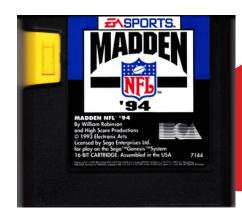




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SAME OLD GAMES



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BEFORE CONTROLLERS WERE WIRELESS AND CONSOLES BECAME STANDALONE STORAGE DATABASES. IN THE DAYS OF THE MEMORY CARD AND MULTITAP. BEFORE SMARTPHONES. BEFORE WIFI ACCESS REACHED THE POINT OF ESSENTIALLY BEING CONSIDERED A HUMAN RIGHT, MOF WAS FOUNDED. LONG TRANSCENDING GENERATIONS OF CONSOLES, EDITION AFTER EDITION, CROSS-PLATFORMING, ADAPTING TO GRAPHICS AND GAME ENGINES. A COUPLE OF SEASONS PER INSTALLMENT, THE MOF IS A LONG PLAY. ALTHOUGH NO ONE HAS OR EVER WILL PLAY IN EVERY SEASON OF MADDEN ONLINE FOOTBALL, EACH PARTICIPANT PLAYED A PART IN ITS CONSTRUCTION FOR BETTER OR WORSE. FROM PLAYERS WHO HUNG AROUND FOR A CUP OF COFFEE TO BONAFIDE DAY-IN, DAY-OUT LEAGUE STAFF AND HALL-OF-FAMERS, MOF IS THE SUM OF ITS PEOPLE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE.

IT COMES WITH EVERYTHING YOU THINK IT WOULD IN ANY OTHER ZERO-SUM GAME: FOR ONE TO WIN ANOTHER MUST LOSE. THERE IS NO CONSOLATION. A TIE, WHILE A UNIQUE FEAT TO ACCOMPLISH, IS BUT A TEMPORARY TRUCE UNTIL THE NEXT GRUDGE MATCH HERE. WHILE PARTICIPANTS TRUE INDEED COME FROM DIFFERENT WALKS OF LIFE, THE INHERENT HUMAN INSTINCT OF SELF-PRESERVATION, PRIDE, NOT WANTING TO LOSE, AND THE WILL TO DOMINATE IS NOT ONLY SHARED BUT SEEPS THROUGH THE PRACTICES AND PALMS OF EACH AND EVERY GAMER.

IN THE 1950s, PRIOR TO BECOMING AN OAKLAND RAIDERS MINORITY OWNER (AFL), BILL WINKENBACH, A PROMINENT LOCAL FIGURE NATIVE TO THE AREA WHO MADE HIMSELF INTO A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN IN THE CITY BY VIRTUE OF HIS FUNERAL HOME AND CEMETERY SERVICES, CREATED PROTOTYPICAL CONCEPTS FOR FANTASY GOLF – IN THE ERA OF BEN HOGAN'S MAGNUM OPUS (MASTERS TOURNAMENT WINS IN 1951 & 1953) AND THE RISE OF ARNOLD PALMER (RANKED 17th BEST GOLFER OF THE DECADE). HE TRANSLATED HIS STATISTICAL SCORING TEMPLATES TO THIS SPORT, AND THE FIRST FANTASY FOOTBALL DRAFT TOOK PLACE IN 1963, A NOVEL CONCEPT THAT INCLUDED SEVERAL OTHER INDIVIDUALS, FRIENDS WHO FORMED A CIRCLE SMALLER THAN AN APPLE JACK. THIS WOULD BE AMONG ONE OF THE FIRST INSTANCES WHEN SPECTATORS COULD TAKE PART IN THE PLAY AND PROWESS OF PROFESSIONALS IN THEIR OWN WAY, ASIDE FROM BETTORS WAGERING ON REAL-LIFE SET TEAMS. LONG BEFORE ALTERNATIVE, MORE ADVANCED MEANS OF ELECTRONIC VIDEO STIMULATION. FORTY YEARS LATER, FANTASY FOOTBALL WOULD TAKE ON A NEW AESTHETIC UNDER THE CONTROL OF A YOUNG JEFF DYPKO.

THE FIRST MOF SEASON WAS LED BY COACH DrEvil1996. HE PLAYED THE NEW YORK GIANTS TO A 15-1 STELLAR RECORD, TALLYING A LEAGUE-BEST 34 POINTS A GAME. AFTER CLINCHING THE DIVISION AND PRIME PLAYOFF POSITION, HE FACED ALSTOLL20 AND THE ST. LOUIS RAMS (11-5) IN HIS FIRST POSTSEASON GAME, MOVING ON FROM THE DIVISIONAL ROUND WITH A 24-31 WIN AT HOME.

AFTER A 31-7 CONVINCING WIN AGAINST THE 13-3 NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (COACHED BY Wayngo632) THE LIONS AND Wilder12 CLASHED WITH THE GIANTS IN THE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME. DETROIT WOULD COME OUT ON TOP 28-20, HANDING DrEvil1996 HIS SECOND LOSS OF THE EDITION. THE FIRST MOF TITLE WAS WON BY COACH Wilder12, TAKING HIS 12-4 DETROIT LIONS ALL THE WAY, WINNING DECIDEDLY AGAINST AFC REPRESENTATIVE COACH Lhu27 AND HIS OAKLAND RAIDERS (9-7). HERE WAS A TEAM THAT EMERGED FROM THE WILD CARD, FIGHTING TOOTH AND NAIL, OVERCOMING MASSIVE ODDS TO RUN THE GAMBIT AGAINST THE COMMISSIONER'S MIAMI DOLPHINS (11-5), THE JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (13-3) LED BY COACH MikeHolla27, AND THE SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (13-3) CONTROLLED BY COACH Danchannel. NONETHELESS, ALL GOOD THINGS MUST COME TO AN END, AND A STREAK LIKE THAT CAN ONLY GO ON FOR SO LONG — FINAL SCORE 19-45.

