery (J. Landry fumble) Punt	
9/28 vs. Mia.	3	24-7, Mia.	Pat Sims forced fumble, Charles Woodson recovery (L. Miller fumble) Interception	
9/28 vs. Mia.	3	38-7, Mia.	TJ Carrie interception (Ryan Tannehill pass) Punt	
10/19 vs. Ari.	2	14-7, Ari.	Charles Woodson interception (Carson Palmer pass) Field Goal	
11/9 vs. Den.	1	0-0	DJ Hayden interception (Peyton Manning pass) Field Goal	
11/9 vs. Den.	2	6-3, Den.	Justin Tuck interception (Peyton Manning pass) Touchdown	
12/7 vs. SF	1	0-0	Brandian Ross interception (Colin Kaepernick pass) Field Goal	
12/7 vs. SF	4	24-13, Oak.	Charles Woodson interception (Colin Kaepernick pass) No conversion on fourth of	<u>down</u>
12/14 at KC	3	10-3, KC	Brandian Ross forced fumble, C.J. Wilson recovery (Travis Kelce fumble) Field Goal	
12/21 vs. Buf.	1	7-0, Buf.	Charles Woodson interception (Kyle Orton pass) Punt	
12/21 vs. Buf.	4	26-17, Oak.	Brandian Ross interception (Kyle Orton pass) Missed Field Goal	
12/28 at Den.	1	10-0, Den.	J. Tuck forced fumble, K. McGill recovered for a touchdown (P. Manning fumble) Touchdown	

Notes: 14 takeaways resulting in 33 points.

		O	PPONENT TAKEAWAYS
Date/Opp.	Quarter	Score	<u>Turnover</u> <u>Result of ensuing possession</u>
9/14 vs. Hou.	2	14-0, Hou.	Kareem Jackson interception (Derek Carr pass) Field Goal
9/14 vs. Hou.	2	17-0, Hou.	J. Joseph forced fumble, J. Joseph recovery (James Jones fumble) Punt
9/14 vs. Hou.	3	17-0, Hou.	D. Sweringer forced fumble, J. Joseph recovery (M. Rivera fumble) Touchdown
9/14 vs. Hou.	4	30-0, Hou.	Brooks Reed interception (Derek Carr pass) Blocked Field Goal
9/21 at NE	4	16-9, NE	Vince Wilfork interception (Derek Carr pass) End of Game
9/28 vs. Mia.	3	24-7, Mia.	Brent Grimes interception (Derek Carr pass) Touchdown
9/28 vs. Mia.	3	31-7, Mia.	Cortland Finnegan fumble recovery (S. Wisniewski fumble) Touchdown
9/28 vs. Mia.	3	38-7, Mia.	Jimmy Wilson interception (Matt McGloin pass) Interception
9/28 vs. Mia.	4	38-14, Mia.	Walt Aikens interception (Matt McGloin pass) Did not convert on fourth down
10/12 vs. SD	4	31-28, SD	Jason Verrett interception (Derek Carr pass) End of Game
10/26 at Cle.	1	0-0	Tashaun Gipson interception (Matt Schaub pass) Field Goal
10/26 at Cle.	3	9-6, Cle.	D. Whitner forced fumble, J. Haden recovery (D. McFadden fumble) Touchdown
10/26 at Cle.	4	16-6, Cle.	Barkevious Mingo fumble recovery (Derek Carr fumble) Touchdown
11/2 at Sea.	1	7-3, Sea.	Bruce Irvin interception (Derek Carr pass) Touchdown
11/2 at Sea.	2	14-3, Sea.	Richard Sherman interception (Derek Carr pass) Field Goal
11/2 at Sea.	2	17-3, Sea.	Steven Hauschka fumble recovery (TJ Carrie fumble) Missed Field Goal
11/9 vs. Den.	2	10-6, Oak.	Bradley Roby interception (Derek Carr pass) Touchdown
11/9 vs. Den.	3	20-10, Den.	Chris Harris fumble recovery (Khalif Barnes fumble) Touchdown
11/9 vs. Den.	3	34-10, Den.	T.J. Ward interception (Derek Carr pass) Touchdown
11/16 at SD	1	0-0	Donald Butler fumble recovery (Derek Carr fumble) Touchdown
11/20 vs. KC	2	14-0, Oak.	Frank Zombo fumble recovery (Denarius Moore fumble) Field Goal
11/30 at StL.	2	28-0, StL.	E.J. Gaines interception (Derek Carr pass) Touchdown
11/30 at StL.	2	35-0, St. L	Trumaine Johnson interception (Derek Carr pass) Field Goal
11/30 at StL.	3	38-0, StL.	W. Hayes forced fumble, R. McLeod fumble recovery (Marcel Reece fumble) Punt
11/30 at StL.	4	45-0, StL.	R. Quinn sack forced fumble, C. Long fumble recovery (Matt Schaub fumble) Punt
11/30 at StL.	4	45-0, StL.	T. Johnson interception returned for touchdown (Matt Schaub pass) Touchdown
12/14 at KC	3	17-6, KC	Frank Zombo fumble recovery (Derek Carr fumble) Touchdown
12/28 at Den.	4	33-14, Den.	L. McCray forced fumble, T. Carter recovered for a touchdown (D. Carr fumble) Touchdown
12/28 at Den.	4	47-14, Den.	Josh Bush interception (Derek Carr pass) End of Game

Notes: 29 takeaways resulting in 113 points.



# **TURNOVER BREAKDOWN**

RAIL	DERS GAM	E-BY-GAN	IE TURNOVEI	R BREAK	DOWN
Date/Opp.	<u>Takeaways</u>	Giveaways	Game Differential	Result	Season Differential
9/7 at NYJ	2	0	+2	L, 14-19	+2
9/14 vs. Hou.	0	4	-4	L, 14-30	-2
9/21 at NE	0	1	-1	L, 9-16	-3
9/28 vs. Mia.	3	4	-1	L, 14-38	-4
10/12 vs. SD	0	1	-1	L, 28-31	-5
10/19 vs. Ari.	1	0	+1	L, 13-24	-4
10/26 at Cle.	0	3	-3	L, 13-23	-7
11/2 at Sea.	0	3	-3	L, 24-30	-10
11/9 vs. Den.	2	3	-1	L, 17-41	-11
11/16 at SD	0	1	-1	L, 6-13	-12
11/20 vs. KC	0	1	-1	W, 24-20	-13
11/30 at StL.	0	5	-5	L, 0-52	-18
12/7 vs. SF	2	0	+2	W, 24-13	-16
12/14 at KC	1	1	0	L, 13-31	-16
12/21 vs. Buf.	2	0	+2	W, 26-24	-14
12/28 at Den.	1	2	-1	L, 14-47	-16
Totals	14	29		3-13	-16



# RED ZONE EFFICIENCY

			RAIDER	S		
Date/Opp.	Possessions	Scores	Touchdowns	Field Goals	Touchdown %	Red Zone Points
9/7 at NYJ	1	1	1	0	100.0	7
9/14 vs. Hou.	2	2	2	0	100.0	14
9/21 at NE	2	1	0	1	0.0	3
9/28 vs. Mia.	1	1	1	0	100.0	7
10/12 vs. SD	2	2	2	0	100.0	14
10/19 vs. Ari.	2	2	1	1	50.0	10
10/26 at Cle.	1	1	1	0	100.0	7
11/2 at Sea.	2	2	2	0	100.0	14
11/9 vs. Den.	2	2	2	0	100.0	14
11/16 at SD	1	1	0	1	0.0	3
11/20 vs. KC	2	2	2	0	100.0	14
11/30 at StL.	0	0	0	0	0.0	0
12/7 vs. SF	4	3	3	0	75.0	21
12/14 at KC	2	2	1	1	50.0	10
12/21 vs. Buf.	4	4	2	2	50.0	20
12/28 at Den.	1	1	1	0	100.0	7
Totals	29	27	21	6	93.1	165

			OPPONE	NTS		
Date/Opp.	Possessions	Scores	Touchdowns	Field Goals	Touchdown %	Red Zone Points
9/7 at NYJ	4	3	1	2	25.0	13
9/14 vs. Hou.	5	4	3	1	60.0	24
9/21 at NE	4	3	1	2	25.0	13
9/28 vs. Mia.	8	4	4	0	50.0	28
10/12 vs. SD	4	4	3	1	75.0	24
10/19 vs. Ari.	2	2	2	0	100.0	14
10/26 at Cle.	4	4	2	2	50.0	20
11/2 at Sea.	4	4	2	2	50.0	20
11/9 vs. Den.	4	4	2	2	50.0	20
11/16 at SD	1	1	0	1	0.0	3
11/20 vs. KC	3	3	1	2	33.0	13
11/30 at StL.	5	5	4	1	80.0	31
12/7 vs. SF	2	2	1	1	50.0	10
12/14 at KC	1	1	1	0	100.0	7
12/21 vs. Buf.	0	0	0	0	0.0	0
12/28 at Den.	6	6	3	3	50.0	30
Totals	57	50	30	20	87.7	270



# **ONSIDE KICKS**

ate/Opp.	<b>Quarter</b>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Kicker</u>	Recovered by	Yard line recovered
9/7 at NYJ	4	19-14, NYJ	Sebastian Janikowski	Greg Salas	Raiders 48
9/14 vs. Hou.	4	30-14, Hou.	Sebastian Janikowski	Keshawn Martin	Texans 44
9/21 at NE					
9/28 vs. Mia.					
10/12 vs. SD					
10/19 vs. Ari.					
10/26 at Cle.	4	23-13, Cle.	Sebastian Janikowski	Out of Bounds	Browns 47
11/2 at Sea.	4	30-24, Sea.	Sebastian Janikowski	Jermaine Kearse	Raiders 35
11/9 vs. Den.	4	41-17, Den.	Sebastian Janikowski	Andre Caldwell	Raiders 46
11/16 at SD					
11/20 vs. KC					
11/30 at StL.					
12/7 vs. SF					
12/14 at KC	4	31-13, KC	Sebastian Janikowski	Dwayne Bowe	Chiefs 49
12/21 vs. Buf.					
12/28 at Den.					

ate/Opp.	<b>Quarter</b>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Kicker</u>	Recovered by	Yard line recovered
9/7 at NYJ					
9/14 vs. Hou.					
9/21 at NE					
9/28 vs. Mia.					
10/12 vs. SD					
10/19 vs. Ari.					
10/26 at Cle.					
11/2 at Sea.					
11/9 vs. Den.					
11/16 at SD					
11/20 vs. KC					
11/30 at StL.					
12/7 vs. SF	2	10-7, Oak.	Phil Dawson	Chimdi Chekwa	50
12/14 at KC					
12/21 vs. Buf.	4	26-24, Oak.	Jordan Gay	Charles Woodson	Raiders 34
12/28 at Den.					



# **BLOCKED KICKS**

			RAIDERS		
Date/Opp.	Quarter	Score	Type	Blocked by	Recovered by
9/7 at NYJ					
9/14 vs. Hou.	4	30-7, Hou.	Field Goal	Justin Tuck	Shane Lechler
9/21 at NE					
9/28 vs. Mia.					
10/12 vs. SD					
10/19 vs. Ari.					
10/26 at Cle.					
11/2 at Sea.	3	24-3, Sea.	Punt	Denico Autry	Brice Butler
11/9 vs. Den.					
11/16 at SD					
11/20 vs. KC					
11/30 at StL.					
12/7 vs. SF					
12/14 at KC					
12/21 vs. Buf.					
12/28 at Den.					

**Notes:** Raiders have blocked one FG and one punt which was recovered for a touchdown, this season.

Recovered by
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# TWO-POINT CONVERSIONS

			<b>RAIDERS</b>	
Date/Opp.	<b>Quarter</b>	Score before try	<u>Result</u>	<u>Play</u>
9/7 at NYJ				
9/14 vs. Hou.				
9/21 at NE				
9/28 vs. Mia.				
10/12 vs. SD				
10/19 vs. Ari.				
10/26 at Cle.				
11/2 at Sea.				
11/9 vs. Den.				
11/16 at SD				
11/20 vs. KC				
11/30 at StL.				
12/7 vs. SF				
12/14 at KC				
12/21 vs. Buf.				
12/28 at Den.				
Notes:				

Date/Opp.	<u>Quarter</u>	Score before try	<u>Result</u>	<u>Play</u>
9/7 at NYJ	4	19-7, NYJ	Failed	Geno Smith pass to David Nelson complete, attempt fail
9/14 vs. Hou.				
9/21 at NE				
9/28 vs. Mia.				
10/12 vs. SD				
10/19 vs. Ari.				
10/26 at Cle.				
11/2 at Sea.				
11/9 vs. Den.				
11/16 at SD				
11/20 vs. KC				
11/30 at StL.				
12/7 vs. SF				
12/14 at KC				
12/21 vs. Buf.				
12/28 at Den.				



# LONGEST RETURNS

		R	AIDERS	
Date, Opp.	Type	<u>Yards</u>	Player	Result of ensuing possession
11/2 at Sea.	Kickoff	42	TJ Carrie	Missed Field Goal
9/7 at NYJ	Kickoff	38	Latavius Murray	Punt
10/12 vs. SD	Kickoff	38	TJ Carrie	Punt
9/28 vs. Mia.	Kickoff	32	Latavius Murray	Touchdown
11/9 vs. Denver	Punt	30	Denarius Moore	Punt
9/14 vs. Hou.	Kickoff	29	Latavius Murray	Touchdown
12/14 at KC	Kickoff	28	TJ Carrie	Fumble
12/28 at Den.	Kickoff	28	George Atkinson III	Punt
11/2 at Sea.	Punt	27	TJ Carrie	Touchdown
11/9 vs. Den.	Kickoff	27	Latavius Murray	Punt
10/19 vs. Ari.	Kickoff	26	TJ Carrie	Touchdown
9/7 at NYJ	Kickoff	25	Latavius Murray	Punt
9/14 vs. Hou.	Kickoff	25	Latavius Murray	Interception
9/14 vs. Hou.	Kickoff	25	Latavius Murray	Interception
10/12 vs. SD	Kickoff	25	TJ Carrie	Touchdown
9/14 vs. Hou.	Kickoff	24	Latavius Murray	Fumble
11/20 vs. KC	Kickoff	24	Latavius Murray	Punt
12/14 at KC	Kickoff	24	TJ Carrie	Punt
9/28 vs. Mia.	Kickoff	23	Latavius Murray	Punt
11/2 at Sea.	Punt	23	Denarius Moore	Touchdown
11/20 vs. KC	Kickoff	23	Darren McFadden	Punt
10/12 vs. SD	Kickoff	22	TJ Carrie	Punt
11/30 at StL.	Kickoff	22	George Atkinson III	Punt

Number of 20-plus-yard returns: 36 Number of 40-plus-yard returns: 1

Date, Opp.	<u>Type</u>	<u>Yards</u>	<u>Player</u>	Result of ensuing possession
12/28 at Den.	Kickoff	76	Omar Bolden	Touchdown
11/20 vs. KC	Kickoff	48	De'Anthony Thomas	Incomplete 4th down pass
11/20 vs. KC	Kickoff	46	Knile Davis	Touchdown
9/7 at NYJ	Kickoff	44	Saalim Hakim	Field Goal
12/14 at KC	Kickoff	37	Frankie Hammond	Touchdown
11/2 at Sea.	Kickoff	36	Paul Richardson	Blocked Punt
12/7 vs. SF	Kickoff	36	Bruce Ellington	Punt
9/28 vs. Mia.	Kickoff	35	Jarvis Landry	Fumble
11/9 vs. Den.	Kickoff	30	Andre Caldwell	Field Goal
10/12 vs. SD	Punt	29	Keenan Allen	Touchdown
12/7 vs. SF	Kickoff	29	Bruce Ellington	Missed Field Goal
12/14 at KC	Kickoff	29	Knile Davis	Punt
11/2 at Sea.	Kickoff	28	Paul Richardson	Touchdown
12/7 vs. SF	Kickoff	27	Bruce Ellington	Punt
12/21 vs. Buf.	Kickoff	27	Marcus Thigpen	Field Goal
9/21 at NE	Kickoff	26	Matthew Slater	Field Goal
9/28 vs. Mia.	Kickoff	26	Damien Williams	Field Goal
11/16 at SD	Kickoff	25	Chris Davis	Punt
12/7 vs. SF	Punt	23	Bruce Ellington	Field Goal
Number of 20-plu Number of 40-plu				



# POINTS BREAKDOWN

			RAID	ERS			
Date/Opp.	First Quater	Second Quarter	First Half	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Second Half	<u>Total</u>
9/7 at NYJ	7	0	7	0	7	7	14
9/14 vs. Hou.	0	0	0	0	14	14	14
9/21 at NE	3	0	3	6	0	6	9
9/28 vs. Mia.	7	0	7	0	7	7	14
10/12 vs. SD	7	7	14	7	7	14	28
10/19 vs. Ari.	0	10	10	3	0	3	13
10/26 at Cle.	0	6	6	0	7	7	13
11/2 at Sea.	3	0	3	14	7	21	24
11/9 vs. Den.	3	7	10	0	7	7	17
11/16 at SD	3	0	3	0	3	3	6
11/20 vs. KC	7	7	14	3	7	10	24
11/30 at StL.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12/7 vs. SF	3	7	10	7	7	14	24
12/14 at KC	0	3	3	3	7	10	13
12/21 vs. Buf.	0	13	13	6	7	13	26
12/28 at Den.	7	0	7	7	0	7	14
Totals	50	60	110	56	87	143	253

			OPPOI	NENTS			
Date/Opp.	First Quater	Second Quarter	First Half	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Second Half	<u>Total</u>
9/7 at NYJ	3	7	10	3	6	9	19
9/14 vs. Hou.	14	3	17	10	3	13	30
9/21 at NE	0	10	10	0	6	6	16
9/28 vs. Mia.	3	21	24	14	0	14	38
10/12 vs. SD	7	7	14	7	10	17	31
10/19 vs. Ari.	7	7	14	7	3	10	24
10/26 at Cle.	6	3	9	0	14	14	23
11/2 at Sea.	14	10	24	0	6	6	30
11/9 vs. Den.	3	17	20	21	0	21	41
11/16 at SD	7	3	10	3	0	3	13
11/20 vs. KC	0	3	3	7	10	17	20
11/30 at StL.	21	17	38	0	14	14	52
12/7 vs. SF	7	3	10	3	0	3	13
12/14 at KC	7	3	10	21	0	21	31
12/21 vs. Buf.	7	3	10	0	14	14	24
12/28 at Den.	10	10	20	10	17	27	47
Totals	116	127	243	106	103	209	452



# REPLAY CHALLENGES

			RAIDERS	
Date/Opp.	Quarter	Score	Initial Ruling	Final Ruling
9/14 vs. Hou.	3	27-0, Hou.	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr on third-and-6; no first down	Upheld
9/21 at NE	4	13-9, NE	Julian Edelman pass complete from Tom Brady	Reversed
9/28 vs. Mia	3	31-7, Mia.	Derek Carr pass to Brice Butler incomplete	Reversed

Notes: Raiders are 2-for-3.

			<b>OPPONENTS</b>	
Date/Opp.	Quarter	<u>Score</u>	Initial Ruling	Final Ruling
10/19 vs. Ari.	2	14-10, Ari.	Punt downed by Ari., untouched by Oak.	Upheld
11/9 vs. Den.	4	41-10, Den.	Derek Carr pass complete to Denarius Moore for 28 yards	Upheld
11/16 at SD	2	10-3, SD	Derek Carr pass complete to Brice Butler for 15 yards	Upheld
12/14 at KC	2	7-0, KC	Alex Smith pass incomplete to Dwayne Bowe	Upheld
12/28 at Den.	4	30-14, Den.	Ronnie Hillman rush for no gain	Reversed

Notes: Opponents are 1-for-5.

# REPLAY OFFICIAL

Date/Opp.	<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Score</u>	Initial Ruling	Final Ruling
9/7 at NYJ	2	7-3, Oak.	Sio Moore forced fumble of Geno Smith, TJ Carrie recovered	Upheld
9/7 at NYJ	4	19-14, NYJ	James Jones reception from Derek Carr; touchdown	Upheld
9/14 vs. Hou.	1	0-0	Arian Foster rushing touchdown	Reversed; ruled down at 1
10/12 vs. SD	4	31-28, SD	Jason Verrett intercepted Derek Carr pass	Upheld
11/2 at Sea.	1	7-3, Sea.	Bruce Irvin interception of Derek Carr broke the plane for a touchdown	Upheld
11/9 vs. Den.	2	13-10, Den.	Emmanuel Sanders reception from Peyton Manning; touchdown	Upheld
11/9 vs. Den.	3	34-10, Den.	After intercepting Derek Carr, TJ Ward remained in bounds for 38 yards	Reversed; out of bounds
				at OAK 34 for 18 yards
11/16 at SD	1	0-0	Malcolm Floyd reception from Philip Rivers; touchdown	Upheld
11/20 vs. KC	3	17-3, Oak.	Anthony Fasano reception from Alex Smith; touchdown	Upheld
11/20 vs. KC	4	24-20, Oak.	Dwayne Bowe reception from Alex Smith	Reversed; pass incomplete
11/20 vs. KC	4	24-20, Oak.	Alex Smith pass incomplete to Travis Kelce	Upheld
11/30 at StL.	2	28-0, StL.	Cory Harkey reception from Shaun Hill; touchdown	Upheld
11/30 at StL.	4	38-0, StL.	Tre Mason rushing touchdown	Upheld
12/7 vs. SF	1	3-0, Oak.	Bruce Miller reception from Colin Kaepernick; touchdown	Upheld
12/7 vs. SF	4	17-13, Oak.	Mychal Rivera reception from Derek Carr; touchdown	Upheld
12/7 vs. SF	4	24-13, Oak.	Charles Woodson intercepted Colin Kaepernick pass	Upheld
12/21 vs. Buf.	1	7-0, Buf.	TJ Carrie intercepted Kyle Orton pass	Reversed; pass incomplete
12/21 vs. Buf.	2	7-7	DJ Hayden forced fumble and recovery of Robert Woods reception	Reversed; pass incomplete
12/21 vs. Buf.	2	13-7, Oak.	Robert Woods reception from Kyle Orton	Upheld
12/28 at Den.	1	10-0, Den.	P. Manning backwards pass fumble recovered by K. McGill for a touchdown	Upheld



### **RUSHING**

200 Yards Rushing, Individual

By Raiders Napoleon Kaufman, Oct. 19, 1997, vs. Den. (227 yards)

By Opponent Doug Martin, Nov. 4, 2012, vs. TB (251 yards)

100 Yards Rushing, Individual

By Raiders Latavius Murray, Nov. 20, 2014, vs. KC (112 yards)
By Opponent Tre Mason, Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L (117 yards)

100 Yards Rushing, Individual, One half

By Raiders Latavius Murray, Nov. 20, 2014, vs. KC (112 yards)
By Opponent Tre Mason, Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L (113 yards)

100 Yards Rushing and Receiving, Individual

By Raiders Marcus Allen, Sept. 7, 1986, at Den. (102 yards rushing, 102 receiving) By Opponent Priest Holmes, Dec. 9, 2001, vs. KC (168 yards rushing, 109 receiving)

Two 100-yard Rushers

By Raiders Napoleon Kaufman (122 yards) and Tyrone Wheatley (111 yards), Dec. 19, 1999, vs. TB

By Opponent Willis McGahee (163 yards) and Tim Tebow (118 yards), Nov. 6, 2011, vs. Den.

Four Touchdowns Rushing, Individual

By Raiders Never

By Opponent Doug Martin, Nov. 4, 2012, vs. TB

Three Touchdowns Rushing, Individual

By Raiders Darren McFadden, Oct. 24, 2010, at Den. By Opponent C.J. Anderson, Dec. 28, 2014, at Den.

Two Touchdowns Rushing, Individual

By Raiders Latavius Murray, Nov. 20, 2014, vs. KC By Opponent Tre Mason, Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L

## **PASSING**

500 Yards Passing, Individual

By Raiders Never

By Opponent Elvis Grbac, Dec. 5, 2000, vs. KC (504 yards)

400 Yards Passing, Individual

By Raiders Carson Palmer, Nov. 4, 2012, vs. TB (414 yards)
By Opponent Nick Foles, Nov. 3, 2013, vs. Phi. (406 yards)

300 Yards Passing, Individual

By Raiders Derek Carr, Oct. 26, 2014, at Cle. (328 yards) By Opponent Kyle Orton, Dec. 21, 2014, vs. Buf. (329 yards)

Seven Touchdown Passes, Individual

By Raiders Never

By Opponent Nick Foles, Nov. 3, 2013, vs. Phi.

Six Touchdown Passes, Individual

By Raiders Daryle Lamonica, Oct. 19, 1969, vs. Buf. By Opponent Dan Fouts, Nov. 22, 1981, vs. SD

Five Touchdown Passes, Individual

By Raiders Kerry Collins, Dec. 19, 2004, vs. Ten. By Opponent Peyton Manning, Nov. 9, 2014, vs. Den.

Four Touchdown Passes, Individual

By Raiders Derek Carr, Oct. 12, 2014, vs. SD By Opponent Peyton Manning, Dec. 29, 2013, vs. Den.



Three Touchdown Passes, Individual

By Raiders Derek Carr, Dec. 7, 2014, vs. SF By Opponent Kyle Orton, Dec. 21, 2014, vs. Buf.

Seven Interceptions Thrown, Individual

By Raiders Ken Stabler, Oct. 16, 1977, vs. Den.

By Opponent Never

Six Interceptions Thrown, Individual

By Raiders Donald Hollas, Dec. 6, 1999, vs. Mia.

By Opponent Never

Five Interceptions Thrown, Individual

By Raiders Jim Plunkett, Oct. 5, 1980, vs. KC By Opponent Steve Pelluer, Nov. 9, 1986, at Dal.

Four Interceptions Thrown, Individual

By Raiders Matt McGloin, Dec. 15, 2013, vs. KC By Opponent Jake Delhomme, Nov. 9, 2008, vs. Car.

## **RECEIVING**

10-or-more Receptions, Individual

By Raiders Brandon Myers, Dec. 2, 2012, vs. Cle. (14 receptions)
By Opponent Demaryius Thomas, Nov. 9, 2014, vs. Den. (11 receptions)

200 Yards Receiving, Individual

By Raiders Art Powell, Oct. 8, 1965, at BosP. (205 yards)
By Opponent Calvin Johnson, Dec. 18, 2011, vs. Det. (214 yards)

100 Yards Receiving, Individual

By Raiders Mychal Rivera, Dec. 7, 2014, vs. SF (109 yards)
By Opponent Demaryius Thomas, Dec. 28, 2014, at Den. (115 yards)

100 Yards Receiving, One Half, Individual

By Raiders Denarius Moore, Nov. 10, 2011, at SD (123 yards)
By Opponent Demaryius Thomas, Dec. 28, 2014, at Den. (110 yards)

Two 100-yard Receivers

By Raiders Darrius Heyward-Bey (130 yards) and Denarius Moore (101 yards), Jan. 1, 2012, vs. SD By Opponent Justin Hunter (109 yards) and Kendall Wright (103 yards), Nov. 24, 2013, vs. Ten.

Five Touchdown Receptions, Individual

By Raiders Never

By Opponent Kellen Winslow, Nov. 22, 1981, vs. SD

Four Touchdown Receptions, Individual

By Raiders Art Powell, Dec. 22, 1963, vs. HouO. By Opponent Jamaal Charles, Dec. 15, 2013, vs. KC

Three Touchdown Receptions, Individual

By Raiders Jerry Porter, Dec. 19, 2004, vs. Ten. By Opponent Riley Cooper, Nov. 3, 2013, vs. Phi.

Two Touchdown Receptions, Individual

By Raiders Mychal Rivera, Nov. 2, 2014, at Sea.

By Opponent Julius Thomas and Emmanuel Sanders, Nov. 9, 2014, vs. Den.

Two 100-yard Rushers and Two 100-yard Receivers

By Raiders/Opp. Never



## **INTERCEPTIONS**

### Four Interceptions, Individual

By Raiders/Opp. Never

### Three Interceptions, Individual

By Raiders Rod Woodson, Sept. 29, 2002, vs. Ten. By Opponent Dwayne Harper, Nov. 27, 1995, at SD

### Two Interceptions, Individual

By Raiders Michael Huff, Sept. 20, 2009, at KC By Opponent Trumaine Johnson, Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L

### Interception Returned for Touchdown

By Raiders Tracy Porter, Nov. 10, 2013, at NYG (43 yards)
By Opponent Trumaine Johnson, Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L (43 yards)

### **TOUCHDOWNS**

### Five Touchdowns, Individual

By Raiders Never

By Opponent Jamaal Charles, Dec. 15, 2013, vs. KC (49-, 39-, 16-, 71-yard receptions; 1-yard run)

### Four Touchdowns, Individual

By Raiders Darren McFadden, Oct. 24, 2010, at Den. (4-, 4-, 57-yard runs; 19-yard reception)

By Opponent Doug Martin, Nov. 4, 2012, vs. TB (45-, 67-, 70-, 1-yard runs)

### Three Touchdowns, Individual

By Raiders Darren McFadden, Dec. 12, 2010, at Jac. (51-, 36-yard runs; 67-yard reception)

By Opponent C.J. Anderson, Dec. 28, 2014, at Den. (11-, 1-, 25-yard runs)

# FIELD GOALS/PATs

### Six Field Goals Made, Individual

By Raiders Sebastian Janikowski, Nov. 27, 2011, vs. Chi. (40, 47, 42, 19, 37, 44 yards)

By Opponent Greg Davis, Oct. 5, 1997, vs. SD (30, 22, 38, 43, 33, 33 yards)

### Five Field Goals Made, Individual

By Raiders Sebastian Janikowski, Dec. 16, 2012, vs. KC (20, 50, 57, 30, 41 yards)
By Opponent Nate Kaeding, Sept. 10, 2012, vs. SD (23, 28, 19, 41, 45 yards)

### Four Field Goals Made, Individual

By Raiders Sebastian Janikowski, Dec. 21, 2014, vs. Buf. (45, 36, 38, 49) By Opponent Connor Barth, Dec. 28, 2014, at Den. (49, 36, 35, 21)

### 60-yard Field Goal

By Raiders Sebastian Janikowski, Sept. 12, 2011, at Den. (63 yards)

By Opponent Never

### **Blocked Field-goal Attempt**

By Raiders Justin Tuck, Sept. 14, 2014, vs. Hou. (27-yard Shane Lechler attempt)

By Opponent Ndamukong Suh, Dec. 18, 2011, vs. Det. (65-yard Sebastian Janikowski attempt)

### Two-point Conversion

By Raiders Juron Criner, Nov. 4, 2012, vs. TB (pass from Carson Palmer)

By Opponent Emmanuel Sanders, Oct. 27, 2013, vs. Pit. (run)

### **PAT Missed**

By Raiders Sebastian Janikowski, Oct. 5, 2007, at Chi. (wide right)
By Opponent Shayne Graham, Dec. 10, 2006, at Cin. (hit left upright)

### **Blocked PAT**

By Raiders Desmond Bryant, Dec. 11, 2011, at GB (Mason Crosby, fifth attempt)

By Opponent Vince Wilfork, Dec. 14, 2008, vs. New England (Sebastian Janikowski, third attempt)



### **PUNTING**

80-yard Punt

By Raiders Shane Lechler, Nov. 27, 2011, vs. Chi. (80 yards)

By Opponent Never

70-yard Punt

By Raiders Shane Lechler, Dec. 24, 2011, at KC (76 yards) By Opponent Dustin Colquitt, Dec. 16, 2012, vs. KC (71 yards)

60-yard Punt

By Raiders Marquette King, Nov. 16, 2014, at SD (62 yards)
By Opponent Colton Schmidt, Dec. 21, 2014, vs. Buf. (67 yards)

**Blocked Punt** 

By Raiders Denico Autry, Nov. 2, 2014, at Sea. (Jon Ryan, punter)
By Opponent Antonio Allen, Dec. 8, 2013, at NYJ (Marquette King, punter)

10 Punts. Individual

By Raiders Marquette King, Dec. 14, 2014, at KC (11 punts; 477 yards)
By Opponent Darren Bennett, Dec. 28, 2003, at SD (10 punts; 392 yards)

No Punts

By Raiders Dec. 5, 1999, vs. Seattle By Opponent Sept. 30, 2012, at Denver

# OTHER SPECIAL TEAMS

**Kickoff Returned for Touchdown** 

By Raiders Jacoby Ford, Oct. 16, 2011, vs. Cle. (101 yards)
By Opponent Jacoby Jones, Nov. 11, 2012, at Bal. (105 yards)

**Punt Returned for Touchdown** 

By Raiders Johnnie Lee Higgins, Dec. 21, 2008, vs. Hou. (80 yards)
By Opponent De'Anthony Thomas, Dec. 14, 2014, at KC (81 yards)

**Blocked Field Goal Returned for Touchdown** 

By Raiders Never

By Opponent Ray Mickens, Sept. 21, 1997, at NYJ (72 yards; Cole Ford, kicker)

**Blocked Punt Returned for Touchdown** 

By Raiders Brice Butler, Nov. 2, 2014, at Sea. (0 yards; Jon Ryan, punter)
By Opponent Antonio Allen, Dec. 8, 2013, at NYJ (0 yards; Marquette King, punter)

### OTHER DEFENSE

**Shutout Posted** 

By Raiders Dec. 16, 2012, vs. KC (15-0) By Opponent Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L (52-0)

Fumble Returned for Touchdown

By Raiders Keith McGill, Dec. 28, 2014, at Den. (18 yards)
By Opponent Cortland Finnegan, Sept. 28, 2014, vs. Mia. (50 yards)

Safety Scored

By Raiders Rolando McClain, Dec. 11, 2011, at GB (Matt Flynn sacked)
By Opponent Brian Cushing, Oct. 4, 2009, at Hou. (Justin Fargas tackled)

Six Sacks, Individual

By Raiders Never

By Opponent Derrick Thomas, Sept. 6, 1988, at KC



### Five Sacks, Individual

By Raiders Howie Long, Oct. 2, 1983, at Was. By Opponent Gary Jeter, Sept. 18, 1988, vs. LARm.

### Four Sacks, Individual

By Raiders Kamerion Wimbley, Nov. 10, 2011, at SD By Opponent Brian Orakpo, Dec. 13, 2009, vs. Was.

