

The Look Man Report 2007

Week Three: Quarterback-up

“All I said was, “I prefer Kanye over Fifty. He went ballistic, giving me the palm shiver, talkin’ about my mama, and losing his damn mind. I never knew he was so into Hip Hop.” – Carolina WR Steve (John Jacob Jingleheimer) Smith regarding the DeAngelo Hall implosion in Week Three.

Week Three of the 2007 NFL season featured some dramatic games, highlighted by Donovan McNabb(sty)’s historic 56-21 demolition of the Detroit Cadillacs in the City of Brotherly Hate. McNabbsty and the Iggles dropped a forty burger on Detroit in the first half alone, rebutting the nabobs who ripped The Don for his controversial HBO comments. D-Mac ejected the ACL knee brace, and rejected the Kitty Cat DBs with a perfect 158.3 QB rating. Afterwards, WR Kevin Curtis conducted an interview that asserted bias against white wide receivers. Pundits look for him to score six TDs next week following the outburst.

In other quarterback news, Chicago QB (T-)Rex Grossman was outed on national TV after throwing numerous picks against Dallas. Deadbirds QB Matt Leinart was replaced by octogenarian Kurt Warner, nearly resulting in a win over Baltimore. Jake (The Man) Delhomme injured his elbow, allowing David (U Can Drive My) Carr to go Michael Jackson in the ATL. The white glove wearing Carr capably replaced The Man, and may begin inspecting the troops again this week.

Injuries to Oakland’s Josh McClown, B-More’s Air McNair, Buffalo’s J.P. Los(s)man, and Minnesota’s Tarvaris Jackson also forced other relievers into action. The Look Man’s prediction of the NFL needing to use more lime green dotted QB helmets came to fruition in a big way. If not for the successful forkectomy in Green Bay, the league could be looking at a changing of the guard as lead signal callers everywhere drop like flies.

Since the league has hitched its wagon to offense, these developments could spell trouble. Despite two teams dropping fifty spots in the first three weeks of 2007, there are plenty of ugly wins on tap. Defense is typically ahead of offense in the first quarter of the season, but 13-10 games could become the norm rather than the exception.

Without further doom saying, the **Week in Review:**

WEEK IN REVIEW

Ponies at Slim Shadies (+6)

The Indy-Houston game was thoroughly entertaining, as Peyton Manning and the defending Super Bowl Champ Ponies invaded H-town. The Slim Shadies played without WR Andre (The Giant) Johnson, and it hurt their offensive output. Tack on the loss of starting RB Ahman Green to a knee, and you have a 30-24 shootout and a push on the six point spread. Vegas, baby, Vegas.

Ponies RB Joseph (Live and Let) Addai turned in the Play of the Year with a goal line Fosbury Flop for six. Live and Let Addai vaulted over an unassuming DB, reminding folks of Enny Green’s “high performance helicopter” blast.

The Ponies host the Denver Donkeys in Week Four, en route to their usual 9-0 start. Barring injury, the Ponies are quietly rebutting the critics who claim New England is the best team in the league. The Look Man can hardly wait for that epic showdown between Belicheat and Tony (Hume Cronyn) Dungy after Hume’s comments about SpyGate.

Bolts at Cheeseheads (+3)

San Diego is officially struggling after a Zebra-assisted loss to the Cheeseheads at Flam-beau. Green Bay needed several questionable calls to beat the Bolts, but shoddy tackling and blown coverages didn't help. When it was all over, Brett (The Pope) Favre spoke about his record-tying TD pass for the win.

"I owe it all to Dr. Ho Wah. She was able to extract the fork from my back in the off-season, and I feel great," said The Pope. "I even had my jersey re-fitted to remove the hole in the back where the fork used to protrude. I am looking forward to erasing Dan Marino from the record books next week in Minneapolis."

The game also featured a tiff between LaDanian Tomlinson and QB Phillip Rivers. The New LT was ticked off by a medicine ball thrown by Rivers, and voiced his displeasure on the sidelines. TE Antonio (Bill) Gates had to crash his operating system in order to referee after things got heated.

