



# GAME NOTES

Patriots vs. New York Jets– November 13, 2011

## BRADY AND BELICHICK SURPASS MARINO AND SHULA FOR WINNINGEST COACH/QB TANDEM

With today's victory over the Jets, the Patriots' quarterback-head coach tandem of Tom Brady and Bill Belichick (117) surpassed Pro Football Hall of Famers Dan Marino and Don Shula of Miami for the most wins by a quarterback-head coach duo in the Super Bowl era (since 1966).

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(Regular Season Only – by victories)

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Terry Bradshaw/Chuck Noll	PIT	107	51	0	.601

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Ken Stabler/John Madden	OAK	60	19	1	.756
Jim McMahon/Mike Ditka	CHI	46	15	0	.754
Peyton Manning/Tony Dungy	IND	73	24	0	.753

## BILL BELICHICK TIES BILL PARCELLS WITH 183 CAREER WINS.

Bill Belichick won his 183<sup>rd</sup> with the win against the Jets to tie Bill Parcells for ninth place on the NFL's all-time list. Chuck Knox is eighth with 193 career wins.

### MOST WINS NFL COACHES

Head Coach	Team(s)	Years of service	Record
1. Don Shula	BAL, MIA	33	347-173-6
2. George Halas	Chicago	40	324-151-31
3. Tom Landry	Dallas	29	270-178-6
4. Curly Lambeau	GB, Cards, WAS	33	229-134-22
5. Chuck Noll	Pittsburgh	23	209-156-1
6. M. Schottenheimer	CLE, KC, WAS, SD	21	205-139-1
7. Dan Reeves	DEN, NYG, ATL	23	201-174-2
8. Chuck Knox	LAR, BUF, SEA	22	193-158-1
9. Bill Parcells	NYG, NE, NYJ, DAL	19	183-138-1
<b>Bill Belichick</b>	<b>CLE, NE</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>183-103-0</b>
11. Mike Holmgren	GB, SEA	17	174-122-0
12. Joe Gibbs	Washington	16	171-101-0
13. Paul Brown	CLE, CIN	21	170-108-6

## ANDRE CARTER SET PATRIOTS RECORD WITH 4.5 SACKS

Andre Carter set a franchise record with 4.5 sacks. The previous best was 4.0 by Julius Adams at Atlanta (12-4-77), Tony McGee at Baltimore (11-16-78) and Mike Hawkins vs. NY Jets (9-9-79). Carter's previous best was 2.5 at Carolina on Oct. 11, 2009 while with Washington. It is Carter's third game with two more sacks in 2011. He now has a team-leading 9.0 sacks.

**BRADY TIES CHILDHOOD IDOL JOE MONTANA WITH 117 WINS**

Tom Brady earned his 117<sup>th</sup> win as a starting quarterback to tie Joe Montana for seventh with 117 career wins in the regular season. Johnny Unitas is in sixth place with 118 wins.

**MOST CAREER WINS AS A STARTER**

(Regular season only)

Rk	Name	W	L	T	Pct.
1.	Brett Favre	186	112	0	.624
2.	John Elway	148	82	1	.643
3.	Dan Marino	147	93	0	.613
4.	<b>Peyton Manning</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.678</b>
5.	Fran Tarkenton	124	109	6	.531
6.	Johnny Unitas	118	64	4	.651
7.	Joe Montana	117	47	0	.713
	<b>Tom Brady</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.770</b>
9.	Terry Bradshaw	107	51	0	.677
10.	Warren Moon	102	98	0	.510

Bold indicates active players

**BRADY PASSES JOE MONTANA (39) WITH HIS 40<sup>TH</sup> 300-YARD GAME**

Brady threw for 329 yards for his 40<sup>th</sup> career 300-yard game and his sixth 300-yard game of the 2011 season. The most 300-yard games by Brady in a single season is eight in 2007. The NFL record for most 300-yard games in a season is 10 by Drew Brees (2008) and Rich Gannon (2002).

