



## GAME NOTES

**New England Patriots vs. Kansas City Chiefs – December 8, 2019**

### TEAM NOTES

- Patriots set team mark with fourth blocked punt of the season
- Julian Edelman reaches 1,000 yards receiving for the third time
- Edelman reaches 90 receptions for the fourth time
- Edelman passes Troy Brown into fourth place on the team receiving chart.
- James White completes first NFL pass

### PATRIOTS SET TEAM RECORD WITH FOURTH BLOCKED PUNT OF THE SEASON

Nate Ebner blocked a third quarter punt that gave the Patriots a first down at the Kansas City 19-yard line. It is the fourth blocked punt of the season for the Patriots, a team record for most blocked punts in a season. The 1986 Patriots blocked three punts. The Patriots returned their first two blocked punts this season for touchdowns. In the win at Buffalo on Sept. 29 Matthew Slater returned a blocked punt by J.C. Jackson 11 yards for a touchdown. Rookie DL Chase Winovich returned a first quarter blocked punt by RB Brandon Bolden 6 yards for a touchdown vs. NY Giants on Oct. 10. In the win vs. Dallas on Nov. 24, Slater blocked a first quarter punt that was recovered by Ebner at the Dallas 12-yard line to help set up the Patriots first touchdown. The NFL record for most blocked punts in a season is six by the 1990 Kansas City Chiefs. The last team with four blocked punts in a season was the 2014 Philadelphia Eagles.

### PATRIOTS END STREAK AT 18 STRAIGHT HOME WINS

### STREAK ENDS AT 21 STRAIGHT HOME WINS INCLUDING THE POSTSEASON

The Patriots ended a streak of 18 straight home wins. The Patriots had won 21 straight home games, including the postseason. It was the first loss at home since a 33-30 loss vs. Carolina on Oct. 1, 2017.

### LONGEST HOME WINNING STREAK/PATRIOTS HISTORY (REGULAR SEASON ONLY)

<u>Streak</u>	<u>First Win</u>	<u>Last Win</u>
20 .....	Dec. 21, 2008.....	Oct. 16, 2011
<b>18 .....</b>	<b>Oct. 22, 2017 .....</b>	<b>Dec. 8, 2019</b>
18 .....	Dec. 29, 2002.....	Sept. 8, 2005
16 .....	Dec. 30, 2012.....	Dec. 28, 2014
12 .....	Nov. 26, 2006.....	Sept. 7, 2008
10 .....	Sept. 18, 1976 .....	Oct. 30, 1977

## INDIVIDUAL NOTES

### JULIAN EDELMAN REACHES 1000 YARDS RECEIVING FOR THIRD TIME IN HIS CAREER

WR Julian Edelman reached 1,000 yards receiving for the third time in his career. He entered the game with 915 yards receiving and finished with 95 more to push his 2019 total to 1,010 yards. He reached 1,000 yards on a 13-yard reception in the third quarter. Edelman joins Wes Welker (5), Rob Gronkowski (4), Randy Moss (3) and Stanley Morgan (3) as the only Patriots with at least three 1,000-yard seasons.

### MOST 1,000 YARD SEASON/PATRIOTS HISTORY

Wes Welker.....	5
Rob Gronkowski .....	4
<b>Julian Edelman .....</b>	<b>3</b>
Stanley Morgan.....	3
Randy Moss.....	3
Terry Glenn .....	2

### EDELMAN REACHED 90 RECEPTIONS FOR FOURTH TIME

Edelman's 8 receptions against Kansas City pushed his 2019 total to 90 receptions for the season. It is the fourth time in his career that he has had at least 90 receptions. Edelman had a career-high 105 receptions in 2013, 92 receptions in 2014 and 98 receptions in 2016.