"I don't know what Rivers was doing out there. He throws for three bills, but sets me up to get rib cage surgery," said NLT. "He may not be a doctor, but he nearly put me in the hospital." Tomlinson also indicated that Rivers' throw was an attempt to become the leader of the team by eliminating his competition.

Detroit at Philly:

Quakertown turned into the City of Ugly Uniforms as the Iggles broke out one of the ugliest throwbacks in NFL history. It was either win big, or get laughed out of the NFL, and the Iggles chose the former. "No one told them they had to wear the national flag of Sweden," said one Lions DB. "I mean, they set back HDTV a decade with that uniform. They had to turn the temporary courthouse under the stadium into a triage area for the CDC. Man, there were burnt retinas in the thousands."

The burning extended to the exposed Caddies defense, which allowed two 200-yard receivers for the first time in NFL history. It didn't help that Detroit QB Jon Pickna went *Back to the Bakery: Part IV*, using a flax capacitor that could bake up turnovers with a 2.4 Gigawatt oven.

Pickna turned a first half shootout into a bake sale with all of his turnovers, wasting incredible performances by WRs Roy Williams and Calvin Johnson. Detroit was blanked in the second half, despite Pickna's career high 446 passing yards.

On the other side of the field, Iggles WR Kevin (KC) Curtis was incensed by McNabb's HBO comments. "White receivers get more scrutiny than black QBs. They're always saying, You don't play the position 'black enough,'" said KC. "I'm thinking about re-starting my Sunshine band as an homage to my white chocolate brothers out there.

"Well, KC is back, and now he's in 'stealth mode.' The DBs kept looking for Stinkston and Trash out there. They thought I was the Commissioner of K-Balls, so I was pretty open," added the Boogie Man.

The Iggles inserted QB Kevin (Korn) Kolb late to avoid injury to McNabbsty. Korn Kolb was treated like Detroit was out of toilet paper, getting badly used. His final statistics: 0-for-0 passing for zero yards, minus-2 yards rushing on the three kneel downs, two sacks for 13 yards and a lost fumble, for a QB rating of -158.3.

Browns at Grayders (-3)

Ironically, the Grayders won this one with the old 'late timeout on the kicker trick.' The Browns came out flat, but put pressure on Josh McClown, knocking him from the game with a toe injury. Enter the dragon, as Culpepper converted a third and 23 with a 27-yard screen to Lamont Jordan.

Neo had a glitch in his Matrix, and his goofy picks put the Browns in a hole. He then missed on two easy fourth quarter TD passes that would have won it. The Look Man attributes the errors to the Look Ahead factor as the Browns take on Baltimore in Week Four. Cleveland's roster is full of former Dumpster Ducks who would like nothing better than to drop Baltimore like a bag of dirt.

Unfortunately, TE Kellen (The Soldier) Winslow II injured a shoulder on the would-be game winning FG drive. The Soldier says he will play through, but the last thing the Browns need is back-to-back physical defenses before facing the Chowds in Week Five. If Romeo (Ralph Cramden) Crennel loses the next two, he will be back to driving a bus for a living after the bye week.

Bungals at Shehawks (-3.5)

Marvin Lewis' Kids came within a bad call and a fumble of winning this one in Coffeetown despite the loss of RB Rudi (Ray Moore) Johnson to a hammy. Matt (Hair Club for Men) Hasselbeck caught his own batted pass, took two steps and coughed up the rock. No problem, as Ed (The Hulk) Hochuli called it incomplete and unreviewable.

Worse yet, the Bungals suffered injuries again, this time to overachieving LB (Me and) Caleb Miller. Luckily, Dhani Jones took off his bow tie and played solid, but it wasn't enough to overcome a late fumble on the kickoff return. Jones and replacement Anthony Schlegel (Locks) sent RB Shaun (Big SA) Alexander to the sidelines to tend to his cracked wrist more than once.

