



## GAME NOTES

New England Patriots vs. Seattle Seahawks– November 13, 2016

### TEAM NOTES

#### **PATRIOTS SET NFL RECORD FOR MOST PASS ATTEMPTS WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION TO START A SEASON**

The Patriots set an NFL record by going 258 pass attempts to start the season without an interception to surpass the 2008 Washington Redskins, who went 251 pass attempts without an interception to start the season. Jacoby Brissett (55), Jimmy Garoppolo (60) and Tom Brady (143) combined for the record.

#### **Most Pass Attempts to start a Season Without an Interception**

<b>Team</b>	<b>Pass Attempts</b>
<b>New England Patriots (2016)</b>	<b>258</b>
Washington Redskins (2008)	251

#### **PATRIOTS END STREAK WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION**

The Patriots threw their first interception of the season in the second quarter, falling one game shy of the NFL record for most games without an interception to start a season.

#### **MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES TO START A SEASON WITHOUT AN INTERCEPTION**

9 1960 Cleveland Browns

**8 2016 New England Patriots**

8 2008 Washington Redskins

### INDIVIDUAL NOTES

#### **BLOUNT TIES CAREER HIGH WITH THREE RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS**

RB LeGarrette Blount tied his personal best with three rushing touchdowns. He scored on a pair of 1-yard runs and a 13-yard run. It is his second career three-touchdown game in the regular season. He also had three rushing touchdowns vs. Jacksonville on Sept. 27, 2015. Blount tied a Patriots record overall with four rushing touchdowns in the 2013 AFC Divisional win vs. Indianapolis on Jan. 11, 2014.

#### **Most Rushing Touchdowns in a Game by a Patriots Player**

4 Jonas Grey at Indianapolis, Nov. 16, 2014

**3 LeGarrette Blount vs. Seattle, Nov. 13, 2016**

3 LeGarrette Blount vs. Jacksonville, Sept. 27, 2015

3 Corey Dillon vs. Detroit, Dec. 3, 2006

3 Curtis Martin vs. Miami, Nov. 3, 1996

3 Mosi Tatupu at LA Rams, Dec. 11, 1983

3 Tony Collins vs. NY Jets, Sept. 18, 1983

3 Sam Cunningham at Buffalo, Oct. 20, 1974

**BLOUNT REACHES 10 RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS;  
LEADS NFL WITH 12 RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS IN 2016**

RB LeGarrette Blount pushed his 2016 totals to 12 rushing touchdowns after scoring on two 1-yard touchdown runs in the first half and a 13-yard run in the third quarter. He is the 10<sup>th</sup> Patriots player to reach 10 rushing touchdowns and it is the 14<sup>th</sup> time the Patriots have had a player reach 10 rushing touchdowns in a season. Blount is on pace to finish the season with 21 rushing touchdowns. The Patriots' record for most rushing touchdowns in a season is 14 by Curtis Martin in 1995 and 1996. The NFL record for most rushing touchdowns in a season is 28 by LaDanian Tomlinson in 2006 with San Diego. A player has rushed for 20 or more touchdowns in a season 20 times.

**MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS/SEASON IN PATRIOTS HISTORY**

14	Curtis Martin, 1996
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13	BenJarvus Green-Ellis, 2010
13	Corey Dillon, 2006
<b>12</b>	<b>LeGarrette Blount, 2016</b>
12	Stevan Ridley, 2012
12	Corey Dillon, 2005
12	Corey Dillon, 2004
12	Antowain Smith, 2001
12	Steve Grogan, 1976
11	BenJarvis Green-Ellis, 2011
11	Horace Ivory, 1978
11	Jim Nance, 1966
10	Tony Collins, 1983

**BLOUNT HAS SCORED IN EIGHT OF NINE GAMES IN 2016**

Blount has scored in eight of the Patriots nine games in 2016. Randy Moss scored in 13 of the 16 games in 2007, the Patriots record for most games with at least one touchdown in a 16-game season in team history. Seven Patriots players have scored in 10 games in a season, most recently by TE Rob Gronkowski in 2014.

