

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    |
| 33 W | Viqueens I          | 27   |
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| 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   |
| 45 W | <i>Lyins II</i>     | 41   |
| 1/15 | <i>NJ Gi-Ants</i>   | 4:30 |
| 1/22 | <i>TBD</i>          | TBD  |
| 2/5  | <i>SUPERBOWL</i>    | 6:30 |

**NFC North Standings**

|           |      |
|-----------|------|
| Green Bay | 15-1 |
| Detroit   | 10-7 |
| Chicago   | 8-8  |
| Minnesota | 3-13 |

**Packer Tidbits:**

- If you think you can win a playoff game... your Lyin
- **ROSE BOWL**  
**BUCKY 45 BUCKEY 38**  
not quite but still proud of UW
- New Jersey takes care of the Phalcons only to die in Green Bay
- Coming soon! **GPB**  
your thoughts edition.

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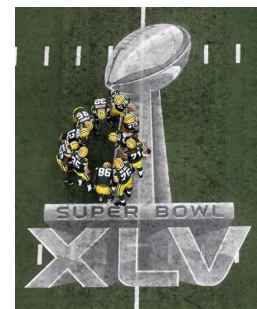


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## Packer Backer Bits

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Back when I was a boy, I would sometimes watch the Dallas Cryboys play with Tom Landry as coach. Win or Lose, Rain or Shine, Landry stood on the sidelines in his hat, calling plays, etc with the same expression that you would have watching grass grow. It bugged the shit out of me because he never showed any emotion.

Mike McCarthy is the same way a lot of the time, talking a mile a minute into the headset, but largely remaining stoic, sometimes slapping a player on the back as



he runs out or back in from a play. The only time he may seem to lose his cool is when he challenges a call and you read lips and he'll say, "That's B\*\*\*, c'mon man!" Then there's Jim Schwartz, un-

## Focus on the Fans

### Rex Weinbender #143

Rex's father was a Lutheran minister and he would always say that when you're born a Lutheran, you can always change denominations; but when you're born and raised in Green Bay, you can have no other team loyalties! With that being said, Rex is a stockholder

and undisciplined. You might think, "Ken, where do you get off calling a coach undisciplined, even if he coaches the Lyins?" 11 penalties for 101 yards, allowing a second-string quarterback to throw for a record (not Starr, Rodgers, or even Favre) 6 touchdowns and 480 yards, and 2 lost fumbles. That's an undisciplined football team. Also trying to throw your headset, cussing, and spitting at a side judge (not spitting at him, but still) because you already spent your challenge also counts.

I remember back when Aaron had a concussion last year and we had to go play the Patriots. On NFL network they asked Rod Woodson what chance the Packers had of winning that game. He said, "Without Aaron Rodgers? No chance!" I had a different opinion. Matt Flynn was drafted



with Brian Brohm, who the previous year, was a top draft prospect whose stock had fallen somewhat, and Matt had beat out Brohm for the backup QB to Aaron. Matt hadn't done much in his college career of course, just been the starting QB for the LSU Tigers who won the "National Championship" with him under center. So, no, nothing for the Patriots to worry about. The night the Packers played the Patriots, Aaron probably felt a little like Don Majkowski did when a kid from Mississippi wearing number 4 came out and took the Packers down that Glory Road. I firmly believe we would have won that game if 1. The Pack-  
*(Lyins lyins pants on fire on page 3)*



and life long Green Bay Packer fan because he was born in Green Bay. Rex says "The difference between me and Jerry Jones, both being owners, is that I'm not an a\*\*h#le!" Rex's favorite current players are Kuhn and Matthews, and his favorite historic player is Ray Nitschke. He's been to Lambeau

at least 2 dozen times and 4 times to away games. He was gracious to get us wonderful free parking passes for the  
*(FOF on page 3)*

# Greenville Packer Backers in the



Great turnout once again, 108 to exact (almost), for another Packer victory over a division rival. Lots of fun, prizes and pools so lets get right to it. We had two trivia questions on Sunday. The one for the Lyons game and a \$10 Corner Pocket gift card went to #110 Bill Bunke. The second and more difficult one went to #108 Tom Becker who won a \$25 gift card from the Corner Pocket. The Miller lite cooler from the Corner Pocket went to member #289 Kerri Ellinger. Some of the 15 door prizes winners on Sunday were #328

