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And then there were none

Narcoossee pulls it out
to knock Dugway off its
unbeaten pedestal

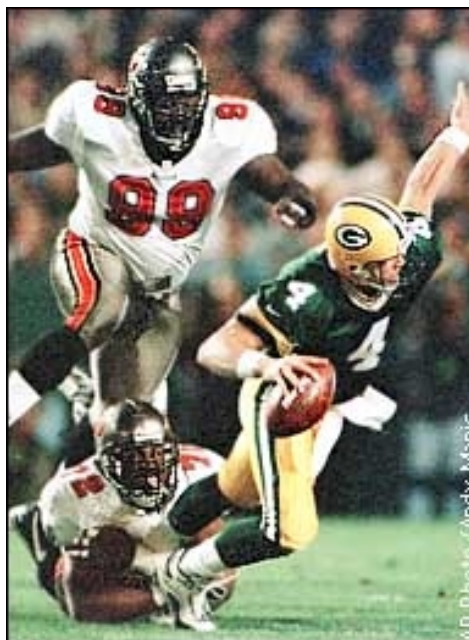
By Baron Butterbrain

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NARCOOSSEE, Fla. - Ken Sain knew it had to happen, and said so. This was the week. The Test Tubes rolled into Narcoossee to face a team more clearly their superior than any other opponent in the season's first five weeks.

Not more clearly their superior - just clearly.

In a game that didn't disappoint, the Nose Apes pulled out a 41-33 decision, as Brett Favre answered a Mike Alstott touchdown run with a last-minute toss to Antonio Freeman in Sunday night's Battle



AP Photo/Andy Manis

Brett Favre escaped the clutches of the Tampa Bay defense to deliver the knock-out blow for the Nose Apes against Dugway. But if you want to see how a real quarterback performed, see page 2.

of the Bays.

Sain hit it right on the head when he said the Nose Apes were one angry team, coming off a loss on the Favre-Marvin Harrison bye week.

Anyway, the deeper meaning of it is that Dugway is about the run and hide from its Bumarino Division lackeys . . . er . . . rivals. The Tubes are 4-1, and everybody else is 2-3 or worse. If ever there were a time to proposal a mid-season re-draft rule change, this is it. Arctic, Denver and Alaska would probably welcome it.

Narcoossee stayed tied with Willow atop the Horseshack.

QB feat of the year goes to waste

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DUTCH HARBOR - Cue the "Jaws" theme music, please

The Baltimore Barons overcame a 47-10 deficit and a cold sweat to storm past the Dutch Harbor Dawgs, 64-47, on the strength of the usual heroics of TFL leading scorer Peyton Manning and Antonio Freeman.

Not even five touch-down passes by the quarterback East Hartford spoonfed them gave the Dawgs enough of a push to stay with Baltimore.

"Watching your opponent's qb throw five TDs ain't an easy thing to go through, and neither is half a bottle of Roloids," Baltimore's Steve Katz said. "But then we noticed the rest of their team was doing nothing.

"Forty-seven is a lot. But then Manning threw his three, and all of a sudden we need about 20 points to win, starting with Freeman,



and it starts to seem approachable.

"This win was about each man just doing what he's capable of. Plus, although it's early to think in these terms, we now own two playoff tiebreakers over the Dawgs."

A beaten Casey Brogan thanked Chris Reidy for the lovely present and muttered something about not really hating Katz. This week he faces Bagdad, whom he should

What's weird here?

The Anchorage Kitchen's top two scorers are its kicker ... and its defense. And its No. 1 draft pick has precisely 1 point all year ... albeit due to injury. Anchorage plays Baltimore next.

1. Olindo Mare	50
2. Jacksonville Jaguars	33
3. Steve McNair	28
4. Curtis Martin	19
5. Derrick Alexander	18
6. Tim Couch	12
7. Jerome Bettis	8
8. Billy Joe Hobert	6
9. Jeff Wilkins	5
10. Ed McCaffrey	2
11. Fred Taylor	1

be able to beat with Warner and the St. Louis Rams cheerleaders as his lineup.

As a consolation, Warner will probably serve him handsomely from here on out.

Loyal TFL Today reader Elmer Hazewood Lacy wrote in to say the Barons are on a pace to break Marley's 1995 league scoring record of 722 points.