**MOST 300-YARD PASSING GAMES IN NFL HISTORY'**

Peyton Manning	63
Dan Marino	63
Brett Favre	62
Kurt Warner	52
Dan Fouts	51
Drew Brees	51
Warren Moon	49
<b>Tom Brady</b>	<b>40</b>
Joe Montana	39

**BRADY REACHES 3,000 YARDS**

Brady entered the game with 2,703 yards and added 329 to set the NFL record for most yards through a team's first nine games with 3,032 yards. Brady joins Drew Brees (2011) as the only players to reach 3,000 yards passing in the first nine games of a season. It is Brady's ninth career 3,000-yard season.

**Most passing yards through a team's first nine games of a season**

Player	Team	Year	Passing Yards
<b>Tom Brady</b>	<b>Patriots</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>3,032</b>
Drew Brees	New Orleans	2011	3,004
Phillip Rivers	San Diego	2010	2,944
Rich Gannon	Oakland	2002	2,898
Dan Fouts	San Diego	1982	2,883
Peyton Manning	Indianapolis	2009	2,872

### **WELKER REACHES 1,000 YARDS FOR A PATRIOTS RECORD FOURTH TIME**

Wes Welker entered the Jets game needing 40 yards to reach 1,000 yards receiving for the fourth time in his Patriots career. He now has 1,006 yards through nine games. He caught six passes for 46 yards to reach the mark. The four 1,000-yard seasons are the most by a Patriots receiver. Welker was tied with Randy Moss and Stanley Morgan with three 1,000-yard seasons.

### **MOST 1,000-YARD RECEIVING SEASONS IN PATRIOTS HISTORY**

**4 Wes Welker (2007-10, 11)**

3 Randy Moss (2007-10)

3 Stanley Morgan (1977-89)

### **EIGHTH TIME IN NFL HISTORY A PLAYER REACHES 1,000 YARDS IN THE NINTH GAME**

Welker reached 1,000 yards in the ninth game of the season. It is an accomplishment that has happened just eight times in NFL history since the merger and for the first time since Torry Holt accomplished the feat with St. Louis in 2003. Isaac Bruce accomplished the feat two times. All eight times the accomplishment was reached in the ninth game of the season.

### **PLAYERS WHO REACHED 1,000 RECEIVING YARDS BY TEAMS NINTH GAME OF THE SEASON**

<b>Player</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Wes Welker</b>	<b>Patriots</b>	<b>2011</b>
Torry Holt	Indianapolis	2003
Isaac Bruce	St. Louis	2000
Marvin Harrison	Indianapolis	2000
Isaac Bruce	St. Louis	1995
Michael Irvin	Dallas	1995
Jerry Rice	San Francisco	1990
Wes Chandler	San Diego	1982

### **WELKER BECOMES THIRD PATRIOTS TO RECORD 500 RECEPTIONS**

Welker (504) entered the Jets game with 498 receptions as a member of the Patriots. He caught two passes in the second quarter to become the third Patriots Player to reach 500 receptions as a member of the Patriots, joining Troy Brown (557) and Stanley Morgan (534).

### **WELKER BECOMES THE FASTEST PLAYER IN NFL HISTORY TO REACH 500 RECEPTIONS WITH ONE TEAM.**

Welker reached 500 receptions as a member of the Patriots in his 70<sup>th</sup> game with the Patriots and became the fastest player to record 500 receptions with one team, surpassing Anquan Boldin (80 games with Arizona). He is the fourth player in NFL history with at least 500 catches in a five-year span. Only Marvin Harrison (five times), Cris Carter (twice) and Pro Football Hall of Famer Jerry Rice (once) have accomplished the feat.

