

## Pork Butt Weekly Write-Up

### Intro

Is it just me or are we seeing weird, unpredictable games this week in the NFL? Did anyone (except Vikings fans) have the Vikings beating the Lions, in Detroit? Seahawks beat the Commanders in DC and proved they are a solid team in the NFC West. Bears outlasted a shitty Bengals defense as they walked away with a one-point win.

Dallas (kick the damn ball) could not beat a bad Cardinals team in the big D as the 'Boys proved they are weak. Packers said hold my beer as they were not able to beat the Panthers in Lambeau (Love has zero TD's that game). Raiders played hard against the Jaguars and fell a two-point try short of getting the win in Jacksonville. Giants could not best the Niners in Frisco as they were handed another loss this week.

### Game of the Week

Dino v Chaka

With a playoff spot at stake here, both teams came to fight as this was close until the end of the third quarter. I counted two lead changes during regulation, in the end, Chaka was just too much and moved one spot closer to the playoffs 119-91. The loss really jeopardized Dino's playoff chances, and I am not sure he can recover from this with five games left in the regular season.

### Snore of the Week

We did not have a Snore which is good news.

## Matchups

### Andrew v Dave

I picked Andrew to win this game as Dave usually struggles when playing against Andrew (look back to week four) but that was not the case this week. Dave's team was firing on all cylinders (not you Odunze) as the game ended 163.5-66.5, putting Andrew's playoff hopes on life support.

### Jason v Mike

Escape is the word to use when summing up this matchup. For the third consecutive week Jason has been beatable, but this week came down to the fourth quarter. Mike had a great chance to pull off the upset (kick the ball Dallas), but it did not happen, and Jason escapes undefeated 163.5-161, securing his spot in the playoffs.

### Jake v Brandon

The game did not disappoint as both teams battled as they both are fighting for a playoff spot. When the dust settled, the beer glass was empty, Brandon walked away victorious 146-128. The win keeps Brandon's playoff push alive and well.

### Rich v Sky

This game provided some nail-biting moments as both teams are on different ends of the playoff spectrum. Rich put up good numbers this week and (his 131 points would have bested four other teams this week) played well. Sky flexed (fat guy in a little coat style) and did just enough to keep ahead of Rich taking the win here 158-131. Rich finds himself in a dreary situation. A team trying to crawl out of the Sack race, playoffs are a thing for next year. A loss this week for Rich would put his playoff chances around 1-2 percent. Sky wins this game, retains third place. RSO has Sky, the favorite and I must believe them.

## Next Week

### Mike v Brandon

A playoff spot is what is at stake here in this game as the loser will throw a massive wrench into their plans, winner keeps the hope alive. Both teams have bi-polar offenses which makes this game difficult to predict. RSO has Mike as a fourteen-point favorite, but I am not sure. I flipped the league coin, even though it landed on its edge, so I am going to go with the hot team and pick Brandon.

### Dave v Jake

A potential battle for third place is at stake which makes this game meaningful. Dave is coming off a season high 163.5 points. Jake is trying to rebound from his loss last week, and Jake has several players on bye (Dak, Cowboys, and McPherson), as does Dave (Lamb, Pickens, Butker) so I am not sure who has the better backups. I am going to go with Jake in this game as his backups have better matchups.

### Rich v Andrew

GOTW here as the battle for The Sack is at stake. The loser of this game can kiss their playoff hopes goodbye and say hello to being the coveted Sack winner this year, and the first pick next year. Rich is the favorite in this game, and I am going to put my pick in his camp, as he keeps his weekly average going.

### Sky v Chaka

Sky's win this week allowed him to retake second place. Chaka is also coming off a win so both teams are playing well. I am going with the more powerful offense, which is Sky's.

### Dino v Jason

Jason has secured a playoff spot with his escape from Mike last week. Dino is in win out mode if he wants a chance at the playoffs. I do not see Dino pulling the upset this week, Jason remains undefeated.

## Playoffs

1. Jason: Escaped this week with a win, secured a playoff spot, now his goal is the one seed.
2. Sky: Ridding a modest two game winning streak has allowed him to regain second place. The playoff path is bright and in reach, barring a massive late season collapse
3. Jake: Not time to hit the panic button, yet. Losing for the second consecutive week has dropped him out of second place and into third. The path is not secured (but not out of reach either) as several teams are close and could easily overtake him this week.
3. Dave: Keeping the winning streak (currently at three) alive moved him up into the mix. Easily the hardest schedule remaining he has a big hill to climb to grab one of the remaining playoff spots.
3. Chaka: Losing this week hurt the playoff hunt but did not diminish that idea. A win this week keeps him in the mix, a loss (and what teams below him do) could move him out of the top five spots.
4. Mike: Falling victim to an inept Dallas coach (kick the damn ball) put his playoff chase out of reach. A loss this week might be too much to recover from, but possible as the keyword in this camp is winning.
4. Brandon: Making a push at the right time as he currently rides a two-game winning streak. Currently sitting just outside the playoff spot, he needs to keep that winning streak alive. We saw this push last year as he slid into the sixth seed and eventually won the franchise's first title. Can he do it again?
9. Dino: The path to the playoffs is difficult. Losing this week means he needs to win out, get help from several teams above and slaughter a live rooster. It is almost time to start looking at next year.
10. Rich: Mathematically still in the playoff hunt but a loss this week drops his playoff chances around one percent. Help and winning are the only things he needs to focus on.
10. Andrew: A team that is on life support (and the generator is about to run out of diesel) is in dire need of a win, and they need to come every week. A loss here and 2025 season is all but over (except the race for first pick and The Sack).

### Playoff Percentage

TEAM	PERCENT
Andrew	4
Brandon	16
Chaka	25
Dave	25
Dino	16
Jake	25
Jason	100
Mike	16
Rich	4
Sky	40

### The Sack

The GOTW is for the battle of this coveted award.

- Rich
- Andrew

### Week 10 Records

TEAM	W	L
Andrew	0	4
Brandon	4	0
Chaka	0	0
Dave	0	4
Dino	2	2
Jake	2	2
Jason	3	1
Mike	4	0
Sky	1	0
Rich	4	0

## Tops, Bottoms

### Toppers

POS	NAME	TEAM	POINTS
QB	Williams	Dave	44
RB	Jeanty	Mike	21
WR	London	Sky	38
TE	Bowers	Dave	42
FLEX	CMC	Mike	35
D/ST	Cowboys	Jake	19.5
K	Pineiro	Jason	12

### Bottoms

POS	NAME	TEAM	POINTS
QB	Love	Andrew	8
RB	Johnson	Andrew	1
WR	Odunze	Dave	0
TE	Okonkwo	Andrew	3
FLEX	Boutte	Andrew	0
D/ST	Patriots	Dino	5
K	Prater, Loop, Lutz	Andrew, Dino, Chaka	4

### Draft Order

1. Andrew
2. Rich
3. Dino
4. Mike
5. Brandon
6. Chaka
7. Dave
8. Jake
9. Sky
10. Chaka (via Jason)

## Mish Picks

CORRECT	INCORRECT	PCT
27	13	48

Well, for the first time this season I have dropped below fifty percent on my predictions. Although I am still in the positive in the picks, that is a win.

## Final Handy

The playoffs are starting to take shape as we enter the final week of The Grind. Several teams are within a game or two of grabbing the sixth seed, which proved last year that a champion can rise from the final spot. We had one team secure their playoff spot, leaving five places left for the rest of the league to battle for. No team has been officially eliminated yet, but we will have our first eliminated team after this week. With that, may your beer be cold, Karma finds you today, and fuck your team....'mish out.