THE REST? WELL, IT'S HISTORY. ONE CAREFULLY CRAFTED AND LOOKED AFTER. THE PLAYERS AND THEIR PLAY ARE NO-NONSENSE, AS IS LEAGUE REGULATION. RESCINDED TITLES, RECORDS, AND DEACTIVATED STATUSES ADMINISTERED ON ACCOUNT OF ZERO-TOLERANCE ENFORCEMENT (A SURE SIGN OF CONSISTENT AWARENESS BY STAFF AND A WANT TO KEEP SIMULATION, REALISM, RESPECT, AND FAIR PLAY THE CORE EXPERIENCE IN THIS LEAGUE). THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOF COIN BEARS THE FACE OF LEGITIMATE, RULE ABIDING, SIM BASED FOOTBALL PLAYERS. THE SORT OF BRAND THAT LED TO CHAMPIONSHIP RUNS LIKE THAT OF COACH Portis – 80 SEASONS IN HE REMAINS THE ALL-TIME LEADER IN MOF CHAMPIONSHIPS WITH EIGHT, A TESTAMENT TO HIS ABILITIES JUST AS MUCH AS HIS LONGEVITY. SAYS A LOT, CONSIDERING RECENT SCORCHING RUNS BY MrWitness, Wilky, BigReub, AND Mack IN THE LATEST EDITIONS, WITH MANY A COACH GAINING GLORY IN THE YEARS ABRIDGING. QUICK, METEORIC RISES FROM A BEVY OF MEN WHO HAVE A PASSION FOR REAL-LIFE FOOTBALL, VIDEO GAMES, OR BOTH, SPRINKLE THE STANDINGS AND RECORD BINDERS OF YEARS PAST.

THE 100th SEASON IS FORECASTED TO PLAY OUT BETWEEN MADDEN 2029 AND MADDEN 2030. BY THEN, MORE COACHES WILL HAVE MADE THE HALL. NEW FACES WILL BE AROUND WITH A CHANCE TO MAKE THEIR MARK IN THE LONGEST-RUNNING ONLINE FOOTBALL LEAGUE AROUND. THE POSSIBILITIES ARE PLENTY. WILL THERE BE FEMALE REPRESENTATION SHORTLY DOWN THE LINE? COULD A NOTORIOUS NAME LIKE CHIBATTA MITCH, TD BARRETT, BLAKE BACHERT, OR CAM NEWTON GRACE THE LEAGUE AND MIX IT UP WITH ITS CONSTITUENTS? PERHAPS THERE'S A YOUNG MAN OUT THERE, FRESH OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL, APT TO HOLD NOTHING BACK IN HIS APPROACH TO VICTORY, PREPARED AND NEVER SCARED TO GIVE THE LEGENDS OF THE LEAGUE A RUN FOR THEIR MONEY?

NOT A THING IS GUARANTEED. AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHY WE PLAY THE GAME.



BEFORE THE BILLS AND PACKERS HAD THREE SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS AT THE DOLAN GAME, BIGROUD TOOK HIS PITTSBURGH STEELERS TO A TRIO OF SUPER BOWLS HIMSELF, GOING 2-1 IN MADDEN 24.

IN SEASON 74 HE WENT 15-2 ALONG WITH Mack IN THE AFC NORTH TO LEAD THE LEAGUE IN WINS. THEY WOULD INEVITABLY MEET IN THE AFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME WHERE THE STEELERS WOULD BEAT THE RAVENS 32-17 (THE BIGGEST WIN BETWEEN THE TWO SINCE MOF SUPER BOWL 69 WHERE Mack's GIANTS TOOK DOWN HIS RAIDERS 30-10 IN THE SECOND OF BACK-TO-BACK TRIPS TO THE BOWL FOR Reub IN THE 60s). FROM THERE HE TOOK CARE OF BUSINESS AGAINST COACH Betroit AND THE CAROLINA PANTHERS 36-29 TO WIN HIS FIRST RING.

SEASON 75 WAS A 34 POINTS PER GAME 14-3 CAMPAIGN THAT CARRIED HIM PAST ALL COMPETITION, WINNING THE AFC CHAMPIONSHIP REMATCH HERE 13-20. LAST YEAR THE STEELERS WENT INTO THE HOSTILE TERRITORIES OF MARYLAND TO GET IT DONE. THIS TIME AROUND THEY WEREN'T NECESSARILY ABLE TO RELAX ANY BETTER AT HOME GIVEN THE GRAVITY OF THE MATCHUP, BUT THERE WAS A SLIGHT EDGE GAINED WITH HOME SUPPORT. WIPING OUT TEAMS WITH TERRIBLE TOWELS.

THE FINAL GAME OF THE YEAR WAS AGAINST THE 15-2 FALCONS, THE CLUB WINNING ONE GAME LESS THAN COACH Duran'S LEAGUE BEST BILLS (16-1). THE FALCONS OFFENSE HAD BEEN HIGH-OCTANE ALL SEASON, AVERAGING 43 POINTS A CONTEST. WILKY COACHED THEM TO TRIUMPH THAT DAY, WINNING 14-34 AGAINST THE DEFENDING CHAMPIONS.

IN SEASON 76, THE LAST EDITION PLAYED IN MADDED 24, Reub HAD ONE MORE SHOT TO RECLAIM THE #1 SPOT. UNABLE TO GO BACK-TO-BACK AS INTENDED, HE POURED EVERYTHING INTO THE FOLLOWING YEAR. GOING THROUGH THE UPS AND DOWNS YOU WOULD EXPECT WHEN TRYING TO SUSTAIN REPEATED EXTENSIVE POSTSEASON RUNS FROM THE FRONT OFFICE AND LOCKER ROOM PUT THE TEAM WHO AVERAGED 30 POINTS FOR THESE 18 WEEKS AT A FINISH BEHIND THE RAVENS (16-1), Thestrawblacks' EAGLES (14-3), AND RIGHT ON PAR WITH THE BILLS IN THE STANDINGS, STILL POSTING AN ENVIOUS 13-4-0 TALLY.