Chad (the Dentist) Johnson and TJ Whosyomama had solid games, but took a pounding. The ugliest was TJ getting drilled on an endzone incomplection. (Johnny) Carson Palmer chipped in a couple of picks while running for his life. The Bungals can't take much more of this punishment if they want a wild card. They may not even make it to Week Nine return of Chris Henry at this rate, and they look to get declawed on Monday Night against the Chowds.

Pokes at Bears (-3)

Dallas' big, road grading O-line mauled the Monsters of the Furniture Mart, sending Tommie Harris, Lance Briggs, and Nate Vasher all to the factory for reupholstering. If not for the Zebras calling holding on nearly every pancake block, the Pokes would've won this one going away. Kudos to Flozell Adams, Leonard Davis, and Andre Gurode for turning Spaceship Field into an IHOP franchise.

The Pokes also owe a big tip of the ten gallon to OC Jason Garrett's halftime adjustment - - -running crossing routes to free up TO and TE Jason Witten. Usually, teams cannot run these time-consuming routes against the MOTFM, because their QBs are on their backs. Dallas' O-line kept Romo clean enough to avoid the sacks. More importantly, Romo's slickness and ability to read while moving allowed him to do something few other QBs should attempt. This kid is good.

The Look Man did wonder if Mushin (Moose) Muhammad and others were voting on Grossman with their feet. The Bears receivers cut off several routes, allowing the Dallas DBs to jump the routes and steal passes from T-Rex. Grossman needed Viagra out there as he began suffering from *connectile dysfunction* with his receivers.

Grossman couldn't afford to fail in this one, facing his undrafted counterpart from nearby Eastern Illinois. Despite the same amount of time in the league, Romo looked like a seasoned QB, dodging, throwing from weird angles, and posting a 100 QB rating. Rex looked like an endangered species,

sitting in the pocket with concrete boots, and getting drilled repeatedly by DeMarcus Ware and the rest of Domsday Lite.

The chants of Griese, Griese by Windy City Fan were obviously not a comment about the quality of the Italian Beef sandwiches at the concession stands. The denizens were loud and long in voicing their displeasure for Jurassic Park QB, forcing head coach Lovie (Thurston Howell III) Smith to make a change. He chose to go with Brian (Beer Batter) Griese next week in Detroit in an effort to actually prove that Chicago even has an offense.

The Bears are now officially in rebuilding mode, and their depleted defense has Pickna salivating. The Baker could put up another 400 yards passing this week.

Flaming Thumbtacks at Religious Icons (-4) [MNF]

The fans have now been formally introduced to the Flaming Thumbtacks, courtesy of the punishing win over America's New Team, the New Orleans Religious Icons. The Look Man believes the Icons lost this one due to bad game planning by head coach Sean (Secret Squirrel) Payton. Secret ignored RB Deuce McAllister, instead giving the rock to his talentless receivers and Reggie Bush (44). The resultant ACL tear for Deuce puts the Icons in a tough spot, but may save their season. Secret must now re-tool during the bye week, giving the rock to backup RB Aaron Stecker.

Meanwhile, America has seen the toughness of the Tacks, who parlayed stifling defense into points. Vince Young is doing it with smoke and mirrors, but that run defense is no joke. The AFC Souse has three very good teams in Indy, Houston, and Tennessee. The rest of the league is now on notice.

LAGNIAPPE:

Throwbacks

The throwback craze has jumped the shark as Blitzburgh and Philly have broken the barrier of good taste. The Bolts started this mess, and their new uniforms are too much like the T-backs. Please Roger Goodell, step up and end this garbage while the league is still solvent. Or before the Bengals go back to their original uniform.



Swedish Twins to be surgically separated

Flip Them the Bird

Bengals owner Mikey Boy Brown has requested permission to rid Paul Brown Stadium of pesky pigeons which keep pelting Bengals fans with poop. Club seated fans have complained about the flying rats, which target Who Deys from a canopy overhang.

"We get hit badly every time they play the theme song from *Top Gun*. The pigeons seem to know that tune, and they target open beers," said fan Ed Marshall. "I tell you, their aim is deadly, Baby!"

