

Pork Butt End of Year Write-Up

Intro

I tell you what we had a good season this year as franchises start to secure long-term deals and utilize the seasoned veterans to become competitive. The league entered its fourth year and looking healthy heading into its fifth season. But, enough with the looking back, let us focus on the franchises and see how they matched up with their preseason hype.

The Outcomes

1. Jason – at the start of the season I predicted that Jason would finish third overall. His team looked good on paper, and the only downside to his franchise is that treacherous playoff history. This year he proved that he could win playoff games, and even a championship. His team was led by Josh Allen, Bijan Robinson, and Puka. These three scored a lot, scored often, and remained healthy. Several games, including the playoffs came down to how these three performed. He was one game away from the perfect season, but in week ten Dino pulled off the upset, giving Jason his only loss this season.
2. Sky- Finding his footing in the franchise's first season, he made the correct offseason moves, auctioned well, and found himself among the top three teams all season. In my preseason write up I had predicted that Sky would make the playoffs, make a deep run, and lose in the championship game. That is exactly what happened. He entered the playoffs as a three seed, and made it to the championship game, where he would come up short against Jason. In his short two years in the league, he has proven that his franchise will be a force as he pursues the franchise's first league title.
3. Jake-When I was crunching the stats, running the numbers, I noticed that Jake had a chance to make the playoffs, and win a game or two. He finished the regular season as the two seed, got the first-round bye, and then stumbled in the second round, forcing him to play for third place. This was the closest his franchise has come to the title game, but the season was not a wash. His offense was led by JSN, and Trey McBride, players like Henry and Prescott sprinkled solid scoring weeks along the way to the playoffs. I did not see him securing the second seed when I wrote my preseason diatribe, I had Jake finishing the season in fourth place, but I will take him finishing third.

4. Dave- I am not sure where to put my franchise during these write-ups as sometimes I am baffled by the times I win and frustrated by the games I lost that I should have won. I had predicted I would finish the year in sixth place, but I shocked myself by finishing fourth, a franchise best. Second consecutive year making the playoffs lead to massive beatdown in the second round, humbled me, and showed me you can be lucky in the regular season, but you need to have a solid team in the playoffs. Having the most efficient offense (I finished 8-6) but also ranked ninth in total scoring (1670) led to many headscratchers but the formula works to produce a playoff team, now, just must figure out the playoffs.
5. Brandon- The champions of 2024 I had figured this franchise would finish seventh in the year. He did finish sixth in the year, which means the roster that was hot in 2024 cooled off in 2025, making my prediction almost spot on. I was wrong when I mentioned that the team would miss the playoffs (albeit it came down to a three-way headache for me to figure out). The roster was truly off or on depending on which week it was, which lead to the ending record of 6-8, Jared Goff led the team in scoring with 331 points.
6. Chaka- I must admit when I did my preseason write up, I had predicted that he would finish last as most new owners, not named Sky or Chaka have done in the past. I should have known that he would figure out dynasty foosball, and make a playoff run, which is exactly what he did. His team finished with a 6-8 record, with the fifth best offense in the league, I do believe he would have finished with a better record had Tyreek Hill not been injured. The roster had some talent (especially at the WR position, which is what he has done in all the leagues in the past) and should allow him to continue to compete in the upcoming season.
7. Dino- Every year his team goes in spurts, both winning and losing which makes it difficult to predict how the franchise will do during the season, and true to form, this year was no different. In my pre-season write up I had him finishing eighth, and I was not far off on my prediction as he finished seventh this year, just missing the playoffs for the second consecutive time in as many years. The roster has talent, (Gibbs, Etienne Jr, Olave) but there is not enough consistency in the roster for desired weekly results. There is a lot of room on the roster for next season, question is can he fill with producing players?

8. Mike- In the words of John Madden, “Here’s a guy” is exactly how to describe this franchise. Several players (Deebo, Brown, Thomas Jr) did not perform to their potential which cost him several single digit losses. Those losses (four to be exact) would eventually cost him the sixth seed, and a shot at the playoffs. When I did the preseason prediction of this franchise, I had figured that roster would perform (some weeks it did) like it did in 2023 when he won the championship. Preseason prediction had this team finishing fifth, but when the dust settled eighth was all he could muster.
9. Rich- If we needed a franchise in our league to give us an impersonation of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, this would be a sure thing. I chose this franchise to win it all this year (looking at the roster, and the returning players, who would not make that choice?) but too many inconsistencies (Herbert, Pollard, Jennings), key injuries (Nabers, Dobbins) led to the dismal results of 2025. This year reminded me of his 2023 season (similar roster, same results), but I do believe in history so maybe next year will be a banner year?
10. Andrew- What is there to say? The dude mailed it in during the preseason, half-assed it during the regular season, and went full child mode in the late part of the season. Fuck him.

Final Handy

Another season is in the books, and I must say overall it was a successful season as a league. Everyone is getting the hang of the dynasty style and managing cap correctly, and efficiently which should give us some solid competition with upcoming years. Now that the regular season is over, I have more prediction models and drinking to do to get ready for the 2026 offseason. With that, may your beer be cold, Karma finds you today, and fuck your team....’mish out.