Thanks, Elmer, but those are your calculations, and the Barons wouldn't want to take those into next year's draft.



Arctic made a move to replace the fallen Irvin.

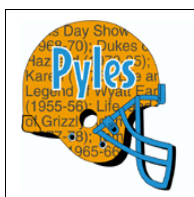


Lackawanna does not lack a QB, as Doug Flutie produced 19 points, all the Lancers needed.



Isaac Bruce caught 4 of Warner's tosses and gave Willow all it needed against Bagdad.

WEEK 6 MATCHUPS



Denver (2-3) at Dugway (4-1)
Line: Dugway -10

A division matchup more important than it may look, because Denver could start picking up football players instead of playing musical Broncos just to get whoever Bagdad didn't get, and knock off the Tubes. Or not.



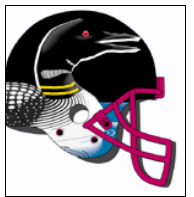
Narcoossee (4-1) at East Hartford (3-2)
Line: East Hartford -3

That's right, we like the Ex'mos at home against the Apes' Playoff Express.



Anchorage (3-2) at Baltimore (3-2)
Line: Baltimore - 3

Don't let the records or the conservative spread mislead you. If ever there were a tale of two teams headed in opposite directions, this is it.



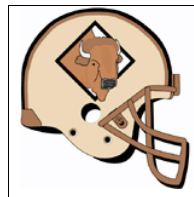
Limerick (1-3-1) at Lackawanna (3-2)
Line: Lackawanna - 20

When last we saw Limerick in the win column, they were offering Baltimore Randall C. and Jimmy Smith for Manning and Freeman. Famous last words. Lackawanna has the goods.



Willow (4-1) at Arctic (2-3)
Line: Willow -5

Willow has it. The Aikman/Batch and Bruce/Moss combo will be hard to beat. The Gators have proved they can either light it up or stink, so this could get offensive either way.



Flint (2-3) at Alaska (0-4)
Line: Flint -48

Flint is climbing back in it after some weak-ass early showings. Alaska has done nothing but climb down. Fill in your own pick.



Dutch Harbor (2-3) at Bagdad (0-4-1)
Line: Bagdad -2

The Big Bro-Little Bro clash. It will be interesting to see if the Dawgs can bring themselves to take out their frustration on their own kin. We'll just keep picking Bagdad until they win one. Maybe they'll trade their way back into it.

WEEK 5 STANDINGS

Barbarino Division	Record			Points for				Points against			
	W	L	T	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.
Dugway Tubes	4	1	0	202	50	31	40.4	148	41	17	29.6
Arctic Gators	2	3	0	162	61	9	32.4	208	75	17	41.6
Denver Pyles	2	3	0	100	26	14	20.0	166	59	18	33.2
Alaska Oosiks	1	4	0	110	38	11	22.0	143	38	24	28.6
Bagdad Newts	0	4	1	119	35	18	23.8	195	63	18	39.0

Kotter Division	Record			Points for				Points against			
	W	L	T	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.
Lackawanna	3	2	0	222	53	14	44.4	184	61	22	36.8
East Hartford	3	2	0	191	48	26	38.2	165	45	14	33.0
Anchorage Kitchen	3	2	0	182	75	15	36.4	175	58	11	35.0
Flint Bison	2	3	0	124	32	14	24.8	163	49	20	32.6
Limerick Loons	1	3	1	178	44	25	35.6	205	61	33	41.0

Horshack Division	Record			Points for				Points against			
	W	L	T	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.	Tot.	Hi	Lw	Avg.
Willow Weasels	4	1	0	230	61	27	46.0	190	53	23	38.0
Narcoossee N.Apes	4	1	0	223	63	38	44.6	142	56	9	28.4
Baltimore Barons	3	2	0	259	59	38	51.8	195	51	26	39.0
Dutch Harbor Dawgs	2	3	0	201	48	30	40.2	224	64	21	44.8