LURKING AT EVERY TURN THAT TEAMS TRIED TO TAKE ON THE ROAD TO VICTORY AGAINST THE STEELERS WAS THEIR VIVACIOUS AND CONFIDENT DEFENSE. AND THEY ALWAYS HAD A SAY. MIMICKING THE STEEL CURTAIN OF THE 1970s, THEY REPEATEDLY LIMITED TEAMS FROM SCORING MORE THAN 19 POINTS AGAINST THEM. A CLASSIC, HOT TAKE FROM SHANNON SHARPE ON FS1 UNDISPUTED CAN STILL BE RECALLED, THE HALL OF FAME TIGHT END PROCLAIMING THE LEGITIMACY OF PITTSBURGH'S ABILITY TO CARRY THEIR DEFENSIVE ENERGY INTO THE EARLY ROUNDS OF THE PLAYOFFS ALL THE WAY TO THE END. RYAN CLARK ENDORSED THE SAME SENTIMENT ON ESPN FIRST TAKE, TAKING THE BRUNT OF CRITICISM FROM FANS WHO ACCUSED HIM OF BEING BIASED TOWARD THE TEAM HE PLAYED AND WON FOR. THESE WERE BUT TWO VOICES AMONG MANY HATERS AND DOUBTERS ON THE AIRWAYES AND MEDIA CIRCUITS.

STEELERS FOOTBALL STAYED TRUE AS THEY ENTERED FROM THE WILD CARD THIS TIME. THEY HELD THE CHIEFS TO TWO FIELD GOALS MOVING TO THE DIVISIONAL ROUND 30-6. AGAINST THE BILLS THEY CEDED A TOUCHDOWN AND A FIELD GOAL PULLING AWAY FOR A 31-10 DUB. THE EXPECTED AFC CHAMPIONSHIP DUEL AGAINST THE RAVENS, BACK IN BALTIMORE FOR ROUND THREE, WAS THE ONLY INSTANCE WHERE A TEAM WOULD SCORE MORE THAN HIS SEASON AVERAGE POINTS AGAINST, TAKING THE AFC TROPHY BACK TO PENNSYLVANIA 26-20. IN THE SUPER BOWL THEY LOCKED IN AGAINST THE EAGLES, CAPTURING GLORY ONCE AGAIN 28-13. BIGROUD WON HIS SECOND MOF CROWN.

SEVEN OF THE LAST EIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS WERE WON BY TWO COACHES. THE 705 HAS FORMULATED AN ON THE FIELD RIVALRY BETWEEN BIGROUD AND Mack. FLAIR, POISE, AND COMPOSURE CONSTITUTE BOTH OF THEIR GAMEPLAY. THE UNSTOPPABLE FORCE MEETING THE IMMOVABLE OBJECT – AND MANAGING TO MOVE IT. THE ONE WHO CAN BEAT YOU IN SO MANY WAYS PITTED AGAINST THE ONE WHO HAS NO HOLES IN THEIR GAME – AND CREATING ONE. THE LAST GAME OF MAGNITUDE WAS THE NFC CHAMPIONSHIP OF 579. THE 2-TIME DEFENDING CHAMPION PACKERS (16-1) HOSTED ROUD'S TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS (13-4), HIS FIRST FULL SEASON BACK SINCE HIS ONE YEAR HIATUS TO COACH IN THE COLLEGE RANKS. HIS REGULAR SEASON SCORING AVERAGE WAS HALVED, LOSING A MIGHTY CLOSE COMPLEX BARNBURNER 15-16. THE PERFECT SCORE TO SHOW JUST HOW NEAR TO EACH OTHER THESE TWO HAVE BEEN SEASON AFTER SEASON.

PRIZEPICKS HAS TAMPA BAY WINNING THE 80th DOLAN. Portis WAS THE FIRST COACH TO ACHIEVE THE MOF THREE-PEAT (\$51-\$53). Knightnoles (\$56-\$58) AND MackDaddy (\$62-\$64) REPLICATED THE DIFFICULT FEAT IN SEASONS TO FOLLOW. IT WOULDN'T BE DOWNRIGHT SHOCKING IF HE DID DO IT, BUT THE BETTING APP FAVORS TAMPA BAY TO NARROWLY EDGE OUT Mack'S ATTEMPT AT AN UNPRECEDENTED MOF 4-PEAT. BUT THAT'S JUST ONE OPINION ON A WIDE SPECTRUM OF THEM. SHOULD MAKE FOR AN INTERESTING NEXT CHAPTER OF MOF, AND MORE SPECIFICALLY, Reub'S RUN.

CHRONICLES OF THE COMMISSIONER

A NEW DAY FOR THE FAN.

ONLY HE CAN SPEAK TO THE RATE AT WHICH COGS TURNED IN HIS HEAD WHEN HE CAME UP WITH AN ORIGINAL IDEA TO START A COMPETITIVE ONLINE LEAGUE. ONLY HE CAN SPEAK ON HOW HE SUSTAINED IT FOR SO LONG, THROUGH SO MANY MINDS, FEELINGS, OPINIONS, ACTIONS, REACTIONS, AND PERSONALITIES FILTERED WITH THE SANDS OF TIME THROUGH THE PROVERBIAL HOURGLASS. AS FOR THE HISTORY OF HIS PLAY AND EXPLOITS, WE CAN LOOK BACK IN ENCYCLOPEDIC FASHION AND REGURGITATE WHAT HAS BEEN WRITTEN.