### Three Sacks, Individual

By Raiders Kamerion Wimbley, Jan. 2, 2011, at KC By Opponent Robert Quinn, Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

# No Penalties

By Raiders Dec. 4, 2005, at SD By Opponent Dec. 8, 1974, at KC

### **Game without Touchdown**

By Raiders Nov. 16, 2014, at SD By Opponent Dec. 16, 2012, vs. KC

### 50 Points, Game

By Raiders Oct. 24, 2010, at Den. (59) By Opponent Nov. 30, 2014, at St.L (52)

### 40 Points, Game

By Raiders Dec. 19, 2004, vs. Ten. (40) By Opponent Dec. 28, 2014, at Den. (47)

## **500 Yards Total Offense**

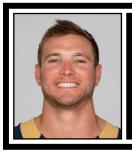
By Raiders Nov. 3, 2013, vs. Phi. (560) By Opponent Nov. 3, 2013, vs. Phi. (542)

## Tie Game

By Raiders Oakland 23, at Denver 23, Oct. 22, 1973



# SUPPLEMENTAL BIOS



# DEVOR WATLE

WIDE RECEIVER | 5-9 | 185 | FRESNO STATE ACQUIRED: FA-'15 | NFL EXP.: 2 | RAIDERS EXP.: 1 HOMETOWN: ROSEVILLE, CALIF. BORN: 09/02/88



**TRANSACTIONS:** Selected by Kansas City Chiefs in the fourth round (107th overall) of the 2012 NFL Draft, April 28, 2012...Waived by Chiefs, Sept. 1, 2013...Signed by Arizona Cardinals to practice squad, Sept. 25, 2013...Practice squad contract terminated by Cardinals, Oct. 8, 2013...Signed by Pittsburgh Steelers to practice squad, Oct. 16, 2013...Practice squad contract terminated by Steelers, Oct. 31, 2013...Signed by Tennessee Titans to practice squad, Nov. 16, 2013...Signed by Titans to active roster, Nov. 12, 2013...Waived by Titans, Nov. 26, 2013...Signed by Seattle Seahawks to practice squad, Dec. 5, 2013...Practice squad contract terminated by Seahawks, Dec. 7, 2013... Signed by San Francisco 49ers to practice squad, Dec. 10, 2013...Signed by 49ers as a reserve/future free agent, Jan. 21, 2014...Waived by 49ers, Aug. 25, 2014...Signed by St. Louis Rams to practice squad, Oct. 21, 2014...Signed by Rams as a reserve/future free agent, Dec. 30, 2014...Waived by Rams, Aug. 4, 2015...Signed by Raiders as a free agent, Aug. 18, 2015.

2014: Spent training camp with the 49ers before being waived at the end of camp...Signed with the Rams' practice squad on Oct. 21.

**2013:** Played in two games for the Titans (Nov. 14 vs. Ind. and Nov. 24 at Oak.)...Returned two punts for four yards...Added five kickoff returns for 94 yards...Also spent time on the practice squads of the Cardinals, Steelers, Seahawks and 49ers.

**2012:** Appeared in six games for the Chiefs...Totaled six receptions for 53 yards (8.8 avg.)...Returned five punts for 26 yards...Added nine kickoff returns for 191 yards.

**COLLEGE:** Appeared in 44 games (seven starts) at Fresno State, hauling in 98 receptions for 1,327 yards [13.5 avg.] with eight TDs...Added 18 carries for 118 yards [6.6 avg.], 41 punt returns for 553 yards [13.5 avg.] with two TDs and 16 kickoff returns for 333 yards [20.8 avg.]... Also recorded 16 tackles [11 solo] with one forced fumble and one blocked kick...Gained 2,331 all-purpose yards, an average of 13.5 yards per attempt and 52.9 yards per game...In 2011, was named Second-Team All-Western Athletic Conference and led the team with a career-high 56 receptions for 716 yards [12.8 avg.] and one TD...Also ranked fifth in the nation with an average of 15.4 yards per punt return, totaling 446 yards and two TDs on 29 returns...In 2010, started the first game of the season and caught two passes for 39 yards before being granted a medical hardship for an injury...As a junior in 2009, played in 10 games (one start) and had 17 receptions for 259 yards [15.2 avg.] and four TDs, added three carries for 16 yards [5.3 avg.] and returned 12 punts for 107 yards [8.9 avg.]...Saw action in nine games during 2008 and finished fourth on the team with 22 receptions for 269 yards [12.2 avg.] and two TDs...As a true freshman in 2007, he played in 11 games, returning 14 kickoffs for 311 yards [22.2 avg.] and added seven tackles with one forced fumble on special teams... Majored in physical education.

**PERSONAL:** Attended Granite Bay (Calif.) High School, where he was a third-team all-state selection after he scored 19 TDs as a senior in 2006 (15 rushing and four receiving)....As a senior, was selected the Grizzlies' Offensive MVP, First-Team All-Metro by the Sacramento Bee and Sierra Foothills League MVP, as he helped the school to a 9-2 record.

**SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:** RECEIVING: Receptions - 3, 12/23/12 vs. Ind. Yards - 36, 12/23/12 vs. Ind. Long - 16, 12/23/12 vs. Ind. KICKOFF RETURNS: 3, four times; last: 11/14/13 vs. Ind. Yards - 69, 12/30/12 at Den. Long - 26, 12/30/12 at Den.

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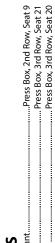
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at TCF Bank Stadium, Minneapolis, MN

—— Game Day Weather –

Game Weather: Cloudy

Temp: 79° F (26.1° C)Wind: West 17 mph mph

Played Outdoor on Turf: Field Turf
Outdoor Weather: Cloudy,

- Officials -

Referee: Hochuli, Ed (85) Umpire: Martin, Clay (19) Head Linesman: Turner, Patrick (13) Line Judge: Baynes, Rusty (59) Side Judge: Meyer, Greg (78) Field Judge: Hill, Adrian (29)

Back Judge: Helverson, Scott (93) Replay Official: Sifferman, Tom ()

### - Lineups -

		<b>Oakland Raiders</b>				Minnesota	Vikings	
	Offense		Defense			Offense		Defense
TE	81 M.Rivera	DE	95 B.Mayowa	WR	12	C.Johnson	LDE	96 B.Robison
LT	72 D.Penn	DT	90 D.Williams	LT	75	M.Kalil	DT	73 S.Floyd
LG	66 G.Jackson	NT	78 J.Ellis	LG	63	B.Fusco	NT	98 L.Joseph
С	61 R.Hudson	DE	96 D.Autry	С	61	J.Berger	RDE	97 E.Griffen
RG	76 J.Webb	SAM	52 K.Mack	RG	79	M.Harris	WLB	52 C.Greenway
RT	71 M.Watson	MIKE	50 C.Lofton	RT	68	T.Clemmings	MLB	54 E.Kendricks
TE	86 L.Smith	WILL	53 M.Smith	TE	82	K.Rudolph	SLB	55 A.Barr
WR	89 A.Cooper	LCB	35 C.Chekwa	WR	11	M.Wallace	LCB	30 T.Newman
QB	4 D.Carr	RCB	38 T.Carrie	QB	5	T.Bridgewater	RCB	29 X.Rhodes
FB	45 M.Reece	SS	20 N.Allen	TE	85	R.Ellison	SS	36 R.Blanton
RB	28 L.Murray	FS	24 C.Woodson	RB	31	J.McKinnon	FS	22 H.Smith

Substitutions — Substitutions – Substitutions

P 2 S.Clark, K 6 G.Tavecchio, P 7 M.King, QB 8 C.Fajardo, QB 9 C.Ponder, WR 10 S.Roberts, K 11 S.Janikowski, WR 12 B.Butler, WR 13 D.Wylie, QB 14 M.McGloin, WR 15 M.Crabtree, WR/RS 16 T.Holliday, WR 17 M.Williams, WR 19 J.Harper, CB 21 D.McDonald, RB 22 T.Jones, DB 23 J.Dowling, CB 25 D.Hayden, S 29 B.Ross, CB 30 S.Edwards, CB 31 N.Thorpe, CB 32 R.Daniel, RB 33 T.Richardson, RB 34 G.Atkinson, DB 36 R.Dowling, S 37 T.McDonald, CB 39 K.McGill, RB 40 M.Dyer, CB 41 J.Dockery, S 42 L.Asante, S 43 J.Hall, LB 46 H.Miller, LB 47 J.Shirley, LB 48 S.Hadley, LB 51 B.Heeney, DE 54 G.Wilkins, LB 57 R.Armstrong, LB 58 N.Ball, LS 59 J.Condo, G 63 L.Mady, T 65 D.Kistler, T/G 67 Q.Eatmon, G/C 68 J.Feliciano, T/G 69 K.Barnes, G 70 T.Bergstrom, T/G 73 M.McCants, G 74 M.Bell, DE 75 S.Harris, T 77 A.Howard, T 79 A.Morris, WR 80 R.Streater, TE 82 G.Holmes, WR 83 K.Durham, WR 85 K.Thompkins, TE 87 B.Leonhardt, DE 91 J.Tuck, DT 92 S.McGee, DT 93 R.Lumpkin, DE 94 M.Valles, DE 97 M.Edwards, DL 98 C.Wilson, DT 99 L.Orr

WR 2 D.Foster, K 3 B.Walsh, QB 4 M.Kafka, QB 6 T.Heinicke, QB 13 S.Hill, WR 14 S.Diggs, WR 15 I.Fruechte, WR 16 D.Daniels, WR 17 J.Wright, P 18 J.Locke, WR 19 A.Thielen, RB 20 D.Harris, DB 21 J.Robinson, RB 23 J.Banyard, CB 24 C.Munnerlyn, CB 25 J.Price, CB 26 T.Waynes, CB 27 S.Prater, CB 33 J.Thomas, S 34 A.Sendejo, CB 35 M.Sherels, CB 37 D.Van Dyke, CB 38 J.Coleman, CB 39 J.Carter, LB 40 E.Robinson, S 41 A.Harris, RB 43 D.Williams, RB 44 M.Asiata, LB 45 B.Peters, LS 46 C.Loeffler, LS 47 K.McDermott, FB 48 Z.Line, FB 49 B.Renaud, LB 50 G.Hodges, LB 51 J.Kaddu, LB 56 M.Mauti, LB 57 A.Cole, LB 58 B.Watts, C 59 T.Farniok, DT 62 C.Anunoby, DT 64 C.Rose, G 64 B.Vardaro, G 66 D.Yankey, C 67 Z.Kerin, DT 69 G.Hickman, T 69 B.Aiyegbusi, T 71 P.Loadholt, T 72 T.Thompson, G 74 A.Shepherd, G 76 I.Faciane, DE 78 L.Mackey, G 78 S.Goodin, TE 81 B.Bostick, WR 84 C.Patterson, TE 86 C.Ford, WR 89 R.Whalen, DE 90 B.Dubose, DE 91 C.Rayford, DT 92 T.Johnson, DE 94 J.Trattou, DE 95 S.Crichton, DE 99 D.Hunter

Did Not Play

Did Not Play —

WR 18 A.Holmes, RB 26 R.Helu, FB/RB 49 J.Olawale, LB 55 S.Moore, LB 56 C.Williams, TE 88 C.Walford

WR 9 J.Leslie, RB 28 A.Peterson, S 32 A.Exum, T 60 C.Bykowski, C 65 J.Sullivan, TE 83 M.Pruitt, DT 93 S.Stephen

Not Active Not Active

Field Goals (ma	ide ( ) & missed)
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G.Tavecchio		(26) (37)	B.Walsh			35WR 38	WL 49WR	
			1	2	3	4	ОТ	Total
VISITOR:	Oakland Raiders		6	3	3	0	0	12
HOME:	Minnesota Vikings		0	13	7	0	0	20

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Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Raiders	1	3:22	L.Murray 2 yd. run (run failed) (6-75, 2:24)	6	0
Vikings	2	14:14	C.Johnson 10 yd. pass from T.Bridgewater (kick failed, wr) (8-60, 4:08)	6	6
Raiders	2	2:07	G.Tavecchio 26 yd. Field Goal (9-54, 4:18)	9	6

## **National Football League Game Summary**

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Vikings	2	0:08	C.Ford 4 yd. pass from S.Hill (B.Walsh kick) (13-80, 1:59)	9	13
Raiders	3	5:25	G.Tavecchio 37 yd. Field Goal (7-10, 2:41)	12	13
Vikings	3	2:42	B.Renaud 1 yd. run (B.Walsh kick) (3-1, 0:49)	12	20
Paid Attendand	e: 50,656			Time:	3:59

## **Final Individual Statistics**

No.   Part   P		Oal	kland	Raid	ers						Min	nesot	a Vik	ings			
Commission   Com	RUSHING			ATT	YDS	AVG	ì	LG	TD	RUSHING				_	AVG	LC	i TD
Campaign	M.Dyer			12	45	3.8	3	7	0	J.McKinnon			12	25	2.1		3 0
Case	•			4	20	5.0	)	9	1	D.Harris			5	23	4.6	-	7 0
Table	G.Atkinson			2	14	7.0	)	8	0	M.Asiata			2	15	7.5	13	3 0
September   1	C.Fajardo			2	13	6.5	5	11	0	D.Williams			6	13	2.2	9	0
Telephone   1	T.Jones			2	12	6.0	)	10	0	T.Bridgewater			1	4	4.0	4	1 0
Part   Part	S.Roberts			1	6	6.0	)	6	0	T.Heinicke			1	4	4.0	4	1 0
Part   Part	T.Richardson			5	5	1.0	)	7	0	B.Renaud			2	3	1.5	:	2 1
Marker   Section   Marker					3	1.5	5	4	0	J.Banvard			2	1	0.5		
Total	M.Reece			1						•			1	-1	-1.0	-	
CPONDER																	
Macciolin	PASSING	ATT	СМР	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT	PASSING	ATT	СМР	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG IN	RT
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Belutler																	
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K.Thompkins         4         2         14         7.0         7         0         Audisiate         4         4         2         7         3.5         7         0         Audisiate         4         3         36         12.0         17         0           A.Cooper         2         2         1         40         40         0         3         Audisiate         3         3         2         2         2         10         1         0         2         1         0         1         1         1         1         0         2         2         2         1         1         1         0         0         Deatherson         4         1         1         0         0         Deatherson         4         2         2         1         0	B.Butler		3	3	26	8.7	7	13		C.Ford		6	5	19			
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M.Rivera         1         1         19         19,0         19         0.0         C.Patterson         4         2         8         4,0         7         0           M.Recece         2         1         12         12,0         12         0         R.Ellison         1         1         13         13,0         13         0           D.Wylle         3         1         11         10         11,0         11         0         D.Daniels         1         1         6         6         0         D.Daniels         1         1         6         6         0         C.Daniels         1         1         4         0         0         0           R.Streater         2         1         1         6         6.0         6         0         K.Rudolph         2         1         4         4         0 <t< td=""><td>•</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></t<>	•																
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Total	-																
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M.King	Total			1	0	0.0	)	0	0	Total			2	22	11.0	21	. 0
S.Clark   2   107   53.5   29.0   1   0   57   Total   3   126   42.0   42.0   42.0   0   3   44	PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TE	3 I	N20	LG	PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	ТВ	IN20	LG
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Total   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0	[DOWNED]		2	0	0.0	(	)	0	0	M.Sherels		1	0	0.0	0	(	0
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	Total		2	34	17.0	(	)	23	0	Total		1	49	49.0	0	49	0

## **Final Individual Statistics**

Oakland F	Raiders
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FUMBLES	FUM	LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
B.Heeney	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
S.Harris	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total <b>Minnesota Vikings</b>	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
FUMBLES	FUM	LOST	OWN-REC	YDS	TD	FORCED	OPP-REC	YDS	TD	OUT-BDS
T.Heinicke	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## **Final Team Statistics**

	Visitor Raiders	Home Vikings
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	15	22
By Rushing	7	5
By Passing	8	14
By Penalty	0	3
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	5-14-36%	9-17-53%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY	0-1-0%	1-1-100%
TOTAL NET YARDS	289	260
Total Offensive Plays (inc. times thrown passing)	63	70
Average gain per offensive play	4.6	3.7
NET YARDS RUSHING	120	87
Total Rushing Plays	31	32
Average gain per rushing play	3.9	2.7
Tackles for a loss-number and yards	2-6	3-5
NET YARDS PASSING	169	173
Times thrown - yards lost attempting to pass	2-9	1-7
Gross yards passing	178	180
PASS ATTEMPTS-COMPLETIONS-HAD INTERCEPTED	30-17-2	37-23-1
Avg gain per pass play (inc.# thrown passing)	5.3	4.6
KICKOFFS Number-In End Zone-Touchbacks	4-3-2	4-3-2
PUNTS Number and Average	5-50.4	3-42.0
Had Blocked	0	0
FGs - PATs Had Blocked	0-0	0-0
Net Punting Average	36.6	42.0
TOTAL RETURN YARDAGE (Not Including Kickoffs)	0	51
No. and Yards Punt Returns	0-0	2-29
No. and Yards Kickoff Returns	2-34	1-49
No. and Yards Interception Returns	1-0	2-22
PENALTIES Number and Yards	13-106	1-10
FUMBLES Number and Lost	0-0	1-1
TOUCHDOWNS	1	3
Rushing	1	1
Passing	0	2
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts	0-1	2-3
Kicking Made-Attempts	0-0	2-3
Rushing Made-Attempts	0-1	0-0
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts	2-2	0-3
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY	1-3-33%	3-4-75%
GOAL TO GO EFFICIENCY	1-2-50%	2-2-100%
SAFETIES	0	0
FINAL SCORE	12	20
TIME OF POSSESSION	29:48	30:12

## **Ball Possession And Drive Chart**

#### **Oakland Raiders**

#	Time Recd	Time Lost		How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	10:38	9:42	0:56	Punt	OAK 2	3	3	-1	2	0	OAK 4	Punt
2	5:46	3:22	2:24	Missed FG	OAK 25	6	75	0	75	4	* MIN 2	Touchdown
3	14:14	12:39	1:35	Kickoff	OAK 20	3	8	0	8	0	OAK 28	Punt
4	9:43	7:35	2:08	Punt	OAK 16	4	24	-5	19	1	OAK 35	Punt
5	6:25	2:07	4:18	Interception	OAK 38	9	54	0	54	2	* MIN 8	Field Goal
6	0:08	0:00	0:08	Kickoff	OAK 20	1	-1	0	-1	0	OAK 20	End of Half
7	15:00	9:09	5:51	Kickoff	OAK 20	11	44	0	44	3	MIN 35	Downs
8	8:06	5:25	2:41	Fumble	MIN 29	7	15	-5	10	1	* MIN 19	Field Goal
9	3:46	3:31	0:15	Punt	OAK 12	1	0	0	0	0	OAK 12	Interception
10	2:42	11:34	6:08	Kickoff	OAK 18	10	42	-10	32	3	50	Punt
11	7:01	4:28	2:33	Missed FG	OAK 28	3	9	-15	-6	0	OAK 22	Punt
12	1:07	0:16	0:51	Missed FG	OAK 39	7	16	-10	6	1	OAK 45	Interception

(309) Average OAK 26

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#	Time Recd	Time Lost		How Ball Obtained	Drive Began	# Play	Yds Gain	Yds Pen	Net Yds	1st Down	Last Scrm	How Given Up
1	15:00	10:38	4:22	Kickoff	MIN 20	9	29	5	34	3	OAK 46	Punt
2	9:42	5:46	3:56	Punt	OAK 39	8	22	0	22	1	* OAK 17	Missed FG
3	3:22	14:14	4:08	Kickoff	MIN 40	8	60	0	60	4	* OAK 10	Touchdown
4	12:39	9:43	2:56	Punt	MIN 27	6	14	0	14	1	MIN 41	Punt
5	7:35	6:25	1:10	Punt	MIN 20	3	15	0	15	1	MIN 35	Interception
6	2:07	0:08	1:59	Kickoff	MIN 20	13	75	5	80	7	* OAK 4	Touchdown
7	9:09	8:06	1:03	Downs	MIN 36	3	-7	0	-7	0	MIN 36	Fumble
8	5:25	3:46	1:39	Kickoff	MIN 46	3	3	0	3	0	MIN 49	Punt
9	3:31	2:42	0:49	Interception	OAK 1	3	1	0	1	1	* OAK 1	Touchdown
10	11:34	7:01	4:33	Punt	MIN 25	9	35	20	55	3	OAK 20	Missed FG
11	4:28	1:07	3:21	Punt	OAK 45	7	14	0	14	1	OAK 31	Missed FG
12	0:16	0:00	0:16	Interception	50	1	-1	0	-1	0	50	End of Game

(499) Average MIN 42

<sup>\*</sup> inside opponent's 20

Time of	Possession by Quarter	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	ОТ	Total
Visitor	Oakland Raiders	3:20	8:09	11:29	6:50		29:48
Home	Minnesota Vikings	11:40	6:51	3:31	8:10		30:12

Raiders: 4 - OAK 20

Vikings: 4 - MIN 32

Kickoff Drive No.-Start Average

## **Final Defensive Statistics**

Oakland Raiders		Regular Defensive Plays								Special Teams						Misc				
	TKL	AST	СОМВ	SK	/ YDS	TFL	Q	IN	PD	FF	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
B.Heeney	3	4	7	0.5	3.5	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H.Miller	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Ball	3	1	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Autry	3	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Williams	3	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Allen	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Carrie	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Armstrong	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Lofton	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.McDonald	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Mayowa	1	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.McGee	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Edwards	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Valles	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Smith	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.Wilkins	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Ross	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
K.Mack	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Hayden	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L.Orr	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Lumpkin	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Ellis	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Dockery	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Edwards	0	1	1	0.5	3.5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Dowling	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.McDonald	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Harris	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.Atkinson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
C.Chekwa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Streater	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	48	18	66	1	7	3	4	1	3	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	2	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**

Minnesota Vikings			R	egular	Defens	ive Pl	ays					9	pecial <sup>-</sup>	Геат	S			Misc		
	TKL	AST	СОМВ	SK	/ YDS	TFL	QН	IN	PD	FF	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
J.Thomas	6	0	6	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Crichton	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.Hodges	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Sendejo	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Prater	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Trattou	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Newman	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Harris	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L.Joseph	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
E.Robinson	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Munnerlyn	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J.Price	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Anunoby	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Johnson	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Watts	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D.Hunter	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M.Mauti	1	0	1	1	8	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Peters	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A.Barr	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Waynes	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Greenway	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
E.Kendricks	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
E.Griffen	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S.Floyd	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B.Dubose	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Blanton	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Z.Line	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Z.Kerin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	45	10	55	2	9	6	2	2	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

## **First Half Summary**

	PERIOD SCORES		TIME OF POSSESSION
Raiders	6 3 = 9	Raiders	11:29
Vikings	0 13 = 13	Vikings	18:31

			Scoring Plays ————		
Team	Qtr	Time	Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info)	Visitor	Home
Raiders	1	3:22	L.Murray 2 yd. run (run failed) (6-75, 2:24)	6	0
Vikings	2	14:14	C.Johnson 10 yd. pass from T.Bridgewater (kick failed, wr) (8-60, 4:08)	6	6
Raiders	2	2:07	G.Tavecchio 26 yd. Field Goal (9-54, 4:18)	9	6
Vikings	2	0:08	C.Ford 4 yd. pass from S.Hill (B.Walsh kick) (13-80, 1:59)	9	13

	Oakland Raiders	Minnesota Vikings
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	7	17
First Downs Rushing-Passing-by Penalty	3 - 4 - 0	2 - 13 - 2
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY	1-5-20%	6-10-60%
TOTAL NET YARDS	163	215
Total Offensive Plays	25	46
NET YARDS RUSHING	49	44
NET YARDS PASSING	114	171
Gross Yards Passing	114	171
Times thrown-yards lost attempting to pass	0-0	0-0
Pass Attempts-Completions-Had Intercepted	11 - 6 - 0	31 - 21 - 1
Punts-Number and Average	3 - 48.3	2 - 43.5
Penalties-Number and Yards	5 - 31	0 - 0
Fumbles-Number and Lost	0 - 0	0 - 0
Red Zone Efficiency	1-2-50%	2-3-67%
Average Drive Start	OAK 20	MIN 31

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RUSHING			ATT	YDS	AVO	3	LG	TD	RUSHING			ATT	YDS	AVO	G	LG	TD
L.Murray			4	20	5.0	0	9	1	J.McKinnon			12	25	2.	1	8	0
T.Jones			2	12	6.	0	10	0	M.Asiata			2	15	7.	5	13	0
T.Richardson			4	6	1	5	7	0	T.Bridgewater			1	4	4.0	0	4	0
S.Roberts			1	6	6.	0	6	0									
C.Ponder			2	3	1.	5	4	0									
M.Reece			1	2	2.	0	2	0									
Total			14	49	3.	5	10	1	Total			15	44	2.9	9	13	0
PASSING	ATT	СМР	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT	PASSING	ATT	СМР	YDS	SK/YD	TD	LG	IN	RT
D.Carr	8	4	78	0/0	0	40	0	84.4	S.Hill	17	11	82	0/0	1	17	1	71.2
C.Ponder	3	2	36	0/0	0	39	0	107.6	T.Bridgewater	14	10	89	0/0	1	21	0	111.9
Total	11	6	114	0/0	0	40	0	90.7	Total	31	21	171	0/0	2	21	1	89.6
PASS RECEIVING		TAR	REC	YDS	AVO	3	LG	TD	PASS RECEIVING		TAR	REC	YDS	AVO	G	LG	TD
A.Cooper		2	1	40	40.0	0	40	0	C.Johnson		5	4	40	10.	0	14	1
S.Roberts		2	1	39	39.	0	39	0	C.Ford		5	4	16	4.0	0	6	1
M.Rivera		1	1	19	19.	0	19	0	M.Asiata		4	3	36	12.	0	17	0
M.Reece		2	1	12	12.	0	12	0	J.McKinnon		3	3	27	9.	0	21	0
K.Thompkins		2	1	7	7.0	0	7	0	A.Thielen		3	2	22	11.	0	15	0
G.Holmes		1	1	-3	-3.0	0	-3	0	C.Patterson		4	2	8	4.0	0	7	0
M.Crabtree		1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	R.Ellison		1	1	13	13.	0	13	0
									J.Wright		2	1	5	5.	0	5	0
									K.Rudolph		2	1	4	4.0	0	4	0
									M.Wallace		1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Total		11	6	114	19.	0	40	0	Total		30	21	171	8.	1	21	2

Oakland Raiders 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.Autry	3	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N.Allen	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
R.Armstrong	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Carrie	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	12	1	13	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Minnesota Vikings			R	egular	Defens	ive Pla	ays					S	pecial '	Team	ıs			Misc		
	TKL	AST	СОМВ	SK	/ YDS	TFL	QН	IN	PD	FF	FR	TKL	AST	FF	FR	BL	TKL	AST	FF	FR
S.Crichton	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.Newman	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L.Joseph	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C.Munnerlyn	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	7	4	11	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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OAK wins the coin toss and elects to defer. MIN elects to Receive, and OAK elects to defend the east goal.

(9:56) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass incomplete short left to A.Cooper.

S.Janikowski kicks 65 yards from OAK 35 to end zone, Touchback.

Minnesota	Vikinge	o t	15.00
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1	-10-MIN 20	(15:00) J.McKinnon right end to MIN 17 for -3 yards (K.Mack).	
2	2-13-MIN 17	(14:23) (Shotgun) J.McKinnon up the middle to MIN 21 for 4 yards (D.Williams).	
3	3-9-MIN 21	(13:45) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass incomplete deep middle to J.Wright [D.Autry].	
		PENALTY on OAK-D.Hayden, Illegal Contact, 5 yards, enforced at MIN 21 - No Play.	X1
1	-10-MIN 26	(13:38) T.Bridgewater pass short middle to C.Johnson to MIN 40 for 14 yards (N.Allen, D.Hayden).	P2
1	-10-MIN 40	(12:58) T.Bridgewater pass incomplete short middle to K.Rudolph.	
2	2-10-MIN 40	(12:52) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short middle to J.Wright to MIN 45 for 5 yards (M.Smith).	
3	3-5-MIN 45	(12:16) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short left to C.Johnson to 50 for 5 yards (T.Carrie).	Р3
1	-10-50	(11:37) J.McKinnon right tackle to OAK 46 for 4 yards (R.Lumpkin, D.Autry).	
2	2-6-OAK 46	(10:56) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass incomplete short left to M.Wallace.	
3	8-6-OAK 46	(10:52) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass incomplete short left to J.Wright.	
4	l-6-OAK 46	(10:46) (Punt formation) J.Locke punts 44 yards to OAK 2, Center-K.McDermott, downed by MIN-M.Sherels.	
Oak	land Raiders at 1	0:38	
1	-10-OAK 2	(10:38) PENALTY on OAK-G.Jackson, False Start, 1 yard, enforced at OAK 2 - No Play.	
1	-11-OAK 1	(10:38) L.Murray up the middle to OAK 4 for 3 yards (S.Crichton, L.Joseph).	
2	2-8-OAK 4	(10:00) D.Carr pass incomplete short right to M.Reece.	

#### Minnesota Vikings at 9:42

3-8-OAK 4

4-8-OAK 4

1-10-OAK 39	(9:42) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass incomplete deep right to C.Johnson [B.Mayowa].
2-10-OAK 39	(9:39) J.McKinnon up the middle to OAK 40 for -1 yards (D.Williams).
3-11-OAK 40	(9:04) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short left to J.McKinnon to OAK 35 for 5 yards (R.Armstrong, K.Mack).
4-6-OAK 35	(8:21) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short right to C.Johnson to OAK 24 for 11 yards (N.Allen).
<u>1-10-OAK 24</u>	(7:42) T.Bridgewater pass short middle to J.McKinnon to OAK 23 for 1 yard (C.Lofton).
2-9-OAK 23	(7:02) (Shotgun) J.McKinnon right guard to OAK 21 for 2 yards (B.Mayowa).
3-7-OAK 21	(6:24) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short middle to K.Rudolph to OAK 17 for 4 yards (R.Armstrong).
4-3-OAK 17	(5:48) (Field Goal formation) B.Walsh 35 yard field goal is No Good, Wide Right, Center-C.Loeffler, Holder-J.Locke.

P4

(9:52) (Punt formation) M.King punts 35 yards to OAK 39, Center-J.Condo, downed by OAK-M.Rivera.

#### Oakland Raiders at 5:46

1-10-OAK 25	(5:46) L.Murray left tackle to OAK 31 for 6 yards (C.Greenway).	
2-4-OAK 31	(5:16) L.Murray right tackle to OAK 40 for 9 yards (L.Joseph, R.Blanton).	R1
<u>1-10-OAK 40</u>	(4:38) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass short middle to M.Reece to MIN 48 for 12 yards (A.Barr).	P2
1-10-MIN 48 1-8-MIN 8	(4:00) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass deep right to A.Cooper pushed ob at MIN 8 for 40 yards (T.Newman). Minnesota challenged the pass completion ruling, and the play was Upheld. The ruling on the field stands. (Timeout #1.) (3:53) S.Roberts left end to MIN 2 for 6 yards (E.Kendricks, T.Newman).	P3
2-2-MIN 2	(3:26) (Shotgun) L.Murray up the middle for 2 yards, TOUCHDOWN.	R4
	TWO-POINT CONVERSION ATTEMPT. L.Murray rushes up the middle. ATTEMPT FAILS.	

OAK 6 MIN 0, 6 plays, 75 yards, 2:24 drive, 11:38 elapsed

S.Janikowski kicks 60 yards from OAK 35 to MIN 5, out of bounds.

Penalty on OAK-D.Penn, Offensive Holding, declined.

#### Minnesota Vikings at 3:22

1-10-MIN 40	(3:22) J.McKinnon up the middle to MIN 43 for 3 yards (D.Autry).	
2-7-MIN 43	(2:52) J.McKinnon left guard to MIN 47 for 4 yards (J.Ellis).	
3-3-MIN 47	(2:16) T.Bridgewater scrambles left end ran ob at OAK 49 for 4 yards.	R5
<u>1-10-OAK 49</u>	(1:49) J.McKinnon left guard to OAK 46 for 3 yards (D.Autry).	
2-7-OAK 46	(1:12) T.Bridgewater pass to R.Ellison to OAK 33 for 13 yards (D.Hayden).	P6
1-10-OAK 33	(:38) T.Bridgewater pass short left to J.McKinnon to OAK 12 for 21 vards (T.Carrie, B.Mayowa).	P7

END OF QUARTER		Time	Fi	irst D	owns		Effici	encies
	Score	Poss	R	P	$\mathbf{X}$	T	3 Down	4 Down
Oakland Raiders	6	3:20	2	2	0	4	0/1	0/0
Minnesota Vikings	0	11:40	1	5	1	7	2/5	1/1

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**P8** 

P9

P5

R10

R6

**P**7

Minnesota Vikings continued.

1-10-OAK 12 (15:00) J.McKinnon right end to OAK 10 for 2 yards (M.Smith, B.Mayowa).

2-8-OAK 10 (14:19) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short right to C.Johnson for 10 yards, TOUCHDOWN.

(Kick formation) B.Walsh extra point is No Good, Wide Right, Center-K.McDermott, Holder-J.Locke.

#### OAK 6 MIN 6, 8 plays, 60 yards, 4:08 drive, 0:46 elapsed

B. Walsh kicks 56 yards from MIN 35 to OAK 9. T.Richardson to OAK 20 for 11 yards (Z.Line).

#### Oakland Raiders at 14:14, (1st play from scrimmage 14:10)

1-10-OAK 20 (14:10) T.Richardson left guard to OAK 21 for 1 yard (E.Griffen).

2-9-OAK 21 (13:33) D.Carr pass incomplete short right to M.Crabtree (A.Barr).

3-9-OAK 21 (13:30) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass short right to K.Thompkins to OAK 28 for 7 yards (T.Newman).

4-2-OAK 28 (12:47) (Punt formation) M.King punts 45 yards to MIN 27, Center-J.Condo. M.Sherels to MIN 27 for no gain (C.Chekwa).

#### Minnesota Vikings at 12:39

1-10-MIN 27 (12:39) J.McKinnon right end to MIN 27 for no gain (D.Williams).

2-10-MIN 27 (12:05) J.McKinnon left guard to MIN 35 for 8 yards (N.Allen).

3-2-MIN 35 (11:25) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short right to C.Ford pushed ob at MIN 41 for 6 yards (R.Armstrong).

1-10-MIN 41 (10:57) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass incomplete short right to C.Patterson.

2-10-MIN 41 (10:53) J.McKinnon right tackle to MIN 40 for -1 yards (D.Autry).

3-11-MIN 40 (10:13) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short left to C.Patterson to MIN 41 for 1 yard (C.Lofton).

Penalty on MIN-M.Harris, Illegal Use of Hands, declined.

4-10-MIN 41 (9:52) (Punt formation) J.Locke punts 43 yards to OAK 16, Center-C.Loeffler, downed by MIN-M.Mauti.

#### Oakland Raiders at 9:43

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·10-OAK 16	(9:43) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass short right to M.Rivera to OAK 35 for 19 yards (E.Robinson)

1-10-OAK 35 (9:19) PENALTY on OAK-R.Hudson, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at OAK 35 - No Play.

1-15-OAK 30 (9:08) T.Richardson up the middle to OAK 33 for 3 yards (G.Hodges, S.Crichton).

2-12-OAK 33 (8:31) (Shotgun) M.Reece left guard to OAK 35 for 2 yards (S.Floyd, L.Joseph).