WEEK 5 SCORES

East Hartford 43	Anchorage 26	Arctic 15	Flint 32
Drew Bledsoe 16	Tim Couch 0	Mark Brunell 0	Akili Smith 12
Emmitt Smith 9	Curtis Martin 1	Rob Konrad 0	Donnell Bennett 7
Tyrone Wheatley 0	Jerome Bettis 6	Warrick Dunn 6	Ron Rivers 4
Torry Holt 1	Ed. McCaffrey 2	Keyshawn 5	Ben Coates 0
Keith Poole 1	D. Alexander 0	Michael Irvin 0	K. McCardell 1
Gary Anderson 16	Olindo Mare 14	Adam Vinatieri 2	Morten Andersen 8
NY Giants 0	Jacksonville 3	Miami 2	Minnie 0

Lackawanna 49	Denver 14	Alaska 38	Limerick 25
Doug Flutie 19	Bubby Brister 0	Dan Marino 18	Randall C. 9
Ken Oxendine 1	Rbt. Smith 3	Marshall Faulk 0	E. George 1
Edgerrin James 2	Olandis Gary 1	Corey Dillon 5	Rashan Shehee 0
Yancey Thigpen 8	Rocket Ismail 2	Kevin Dyson 0	Rod Smith 8
Eric Moulds 9	Az-zahir Hakim 0	Frank Sanders 0	Jimmy Smith 0
Pete Stoyo 10	M. Husted 8	Ryan Longwell 15	M. Vanderjagt 7
Buffalo 0	Denver 0	New Orleans 0	Indianapolis 0

Baltimore 64	D. Harbor 47	Narcoossee 41	Dugway 33
P. Manning 19	Kurt Warner 33	Brett Favre 18	Neil O'Donnell 6
C. Garner 2	Terry Allen 1	Natrone Means 0	Dorsey Levens 3
James Stewart 8	Curtis Enis 1	Duce Staley 3	Mike Alstott 8
Ant. Freeman 17	Curtis Conway 7	Marvin Harrison 8	Darnay Scott 6
Terry Glenn 8	Terrell Owens 1	OJ McDuffie 0	Corey Bradford 0
Mike Hollis 10	Richie C. 4	Jason Elam 12	Jason Hanson 4
Green Bay 6	NY Jets 0	Alanta 0	San Diego 6

Willow 46	Bagdad 23
Charlie Batch 6	Rich Gannon 6
Gary Brown 1	Ricky Williams 1
Antowain Smith 0	Cecil Collins 8
Isaac Bruce 28	Tim Brown 1
Randy Moss 6	Cris Carter 1
Al Del Greco 2	Steve Christie 6
Arizona 3	KC Chiefs 0

TRANSACTIONS

Oct. 12
 Arctic places WR Michael Irvin on IR, adds WR Eddie Kennison.
 Anchorage waives QB Tim Couch, adds QB Kordell Stewart.
 Denver places WR Shannon Sharpe on IR, adds WR Carl Pickens.
 Narcoossee waives RB JJ Johnson, adds RB Jonathan Linton.
 Limerick fined \$5 for Bong Morris playing while on I.R. Morris becomes free agent, and Rashan Shehee becomes part of Loons.

Oct. 9
 Lackawanna waives RB Byron Hanspard, add RB Ken Oxendine.

Oct. 8
 Denver waives RB Ahman Green, adds RB Olandis Gary.
 Bagdad waives QB Kordell Stewart, adds QB Rich Gannon.

Oct. 7
 Dutch Harbor waives QB Rich Gannon, adds RB Chris Warren.
 East Hartford waives RB Terry Kirby, adds QB Stoney Case. Trades QB Kurt Warner to Dutch Harbor for RB Adrian Murrell.

Week 6 schedule

Denver at Dugway
 Narcoossee at E. Hartford
 Anchorage at Baltimore
 Dutch Harbor at Bagdad
 Willow at Arctic
 Flint at Alaska
 Limerick at Lackawanna

Who's got who (current rosters)

Bold = free agent or trade pickup
Italic = Injured reserve acquisition

Denver Pyles
QB Bubby Brister
QB Steve Beuerlein
RB *Tommy Vardell*
RB Robert Smith
RB Olandis Gary
WR Carl Pickens
WR Az-zahir Hakim
WR Rocket Ismail
K Wade Richie
K Michael Husted
D Denver
D Cincinnati
I.R. Terrell Davis
Shannon Sharpe