Marge Bramlett women's watch, #323 Celie Schliz men's watch, #303 Nicholas Papala Packer car tag, #170 Shirley Manske Steering wheel cover, #227 Ben Peters Light-up mug, #261 Coleen Beaver a soap dispenser, #120 Neil Petersen a Packer pen and a rain poncho went to #182 Ric Geil. Winners on the 2 \$1.00 pools were #162 Gary Gandy, #102 Tim Ware, #113 Russ Larson, #319 Chris Moore, #242 Christine Harrison, #110 Bill Bunke, #221 Barbara Gambrell and a guest named Rob.

On the 2 50 cent pools, the winners were #106 John Wieloch, #321 Sheila Chase, #120 Neil Petersen, #108 Tom Becker, #225 Penny Siperly, #270 Sharon Wirnberger, #162 Gary Gandy and #149 Travis Wieloch. There were three new Packer fans joining our club on Sunday. Lets give a warm Packer welcome to:

**#331 Sue Sabin,**

**#332 Charles Wells**

**#333 King Steater**

At the end of the playoff sea-

son the Packer Backer Bits will have one last edition in which we would like all of you to be part of. Everyone is invited to submit their comments about anything regarding this year or next. It can be anywhere form a tweet to a full length article. The most important thing we hear from you. Send your comments to john@greenvillepackerbackers.com or a hand written one can be given to the office on any game day. We look forward to hearing what you have to say.

Time to **Bleed Gold my Friends.**

**GO! PACK! GO! (JW)**

## Packer's vs. Jersey Sm-Ants

*"A great mix of run and pass and these guys have a great understanding of what our offense is"* Giants QB Eli Manning on their blowout of Atlanta  
*"I remember (David Diehl)*



*sweating and...he had icicles on his hair...(a)nd I remember us winning."* Giants DL Justin Tuck on their victory at Lambeau in 2007 playoffs  
"Déjà vu, all over again?" In some ways, this rematch from the 2007 playoffs seems like yesterday, certainly not several years ago. This was, many of you will remember, pre-Corner Pocket. This was Jay's Tavern, and I will never forget it. The feeling was the Packers were heading to another possible championship, and the ultimate agony will resonate with us forever. Maybe that's why it seems so

recent. The fact is, those teams were completely different than their most recent versions. Aaron Rodgers was holding a clipboard on the sideline when he watched Giants CB Corey Webster pick off an ill-advised pass from Aarons predecessor, which led to the sudden death of the Packers' hopes, NYG 23, GB 20.

The focus on this preview is primarily on the Giants. We already know the hand we are holding, and we know the Packers beat them on late-game heroics earlier this season in the Meadowlands, 38-35.

New York (10-7) is definitely coming in hot, needing to win their last two regular season games to get in the dance, and putting a beatdown on Atlanta in Wild Card week. "A great mix of run and pass" is certainly what they showed in a very impressive win over a capable Falcons team. Manning (23/32, 277 yards, 3

TD, ) 0 INT, 129.3 rating) was masterful, hitting big plays, and certainly playing his best football at the right time. New York, statistically ranked dead last in the league in rushing, pounded for 172 yards; 92 by Brandon Jacobs, and 63 from Ahmad Bradshaw. They embarrassed Atlanta, made them look really bad.

Manning hit Hakeem Nicks six times for 115 yards, a 19.2 average, for two touchdowns. He also has Victor Cruz (82 catches, 1536 yards, 9 TD) on the other side.

All this without a mention of the Giants' defense, which has been considered the foundation of their recent success. This unit stuffed Atlanta on two fourth-and-ones and a third-and-inches. Their front can really present problems for the offense.

They have essentially been in the playoffs for three weeks coming into this game. Meanwhile, the Pack has been in cruise mode, and Rodgers will have been idle for three weeks.



The debate continues, each and every postseason: Best team or hottest team? The team that's had to keep fighting, or the team that's well rested?