Browns seeks to install snipers to take out the pests. Bengals officials believe shooting to be a "cost-effective way to get this problem under control." The bird carcasses would then be placed in black plastic bags and deposited into the stadium's trash compactor, right next to ex-Bengals CB Keivan Ratliff.

Brown will also instruct the snipers to take out Tom Brady and Randy Moss with extreme prejudice. The Look Man thinks the real pigeons will get plucked on MNF.

Prime Time on Showtime:

The fall lineup on Showtime includes several shows that rival HBO's finest. The lineup includes *Dexter*, *Californication*, *Weeds* and *Brotherhood*. The Look Man's new favorite is *Cali*, which stars David Duchovny as Hank Bloom, a divorced writer in LA who gets more tail than a canine with multiple sex organs. Bloom battles his writer's block while raising a teenaged daughter and trying to get back together with ex-wife Natasha McElhone, a charter member of the *Hot or Not?* club.

The Official Wife of the Look Man hates the show, saying it's all just gratuitous nudity. The Look Man wonders, what's wrong with that? But seriously, if you haven't caught this show, it features clever writing, a comely cast, and no Jillian Anderson. The Truth is Out There.

ZEBRA OF THE WEEK:

The nominees are:

- Jeff (Beanbag) Triplette for Bolts at Cheeseheads : reinvented the Tuck Rule by allowing Brett Favre's fumble to be ruled an incomplete pass. Beanbag also called some convenient penalties to back the Pack up from the one-foot line and allow Favre to tie Marino's record.
- Ed (The Hulk) Hochuli for Bungals at Shehawks: for the aforementioned catch and fumble by HCFM, ruled an incomplete pass. The Look Man has seen far too many guys catch, turn, take steps, and get drilled, resulting in an incomplete pass ruling. On the other side of the fence, D-linemen and LBs are using the ground to control the football on INTs, and still getting the calls.
- Scott Green for Bisons at Chowds: allowed DT Vince Wilfork to go Kimo von Wilkes Booth on Bisons QB JP Losman on the first offensive play of the game. Wilfork should've been ejected, and he was fined only \$12.5K for ruining Losman's season. If this had been Palmer, Manning, or Brady, Wilfork would be sitting for at least two weeks.
- Jerome (the) Boger(man) for Deadbirds at B-More: his key 'unnecessary roughness' call on Adrian Wilson's deceiver to Todd (Uriah) Heap put the Dumpster Ducks within Matt Stover's FG range for a 26-23 win. Wilson merely did his job, hitting Heap over the middle with a clean shot. The Bogerman wasted a strong effort by Kurt Warner, whose two minute offense turned the Deadbirds from a lifeless team into a contender.

- *Larry Nemmers(kull) for Black Cats at Dirty Birds:* Nemmerskull hit DeAngelo (Brown Sugar) Hall with 67 yards in penalties on a key drive that cost Atlanta the game and Joey Harrington his first piano concerto. Harrington threw for an uncharacteristic three bills in the loss, and Brown Sugar went postal on head coach Bobby Neutrino. Hall will now donate 100 large to charity, and be benched for next week's first half.

And the winner, Ron (A Lyin' in) Winters for Dallas at Chicago. Winters' fibs included:

- Cheap block in the back call on Dallas TE Jason Witten
- bogus offensive pass interference against WR Patrick Crayton, killing a first quarter drive.
- Blatant non-calls against Bears O-linemen, keeping T-Wrecks perpendicular
- Phantom 4th quarter holding call on Flozell Adams.

Winters chipped in with a half-ending denial of three seconds and a possible FG when Wrecks got sacked on fourth down. Change of possession stops the clock, but not on Winters' watch. He allowed the clock to run, disregarding Pokes head coach Bob Keeshan and the Replay Booth. Lovie should have taken heat for even allowing the fourth down try, but Winters' crew "let 'em off the hook!"

The Look Man is getting used to this WWF by the Zebras, but Tailpipe GB Shaw was incensed. His poor mother-in-law had to experience his "use of, shall we say, colorful metaphors" inspired by Winters. Shaw was forced to take out his fury on a Cowboys souvenir foam rubber football that will never return to its original shape.