### **THE PLAYERS TO REACH 500 RECEPTIONS WITH ONE TEAM IN THE FEWEST GAMES**

<b>Player</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Games</b>
<b>Wes Welker</b>	<b>New England</b>	<b>70</b>
Anquan Boldin	Arizona	80
Lionel Taylor	Denver	81
Larry Fitzgerald	Arizona	87
Andre Johnson	Houston	88
Marvin Harrison	Indianapolis	90

### **BRANCH MOVES PAST MOSS INTO NINTH PLACE ON PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LIST**

Deion Branch entered the Jets game with 3,876 yards and moved past Randy Moss (3,904) into 9<sup>th</sup> place on the Patriots all-time receiving list with a 14-yard reception in the third quarter. He finished with 58 yards against the Jets and now has 3,934 yards with the Patriots. Gino Cappelletti is in 8<sup>th</sup> place with 4,589 yards.

### **PATRIOTS TIGHT ENDS ARE TOUCHDOWN MACHINES**

Rob Gronkowski has eight touchdowns in 2011, while Aaron Hernandez has five. The tandem has totaled 13 touchdown receptions through nine games this season, comprising more than half of Tom Brady's total of 23 scoring tosses. Gronkowski set the Patriots record for most touchdowns by a tight end with 10 as a rookie in 2010.

### **GRONKOWSKI HAS FIFTH NFL TWO-TOUCHDOWN GAME**

Gronkowski scored two touchdowns against the Jets. It is his fifth career game with two or more touchdowns and his third two-touchdown game of the 2011 season. He had two touchdowns vs. San Diego (9/12/11) and at Buffalo (12/26/11). He had a career-high three touchdowns as a rookie at Pittsburgh on Nov. 14, 2010.

### **GRONKOWSKI HAS FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME WITH SEVEN OR MORE RECEPTIONS**

Gronkowski finished with eight receptions for 113 yards. He has caught seven more receptions in four straight games. The eight receptions match the career-high eight he had vs. NY Giants (11/6). The 113 yards are a career-high, besting the 109 yards he had at Buffalo (9/25/11). It is fourth 100-yard game.

### **GRONKOWSKI LEADS ALL TIGHT ENDS IN TOUCHDOWNS SINCE 2010**

Gronkowski has 18 touchdowns since the start of the 2010 season, the most among all NFL tight ends during that time.

#### **Most Touchdowns by a Tight End Since 2010**

<u>Player</u>	<u>Touchdowns</u>
Rob Gronkowski	18
Jason Witten	13
Antonio Gates	12

### **GRONKOWSKI ON PACE TO SET PATRIOTS RECORD**

Rob Gronkowski has 709 receiving yards on 52 receptions and is on pace to finish with 92 receptions for 1,260 yards. The Patriots record for most receiving yards by a tight end is Ben Coates with 1,174 in 1994. The Patriots record for most receptions by a tight end is 96 by Coates in 1994.

### **CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH AT LEAST ONE TOUCHDOWN PASS CONTINUES FOR BRADY**

Tom Brady has now thrown at least one touchdown pass in 25 straight regular season games, extending his team mark. Brady's current streak started when he threw a touchdown pass in all 16 games in 2010 and he has now achieved the feat in all six games in 2011. The old team record was 19 games, also set by Brady. The NFL record is 47 set by Johnny Unitas (1956-7), followed by Drew Brees with 37 and Brett Favre with 36.

### **BRADY ON PACE TO SET ALL-TIME PASSING NUMBERS**

After throwing for 329 yards against the Jets and 3,032 yards through nine games this year, Tom Brady is on pace to finish the season with 5,390 passing yards. Only two NFL players have thrown for 5,000 or more yards in a season with Dan Marino's NFL record 5,084 in 1984 and Drew Brees' 5,069 in 2008. The most yards Brady has ever thrown in a season is 4,806 in 2007.

### **BRADY ON PACE FOR SECOND CAREER 40 TOUCHDOWN SEASON**

Brady has 23 touchdown passes through nine games and is on pace for 41 touchdown passes. If Brady reaches 40 touchdowns he will be just the second player in NFL history to have two seasons with 40 or more touchdowns. Dan Marino had 48 touchdowns in 1984 and 44 in 1986.