**BLOUNT HAS A RUSHING TD IN HIS FIFTH STRAIGHT GAME**

Blount has scored at least one rushing touchdown in five straight games.

**Most Consecutive Games Rushing TD in Patriots History**

7	Curtis Martin (10/13/96-11/24/96)
6	Stevan Ridley (10/28/12-12/10/12)
6	Laurence Maroney (10/18/09-11/30/09)
6	Robert Edwards (9/07/98-10/19/98)
<b>5</b>	<b>LeGarrette Blount (10/09/16-11/13/16)</b>
5	Stevan Ridley (10/13/13-11/18/13)
5	BenJarvus Green-Ellis (9/26/10-10/31/10)
5	Curtis Martin (10/23/95-11/19/95)
5	Horace Ivory (10/22/78-11/19/78)

### **BLOUNT IS ON A PACE**

Blount has rushed for 678 yards this season and is on pace for 1,205 yards. It would be the 15<sup>th</sup> time in team history and first since 2012 that the Patriots would have a 1,000-yard rusher in a season.

### **PATRIOTS WITH 1,000 YARDS RUSHING IN A SEASON**

<b><u>Player</u></b>	<b><u>Yards</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>
Stevan Ridley	1,263	2012
BenJarvus Green-Ellis	1,008	2010
Corey Dillon	1,635	2004
Antowain Smith	1,157	2001
Robert Edwards	1,115	1998
Curtis Martin	1,160	1997
Curtis Martin	1,152	1996
Curtis Martin	1,487	1995
Leonard Russell	1,088	1993
John Stephens	1,168	1988
Craig James	1,227	1985
Tony Collins	1,049	1983
Sam Cunningham	1,015	1977
Jim Nance	1,216	1967
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1,227 Craig James, 1985  
1,216 Jim Nance, 1967  
1,168 John Stephens, 1988

### **MARTELLUS BENNETT GOES OVER 100 FOR THE THIRD TIME IN 2016; FIFTH 100-YARD GAME OF HIS CAREER**

TE Martellus Bennett set a single-season best with his third 100-yard game of the 2016 season after finishing with 102 yards on seven receptions. He had 114 vs. Miami on Sept. 18 and 109 vs. Buffalo on Oct. 2. He had two 100-yard games in 2014. Overall, Bennett now has five career 100-yard games.

### **SHEA MCLELLIN BLOCKS EXTRA POINT ATTEMPT**

LB Shea McClellin blocked a second-quarter extra point attempt. It is the first blocked kick of his career and the first blocked extra point since LB Jamie Collins blocked an extra point at Indianapolis on Oct. 18, 2015.

### **TREY FLOWERS HAS SECOND STRAIGHT TWO-SACK GAME**

DL Trey Flowers had his second straight two-sack game after finishing with two sacks for 15 yards. He had a 7-yard sack in the first quarter and an 8-yard sack in the third quarter. Flowers registered his first two career sacks in the win at Buffalo on Oct. 20.

### **TOM BRADY HAS FOURTH 300-YARD GAME OF 2016**

Tom Brady completed 23-of-32 passes for 316 yards for his fourth 300-yard game of 2016. Overall, Brady has 75 career 300-yard games, third in NFL history to the 102 by Drew Brees and the 93 by Peyton Manning.

### **DONT'A HIGHTOWER FINISHED WITH 10 TACKLES**

LB Dont'a Hightower finished with a team-leading 10 total tackles. It is his 15<sup>th</sup> career 10-plus tackle game and his second of the 2016 season. He had 13 total tackles in the win vs. Cincinnati on Oct. 16.

## **LINEUP NOTES**

### **DL TREY FLOWERS MAKES FIRST NFL START**

DL Trey Flowers made his first NFL start. He had his second straight two-sack game.

### **ROOKIE DB CYRUS JONES RETURNS TO ACTION**

Rookie DB Cyrus Jones returned to action after missing the last three games. He was used as a kick returner and a punt returner.