3-10-OAK 35 (7:51) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass incomplete deep right to S.Roberts.

4-10-OAK 35 (7:44) (Punt formation) M.King punts 65 yards to end zone, Center-J.Condo, Touchback.

#### Minnesota Vikings at 7:35

1-10-MIN 20	(7:35) (Shotgun) M.Asiata left end to MIN 33 for 13	yards (T.Carrie).
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1-10-MIN 33 (7:07) M.Asiata right tackle to MIN 35 for 2 yards (C.Lofton).

2-8-MIN 35 (6:36) Play suspended due to Lightning

(Shotgun) S.Hill pass incomplete short right to C.Ford.

Penalty on MIN-B.Peters, Offensive Holding, offsetting, enforced at MIN 35 - No Play.

Penalty on OAK-H.Miller, Unnecessary Roughness, offsetting.

2-8-MIN 35 (6:30) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass deep right intended for C.Patterson INTERCEPTED by J.Dowling at OAK 38. J.Dowling ran ob at OAK 38 for no

gain.
Oakland Raiders at 6:25

1-10-OAK 38 (6:25) T.Jones right end to OAK 40 for 2 yards (S.Crichton).

2-8-OAK 40 (5:49) (Shotgun) T.Jones right end to 50 for 10 yards (A.Sendejo).

1-10-50 (5:11) T.Richardson up the middle to OAK 45 for -5 yards (E.Robinson).

2-15-OAK 45 (4:30) (Shotgun) T.Richardson right tackle to MIN 48 for 7 yards (T.Johnson, J.Trattou).

3-8-MIN 48 (3:51) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short middle to S.Roberts pushed ob at MIN 9 for 39 yards (S.Prater).

1-9-MIN 9 (3:43) (Shotgun) C.Ponder left end to MIN 5 for 4 yards (C.Munnerlyn).

2-5-MIN 5 (3:00) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short right to G.Holmes to MIN 8 for -3 yards (C.Munnerlyn).

3-8-MIN 8 (2:18) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass incomplete short right to K.Thompkins.

4-8-MIN 8 (2:11) (Field Goal formation) G.Tavecchio 26 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-J.Condo, Holder-S.Clark.

#### OAK 9 MIN 6, 9 plays, 54 yards, 4:18 drive, 12:53 elapsed

G.Tavecchio kicks 65 yards from OAK 35 to end zone, Touchback.

#### Minnesota Vikings at 2:07

 $1\text{-}10\text{-}MIN\ 20 \qquad \qquad (2\text{:}07)\ (Shotgun)\ S. Hill\ pass\ short\ right\ to\ C. Ford\ to\ MIN\ 24\ for\ 4\ yards\ (G. Wilkins).$ 

#### Two-Minute Warning

2-6-MIN 24 (2:00) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass incomplete short left to C.Patterson [M.Edwards].

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	PENALTY on OAK-B.Ross, Defensive Holding, 5 yards, enforced at MIN 24 - No Play.	X11
<u>1-10-MIN 29</u>	(1:56) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short middle to M.Asiata to MIN 39 for 10 yards (S.Edwards) [M.Edwards].	P12
<u>1-10-MIN 39</u>	(1:32) (No Huddle, Shotgun) S.Hill pass incomplete short right to A.Thielen [N.Ball].	
2-10-MIN 39	(1:29) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short right to A.Thielen to MIN 46 for 7 yards (D.McDonald).	
	Timeout #2 by MIN at 01:20.	
3-3-MIN 46	(1:20) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short middle to C.Patterson to OAK 47 for 7 yards (D.McDonald).	P13
<u>1-10-OAK 47</u>	(:56) (No Huddle, Shotgun) S.Hill pass short right to C.Ford pushed ob at OAK 45 for 2 yards (S.Edwards).	
2-8-OAK 45	(:50) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass incomplete deep right to C.Ford.	
3-8-OAK 45	(:46) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short right to M.Asiata to OAK 36 for 9 yards (G.Wilkins).	P14
	Timeout #3 by MIN at 00:38.	
<u>1-10-OAK 36</u>	(:38) S.Hill pass short left to M.Asiata to OAK 19 for 17 yards (B.Heeney).	P15
<u>1-10-OAK 19</u>	(:20) (No Huddle) S.Hill spiked the ball to stop the clock.	
2-10-OAK 19	(:19) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass incomplete short left to M.Asiata.	
3-10-OAK 19	(:16) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short right to A.Thielen pushed ob at OAK 4 for 15 yards (D.McDonald).	P16
<u>1-4-OAK 4</u>	(:11) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short middle to C.Ford for 4 yards, TOUCHDOWN.	P17
	PENALTY on OAK-B.Ross, Unnecessary Roughness, 15 yards, enforced between downs.	
	(Kick formation) B.Walsh extra point is GOOD, Center-C.Loeffler, Holder-J.Locke.	

OAK 9 MIN 13, 13 plays, 80 yards, 1 penalty, 1:59 drive, 14:52 elapsed

B.Walsh kicks 50 yards from 50 to end zone, Touchback.

#### Oakland Raiders at 0:08

1-10-OAK 20 (:08) (Run formation) C.Ponder kneels to OAK 19 for -1 yards.

END OF QUARTER		Time First Downs					Efficiencies		
	Score	Poss	R	P	$\mathbf{X}$	T	3 Down	4 Down	
Oakland Raiders	9	8:09	1	2	0	3	1/4	0/0	
Minnesota Vikings	13	6:51	1	8	1	10	4/5	0/0	

**Third Quarter** Play By Play 8/22/2015

OAK elects to Receive, and MIN elects to defend the goal.

B.Walsh kicks 65 yards from MIN 35 to end zone, Touchback.

#### Oakland Raiders at 15:00

1-10-OAK 20 (15:00) T.Richardson right end to OAK 19 for -1 yards (B.Watts).	
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2-11-OAK 19 (14:25) C.Ponder pass short left to B.Butler to OAK 32 for 13 yards (A.Sendejo).

1-10-OAK 32 (13:45) (Shotgun) M.Dyer up the middle to OAK 38 for 6 yards (S.Prater).

2-4-OAK 38 (13:12) (Shotgun) M.Dyer right tackle to OAK 44 for 6 yards (A.Harris, T.Johnson).

1-10-OAK 44 (12:29) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short right to B.Butler to MIN 48 for 8 yards (T.Waynes).

2-2-MIN 48 (11:54) M.Dyer right end to MIN 47 for 1 yard (S.Prater).

3-1-MIN 47 (11:13) M.Dyer left tackle to MIN 42 for 5 yards (G.Hodges).

1-10-MIN 42 (10:37) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short left to G.Atkinson to MIN 42 for no gain (J.Price).

2-10-MIN 42 (10:00) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass incomplete to G.Atkinson (J.Trattou).

3-10-MIN 42 (9:57) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short left to K.Thompkins to MIN 35 for 7 yards (A.Sendejo, B.Watts).

4-3-MIN 35 (9:15) (Shotgun) C.Ponder sacked at MIN 36 for -1 yards (J.Trattou).

#### Minnesota Vikings at 9:09

1-10-MIN 36	(9:09) (Shotgun) T.Heinicke	pass incomplete short	left to S.Diggs (S.Harris).
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2-10-MIN 36 (9:06) D. Williams right guard to MIN 36 for no gain (N.Ball, B.Heeney).

(8:24) (Shotgun) T.Heinicke sacked at MIN 28 for -8 yards (sack split by B.Heeney and M.Edwards). FUMBLES (B.Heeney), RECOVERED by 3-10-MIN 36

OAK-S.Harris at MIN 29. S.Harris to MIN 29 for no gain (Z.Kerin).

#### Oakland Raiders at 8:06

1-10-MIN 29	(8:06) (Shotgun) M.Dyer left end to	MIN 25 for 4 yards (J.Trattou).

2-6-MIN 25 (7:44) (Shotgun) M.Dyer up the middle to MIN 21 for 4 yards (C.Anunoby).

3-2-MIN 21 (7:09) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short left to B.Butler to MIN 16 for 5 yards (J.Price). P11

1-10-MIN 16 (6:34) (Shotgun) PENALTY on OAK-T.Bergstrom, False Start, 5 yards, enforced at MIN 16 - No Play.

1-15-MIN 21 (6:19) (Shotgun) M.Dyer left guard to MIN 19 for 2 yards (G.Hodges, A.Harris).

2-13-MIN 19 (5:40) C.Ponder pass incomplete short right to K.Thompkins (T.Waynes).

3-13-MIN 19 (5:35) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass incomplete short left to M.Dyer.

4-13-MIN 19 (5:30) G.Tavecchio 37 yard field goal is GOOD, Center-J.Condo, Holder-S.Clark.

#### OAK 12 MIN 13, 7 plays, 10 yards, 2:41 drive, 9:35 elapsed

G.Tavecchio kicks 73 yards from OAK 35 to MIN -8. M.Sherels to MIN 41 for 49 yards (G.Atkinson).

PENALTY on OAK-G. Wilkins, Offensive Offside, 5 yards, enforced at MIN 41.

#### Minnesota Vikings at 5:25, (1st play from scrimmage 5:16)

(5:16) D.Williams right end to MIN 49 for 3 yards (B.Ross, S.McGee). 1-10-MIN 46

2-7-MIN 49 (4:38) D. Williams left tackle to MIN 49 for no gain (B.Ross, B.Heeney).

3-7-MIN 49 (3:58) (Shotgun) T.Heinicke pass incomplete short right to S.Diggs (S.Edwards) [N.Ball].

4-7-MIN 49 (3:51) J.Locke punts 39 yards to OAK 12, Center-K.McDermott, fair catch by T.Holliday.

#### Oakland Raiders at 3:46

1-10-OAK 12 (3:46) (Shotgun) M.McGloin pass intended for R.Streater INTERCEPTED by B.Peters at OAK 22. B.Peters to OAK 1 for 21 yards (R.Streater).

#### Minnesota Vikings at 3:31

1-1-OAK 1 (3:31) D.Williams right guard to OAK 1 for no gain (H.Miller, S.McGee).

2-1-OAK 1 (2:50) T.Heinicke pass incomplete short right to B.Bostick.

3-1-OAK 1 (2:45) B.Renaud up the middle for 1 yard, TOUCHDOWN.

PENALTY on MIN-B.Aiyegbusi, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at OAK 15 - No Play.

B.Walsh extra point is GOOD, Center-K.McDermott, Holder-J.Locke.

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#### OAK 12 MIN 20, 3 plays, 1 yards, 0:49 drive, 12:18 elapsed

B.Walsh kicks 70 yards from MIN 35 to OAK -5. T.Holliday to OAK 18 for 23 yards (B.Peters).

#### Oakland Raiders at 2:42, (1st play from scrimmage 2:37)

1-10-OAK 18	(2:37) (Shotgun)	M.Dyer right end to	OAK 22 for 4 y	yards (S.Crichton, D.Hunter).
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2-6-OAK 22 (2:02) M.McGloin pass short left to R.Streater ran ob at OAK 28 for 6 yards.

1-10-OAK 28 (1:37) M.Dyer up the middle to OAK 35 for 7 yards (D.Hunter). P12

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P8

R10

2-3-OAK 35 (:56) G.Atkinson up the middle to OAK 41 for 6 yards (B.Peters).

1-10-OAK 41 (:16) G.Atkinson up the middle to OAK 49 for 8 yards (J.Thomas).

END OF QUARTER		Time	First Downs				Efficiencies		
	Score	Poss	R	P	$\mathbf{X}$	T	3 Down	4 Down	
Oakland Raiders	12	11:29	3	3	0	6	2/4	0/1	
Minnesota Vikings	20	3:31	1	0	0	1	1/3	0/0	

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Play By Play Oakland Raiders co.	Fourth Quarter	8/22/2015
2-2-OAK 49	(15:00) M.Dyer left guard to 50 for 1 yard (C.Anunoby).	
3-1-50	(15:00) M.Dyer right guard to MIN 48 for 2 yards (A.Harris).	R14
<u>1-10-MIN 48</u>	(13:32) M.McGloin pass incomplete deep right to S.Roberts.	
2-10-MIN 48	(13:32) (Shotgun) G.Atkinson left end to MIN 39 for 9 yards (A.Harris).	
	PENALTY on OAK-T.Bergstrom, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at MIN 48 - No Play.	
2-20-OAK 42	(13:06) (Shotgun) M.McGloin pass short right to K.Durham to OAK 43 for 1 yard (J.Thomas).	
3-19-OAK 43	(12:27) (Shotgun) M.McGloin pass short middle to G.Atkinson to 50 for 7 yards (B.Dubose).	
4-12-50	(11:44) (Punt formation) S.Clark punts 50 yards to end zone, Center-J.Condo, Touchback.	
	PENALTY on OAK, Illegal Formation, 5 yards, enforced at MIN 20.	
Minnesota Vikings	at 11:34	
1-10-MIN 25	(11:34) (Shotgun) T.Heinicke pass incomplete deep left to S.Diggs.	
	PENALTY on OAK-S.Edwards, Defensive Pass Interference, 20 yards, enforced at MIN 25 - No Play.	X19
1-10-MIN 45	(11:30) (Shotgun) D.Harris right tackle to OAK 49 for 6 yards (B.Heeney).	
2-4-OAK 49	(10:55) (Shotgun) D.Harris left guard to OAK 42 for 7 yards (B.Heeney, T.McDonald).	R20
1-10-OAK 42	(10:18) (Shotgun) T.Heinicke pass incomplete deep left to S.Diggs.	
2-10-OAK 42	(10:11) (Shotgun) D.Harris right guard to OAK 38 for 4 yards (S.McGee, B.Heeney).	
3-6-OAK 38	(9:32) (Shotgun) D.Williams right end to OAK 29 for 9 yards (N.Ball).	R21
1-10-OAK 29	(8:54) (Shotgun) D.Harris left guard to OAK 25 for 4 yards (N.Ball).	
2-6-OAK 25	(8:18) (Shotgun) T.Heinicke scrambles right end ran ob at OAK 21 for 4 yards.	
3-2-OAK 21	(7:49) (Shotgun) D.Williams left guard to OAK 20 for 1 yard (J.Dowling; L.Orr).	
4-1-OAK 20	(7:05) (Field Goal formation) B.Walsh 38 yard field goal is No Good, Wide Left, Center-C.Loeffler, Holder-J.Locke.	
Oakland Raiders a	t 7:01	
1-10-OAK 28	(7:01) M.Dyer up the middle to OAK 31 for 3 yards (J.Thomas).	
2-7-OAK 31	(6:28) (Shotgun) M.McGloin scrambles left tackle to OAK 33 for 2 yards.	
	PENALTY on OAK-A.Morris, Face Mask (15 Yards), 15 yards, enforced at OAK 31 - No Play.	
2-22-OAK 16	(6:03) M.McGloin pass to J.Harper to OAK 23 for 7 yards (J.Thomas).	
3-15-OAK 23	(5:26) M.McGloin pass short middle to M.Dyer to OAK 22 for -1 yards (J.Thomas).	
4-16-OAK 22	(4:43) S.Clark punts 57 yards to MIN 21, Center-J.Condo. S.Diggs pushed ob at 50 for 29 yards (M.Valles).	
	PENALTY on OAK, Ineligible Downfield Kick, 5 yards, enforced at 50.	
Minnesota Vikings	at 4:28	
1-10-OAK 45	(4:28) B.Renaud up the middle to OAK 43 for 2 yards (H.Miller).	
2-8-OAK 43	(3:44) M.Kafka pass short left to C.Ford to OAK 40 for 3 yards (H.Miller, N.Ball).	
3-5-OAK 40	(2:57) (Shotgun) M.Kafka pass short right to D.Daniels to OAK 34 for 6 yards (J.Dockery).	P22
<u>1-10-OAK 34</u>	(2:14) (Shotgun) D.Harris up the middle to OAK 32 for 2 yards (M.Valles, H.Miller).	
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2-8-OAK 32	(2:00) (Shotgun) J.Banyard up the middle to OAK 31 for 1 yard (M.Valles, H.Miller).	
3-7-OAK 31	(1:17) (Shotgun) J.Banyard left guard to OAK 31 for no gain (L.Orr).	
	Timeout #1 by OAK at 01:17.	
4-7-OAK 31	(1:12) (Field Goal formation) B.Walsh 49 yard field goal is No Good, Wide Right, Center-K.McDermott, Holder-J.Locke.	
Oakland Raiders a	ıt 1:07	
1-10-OAK 39	(1:07) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo pass incomplete short right to D.Wylie.	
2-10-OAK 39	(1:00) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo pass incomplete short right to D.Wylie.	
3-10-OAK 39	(:57) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo pass short right to D.Wylie pushed ob at 50 for 11 yards (J.Thomas).	P15
<u>1-10-50</u>	(:52) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo scrambles left end ran ob at MIN 48 for 2 yards.	
	PENALTY on OAK-M.Bell, Offensive Holding, 10 yards, enforced at MIN 48.	
1-18-OAK 42	(:45) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo sacked at OAK 34 for -8 yards (M.Mauti).	
2-26-OAK 34	(:28) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo scrambles left end ran ob at OAK 45 for 11 yards.	
3-15-OAK 45	(:21) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo pass short right intended for G.Atkinson INTERCEPTED by J.Thomas at MIN 49. J.Thomas to 50 for 1 yard (G.Atkinson).	
Minnesota Vikings	at v.1v	

1-10-50 (:16) (Run formation) M.Kafka kneels to MIN 49 for -1 yards.

END OF QUARTER		Time	First Downs				Efficiencies		
	Score	Poss	R	P	X	T	3 Down	4 Down	
Oakland Raiders	12	6:50	1	1	0	2	2/5	0/0	
Minnesota Vikings	20	8:10	2	1	1	4	2/4	0/0	

## **Miscellaneous Statistics Report**

#### Oakland Raiders vs Minnesota Vikings 8/22/2015 at TCF Bank Stadium

#### **Ten Longest Plays for Oakland Raiders**

Yards	Qtr	Play Start	Play Description
40	1	1-10-MIN 48	(4:00) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass deep right to A.Cooper pushed ob at MIN 8 for 40 yards (T.Newman). Minnesota challenged the pass completion ruling, and the play was Upheld. The ruling on the field stands. (Timeout #1.)
39	2	3-8-MIN 48	(3:51) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short middle to S.Roberts pushed ob at MIN 9 for 39 yards (S.Prater).
19	2	1-10-OAK 16	(9:43) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass short right to M.Rivera to OAK 35 for 19 yards (E.Robinson).
13	3	2-11-OAK 19	(14:25) C.Ponder pass short left to B.Butler to OAK 32 for 13 yards (A.Sendejo).
12	1	1-10-OAK 40	(4:38) (Shotgun) D.Carr pass short middle to M.Reece to MIN 48 for 12 yards (A.Barr).
11	4	3-10-OAK 39	(:57) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo pass short right to D.Wylie pushed ob at 50 for 11 yards (J.Thomas).
11	4	2-26-OAK 34	(:28) (Shotgun) C.Fajardo scrambles left end ran ob at OAK 45 for 11 yards.
10	2	2-8-OAK 40	(5:49) (Shotgun) T.Jones right end to 50 for 10 yards (A.Sendejo).
9	1	2-4-OAK 31	(5:16) L.Murray right tackle to OAK 40 for 9 yards (L.Joseph, R.Blanton).
8	3	1-10-OAK 44	(12:29) (Shotgun) C.Ponder pass short right to B.Butler to MIN 48 for 8 yards (T.Waynes).

#### **Ten Longest Plays for Minnesota Vikings**

**Touchdown Scoring Information** 

MIN B.Walsh

Yards	Qtr	Play Start	Play Description
21	1	1-10-OAK 33	(:38) T.Bridgewater pass short left to J.McKinnon to OAK 12 for 21 yards (T.Carrie, B.Mayowa).
17	2	1-10-OAK 36	(:38) S.Hill pass short left to M.Asiata to OAK 19 for 17 yards (B.Heeney).
15	2	3-10-OAK 19	(:16) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short right to A.Thielen pushed ob at OAK 4 for 15 yards (D.McDonald).
14	1	1-10-MIN 26	(13:38) T.Bridgewater pass short middle to C.Johnson to MIN 40 for 14 yards (N.Allen, D.Hayden).
13	1	2-7-OAK 46	(1:12) T.Bridgewater pass to R.Ellison to OAK 33 for 13 yards (D.Hayden).
13	2	1-10-MIN 20	(7:35) (Shotgun) M.Asiata left end to MIN 33 for 13 yards (T.Carrie).
11	1	4-6-OAK 35	(8:21) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short right to C.Johnson to OAK 24 for 11 yards (N.Allen).
10	2	2-8-OAK 10	(14:19) (Shotgun) T.Bridgewater pass short right to C.Johnson for 10 yards, TOUCHDOWN.
10	2	1-10-MIN 29	(1:56) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short middle to M.Asiata to MIN 39 for 10 yards (S.Edwards) [M.Edwards].
9	2	3-8-OAK 45	(:46) (Shotgun) S.Hill pass short right to M.Asiata to OAK 36 for 9 yards (G.Wilkins).

VIS	ITOR	Oakland Raiders					1		0		0						
HOME		Minnesota Vikings					3		0		0						
Play	er Scoring In	formation															
Clui	o Player		TD	Rush TD	Rec KO	OTD	Punt In TD	t TD	Fum TD	Misc TD	FG	ХP	2Pt Rush	2Pt Rec	Sfty	Points	
OAK	L.Murray		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
OAK	G.Tavecchio		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	
MIN	B.Renaud		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
MIN	C.Johnson		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
MIN	C.Ford		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	

Offense

Defense Special Teams

Possession Detail	First H	alf	Second	Half	Game			
	Visitor	Home	Visitor	Home	Visitor	Home		
Largest Lead	6	4	0	8	6	8		
Drives Leading	0	0	0	6	0	6		
Time of Possession Leading	0:00	0:00	0:00	11:41	0:00	11:41		
Largest Deficit	-4	-6	-8	0	-8	-6		
Drives Trailing	1	2	6	0	7	2		
Time of Possession Trailing	0:08	6:07	18:19	0:00	18:27	6:07		
Times Score Tied Up		1		0		1		
Lead Changes		3		0		3		

## **Playtime Percentage**

Percent of playtime per player on offense, defense and special teams

Percent of playtime per player on offense, defense and special teams  Oakland Raiders  Minnesota Vikings															
Offense			Defense Special Teams			Offense Defense					Special Teams				
J Feliciano	G	39	57%			3		Z Kerin	С	41	55%			7	28%
A Howard	G	39	57%			2		A Shepherd	G	40	54%			5	20%
M McCants	Т	39	57%			2		J Berger	G	40	54%			2	8%
T Bergstrom	G	38	55%			2		D Yankey	G	33	45%			5	20%
K Barnes	G	37	54%					T Thompson	Т	33	45%			5	20%
R Streater	WR	35	51%			7	28%	T Clemmings	Т	33	45%			2	8%
K Thompkins	WR	33	48%			1		M Harris	Т	33	45%			2	8%
G Holmes	TE	28	41%			6		B Fusco	G	33	45%			2	8%
B Butler	WR	28	41%			2		M Kalil	Т	33	45%			2	8%
C Ponder	QB	27	39%					C Ford	TE	32	43%				
B Leonhardt	TE	26	38%			2	8%	J McKinnon	RB	31	42%				
M Dyer	RB	23	33%			6	24%		WR	29	39%			7	28%
L Smith	TE	20	29%			1	4%	T Bridgewater	QB	25	34%				
J Webb	Т	20	29%					C Johnson	WR	25	34%				
S Roberts	WR	19	28%			2	8%	B Bostick	TE	25	34%				
A Cooper	WR	19	28%					I Faciane	DT	25	34%				
D Carr	QB	19	28%					J Wright	WR	25	34%				
G Jackson	G	19	28%					K Rudolph	TE	24	32%				
R Hudson	С	19	28%					S Hill	QB	23	31%				
D Penn	T	19	28%					R Ellison	TE	22	30%			9	36%
M Watson	Т	19	28%					M Wallace	WR	22	30%				
G Atkinson	RB	17	25%			5	20%	C Patterson	WR	21	28%			2	8%
T Richardson	RB	15	22%			4	16%	T Heinicke	QB	18	24%				
K Durham	WR	15	22%			4	16%	M Asiata	RB	17	23%			6	24%
M McGloin	QB	15	22%					I Fruechte	WR	17	23%			2	8%
M Bell	G	13	19%					S Diggs	WR	14	19%			2	8%
M Rivera	TE		17%			4	16%	R Whalen	WR	14	19%			1	4%
M Reece	FB		16%			4	16%	D Williams	RB	13	18%			1	4%
D Kistler	T		16%			2	8%	D Harris	RB	10	14%				
Q Eatmon	T		16%			2	8%	B Vardaro	G	10	14%				
A Morris	T	11	16%					Z Line	FB	7	9%			6	24%
L Mady	G 		16%					T Farniok	С	7	9%			3	12%
L Murray	RB	9	13%					B Renaud	FB	7	9%				
J Harper	WR	9	13%					S Goodin	G	7	9%				
D Wylie	WR		12%					M Kafka	QB	7	9%				
M Crabtree	WR	8						D Daniels	WR	5	7%				
C Fajardo	QB		10%					J Banyard	RB	2	3%			7	28%
M Williams	WR		10%			4	160/	S Prater	СВ			50	71%	7	28%
T Jones J Dowling	CB FS	4	6%	37	51%	4 6	16% 24%	A Sendejo	FS			47	67%	11	44%
N Ball	rs LB				51% 49%	12	48%	S Crichton	DE			44	63%	8	32%
B Ross	SS				49% 45%	11		A Harris	DB			36	51%	3	12%
M Edwards	DE				45%	7	28%	C Anunoby	DT			36	51%	2	8%
N Allen	SS				45%	5	20%		DB			34	49%	- 7	28%
D Autry	DE				44%			J Trattou	DE			33	47%	17	68%
J ridd y	DL			22	1 1 /0	,	20 /0								

B Mayowa	DE	32	44%	4	16%	B Watts	LB	33	47%	10	40%
T Carrie	CB	32	44%	2	8%	J Price	СВ	27	39%	7	28%
M Smith	LB	31	42%	3	12%	G Hodges	LB	26	37%	1	4%
B Heeney	LB	30	41%	13	52%	J Thomas	СВ	23	33%	6	24%
S Edwards	СВ	30	41%	10	40%	B Peters	LB	23	33%	5	20%
S McGee	DT	30	41%	4	16%	B Dubose	DE	23	33%	1	4%
G Wilkins	DE	29	40%	14	56%	T Johnson	DT	23	33%	1	4%
D Hayden	CB	29	40%	2	8%	D Van Dyke	СВ	22	31%	1	4%
S Harris	DE	28	38%	10	40%	D Hunter	DE	21	30%	14	56%
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R Lumpkin	DT	25	34%	5	20%	S Floyd	DT	19	27%	2	8%
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L Asante	FS	20	27%	5	20%	E Griffen	DE	19	27%		
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T McDonald	FS	16	22%	4	16%	T Newman	СВ	14	20%		
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# GAME RECAP CLIPS RAIDERS AT VIKINGS

#### **BAY AREA NEWS GROUP**

#### Raiders lose weather-interrupted exhibition to Vikings

By Jimmy Durkin August 22, 2015

MINNEAPOLIS -- Amari Cooper and Derek Carr flashed their big-play potential in a 20-12 exhibition loss to the Minnesota Vikings on Saturday that otherwise featured mixed results for the Raiders and an hour-plus weather delay.

"We did some good things, and some things need to be corrected," coach Jack Del Rio said. "It's similar, it doesn't feel as good as last week, but it's similar."

After getting flagged for just two penalties in the previous week's exhibition opener, an 18-3 win over the St. Louis Rams, the Raiders were hit 13 times for 106 penalty yards.

There were three false starts and two illegal formation penalties, but Del Rio also thought his team might have been targeted a little.

"It seemed that extra guy in the backfield seemed to be finding our guys in the backfield a lot and never theirs," Del Rio said. "It seemed a little out of whack."

The Raiders started the game out of whack, with an ugly three-and-out. But their touchdown drive on the second possession highlighted their potential offensive strength.

Cooper blew past one-on-one coverage from Minnesota cornerback Terence Newman and hauled in a 40-yard reception from Carr.

"Amari did a great job of setting it up," Carr said. "The guy is smart beyond his years when it comes to route-running."

That was Oakland's longest play of the day, and the drive was capped by 2-yard touchdown run from Latavius Murray.

"We have some explosive qualities," Del Rio said of the offense. "I think Derek throws a great deep ball. We've got some guys that can get behind people. We've got backs with some juice that can take some running room and turn it into a big gain for us."

Cornerback DJ Hayden had a rough night. The former first-round pick negated a third-down stop on the opening possession with an illegal contact penalty, then was beat for a 14-yard reception a play later. Oakland's defense eventually held and forced a punt.

Minnesota's Teddy Bridgewater and Charles Johnson kept picking on Hayden on the next possession and beat him to convert on a fourth-down pass play. Vikings kicker Blair Walsh missed a 35-yard field goal attempt wide right to prevent any damage.

Minnesota got in the end zone on its next possession, again going right after Hayden. Bridgewater lifted a perfect pass to Johnson in the end zone. It would've been a tough play regardless for Hayden, but he never looked back for the ball.

"I think he was OK on that, not great," Del Rio said of the touchdown play. "The third down was tough earlier when we had a contact foul. We just want to play smart with leverage. ... That was one he'll grow from."

1 The score was tied at 6-6 with 6:45 left in the second quarter when a flash of lightning struck and a storm that had been expected covered the area. The stands were evacuated, and players retreated to their locker rooms. Play resumed after a one-hour, five-minute delay.

The Raiders still had some of their defensive starters in the game when play was halted, but they moved entirely to reserves after the resumption.

On the second play back, Vikings backup Shaun Hill threw a pass with no one in the area, and Raiders safety Jonathan Dowling chased it down for an interception.

Christian Ponder had a solid first drive as Oakland moved down for a 26-yard field goal by Giorgio Tevecchio.

Ponder also participated in another field goal drive to conclude his night, but his effort was marred by a couple of near interceptions and a fourth-down sack on which he was indecisive and finally taken down as he tried to run.

Third-string quarterback Matt McGloin, who was nearly perfect against St. Louis, was picked off on his first pass attempt. He was pressured and hit as he threw, but it was an ill-advised target regardless and easily picked off. That set up a 1-yard touchdown run by former De La Salle High star Blake Renaud.

Raiders defensive end Shelby Harris nearly had the play of the night. He burst in to blow up a screen pass and knocked down the throw, which he nearly intercepted. Had he done so, he had an opening for a possible return for a touchdown.

Two plays later, Mario Edwards Jr. and Ben Heeney teamed up for a strip sack, and Harris recovered the fumble.

- Undrafted rookie Michael Dyer led the Raiders with 45 rushing yards on 12 carries and had the look of a much better roster option than Trent Richardson, who gained just 5 yards on his five carries.
- Heeney led the team again with seven tackles, plus his half sack.

### SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

## **Raiders fall to Vikings in exhibition**By Vic Tafur

August 22, 2015

MINNEAPOLIS — Fans couldn't sit in the stands an hour before kickoff Saturday, due to lightning warnings. Then, when the storm hit harder in the second quarter, they were forced to take cover on the concourse while the game was halted for an hour and five minutes.

The Raiders then came back onto the field and got the necessary preseason work in, with the negatives washing out the pluses in the 20-12 loss to the Vikings at TCF Bank Stadium.

"It doesn't feel as good, but it's similar to last week," said coachJack Del Rio, whose team falls to 1-1 in the preseason. "There was some growth, and there were some areas that we're going to need to get better. It's that time of year. You're going to like some of it and not like some of it."

Starting cornerback DJ Hayden struggled mightily, and the lack of pass rush didn't help him as Vikings quarterback Teddy Bridgewater picked apart the Raiders' defense. The conditions seemed to bother Derek Carr more, as the Oakland quarterback missed on several throws.

Carr did complete a 40-yard pass down the sideline to first-round pick Amari Cooper, and running back Latavius Murray looked good for a second straight week, with four carries for 20 yards and a touchdown.

Second-year receiver Seth Roberts continued to make a name for himself on a very crowded depth chart at the receiver position. While he couldn't pull down a deep pass from Carr, getting his outstretched hand on a pass that sailed toward the sideline slightly, Roberts did make a big play after the rain delay.

He came open coming across the field and showed his speed, taking Christian Ponder's pass and getting to and down the sideline for 39 yards. Roberts also had a 6-yard end-around earlier to set up Murray's score.

Roberts' catch set up a field goal that put the Raiders up 9-6, but former 49ers quarterback Shaun Hill dinked and dunked the Vikings quickly down the field before halftime. He found tight end Chase Ford for a 4-yard touchdown to cap an 80-yard, 13-play drive.

Because of the rain delay, halftime was essentially canceled. Teams took a four-minute break after completing the last 6:36 of the second quarter, then started the third quarter.

Hill had treated rookie cornerback Dexter McDonald and the rest of the secondary about as rudely as Bridgewater did Hayden at the start of the game.

Hayden, the team's first-round pick in 2013, let the Vikings off the hook when he was called for illegal contact on a 3rd-and-9 incomplete pass. On the next play, he was beaten by Charles Johnson for a 14-yard catch.

On Minnesota's next possession, Bridgewater went for it on 4th-and-6, and everyone knew where the ball was going. Hayden wasn't close to stopping Johnson from making an 11-yard catch.

Then, on the second play of the second quarter, Johnson made a 10-yard over-the-shoulder touchdown catch. It was a pretty pass, but Hayden didn't even turn around.

"That touchdown, that's just being a corner — they are going to score some touchdowns," Del Rio said. "He was OK on that, not great. The third-down play earlier was tough. It was a contact foul that he will grow from."

Hayden and the secondary didn't get a lot of help from the pass rush. Later, though, the second- and third-team defensive linemen put some pressure on Vikings quarterbacks Hill and Taylor Heinicke. Mario Edwards played well, forcing a fumble on a sack, and Shelby Harris had a deflected pass that he would have been able to run back for a touchdown had he pulled it in.

The defense, though, couldn't stop the Vikings from punching in a 1-yard touchdown after Matt McGloin's illadvised pass resulted in an interception late in the third quarter.

3 of note

Amari Cooper: The first-round pick flashed his big-play ability, catching a 40-yard pass down the sideline and staying in bounds. He had only two targets before calling it a night.

Michael Dyer: He looks to have moved ahead of Trent Richardson for the No. 2 RB role. Dyer, an undrafted free agent, had 45 yards on 12 carries, and Richardson gained 5 yards on five carries.

Mario Edwards: The second-round pick bounced back from an ugly first game with consistent pressure and forced a fumble on a sack he shared with rookie LB Ben Heeney.

