

December 31, 2011

Return to SB XLVI

(Home games in *italic*)

Date	Team	Time
42 W	<i>Aints</i>	34
30 W	Panthers	23
27 W	duh bears I	17
49 W	<i>Bronco's</i>	23
25 W	Phalcons	14
24 W	<i>Rams</i>	3
33W	Viqueens I	27
	Bye Week	
45 W	Chargers	38
45 W	<i>Viqueens II</i>	7
35 W	<i>Buc an ear</i>	26
27 W	Lyins I	15
38 W	Small-ants	35
46 W	<i>Raiders</i>	16
14	Chefs	19 L
35 W	<i>duh bears II</i>	21
1/1	<i>Lyins II</i>	1:00

NFC North Standings

Green Bay	14-1
Detroit	10-5
Chicago	7-8
Minnesota	3-12

Packer Tidbits:

- It's official! Duh bears still suck!
- **ROSE BOWL**
Next up for UW ~ Monday 1/2/12 @ 5:00
- **The TCP will be OPEN for the Ly-ins game**
- Packer Stocks now on sale. Going fast! Get yours while supply last!

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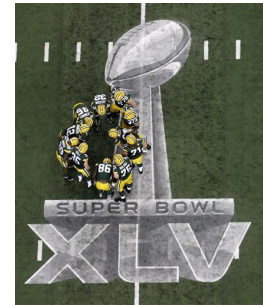


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PACKERS 35 Duh bears 21



"We won big. That's the bottom line." "We wanted the path to go through Lambeau" - Mike McCarthy

The Packers (14-1) locked up home field advantage through the playoffs with a 35-21 whipping that turned into a flurry of offense in the third quarter.



Always sweet to beat Chicago, the Pack's fourth straight victory over duh Mousies of Midway. Not only did it sew up the road through Lambeau, it knocked Chicago (7-8) out of their long-shot playoff hopes. Rodgers (21/29, 283 yards, 5 TD, 142.7 rating) was again

masterful, and likely took the final step toward his first MVP award. It was backyard, "El-Passo" neighborhood aerial excellence.

A really good sign was the overall performance of the offensive line, decimated by injuries and missing three of the top four tackles. Rodgers was sacked once, by defensive back Lewis Tillman on a blitz.

Jordy was again the man in space, with six catches for 115 yards, and continuing his unbelievable scoring at home, adding two more big touchdowns. His getting behind the entire defensive secondary for the bomb in the third was an early dagger, and he and James Jones (two TD himself) have done



well picking up for Jennings.

If this team isn't dropping balls, it's tough to see anyone stopping them!

(Postscript: This review is on the brief side due to holiday time constraints and commitments. I do want to say that Jolly St. Nick (Vince?) proved that I was nice, not naughty, as I was gifted a share of Packer stock that is already mounted, framed, and on display in our foyer entrance!) Go, Pack, GO!!!

(Kraig Pringle)



Kathy is originally from Fullerton, California. She moved to Wisconsin in 1994 and lived in West Bend for 14 years. Her favorite player is Aaron Rodgers and her favorite historic player

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Focus on the Fans

Merry Christmas everyone! Two weeks ago we actually had the privilege of having an international crowd. Yes, we had people from Greece, Australia, Japan and China. I decided to interview the guests that made the longest trip. Brian and Kathy Stark

are long time members of the GPB. They currently reside in Shenyang, China for work purposes. Their trip was approximately 7,000 miles by plane, talk about your frequent flyer miles. That's 7 times longer than the trip to Wisconsin!

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No prizes or head count to report this week at the Corner Pocket but I'm sure everyone was glued to a TV set to see the Pack whip up some bear stew, da-rool, da-rool.

Just a couple of reminders for the upcoming weeks. First is that the **Corner Pocket will be open for the Lyins game on News Year Day.**

There are two trivia contests on Sunday and the Miller Lite cooler at the



end of the game. This is the end of the season prize from the Corner Pocket and the winner will be drawn from all the number slip collected from the entire year. Every time you came to a game and put your number in the door prize bucket, it gave you one more chance to win this prize. Keep in mind that this is for ALL prizes handed out by the Corner Pocket from here until the end of the Packer season.

The Packers playoff game

will be on either the 14th or 15th. The playoff picture will be a little clearer after this Sunday's game, but not much. Green Bay is THE TOP SEED and will end up playing the lowest seed to survive the wild card week end (#4, #5 or #6). Don't be surprised to see the Lyins on more time at Lambeau. Whenever the date or time, the one thing for sure is that we will be meeting at the Corner Pocket. Stay tune to this newsletter for more club information and upcoming

bar specials as we march our way back to the Superbowl. On February 5th.

The other reminder is that we have our membership specials going on right now. New members still pay the \$30 but that will include both this year and next year as well. Renewing members this year are guaranteed the \$25 rate. Next years rates may increase for both new and old members alike. Enjoy the holiday season and see you at the Corner Pocket on Sunday.

GO! PACK! GO! (JW)

Packer's



vs.



Lyins

The Packers will be going for a sweep of the NFC North this week. That's the only thing they will really be playing for this weekend.



The Packers won the NFC North when they played the Giants 12/4 with a Lyins loss to the 'aints. They continued to play well, hiccupping against the Chefs only to clinch home field advantage while proving once again that "Upon Further Review...The Bears Still Suck!" and giving all of us a great last Christmas present.

The Lyins are playing for 5th Seed in the playoffs, most

likely wanting the "easier" game of taking on the Cryboys or Smallants, whoever wins the game on Sunday Night, rather than playing the 'aints again in the Superdome.