IN SEASON ONE HE TOOK THE ROLE AS MIAMI'S COACH IN THE EARLY AUGHTS. THE DOLPHINS SCORED 30 A GAME ON THE WAY TO AN 11-5 RECORD. BY SEASON TWO HE REACHED HIS FIRST SUPER BOWL GAME, HAVING PLAYED THROUGH ANOTHER TALENT-RICH LEAGUE, THIS TIME CALLING THE SHOTS FOR THE BALTIMORE RAVENS ON THE ROAD TO ANOTHER 11-5 RECORD, LOSING A CLOSE ONE 24-28 TO COACH iamhead82's 13-3 CHICAGO BEARS UNDER DISPUTABLE CIRCUMSTANCES. SEASON 3 WOULD BE THE ONLY ONE HE HASN'T PARTICIPATED IN BEFORE OR SINCE, AND FROM THERE HE PRODUCED A COMBINED 24-40-0 RECORD BETWEEN SEASONS FOUR AND SEVEN, PAYING HIS DUES. HERE IS ONE OF THE EARLIEST EXAMPLES OF PERSEVERANCE AND HOW A YOUNG MAN CAN CHANGE HIS STARS. THERE WAS A PLATEAU HE SEEMED TO REACH EARLY ON IN HIS CAREER AND THE SUBSEQUENT CLIMB TO RAISE HIS GAME WAS STEEP. WITH THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF SKILL. CONSISTENCY, LUCK, AND GOOD FORTUNE, HE WOULD EVENTUALLY GET TO WHERE HE WANTED TO BE. THIS PERIOD CAN BE REFERENCED BY ANY OF THOSE PLAYERS WHO MAY HAVE STARTED SLOW IN THE LEAGUE: IF YOU KEEP WORKING AND KEEP GOING, GOOD THINGS WILL START AND CONTINUE TO HAPPEN.

HIS 9-7 RECORD, A SURPRISINGLY COMMON ONE SHARED BY SEVEN TEAMS IN SEASON 8, WAS GOOD ENOUGH TO REACH SUPER BOWL VIII, COMING OUT ON TOP IN A 17-20 WIN AGAINST Pauly2110's OAKLAND RAIDERS. WITH NO SHORTAGE OF INVITATIONS IN THE GRAND SCHEME OF THINGS, THE EARLY MOF WAS ALREADY A PLACE NOT TO EASE UP. THE SUBSEQUENT SEVENTY-ONE SEASONS WOULD MAKE THE STATEMENT RING TRUE AT A LEVEL MORE PRONOUNCED.

WHILE HE DOES WEAR A HEADSET AS COACH, HE ALSO WEARS SEVERAL HATS:

- MODERATOR
- CONTENT CREATOR
- STAFF
- COMMISSIONER

PROVEN NOT TO BE A BIG FISH IN A SMALL POND, HE'S BOLSTERED THE PORTFOLIO OF THE MOF WITH S-TIER PLAYERS, WHO, IF THEY ALL HAPPENED TO PLAY IN THE SAME ERA, WOULD MAKE FOR SOME OF THE BEST ONLINE MATCHUPS YOU COULD FIND OUT THERE; YouTube, Twitch, OR OTHERWISE. THE TALENT LEVEL LEAVES NO DOUBT AS TO WHETHER OR NOT YOU'RE IN FOR A CHALLENGE ONCE YOU MAKE THE CHOICE TO SIGN UP AND TRYOUT. LEAGUE RULES HAVE BEEN DEVISED, REVIEWED, AMENDED, AND IMPLEMENTED FOR DECADES. AS THE GAME CHANGES IN THE WAY IT'S PLAYED AND NEW STRATEGIES ALONG WITH THOUGHT PROCESSES MOVE FRONT AND CENTER AS PREVAILING WISDOM, THE BOOKS ARE PERUSED AND EDITED EVER SO SLIGHTLY TO ENSURE THAT SIMULATION MATCHES BEST IT CAN WITH THE FLOW AND INTENTIONS OF ACTUAL PRO PLAY.

IN THE COACHING RANKS HE REMAINS A TOP CONTENDER, STAYING IN THE MIX OF UPPER POWER RANKINGS AND STATISTICAL CATEGORIES. HIS SOLE TITLE IS IN NO WAY LOOKED AT AS A SHORTCOMING, BUT RATHER A DIGIT THAT REPRESENTS HIS SUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO RECRUIT AND DEVELOP A WIDE BASE OF LEGITIMATE, HIGH-CALIBER PLAYERS OVER THE YEARS.

AT THE MOMENT, HE COACHES THE LAS VEGAS RAIDERS IN THE LATEST INSTALLMENT OF MADDEN FOOTBALL. FROM SEASONS 77 THROUGH 79 HE'S WON 62% OF HIS GAMES. AS EXPERIENCED A PLAYER AS HE IS A GENERAL MANAGER, HIS DRAFT PICKS AND OFF THE FIELD MANEUVERS HAVE MADE LIFE MUCH EASIER IN SIN CITY THAN THEY'RE USED TO. PLAYING IN THE PRESENT WHILE PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE IS A LEARNED SKILL. FINDING NOVEL WAYS TO STAY RELEVANT IN STAGES OF CONSTANT CHANGE, AN INTANGIBLE. ONE SEASON IS ALL IT TAKES TO REVERSE OR MAKE A FORTUNE, LIKE HITTING THE JACKPOT AT THE BELLAGIO. THE DESERT POPULATION KEEPS A DOLAN TROPHY ON THEIR WISHLIST. IN THE CITY WHERE LUCK IS FAVORED, THEY SHOULD CONSIDER THEMSELVES AS SUCH. BECAUSE THE COMMISH DOESN'T WISH – HE WILLS.

RECORDS REVIEW



RECORDS ARE MADE TO BE BROKEN.

WELL, SOME.