#### **CSN BAY AREA**

**Instant Replay: Raiders lack consistency in loss to Vikings** 

By Scott Bair August 22, 2015

MINNEAPOLIS — The Raiders spent a strange Saturday night in Minnesota. Their exhibition game against the Vikings was interrupted over an hour by a nearby lightning storm. Heavy rain started and stopped several times, with segments of the crowd leaving at each interval.

The Vikings left the soggy, three-hour and 58-minute affair with a 20-12 victory at TCF Bank Stadium. The Raiders were as inconsistent as the rain.

Head coach Jack Del Rio's team wasn't as crisp as a week ago, with an uneven performance before and after the unscheduled weather break. It wasn't due to the conditions.

They played good football and bad, with the type of fluctuation Del Rio has been trying to coach out of them the past few weeks.

The first-unit offense exemplified such contrast. It went three-and-out on its first and third series, sandwiching a six-play, 75-yard touchdown drive showing this upgraded starting unit's true potential when operating well.

Quarterback Derek Carr completed a 40-yard bomb to speedy first-rounder Amari Cooper. Running back Latavius Murray carved through the defense and scored from two yards out.

Carr was 4-for-8 for 78 yards in four series, three of which ended in a punt.

The starting defense was stout against the run, but the secondary struggled as DJ Hayden got picked on by Vikings quarterback Teddy Bridgewater. Charles Woodson barely played. Khalil Mack wasn't around long, but was dominant in his cameo.

The second-unit defense continues to perform well. Second-round draft pick Mario Edwards Jr. played a much better at defensive end than he did last week against St. Louis, and had a forced fumble to show for it. Fellow lineman Shelby Harris recovered that ball, and was in the backfield on several occasions.

Rookie middle linebacker Ben Heeney continued to impress with solid play leading the second-string defense.

Michael Dyer and Trent Richardson are locked in a battle to be Murray's backup, and Dyer seems to be gaining some momentum.

The coverage teams allowed a few big returns and Marquette King let loose a short punt. The Raiders were penalized a whopping 14 times after generating two flags in the preseason opener.

There will be plenty to applaud on this game tape, with plenty to critique and work on in coming weeks.

Work stoppage: Lightning forced players off the field with 6 minutes, 45 seconds left in the first half. Play was officially suspended at 8:09 p.m., CDT with roughly an hour weather delay while rain dumped on the stadium and lightning struck nearby.

Fans were herded to the concourse and shelter locations near the stadium for nearly an hour, but were allowed to re-enter the stadium bowl at 9:05 p.m. CDT. Players took the field at the same time.

Officials resumed the game where it left off at 9:15 p.m., after a 10-minute warm-up period. There was no halftime break. They had a four-minute break before starting the third quarter.

Most starters did not return to the game, getting roughly a quarter-and-a-half's worth of work.

Murray efficient, explosive yet again: Raiders top running back Latavius Murray played the first quarter of Saturday's game, flashed his potential and then was removed from the game no worse for the wear.

He played three series, including two three-and-outs. He showed excellent burst and decision making on the second drive, which ended with his two-yard touchdown run, facilitated by an excellent block by tackle Menelik Watson.

He finished with 20 yards and a touchdown on four carries. Murray has 10 carries for 55 yards in two preseason games, for a 5.5-yard average.

Ponder gets booed: As he predicted, backup quarterback Christian Ponder got booed upon taking the field in his return to Minnesota. The Vikings' No. 12 overall pick in 2011 started his career well, but lost his job after two seasons and was allowed to leave in free agency. The crowd's displeasure was short-lived, and Ponder responded well with a nine-play drive that ended in a field goal.

He nearly through a couple interceptions to defensive linemen, but made it out of Minnesota without turning the ball over.

Hayden struggles: DJ Hayden started a cornerback for the second time in as many preseason games, but was picked on early by Vikings quarterback Teddy Bridgewater.

He prevented a three-and-out on the opening drive with an illegal contact penalty. He kept the next drive going again by allowing an 11-yard pass on fourth-and-six. He gave up a 13-yard pass on the third Vikings series, which ended on a touchdown pass to Charles Johnson with Hayden covering.

Injury update: Safety Larry Asante got hurt at the end of the first quarter on a collision with Minnesota tight end Rhett Ellison.

He lay on the turf for an extended period, but eventually left under his own power. Asante returned on the next defensive series.

No other Raiders were tended to on the field of play, though there could be lingering injuries from Saturday's effort that will be uncovered in coming days.

Head coach Jack Del Rio doesn't discuss injuries during the preseason.

Sitting it out: Previously injured Raiders did not suit up for Saturday night's game. That list includes receiver Andre Holmes, running back Roy Helu Jr., fullback Jamize Olawale, linebacker Sio Moore and tight end Clive Walford. Cornerback Keith McGill, out the two previous practice days, was not on the list but did not play.

What's next: The Raider head home in the wee hours of Sunday morning. They'll conduct a walk thru on Sunday, have Monday off and continue preseason work from their Alameda training facility.

#### **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Vikings rally after storm delay, top Raiders 20-12

By Dave Campbell August 23, 2015

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Charles Johnson and Chase Ford each caught touchdown passes in the second quarter for the Minnesota Vikings, who came back from an hour-plus weather delay to defeat the Oakland Raiders 20-12 on Saturday.

Teddy Bridgewater finished 10 for 14 for 89 yards, including the crisp 10-yard throw into Johnson's outstretched hands in close coverage to finish the third drive by Minnesota's starters. In three exhibition games, Bridgewater is 22 for 28 for 219 yards and no turnovers. Some of his early passes sailed high, but he settled in and again found a rhythm with his receivers.

Johnson had four catches for 40 yards.

"He's a huge threat, a guy that size (6-foot-2, 217) who can run," Bridgewater said. "He's very physical also. We like to get him on mismatches, and we had one tonight and it ended up being a touchdown."

Derek Carr, the other member of the NFL's 2014 quarterback class who started to hit his stride in his first year on the job, completed half of his eight passes. But he had the throw of the night, a beautiful back-shoulder fade to rookie Amari Cooper for a 40-yard gain.

That set up a short touchdown run by Latavius Murray, who finished with 20 yards on four carries and is in line to be the featured back.

Observations from the game:

#### STORMY SKIES

The first wave of the thunderstorm interrupted pregame warmups, leaving the stadium strangely empty until about a half-hour prior to kickoff. The game began on time, but with 6:45 left in the second quarter lightning lit up the darkened sky, suspending play and sending everyone scurrying for cover. Fans were ordered to evacuate to the basketball and hockey arenas across the street on the University of Minnesota campus.

**RESTLESS LEG** 

Vikings kicker Blair Walsh, who got a four-year contract extension featuring \$5.25 million guaranteed last month, was reeling on the wet, windy night. His 35-yard field goal try in the first quarter went wide right, as did his extra point attempt from the same distance in the second quarter. He made his next two extra points, including a penalty-pushed 43-yard try. But then he pulled a 38-yard field goal attempt wide left and a 49-yard try wide right.

"I have to do better," Walsh said. "Preseason or regular season, that cannot happen and I know that."

#### PONDER CHUCKLES

Christian Ponder's return to Minnesota was met with some boos. He laughed them off.

"I was prepared for it so it didn't really affect me," said Ponder, who finished 7 for 11 for 69 yards and no turnovers in relief of Carr. "I made it kind of fun coming back. It was good to see a lot of the guys and reconnect with them."

Ponder, the 2011 first-round draft pick, lost the starting job in 2013 to Matt Cassel and eventually to Bridgewater.

#### FLAGS FLY

The Raiders were penalized 13 times for 106 yards.

"Clearly not the kind of clean performance we're looking for," Raiders coach Jack Del Rio said.

One of those flags was an illegal contact call on cornerback D.J. Hayden during a third-down incompletion, giving the Vikings a first down. Johnson caught most of his passes on Hayden, including the touchdown and an 11-yard gain on fourth-and-6 that prompted Hayden to hit his helmet with both hands in frustration.

#### **ROOKIE WATCH**

Raiders: Michael Dyer, undrafted out of Louisville, rushed 12 times for 45 yards.

Vikings: Eric Kendricks, in a three-way competition at middle linebacker, started with the first team.

#### VIKINGS TURNOVERS

Shaun Hill threw the touchdown pass to Ford, but was intercepted by Jonathan Dowling when Cordarrelle Patterson appeared to run the wrong route. Third-string quarterback Taylor Heinecke lost a fumble while being sacked by Ben Heeney and Mario Edwards.

#### HARD HIT

Ford had the catch of the night, a 4-yard pass over the middle he grabbed as Brandian Ross delivered a head-first, jarring hit that knocked the third-year tight end on his back. Ford hung on, and Ross got a 15-yard unnecessary roughness penalty for hitting a defenseless receiver.

#### **QUOTABLE**

Raiders: Carr, on Cooper: "The guy is smart beyond his years when it comes to route running."

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#### **HEAD COACH JACK DEL RIO**

#### **BAY AREA NEWS GROUP**

Del Rio to Raiders: Pride of Hayward comes home

By Daniel Brown January 14, 2015

Hayward High sits 10.1 miles from the Oakland Coliseum. If all is clear on I-880 North, the commute should take less than 15 minutes.

It took Jack Del Rio almost 34 years. But at long last, the East Bay native, whose father worshipped Raiders stars like Ken Stabler and John Matuszak, will be working for his home team.

The Raiders hired Del Rio, 51, on Wednesday to serve as their next head coach. Among the first to hear the news were Del Rio's old pals from Hayward High. Andy Miller, a friend since the fifth grade, said he got a text from Del Rio early Wednesday morning.

Miller declined to read the exact contents of the exchange but said the message was, essentially: I'm coming home and I'm proud to be leading the Silver & Black.

"It's almost impossible to believe. It's something I've been dreaming about since he got into coaching," Miller said. "To have him come home to the Raiders just boggles the mind."

Del Rio, who graduated in '81, was a three-sport star at Hayward High -- football, baseball and basketball -- and remains closely connected to the school. His former teammates include Don Wakamatsu, the Kansas City Royals bench coach and former Seattle Mariners manager, who said Wednesday that he was "thrilled for him. I think it's the perfect place."

Del Rio, previously a head coach with the Jacksonville Jaguars, is the second Hayward High graduate to coach in the NFL. Bill Walsh, a Hall of Famer with the 49ers, played running back at the school.

Wakamatsu, like others who knew Del Rio growing up, recall a player who was good at whatever sport he tried. But they stressed that Raiders fans should know their new coach has brains, too.

Miller, now an attorney in Pleasant Hill, remembered playing alongside the linebacker on the freshman football team. The coach had a "very simple defense," he said, so Del Rio sometimes shrugged off one of the three blitz packages being signaled from the sideline.

"Jack would look over at the coach and get the call and then he would ignore what the coach said and then call his own defense," Miller said. "That was as a freshman."

Around that same time, Miller said Del Rio would come over to his house sometimes and sit there drawing up X's and O's on binder paper. He's hoping he still has a few of those schemes in his boxes of childhood souvenirs.

Wakamatsu, who also grew up to coach at the Coliseum -- as the A's bench coach in 2008 -- said Del Rio "had a great feel for whatever game he played. That leads to where he is now. I think he understood defenses. He understood the bigger picture in whatever he did. It's no shock to me that he's doing all this now."

#### 'WE CAN BEAT ANYBODY'

Del Rio, who was born in Castro Valley, played 11 seasons as an NFL linebacker and made the Pro Bowl in 1994 while with the Minnesota Vikings. In his previous stint as a head coach, he went 68-71 (.489) for the Jacksonville Jaguars from 2003-11.

Along they way, friends say, he's demonstrated an attitude his father taught him in Little League. Jack Sr. -- even the other boys called him "Pops" -- was a Raiders fan who admired the way John Madden's teams embraced the underdog role.

"That's really where that mindset of, 'We can beat anybody' came from," said Jim Gurule, who was two years behind Del Rio at Hayward High and grew up to become a distinguished rugby coach. "That's very much from the Raiders days and the Super Bowls that they were winning at that time."

Del Rio remains so grateful to his Hayward High mentors that when he coached against the 49ers at Candlestick Park in 2009, he invited former coaches to the game. That included Jim Bisenius (baseball), Charley Kendall (basketball), Joe Fuccy (basketball) and Jeff Rankin (football).

"There's no question the man I am today, the type of coach I am, they all have shaped who I am," Del Rio said at the time. "I definitely appreciate that. I'm talking about Little League coaches, youth coaches, high school coaches, all the way through."

Del Rio had a lot of coaches because he played a lot of sports. He was a sensational shooter in basketball who once hit a turnaround jumper at the buzzer to beat powerhouse Berkeley High. Wakamatsu said he thinks his friend once topped 50 points in a game. ("He was the prototypical 6-foot-4, 240 guard," he joked.)

Del Rio was also a power-hitting catcher/pitcher/first baseman who went on to spend some time behind the plate at USC. His teammates included a wild-armed left-hander named Randy Johnson, who was recently elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

"Randy had wicked movement. He crossed me up once and got me right in the cup," Del Rio once told The Denver Post. "At UCLA's baseball stadium. And, of course, they all delighted in that."

The Toronto Blue Jays liked him enough to draft him in the 22nd round out of Hayward High in 1981, but his high school teammates knew all along that his future was in football. Del Rio proved that on the same field where he'll soon be coaching.

In the NCS 2A championship at the Oakland Coliseum in 1979, the Hayward High Farmers were being tormented by the brilliant short passing game of Miramonte High quarterback Bryan McKeen.

The Miramonte game plan was smart enough to keep rolling away from Del Rio's side of the field. But early in the third quarter, Del Rio solved the riddle, blasted through the line and delivered a clean but potent hit that left McKeen with a broken collarbone.

Hayward went on to beat the Matadors 12-10 for the title.

Miller, who also played in that game, can't believe Del Rio will now be calling NFL plays from the same sideline.

"It's such a Hollywood story," said Miller, a Raiders season-ticket holder since 1995. "I've been imploring him to come save this franchise for a long time. Now, it's a remarkable day today. And my phone has just been blow

#### Raiders' choice of Del Rio ushers in new era

By Jerry McDonald January 14, 2015

The Raiders decided on a head coach from their own backyard rather than one from their own building Wednesday.

Jack Del Rio, 51, grew up a Raiders fan with East Bay roots as a three-sport start athlete at Hayward High, which makes for an interesting story even if it has little to do with why he was hired over interim coach Tony Sparano.

An announcement isn't expected until Thursday. According to CSN-Bay Area, the press conference will be Friday.

Del Rio, the Denver Broncos defensive coordinator the past two seasons, was busy lining up possibilities for a coaching staff even before details of a reported four-year contract were being worked out. The Associated Press reported Sparano was told Wednesday morning he was out of the running.

The Raiders interviewed seven candidates for the job, five of them with NFL head coaching experience, before zeroing in on Del Rio and Sparano. Del Rio got the job the morning after a four-hour off-site interview that included owner Mark Davis, general manager Reggie McKenzie and Hall of Fame coach John Madden.

Sparano, who still has a year left on his contract, will be freed to explore other options after posting a 3-9 record and making an impassioned pitch for the job at his postseason press conference.

While Sparano cited a need for continuity, Davis ultimately decided he wanted change given the direction of a franchise which hasn't had a winning season since 2002 and is 11-37 over the past three seasons with 24 of those losses coming by 10 points or more.

The Broncos had the NFL's third-ranked defense in 2014 and were second in 2013. Pro Bowl defensive tackle Terrance Knighton, a pending free agent, said in a tweet, "The Raiders are getting a great damn coach. He will revive that locker room and that organization."

In 2013, Del Rio was interim head coach for four games when coach John Fox was out following heart surgery, going 3-1.

The head coach of the Jacksonville Jaguars from 2003 through 2011, Del Rio had playoff appearances in 2005 and 2007 with a regular-season record of 68-71. He was fired with a 3-8 record in 2011 and hired the next season as the defensive coordinator for the Broncos.

Former Raiders quarterback and CBS analyst Rich Gannon was a teammate of Del Rio's with the Minnesota Vikings in 1992 and believes the move was a good one.

"I think he felt like he had some unfinished business after the way things ended in Jacksonvillle," Gannon said. "They made some personnel decisions that weren't the best, he was looking to land in a better place, and I think he thinks he found that in Oakland."

Del Rio is targeting Mike Smith, the former Falcons head coach, as defensive coordinator. Smith was the defensive coordinator under Del Rio in Jacksonville from 2003 through 2007. According to Fox Sports, Del Rio is interested in Marc Trestman as a possible offensive coordinator.

Trestman, who is under consideration for that post in Cleveland, was the Chicago Bears head coach the past two seasons and the Raiders offensive coordinator under Bill Callahan in 2002 and 2003. He also is rumored to be in the mix with the 49ers, where he was offensive coordinator in 1995-96.

In Jacksonville, Del Rio stressed defense and the running game. A defensive coordinator in Carolina for a season before taking over in Jacksonville, Del Rio's teams were considered fundamentally sound but were not known for blitzing heavily.

Gannon thinks Del Rio has the right mindset to deal with a team that has gone a long time without winning.

"He's not going to be a class clown or a comedian," Gannon said. "He's honest, and players won't feel they're having the wool pulled over their eyes. He'll dig in, find out what the issues are and go to work."

A third-round draft pick out of USC, Del Rio played 11 seasons in the NFL for the Rams, Chiefs, Cowboys and Vikings. He played in 160 games, starting 128, with 13 sacks, 13 interceptions and 12 forced fumbles.

Del Rio worked his way up through the coaching ranks, starting as a strength and conditioning coach under Mike Ditka in New Orleans in 1997. He became linebackers coach with the Baltimore Ravens in 1999 and was there when the Ravens beat the Raiders 16-3 in the AFC championshpi game en route to a Super Bowl victory.

The Carolina Panthers made Del Rio their defensive coordinator in 2002 and he was hired by Jacksonville to be head coach the following season.

Other Raiders coaches under contract include offensive coordinator Greg Olson and special teams coordinator Bobby April. Olson is not expected to return and reportedly will interview with Jacksonville to be offensive coordinator.

#### **SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE**

#### Raiders' Jack Del Rio creates sound approach

By Ann Killion August 6, 2015

The music blasts out of the loudspeakers over the practice field behind the Napa Valley Marriott. Rap, some hip-hop, a bit of country and occasionally a classic rock hit.

If it's the last, you know that's the head coach's contribution to the playlist.

"Blue Oyster Cult, Ted Nugent, AC/DC," said Jack Del Rio, who saw many of the bands at the Day on the Green concerts at the Oakland Coliseum when he was growing up in Hayward. "Journey, Foreigner. When you hear classic rock, that's coming from me."

The Raiders' summer soundtrack is significant in a couple of ways. First, it's part of the high-energy, upbeat mood around the team.

"We want them to get used to playing with noise and we also want to connect with guys," Del Rio said. "It keeps the mood light and fresh."

That's a big emphasis with the Raiders this training camp. Del Rio is working — on virtually every level — at changing attitudes, energy levels and mind-sets.

"Everything we're doing is with an eye on creating and sustaining a high-performance environment," he said.

To that end, he also has hired a high-performance coach — Scott Peltin of the firm Tignum — to work with coaches and players on positive energy and mind-set.

"He came in and talked to us about ways to communicate with each other in a positive way," Del Rio. "How you eat, sleep. Everything that has to do with performance."

Del Rio uses phrases like "being mindful" and "bringing positive energy." He's not exactly new-agey but he is employing whatever tactics are available to get his team moving in the right direction. The Raiders have been mired in negativity for too long.

"I'm definitely making a concentrated effort to turn the page on all that and look to the future," said Del Rio, who went as far as asking the alumni who visited camp not to discuss past failures. "This is one of the many ways that we're going to invest in ourselves, in creating the best environment possible for players and staff."

Del Rio has collected ideas and strategies for years. From his playing days, his days as the head coach in Jacksonville, his time as Denver's defensive coordinator.

"I definitely am far more prepared now," he said. "You're able to spend some time and think through how you'd do it if you got another opportunity. And apply some of those lessons."

So you'll see a little Denny Green, some Jimmy Johnson, a dash of Pete Carroll (who plays music at his practices). Some Bum Phillips, who taught Del Rio that players respond better if they feel like their coaches truly care about them.

And some John Wooden, a legend Del Rio admires. In Jacksonville, Del Rio had Wooden's Pyramid of Success on the locker room wall and he might introduce it to the Raiders.

"I believe in building a team that way," Del Rio said of the pyramid, which has a foundation of strong character traits. "It's simple. It's wisdom."

Del Rio is also pleased with the current \$8 million investment to improve the team's Alameda training facility, something he convinced owner Mark Davis was mandatory.

"We want to create an environment where coaches are excited and players are excited about coming to work every day," he said.

Del Rio speaks and carries himself with more authority and swagger than any other head coach in the Raiders' recent history. He seems comfortable in his own skin, comfortable enough for a little sartorial splendor, like the cool white Stetson — complete with black Raiders hatband — he wears to deal with the Napa sun. (Del Rio was the only head coach besides the 49ers' Mike Nolan to wear that black Reebok suit on the sideline a decade ago).

Of course, Del Rio played at USC and had a long NFL career as a linebacker. His exterior confidence is similar to Jim Harbaugh's, though he has a much more extensive NFL coaching resume and doesn't seem to have the manic Harbaugh tendencies. But the swagger is similar.

What's the other reason a little shot of Aerosmith's "Dream On" coming over the Napa loudspeakers is relevant?

Because it's a nod to Del Rio's roots, planted deep in the East Bay, including at those Bill Graham productions on the same field where his team will play this season. Del Rio also has roots in Napa, where his grandfather had a farm not too far from the Raiders' training grounds, before the valley's wine boom. He has had old friends stop by training camp to say hello.

Sometimes, Del Rio finds himself overwhelmed at his new position, coaching his childhood team, wearing the colors he loves, surrounded by the familiar.

"Yes, I get sentimental at times," he said, "because it's so cool to be home."

#### Raiders head coach Jack Del Rio still hero in Hayward

By Vic Tafur January 21, 2015

It's been a week since Jack Del Rio was named head coach of the Raiders. He's been busy doing all the things required of an NFL coach, which hasn't given the East Bay native much of an opportunity to relive his glory days in Hayward or reach out to all the people who helped him along the way. But he will.

"Overwhelming," Del Rio, 51, said of the reaction in his hometown. "It's been great. They've all reached out. I haven't had the time or chance to really sit and take it all in because it's a whirlwind. ... Just a text response saying, 'Thank you, appreciate that.'"

While Del Rio has been too busy to recount his story of becoming a Bay Area high school sports legend, his former coaches have been more than happy to do so.

Del Rio, who was born in Castro Valley, graduated from Hayward High School in 1981 after a trophy- and accolade-filled career that saw the Farmers take home seven consecutive Hayward Area Athletic League titles in three sports: football, basketball and baseball.

#### The greatest ever?

Charley Kendall, the basketball coach at Hayward High in Del Rio's junior and senior seasons, thinks tales of Del Rio should be told throughout the region.

"There is a real argument that Jack was the greatest athlete in the history of NorCal high school sports," Kendall said. "Nobody was as good in all three sports."

Former Farmers defensive coordinator Jeff Rankin agrees.

"He is the guy," Rankin said.

Rankin said it was borderline cruel for opposing players to go against the muscular 6-foot-3 Del Rio at linebacker.

"Right from the beginning, it was amazing how much better he was than the people he was going against," Rankin said. "It really was a man going against boys. Jack was too strong, too fast, too smart."

Just like his old man, Jack Sr., who was a star running back for the Farmers in 1954.

"People like to say John Elway was the greatest all-around Bay Area athlete, but he couldn't play basketball like Jack did," said Joe Fuccy, Del Rio's basketball coach his sophomore season. "Jack had great body control and could knock down 17-foot jumpers all day."

#### A born leader

Fuccy, who said Del Rio could have started as a freshman, made Del Rio a co-captain.

"Some of the seniors on the team didn't like that, but it was clear he was a leader and I wanted him to be in that role," Fuccy said. "It was a nonissue. He was great."

Del Rio was also the defensive captain of the football team as a sophomore.

"He wasn't afraid of it," Rankin said.

Kendall said Del Rio made his job easier as coach.

"He was the first one to kick his teammates in the butt if they didn't play hard," Kendall said. "I never had to."

Del Rio primarily knocked down jumpers but also dunked during a game in which Hayward High reportedly became the first school to score 100 points against perennial power McClymonds-Oakland.

All the coaches interviewed said basketball was clearly Del Rio's favorite sport, but "there are no 6-foot-4 power forwards in the NBA," Rankin said.

Del Rio saw that his future was in football, even though he also might have cracked the major leagues as a power-hitting catcher. He was even called on to pitch to bail out an injured staff. He struck out 16 in a playoff game against Mission San Jose-Fremont.

"No question he would have made the major leagues if he stuck to baseball," former Farmers baseball coach Jim Bisenius said. "He was so smart that I could tell, whichever sport he chose, one day he was going to be a coach."

That's the same career path blazed by another Hayward graduate, onetime Farmers running back and 49ers Hall of Fame coach Bill Walsh.

Besides dominating in three sports, Del Rio also found time to work at the student newspaper and was sports editor his senior year.

"All the kids in school looked up to him," said Kendall, who supervised students on the newspaper. "But he was never arrogant and was good to everybody around him."

And there were plenty of chances to get a big head: buzzer-beating jump shots; tackles that led to a North Coast Section 2A Championship defeat of Miramonte at the Oakland Coliseum in 1979; two home runs in the HAAL playoffs at Chabot College (which has major-league dimensions); being drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays in the 22nd round of the 1981 draft.

Del Rio instead chose a football scholarship to the University of Southern California, where he also played baseball and caught for Hall of Fame pitcher Randy Johnson.

Del Rio went on to play 11 years at linebacker in the NFL for the Saints, Chiefs, Cowboys and Vikings. He had three stops as an assistant coach before being the head coach in Jacksonville from 2003 to 2011.

#### Staying true to his school

But Del Rio also kept a foothold in Hayward.

"I'm still close with all my high school coaches from Hayward High," Del Rio said. "They all had an impact on me."

Del Rio has had former coaches and teammates as his guests at Jaguars games, in Jacksonville and on the road.

"He appreciates loyalty," Fuccy said. "And he is extremely loyal himself."

Del Rio has hosted golf tournaments and luaus to raise money for the Hayward High football program in the past 10 years, and current Farmers coach Justin Redemer said Del Rio often makes donations "out of his own pocket."

"The name Del Rio means something in Hayward," Rankin said. "And hopefully it will for the Raiders as well."

### **LB NEIRON BALL**

### **ESPN.COM**

Raiders rookie LB Neiron Ball has persevered through crisis after crisis By Bill Williamson June 9, 2015

Tuesday marks the first day of what Neiron Ball hopes will be many minicamps in his NFL career.

Four years ago, the idea of practicing football suddenly became insignificant in Ball's world.

"Football wasn't on my mind much, I was just trying to live," Ball said in a telephone interview Monday after working out at the Oakland Raiders' facility. "I just wanted to live."

After dealing with unspeakable tragedy as a child, Ball, a high-energy outside linebacker, was preparing for his sophomore season at the University of Florida when he had to stop a workout.

"I developed a headache and was feeling off balance," Ball recalled. "I was sent home to rest and I never felt any better. I was taken to the emergency room and then everything was discovered and it all got kind of fuzzy after that."

Ball underwent emergency brain surgery after physicians discovered that he was bleeding on his brain. Ball was diagnosed with a rare condition called an arteriovenous malformation (AVM). It's a congenital condition in which the brain's blood vessels get tangled and rupture.

It was another in a series of shocking, life-altering events for Ball, then 18-years old.

When he was 6, Ball's mother, Johanna, who was fighting cancer, died on Mother's Day after suffering a heart attack.

Three years later, Ball's father, Ronnie, was diagnosed with lung cancer. Soon after, Ball watched his father have a sudden seizure. He died that night.

"When Neiron had his brain surgery, it was so tough to see," said Dary Myricks, Ball's brother-in-law. Myricks, who entered Ball's life when Ball was a toddler, was a high school football coach in the Atlanta area. Myricks also became a father figure to Ball after his dad died.

"This is a kid who has gone through a lot in life -- a lot," Myricks said. "He's seen so much death. ... For him to be dealing with an uncertain future, it was just so hard to watch."

However, the surgery was a success and physicians assured Ball and his family he eventually would be able to resume a normal life. Ball sat out the 2011 season. Physically, he focused on regaining his balance and dealing with some sensitivity to light. Myricks credits the Florida coaching staff for sticking with Ball and helping him focus on his academics while he recovered. A year later, he was cleared to resume playing football.

"I will never forget the day I was cleared," Ball said. "It was one of the greatest moments of my life. I will always cherish it."

Doctors told Ball and his family that while there is a small chance of a recurrence of his AVM, it's highly unlikely. Myricks said physicians assured the family that football presents no specific danger because of Ball's condition, and if he were to have a complication, it would be just as likely to occur if he were mowing the lawn as if he were running on a football field.2

Once he resumed football, Ball continued to excel for the Gators. Even though his 2014 season was cut short with a knee injury that required microfracture surgery, Ball was closely scouted. He had an excellent showing at the Florida pro day and he visited about a dozen NFL teams prior to the Raiders taking Ball in the fifth round on May 2.

"NFL teams did their homework on him medically," Myricks said. "It was an emotional day when the Raiders took him. It was such a long road.

"But to me, what I think the Raiders are getting in Neiron as much as a good football player, is a great kid. He's a great kid. The Raider Nation should feel good that he is going to represent them and the people who drafted him well."

Myricks said Ball's ability to get through the hard times of his life has made him a stronger, more mature person. Perhaps that's one of the reasons Ball continues to make strides after having microfracture surgery, which can come with big complications.

Ball has his sights set on contributing on special teams early in his Oakland career. He is thankful for getting this far.

"I try to get stronger every day in life," Ball said. "I thank God every day for getting me this far and allowing me to function through all of this."

#### **FOOTBALL INSIDERS**

### Neiron Ball Is Beating the Odds to Become an NFL Draft Prospect

By Bo Marchionte March 18, 2015

Former Florida Gators linebacker Neiron Ball spent five years in Gainesville, Florida. The fifth-year senior is now doing NFL Draft Prep (training) at Bommarito Performance Systems as he readies himself for his Pro Day which is slated for April 7<sup>th</sup>. What Ball is doing is similar to basically every other top prospect across the country making their path towards the NFL Draft.

That is where the similarities stop.

"I didn't want to die," said Ball.

It first began with pain in his neck during practice. The throbbing discomfort continued to persist in the morning session and led Florida head trainer Anthony Pass to send Ball home for some rest.

Ball left practice on Valentines Day (2011). The unbearable aching did not cease for Ball. It only worsened as the day continued on.

"Excruciating," said Ball referring to the pain he felt. "I could not even look down. My initial thought was I just want this pain to go away. I was hoping it wasn't life threatening."

It was the last thing Ball expected to encounter after leaving Jackson High School (Georgia) as a four-star recruit who the Gators envisioned as their future defensive end.

"Football wasn't even a thought when I was going through that," said Ball. I wasn't just trying to survive."

Ball woke up the next day and doctors determined he had a rare medical condition known as arteriovenous malformation (AVM), where the brain's blood vessels get knotted and rupture. The bleeding on Ball's brain could have cost him his life.

Fortunately, Ball recovered and was given another chance at life. He is taking on the next challenge in his path and looking to earn his keep on a 53-man NFL roster.

"It is like a dream come true," Ball said as he is readying himself for the NFL Draft.

He originally played quarterback growing up and spent some time as a defensive back before moving to linebacker. Former Gators head coach Urban Meyer wanted him to be up front playing defensive end, but that changed once they got him to Gainesville.

"They wanted me to play defensive end," said Ball. "They saw my athletic ability and that I could drop in coverage and they moved me to linebacker."

Ball appeared in all 13 games as a true freshman before missing the next year due to his illness. He returned to full strength one year later (2012) and started two games. He continued to work his way back to form and Ball made his first career sack in 2013 against Florida State quarterback Jameis Winston.

In his final season with the Gators, Ball played in nine games, making seven starts. He finished with a career high 49 tackles, three tackles-for-loss, two sacks, two fumble recoveries, and one forced fumble. He missed the last three games of the year after hurting his meniscus that required surgery. Ball was tied for second on the Gators defense in tackles at the time of the injury.

Only a couple short months ago Ball said he "was walking with a limp" and now he is pushing on all cylinders when attacking his 40-yard dash in practice. He arrived at Bommarito Performance System at 217 pounds and added nearly 20 pounds (19) of muscle to his lean frame.

"My rehab went well," stated Ball. "I'm training for my drills. I feel good. Injuries come and go."

With a clean bill of health, Ball can now focus on his Pro Day and the chance to impress the teams that attend.

"I'm able to play in the box," says Ball referring to some of the qualities scouts will revel in when breaking down Ball as a player. "I can drop in coverage and plus I can rush the passer."

Ball's versatility is his ticket to the next level as a three-down linebacker. In a league that emphases the passing game the talent Ball brings to the table plays well in his favor. He can be stout against the run and use his size (6-foot-3, 236 pounds) to show his fluid smooth hips and quick feet to drop in coverage. Those intangibles few possess at his position, but Ball is not a one-trick pony. He can do it all.

"I really like Von Miller (Denver Broncos) and Jamie Collins (New England Patriots)," said Ball. "I really like to watch those guys. I kind of remind myself of them and Justin Brown (Kansas City Chiefs) too."

Each one of those linebackers he mentions are able to stay on the field and provide their respective teams with three-down play at an extremely high level.

In limited action throughout his career at Florida and rehabbing his injury, Ball was still an invitee to the NFL Scouting Combine. It validates the potential NFL teams see in Ball. Projected to be a fourth to sixth round pick, his Pro Day will be paramount in determining his value on draft day.

Ball anxiously awaits the opportunity to display his array of talents to NFL Scouts, and conquer another obstacle in his path.

### **GOLDEN GATE SPORTS (SI.COM)**

#### Raiders' Neiron Ball has Already Overcome Insurmountable Odds

By Sean Bialaszek May 5, 2015

With the 161st pick in the NFL Draft, the Oakland Raiders selected Neiron Ball, an outside linebacker from Florida. The pick wasn't the most highly regarded, but after everything he's gone through, finding a role on an NFL team seems like child's play.

Ball stands 6'2", and tips the scales around 235 pounds. In his college career, he totaled 5.5 tackles for loss, three sacks, an interception, and three pass deflections.

He has NFL size, and is versatile. He played outside linebacker in both 3-4 and 4-3 schemes, and has played inside linebacker as well. Ball possess good speed, and the non-stop motor that coaches love.

The numbers are not all that impressive, and they won't make your eyes pop. But his story is incredible. He underwent knee surgery last November. Microfracture surgery to be exact, the same procedure that Jadeveon Clowney underwent during the 2014 season. But after everything that Ball went through before that, that surgery seems almost trivial.

The term "lucky to be alive" is used quite a lot, and when it's used, it doesn't always mean exactly what it says. However, when you say Ball is lucky to be alive, you mean it.

Ball lost both parents when he was a child. His mother, Johanna, died when he was six, on Mother's Day in 1998, from a heart attack.