That's it in a nutshell, we have home field and aren't playing for anything, we have people who are injured, chipped up and are healing. Send in the 3rd string, nothing to see here folks move along, move along. But wait a darn

minute! This is the Green Bay Packers, defending World Champions, 2011 NFC North Champions, the Terrors of the Tundra. We play FOOTBALL; the sidelines still have the ghost of Lombardi, Lambeau, Nitschke, stalking them.



There are also a few other key stats.

The Packers have won 12 straight at home, the longest current active streak among NFL teams, and 18 of their last 19, something I'm sure Mike was well aware of when he set winning home field as a goal for the season. The Ravens and the 'aints are also undefeated at home this season, and since the 'aints seem to be the odds on favorite to face us in the NFC Championship, I'd rather play Brees et al at Lambeau. Let's save the indoor stadium until last!

The Packers have seven players selected to the Pro Bowl and here's hoping they won't play, but of course it's nice to be selected and here they are fullback John Kuhn, Aaron Rodgers, cornerback Charles Woodson and line-

backer Clay Matthews as starters. Named to the NFC



squad as reserves are receiver Greg Jennings, center Scott Wells and defensive lineman B.J. Raji. Along with Kuhn, Wells and Raji are first-time Pro Bowlers. The seven selections are Green Bay's most, not including alternates, since having nine in 1967. The 49ers led selections in the NFC with 9 players named. Drew Brees was also selected as a quarterback for the squad. Many Lyins fans had their nose out of joint that Matthew Stafford didn't get selected.

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Also some players are coming off injury and I'm sure Mike McCarthy and the coaching staff will want to use this game to tune up them for full speed. Ryan Pickett comes back after suffering a concussion against the Raiders. His absence was felt against both the Chiefs and the Bears who ran amok in the rushing game. The offense was firing on all cylinders Sunday, so duh Bears had no choice but to take to the air, the Chefs trailed by only a point so were able to stick to their game plan and Pickett was missed. Also Chad Clifton finally returns after going down in week 5 with a pulled quad and setting himself back with a strained back, so even though the offense was able to keep Aaron clean last week, having Clifton back for the stretch of the playoffs will be salve for an offensive line that is hurt. As of this Wednesday, Bulaga didn't practice, so Clifton's return adds depth back to the line.

But speaking of Stafford and others dressed in blue, how loud do you think the jeering will be when Ndamokung Suh steps out onto Lambeau Field? Suh was suspended for 2 games after famously stomping on Evan Dietrich-Smith during the Thanksgiving Day match that ended in their defeat. Coach Jim Schwartz and Stafford both talked about the game. And they're not going to rest any players. "It would give us the fifth seed in the playoffs. That alone would be big for us. We'd finish the regular season with 11 wins instead of 10," Schwartz said.

This is the first trip to the postseason for the Lyins since 1999, and just 3 seasons removed from the first ever winless season in the 16 game season. Boy, what a difference not having Matt Millen for a GM makes, huh? GO PACK! GO!!! **(Ken Hill)**

Injury Update

Some concern this week as Charles Woodson tweaked his knee. It didn't sideline him, but don't expect to see him play much against the Lyins. With home field wrapped up, don't be surprised to see others keeping Charles company on the bench. Good news is Ryan Pickett and Chad Clifton are back and they should get some playing time.

Doubtful (2): Greg Jennings, Brian Bulaga.

Probable (7): Ryan Pickett, Chad Clifton, Charles Woodson, Randall Cobb, James Stark, Jermichael Finley & Clay Matthews.

IR (6): Derek Sherrod, Andrew Quarless, Alex Green, Nick Collins, Lawrence Guy, Shaky Smithson.

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is Gilbert Brown. She actually met Gilbert because he is married to a woman that she knows. One day during a conversation with him, Kathy jokingly asked for tickets to the game. Gilbert not only gave her his tickets, but also 3 signed footballs! (I'd frame those ticket stubs!) Kathy has been to 2 games at Lambeau, but no away games. She was introduced to the GPB in 2009 when she met Loren Wolf at Total Wine and he told her about the club. Kathy has even been the writer of a news article similar to this one. The thing Kathy misses the most about Wisconsin is the seasons (not winter though, right?!)

Brian is from Toledo, Ohio and has never lived in Wisconsin! He became a Packer fan when he married Kathy. His favorite player is Clay Matthews and his historic player is Bart Starr. He loves the GPB because it is a good time to be with friends and a nice place to be on a Sunday! Brian and Kathy are the proud new owners of Packer stock. Anyone else out there get stock in your stocking?!!! Happy New Packer Year! **(Linda Wieloch)**

Trivia Contest

Here is the question from last Sunday's duh bears game (12/25):

How many 2pt. conversions have the Packers scored against the Bears and when? (exact dates)

This prize will be a \$25 gift card from The Corner Pocket.

Here is the question for next Sunday's Lyins game (1/1/12):

On September 11, 2005 the Packers and the Lions combined to have the Packer record for fewest first downs by rushing. How many did each of them have?

This prize will be a \$10 gift card from The Corner Pocket.

The trivia question for the first playoff game will appear in next weeks newsletter after we find out when an who our victim will be. Prize will also be determined then.

The rules:

- 1) The question will appear one week ahead in the newsletter to give our readers extra time to research the answer. The question will be posted at the sign-in desk on game day.
- 2) The only place you can submit your answer is at The Corner Pocket on game day of that week.
- 3) Only one entry per member per week.
- 4) Incorrect answers will be removed from the bucket and a winner will then be drawn at the end of the 3rd quarter.
- 5) You may not win two weeks in a row.
- 6) You must be a member to enter and present to win.

Upon Further review... you know