KNOW WHAT I MEAN? LIKE
MOSES MALONE'S NBA RECORD
FOR TOTAL OFFENSIVE
REBOUNDS: 6,731. A FIGURE
THAT PLAYERS ACTIVE,
RETIRED, OR NO LONGER WITH
US ARE AT LEAST 2,000 AWAY
FROM. OR MORE
APPROPRIATELY, JERRY RICE'S
22,837 CAREER RECEIVING
YARDS – A NUMBER THAT YOUR
FAVORITE RECEIVER AND YOUR
FAVORITE RECEIVER ISN'T
EVEN WITHIN 5,400 YARDS OF.

THOSE.....YEA, THOSE WON'T BE BROKEN.

THAT BELIEF OF MINE
NOTWITHSTANDING, I
LEARNED YESTERDAY THAT I
SHOULD NEVER SAY "NEVER"...

IT SHOULD BE STATED THAT THERE ARE NFL RECORDS, AND THEN THERE'S MOF RECORDS. AT A CERTAIN POINT DOWN THE INTERTWINING ROAD WHERE FANTASY MEETS REALITY, THE LINES GET BLURRED. MADDEN ONLINE FOOTBALL IS CANON UNTO ITSELF, STORYLINES INSPIRED BY THE PLAYERS AND TEAMS OF THE NFL, A CATALOGUE RAISONNE OF GAMERS WHO CHANNEL PASSIONS OF SPORT, GAMING, AND BRUTE FORCE THROUGH BUTTONS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE NFL'S BUFFALO BILLS WENT TO FOUR SUPER BOWLS IN THE 1990s AND HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO WIN OR RETURN TO ONE SINCE. HOWEVER, UNDER THE BRAINTRUST OF BEAST, THEY HAVE REACHED THE MOUNTAINTOP AND WON IT ALL (THREE TIMES) AND HAVE APPEARED IN ANOTHER THREE TITLE GAMES MORE RECENTLY.

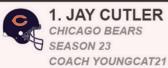
WITH THAT SAID, LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT A LIST OF ALL-TIME RECORDS THAT HAVE BEEN ETCHED INTO THE MOF BOOKS!



QB RATING - SINGLE SEASON RECORDS

SINGLE SEASON RECORDS





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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	141.8	Season 65	DaShaun Arnaud	Cleveland Browns	Canesbucs1
3.	140.9	Season 65	Trey Lance	San Francisco 49ers	MrWitness36
4.	140.8	Season 79	Michael Penix Jr.	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	BigReub0904
5.	140.4	Season 79	Jordan Love	Green Bay Packers	Mack

COMPLETIONS (SINGLE GAME)

- 1. CHAD PENNINGTON (MIA) 46 SEASON 12 [JIGGAJP]
- 2. MATT RYAN (ATL) 39 SEASON 63 [BIGREG]
- 3. TREY LANCE (SF) 37
 SEASON 70 [BETROIT]

These historical QBs have proven capable of handling pressure exceptionally well while simultaneously and consistently making the best decisions and the right plays at an optimal level!

Receptions

RECEPTIONS - SINGLE GAME RECORDS

SINGLE GAME RECORDS



1. DAN CAMPBELL
DALLAS COWBOYS
SEASON 3
COACH EVERYPLAY

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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	21	Season 27	Calvin Johnson	Detroit Lions	Commish Jeff
3t.	19	Season 74	Jahan Dotson	Washington Commanders	Portisss26
3t.	19	Season 64	Leslie Owens	Kansas City Chiefs	Bubbaduran07
5t.	17	Season 78	Terrell Irving	Houston Texans	Latinyank77478



CARRIES - SINGLE GAME RECORDS

SINGLE GAME RECORDS



1. SONY MICHEL

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

SEASON 59

COACH PETTIGREW95

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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	47	Season 2	Deuce McAllister	New Orleans Saints	Damang10
3t.	45	Season 69	Jonathan Taylor	Indianapolis Colts	Canesbucs1
3t.	45	Season 67	James Conner	Arizona Cardinals	Texmexgalvan
3t.	45	Season 57	Joe Mixon	Cincinnati Bengals	Jfon

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS - SINGLE SEASON RECORDS

SINGLE SEASON RECORDS



1. JAMAAL CHARLES KANSAS CITY CHIEFS SEASON 17 COACH PORTISSS26

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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	41	Season 21	Ray Rice	Baltimore Ravens	Canesbucs1
3.	38	Season 2	Jamal Lewis	Baltimore Ravens	Commish Jeff
4t.	36	Season 59	Jonathan Taylor	Indianapolis Colts	Trigrdan
4t.	36	Season 59	Leonard Fournette	Jacksonville Jaguars	BigDre245

BROKEN TACKLES - SINGLE SEASON RECORDS

SINGLE SEASON RECORDS



1. STEVEN JACKSON ST. LOUIS RAMS SEASON 9

COACH TORNE224

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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	160	Season 69	Jonathan Taylor	Indianapolis Colts	Canesbucs1
3.	142	Season 71	Najee Harris	Pittsburgh Steelers	Commish Jeff
4.	130	Season 70	Jonathan Taylor	Indianapolis Colts	Canesbucs1
5.	124	Season 63	Antonio Gibson	Washington Football Team	Portisss26

YARDS PER CARRY (SEASON)

1. QB MICHAEL VICK (ATL) - 14.6 SEASON 1 [SHADY]



Kickers

FIELD GOAL LONG - SINGLE SEASON RECORDS

SINGLE SEASON RECORDS





1. CHRIS BOSWELL
PITTSBURGH STEELERS
SEASON 63
COACH REMO357

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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
1t.	68	Season 52	Brandon McManus	Denver Broncos	Pettigrew95
3.	67	Season 69	Cairo Santos	Tennessee Titans	MrRoclo
4t.	66	Season 73	Jake Moody	San Francisco 49ers	Commish Jeff
4t.	66	Season 73	Wil Lutz	New Orleans Saints	Boobie_MTZ7