A few years later, his father, Ronnie, was diagnosed with lung cancer, and underwent surgery on his throat. The nine-year-old Ball had to help his father eat through a tube, and one night during this ritual, Ronnie suffered a seizure, and passed away later that night. He watched his father die.

Ball stuck with football, and eventually became a Florida Gator. He played all 13 games in 2010, his freshman year, in his familiar linebacker spot. But after his inaugural college campaign, he experienced something that nearly cost him his own life.

In a February practice in 2011, Ball was forced to leave practice with a migraine that caused him horrible pain. When the aching persisted, he found himself in the hospital, and had to sit in a dark room, because the pain was just too much to handle.

It turned out that Ball had bleeding in his brain. The diagnosis came back as Arteriovenous Malformation (AVM), which is defined as "a tangle of abnormal blood vessels connecting arteries and veins in the brain." In other words, the blood vessels in the brain get tangled up, and eventually rupture, causing bleeding.

AVM is a congenital condition, meaning if a person has it, they were born with it. Less than one percent of the population, one in approximately 200-500 people, have the condition. Once the brain starts to bleed for the first time, 10 to 15 percent of people don't survive. If another hemorrhage were to occur, that percentage vastly increases. Another 30 percent suffer permanent brain damage.

If he hadn't gone to the hospital, if he had continued on with practice like normal and the bleeding continued and eventually worsened, he might have ended up with irreparable brain damage, or worse.

Surgery occurred a little later for Ball, with surgeons basically untangling the vessels, stopping the bleeding, and putting them back where they're supposed to be. Ball was essentially fixed, but his journey, another journey, was just starting.

He worked hard in recovery, the same way he worked hard on the field, putting his non-stop motor to use in a different area. Little by little, Ball regained strength, but he missed the 2011 season, and his football future remained in doubt. Even though Ball's brain condition had been fixed, he had still gone through brain surgery, and there is always that nagging thought that maybe his head can't take another blow.

He continued his trek back, and in June of 2012, 16 months after his brain operation, he was cleared to play again. Another two months passed before he strapped on the pads again. But one and a half years after a dangerous condition nearly took his life, he suited up and practiced with his team. In 2012, Ball ended up playing 11 games for the Gators, and totaled 10 tackles with his only career interception.

The knee surgery is likely to cost Ball his rookie year, as the recovery for a microfracture procedure can take anywhere from nine to 15 months. NBA players have returned in six months, but that's a completely different game. It usually takes football players longer to get back. If Ball approaches this recovery with the same vigor and gusto he's become known for, his return could fall on the lower end of the scale.

Ball may never become an impact player in the NFL. He may never change a game single-handedly. Quite honestly, he may never play a down in the league. But he will work harder than anyone else who steps on the practice field. He has no choice. You never know when it all is going to go away.

## **QB DEREK CARR**

### **CSN BAY AREA**

'Faith, family, football' puts Raiders QB Carr on brink of stardom By Scott Bair August 24, 2015

BAKERSFIELD – Derek Carr was born to play quarterback, equipped with a perfect combination of nature and nurture to hone a difficult craft. He was athletically predisposed with size, speed, smarts and a cannon right arm accented with the right amount of touch.

He had guidance worthy of a crown prince, with a father to mentor him early on and an older brother who had already been king. Rodger Carr taught his son about fundamentals and work ethic. David Carr, an excellent quarterback in his own right, bestowed football knowledge and life lessons he experienced as a Fresno State star and an NFL signal-caller to a brother 12 years younger.

Thanks to David's labor of love, little Derek had a blueprint for success. Work hard, stay focused, maximize talent and follow a pre-travelled path to the pros. Do that Derek, and you'll get there. Stumble along the way? Pops and big brother will pick you back up.

Support certainly helped Derek Carr become a Fresno State legend and a Raider with the No. 36 overall pick in last year's NFL draft.

Assuming that made everything easy is oversimplification. Hard times made Derek Carr the man he is today, someone able to weather adversity without crumbling under its weight. That's a trait only discovered by doing.

There was no instruction manual detailing how to handle 10 straight losses to start a pro career or stay above water in tidal waves of change, with three head coaches and two offensive schemes in 12 months. Yet here he stands, on the verge of a second season as Raiders quarterback, confident as ever that this is the start of something great.

There was no instruction manual for how to act with a son at death's door just days after taking his first breath. Yet there he stood at 22 years old, a pillar of strength while baby Dallas spent his first 23 days clinging to life.

While he's learned from his mentors, individual experiences like these make Derek unique and properly equipped to handle the pressure of his current position. He's a person with fixed priorities and overflowing optimism in difficult situations, even when frustration might play better to the crowd.

"People wonder if bad times impact me because I have a smile on my face," Carr said last month in an extended interview with CSNBayArea.com at one of his family's Carr Elite football camps. "Of course they do. They rip my heart out, but I'm going to fight harder than anyone because I lean on my faith in tough times. That's where I find my strength. When a doctor says, 'Dallas might not make it,' all I can do is lean on my faith to keep from crumbling. That's all I know how to do. And I trust it's right because I've seen it come through time and time again."

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The Carr family mantra is a priority list: Faith. Family. Football. In that order.

You've certainly heard that cadence before. It was a common refrain during Derek's rookie press conferences, often combating questions about the wear and tear of a Raiders season quickly circling the drain. The point: Losses ruin Derek's evening, not his entire week.

Football isn't life. It's a game, a job he loves dearly. He's grateful for every moment in a jersey, but it doesn't compare to the time spent with his wife and son.

Derek the quarterback is an incredibly early riser, someone who arrives at the Raiders' Alameda facility with the sun and returns to his Dublin home after it sets behind him.

Carr has the unique ability to leave No. 4 in the car, turning himself over to his wife Heather and son Dallas upon walking through the door.

"It's good to be able to get away from it all," Heather Carr said. "Derek will tell you that football is his job, it's not who he is. That's so true. When he comes home, he isn't NFL quarterback. He's dad. He's husband. We don't really talk about football at home unless he wants to. He doesn't let bad days bleed into his home life. We just get to be family."

Those times are never, ever taken for granted. Whether it's an extra 90 seconds engaged with Dallas or a friendly game of Nerf basketball between husband and wife (please, watch this video), the Carrs try to maximize each minute together.

Through simple pleasantries and grand gestures, Derek and Heather walk an extra mile to honor this dynamic and the three weeks when it was nearly ripped apart.

"I always think about those times," Heather said. "You can still see the scar on Dallas' belly and when you do, you just thank God that he's alive. It could have all been taken from us. That's why we cherish every moment we have as a family. We know that, no matter what happens, family will always be our top priority."

Dallas' scar symbolizes a young life saved. The boy was born on Aug. 5, 2013, just before Derek started his senior season at Fresno State. Derek was a Heisman hopeful and the San Joaquin Valley's favorite son, with an NFL gig ahead on a career path paved in gold.

Early, frequent vomiting was the first sign of trouble. It led to panic and eventually a life-threatening diagnosis. Dallas Mason Carr had intestinal malrotation, meaning his intestines weren't properly aligned and cutting off the flow of his digestive tract. Dallas needed surgery, and was taken by ambulance from a Clovis hospital to Children's Hospital Central California in Madera.

He underwent one procedure, then another during a touch-and-go 23-day period that coincided with Bulldogs training camp. Derek rarely missed a practice, and spent most every other minute at the hospital with his wife and son.

The schedule was emotionally and physically draining. It wore on Derek, who broke down several times over the phone with his parents and coaches.

In front of his wife, Derek held strong. He would read Bible verses aloud well into the night, and remained a source of positivity as the couple prayed for a happy ending that was not guaranteed.

"I always had my faith, but that was a real test of it," Derek Carr said. "Everyone knew who we were in Fresno. It was my senior year and everything was going great. Life was good, and we didn't worry about much. Then Dallas' ordeal comes up and it ripped my heart out. At that point, I thought, 'am I still going to be the man I say that I am? Am I going to be strong and be there for my wife and child?' Saying those things is easy. Living and doing can be extremely difficult."

This was, and always will be, Derek's defining moment.

"There was no way to tell him how to get through it," said Rodger Carr, Derek's father. "Derek had to be the man of the house, and he stepped up in a big way. He had things under control and believed God would help him and his family through it. You won't find anyone in the family who didn't have faith Dallas was going to make it.

"That's how we looked at it. We knew Derek and Heather would do their part and that God would do the rest."

Dallas underwent a third procedure in September 2013, but was eventually given a clean bill of health. He recently celebrated his second birthday and carries on with the exuberance of a young child unaware of a scary period that put life in proper perspective.

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Faith. Family. Football. In that order. That was something Rodger Carr often told his three young sons.

Before Heather, before Dallas, that mantra didn't belong to Derek. It was something he heard, not advice he heeded. He was a teenager interested in teenager things, especially after enrolling at Fresno State in the footsteps of his famous older brother. He was a rock star before throwing a college pass, especially as a big fish in a small pond.

After Heather, after Dallas, Derek's priorities came into focus. They all stem from faith. He has faith his family will offer unconditional support. He has faith in his own character and work ethic. Dallas' ordeal taught Derek that his faith in God is a sturdy crutch, one that won't let him buckle under stresses he can't control.

"I knew faith, family and football was my foundation, but I wasn't living by it until I grew up and figured it out on my own," Derek Carr said. "It wasn't people saying things to me. I found the path through experience. I've lived both ways, and I like the path I'm on a whole lot more."

Derek Carr is mature beyond his 24 years, overqualified to survive 0-10 and eventually 3-13 without permanent damage.

Talented quarterbacks have been beaten down by losses, but Derek weathered a trying rookie season with aplomb because he knows that football isn't life. It's just a game, one with problems he can work through.

His optimism and determination never waned, even late in a chaotic season where the Raiders hit rock bottom.

"I am human, and I feel each loss as much as anyone," Carr said. "I hate to lose. There were moments where I took time to be disappointed and admit just how hard winning is at this level. There were times when I'd talk to my brother or my wife about just how difficult all the losing was, but they never lasted long. It does me no good to feel sorry for myself or wallow in disappointment. I didn't worry or stress out because I knew I would keep working and I had faith there were better days ahead."

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David Carr experienced his youngest brother's trying rookie season from the couch. He didn't travel to road games and stayed away from Raiders home dates on purpose, to avoid the inevitable comparisons between them. David didn't want cameras searching for a reaction every time Derek did something on the field, so he chose to babysit nephew Dallas while momma and family watched games in person.

It wasn't just games experienced from afar. David Carr has stayed away from Raiders training camps and inseason practices. He was loathe to go on the record last season, while Derek was getting used to life in the league.

"The comparisons between us always come, from his rookie year through each stage of his progress," David Carr said. "I just want him to have his own career and let him do his own thing. I can take a step back, but he knows I'll always be there for him no matter what."

The two still have an open dialogue, and Derek would be crazy not to use David's intelligent football mind. David knows a phone call is coming after road games, when brothers freely discuss what went right and wrong. David typically stays in Dublin after home games, ready to break down tape after baby brother returns from a long, hard Sunday.

They used to do something similar a decade ago, when David quarterbacked the expansion Houston Texans and young Derek was an aspiring signal-caller obsessed with football scheme and strategy. Derek became proficient at X's and O's working with David – Derek even called his own plays in high school -- who also helped him refine form, technique and his life around the game.

David "put extra tools in the toolbox," but Derek now has to build his own house.

"My hands are off," David Carr said. "If he specifically asks me a question or something comes up in conversation about a coverage or a play, we'll discuss. He's pretty savvy chalkboard-wise, but there's no equal to experience. I'm trying to let his NFL development happen naturally over time ... Hopefully I give him enough information to help him grow, but Derek has to take ownership of himself. He's done a great job of that since getting drafted."

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Derek Carr's better for the 16 games played his rookie year, and many believe he's on the path to stardom with an upgraded supporting cast heading into the 2015 season.

He was far from perfect as a rookie, with plenty to work on as his career advances. Unlike last year at this time, Carr is not the quarterback of the future. He's the quarterback right now, someone counted on to produce each week.

Teammates and coaches believe in his brand of leadership and have faith he can make strides necessary to spark a Raiders renaissance.

A resurgence won't happen without quality quarterbacking, but that doesn't add pressure to this fall's proceedings.

Outside expectations will never match his own benchmarks, which are sky high because Carr has been to the puppet show and seen the strings. There are no illusions about NFL life and what it takes to succeed.

"It was such a blessing to be able to play all 16 games and gain that experience because now, coming into it, I don't just have a film point of view," Carr said. "I have a 'from where I stood' point of view. I know what works. I know what I can and can't get away with. The experience is just a huge factor."

No matter what he experiences this year, Carr knows he can handle it. He is supremely comfortable in his own skin and the knowledge that faith, family and football will carry him through.

## **WR AMARI COOPER**

### **BAY AREA NEWS GROUP**

## With Amari Cooper, Raiders are in good hands

By Daniel Brown May 7, 2015

ALAMEDA -- Amari Cooper reports for duty Friday with the opening of Raiders rookie minicamp. Fred Biletnikoff, who is already a Cooper expert, expects the No. 4 overall draft pick to get off on a better foot than he himself did back in 1965.

"Oh, I was horrible," Biletnikoff said. "I had a hell of a time making the adjustments. Lots of dropped balls."

Cooper, in contrast, appears ready to make an immediate impact. On draft day, general manager Reggie McKenzie and coach Jack Del Rio described the Alabama star, who officially signed his deal Thursday, as "polished" so often you started to think the Raiders drafted a pair of Oxford wingtips.

Biletnikoff, who recovered from his shaky early Raiders days to earn a place in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, agreed. And he ought to know: Cooper won the honor that bears his name, the Biletnikoff Award, as the top receiver in college football.

"If you know nothing about football, you might not see that he's mature beyond his years," Biletnikoff, 72, said in a phone interview. "But he's a step ahead when it comes to the things required to be a receiver. The way he runs his routes, catches balls, gets open. He can do it against man-to-man coverage or press or zone. This guy is not one-dimensional.

"He can line up inside, outside, right or left and do a good job wherever he is. Jack and Reggie and the staff were dead on when they talked about him."

#### TOP IN HIS CLASS

The numbers support the case. Pro Football Focus, which analyzed every play and player on the college schedule last season, evaluated 1,800 receivers. They ranked Cooper No. 1, in part because of his complete game.

Playing against top competition while at Alabama, Cooper led the country in targets and receptions and finished second in receiving yards and touchdowns. PFF found a few hidden measures of success, noting Cooper tied for the most missed tackles forced (26) and finished third in total yards after the catch (878).

Del Rio praised Cooper on draft day for his ability to run the entire route tree. PFF determined that Cooper logged 30 catches on screens, 57 on stops, slants, crosses or outs and 16 on posts or go-routes. Half of his catches on post/gos resulted in touchdowns.

As it turns out, Cooper was running those patterns as early as 5 years old. He just didn't know what they were called. In a constant search of ways to juke his friends during backyard games in Miami, Cooper learned the science of planting, cutting, turning and blasting his way out of a break.

"So when I had to run a slant route or a comeback route, which the coach called it, I was already familiar with running and getting open," he says now. "It came easy."

Teddy Bridgewater was among the first beneficiaries. Before he grew up to be the quarterback of the Minnesota Vikings, Bridgewater was a star at Miami Northwestern Senior High, a local football powerhouse.

Cooper was one of his top targets. "He was always in the right place at the right time," Bridgewater recalled.

Bridgewater, in a phone interview, said that the football team's tradition called for the best receiver on the team to wear jersey No. 2. This was hallowed territory. Miami Northwestern receivers over the years have included Antonio Bryant, Brett Perriman and Tony Martin -- all of whom went on to produce 1,000-yard seasons in the NFL.

Bridgewater said that Cooper, well aware of the lineage, set his sights on the jersey early.

"He wound up wearing No. 2 for two years," the quarterback said. "He took pride in running the best routes. And he didn't want to just be the best on the team. He wanted to be the best in the state of Florida."

Cooper's seriousness about his craft can make for stilted conversation. At his first news conference with the Raiders, the 6-foot-1, 211-pounder looked as happy as the last guy in line at the DMV. He barely smiled for photos and answered questions in a quiet monotone.

Reporter: "The team hasn't had a 1,000-yard receiver in 10 years. Do you think you can end the drought?"

Cooper: "Hopefully."

Reporter: "You mentioned running routes as a kid. Was the NFL the main dream you had growing up?"

Cooper: "Yes."

And so on.

It was a jarring introduction, but Bridgewater recognized the look. He said Cooper was intensely serious-minded even as a teenager. The two were so determined to follow in the footsteps of the college-bound players from their high school that they treated schoolwork and practice as a job.

The duo proved so influential on campus that they wound up changing the culture of the school. Principal Wallace Aristide credits Cooper and Bridgewater for setting a new academic tone at what had been a sports-focused campus.

Aristide said Miami Northwestern went from annually getting "F" and "D" grades in the state's annual evaluation to becoming the first inner-city school in Miami to receive a "B" grade in 2011.

"People like Amari and Teddy were instrumental in helping us really change the climate," Aristide said. "When you're on campus -- especially one like ours -- the people with the most influence are the football players. Everybody looks up to them.

"And when they carry themselves the right way, they help you sell the importance of academic success. And I think Amari helped us do that here. ... He carried himself around campus like he was all about business. He was a tremendous student when he was here at this institution."

#### IN NEED OF A BOOST

Now, the Raiders hope Cooper can transform another moribund institution. Oakland hasn't had a 1,000-yard receiver since Randy Moss in 2005 and is coming off a season in which it finished last in overall offense.

The Raiders had only 30 connections of 20 yards or more. The Indianapolis Colts, in contrast, had 78.

Cooper offers some big-play potential. Over three years with the Crimson Tide, he averaged 15.2 yards on his 228 receptions.

He also shown a knack for the end zone: His 31 career touchdowns catches are the most by an SEC player since 1956.

At the scouting combine -- where he ran a 4.42 in the 40-yard dash -- Cooper credited Alabama offensive coordinator Lane Kiffin for making the most of his talents. Cooper said the former Raiders head coach "moves me around a lot, so a team can't really prepare for me. He'll line me up at the H, Z to X, he'll even put me in the backfield to create some mismatches."

Wherever he was, Cooper caught passes -- and attention. As soon as the Raiders called his name, some key voices cheered the selection on Twitter.

Rich Gannon, the former Raiders quarterback and NFL MVP, posted: "(Derek) Carr and Cooper ... Match made in heaven for the Oakland Raiders!"

Another former Raider, Hall of Fame receiver Tim Brown, wrote: "Young brother! Welcome to the dark side! If you need me I'm here for you!"

Chad Johnson, the six-time All-Pro receiver wrote: "Who's the offensive coordinator in Oakland? It's a blessing to have a receiver you don't have to move around to get open."

Biletnikoff isn't of the social media generation, but he, too, was enthusiastic in his review. With Cooper and fellow Biletnikoff Award winner Michael Crabtree added to the mix, the former Raider expects Carr to enjoy a breakthrough season.

"Derek's confidence has to be going sky high," Biletnikoff said. "You know how pitchers can get by as long as guys are making plays behind them? It's the same way with quarterbacks.

"You catch the ball for him, he's going to win some games. And Amari can catch the football as well as anybody."

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The Amari Cooper you don't see on camera is the reason he's a Heisman Trophy finalist By Michael Casagrande
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Tuscaloosa, Alabama — The look on Amari Cooper's face rarely changes. Smiles are rare, but that's not an indication of happiness.

Alabama's star receiver is just hyper-focused on the dream and everything else is just noise. So, this weekend he'll travel the awards circuit, but his mind is likely on the next prize.

From Orlando for Thursday night's College Football Awards Show, Cooper will fly north to New York. Few receivers get invitations to the Heisman Trophy ceremony as the Tide junior becomes the first since Larry Fitzgerald made it in 2003. The former Pitt star finished second — the best any receiver's finished since Desmond Howard became the last receiver to win the statue 23 years ago.

As a receiver who doesn't return kicks or punts, the odds of winning the Heisman at 7:50 p.m. Saturday wouldn't be great historically against Oregon's star quarterback Marcus Mariota and Wisconsin running back Melvin Gordon. Howard and Tim Brown, the other receiver to win the award, were also explosive returners. But that's also where Cooper's intense attention to detail becomes a factor as his presence alone changes games.

Alabama quarterback Blake Sims broke the school passing record with 1,656 yards belonging to his star receiver. He saw the hours Cooper logged in the pursuit of perfection and changed his routine.

"Sometimes when I felt tired, just knowing that he was coming up here working, I didn't want to leave him alone," Sims said Monday in a radio interview. "So I just said I would come up here with you any time of the day, no matter if it's 12 o'clock at night, it doesn't matter. Whenever you're up here, I'm up here with you. You call me and I'm going to come and that's exactly what we did."

Sims was just one of the shifting factors this fall. New offensive coordinator Lane Kiffin brought his style and reputation for feeding the playmakers after arriving in January. As the USC coach, his offense propelled Marqise Lee to a fourth-place finish in the 2012 Heisman by catching 118 passes for 1,721 yards.

Asked if he was aware of those numbers in March, Cooper's was brief.

"Yeah," he said as his stone-face broke with a knowing grin.

Under Kiffin's watch, Cooper's productivity exploded. Records fell almost weekly as the Sims to Cooper connection flourished. Through 13 games, Cooper's 1,656 yards come close to equaling the 1,736 he had his first two years combined. And he led the Tide in yardage those two seasons. His SEC-record 115 catches this year already surpassed the 104 from the past two seasons combined.

Kiffin was blown away by his pre-game preparation.

"Just always wanting to get better, always wanting to watch film," Kiffin said in a rare interview with an Arkansas radio station Tuesday. "He's one guy Friday night always after meetings, so it's 10:00 at night and he's there watching one last time, watching the DBs he's going to go against. It's just so great for our young kids to be around and learn from him."

For Nick Saban, the minor details make the difference with Cooper this year.

"He hasn't let little things bother him," Saban said, "whether it's a little nagging injury or whatever and has just been kind of a demon every time the game comes in terms of how he competes."

Last fall, Cooper's game wasn't quite as complete as the small issues got to him. Minor injuries nagged as his receiving total stood at 437 yards through 11 games. His first 100-yard game of the year came in the Iron Bowl

when Cooper caught six passes for 178 yards. It was the first of nine triple-figure games in the past 15 with three 200-yarders this fall.

Cooper's presence alone changes the way opponents defend Alabama. Sims said he saw Missouri keying on Cooper in Saturday's 42-13 SEC title game win, so creases opened for DeAndrew White and Christian Jones. Cooper still caught 12 passes — one short of his school record — for 83 yards.

West Virginia coach Dana Holgorsen said Cooper should be the No. 1 overall pick in the draft. Ohio State's Urban Meyer called him "one of the best receivers ever to play college football."

It all comes back to the intense preparations. Before the season, Kiffin noted a two-hour workout Cooper completed before doing the famously intense "Fourth Quarter" conditioning drills.

"I think the things that happened when the camera wasn't on, that's what made us so good this year," Sims said. "He worked so hard and he rubs off on a lot of our players."

#### **'BAMA MAGAZINE**

#### Cooper is cool Alabama playmaker

By A.P. Steadham January 6, 2013

Currently he keeps in contact with his former pupil through social media. The lengthier discussions have probably occurred over the internet since the introverted Tide true freshman rarely spoke on the commute. "He doesn't say ten words in a sentence," said Rolle, a third cousin to Cooper. His exceptional performance on the field constitutes a chapter of memories for the Alabama faithful.

Redshirting is the normal path for a first-year player at an established program as Alabama. Not for the ambitious Amari Cooper. His mindset was to avoid "the long line" said Rolle.

"I wanted to be great and show everybody what I could do. I expected to have a 1200 yard season. Before I came here I felt like I belonged," said Cooper with conviction sitting in the stands of the Sun Life Stadium on media day for the 2013 Discover BCS National Championship Game.

Nick Saban, anxious to welcome a top notch receiver to The Capstone, blessed the early enrollment of January 2012. Rolle was confident of a rapid career ascent but had a few doubts. "He had all the tools. I was just worried about his strength level and size to get off the line of scrimmage from defensive backs and would he be playing inside at the slot or outside," said Rolle. Quickness, athleticism and take off skills were brought to Tuscaloosa.

Zone defense was the primary coverage which meant quick outs and comebacks were the favorite routes. "You actually saw more of his talents in practice than you did in the game when we used press coverage," stated Rolle. Cooper would beg his coach to play in the secondary. Naturally, if an outstanding individual warranted his defensive presence, the all-around athlete (football, basketball, track) would be inserted as a shutdown corner on a specific receiver or as a safety to force the quarterback to throw to the outside.

A nagging high hamstring injury suffered as a sophomore during summer workouts running quarter mile sprints on the track against three upperclassmen now playing for Louisville (Michaelee Harris, Corvin Lamb and Eli

Rogers) could not keep Cooper away from the field. The ferocious competitor won the race a few times causing the trio to push the youngster to keep up resulting in the mishap.

Cooper carved out a reputation as one of the best Pop Warner players in the city. A resident of the Coconut Grove area of Miami, he attended Coral Gables Senior High School as a freshman. According to Rolle, Cooper was demoted to the junior varsity after breaking a rule.

Instead of accepting reinstatement to the varsity upon completion of the junior varsity schedule, Cooper felt slighted and chose to move on to basketball and consider options. A transfer to Miami Northwestern Senior High School was shepherded by Lorenzo Woodley, Jr. He was a Pop Warner mentor to Cooper and former player under Rolle at ironically Coral Gables Senior High School and running back at Pittsburgh in the early 1990's. Even though Cooper's mother, Michelle Green, was a second cousin, the accomplished prep coach Rolle, was not aware of her son's exploits. Family connections and a recommendation by Woodley insured her a decision to change schools would prove beneficial.

Alabama's final 2011 summer camp experience was a crucial moment in the recruitment process. Tide Assistant Coach Bobby Williams had known Rolle through the years and was responsible for inviting Cooper. Former Miami assistant, Jeff Stoutland, now on the Alabama staff as the offensive line coach also contributed to landing the South Florida product.

Cooper had attended the Hurricanes camp since his sophomore year. Rolle's brother Zachary and offensive line coach Terrance Craig brought the contingent to Tuscaloosa. Camp instructor and All-Pro receiver Chris Carter was raving about three cornerback prospects.

"Amari just torched the three best defensive backs," Rolle claims. The former All-Pro reversed his opinion and began singing the praises of the fleet-footed, elusive receiver from south Florida to Nick Saban.

"I saw a look in his (Carter) eyes when I got out there. I was running routes and doing cone drills," recalled Cooper. "He started looking at me differently. I think he thought I was a real good receiver and I had a lot of potential." Cooper did not have gaudy numbers coming out of high school – 33 receptions for 772 yards with nine touchdowns, five by returns but the talent was undeniable. "I would say Alabama treated him a little more special than the Florida schools," said Rolle. "Alabama was able to eyeball him at camp."

How do you attract a gifted receiver to a program flush with superb running backs and traditionally known for their rushing attack? You mention the school's recent legendary pass catcher selected in the top-ten of the NFL Draft and the prospect in the same sentence. "Nick Saban kept saying Amari reminded him of Julio Jones and thought he could play early at Alabama," said Rolle, a four-time state of Florida high school championship coach. Woodley and Rolle promoted the notion of performing on a big stage at Alabama which appealed to Cooper.

Since Cooper has achieved spectacular results this season in Tuscaloosa, college assistant coaches who devalued him due to the lack of superlative prep statistics have caught the wrath of their head coach.

Hot temperatures and demonstrative gridiron touchdown celebrations may be prevalent in Miami but their native son is poker face cool.

"What sets Amari apart is he has no fear. He will play the same way if there are 100,000 people or 1,000 in the stands," declared Rolle. The composed freshman has deflected the external factors of packed stadiums, a national television audience and overwhelming attention. High school opponents would invariably talk smack thinking the derisive chatter would unnerve Cooper.

Just the opposite would occur. His silent assassin retaliation would consist of unleashing the 4.4 speed on the secondary. Embarrassment would ensue after spectacular receptions causing silent retreats to the huddle for those chirping cornerbacks. The player nicknamed "Hollywood" by his Tide teammates for outstanding performances shuns flamboyance. "No end zone dances. He might do a chest bump. He would always give the ball to the referee, come back to the sideline and get himself a seat," said Rolle.

Every skill the three-sport athlete learned is incorporated into being a receiver but Rolle professes the most memorable play was not on offense. The Miami Northwestern Senior School coaching staff was frantically shouting and pointing from the sidelines for Cooper to locate a tall receiver, Herb Waters (Homestead HS, FL), currently at Miami, in the formation destined to run the slant or fade pattern down by the goal-line. A touchdown would have been scored if the quarterback just signaled for the ball. "At the last second when the ball was snapped he ran over and snatched the ball out of the air with one hand and ran one hundred and two yards for a touchdown," said Rolle. He ran the wildcat formation occasionally. No matter the position, he could affect the outcome. He closed out a few games with interceptions.

The reticent Cooper is a star on the Crimson Tide football team with unlimited potential but if cast in a movie role he would have to be an action-hero with minimal dialogue. He has provided many thrills throughout the season leading the team with 26 explosive plays defined by 15-plus yards including 8 of his 9 touchdown receptions.

"He has tremendous ball skills and it is very apparent how fast he is," said Tide receivers coach Mike Groh. "He is very instinctive and how he can affect a defensive back in the way he runs his routes. All those things combined make him a very dangerous player." Cooper possesses a very high football IQ. Continued development is required to become an elite performer at the FBS level. He is concentrating on improving his blocking technique, learning schemes, understanding complex defenses, becoming a better route runner and advancing his knowledge of the game with intensive film study.

Cooper was encouraged at a young age to "work hard, never to be satisfied and always stay hungry" by the person who introduced him to football, Lorenzo Woodley, Jr. They remain close and workout to this day.

Mental preparation is a personal window to a player's temperament. Generating hype is for others. "You put in all the work during the week. When it's game time, it's game time," replied the even-keeled freshman. "You should know what you have to do and go out there and do it."

Cooper prefers listening to the motivational music of rap artist J. Cole, visualizes making big plays and focuses on what he has to do to help his team to win. "He (Cole) motivates me to do the unimaginable," said Cooper. The best moment thus far for the sensational freshman is "seeing how happy my teammates were when I caught that pass in the Georgia game for a touchdown. Everyone just ran to me and they were happy." Cooper has continued the philosophy of silence is the best policy in response to verbally aggressive defensive backs. "I really don't say anything during the games. I just try to make plays. I don't talk."

The 2013 Discover BCS National Championship Game to be held at Sun Life Stadium in Miami Gardens on Monday evening will be the first time for Cooper to perform in the venue. "It's a great feeling to be playing the national championship at home," he said. The player embracing the spotlight on the largest college football stage of the season acts if the evening is just another game.

I guess there is a little bit of pressure but I'm not focused on that right now or the people watching me. I'm focused on what I have to do to help my team win the game and just play my role." Most freshmen would be

exuberant with the statistical production and accolades Cooper has achieved but for him success is a natural progression.

"I'm not surprised by it at all. I think coming out of high school every player should at least be thinking they could contribute to the team their first year," said the confident receiver. "No one wants to waste a year. I came in with expectations of having a great year. It's another game and another opportunity to prove myself."

So far Amari Cooper has met his own expectations. For the Alabama faithful he has exceeded them.

#### **Soft-Spoken Cooper Speaks Loudly with Play**

By A.P. Steadham November 27, 2014

So is the Heisman Trophy candidate from South Florida until the ball is in his hands.

Amari Cooper's loud on-the-field deeds have reverberated in the school record book. He is the most prolific wide receiver in Crimson Tide history either tying\* or setting every major single game (\*13, 224, \*3), season (90, 11, 1,349) and career (\*194, 3,085, 26) reception, receiving yards and touchdown receptions record. Two of those milestones had stood for 62 and 47 years respectively (season and career touchdown receptions).

Additionally, he had a program record six consecutive 100-yard receiving games and is tied with 13 career 100-yard receiving games. He stands alone as the only Tide wide receiver to record a pair of two-hundred plus yards receiving games.

The achievements are no surprise to Billy Rolle, Cooper's distant cousin and his former head coach at Miami Northwestern Senior High School. "If he was healthy, there wasn't anything he wouldn't be able to accomplish," said Rolle.

Cooper has matured. Rolle said, "He seems to be a lot more serious in his approach to the game. He has grown a lot not only physically but mentally, too. He wants to make something happen."

After nearly three seasons at The Capstone, Cooper's collective game day happenings have resulted in establishing records that may last for decades. Double teams and bracket coverages can normally negate the effectiveness of a single player. The addition of Lane Kiffin to the staff as offensive coordinator is another reason the Miami native has flourished. A scheme featuring a wide receiver the caliber of Cooper exploits opposing defensives.

Superior athletes occasionally are nonchalant with the routine. Cooper, anxious to generate a spectacular highlight on a short throw, has uncharacteristically had a number of miscues. "The few passes he dropped are because he saw too much daylight," said Rolle. The Blake Sims to Cooper slant pass from the right side on third down and less than 10 has become an automatic call succeeding with regularity. The 2012 consensus Freshman All-America has embraced an essential friend of every player: toughness. He has shown the ability to weather injuries ever since his sophomore season in high school.

Quiet confidence lies beneath the venire of shyness. "He's always been quiet and kind of shy," said Michelle Green, the proud mother of Alabama's next All-America wide receiver. Where did this reserved, calm and seemingly bashful superstar gain his self-assuredness? "Me, of course," she said with a hearty chuckle. "I'm confident."

Moreover, Cooper, his quiet demeanor notwithstanding, has a reputation among his teammates for being humorous. "He's very funny," said his mom. "Once he gets used to being around people, he will open up. He'll make us laugh."

Track was Cooper's first venture into sports but a curiosity developed about the game being played by boys in the nearby park – football. Thoughts of being tackled clearly were a concern but family friend, Harry Thurston, encouraged the reluctant Cooper to participate. The activity was a foreshadowing of events. His mother said, "He did real well from the very start and was making touchdowns in the park." Cooper's penchant for the end zone was immediately evident.

All of Ms. Green's children have a name beginning with the letter 'A' – Airrika, Avery, Ashley and Aspen. Searching for another with the same first letter, her cousin, Wanda Foster, suggested the name Amari. Watching her son play football is exciting, yet can elicit some apprehensive moments.

"My heart is racing every game," she said. "I am thinking, 'Please no one hurt my son."

Cooper causes serious issues for opposing defenses but off-the-field, he is a mother's dream. "He's a good kid," said his mother. "I never had any problems with him. I never had to chastise him." Mother and son have a close relationship. They speak at least twice a week and after every game.

External factors are the demons Saban rails against as distractions. Cooper seems impervious to anything resembling pressure. "He is serious about football but does not stress over it," said mom. "If he does, I don't know it. It's just a game. He enjoys playing it."