Narcoossee
QB Brett Favre
QB Jeff Garcia
RB Natrone Means
RB Duce Staley
RB *Jonathan Linton*
WR Marvin Harrison
WR OJ McDuffie
WR *Stephen Alexander*
K Jason Elam
K Kris Brown
D Atlanta
D Tampa Bay
IR Garrison Hearst
Germaine Crowell

Anchorage
QB *Billy Joe Hobert*
QB Kordell Stewart
RB Fred Taylor
RB Jerome Bettis
RB Curtis Martin
WR Albert Connell
WR Ed McCaffrey
WR Derrick Alexander
K Olindo Mare
K Jeff Wilkins
D Jacksonville
D Washington
I.R. Steve McNair

Dutch Harbor
QB Steve Young
QB Kurt Warner
RB Terry Allen
RB Curtis Enis
RB Chris Warren
WR Terrell Owens
WR Jerry Rice
WR Curtis Conway
K Richie Cunningham
K John Carney
D New York Jets
D Carolina

Willow
QB Charlie Batch
QB Troy Aikman
RB Ricky Watters
RB Antowain Smith
RB Gary Brown
WR Randy Moss
WR Isaac Bruce
WR Bill Schroeder
K Al Del Greco
K Matt Stover
D Arizona
D Cleveland

Flint
QB *Akili Smith*
QB Elvis Grbac
RB *Donnell Bennett*
RB Ron Rivers
RB Stephen Davis
WR Terance Mathis
WR Ben Coates
WR Keenan McCardell
K Morten Andersen
K Doug Pelfrey
D Minnesota
D Detroit
I.R. Jamal Anderson
Chris Chandler

Limerick
QB Randall Cunningham
QB Jeff Blake
RB Eddie George
RB Lawrence Phillips
RB *Rashan Sheehee*
WR Jimmy Smith
WR Tony Martin
WR Rod Smith
K Mike Vanderjagt
K Brad Daluiso
D Oakland
D Indianapolis

Baltimore
QB Peyton Manning
QB *Kerry Collins*
RB Charlie Garner
RB James Stewart
RB Greg Hill
WR Antonio Freeman
WR Terry Glenn
WR Amani Toomer
K Mike Hollis
K Martin Gramatica
D Green Bay
D Baltimore
I.R. Kent Graham

Bagdad
QB Rich Gannon
QB Jeff George
RB Derrick Loville
RB *Ricky Williams*
RB Cecil Collins
WR Kevin Johnson
WR Tim Brown
WR Cris Carter
K Steve Christie
K Doug Brien
D Tennessee
D Kansas City

Arctic
QB Mark Brunell
QB Trent Dilfer
RB Warrick Dunn
RB Rob Konrad
RB Tim Biakabutuka
WR Keyshawn Johnson
WR *Eddie Kennison*
WR Bert Emanuel
K Adam Vinatieri
K Chris Jacke
D Miami
D New England
I.R. Michael Irvin

Alaska
QB Jake Plummer
QB Dan Marino
RB Marshall Faulk
RB Corey Dillon
RB Errict Rhett
WR Frank Sanders
WR Reidel Anthony
WR Kevin Dyson
K Ryan Longwell
K John Kasay
D New Orleans
D San Francisco

Lackawanna
QB Brad Johnson
QB Doug Flutie
RB Edgerrin James
RB Ken Oxendine
RB Barry Sanders
WR Eric Moulds
WR Joey Galloway
WR Yancey Thigpen
K John Hall
K Pete Stoyanovich
D Buffalo
D Pittsburgh

Dugway
QB Jon Kitna
QB *Neil O'Donnell*
RB Dorsey Levens
RB Mike Alstott
RB Karim Abdul-Jabbar
WR *Corey Bradford*
WR Sean Dawkins
WR M. Westbrook
K Todd Peterson
K Jason Hanson
D San Diego
D Dallas

IR Vinny Testaverde
Herman Moore

East Hartford
QB Drew Bledsoe
QB Stoney Case
RB Emmitt Smith
RB Tyrone Wheatley
RB Adrian Murrell
WR *Muhsin Muhammad*
WR Keith Poole
WR Torry Holt
K Gary Anderson
K Brett Conway
D Seattle
D New York Giants
I.R. Rob Moore