### MOST 90-PLUS RECEPTION SEASONS/PATRIOTS HISTORY

<u>Player</u>	<u>90-plus Reception Season</u>
Wes Welker .....	5
<b>Julian Edelman .....</b>	<b>4</b>
Troy Brown.....	2

### EDELMAN MOVES PAST TROY BROWN FOR FOURTH ON PATS LIST

Edelman moved past Troy Brown into fourth place on the Patriots all-time receiving list. He entered the game needing 62 yards to move past Brown and did so on an 18-yard pass in the second quarter. He finished the game with 95 yards and now has 6,400 career receiving yards.

### MOST RECEIVING YARDS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY (REGULAR SEASON)

<u>Player</u>	<u>Receiving Yards</u>
Stanley Morgan.....	10,352
Rob Gronkowski .....	7,861
Wes Welker.....	7,459
<b>Julian Edelman .....</b>	<b>6,400</b>
Troy Brown.....	6,366

### EDELMAN ON PACE FOR CAREER YEAR;

Through 13 games so far, Edelman has 90 receptions for 1,010 yards and is on pace for 111 receptions for 1,243 yards, which would be a career best. He posted career highs with 105 receptions in 2013 and 1,106 yards receiving in 2016.

### **RB JAMES WHITE COMPLETES FIRST NFL PASS**

RB James White completed his first NFL pass in the fourth quarter when he completed a 35-yard pass to WR Jakobi Meyers. It is the third pass of the season that was completed by a position player. Julian Edelman has a 32-yard completion vs. Pittsburgh on Sept. 8 and a 15-yard touchdown pass at Philadelphia on Nov. 17.

### **NATE EBNER HAS FIRST BLOCKED PUNT OF HIS CAREER**

Nate Ebner had the first blocked punt of his career in the third quarter. The play gave the Patriots a first down at the Kansas City 19-yard line and helped lead to a 10-yard touchdown run by RB Brandon Bolden.

### **ROOKIE P JAKE BAILEY SETS PATRIOTS RECORD FOR MOST PUNTS INSIDE THE 20**

Jake Bailey's first punt of the day landed inside the 20-yard line for his 32<sup>nd</sup> punt inside the 20. That is a new single season team record. Ryan Allen (2015) and Lee Johnson (2000) each had 31 punts inside the 20-yard line. He landed a second punt inside the 20-yard line to increase his 2019 total to 32 punts inside the 20.

### **BRANDON BOLDEN SETS SINGLE SEASON RECORD WITH FOURTH TOUCHDOWN OF THE SEASON**

RB Brandon Bolden scored on a 10-yard touchdown run in the third quarter for his third touchdown of the season (three rushing and one receiving). His four total touchdowns are a new single-season career high. He had three rushing touchdowns in 2013 with the Patriots and three total touchdowns (two rushing and one receiving) in 2018 with Miami. His three rushing touchdowns match his season-high of three in 2013.

### **J.C. JACKSON TIES HIS ROOKIE TOTAL WITH HIS THIRD PICK OF THE SEASON**

J.C. Jackson picked off Kansas City QB Patrick Mahomes early in the first quarter for his third interception of the season to match his rookie total of three in picks in 2018.

### **TOM BRADY RUSHED FOR 20 YARDS; SEVENTH TIME HE REACHED 20 YARDS IN A GAME**

Tom Brady rushed for 20 yards. It is the 7<sup>th</sup> time in his career that he has rushed for at least 20 yards. His career high in a single game is 31 rushing yards on Dec. 24, 2006 at Jacksonville. It is the most rushing yards he has had in a game since he gained 28 yards on the ground on Nov. 27, 2011 at Philadelphia.

### **LINEUP NOTES**

- James Ferentz made his second career NFL start and his first NFL start at center in place of the injured Ted Karras. Ferentz made his first NFL start on Oct. 27 vs. Cleveland when he started at right guard in place of an injured Shaq Mason.
- Jason McCourty returned to action after missing two games due to injury.
- Nick Folk returned to action after being re-signed to the 53-man roster.