EXTRA POINTS MADE - SINGLE SEASON RECORDS

SINGLE SEASON RECORDS





1. YOUNGHOE KOO ATLANTA FALCONS SEASON 75 COACH WILKY

96

#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	94	Season 77	Eddy Pineiro	Carolina Panthers	Devcode1523
3.	91	Season 65	Chase McLaughlin	Green Bay Packers	Mackdaddy
4.	90	Season 65	Tucker McCann	Cleveland Browns	Canesbucs1
5t.	89	Season 75	Devin Glenn	Carolina Panthers	Betroit

The All-Time greatest
Kickers listed here were
able to knock down game
winners, put points on the
board under extreme
circumstances when their
offense couldn't get where
they wanted to go, and
bolstered team leads when
they were called upon

Team (Offense)

POINTS SCORED - SINGLE GAME RECORDS

SINGLE GAME RECORDS



1. TENNESSEE TITANS

SEASON 68

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#	RECORD	SEASON	TEAM	COACH	
2.	80	Season 2	Seattle Seahawks	RWT198	33
3.	75	Season 69	San Francisco 49ers	Betroit	
4.	73	Season 69	Seattle Seahawks	Pettigre	w95
5t.	72	Season 78	Baltimore Ravens	Mindenp	olaya

TOTAL OFFENSE - SINGLE GAME RECORDS

SINGLE GAME RECORDS





SEASON 57

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#	RECORD	SEASON	TEAM	COACH
2.	741	Season 59	Kansas City Chiefs	Enzo
3.	734	Season 19	Miami Dolphins	JoeFitz518
4.	729	Season 71	San Francisco 49ers	Betroit
5.	673	Season 62	Cleveland Browns	Canesbucs1

3RD DOWN % (SINGLE SEASON)

- 1. BUBBA DURAN (BUF) 66.4% SEASON 74
- 2. YOUNG CAT (TEN) 65.5% SEASON 24

Yards felt like centimeters in this classic collection of single game offensive onslaughts put on display by the most explosive MOF teams to ever do it!



INTERCEPTIONS - SINGLE GAME RECORDS

SINGLE GAME RECORDS



1. NASIR ADDERLEY
LOS ANGELES CHARGERS
SEASON 55
COACH TEXMEXGALVAN

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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	СОАСН
1t.	7	Season 10	Keith Lewis	San Francisco 49ers	Grantvity
3t.	6	Season 70	Kelvin Joseph	Indianapolis Colts	Canesbucs1
3t.	6	Season 64	Marshon Lattimore	New Orleans Saints	Mindenplaya
3t.	6	Season 64	Darren Burke	Seattle Seahawks	AssuredFame

FORCED FUMBLES - SINGLE SEASON RECORDS

SINGLE SEASON RECORDS



1. JAMAL ADAMS

NEW YORK JETS

SEASON 56

COACH PETTIGREW95

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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	13	Season 51	Keanu Neal	Atlanta Falcons	BigReg
3.	12	Season 24	LaRon Landry	New York Jets	Latinyank77478
4t.	11	Season 55	Landon Collins	Washington Redskins	Portisss26
4t.	11	Season 55	Derwin James	Los Angeles Chargers	Texmexgalvan

KICK RETURN TOUCHDOWNS - SINGLE SEASON RECORDS

SINGLE SEASON RECORDS





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#	RECORD	SEASON	PLAYER	TEAM	COACH
2.	9	Season 69	Jaylen Waddle	New Orleans Saints	MMXCalibur
3.	8	Season 17	Devery Henderson	New Orleans Saints	Aitch
4t.	7	Season 28	Tavon Austin	St. Louis Rams	GBryan
4t.	7	Season 18	Pierre Garcon	Indianapolis Colts	Trigrdan



ODDS TO WIN MOF SUPER BOWL LXXX

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS: +600

GREEN BAY PACKERS: +650

BLIFFALD BILLS: +750

DALLAS COWBOYS: +950

LAS VEGAS RAIDERS: +950

CLEVELAND BROWNS: +1000

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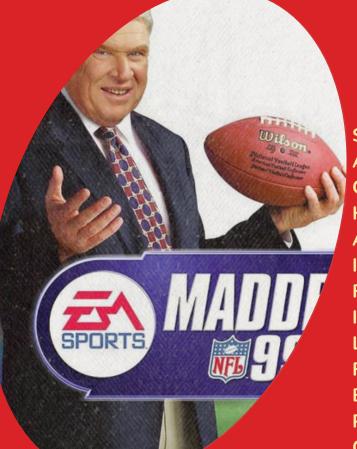








SAME OLD





GAMES

SURELY FROM A TIME THAT SEEMS LONG AGO AS EACH DAY PASSES BY, AND MOST CYNICAL WHIPPERSNAPPERS WOULD HAVE TO SEE IT TO BELIEVE IT, BUT THERE ARE THOSE AMONG US WHO INDEED **IMMERSED THEMSELVES IN MADDEN** FOOTBALL WHEN THE GAME WAS PLAYED IN 16-BIT WITH JUST THREE BUTTONS. LOOKING BACK, THIS LOST ART SOMETIMES FEELS LIKE AMATEUR RANK EXPERIENCE. A BAREBONES INTRODUCTION THAT PREPARED PLAYERS FOR THE FUTURE **COMPLEXITIES OF HARDWARE AND** SOFTWARE, ON THE CUSP OF COMPETITIVE STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY AND SIMULATION FOOTBALL.

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO EXISTED ON THE COGNITIVE SPECTRUM WHILE THE GAME WAS PLAYED IN THE SEGA GENESIS EPOCH – FOR IN THE MOF, IT'S NOT AS EASY AS ABC.