### **WELKER IS STREAKING**

Wes Welker extended his streak to 70 straight regular-season games with at least one reception as a member of the Patriots to extend his franchise record. Welker has an overall streak of 87 straight regular-season games with at least one reception, including his time with the Miami Dolphins. Welker has caught at least one pass in each of his 74 games with the Patriots, including four postseason games. The last time that Welker did not catch a pass in a game was December 24, 2005 when he was with Miami.

### **DIVISIONAL DOMINANCE**

The New England Patriots own a 51-15 (.773) record in regular season AFC East games since the beginning of the 2001 season, compiling the best intra-division record of any team in the NFL.

#### **NFL'S TOP DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001**

<b>Team</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct.</b>
<b>New England Patriots</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.773</b>
Pittsburgh Steelers	47	20	0	.701
Indianapolis Colts	45	20	0	.692
Green Bay Packers	44	20	0	.688

#### **AFC EAST DIVISIONAL RECORDS SINCE 2001**

<b>Team</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Pct.</b>	<b>Div. Titles</b>	<b>Years</b>
<b>New England</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.773</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2001, 03-07, 09-10</b>
New York Jets	33	32	0	.508	1	2002
Miami	26	38	0	.406	1	2008
Buffalo	21	43	0	.328	0	---

NOTES: The Indianapolis Colts were members of the AFC East in 2001 and compiled a 3-5 divisional record that season. In 2002, the Patriots and Jets both finished with a 9-7 overall record and a 4-2 divisional record, but the Jets claimed the division title by virtue of having a better record against common opponents. In 2008, the Patriots and Dolphins both finished with an 11-5 overall record and a 4-2 divisional record, but Miami qualified for the playoffs due to a better conference record (8-4 to 7-5).

### **GOSTKOWSKI GOOD FROM 50**

Stephen Gostkowski kicked a 50-yard field goal in the first quarter. It is his longest field goal of the season. His previous best of the year was a 47-yarder vs. San Diego (9/18).

### **OCHCOCINO HAULS IN A 53-YARD RECEPTION**

Chad Ochocinco caught a 53-yard pass from Tom Brady in the first quarter, his longest reception as a member of the Patriots. His previous best was a 30 yard reception vs. San Diego (9/18). It is his 21<sup>st</sup> reception of 50 or more yards and his first since a 50-yard reception vs. Houston while a member of Cincinnati on Oct. 18, 2009.

### **BRADY TO OCHOCINO FOR 50 FOR THIRD PLAY OF 50 OR MORE YARDS IN 2011**

Brady's 50-yard pass completion to Chad Ochocinco is his third pass play of 50 or more yards in 2011. He had a 99-yard touchdown pass to Wes Welker at Miami (9/12) and a 73-yarder to Welker vs. NY Jets (10/9).

### **NINKOVICH RECORDS HIS SECOND TWO-INTERCEPTION GAME**

LB Rob Ninkovich intercepted two passes against the Jets. His second pick was returned 12 yards for his first career touchdown. It is Ninkovich's second two-interception game. He had his first two NFL interceptions last season at Miami on Oct. 4, 2010 on Monday Night Football. It is the Patriots first defensive touchdown since Kyle Arrington returned an interception 36 yards for a touchdown in a win vs. Green Bay on Dec. 19, 2010 in a Sunday Night Football game.

### **TARPINIAN AND MOORE MAKE FIRST CAREER STARTS**

Rookie LB Jeff Tarpinian and DB Sterling Moore made their first NFL starts. Tarpinian started in place of Brandon Spikes, while Moore started at safety in place of Patrick Chung.

**RECOVER A MUFFED PUNT FOR THE SECOND STRAIGHT WEEK**

Niko Koutouvides recovered a muffed Jets punt at the Jets 13-yard line in the third quarter. It is the second straight week that he Patriots recovered a muffed punt. The Patriots recovered a third quarter muffed punt vs. New York Giants (11/6).