The cool demeanor shields the fervent competitor. He has tremendous poise. Cooper is the reticent celebrity shunning the attention. "Some athletes showboat, brag and like to be seen," she said. "That's not Amari's personality." He prefers tending to business, enjoys video games, and reading history – American and African-American.

Cooper loves music, too. An entertaining spirit probably remains dormant. So far Cooper has busted moves to the sheer delight of the Alabama faithful but to the chagrin of defensive backs and opposing fans. Those favoring crimson will forever remember him sprinting down the sidelines, spinning away from would-be tacklers, a series of acrobatic catches at the zenith of the ball's delivery, and double fakes on routes to break open.

Six wide receivers in the entire 122 years of Alabama football have distinguished themselves as first-team All-America. Don Hutson (1934) was a charter member of both the College and Pro Football Halls of Fame. Ozzie Newsome (1977) is also a dual inductee. Newsome known as "The Wizard" and Wayne Wheeler (1973) achieved stardom within the run-oriented wishbone offense. Ray Perkins (1966) and Dennis Homan (1967) were Crimson Tide perimeter teammates simultaneously terrorizing defenses. David Palmer (1993), the most recent honoree showcased a triple threat versatility vaulting him to third in the Heisman voting. Not even the fabled Quintorris Lopez "Julio" Jones (2008-10) was voted to be a member of this prestigious fraternity.

Every one of those sure-handed physically gifted pass catchers displayed an array of exceptional skills. Amari Cooper is a composite of the past embodying the extraordinary traits and physical attributes of the collective half-dozen Bama luminaries. Hutson (Pine Bluff, Ark.) was considered the prototype modern receiver. He was extremely fast with a game changing extra gear to chase down the deep ball.

Precise route runners Perkins and Homan shared a reputation of routinely racing past defensive backs. Separating from the secondary was the specialty for those pair of converted running backs and track stars.

Wheeler, another sprinter, was a member of that blazing speed club as well. He was known for leaving cornerbacks eating cleat generated dust on the long pass commonly called "the bomb."

Newsome was an imposing figure able to dominate possession of the ball in the air with the aplomb of a small forward in basketball. He would frequently sacrifice his body by lying out prone to make a sensational catch.

Exacting as Palmer was running routes he was equally adept at mastering the art of elusiveness amid a host of tacklers. Even defenders in close proximity assigned to chip him at the line of scrimmage rarely succeeded.

Shades of all those receivers are present in Cooper's repertoire.

"I don't know that he has a weakness, and it's not because he's at Alabama either," said Ray Perkins. Cooper was impressive the first time he laid eyes on him. "He's got excellent size, quickness and cutting ability. He's got great speed, burst and hands. I'm not sure he's the best receiver to ever come out of college. He certainly is the best receiver that's ever come out of Alabama. I think Amari Cooper will go down as one of the greatest receivers to ever come around." Perkins effusive praise for the wide receiver extends beyond the position. "He's got to be among the top three or four players regardless of position to ever come out of Alabama. He is that impressive," said the Petal, Miss., native.

Homan strongly concurred with the notion set forth by Perkins. "He is the best athlete I've ever seen in my life," Homan said. "That is any position on the field. Usually with the Heisman Trophy they select backs and quarterbacks. He ought to win the Heisman Trophy. He is that good." Homan added, "He's the best athlete in any sport you want to name. In my opinion he is the best athlete to play the game. He is so far above me when I played at Alabama or in the NFL, he could make me look like Ned in the first reader. He will do great at the next level."

Better than Jerry Rice you may ask? "He (Rice) was a great receiver no doubt and a great player," Homan said. "But I'm telling you that Amari Cooper is the best athlete I've ever seen, bar none."

Cooper broke a school record Homan held for 47 years – most career touchdown receptions of 18. He currently has 26 with at least one more regular season game, a possible league championship game, and possible multiple post-season games remaining.

Homan noted the moment with a special hand-written congratulatory note to Cooper. "I felt in my heart that was the right thing to do," Homan said. "He deserves it. I appreciate what he has done for The University and the great season and career he has had." Respect extends beyond the on-field performance.

"He is a class guy and he's a humble guy," said Homan. "When he scores a touchdown or makes a big play he hits a knee and points upward." The two have yet to meet.

Homan, a native of Muscle Shoals, said, "They can double-cover him or do whatever they want to, but he will run past them. I am not taking away from the other great players at Alabama or anywhere else. I think he is the greatest player to have ever played the game and that's at any school or program anywhere."

Man-to-man or zone coverage has not curtailed Cooper's offensive outbursts. Homan said, "He is very good at finding open spots. Great receivers know how to find them and can read defenses. He is not only talented physically with great hands but he is very smart."

Fellow (Orlando) Floridian Wayne Wheeler said, "He does a lot with the ball after he catches it with people all around him." A transformation occurs once the reception is secured. Explosive plays are a common event.

Cooper, measured against wide receivers and running backs, has a nation leading 25 plays (24 pass, 1 run) of 20 yards or more. "I just watch the way he moves," Wheeler said. "He is really fluid for a bigger guy. He moves very well with his feet. Many times someone that big does not move that well, but he runs like a running back. He is just a great complete all-around athlete. He excels at every phase of the game."

Former Alabama quarterback Richard Todd is a college teammate familiar with the exploits of Newsome, the former star at Colbert County in Leighton. Acting in proxy role due to the restrictions placed upon Baltimore Ravens General Manager and Executive Vice President Newsome from commenting on college underclassman Todd said, "Cooper's got everything. He's got good size and is stronger than people realize because of the way he pulls away from people. He reminds me of Lynn Swan with his body control but I think he is faster. He has that extra burst of speed similar to the fastest guy I ever played with on the New York Jets, Wesley Walker. He is extremely quick off the line and has great hands."

Defensive backs have difficulty slowing down Cooper at the line of scrimmage. "Half the time he jukes them so much, they can't even grab him," Todd said.

A Sympatico experience has led Palmer to view Cooper with a keen eye. Every time the ball was in the hands of "The Deuce", the crowd was on the edge of their seat with anticipation. Palmer believes the same scenario exists with Cooper. "He gets off the jam very well, runs excellent routes, and can get away from defenders.," Birmingham native Palmer said. "He's a speedster and a triple threat.

"They are getting him involved in many ways now besides throwing the ball down the field. Last week they threw the ball to him as a running back. It is very tough for defenders to cover him. He's at the top of his game right and probably the best receiver to ever come through Alabama."

Phil Savage is the executive director of the Senior Bowl and radio color commentator for the Crimson Tide Sports Network which broadcasts Alabama football games. He has witnessed the exploits of Amari Cooper since day one.

Savage said, "The first thing that jumps out when you have a chance to see him in person is the natural athleticism. He is a supreme athlete – quickness, speed, agility, balance, body control, hand-eye coordination. He's got very good hands and is sensational after the catch. He is a natural in terms of his route running and knows how to set defensive backs up. He has that subtle ability to give a hint here, a hint there and all of a sudden he's gone."

Receivers with gear changing speeds are game changers. "All the great receivers save a little something in terms of being able to gear down in a zone to make a catch or accelerate if the quarterback's pass is off-line," Savage said. "Amari can spear that ball out of mid-air and never miss a stride."

Superlatives are among the standard descriptions for any one witnessing the feats of no. 9 donning the crimson and white. The man privileged to coach him at Alabama expressed many in a November press conference. "Amari Cooper has done a great job for us his entire career," said Alabama Coach Nick Saban. "I think he's

improved and been a more productive player each year as he's matured as a person and a player and gained more knowledge and experience. He's had a phenomenal year this year. He's featured in a lot of things and has seldom disappointed us in the way he's preformed and the way he's played. We're just trying to get him in a position to hopefully finish strong and put a great cap on what has so far, been an outstanding year."

The 6-1, 210 pound Cooper is one of three finalists for the Biletnikoff Award given to the outstanding receiver regardless of position based on performance for the current season. NFL scouts have high praise for Cooper. He grades well on all the critical factors: an ability to defeat the press, separation, catches the ball in a contested situation, route running, yards created after catch, elusiveness, understands the passing game, hands, variable speeds and toughness.

Alabama fifth-year senior quarterback Blake Sims was asked if trusted receiver Cooper has surprised him, ""I think the game against Mississippi State when he made that catch, man that was a great catch. Things he's been doing, I've seen a million times and I'm just happy for the success he had this year."

Sims assessed the career of his revered teammate by saying, "He has done a great job from his first year to now. He is a hard-working person. The reason he has succeeded is because of what he does when the cameras are not on and the lights are off. He is working when people are asleep which helps you get results. He is helping the people around him get better too. He is the reason other people are open. When you've got somebody like that, you want to work hard for them too."

The exclusive club of six First Team All-Americans, Hutson, Perkins, Homan, Wheeler, Newsome, and Palmer should be welcoming a seventh member soon. He could be the new chairman of the esteemed group. Admiration from those of the immortal six able to voice their opinion is unanimous. Sims also said, "I think he's the most exciting guy on the team." Amari Cooper, playmaker extraordinaire, may be the most thrilling athlete in Alabama football history.

### SANTA ROSA PRESS DEMOCRAT

# Raiders expect an elite wide receiver with Amari Cooper draft pick

By Phil Barber April 30, 2015

OAKLAND — Derek Carr made great strides during his rookie season, cementing his place as the Raiders' quarterback for years to come. Carr may have taken another leap Thursday, without even stepping on the field.

With their young passer in mind, the Raiders used the No. 4 overall selection in the NFL Draft to acquire something they haven't had since the days of Rich Gannon flinging the football to Jerry Rice and Tim Brown: an elite wide receiver.

In Alabama's Amari Cooper, the Raiders got a guy whose epic college production is matched only by his NFL-quality route-running and reading of coverages, according to the scouts.

"He can run a route," Oakland general manager Reggie McKenzie said after making the pick. "Seems like he can do that with his eyes closed. He's exceptionally quick, he's fast and he understands the game. You can tell the guy's been playing football and playing that position all his life."

A fact quickly confirmed by Cooper, who explained on a conference call that he started to take his routes and cuts seriously when he was 5 or 6 years old, even before he had played organized football; by the time he joined a youth team in Miami in third grade, he had only to learn the names of the routes.

That team happened to have a couple of good running backs, including the coach's son, so Cooper tried his hands at wide receiver. He's never wandered from the position. The Raiders, in essence, are getting an athlete whose entire life has prepared him to catch passes in the NFL.

"It's unusual when words like polished are thrown out," Oakland head coach Jack Del Rio said. "But that's what you see. He's been lined up all across the board: outside, both sides, inside in the slot, moved around, even lined up in the backfield some. He's been exposed to a lot and utilized a lot of different ways. He's run the entire route tree."

Cooper is fast (4.42 seconds in the 40-yard dash at the scouting combine), but there are other receivers in this draft who can outrace him. He has good size (6-foot-1, 211 pounds), but won't tower over most NFL cornerbacks.

What set Cooper apart were his technique, his "football IQ" (if you can pardon the cliché) and his college production, the latter being light years ahead of the Raiders' previous top-10 pick at wide receiver, Darrius Heyward-Bey in 2009.

Alabama has been known as a run-first team for ages, but head coach Nick Saban and offensive coordinator Lane Kiffin – remember him, Raiders fans? – changed the philosophy with Cooper in the arsenal. The Crimson Tide targeted the junior an astounding 178 times in 2014. Cooper caught 124 of those passes (best in the nation) for 1,727 yards (tops among draft-eligible players) and 16 touchdowns (ditto).

Sometimes the college receivers with the biggest numbers are products of their offenses. That doesn't seem to be the case with Cooper, who is beloved by most NFL analysts.

College Football Focus, which breaks down film of every FBS game, had this to say about Cooper: "He can use his hands at the line to defeat the jam and contact from defensive backs like it's already instinct. This is something most college receivers struggle with and it takes them a while to learn it in the NFL. Cooper is already a master."

CFF added this appraisal of Cooper's mental game: "He also shows a fantastic understanding of defenses and zone coverage, knowing exactly what he's looking at and when to throttle down to sit in an open space."

"I'm a wide receiver," Cooper said. "There are only two ways you can get open at wide receiver, your releases and the top of your route. The whole route-running process is really important. I just focus on it and try to be the best that I can at it so I can create as much separation as I can for my quarterback."

In other words, Cooper is NFL-ready, maybe the most NFL-ready player on the entire board.

That's great news to new Raiders offensive coordinator Bill Musgrave, who is charged with adding some zip to an offense that ranked 26th in the NFL with 204.7 passing yards per game last season, 31st in scoring with 253 points and dead last with 30 completions of 20-plus yards.

Carr already had a stable of decent young receivers like Rod Streater, Andre Holmes, Brice Butler and tight end Mychal Rivera, and a proven newcomer in Michael Crabtree. But none of them is a clear No. 1 receiver. The Raiders hope they have found their top dog in Cooper.

The void he seeks to fill goes back for more than a decade. Oakland hasn't had a 1,000-yard receiver since Rice totaled 1,211 in 2002. That also happens to be the last time the Raiders made the playoffs.

The first two picks of this draft offered no surprises, with a pair of quarterbacks, Florida State's Jameis Winston and Oregon's Marcus Mariota, going to Tampa Bay and Tennessee, respectively. When the Jaguars took outside linebacker Dante Fowler at No. 3, the Raiders had at least a couple of strong possibilities: Cooper and Leonard Williams, the USC defensive lineman that some touted as the top talent in the draft.

Surprisingly, trading down might not have been much of an option. McKenzie said he got plenty of calls leading up to the draft, but none when the Raiders were on the clock.

To hear the general manager tell it, Williams wasn't strongly debated either. The Raiders had targeted Amari Cooper, just as his quarterbacks did 178 times last year.

### DE MARIO EDWARDS JR.

### **CBS SPORTS**

Mario Edwards, a likely first-rounder you're not seeing in many mock drafts By Jason La Canfora April 13, 2015

It is inevitable, come the start of the NFL Draft on April 30, there will be a player or two selected in the first round who virtually no one was chattering about leading up to the event. There will be first-round picks who showed up on nary a mock draft, generated precious little buzz, who teams were loathe to speak about lest they give away a secret or two, and who many in the media overlooked.

In 2015, one such player could be Florida State junior defensive lineman Mario Edwards Jr. You won't find him projected high and he might have mediocre grades from some draft sites, but plenty of evaluators I trust believe he's a legit first-round talent. In fact, I wouldn't be shocked if this kid ends up going somewhere in the teens, depending on the first 10 picks.

Execs I know who've studied Edwards are very impressed with his athleticism. They project a pass rush at the next level, making him potentially much more impactful as a pro than in college, where he was first-team All-ACC in 2014. And in 2012 he was the only true freshman to start on the Seminoles' vaunted defense.

"Why aren't any of you guys writing about Mario Edwards?" one evaluator asked. "I look around the Internet at these mock drafts and I don't think I've seen him in the first round in one of them. He's not showing up in any of them. I think you're missing on him. He's going to surprise some people. I think he goes in the first round. In this [not overly talented] draft, he's definitely a first-rounder for me."

For what it's worth, in my years of dealing with this particular scout, he has been overwhelmingly right. He's a big reason why I called for Deone Buchannon going in the first round before last year's draft. The hard-hitting safety largely was considered a mid-round guy who ended up going 27th overall. And this phenomenon occurs seemingly every year, be it Bruce Irvin or Tyson Alualu or Kyle Long. It's part of the process, and reactions I got from some evaluators regarding Edwards was pretty telling.

Some were loathe to talk about him because, well, they would prefer I not write this column. They would prefer no one shine a light on Edwards. When the same names of defensive linemen show up over and over in mock drafts, you get a lot of smiles in the scouting community. They're perfectly fine with it. They don't want a lot of hype about a kid who they think may be falling through the cracks.

"Everybody [doing a mock draft] pretty much ends up with the same names, but in a different order," said another evaluator who doesn't believe his team is a great fit for Edwards but expects he goes high. "That's usually how it works. So why should I give you a name [outside that group]? Why would a team want to let you in on that? But, since you're asking me, do I think Edwards could be that kind of guy? You could be on to something there."

Edwards is raw, and had he stayed in school we might have heard a lot about him before the 2016 draft. But there is no denying the talent, some still untapped (that is the very nature of the draft -- projecting, projecting, projecting). His father was a star at FSU and played corner in the NFL. Edwards was considered perhaps the nation's best defender coming out of high school. He is strong and powerful at 6-feet-3, 279 pounds, and can

play with burst and explosiveness. He could be a fit in a 3-4 or a 4-3 scheme, though the scouts I talked to saw him more projected as a 4-3 tackle and believe he will be more of a pass-rushing factor as he develops.

One evaluator who did extensive work on him thought Edwards should be one of the first three defensive linemen off the board, and attributed some overall dropoff in FSU's defense in 2014 to the loss of defensive coordinator Jeremy Pruitt (who left after their national title in 2013 to go to Georgia).

"There was a dropoff across the board from that defense, and a lot of it I think was from losing their coordinator," he said. "He was the man. But if you look at some of those kids over the last two or three years, man, there are a lot of players there. I think Edwards and [Seminoles defensive tackle Eddie] Goldman are first-rounders."

Within the Florida State program, Edwards was viewed as a difference maker still coming into his own. He picked up valuable scheme diversity having to work with three coordinators in three years -- all three coordinators speak very highly of Edwards, I'm told -- and someone who performed often selfless tasks in that defense at a very high level.

"There were some very high expectations on him coming as the No. 1 recruit in the nation, so I guess maybe to some on the outside it might seem like his numbers aren't huge or something like that," said someone who worked closely with him while at Florida State. "But if you evaluate his entire Florida State career, he played a very major role on a team that went 39-3 with him here, and that was just 9-4 the season before he and Jameis [Winston] got here.

"He has great leadership qualities. He was one of the most coachable kids you could work with. You could always count on him on the field and off the field. He did everything that was asked of him and expected of him. He was incredibly well-liked within the program. He's very comfortable with the professional game because of his legacy with his father playing in the NFL. He's built for the league and he will keep getting better."

Certain teams definitely seem to like Edwards more than others, including the Vikings, who pick No. 11 overall. That might be high for Edwards -- plenty of mocks have nose tackle Danny Shelton going there -- though I wouldn't rule it out. And if perhaps you see the Vikings trade down out of that spot, definitely keep an eye on Edwards as a target. It wouldn't shock me at all if the Bengals, 49ers, Cowboys, Lions, Seahawks or Browns invested a top pick in him.

He would fill a need with plenty of 3-4 teams as well, though some have said they aren't sure he would fit at defensive end and doubt he could move to outside linebacker. Others believe he could play inside in a 3-4 in certain packages. Regardless, he has people talking, or perhaps whispering. His 4.74 time in the 40 and video of him doing a standing backflip -- at 300 pounds! -- and his athletic prowess are very difficult to ignore.

Personally, I won't consider it a surprise if he ends up going somewhere between 11th and 19th. After reading this, I suppose neither should you. I assure you in some draft meetings and war rooms, it won't be looked at as a stunner, either, if things play out that way.

#### **ESPN.COM**

Can slimmer, motivated Mario Edwards Jr. convince NFL he's first-round material? By Jared Shanker April 27, 2015

The morning of the NFL draft, Mario Edwards Jr. will look at himself in the mirror, just as he's done every morning since declaring for the draft. He'll pose a question to his reflection, knowing he doesn't have a satisfying answer.

"Why did I take so long?"

The former Florida State defensive lineman, who entered the draft after his junior season, is 6-foot-3 and weighs 279 pounds and is in such good shape he spent pro day wearing the football equivalent of spandex. It's a stark contrast to where he was less than a year ago.

The last draft-eligible No. 1 high school prospect was Jadeveon Clowney, who was drafted first overall in 2014. Edwards, who succeeded Clowney as ESPN RecruitingNation's No. 1 recruit, isn't following the same trajectory. Instead, Edwards' name draws varying opinions. There's talk of him sneaking into the second half of the first round or falling all the way to the end of the second day.

NFL front offices have to ask why it took so long for Edwards, who ballooned to 310 pounds at FSU, to turn himself into the player people expected -- and whether the change is permanent.

"In order for me to be great, I've got to take care of my body," Edwards said. "The 310, it's a closed chapter."

Edwards' reputation preceded him when he arrived at Florida State in 2012. He was described as a pass-rusher with first-step quickness who also possessed the power to play defensive tackle. The Seminoles had aspirations of competing for a national championship, and the decorated recruit was expected to contribute. Unprepared and overweight, though, he would have redshirted if not for an injury to a starter.

Part of the problem was he always ate until he felt full. It might take a bucket of hot wings or a burrito bowl with quadruple meat and three tacos to do that. That would be lunch, and he'd reorder it in the evening for dinner.

Teammates cracked fat jokes, but it didn't faze Edwards. Even at 300 pounds, he could still do standing back flips. The problem, he said, was he couldn't sustain his performance all four quarters. His weight caused him to wilt.

"I couldn't blame anybody but myself," he said.

The other problem was the hype and publicity, said Edwards' father, Mario Sr., who has coached his son the last six years -- the last three as Florida State's director of development.

"I think he had the big head, because all his life he's been more talented than most guys he faced. Like a lot of kids, he felt like he already arrived," Mario Sr. said. "Being humbled and not realizing I'm not the big dog on the block anymore, it was the wake-up call he needed.

"The seed needed to be watered and nourished, and it blossomed into something beautiful."

As a sophomore, Edwards showed flashes of brilliance and dominated in the 2013 national championship. This past season, Edwards was voted a team captain. His numbers aren't staggering when compared to those of other linemen, but his role as a 3-4 defensive end differed play to play, a team-oriented role he learned to relish.

"I was an all-about-me player and not about the team," Edwards said, "and I had to learn it wasn't about me and support my teammates. I'm the guy that does my job that you don't have to worry about."

Still, NFL teams will worry. In pre-draft workouts, Edwards outperformed most other linemen and was one of the biggest risers to come from the combine. But central to the pre-draft process is convincing teams the weight will stay off. Edwards weighed 276 pounds at the Rose Bowl and 272 at pro day. He's at 279 now. That question is put to bed, he said.

Training with EXOS, a health and performance consulting company, Edwards worked with dietician and performance nutritionist Bob Calvin. Calvin said Edwards was motivated to change his eating habits, which consisted of about 80 percent of his calories coming from poor food choices.

Calvin heard all the right things from Edwards, but he still had to see whether Edwards was applying it. One of the ways Calvin gauges a player's level of sincerity is if they're eating vegetables at breakfast and eschewing sugary drinks for water. That's exactly what Edwards was doing on a daily basis, and he was ending nights with Caesar salads and sweet potatoes.

"He made upgrades in his habits and saw the rewards and benefits," Calvin said.

Weekdays at EXOS before the draft have also consisted of four workouts. Edwards was in the top linemen group, joined by potential first-round picks Dante Fowler Jr., Cam Erving and D.J. Humphries. Edwards said he wasn't the quintessential teammate early in his Florida State career, but EXOS performance specialist Stefan Underwood said he has been a valuable asset in group settings during training.

"He elevated the people around him," Underwood said. "He was there to work and brought a business mentality."

Because of his size, Edwards is being looked at as a 4-3 defensive end -- he said he'll play end in either scheme or even stand up as a linebacker -- which means he'll have to improve his pass rush. For the past month, Edwards has worked with three-time Pro Bowl left tackle Tra Thomas.

Edwards and Thomas worked on the rookie's stance and spin moves. The two watched film and Thomas offered insight into the tricks that annoy offenses most. There was no lack of motivation, Thomas said.

"He'll give a lot of O-linemen fits," Thomas said. "He's going to be a huge success."

On draft morning, Edwards might not have an answer for himself when he looks in the mirror, but he knows the person staring back is here to stay.

How does he know?

"I love what I see in the morning now."

## **QB CODY FAJARDO**

### **THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER**

Former Servite/Nevada star Cody Fajardo plays underdog role in NFL draft By Dan Albano April 29, 2015

Cody Fajardo kept the list ready in college.

While at Nevada, the four-year starting quarterback remembered the schools that snubbed him during recruiting when he was coming out of Servite High. He made it a personal challenge to play well against those teams to prove they made a mistake.

"I got a lot of teams to say, 'I don't know why we didn't we recruit you,'" he recalled.

Fajardo might start another list Saturday during the NFL draft, though he hopes it doesn't grow too long. His dream is to be drafted but he's entering the weekend with guarded optimism.

A draft party in Orange County, for example, is pending the outcome.

Fajardo's prospects generate mixed reviews. His closest football supporters believe he will get drafted in rounds 4-7 on Saturday while draft analyst Matt Miller of Bleacher Report said he won't be drafted and instead become a "priority free agent." The NFL.com mock draft also didn't list Fajardo.

But this much is certain: Fajardo's underdog story, which includes a strong sense of faith, will continue beyond this weekend. The lightly recruited high school senior, who in 2009 helped Servite beat Mater Dei for the first time since 1988, is now eager to prove himself one more time.

"When I watch the draft, all the teams that do pass me, I may just write them down and when we do play against them, (I'II) just kind of feel a little better afterward," he said. "The more people that doubt me, the more fire it just lights underneath me."

#### TRAINING TIME

Fajardo's desire to succeed in the NFL quickly surfaced after his senior season at Nevada.

He spent January and most of February training under the tutelage of quarterback guru Bill Cunerty and the EXOS training program run out of StubHub Center in Carson.

Cunerty, the former Saddleback College football coach, has prepped quarterbacks for the NFL Scouting Combine for the past 13 years. One of his ex-students is Stanford product Andrew Luck, now with the Colts.

Cunerty trained Fajardo and fellow quarterback prospect Brett Hundley of UCLA this year. The day-long sessions focused on technique and film sessions in a classroom setting.

Fajardo operated from the shotgun in the pistol offense at Nevada, so his footwork on drops under center has been a focus. Cunerty also emphasized the ability to verbalize defensive reads.

Cunerty emerged from the sessions impressed with Fajardo.

"The work ethic is Cody's ace in the hole," he said. "No one is going to outwork him."

Fajardo also trained with Orange County's Steve Calhoun, another noted private quarterback coach who has worked with NFL passers such as EJ Manuel of the Bills and Nick Foles of the Rams.

Calhoun ran Fajardo's pro day at Nevada that attracted about a dozen professional scouts, including one from Canada. Fajardo also interviewed with about 25 teams at the combine and performed a private workout for the Eagles before they signed Tim Tebow.

"I'm pretty anxious, pretty excited," Fajardo said of the draft. "The hardest part about it is that I have no idea what's going to go on. I put my best foot forward. I felt I performed well at the combine, helped myself at the pro day."

Calhoun said Fajardo showed a strong and accurate arm at his pro day and good footwork under center.

"He answered all the questions they (scouts) had," Calhoun said. "He reminds me a lot of Russell Wilson."

Fajardo's speed certainly helps in those comparisons. He clocked a 4.63 in the 40-yard dash at the combine in February, tying Hundley for fourth-fastest among quarterbacks.

Fajardo used his speed to rush for 3,482 career yards and 44 TDs at Nevada but also passed for another 9,659 yards and 57 TDs. Those numbers aren't too far off Colin Kaepernick's production at Nevada. The 49ers quarterback was a senior at Nevada when Fajardo redshirted.

Fajardo even hired the same agent as Kaepernick, Jason Bernstein.

"His success in the NFL has really helped me draw interest from other teams," Fajardo said of Kaepernick. "(Teams) can see that guys can transition from Nevada, playing in the pistol offense."

Miller said he believes Fajardo won't be drafted partially because of his size (6-foot-1 1/2, 223 pounds) and passing abilities. But Cunerty praised Fajardo's throwing technique and readiness for the sometimes-chaotic nature of playing quarterback in the NFL.

"Cody is not a kid who panics," Cunerty said. "He's a tough guy."

#### **KEEP THE FAITH**

For all his preparation for the NFL draft, Fajardo can't be defined by football. The first word on his Twitter bio provides a clue: Catholic.

Fajardo, 23, said his Catholic faith continued to grow while at Nevada. He helped organize pregame masses for the football team, began speaking with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and recently shared his faith with church groups in Reno and Sparks, Nev.

The path, he said, was laid for him at Servite.

"They shaped my faith," he said. "The one thing I would love to do is come back and coach at Servite."

Fajardo said his talks to church groups focus on maintaining faith during adversity and avoiding negative opinions on social media.

"I learned to stay off social media and just go through my text messages because those are the people who will support you," he said.

When it comes to the NFL draft this weekend, Fajardo will follow players from the small schools or lower-profile conferences.

"I always root for the underdog," he said. "That's kind of who I am."

# **G/C JON FELICIANO**

### **ESPN.COM**

Miami OL Feliciano has found his way home By Andrea Adelson October 13, 2014

He had no home. Scratch that. Technically, he had a home, but it was condemned. So he bounced around here and there, staying with his best friend or his girlfriend. On days he felt too proud to ask for another favor, he went back to the condemned house, with no water or power. He just needed a place to fall asleep.

All those nights he had nothing, Jon Feliciano thought about football. He thought about the University of Miami, the only place he ever wanted to go to college. Somehow, he thought, I have to get there. Football will get me there.

Never mind that Miami had never shown any interest in him, even though he went to high school in Davie, Florida, 40 minutes north of the campus. If Feliciano wanted to change his fate, he would have to do it himself.

So he and his high school football coach, Rashad West, arrived at Lockhart Stadium in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for the 2008 Miami spring game with a plan.

A junior offensive lineman at the time, the 6-foot-4, 280-pound Feliciano put together a highlight tape to hand-deliver to the coach recruiting his area, Tommie Robinson. Feliciano and West initially wanted to sneak down to the field when the game ended, but there were too many people to make it far. Feliciano was crushed.

West, familiar with the stadium layout, knew where the Miami buses would be parked. He drove Feliciano to the back of the stadium, where they waited for the team to emerge. When Robinson came out, Feliciano gave him the tape.

"You pass the eyeball test," Robinson told him. "I'll watch your highlight tape, and we'll see how it goes."

The fact that Feliciano could run, let alone play football, should be regarded as a minor miracle. He was born breech and with a foot deformity that required braces, or "magic shoes," as his mother called them. For two years, he wore the braces. Doctors told Alicia Feliciano that her son would never play sports. She told the doctors they would be wrong. She spent hours pulling on his legs, willing them to work, massaging his feet until her hands hurt.

Her youngest son, Christopher, had even more health problems. He was born deaf and requiring a feeding tube and heart monitors. Her marriage deteriorated, and she got divorced when her three sons were still young. She wanted to move far away, so she left her family and home in New York with \$300 in her pocket and a car worth \$200 and headed to Florida.

She never had a steady job but made ends meet, always making sure her children were clean and fed. When she worked nights, Jon would take care of his little brother, cooking him dinner or helping with homework. His older brother was not always around, so it was up to Jon to be the man of the house.

When Jon was in eighth grade, Alicia developed breast cancer. She kept her diagnosis a secret because she did not want her sons to worry. She went to treatments alone and would come home with a smile, tuck her kids into bed and then scream in pain through the night. When Jon asked what was wrong, she claimed she was watching a scary movie.

When she lost her hair, Jon asked why she wore a wig. She told him her hairdresser was at fault. But after a few months, Alicia finally broke down.

"She told me, 'I've had breast cancer the last few months, but I'm OK," Jon said. "I was like, 'Thanks, Mom. I would have liked to know that a few months ago. I could have helped you.' She just didn't want me to worry about her."

Jon wanted to quit school to take care of her. His mother was outraged.

"Never say that again," she told him.

Jon always loved football, but he could not afford to play in the local Optimist league. Even if he had the money, he had no way to get there. Instead, he grew up idolizing Ray Lewis and Sean Taylor and dreamed about playing tight end for the Canes.

The summer before his freshman year of high school, a friend asked him to go check out football practice. They rode their bikes over to the field. The coaches took one look at Jon and told him, "You're going to play football."

He began to excel on the field and on the basketball court -- his first love -- but at home his mother was struggling to pay the bills. Sometimes the water and electricity would be turned off. She had a generator for food and one light. They would sometimes sleep at a cousin's house or in their car.

Jon was too proud to tell his coaches what was happening at home; his mother was too proud to ask anybody for help. She wanted to provide for her children, but she no longer could when Jon was a junior and their house was condemned.

She took Jon to lunch and delivered the news.

"I was really upset about it, but I didn't want to let my mother or younger brother know how much it was bothering me," Jon said. "My mom was very upset, crying. She would always say, 'I don't want to be a bad mother,' and I'd tell her, 'Mom, you're not a bad mother. It's not your fault.' I didn't want to put more pressure on my mother with me being upset or letting her know I was upset. I tried to stay strong for my family."

She wanted him to move back to New York with her and Christopher. Jon thought it would be best if he stayed in Florida and kept playing football, hoping to get a scholarship. Alicia reluctantly agreed.

"Promise me you'll go to school and become somebody," she told him.

He promised.

When she left, Jon spent as much time at school as possible, arriving first thing in the morning and staying until the last person left.

"I would just focus on school and playing football and playing basketball. Those things kept me away from everything. But there were times I didn't know what house I'd be able to stay at," he said. "It was challenging looking back at it, but I really just try to think about the positives. If I can get through this, I don't think there will be anything in my life harder to get through."

Jon freely admits he gets his pride from his mother. Pride kept him from giving West or his basketball coach, Steve Todd, any indication that something was wrong at home. He wanted to try to manage on his own.

"He never let on how bad it may have been," West said. "There are some things I'm finding out now that you had a clue about but you didn't know to what extreme."

Shortly after Feliciano delivered his highlight tape to Robinson, Miami called and invited him on an unofficial visit.

Feliciano and his mother, in town from New York at the time, went down to Coral Gables. Everything was how he envisioned, from the coaching staff to the facilities to the campus and community. They left, not knowing what to expect as they drove to a friend's house.

Then the phone rang. It was Miami offensive line coach Jeff Stoutland.

"Jon, we want to offer you a scholarship to the University of Miami," he said.

"OK," Feliciano said. "I'm going to commit right now."

"Are you sure?" Stoutland asked. "Do you want to talk to your mom about it?"

Feliciano turned to his mother.

"Mom," he said. "I'm committing to Miami."

She cried.

"Since he was 6 years old, all he ever said was, 'I want to go to that team, Mom!" she recalled. "He doesn't even remember being in braces, but I always said to him, 'You're going to do it, Jon!' And he did it."

Shortly after, Alicia moved back to Florida with her parents, who bought a house for them to live in. A year later, Jon arrived at Miami, but he started doubting whether he belonged. The plan was to redshirt, so he played on the scout team every day, facing stronger guys like Sean Spence, Colin McCarthy and Marcus Forston -- all in the NFL now.

Then Randy Shannon and his staff were fired. Al Golden came in with a new offensive line coach. Feliciano had no idea what to expect. After the first spring, he went in for his exit interview with Golden.

"Jon, you have four more years. Do you know how good a player you're going to be?" Golden said.

Feliciano looked at him and thought, "Do you see what I see?"

Golden saw much more. "He's tough, he's durable, and he's versatile, and that's a great combination to have," Golden said. "You could see early on that he was a very humble kid from a humble background, lunch-pail ethic, and [he was] grateful for the opportunity to be here."