EARLY ON, YOUR BEST GAMES WERE PLAYED AGAINST CPU. UNLIKE MOST SPORTS CLASSICS OF THE SAME PERIOD, MADDEN FOOTBALL ONLY RECEIVED ONE VERSION OF A COIN-OP ARCADE CABINET, AND AT A MUCH LATER TIME (2004), LIMITING STANDUP PIZZA PARLOR, MALL, AND CHUCK-E-CHEESE BATTLES TO CERTAIN AREAS FOR A SHORT TIME. IF YOU HAD FRIENDS AND FAMILY THAT ALSO INDULGED IN THE CRAFT, YOU COULD TEST YOUR MIGHT AGAINST ANOTHER HUMAN MIND, BRAGGING RIGHTS AS MUCH OF A MAJOR CURRENCY THEN AS IT IS NOW.

AND THEN BEGAN THE ERA OF THE SELF-PROCLAIMED 'MADDEN KING': "BEST IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD". "BEST IN THE FAMILY". "BEST AT YOUR SCHOOL". "BEST IN THE CITY". EVERY POP-WARNER YOUNGSTER AND ALL-CITY HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYER THAT YOU KNEW, PROCLAIMING THAT 'HE' WAS THE BEST. THE TIME WHEN YOU COULD ONLY GAUGE YOUR GREATNESS BY MEASURE OF EXECUTION AGAINST AI AND THE BANDWIDTH OF YOUR PERSONAL CIRCLE OR TRAVELING CAPACITIES. IN THE 1990s-2000s YOU MAY HAVE EVEN HAD A SPIRAL SEVENTY PAGE 1-SUBJECT NOTEBOOK OR TWO FILLED WITH YOUR ROSTERS, GO-TO PLAYS, AND TEAM STATISTICS OVER THE SPAN OF A FEW SEASONS. ALTHOUGH NINTENDO TRIED (BUT FAILED) TO PLATFORM ONLINE GAMING AS EARLY AS 1988, THERE WAS NO COMMUNITY SERVER. THERE WERE NO GLOBAL LEADERBOARDS.



A LUXURY AFFORDED TO US NOWADAYS
THAT WE TEND TO TAKE FOR GRANTED,
MORE SO IN THE INCREASINGLY TRYING AND
LESS FORTUNATE MOMENTS SPENT NEAR
THE BOTTOM OF THE LEAGUE'S STANDINGS.
CHILDREN OF THIS CURRENT DAY AND AGE
KNOW LITTLE TO NOTHING OF SITTING SIDEBY-SIDE WITH A FELLOW GAMER, BOUND TO
CONSOLE AT CLOSE PROXIMITY BY WIRED
CONTROLLERS, FORCED TO LOOK AND
LISTEN TO YOUR OPPOSITION AT CLOSE
RANGE.

LIKE A YOUNG WILL HUNTING BEING TOLD BY A SEASONED DR. SEAN MAGUIRE:

"If I asked you about art you'd probably give me the skinny on every art book ever written. Michelangelo? You know a lot about him. Life's work, political aspirations, him and the pope, sexual orientation, the whole works, right? But I bet you can't tell me what it smells like in the Sistine Chapel. You've never actually stood there and looked up at that beautiful ceiling. Seen that.

If I asked you about women you'd probably give me a syllabus of your personal favorites. You may have even been laid a few times. But you can't tell me what it feels like to wake up next to a woman and feel truly happy.

You're a tough kid. I ask you about war, and you'd probably, uh, throw Shakespeare at me, right? "Once more into the breach, dear friends." But you've never been near one. You've never held your best friend's head in your lap and watched him gasp his last breath, looking to you for help.

And if I asked you about love you probably quote me a sonnet. But you've never looked at a woman and been totally vulnerable. Known someone could level you with her eyes. Feeling like God put an angel on earth just for you...who could rescue you from the depths of hell..."

EMPIRICAL DATA VS. ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE – YOU HEAR OTHERS SPEAK ON IT, BUT YOU ACTUALLY LIVED IT.

THE EVOLUTION OF GAMES. THE EVOLUTION OF SIM. THE EVOLUTION OF STRATEGY.

MINICAMPS. HOT ROUTES. HIT STICKS. TRUCK STICKS. AND SO MANY MORE LANDMARK FEATURES THAT HAVE COME, GONE, AND RETURNED TO THE GAMING FRANCHISE. THE BOUNDARIES BROKEN BY THE DEPTH OF WHICH YOU CAN MANAGE AND CONTROL TEAMS, EVEN THE LEAGUE AS A WHOLE, WITH EACH ANNUAL RELEASE, FURTHER ENABLED PLAYERS TO LEAVE A UNIQUE IMPRINT OF THEIR EXPRESSION AND REPRESENTATION OF THE GAME.

LIVING OUT THE CAREERS OF YOUR FAVORITE NFL PLAYERS OR ONES GENERATED BY THE SYSTEM, AT TIMES VICARIOUSLY.

FROM WEEKDAY WORKERS, THURSDAY NIGHT BARHOPPERS, DOWN TO MONDAY MORNING ARMCHAIR QUARTERBACKS.

ALL ALTERING THE FATE OF THEIR FAVORITE FRANCHISES, OR CONTINUING THEIR REAL-LIFE WINNING WAYS IN THE DIGITAL SPACE.

TESTING THEIR WILL AGAINST THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF OTHERS.

WHO KNEW TWIDDLING YOUR THUMBS COULD BE SO FUN?

IT'S WHY WE LOG ON EVERYDAY TO PLAY THE SAME OLD GAMES.