Ron Winters, you are the Look Man's **Zebra of the Week**.

Sideline Shenanahans- Part II

Lane Kiffin stole a page from Mike (The Rat) Shanahan's playbook, and it cost the Browns a W, when their apparent game winning FG was negated. The irony is not lost on the Look Man, who called for the immediate cessation of these sideline time-outs just last week. The league needs an enema, because it has gone from the majesty of John Facenda to the banality of Sam (Wicky Wacky) Wyche. Stop the madness, please.

THE LOOK AHEAD:

Dumpster Ducks at C-Town (+4.5):

Derek (Neo) Anderson seeks revenge against the Matrix, and Jamal (Bam Bam) Lewis wants to prove he can still break rocks with the best of them. The Lew and Lew Show returns to Cleveland as Jamal takes on Ray-Ray in a battle for second place in the AFC Asgard.

It will be QB roulette for B-more as Brian Billick attempts to prove his genius at playing two QBs until Air McNair gets a healthy groin. The truth is that the Ducks will try to work on the woeful Browns run D, which is giving up an average of a buck fifty each week on the ground.

Look for Cleveland to put up a gallant fight in this AFC slobberknocker. Browns cover and win by calling timeout as Matt Stover kicks an apparent game winner.

Cheeseheads at Minny (+2):

This one has the look of a usual barnburner between Green Bay and the Swedes. The Pope is going for the record vs. Kelly (Tires) Holcomb, who would like to prove he still has some tread left. The Pope always does poorly in domes, likely because God can't see thru the roof. He may still knock Marino out of the record books, but only with a little help from the Zebras, who give the Hornheads no love after their Love Boat fiasco.

The Cheesehead D is unheralded, but their 4-3 pressures the QB without blitzing, while the secondary chews up the receivers. Minnesota's defense is vicious, but they regain their offensive touch in a hard-hitting game at the Homer Dome. Swedes get the win, and the St. Paul-y Girl.

Stillers at Deadbirds (+6):

This matchup features Deadbirds head coach Ken Whisenhunt versus his old team. Whisenhunt has his own QB conundrum playing out with Leinart vs. Warner, but the real deal is the big WRs versus the smallish DBs under LeBeaunhead.

Whisenhunt needs to go no-huddle in order to keep LeBeaunhead's exotic blitz packages on the bench. Unfortunately, that means he has to play Kurt Warner and risk that Leinart won't go crying to Paris Hilton during the game.

The Look Man likes the Deadbirds in an upset. Whisenhunt knows Big Ben's weaknesses, and his underrated defense capitalizes on a spread that is too large. Deadbirds.

Bolts at Baby Backs (+12):

KC is quietly grilling up a nice defense. They are first overall in sacks after the return of Jared (Subway) Allen, and nobody is running on them. Once Damon (The Omen) Huard gets healthy, they could be a force in the AFC wild card hunt.

The Look Man traces the Bolts' offensive struggle upon a change in the O-line blocking scheme. Under Marty, the Bolts used a zone blocking to leverage their size into slashing lanes for NLT. They now employ a man-to-man scheme, reducing Tomlinson's cutback ability. Looks like Norv Turner needs to step up with some O-line coaching, or the Bolts could self-destruct.

The Look Man still likes the Bolts in this one. They have played some of the toughest competition in the league to date, and it shows. Plus, a clean Merroidman is a sackless Merroidman. He has struggled against double teams that he defeated easily in his Nike commercials. More importantly, the elbow injury to All Pro NT Jamal Williams is hurting the run defense. Bolts win, but not by 12.

Bears at Cadillacs (+3):

Lovie made a move at QB, but this one has 'trap game' written all over it. Detroit head coach Rod Marinelli was hot after an embarrassing loss at Philly. QB Jon Pickna attempts to prove Detroit defense is not the UAW, and the Caddies roll off the assembly line against an injury-depleted Bears defense. Detroit.