Last year, it was definitely the former, as the Pack clawed into the dance and took the show on the road all the way to the finish. This year, the earlier clinch and time to rest provided for the anticipated return(s) of Greg Jennings and Chad Clifton. Clifton should help against this pass rush, and provide a much needed overall boost to the O-line. Jennings always provides a spark and a potent weapon. So last year, it was the former. Obviously, in this case, we hope and argue for the latter.

**Go, Pack, GO!!!**

**(Kraig Pringle)**

(This salsa is made in New Jersey from page 1)

ers specials teams hadn't tried to get cute and would have just tackled the guy that got the kickoff or 2. If the refs had called the BLATANT block in the back on Mason Crosby as the last guy who had a shot to tackle him. We ended up losing by 3. We would have won by 4 if either of those 2 things had happened.

You couldn't call Sunday's game a defensive struggle by any stretch of the imagination. Both teams combined had 1000 yards of passing. Yes, that's right 1000, with sacks it comes out to about 961. Tramon Williams couldn't contain Calvin Williams and the Lions Secondary couldn't contain anybody. Jordy Nelson had 9 catches for 162 yards and 3 trips to the end zone. Ryan Grant caught one and went 80 yards to the house. He got flagged for doing snow angels in the end zone as the snow swirled through the air, Jermichael Finley caught one, and Donald Driver caught another and scampered 35 yards for the longest touchdown pass thrown his way in over 2 years. Grant also had 48 yards rushing to go with his receiving yards. James Jones had 6 receptions for 89 yards with a long one of 40 yards on the Packers final scoring drive that gave us the lead and the win.

Sam Shields caught the game-winning interception that sealed the deal for the Pack. Jarrett Bush also got a pick. Morgan Burnett forced one of the fumbles that was recovered and of course a name that always comes to mind when you think of fumbles recovered...Mason Crosby! The guy may be a kicker, but he plays football! You'd never see Ryan Longwell doing that!

And lest you think that Aaron Rodgers was just an observer, for the first half, he put on a headset, grabbed the play sheet and called the plays for the first half. McCarthy said it was an easy choice to rest Aaron with home-field sewn up. Six others sat out the game: cornerback Charles Woodson, linebacker Clay Matthews, wide receiver Greg Jennings, right tackle Bryan Bulaga, running back James Starks and wide receiver Randall Cobb. The Packers will all be healthy for the playoffs, and play the late game on Sunday. **(Ken Hill)**

## Injury Update

It is early in the week and true to McCarthy's form, has not released the "Official" injury report. This is what I can tell you so far. Jennings, Pickett, Clifton, Woodson, Finley and Matthews should be good to go. Bulaga, Cobb and Starks are most likely gonna play. The two weeks plus rest should mean a world of difference come Sunday.

### Doubtful (0):

**Probable (7):** Charles Woodson, Randall Cobb, James Stark, Greg Jennings, Brian Bulaga, Jermichael Finley & Clay Matthews.

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



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Carolina game where we had a great tailgate party.

His all time favorite game was the "Ice Bowl" and his second favorite would be the game against the Bears when Chester Marcol missed a field goal, but ran it into the end zone.

Rex has been down here for 14 years and became a charter member of the Greenville Packer Backers when the club started at Bailey's. Lately, he spent a month in Qatar working for his company...fyi, beers cost \$8 each there and you need a permit!

He states there have been a couple of memorable moments being a Packer fan. One was the GPB pool party last summer where he met lots of people and spent a great day talking football. The other was the '96 Super Bowl game when he watched it with his son and cried when they won. He told his son that nobody could ever understand how important that win was after 30 years!!

**(Linda Wieloch)**

# Trivia Contest

Here is the answer from duh bears game (12/25):

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

**(4) Dec. 13, '09, Sept. 13, '09, Dec. 7, '03 & Sept. 1, '97**

Here is the answer from the 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?**

**(3) Packers – 1 Lyins – 2**

Here is the Question for this Sunday's NJ Small-ants game (1/15/12):

**The Packers won the first shut out in an NFL title game.**

**Name the location. (2 acceptable answers)**

**What was the date?**

**Who was the opponent?**

**What was the score?**

**The winner will receive a \$10 gift card from the Corner Pocket**

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.

**You say New York, I say  
New Jersey, potato,  
potatoe, tomato, tomatoe,  
lets call the whole thing  
off**