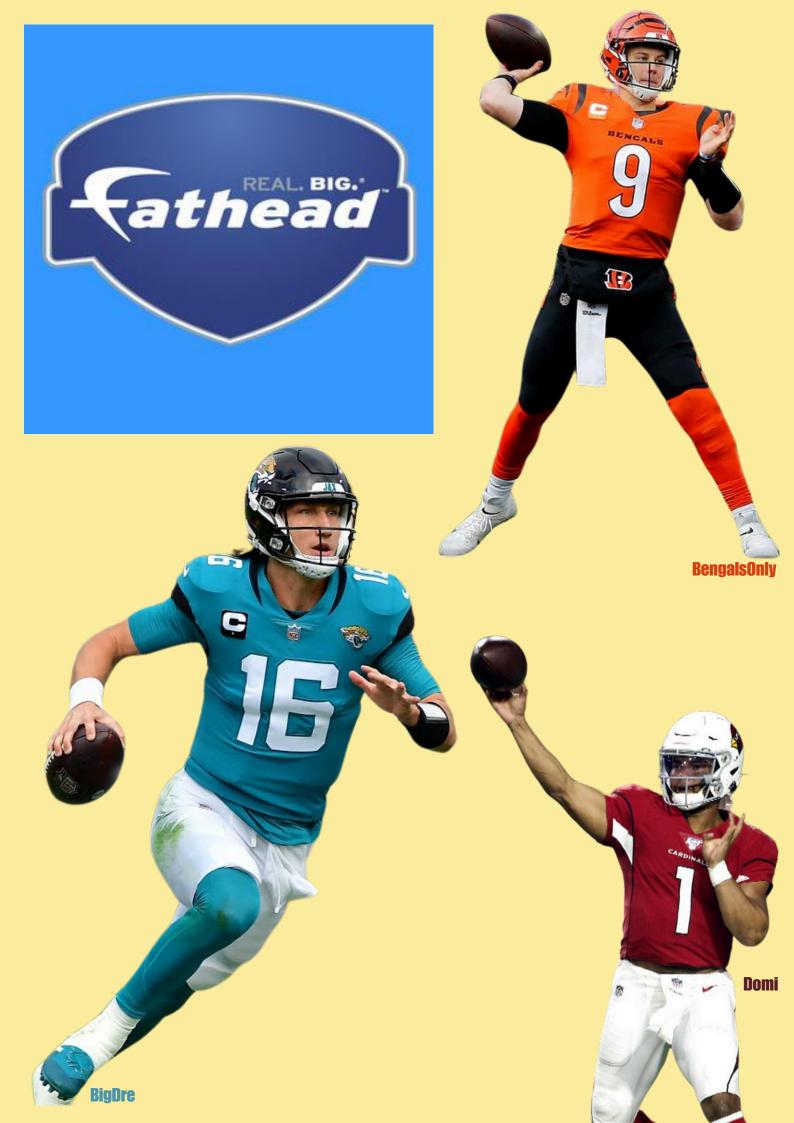






AT THE END OF THE MOF 70S, THE BUFFALO BILLS GRINDED AS HARD AS ANY PROFESSIONAL TEAM COULD. THIS WORK RESULTED IN THREE CONSECUTIVE TRIPS TO THE MOF SUPER BOWL (77, 78, 79), FACING THE LEGENDARY COACH Mack EACH TIME. PRIOR TO THIS HISTORIC TRILOGY, Beast HAD HIS SAY IN THE LEAGUE. NO STRANGER TO SUCCESS HIMSELF, HE IS A 3-TIME DOLAN GAME WINNER (XXI, XXVIII, XXXI) AND CLASS OF 2015 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE.

TEN CALENDAR YEARS AFTER HIS ENSHRINEMENT, HE REMAINS A CONSISTENT FORCE LINGERING AROUND THE AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE, FINISHING 36-15 OVER THE LAST THREE REGULAR SEASONS, EIGHT POSTSEASON WINS COMPLIMENTING THE COUNT IN THAT SAME SPAN. SEASON 78 SAW GREAT DEFENSE FROM THE BILLS, ESPECIALLY IN THE PLAYOFFS, KEEPING TEAMS UNDER TWENTY POINTS UNTIL THE FINAL GAME OF THE YEAR. COMING OUT OF THE WILD CARD ROUND IN THE 77th AND 79th, HE DISPLAYED HIS VERSATILITY AND ABILITY TO PLAY FROM THE BACK AND MIDDLE OF THE BUNCH JUST AS WELL AS HE DOES WHEN HE LEADS THE WHOLE CONFERENCE. HE LOOKS TO MAKE ONE LAST HIKE TO THE TOP IN THE FINAL SEASON OF MADDEN 25, SEEKING HIS 4th MOF CHAMPIONSHIP WITH THE BILLS.





Nationwide Defense ALL-Decade Team



- 1) Mack
- 2) Big Reub
- 3) Reast
- 4) Portis
- 5) Mr. Witness
- 6) Big Dre
- 7) Canes
- s) Pettigrew
- 9) Outlaw
- 10) Latin Yank

Arizona Cardinals - Domi Las Vegas Raiders - Commissioner Dypko

Atlanta Falcons - Big Reg

Los Angeles Chargers - Mack Daddy

Baltimore Ravens - MindenPlaya

Los Angeles Rams - Boobie

Buffalo Bills - Beast

Miami Dolphins - Shawty P

Carolina Panthers - Daz Havoc

Minnesota Vikings - Krayzie

Chicago Bears - Remo

New England Patriots - TSG Lee

Cincinnati Bengals - BengalsOnly

New Orleans Saints - Cheef

Cleveland Browns - Enzo

New York Giants - Portis

Dallas Cowboys - Q

New York Jets - Mr. Witness

Denver Broncos - Western Warrior

Philadelphia Eagles - El Buccs

Detroit Lions - Canes

Pittsburgh Steelers - Outlaw

Green Bay Packers - Mack

San Francisco 49ers - B. Weakland

Houston Texans - LatinYank

Seattle Seahawks - Buffalo Bill

Indianapolis Colts - Eddie Galvan

Tampa Bay Buccaneers - Big Reub

Jacksonville Jaguars - Big Dre

Tennessee Titans - B. Hicks

Kansas City Chiefs - Bubba Duran

Washington Commanders - Roclo

NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE HEART OF A CHAMPION