Feliciano worked harder than he ever had that summer and used Christopher as inspiration. He had no reason to be down, not when he was playing the game his brother never could.

When fall camp opened, Feliciano competed for a starting job. He made his first career start at left guard, as a redshirt freshman, against Ohio State in 2011.

Feliciano has started 38 games since then while facing even more difficulty at home. Alicia was diagnosed with cancer again several years ago and had her uterus removed. She asked the coaches not to tell Jon, but they thought he already knew.

Jon wanted to go back home to help her, but Alicia refused, adamant that he finish college.

"I've been through a lot," she told him. "What I deserve is for you to stay in school."

In May, Feliciano became the first person in his family to graduate from college. His father, who has maintains a presence in Jon's life, flew down from New York for the ceremony, attending with his brothers, grandparents and, of course, Alicia, grateful to be alive to see Jon walk across the stage.

"Of all the kids who had a reason to go the other way, he is one of them," said West, his high school football coach. "But he didn't. We always say it's a great story. It could be made into a movie."

Jon and Alicia struggle to reveal all the details of their past, but it has shaped them both.

"It just taught me to be strong," Jon says. "No matter what you're going through, you'll get through it if you keep a positive attitude and work hard. Everything will be all right."

Turns out everything is more than all right. Feliciano has a football career, a college degree and a future. He has his family.

He has a home.

# **WR JOSH HARPER**

### **ESPN.COM**

Harpers keep it all in the family By Bill Williamson May 7, 2015

On Saturday afternoon, the large gathering at the Harper family draft party was getting a little uneasy.

Smooth, productive Fresno State receiver Josh Harper -- the youngest of former San Francisco 49ers Super Bowl-winning linebacker Willie Harper's nine children -- surprisingly went undrafted. There were plenty of questions, but no answers.

Then telephone began to ring and the after-draft game was on. Teams were calling to try to secure Harper as a priority free agent. His older sister, Qiava Harper, didn't say anything. She just sat and hoped.

Then it happened. Josh Harper, listed by ESPN draft analyst Todd McShay as the sixth best available undrafted free agent, agreed to terms with the Oakland Raiders, reuniting with his college quarterback, Derek Carr, who is entering his second season with the Raiders. Harper had 79 catches for 1,011 yards and 13 touchdowns at Fresno State in 2013 with Carr at the helm.

Qiava Harper gathered her thoughts, then went to her brother's room to congratulate him and welcome him to her NFL family.

"Then I went out and cried a little," said Harper, who is the vice president of premium seating and services for the Raiders.

Just like that, Harper will now be selling luxury boxes for people to see her brother try to score touchdowns. Harper played it straight during the entire process. She never talked to the team's decision-makers about her brother before the draft and she didn't try to sway her brother's decision when he was on his own clock.

"My baby brother is joining the (Raider) Nation. I couldn't be more proud," Qiava Harper said. "I never mentioned anything. I was just being supportive. But I'm glad he made the right decision."

Harper, who has another brother, Matthew, who is an assistant coach with the Philadelphia Eagles, was overwhelmed by all the well wishes and congratulations she received from co-workers when she showed up for work Monday.

One visitor stood out: Raiders Hall of Fame cornerback Willie Brown, who still works for the team. He visited Harper's office to remind her that it doesn't matter if a player is drafted or not, what matters is seizing the opportunity. Brown originally came into the league as an undrafted free agent with the Houston Oilers of the American Football League in 1963.

Qiava Harper enjoyed last year when the Raiders drafted Carr, her brother's former teammate. It just got better.

"It must be God's plan. We're all here -- Derek, myself and now my brother," Qiava Harper said. "It's amazing."

There also potential for in-office family bantering during the season. One of the ticket-office employees, Warren Verrett, is the older brother of Jason Verrett. He is a standout second-year cornerback with the AFC West rival San Diego Chargers, who conceivably could be covering Qiava's baby brother twice a season for the next several years.

# **LB BEN HEENEY**

#### **USA TODAY**

Accident teaches Kansas linebacker Ben Heeney a lesson

By Ben Heeney (via Tom Pelissero) March 29, 2015

USA TODAY Sports has assembled a talented team of prospects to chronicle their paths to the NFL draft. Today's entry is from Kansas linebacker Ben Heeney, who had 127 tackles and earned first-team all-Big 12 honors as a senior in 2014 and was a top performer at the combine.

My grandparents have a lake house at Table Rock Lake in Missouri. We always go up there during the summertime and get on the boat and have fun. It's also the place I almost died.

It was the summer between sophomore and junior year. My uncle was driving the boat. I was on the tube with my brother. We hit a big wave or something, and I got thrown off. The boat was circling around to come get me, and when they throttled down to pick me up, the propeller wasn't all the way off and it sucked me underneath the boat.

The propeller sliced my left leg open. It was probably like an inch away from my artery. If it would've hit that, I would've died within minutes. Then it flipped me over onto my side and it got me on my butt, too. The deepest laceration was on my thigh. It was really deep. When I pulled myself onto the boat, they said it looked like a raw steak hanging out. It was pretty gross.

They elevated my leg and tied it off with the towel to stop the bleeding. Surprisingly, it didn't really bleed that much, because all the blood's in that artery. We didn't have a cell phone on the boat, so we just pulled up to a random dock and everyone – my parents, my cousins, my brother, my Nana and my uncle and my aunts – was screaming, 'Call 911! Call 911!'

I think I was in shock, because it didn't really hurt that bad. But it took 30 minutes for the ambulance to get there and another 30 minutes to get to the hospital, and the only thing that was going through my head was football. I didn't think I was going to be able to play.

Hutchinson, which is where I'm from in Kansas, had a rivalry with this other school called Rockhurst. My sophomore year, we lost. I had to play my junior year. That was the only concern I had: playing against Rockhurst.

Nobody thought I was going to be back. It was like six weeks from the injury to the first game. But I recovered really fast, went through all my treatment and rehab and I was ready to play. I still don't have feeling in my left leg, in my thigh area. It has nerve damage. But it's not even an issue anymore when I'm on the field. Even the scar is going away.

I definitely would call it a near-death experience. If it would've hit an artery, I would've bled out for sure. It just makes you think. Anything can happen. One second, everything's good and the next second, you can get your leg split open. That definitely changed my perspective on living for the moment and never taking anything for granted.

My pro day last week was good. I didn't really do much. I did my bench press again – still stuck on 19 reps, even though I got 21 like a week before in training – and then I just did position work on the field. One of the coaches from the Cowboys was running drills. All the coaches said they liked what they saw and my position drills were good.

I just had a private workout Friday morning with the New England Patriots. They sent Bill Belichick's son, Steve Belichick, who's on staff there. It was just a quick, 20-minute workout on the field and then we went inside and watched film. I have another workout coming up Tuesday with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

Other than that, I'm just continuing to work out and chilling, playing some Minecraft on Xbox One. All the big stuff is out of the way now. Teams just tell me to keep doing what I'm doing. I'm not a guy they have to worry about having issues. I've just got to wait until the draft.

#### NFL draft diary: Kansas' Ben Heeney hoping game similar to Luke Kuechly's

By Ben Heeney (via Tom Pelissero) February 18, 2015

USA TODAY Sports has assembled a talented team of prospects to chronicle their paths to the NFL draft. Today's entry is from Kansas linebacker Ben Heeney, the bearded "diabolical defender" who had 127 tackles and earned first-team all-Big 12 honors as a senior in 2014.

The culture at Hutchinson High School in Kansas was we won football games. I won three state championships in my four years there. My dad and both of my uncles were on the baseball team at KU, and my mom was in a sorority there, so I basically came out of the womb a Jayhawk. When they offered me a scholarship, I accepted it on the spot.

I was still baby-faced back in high school. But I grew a beard in college, and I liked the way it looked. It never really caught on until my junior year. That's when everyone started recognizing me for my beard. There were people in the stands at games that would have Duck Dynasty beards, Halloween costume beards.

Everyone always thinks the beard's hot and itchy on the field but, honestly, it's not. I think it's comfortable. It's a little bit of extra padding. And it's not like (Colts quarterback) Andrew Luck's, which is a little gross. I keep mine shaped up. I have a guy in Lawrence that I go to every time. Actually, here at 8 o'clock, I have a guy coming over to my little condo in Pensacola, Fla., to trim it for me.

The "Captain Heeney" website started my senior year. That's run by the KU athletics department. Before the season started, the lady that deals with all the media had this idea, basically to give me some added exposure I guess. I'm not a big showboating kind of guy, so it's not really my style. But it was cool to have them recognize me by that.

As a player, I think I'm a fast learner. I'd never played linebacker until college. I thought I was going to play running back. coach Turner Gill and his staff recruited me basically as an athlete. They didn't know where I was going to play. But when coach Charlie Weis and his staff got hired, they needed a middle linebacker. And I was the best guy, so they just stuck me in there, and I didn't lose the spot.

I don't know what these NFL teams think about me, so I don't want to speak for them. But I'll type my name in Twitter just to see what pops up, and it seems like a lot of people think I don't have very good athleticism, which is definitely not true. I think I'm very athletic. I'm hoping to show the scouts and coaches at the combine that all my times should be pretty good. I'm hoping to be in the top of the linebackers when I go there.

I don't think my "lack of size" is going to have any hindrance on my ability to play in the NFL, either. I think the game's changed a lot in recent years. If you look back, the traditional linebacker was 6-4, 250 or 260 pounds and just a humongous guy. But it's more of a passing league now, and I think the smaller, quicker guys are being really productive — Luke Kuechly and guys like that. I think my game's similar to his, and I think I'll do fine.

I didn't come from a background of a single-parent household. I didn't grow up in poverty. I don't have a story where it's like, 'Wow, this guy overcame so much.' I'm just a guy that wakes up in the morning, and I want to be better than everybody else. I want to be the best that I can be. Ever since I was a little kid, I've always been the best player on my team no matter what sport it is. If I lose in video games or I lose in a game of checkers, I'm pissed off.

I want to be great. I'm a competitor. I'm a winner, I'd like to say. We didn't do much of it at KU, but I leave my heart and my soul out on the field after every single game, and I think anyone that has seen me play can tell you that's true.

#### **BLEACHER REPORT**

Kansas LB Ben Heeney Overcoming "Misconceptions," Challenges Entering NFL Draft By Dan Hope March 7, 2015

Anyone who paid attention to the 2015 NFL Scouting Combine knows that Ben Heeney is a great athlete.

The Kansas linebacker's times topped the charts among all linebackers in Indianapolis in each of the combine's three measurable agility drills. Heeney completed the three-cone drill in 6.68 seconds, the 20-yard shuttle in four seconds flat and the 60-yard shuttle in 11.06 seconds.

Heeney utilized that athleticism to rack up 335 total tackles, including 35.5 tackles for loss, in his four-year Kansas career. He was a first-team all-Big 12 selection in 2014, and a second-team all-Big 12 player in 2013 and 2012.

Yet even with his production and accolades, Heeney was not widely recognized as a great athlete until he proved it by running fast times—also including a 4.59-second 40-yard dash—in Under Armour and shorts at Lucas Oil Stadium.

"He's just a lot better pure athlete than people have ever given him credit for," Kansas assistant head coach/defensive coordinator Clint Bowen said in an interview with Bleacher Report. "I sang that song all season. Everyone was trying to say that he was a old-school, throwback Mike linebacker and I was like 'No, he's not.' He's a modern-day, fast, athletic linebacker, and everyone wanted to compare him to something that he wasn't."

Heeney, like his coach, believes that "there's been a big misconception" about his ability to move.

"I don't know what the reason behind it is, but I think hopefully [my combine performance] just shows scouts I'm athletic, I've got good burst and change-of-direction," Heeney told B/R. "My numbers speak for themselves: I'm very quick, I'm explosive, I'm a sideline-to-sideline guy."

Matt Miller, Bleacher Report's NFL Draft Lead Writer, agrees that Heeney is a "great athlete."

"Really fluid moving laterally and can chase down quarterbacks and running backs," Miller said of Heeney's game. "He's even agile enough to drop into a Cover 2 in my opinion."

Bleacher Report Featured Columnist and former NFL defensive end Ryan Riddle further quantified Heeney's athleticism by determining him to be the fastest/most agile prospect per pound at this year's combine, according to his Dynamic Speed Average with Weightformula.

"Heeney is the best version of a sideline-to-sideline player I've seen in this draft, perhaps aside from [UCLA linebacker] Eric Kendricks," Riddle said. "Incredible closing speed."

It might not have been recognized before, but it's certainly agreed upon now that Heeney has the speed and all-around movement skills that NFL teams covet at the linebacker position.

In spite of his athletic exploits, it's no guarantee that Heeney will be selected before the late rounds of this year's draft. Even after the combine, Heeney is continuing to fly under the radar—perhaps, in part, because he played on a team that didn't get much national attention during his collegiate career.

#### The Best Player on a Bad Team

It's a good thing for Heeney that linebackers (unlike quarterbacks) are not frequently linked with their teams' records as prospects. During Heeney's four years in Lawrence, the Jayhawks just won nine of the 48 games they played.

As a result, Heeney's play never got much recognition outside the Big 12. In fact, the most attention Kansas and its defense got in his senior season came when Oklahoma freshman running back Samaje Perine went for 427 rushing yards—the most ever in a Football Bowl Subdivision game—in an embarrassing afternoon for the Jayhawks.

Playing on a bad unit—one that ranked 109th in the FBS in total defense and 106th in scoring defense in 2014—has not helped Heeney in terms of his perception as he stacks up with the other linebackers vying for selections in the 2015 NFL draft.

The defense's struggles as a whole, however, are not necessarily a reflection on Heeney.

Bowen, who served as Kansas' interim head coach for the final eight games of this past season, said Heeney brought a different attitude to the field than many of his teammates.

"There's a lot of kids that, and a lot of people, that will accept losing," Bowen said. "And when you're losing, the guys that are on the edge, it pushes them over the edge to where losing is OK and excuse-making becomes OK, whereas you have a handful of guys like Ben Heeney that they're never going to accept that. They're never going to accept getting beat and they're a rare breed, but it's extremely difficult."

It has not helped the Jayhawks' cause that they have had regular turnover on their coaching staff since Mark Mangino resigned in 2009. Heeney, in his time at Kansas, had three different head coaches: Turner Gill in his freshman year, then Charlie Weis until he was fired four games into last season and replaced by Bowen.

"I had three head coaches in my four years here, I had three defensive coordinators, I had three different position coaches," Heeney said. "None of the circumstances that I was playing with were beneficial."

When dealing with changes to the coaching staff and subsequently the team's defensive system, "you never really get comfortable," Heeney said.

"I love the school, I love my teammates and all that stuff, but I didn't really reap many benefits from my success personally while being here just because our team struggled so much," Heeney admitted. "I wouldn't trade my time here for anything, I love my teammates and everyone I've met down here, but I'm definitely ready to take the next step in my career."

Notwithstanding the tumult within the Kansas program, Heeney still had a great collegiate career, by any measure, at least from an individual standpoint. Heeney's ability to do so, overcoming adversity, "goes back to what's inside of him," according to Bowen.

"Ben truly is a guy that when things go bad, for him or his team, he legitimately gets pissed off," Bowen said.

Bowen compared Heeney's desire to win to that of an all-time sports great.

"You read the story [of] Michael Jordan not wanting to lose a card game, well that's what Ben does," Bowen said. "He doesn't want to lose. So regardless of what was going on around him, when he stepped on the field, it was time to go."

A two-year team captain, according to Kansas' official website, Heeney is a competitor who lets his play do the talking, according to Bowen.

"He brings it every single day," Bowen said of Heeney. "He's not a rah-rah, vocal leader type guy. He doesn't have a problem communicating with guys to voice what needs to get done, but his leadership style is based on the guy shows up and practices as hard as anybody in our program practices, every single day. He is a true live wire every day and I think the other guys on the team see that, when you're in a practice and the best player on the team is also the guy playing the hardest on the team."

Heeney's competitive desire, in conjunction with his athleticism, should give him a chance to make his mark in the NFL, where he will be surrounded by significantly more talent than he had around him at Kansas. That said, there are still some concerns that teams might have about projecting him to be a core player on an NFL defense.

#### Can Heeney Be an NFL Starting Linebacker?

A staple on special teams at Kansas, and also when he went to this year's East-West Shrine Game, Heeney's most immediate opportunity to make a name for himself in the NFL will likely be on kickoff and punt coverage units.

"I think that's where I'm probably most likely going to start is special teams, at least at the very beginning," Heeney said. "There's a lot of guys that don't want to be on special teams, but for me, I welcome it and I want to make plays on special teams."

But while some scouts might foresee Heeney as a special teams contributor only, and not as a player who will be a regular factor on defense, Heeney believes that is another misconception about his skill set.

"A lot of people think I will only be a special teams guy. And that's not my goal, that's not my aspiration, I want to be the guy, I want to be a starter, I want to contribute on defense, which I think I'm going to do," Heeney said.

Riddle, who recently included Heeney on his list of mid-round prospects with Pro Bowl potential, thinks that Heeney "has the potential to become one of the best non-rush LBs in this draft class."

"He is solid in coverage (from what I saw) and certainly has the athleticism to stay in the hip pocket of some of the best athletes the NFL has to offer," Riddle said. "Any situation where you turn him loose and allow him to chase down ball carriers, he will succeed."

Heeney thinks he can play numerous positions—"whatever a coach wants me to play"—in any defensive scheme.

But while Heeney played middle linebacker at Kansas, Bowen acknowledged that Heeney's size limitations, at 6'0" and 231 pounds, could make him a poor fit for that position in the NFL.

"I hate to say it, but I think he's probably more of a Will linebacker on a 4-3 team that can line up behind the 3-technique and get protected a little bit, because he's not a big guy, and he's not a long guy." Bowen said.

It's evident, even at the collegiate level, that Heeney can be enveloped by bigger blockers.

Miller, who ranked Heeney 185th on his post-combine big board, has some other concerns with the prospect's game.

"The issue I saw with him was a lot of missed tackles and some bad angles to the ball," Miller said. "He'll get tied up by blockers and sometimes still create the play, but he's not a finisher."

According to a scouting report by NFL.com's Lance Zierlein, Heeney was "the college football leader in missed tackles in 2014."

For Heeney to make good upon his objective of becoming an NFL starting linebacker, he will have to capitalize upon all the playmaking opportunities he can get.

To do so, Bowen thinks Heeney, given his ability to fly around the field, "just needs to slow down a little bit."

"He is an ultra-aggressive guy so sometimes he'll get a little too jumpy and go somewhere a little too fast and has a tendency to maybe get himself out of position," Bowen said. "He's a heat-and-feet-type guy, he wanted to see and go get it, and sometimes, he would run himself out of things."

Like most draft prospects, Heeney is a player with strengths and weaknesses who is likely to have a varied range of grades from NFL teams. He could end up being a surprise early-round draft pick, given his athletic traits and collegiate production, but he could also end up falling into the draft's later rounds because of the areas in which he must improve to be a regular contributor at linebacker.

What should be widely expected of "Captain Heeney," who was labeled as a superhero during his years at Kansas, is that he is a motivated, self-confident player who will give his all in his effort to not only make the roster of his NFL team, but to be a difference-maker.

"I like to see myself as a playmaker," Heeney said. "I go on the field and I make plays. I've got a motor that doesn't stop, I'm going to give 100 percent on every play and I'm just a really hard worker and a good leader."

# **LB KHALIL MACK**

# **ESPN.COM**

**Khalil Mack is busy paving a path to stardom**By Jeffri Chadiha
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Khalil Mack's eyes narrowed as he crouched into a two-point stance in early September. Standing across from the Oakland Raiders outside linebacker was Houston Texans Pro Bowl left tackle Duane Brown, a 6-foot-4, 320-pound mammoth of a blocker eager to test a first-year player in a game that was quickly turning into a Houston blowout. But as soon as Brown fired across the line of scrimmage after the snap, the 6-3, 252-pound Mack deftly slid away from the oncoming lineman, then easily tackled Texans running back Alfred Blue for no gain.

A few plays later, Mack was even more determined, as he noticed Texans backup tight end Ryan Griffin lining up across from him. I played against this guy in college, Mack thought to himself. If he's out here, I know I can play this game at a high level. Mack easily tossed Griffin aside on a couple more runs to remind the former UConn star that little had changed now that they were competing on football's biggest stage.

In fact, the longer Mack played in that 30-14 Week 2 loss, the more he felt as though he was making a statement with every play. The Raiders may not have been winning, but the rookie was telling the world something about a player who had been selected fifth overall in the 2014 draft. "I learned early on that it's hard to win games in this league," Mack said. "You have to pay attention to detail. You have to always have the right technique. And you really do have to play every down like it's your last."

The lessons Mack learned during his rookie season undoubtedly will come in handy this fall. There are still many questions surrounding a Raiders team that hasn't enjoyed a winning campaign since 2002 -- including the mysterious hand injury that has hampered second-year quarterback Derek Carr throughout organized team activities -- but one spot the franchise shouldn't worry about is strongside outside linebacker. At 24 years old, Mack already has flashed so much potential that Raiders safety Charles Woodson told the San Jose Mercury News last season the "dude is going to be special."

In his first season, Mack finished with 75 tackles, four sacks and a forced fumble, numbers that helped him finish third in voting for the league's defensive rookie of the year award (behind St. Louis' Aaron Donald and Baltimore's C.J. Mosley). This year the Raiders have much bigger expectations for Mack, especially with new head coach Jack Del Rio starting his first season and defensive coordinator Ken Norton installing new schemes. Del Rio wouldn't give many specifics on how Mack's role would change but he did make it apparent that Mack won't spend nearly as much time in pass coverage as he did in 2014. This time around, Mack will be chasing quarterbacks as much as possible, which is something he did quite well when given the chance, even if the sack totals don't look significant. Mack had 40 QB hurries last season to go with his exceptional run defending.

Since Del Rio coached Pro Bowl outside linebacker Von Miller as the Denver Broncos defensive coordinator from 2012-14, he'd like to see Mack have a similar impact on opposing passing attacks. "I think Khalil is way more physical than Von," Del Rio said. "Von got up to somewhere around 250 pounds when I had him but he's naturally closer to 240. Khalil can be up around 260 or 265 and they both play that strongside linebacker position and sub-pass-rusher role. Since most teams use their sub packages for two-thirds of the game, there will be some opportunities there. They're different but they're both special."

"I definitely want to get after the quarterback more this year," Mack said. "I got some hits [in 2014], but people didn't really see what I can do. Those sack numbers I had really weren't me. At the end of the day, you want people to see you at your best."

That explains why Mack didn't spend his offseason in trendy hot spots such as South Florida or Scottsdale, Arizona, the typical areas where many young NFL players prefer to train. Despite being a Florida native -- Mack grew up in Fort Pierce -- he returned to the University of Buffalo to work out with trainer John Opfer. When Mack wasn't running steep hills or lifting weights with his former college teammates, he was focusing on areas that could fine-tune his physique for a strong second year. Some of the most vital elements of Mack's conditioning program involved strengthening his hands (so he can shed blockers far more easily) and building his core muscles (to increase his overall explosiveness).

Why train in upstate New York? "It's very easy to focus in Buffalo," Mack said. The decision speaks volumes about his approach to his career in general. Mack's road to the NFL was filled with several setbacks and plenty of people who questioned if he'd ever be a difference-maker in college. The last thing he wants to do now is forget the same ideals that brought him this far in the first place.

As Mack recently leaned against a wall outside the team's training facility following an organized training activity session, it wasn't hard to see the appreciation he has for his current standing. He laughed when thinking about this time of year last season, when he walked into the locker room for his first minicamp and bumped into defensive end Justin Tuck, a veteran of 11 NFL seasons. Tuck told Mack that he was impressed with his game, then offered a bit of invaluable advice. "Whatever you do this year, just shut up and listen," Tuck said. "You're a great player but you don't have any idea of what you're doing yet."

That suggestion helped Mack understand that his road to success in pro football would come down to how well he did the little things -- such as studying film and refining his techniques -- instead of overwhelming opponents with jaw-dropping athleticism. It was a lesson quite similar to the one he learned while growing up in a deeply religious, two-parent household, with a father who worked as both a program specialist and a deacon. Sandy Mack Sr. had long ago counseled his son to spend more time listening to his elders than speaking his mind. In his father's eyes, that was the best approach for young Khalil to find his way through the hurdles that eventually would challenge him.

That combination of humility and faith helped Mack when a torn patella tendon ended his hopes of earning a basketball scholarship when he was only a sophomore at Fort Pierce Westwood high. It also meant plenty when he was a lightly regarded football recruit who wound up at Buffalo only because the coach who was previously recruiting him to Liberty University decided to take a job at that program. Of course, there's also the story of why Mack wore number 46 in college. He donned it because the video game "EA Sports College Football 10" had given him a rating of 46 (an extremely low mark) before he started his redshirt freshman season in 2010.

Mack ultimately became an All-American by his senior year and left Buffalo as the NCAA's career leader in forced fumbles and tied for career tackles for loss. "I don't know if Khalil really understood all his talents when he was in high school," said Opfer, who also has become a mentor to Mack. "He didn't go to the big [exposure] camps in the summer and he didn't play competitively until his junior and senior years. So to have that little experience and end up blowing up college football says a lot. When he started to believe he could be great, that's when he took off."

Still, all that success in college had some repercussions once Mack arrived in Oakland. When his first NFL season began, he found himself pressing to make the same splash plays that had defined him in college. "I knew the only way to make a strong impression was to make the big plays," Mack said. "But I wasn't making

the same plays I was making in college when I first got here. Eventually I had to understand that this is a group effort. We all have to be involved in order to make the plays we need to make."

Just as difficult for Mack was grinding through a season during which the Raiders won only three games. He leaned on the wisdom of veterans like Tuck and Woodson but Opfer also saw a player who learned how to play the longer the season went on. "Khalil is a smart guy but he got away with being a read-and-react player in college," Opfer said. "He had so much God-given ability that he could miss a read and still react fast enough to make a play. But as last season went on, you saw his football IQ grow. He became a lot more proficient at putting himself in the best possible positions to make plays."

Mack drew plenty of praise in the process. Seattle Seahawks coach Pete Carroll told reporters last season that Mack "jumped off the film" when his staff studied the Raiders. Former Cleveland Browns quarterback Brian Hoyer, now with Houston, said Mack was one of the best players that team faced in 2014 and added that "he gained the respect of everybody on our team." Del Rio said the Broncos had similar impressions. "Our offensive guys always wanted to know where he was," Del Rio. "That tells you a lot about what he can do."

Now the Raiders need to see even more growth as Mack heads into this coming season. The popular belief in the NFL is that players show the greatest improvement between their first and second years in the league, which means Mack should be poised for a huge leap in productivity. That goal weighed heavily on his mind whenever he strapped on a weighted vest in Buffalo this offseason and trudged toward a steep hill near the facility where he trained. Joined there by former Buffalo players such as San Diego Chargers running back Branden Oliver, Mack charged up that incline at least three times a week, all with the hopes of chiseling his thick legs and testing his willpower.

Mack had followed a similar routine in college, when he helped the Bulls grow from a program that won two games during his freshman season to one that finished second in the MAC during his senior year. A similar challenge now awaits him in Oakland. The Raiders know they still have plenty of changes to make in order to become a playoff contender. But if Mack can become the foundation of a young defense, that task will prove to be much easier.

"I can definitely say we will be relentless on defense this year," Mack said. "We're going to be dominant and physical and we're going to fly to the football. That's what this game comes down -- playing with that kind of effort. And we want to be the kind of defense that takes the ball away and gives it back to our offense as much as we possibly can."

#### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Raiders LB Mack looks to build on big rookie season By Josh Dubow August 5, 2015

NAPA, Calif. (AP) — Despite being a top five draft pick, a heralded rookie and a selection on the NFL's top 100 players list, Oakland Raiders linebacker Khalil Mack is far from satisfied heading into his second pro season.

That attitude is fueled by the rejection he faced coming out of high school when he got only one scholarship offer to Buffalo rather than the opportunity to play at a higher-profile school.

It helped Mack pass all those five-star recruits to become the second defensive player drafted in 2014 and become one of the top outside linebackers — not just rookies — in the league last season.

"I had a lot of space between Buffalo and those elite conferences, so I had to do a lot of work in order to get to that level, in my mind," he said. "I'm still the same way. I feel like it's a lot of people on this level that are still great, but there's still a gap, so I'm trying to close it every day."

That work ethic has been evident all offseason as Mack has impressed a new coaching staff that had seen him from the other side of the field and on film bit not up close.

So far, only one thing has been missing for Mack, and the Raiders believe that will change this season. Mack had just four sacks as he was unable to turn all that pressure into big plays.

"Everybody is saying how good he is and he got four sacks," new defensive coordinator Ken Norton Jr. said. "I thought to myself, 'How many great players have four sacks?' You have to get in double digits. So he has a lot of growth to make. If they're thinking he's this good and he's done so little, imagine when he actually does what he's supposed to do."

In order to get to the quarterback more often, Mack added some extra pounds of muscle to allow him to use power as well as speed to beat NFL tackles.

Mack also could get more time as a defensive end this season under the new coaching staff after having a close to even split last season as a stand-up linebacker and a rush end with his hand on the ground.

"He's pretty doggone good getting after the quarterback," general manager Reggie McKenzie said. "He's just really good going forward and it's an opportunity really to do a lot of things with him. They're going to use Khalil all kinds of ways and that's the way it should be. He's a dominant defensive player, so let him do what he does best and move him around."

Mack hopes the added strength will help him deal with the longer NFL season and deliver the sacks that he was close to getting a year ago.

"It was a little frustrating," he said. "Even then, I had talks with Justin Tuck. He let me know everybody gets lucky. It's not all just because of technique and being fundamentally sound. Everybody gets lucky and you have to know how teams are scheming against you."

While many outside linebackers make their names by sacking the quarterback, Mack has been at his best against the run where he fights off blocks to make plays in the backfield every week. Mack was second in the NFL to Houston's J.J. Watt with 11 1/2 tackles at or behind the line against the run, according to STATS.

Mack is no slouch rushing the passer despite seeing more than his share of double-teams. In addition to his four sacks, he was tied for sixth among all linebackers with 51 quarterback pressures. Mack ranked third in quarterback pressures among linebackers over the last 11 weeks.

"Khalil is special," Norton said. "There are a lot of players that might be similar. But he's in a class of his own. Bruce Irvin in Seattle was similar. But, at the same time, Khalil is built. He's athletic. He's smart. And he's relentless. ... He's amazing."

Mack has earned comparisons with many of the top pass rushers in the league with former coach Dennis Allen likening him to Von Miller as soon as he was drafted.

Quarterback Derek Carr said Mack was similar to Kansas City's Justin Houston and Tamba Hali and Denver's DeMarcus Ware as well.

"I'm trying to go out there and be the best player I can be," Mack said. "My name is Khalil. I want to be the best Khalil. Whatever he says about me, I appreciate it but I still have a long way to go."

# **CB DEXTER McDONALD**

#### THE TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL

Second chance reunites Miller, McDonald at KU By Austin Meek September 26, 2013

LAWRENCE — Darrian Miller and Dexter McDonald didn't plan it this way.

When Miller and McDonald were teammates at Butler Community College, exiled from Division I for various reasons, they weren't plotting ways to return to Kansas, the school where both had played as freshmen. They had known each other for years — Miller attended Blue Springs, while McDonald played for rival Rockhurst — and it was McDonald who pointed Miller toward Butler when the talented running back was dismissed at KU. But the idea of making a pilgrimage back to Lawrence? That never came up, McDonald said.

"It's funny how that worked, huh?" said McDonald, now a starting cornerback at KU. "We never really had conversations about it."

McDonald and Miller were two players who benefited from coach Charlie Weis' willingness to extend a second chance. The Jayhawks have benefited, too; McDonald is among the national leaders in passes defended, while Miller has earned a spot in KU's running back rotation.

Both players showed promise as freshmen, with Miller rushing for nearly 600 yards and McDonald appearing in seven games in 2011. Because of separate off-field circumstances, though, neither was on the roster when the Jayhawks started their first spring under Weis.

For McDonald, academics were at least part of the issue.

"I had to get my grades back to a standing where I would be eligible to get back to an NCAA Division I school," he said.

Miller, suspended for the final game of 2011 for a violation of team rules, was among 10 players dismissed by Weis shortly after he arrived. At the time, Miller wasn't entertaining any ideas of coming back.

"Honestly, I didn't have any thoughts of what was next," he said. "I was just taking it day by day. I knew my next move was to Butler.

"In the summer, I weighed out my options. When I got the chance to get back with coach (Reggie) Mitchell, that was really what I jumped back to."

Mitchell, KU's running backs coach, recruited both Miller and McDonald while serving on Turner Gill's staff. Miller maintained that connection to KU during a redshirt season at Butler, and with assurances that he had matured, the Jayhawks were willing to invite him back.

"We opened the door for him," Mitchell said. "We didn't pressure him or hound him or anything like that. We just said, 'Hey, if you want to come back, there's an opportunity for you to come back.'"

The Jayhawks happily opened the door for McDonald, too, once his grades were in order. Defensive coordinator Dave Campo knew what he could do after watching tape of his freshman season at KU, and so far McDonald hasn't disappointed.

"I saw Dexter when I first started looking at the tapes," Campo said. "I said, 'Who is this guy?

"They said he was dismissed for academic reasons. I said, 'Man, if we get a chance, we need to get this guy back, because he's what you're looking for.'"

Miller and McDonald aren't the only second-chance recipients at KU. Wide receiver Nick Harwell, redshirting this season per NCAA transfer rules, joined the Jayhawks after a series of arrests at Miami (Ohio), and defensive end Josh Williams started for KU last season after some off-field trouble at Nebraska.

These cases are evaluated individually, Weis said, and ultimately it's an inexact science. Gambles occasionally backfire, as was the case with Chris Martin, a talented but troubled linebacker who was dismissed from the team after being arrested in connection with an aggravated robbery.

Martin had bounced around from several schools, including Florida, where he developed a relationship with KU strength coach Scott Holsopple. Weis, who had recruited Martin at Notre Dame, weighed the factors and extended a lifeline to Martin out of City College of San Francisco.

"I felt like between me and the strength coach, who knew the kid very well, I thought that would be enough," Weis said. "I was wrong."

One player's mistake didn't jeopardize an opportunity for others. In Miller's case, Weis came away convinced the player had matured during his season in junior college and had no qualms welcoming him back.

"If I wasn't sold that when he went to Butler he figured it out, he wouldn't be here," Weis said. "You have to take each case individually. I don't think you can just group them all together.

"These are 18- to 23-year-old kids. Remember how many mistakes you made when you were that age? Think about it: We all did. You have to factor that in there and say, 'Can we recover from those things? Can we help a young man grow?"

Those factors created an opportunity for Miller and McDonald to finish where they started. This wasn't how they planned it, but both players are grateful for the second chance.