Grayders at Marine Mammals (-4):

Daunte (Pep) Culpepper returns to his old limping grounds in South Beach. The Phish want to commemorate the event by handing out walkers to the first 10K fans in attendance. Based on early returns, they may hurl them at new coach Cam Cameron in disgust.

Miami is in disarray, with an injury to LB Zach (Scrubs) Thomas. Although the Mammals are ticked off, the Grayders win this revenge game. After all, Joey Porter guaranteed a win for Miami. Grayders.

MNF Chowds at Bungals (+7.5):

The Look Man would like to see the Bungals come out of their self-imposed cage, but doesn't see any way. The Chowds have put up 38 points in three consecutive weeks. They now face a Bungals

defense with backup LBs, a weak line, and inexperienced corners. Together, this adds up to Zebras attempting to keep it close so Kornheiser doesn't start talking about baseball.

The Nati is looking to shore up its linebacking by signing KC Wolf, the Baby Backs mascot who drilled the fan who went Gregory Gall at Agarn Stadium last week. KC Wolf piled on after stadium security dropped the fan, narrowly avoiding a late hit penalty. He hits harder than the current Nati LBs, and he is seven feet tall.

EPILOGUE

The Stillers have to be the most disrespected team in the league. The weekly power ratings placed Dallas at number three, behind New England and Indy. While the Chowds have posted 38 points in three consecutive weeks, Blitzburgh is winning by 20 behind rookie head coach Omar Epps.

Epps is doing this by making the revolutionary step of allowing D-Coordinator Dick LeBeau(nhead) to actually manage the defense. The result is punishing, exotic blitzes that maim and disorient while OC Bruce Arians turns Big Ben into Joe Montana. The Stillers seem to be for real, but their metal will be tempered by the heat of the desert southwest in Week Four.

The Look Man has attached the long awaited 2007 picks. Tailpipe Nation has spoken in almost a unanimous voice regarding playoff teams. History dictates a changing of the guard each year, with six to eight new teams appearing each postseason. Apparently the Tailpipe Nation is not a student of history, as the usual suspects have reappeared. The Look Man intends to be Keyser Soze, picking some underdogs. Only time will tell if it's Sweet Polly Purebred or Simon Barsinister at year's end.

Peace,

The Look Man

NFL 2007 Season Picks

	AFC			
	Asgard	Souse	Least	West
Sea Ray	Stillers	Ponies	Chowds	Bolts
J-Jack	Stillers	Ponies	Chowds	Bolts
GB Shaw	Ducks	Ponies	Chowds	Bolts
Gandino Crime Family	Stillers	Ponies	Chowds	Bolts
Smooth	Ducks	Ponies	Chowds	Bolts
Look Man	Ducks	Ponies	Chowds	Bolts
Da Gorilla	Ducks	Ponies	Chowds	Bolts

	NFC			
	Norse	Souse	Least	West
Sea Ray	MOTFM	Black Cats	Iggles	Shehawks
J-Jack	MOTFM	Black Cats	Iggles	Shehawks
GB Shaw	MOTFM	Icons	Pokes	Shehawks
Gandino Crime Family	MOTFM	Icons	Pokes	Shehawks
Smooth	Detroit	Black Cats	Pokes	Shehawks
Look Man	Swedes	Icons	Iggles	7-Squareds
Da Gorilla	MOTFM	Black Cats	Jynts	Shehawks

	Wild Cards		
	AFC	NFC	
Sea Ray			
J-Jack			
GB Shaw			
Gandino Crime Family	DEN, CIN	PHL, CAR	
Smooth			
Look Man	PGH, JAX	CAR, DAL	
Da Gorilla			

	NFC	AFC	Bowl
	Championships		
Sea Ray	Black Cats	Chowds	Chowds
J-Jack	Black Cats	Bolts	Bolts
GB Shaw	Pokes	Ponies	Pokes
Gandino Crime Family			
Smooth	Pokes	Chowds	Pokes
Look Man	Black Cats	Bolts	Bolts
Da Gorilla	Jynts	Bolts	Jynts

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