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WEEK SIX REVIEW

New England put themselves back in contention with a big win in Tampa Bay, the game was all over by half time. Green Bay continued their winning streak with a win over slumping Miami. Detroit achieved their first win of the season, grinding the ball all day on the Jets. An overtime game in Buffalo was decided by a safety, Chicago gave up two early TDs, fought their way back into it then lost it in OT. Cincinnati's losing streak continued as they were outscored by St Louis, the Rams broke open the game by scoring three touchdowns to none in the third quarter. Carolina got blown away by the Ravens, grabbing two late consolation scores which even then didn't make the game look close. The Cleveland offense was rampant in New Orleans, the Saints' ground oriented attack was unable to keep up with the Browns' passing. Normal service was resumed in Tennessee as the 49ers beat the comfortably to leave the Titans on a losing streak. The Philly offense was no match for the Oakland defense while the Raiders' O did just enough to make the win comfortable. KC broke their losing streak with a fourth quarter comeback against the visiting Redskins. Denver became the only team in NFLBP without a win thanks to the Lions' win and another sorry performance from them in New York. Seattle continued to show championship form with a thrashing of the Cowboys.

PERFORMANCES OF THE WEEK

Offensive performance of the week goes to the Rams, once again, for another great showing in a big game. Defensive performance of the week goes to the Raiders who kept their opponents out of the endzone for the second consecutive week. Special teams performance of the week goes to the Giants for the five field goals from their kicker.

RAVENOUS (The view from Baltimore) Peter Kneil

Another great win last time beating the Panthers 29-14. A great 1st quarter saw us up by 13 with a missed PAT the only blemish. Three interceptions in the 2nd quarter led to another 13 points and a 26-0 lead. The Panthers just couldn't get going and to rub salt into their wounds they missed a short FG with the last kick of the 1st half. Not much action in the 3rd quarter with just one FG to put the Ravens up by 29-0. The Ravens started running down the clock in the 4th quarter and the Panthers finally woke up scoring twice to bring some respectability to the scoreline but the result was never in doubt.

Other notable results were the Pats thrashing the Buccs, Green Bay edging past the Dolphins, Detroit finally getting off the mark, the Rams thumping the Bengals despite giving up over 200 yards on the ground, the Raiders comfortably seeing off Philadelphia but the Team Of The Week award goes to the Browns for stuffing the 4-1 Saints on their own patch.

After two tough games against the Bengals and Panthers things don't get any easier for us this week with a trip to the 5-1 Raiders. With the Bengals & Browns expected to win comfortably a win is needed to keep the Division title dream alive. Other big games see the Pats at the Seahawks, and a real cracker as the Rams host the Packers. Both teams have stingy defences but the Rams have scored more than twice as many points so should be too good.

WEEK SEVEN PREDICTIONS

Peter Kneil - Seahawks by 3, Dolphins by 17, Titans by 7, Browns by 17, Bengals by 10, Ravens by 3 (Sorry!), 49ers by 7, Saints by 10, Giants by 14, Lions by 7, Panthers by 10, Rams by 14

Rob Crowther - Patriots by 7, Dolphins by 14, Titans by 3, Browns by 17, Bengals by 3, 49ers by 3, Redskins by 3, Giants by 7, Lions by 3, Panthers by 7, Packers by 3