"I was already here before," McDonald said, "so it just feels like I'm right back at home."

#### **KUSPORTS.COM**

#### CB Dexter McDonald thrilled to be back with Jayhawks

By Matt Tait January 9, 2013

An issue that led Dexter McDonald away from Kansas University's football program the first time around turned out to be the very thing that brought him back.

#### Maturity.

Midway through the 2011 season, McDonald, then a red-shirt freshman from Rockhurst High in Kansas City, Mo., began getting a little playing time in the Jayhawks' secondary and expected that more was on the way. When it didn't come, the 6-foot-1, 220-pound cornerback became frustrated and let his disappointment affect his play and his academics.

"I didn't do what I should've done in the classroom to stay at KU because I knew I wanted to transfer to a junior college, and I let my grades fall," McDonald admitted on the day he signed, for the second time, with the Jayhawks earlier this month. "I left because of my grades, but my (bad) grades were due to me not doing anything because of the coaches that were there."

By the end of the season, the man who recruited McDonald had been fired, and Charlie Weis had been hired to replace him. A change in coaches often means turnover in all areas of a program, and McDonald knew early on that his place on the roster was in serious jeopardy.

"I met with coach Weis at the time I left, but by that time it was already too late for me," McDonald said.

Rather than sulk and let the disappointments continue to pile up, McDonald pulled himself together, enrolled at Butler Community College and began working on his game and his grades.

McDonald found success, and he credits it all to his new mind-set.

"Ultimately, the person that thrives is the person who pushes himself the most and works the hardest," McDonald said. "I knew it was gonna be hard work on the field and hard work in class, but what I didn't know was how I would manage both of those things. Now I'm more mature, and I know what's most important."

Weis said defensive coordinator Dave Campo and running-backs coach Reggie Mitchell, who served as the Jayhawks' recruiting coordinator during McDonald's first stint in Lawrence, played key roles in bringing McDonald back.

"Dexter, when he left, he was a little sour," Weis said. "Reggie's relationship with him got us to where we could talk. You can't be presumptuous that a local guy that left is going to want to get back here. But at the end of the day, he and his family all agreed that this was a different situation than the one he left, and one that he wanted to be a part of."

Since his departure, McDonald dropped 15 pounds and became a more complete cornerback. He said he was looking forward to the opportunity to get back in his old locker room and added he believed he was ready to contribute immediately.

"First and most importantly, I'm coming to be a team player," he said. "I want to help and do whatever I can to contribute to the team. If they want me on special teams, kicking the ball off, whatever, I'll do it. I want to give everything I have of myself to the Kansas football program."

From McDonald's slightly altered point of view, the program is much different than the one he left last December.

"I think if you look at the program now, just the way it's run, the players are more focused and disciplined," McDonald said. "I don't think that you can go anywhere in college and talk to coaches that can say the things that they can say to you. The whole staff is just outstanding. I'm just happy, my family's happy, and I'm ready

to start school and start football. It feels like everything's right, even more than last time. It's home, basically. Once I left, I felt it was only right for me to come back. No other place felt like home for me."

# **RB LATAVIUS MURRAY**

#### SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

#### Latavius Murray looks ready to become Raiders' top back

By Vic Tafur August 5, 2015

One look at Raiders running back Latavius Murray, and it's hard not to think of Adrian Peterson and DeMarco Murray. Yes, those are two of the best running backs in the NFL, and Latavius Murray has only 82 career carries.

But just look at him. How many running backs are 6-foot-3, with a chiseled 230 pounds and speed to burn?

"Size and speed," said Murray, who was asked to switch to linebacker by his coaches at Central Florida. "Not many guys with that combination. I do watch those two guys, but I know I have to stick to my game."

And — not putting the cart before the bell cow — he has to win a starting job.

Murray, who missed his rookie season in 2013 with a foot injury, had some highlight-reel runs last season and started the last three games. But new head coach Jack Del Rio still brought in Trent Richardson to compete with Murray for the starting job.

Well, Richardson has missed the first week of training camp with an injury, and Murray isn't looking back. He is getting all of the first-team reps and has looked powerful, especially in a scrimmage late in Wednesday afternoon's practice in Napa.

"My mentality is to stay where I am at and be that guy," Murray said. "It's big being able to get a series of carries together and getting comfortable back there. Get used to the scheme and the guys I am in there with."

Murray wasn't able to prove that he was a starter to the head coaches last year, Dennis Allen and interim man Tony Sparano. It took 10 losses of Darren McFadden and Maurice Jones-Drew running into tacklers before Sparano finally threw his hands up and gave Murray a shot.

General manager Reggie McKenzie was asked what took so long, what was holding back Murray.

"I think he's holding himself back," McKenzie said. "Being able to practice all the time, not having nitpicking injuries. Last season, leading up to it, he was nicked up. So, if he could stay healthy, nothing is holding him back."

This year the 2013 sixth-round pick is coming off the first offseason in which he was 100 percent healthy, and he was even a little faster, he says, coming into camp.

Is Murray ready to be a 1,000-yard, No. 1 running back in the NFL?

"No question," McKenzie said. "He can do it all."

Murray had the foot injury his rookie year and an ankle injury and concussion last year. He still finished with 75 carries for 413 yards (5.5 average) and two touchdowns, one a 90-yarder against Kansas City, in the final seven games.

"I had a great offseason, and I want that to carry over," he said.

It started with renting a house in Newport Beach (Orange County) and working out with former Central Florida teammate and current Jacksonville quarterback Blake Bortles. From there, he went back home to New York and did whatever friend and trainer Vinny Scollo told him. Murray hit the weights, ran hills with a flak jacket and played dodge ball — with large, four-square balls being flung at him.

"The biggest improvement has been in his explosiveness and his conditioning," Scollo told Syracuse.com. "Last year, we really had to taper the workouts and work around his injury. This year, his conditioning, his wind, is 100 percent there."

Raiders offensive line coach Mike Tice had heard Murray was a hard worker. Tice, back in the day, played for longtime coach George O'Leary, who coached Murray at Central Florida.

"We talk about it a lot, like 'That's something O'Leary would do or say,'" Murray said. "It's pretty cool. The O'Leary mentality is tough, physical. We still talk, and he knows I am in good hands with Coach Tice, and I know that as well."

O'Leary said Murray had to learn to run between the tackles in college instead of trying to bounce everything outside. Instead of reading the defensive linemen, Murray learned to read the linebackers.

"George (said) he is a hard worker and a tough kid," Tice said. "So I know Latavius was raised the right way, and I know he got yelled at a lot."

Tice likes Murray's jump-cut move and how he can change direction. But the main thing, again, is the combination of speed and power.

"For a big guy, Latavius has extremely good quickness," Tice said. "And when he gets behind his pads, he is hard to tackle. Smaller linebackers might be in serious trouble."

# **T DONALD PENN**

#### **DAILY BREEZE**

#### St. Bernard High product Donald Penn of Raiders is sort of a big deal

By Dave Thorpe August 10, 2015

On the small campus of St. Bernard High, the hulking Donald Penn, who transferred from Manual Arts, was easy to spot.

St. Bernard football coach Greg Dixon saw him coming a mile away.

"He was one of the bigger guys on campus, if not the biggest," Dixon said. "I had to try."

Penn was a basketball player, not a football player, so Dixon had work to do.

"He was a basketball guy, and he was good," Dixon said. "I had to convince him to come out to football."

The 6-foot-4, 340-pound Penn, who is embarking upon his ninth year in the National Football League and second with the Oakland Raiders, didn't start playing football at St. Bernard until his junior year.

"I grew up playing basketball, but everybody kept telling me I'm a big guy, I should play football," Penn said. "Coach Greg Dixon asked me to tryout, and things picked up fast."

Basketball was Penn's first love, but it soon became clear football was his future.

"I had basketball dreams, but letters were coming in from colleges for football, not basketball," Penn said.

Penn was a junior on St. Bernard's 1999-2000 basketball team that reached the CIF Southern Section Division 4-AA final and the CIF Division 4 State championship game.

Serra High boys assistant basketball coach Bernard McCrumby was a senior on that team with Penn.

"It's one of my fondest memories, just playing with him," McCrumby said. "He was a light-hearted dude who kept everyone laughing."

Everyone except opposing post players.

"He was the big clog in the middle, he took up a lot of space inside," McCrumby said. "He had soft hands. Even though he was a big boy, he had the most nimble feet of anyone his size I ever played with, just excellent footwork."

Penn's nimble feet helped him adjust to being a lineman.

"For a big guy he is so athletic, great footwork, strong and big," Dixon said.

Penn's personality helped him become a favorite at St. Bernard.

"Donald was a team leader, one of the more popular guys on campus, all the kids loved him," Dixon said.

Penn was only lightly recruited out of high school.

"Being at a small school like St. Bernard, he flew under the radar," McCrumby said. "In this day in age of social media, he would have been a big-time lineman getting tons of offers."

There were a few Pac-10 schools interested in Penn, but nothing worked out.

"The Oregon schools were interested, but they were hesitant, I'm not quite sure why," Dixon said. "It was unfortunate, we felt he could play at that level by his senior year."

Penn actually committed to Arizona at one point, but at the end of the college season, Arizona coach Dick Tomey was replaced by John Mackoric, and the offer went to someone else.

"The new coach wanted to go in a different direction," Penn said.

Penn said Oregon presented a gray-shirt situation, but that his family could not get a loan to pay for the first semester.

"I still had a couple of offers hanging around," Penn said.

Penn ended up signing with Utah State, where he redshirted his first year before becoming a four-year standout starter. Despite his success at Utah State, he went undrafted in 2006 before signing with the Minnesota Vikings as a free agent. The Vikings released Penn, then he signed with Tampa Bay. Penn started the last 12 games of the season for the Buccaneers in 2007, and hasn't missed a start since. He's started 124 consecutive NFL games, showing amazing durability.

Penn credits Hall of Fame linebacker Derrick Brooks with helping him gain traction in the NFL.

"He really took me under his wing, he saw a lot of potential in me that I didn't really even see in myself," Penn said. "I started shutting guys down and stirring things up."

After eight years with Tampa Bay, including one Pro Bowl year, Penn was released and the Raiders picked him up before last season.

"It hurt when Tampa Bay released me, but I look at it like everything happens for a reason," Penn said.

It helped that Penn grew up rooting for the Raiders.

"It brought me closer to home, and I'm ecstatic to play for the team I grew up cheering for," Penn said.

"Playing for the Raiders is like a dream come true, and hopefully I can help turn things around here, the goal is to win a Super Bowl and retire a Raider."

And what if the Raiders end up coming to Los Angeles after this season with Penn as the starting left tackle?

"Deep down in my heart, how would I not want to play at home?" Penn said. "Of course it would be amazing. But we have some of the best fans in the country, Raider Nation is everywhere, I love playing here in Oakland, but I'm happy wherever we play."

Penn immediately helped shore up Oakland's offensive line, locking down the left tackle position and allowing rookie quarterback Derek Carr to blossom.

Now he's a veteran leader on the left side of Oakland's offensive line, mentoring younger players like Gabe Jackson and Matt McCants.

"It's crazy, when I was younger I'd joke around about how old the other guys were, it seems like just yesterday I was that young," Penn said. "It's kind of funny, but I embrace it, I make sure I do everything right, take notes heavily, come early, stay late, work hard, the younger guys see that and follow your lead."

The likability factor with Penn makes him easy to follow; it's on display every June at St. Bernard High when Penn and his foundation, which is designed to help low-income youth, host a free football camp.

"I hung out with him a couple of years ago, he's down to earth, very humble, approachable, qualities a lot of guys don't have that have his stature," McCrumby said.

# K GIORGIO TAVECCHIO

#### **SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE**

#### Former Cal kicker looks for exposure in Raiders' camp

By Lev Facher June 12, 2015

Giorgio Tavecchio is in a tough spot in the Raiders' training camp, a situation Oakland special-teams coach Brad Seely summed up well.

"I really believe this guy's an NFL kicker," Seely said. "He just happens to be on a team with an NFL kicker."

It's not just any kicker, either. It's Sebastian Janikowski, one of the best kickers in NFL history, who has Tavecchio playing second fiddle this offseason.

Tavecchio, a Cal alum who grew up in Moraga, called Janikowski a "legend." He knows that Oakland's longtime placekicker is as firmly entrenched in his position as anybody in the organization. But he's taking a bigger-picture perspective on his tryout with the Raiders.

"I'm not naive," Tavecchio said of Janikowski's status. "As much as I'm auditioning for this team, I'm auditioning for all 32 teams."

Tavecchio is already known in the Bay Area; he ranks fifth on the Golden Bears' all-time scoring list with 256 points.

This is also his second stint with a Bay Area team. He spent the 2012 preseason with the 49ers, when Seely was San Francisco's special-teams coach, and kicked well. All the same, Tavecchio didn't stick on the roster.

He faced disappointment in the ensuing seasons, too, missing the cut in 2013 with Green Bay and again in 2014 with Detroit. The return to the Bay Area, he said, has been seamless.

"It's been awesome to be back in this area and have the NFL experience while being at home with my parents," Tavecchio said. "My mother's lasagna is never too far away."

He's also taking advantage of his proximity to his alma mater, volunteering in Cal's recruiting office during the fall. Tavecchio isn't above grunt work, and was happy to spend time reviewing YouTube videos of high-school kicking prospects and charting their information.

He's a welcome addition, said Cal special-teams coach Mark Tommerdahl. He didn't coach Tavecchio, but appreciates the continued commitment to the team.

"He does a lot of the hands-on groundwork," Tommerdahl said. "And he's really good advertising for our program."

The office work could prove helpful for a future career in coaching or administration, something Tavecchio isn't considering seriously just yet.

"That's on the back burner for me," Tavecchio said. "After my playing days are over, which, God willing, isn't for a long time."

Besides, the football facilities are a nicer place to work than they were during Tavecchio's college days. The previously antiquated stadium has since undergone an extensive face-lift. He isn't jealous of the new digs, charitably describing the stadium's old weight rooms as "full of character."

"I loved the old facilities," Tavecchio said. "I'm not a guy for pomp and circumstance. Just give me a couple of dumbbells and I'll make it work. But, in light of that, I think they did a great job."

Though he remains available to help Cal's coaches with "whatever they need," Tavecchio is keeping his eyes on the prize: a spot on a regular-season NFL roster.

The mentality of being a kicker without a team to kick for isn't easy to handle. But as he's done throughout his still-nascent professional career, Tavecchio is taking things one step at a time.

Plus, Tavecchio said, fighting for a roster spot as a kicker is an entirely different beast from competing as a nonspecialist.

"In the end, you're competing against yourself," he said.

Above all else, Tavecchio is keeping his head down both literally and metaphorically, confident in his future no matter what it holds.

"What I think I've done a good job of this spring is staying in the moment," Tavecchio said. "It's so uncertain that you can't really plan ahead."

# **DE MAX VALLES**

### PRESS OF ATLANTIC CITY

#### St. Joseph graduates Valles, Hill headed to NFL

By John Russo and David Weinberg May 2, 2015

Max Valles and Gordon Hill grew up together in Winslow Township and both played football for St. Joseph High School in Hammonton.

Now both are headed to the NFL.

About an hour after Valles, an outside linebacker from the University of Virginia, was drafted by Oakland in the sixth round, Hill, a safety from Sacred Heart University, agreed to terms with San Diego as an undrafted free agent.

"This is awesome," Hill said in a phone interview Saturday night. "I just texted Max a little bit ago and I'm going over to his house. We've been playing football together our whole lives, starting back when we played for the Winslow Maulers when we were little kids. And now we're going to the NFL together."

Valles, a 2012 St. Joe graduate and former Press Player of the Year, was taken with the 179th pick overall.

"The only real contact was that I had a formal (visit) with (the Raiders) at the combine and got the call right before my name got announced on TV. That was it," Valles said in a story on the Raiders' website. He could not be reached for comment.

Valles will either play outside linebacker or defensive end in Oakland, he said. Though he's comfortable playing both, he knows he has a lot to work on as he prepares for the next level of football.

"Just working on a backup pass rush move, if one doesn't work," Valles said. "I've been working on that a lot this offseason. Overall just becoming a more physical player. Coming from college to the NFL, it's going to be a much more physical game, so I just have to step it up a notch."

The 6-foot-5, 235-pounder is coming off a solid season with Virginia in which he finished second in the Atlantic Coast Conference with nine sacks. He also had 55 tackles, 12.5 tackles for a loss, three forced fumbles, eight pass breakups and returned an interception for a touchdown while earning third-team all-conference honors.

He was the second player drafted from Virginia this weekend. Eli Harold, a defensive end, was selected 79th overall by the 49ers. They will be just 30 minutes apart from each other.

Valles, 20, was the youngest player in the draft. He attended Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia for a post-graduate season before transferring to Virginia where he enjoyed a successful 2014 campaign.

"I talked to my coach and my family about it," Valles told the website. "Everybody felt that I was ready. Second in the ACC in sacks, All-ACC, I felt like it was time."

Over Christmas break, Valles sat down and talked with his agent, Rich Rosa, of Baltimore-based Eastern Athletic Services. He decided then he was going to declare himself for the draft.

"I have to give him a lot of credit from day one when he decided to come out," Rosa said by telephone. "We had a conversation on what it would take for an early-entry guy to put himself in a position to get drafted. He did everything I asked him to do."

Rosa, like Valles, is from Sicklerville and graduated from St. Joseph. He played football for current St. Joseph coach Paul Sacco before playing at Penn State.

Rosa represents 42 players, including current Dallas Cowboys defensive end Jack Crawford (St. Augustine Prep) and Arizona Cardinals linebacker Glenn Carson (Southern Regional).

"We laid the groundwork out for him and he worked his butt off," Rosa said. "We're excited for him."

Valles and Hill have a chance to become the first St. Joseph player to appear in a regular-season NFL game. Valles is the first Wildcat to be drafted.

Jack Corcoran, a 2006 St. Joseph graduate and former Rutgers fullback went undrafted and was on the practice squad for Tennessee (2010) and San Francisco (2011).

Hill, a 5-foot-11, 212-pound safety, said the Chargers were among several teams that contacted him during the later rounds of the draft Saturday. He also heard from Kansas City and Tampa Bay.

"Teams started contacting me around the sixth round," he said. "Went I went out there for my visit (last month), I developed a really good relationship with the coaching staff. It seemed like they already had a plan for how to use me when I got there.

"Obviously, I'll be playing special teams right away, but they also talked about me playing in nickel and dime situations, and rushing off the edge. It looks like I'll be moving all over, just like I did in college."

Hill enjoyed a standout career at Sacred Heart, a Division I Football Championship Subdivision program in Fairfield, Conn. A three-year starter at safety, he led the Pioneers with 104 tackles and also collected six sacks, two interceptions and two fumble recoveries as a senior.

Hill said he was scheduled to fly to San Diego later this week to participate in an upcoming minicamp and to start in their offseason conditioning program.

That will also be the case for Valles, who will now be one of Hill's rivals in the AFC West.

"That's going to work out well for us," Hill said with a laugh. "During training camp, when everyone on the East Coast is asleep, we can talk to each other and see how things are going. As a matter of fact, I just texted him. I told him, 'It's time to go to work.'"

Students at St. Joseph anticipated Valles' eventual selection, Sacco.

"Last night, my wife and I were chaperoning the junior and senior prom and no one was dancing," said Sacco, who has coached at St. Joseph for 34 years. "They were on their phones all night.

"We're all excited here. Our kids talked about it this week."

Sacco was in Ocean City all-day Saturday, got home and saw Valles was drafted. He said he planned to see Valles either Saturday night or in the coming days.

"We try to impress on our players that when they walk the hallways, or even when they run out on the field, there are always little kids watching and it's important," Sacco said. "I told Max (the other day) that, 'All the kids are watching you, all their eyes are on you. Just make us proud.'

"And I'm sure he will."

#### St. Joseph Grad Max Valles is NFL's Youngest Draft Prospect

By David Weinberg April 25, 2015

Max Valles plans to watch the NFL draft next week with friends and family from his home in the Sicklerville section of Winslow Township.

When the 2012 St. Joseph High School graduate does get picked - the outside linebacker/defensive end is projected to be selected in the middle rounds - his celebration will be subdued. At 20 years old, Valles is the youngest player in the draft and still a year away from reaching the legal drinking age.

"I look at my age as being a positive," Valles said in a phone interview. "Being that I'm only 20, I'll be able to play in the NFL for a very long time."

Drafting such young players is rare in the NFL. Running back LeSean McCoy, who was traded to Buffalo earlier this month, was 20 when the Eagles selected him in the second round in 2009.

Like McCoy, who starred at the University of Pittsburgh, Valles played only two years of college football. Upon graduating from St. Joe -- he was The Press 2011 Co-Athlete of the Fall - Valles spent a year in the post-graduate program at Fork Union Military Academy in Virginia before enrolling at the University of Virginia.

The 6-foot-5, 253-pounder enjoyed a solid 2014 season for the Cavaliers. He finished second in the Atlantic Coast Conference with nine sacks. He also had 12 tackles for a loss, three forced fumbles and an interception return for a touchdown while earning third-team All-ACC honors.

Valles intended to return to Virginia for one more season but reconsidered after talking it over with his parents, Pamela and Paul, and St. Joe coach Paul Sacco.

"I talk to Coach Sacco a lot," said Valles, who works out at the high school in Hammonton when he's in town. "Besides my parents, he's been the most influential person in my life. I'm hoping he'll be watching the draft with us.

"I just felt like it was the right time to go to the NFL, but I had to promise my parents that I would get my degree during the offseason. My mother is a teacher (in the Winslow Township school district), and my family has always emphasized the importance of getting an education. I'm only a year away from getting my degree (in media studies)."

Over the Christmas break, Max and his father broke the news to Virginia coach Mike London.

"Obviously, I was hoping he would stay at least one more year," London said Saturday in a phone interview. "But Max had to do what was best for him and his family. I think he would have benefited from playing for us one or two more years.

"But there's no question he has a lot of potential because of his versatility. Not only can he rush the passer, but he can also (cover) tight ends. I have no doubt that someone will be drafting him, and I wish him all the best."

Earlier this year, London said in a statement, "I believe he was on the verge of blossoming into a dominant player."

Valles will try to join former local high school standouts Glenn Carson (Southern Regional), Jack Crawford (St. Augustine Prep) and Dominique Williams (Bridgeton) in the NFL. Carson will begin his second season with Arizona as an outside linebacker after making the team as an undrafted free agent in 2014. Crawford, Oakland's fifth-round draft pick in 2012, is heading into his second season with Dallas as a defensive end after getting released by the Raiders last preseason. Williams, a running back, spent most of last season on Minnesota's practice squad after a brief stint on Arizona's practice squad.

Valles also could become the first St. Joseph player to appear in an NFL game. Jack Corcoran, a 2006 graduate, was on practice squads in Tennessee (2010) and San Francisco (2011).

Like Crawford, Valles is represented by St. Joseph graduate Rich Rosa, of Baltimore-based Eastern Athletic Services. Rosa was a star defensive back for both St. Joe and Penn State.

"I never usually watch the draft, but I think I'll watch it this year because of Max," Sacco said. "I've been talking to Rich Rosa, and he feels like this is a great opportunity for Max and that he stands a real good chance to go in the early rounds. I'm entering my 34th year at St. Joe and to see one of our own get a chance to play in the NFL is very exciting."

#### Preparation, evaluation

The draft will cap a three-month-long odyssey for Valles that featured trips to the NFL combine in Indianapolis in February, Virginia's Pro Day in early March, and individual interviews and workouts with several NFL teams in recent weeks.

Valles said he had eight individual workouts and visited with Baltimore, Pittsburgh and Tennessee. The Eagles, who are looking for depth at outside linebacker in their 3-4 defense behind starters Connor Barwin and Brandon Graham, were the first team to work him out.

Eagles vice president of player personnel Ed Marynowitz said he was impressed with Valles' size and speed but also with his maturity and ability to process information quickly.

"We try to do our due diligence on every player to make sure that if we (draft) them that there are no surprises," Marynowitz said. "We don't just go to pro days or private workouts just to do. We go for a specific reason. With us, it's really a three-part evaluation. Number one is height, weight and speed according to the position. The second part is the position specifics, which is basically the guy's athletic ability to play in your system and scheme. The third part is attitude and intelligence in terms of their football makeup. We want guys that are wired the right way.

"Max's age is not a concern for us at all because there are a few guys in that range in this draft. You want to make sure with all those guys that they have the right maturity and can process information quickly. I think Max has a lot of ability."

Draft analysts have differing opinions as to when Valles will be drafted.

ESPN analyst Mel Kiper has him going in the third or fourth round while others have projected him to go between the fifth and seventh. The last time a local player was drafted before the fifth round was in 2002, when the Cleveland Browns chose running back William Green, an Atlantic City native and Holy Spirit graduate, in the first round.

"I've been hearing somewhere between the second and fourth round and if that happens, it would be great," Valles said. "But no matter where I'm drafted, I'm just excited to get this opportunity."

# **TE CLIVE WALFORD**

#### **MIAMI HERALD**

For UM tight end Clive Walford, football is now a family matter

By Susan Miller Degnan September 18, 2013

Clive Walford has a sleek new haircut, precious new son and proud new attitude.

Now all the Miami tight end needs is some old-school Hurricanes production.

"My overall favorite tight end is Kellen Winslow," Walford said of the former Cane, recalling Winslow's famous "It's about this U!" rant after Miami's 2003 loss to Tennessee. "I always looked up to him when I was younger."

Walford, UM's third-leading receiver as a sophomore last season with 451 yards and four touchdowns on 25 catches, said baby Clive III — born Aug. 2 — has afforded him a fresh perspective and burning desire to do right by his namesake.

His closely cropped haircut, which he gave himself after 6 1/2 years of growing dreadlocks, has added to Walford's new, more serious image. He said he and his late cousin grew dreads together. The two made a pact that when the cousin's hair "caught up" to Walford's length, Walford would get shorn.

Tragically, his cousin died in a car accident Walford's freshman year.

"I felt like this was probably the time he would have caught me," noted Walford, 21, who said he decided on the haircut in August but needed more time to muster the courage.

"It took almost an hour to cut my first dread — my fiancée cut that one. Then it took not even six minutes to cut the rest. Once I snipped my first one, I was snipping away."

He pulled out a purple brush and began to repeatedly run it over his hair.

"With dreads it was kind of tough, having to tie them up all the time and at night sleeping. Now I feel free. I feel the breeze. My scalp can actually feel the air. I sleep more comfortably at home."

And straight home to little Clive (8 pounds, 3 ounces and 22 inches at birth) and his fiancée Aneliz — a UM senior who took the semester off to care for the baby — is where Walford goes after each day of classes, football and meetings.

"I can't even put in words what it's like being a father," said Walford, who has five catches for 58 yards and a touchdown in two games.

"It's special. You see things differently. Things that used to be fun — all the partying and stuff like that — aren't as fun. I owe it to my son."

A powerful, 6-4, 260-pounder after putting on 15 pounds of muscle in the offseason, Walford plans to graduate in December with a degree in sports administration. The fourth-year junior was a standout basketball player at Belle Glade Glades Central, and didn't play football until his senior year of high school.

He misses "being the guy" in basketball, but is intent on putting all his focus on football.

He is fast (4.6 seconds in the 40-yard dash), has a knack for big plays and said he loves blocking. In his final four games of 2012, he tallied 303 yards and three touchdowns on 11 catches. Against Duke in the season finale, he had four catches for 99 yards and a score. Just 1 more yard would have made him the first UM tight end since 2003 with two consecutive games of at least 100 receiving yards.

The last one to do that? Kellen Winslow II.

Coach Al Golden said he wants Walford to get the ball more, especially on third down, an area in which UM sorely lacks. "He's been one of the guys we've been pushing to get his timing down, run everything full speed so Stephen [Morris] knows exactly where he is."

UM offensive coordinator James Coley described Walford as "a big guy who's fast. If you're fast, you've got to learn how to get open. ... Can he get open on that safety? Can he change up his speed and burst and get out of his break? He's been working really hard at it."

Walford believes he's ready to take that next step.

"I still have a long way to go, but I'm more focused than I've ever been," he said. "I have a major responsibility to my family and myself.

"This is my time."

### **MILWAUKEE JOUNRAL SENTINEL**

Prospect Watch: Miami (Fla.) TE Clive Walford Driven by Late Cousin

By Tyler Dunne April 10, 2015

Green Bay — Injuries are bound to happen. Hardship. Pain to some degree. Clive Walford battled through a knee injury at the Senior Bowl and knows more dings are inevitable.

And whenever he does sprain an ankle — whatever the ailment — he'll think about his cousin.

"If I'm hurt or have a small injury," Walford said, pausing, "his life is gone. So there isn't any injury worse than having your life taken away from you."

Alonzo Jones was a virtual big brother to Walford. Blood. The one he looked up to as a kid.

And in 2010, Jones lost his life in a tragic car accident. As Walford re-tells it, Jones crashed into a canal, was knocked unconscious and drowned. A freshman at Miami (Fla.) at the time, Walford has thought about his cousin "every day" since. Heading into the NFL draft as one of the top tight end prospects, he'll keep thinking about him, too.

"I was very close to him," Walford said. "He was like my oldest brother, even though he actually wasn't my brother. I saw him that way."

The Packers' tight end duo of Andrew Quarless and Richard Rodgers did yeoman's work in 2014, combining for 58 catches, 627 yards and seven touchdowns.

If the team does decide to gamble at tight end early in the draft, the choice may be between Minnesota's athletic, highlight-waiting-to-happen Maxx Williams and the 6-foot-4, 251-pound Walford, who brands himself as a complete tight end. Last season, Walford had 44 receptions, 676 yards and seven touchdowns — and he was asked to block plenty.

Walford didn't back down from his NFL scouting combine statement that he is the best tight end in this year's draft.

"Because I'm a dual-threat tight end," he said. "I don't only catch the ball. I get down and dirty and I block. I do everything that a tight end is expected to do. ... It's very rare. A lot of guys don't take pride in their blocking or don't take pride in catching the ball. I take pride in both of them, so that's what helps me excel at both positions."

And experiences — often the tragic ones — shape us all.

Walford's most traumatic, the one that stuck with him his entire collegiate career struck when he was leaving a class that freshman year. His younger cousin called him with the news.

Alonzo was dead.

"Your heart drops," he said. "You don't know how to deal with that situation. You've got to let God handle it. Just pray about it. Memories pop in your head. The good times you had. And you just cherish those moments."

Like all the times the two played video games together. Like the time Jones bought his first car and let Walford drive even though he didn't have a license. Any down time was spent together at Jones' house.

And now, any time he plays a video game or sees a picture on his cell phone, Walford thinks of Jones. He says his cousin was "a laidback guy," who was "well-respected" by a lot of people. "A person you want to be around."

Losing this presence in life, abruptly, shaped Walford into who he is today.

"It helped me become the man I am," he said. "You realize that some things aren't going to be there forever. It made me step my game up a little more and realize what I was supposed to do. I actually think about him every day. There hasn't been a day that goes by that I don't think about him."

No wonder Walford says he'll play in his cousin's honor at the next level.

"He's up there smiling down, watching me progress," he said. "I know if he could be here and actually enjoy these moments with me, I could see the smile on his face. That just motivates me to continue to go.

"You can't measure someone's heart. I feel that I play with my heart every time I'm out there."

Walford won't get into comparisons with Williams, the one hurdling defenders and making 1-handed catches.

Turn on the tape, he says. That'll answer any questions.

"Put in the film and you tell me who you like the best," he said. "If you feel like he's better, you have to take him."

Walford does try to study New England's Rob Gronkowski when possible. Not surprisingly, he admires Gronkowski's raw heart-on-sleeve playing style above all.

He did meet with the Packers at the combine and sees a fit here, too.

"Of course," he said. "They have a great quarterback. Aaron Rodgers is very versatile and can get the ball to anybody. With my ability, if you combine it with his ability, you've got greatness. So I feel like I'd fit right in."

Wherever he goes, he has an idea what his cousin would be thinking.

Over the phone, Walford chuckles.

"Oh man, honestly I can't even tell you," he said. "I can just see the smile on his face."

# **DE GARY WILKINS**

# **ROCKDALE CITIZEN (GA.)**

Wilkins makes most of opportunity getting signed with Oakland

By Manny Fils May 12, 2015

COVINGTON — It seems that Newton and Rockdale counties are being put on the NFL map as former Alcovy football player Gary Wilkins becomes the third local player to sign to play professionally.

"We have a lot of talent in Covington. I have to say it's because of the work ethic of the people in Covington," he said.

Wilkins, who starred at Furman after moving on from Alcovy, made most of an opportunity as he got signed by the Oakland Raiders.

"Right after Sunday practice (Raiders head coach Jack) Del Rio wanted to have a brief word with the tryout guys and that they would be in contact with they guys they were going to keep. As soon as I'm walking off the field one of the player-personnel pulled me aside and said to put my helmet in the locker and grab my ID that they were going to sign me," Wilkins said.

"My next goal is to make the 53-player roster and to be playing on Sunday's. Special teams or whatever I can."

Being on the field with 40 other players hoping to make a name for themselves like Oakland's No. 2 draft pick Mario Edwards from Florida State, he knew he had to do something to make himself noticed. Even though Wilkins, who stands at 6-foot-2 and tips the scale at 240 pounds, was not the biggest or possibly fastest player on the field, the one thing that he did have more than just about everyone else was desire.

"I was trying to be on film as much as I could," Wilkins said. "You had to do little things to separate yourself from everybody else. If the ball is thrown downfield I'm turning around to run full speed until I catch up to the guy. That way when they look on film they'll say hold on how is this guy? Then they realize that it's a defensive end and he's catching up to a receiver. You just have to give all you've got.

"The thing that really made them notice me was my effort. I wasn't taking any plays off. I was on the defensive line but if I had a blocker that was 320 pounds I was holding my own. When the ball was thrown or of it was a run on the edge I was chasing it down to get to it."

What really took Wilkins a little off guard was the speed at which practice takes place. He said that the NFL practice speed was equivalent to college game-day speed. However, after the first day he quickly adjusted to playing at a whole new level for the final two days.

#Even though the Dallas Cowboys and the New York Jets also expressed interest, he feels that the Raiders organization is actually a good fit for him.

"Oakland had kind of been that team in the past that has put small-time players that other teams wouldn't think of looking at and put them on the map," Wilkins said. "I think it was because of my pass-rush ability, my

effort and ability to work. I showed them my ability and my effort in the three days and it paid off with my contract.

"That was a big sigh of relief. I was happy. You can just be thankful for the opportunity and take advantage of that opportunity."

Wilkins was able to get a few tips as to what to expect at the camp from his father, Gary Wilkins Sr., who spend four of his six-year career with the Falcons.

"It's always good to hear it from someone else but it's even better when you hear it from your dad. He's told me stories over the years and I couldn't be more thankful for him to help me out as a player and also his son," Wilkins said. "I actually think he was more excited than I was. He was saying that he has to start booking flights to Oakland."