

THE CHOPPING BLOCK

WEEK 2 • CRITICAL FAILURE



A CONTENDER WALKED IN. FIVE STARTERS DISAPPEARED.

Chris Ditata did not bring a bad roster to Week 2. He brought Saquon Barkley, Breece Hall, Marvin Harrison Jr., Stefon Diggs, Dallas Goedert and Ladd McConkey. The blade responded by turning five of those names into 9.40 combined points.

54.10	3.50	124.82
Ditata's final score	Lincoln's escape margin	Mux leads again

The guillotine does not grade the roster. It grades one Sunday.

THE EXECUTION: A FREAK ACCIDENT

THE CONDEMNED	THE VERDICT
Chris Ditata Team Crit 17th of 17 active teams 54.10 points	No draft malpractice. No abandoned lineup. No obvious managerial felony. A solid roster simply suffered a coordinated power outage at the worst possible moment.

Starter	Pos	Pts
Jordan Love	QB	13.80
Saquon Barkley	RB	2.50
Breece Hall	RB	11.70
Marvin Harrison Jr.	WR	0.00
Stefon Diggs	WR	19.20
Dallas Goedert	TE	0.90
Ladd McConkey	FLEX	5.00
Keenan Allen	FLEX	1.00

Five men, 9.40 points

Saquon Barkley (2.50), Marvin Harrison Jr. (0.00), Dallas Goedert (0.90), Ladd McConkey (5.00) and Keenan Allen (1.00) combined for less than half of Stefon Diggs alone. Diggs delivered 19.20 and Breece Hall added 11.70, but the rest of the lineup had already reserved Chris a seat beneath the blade.

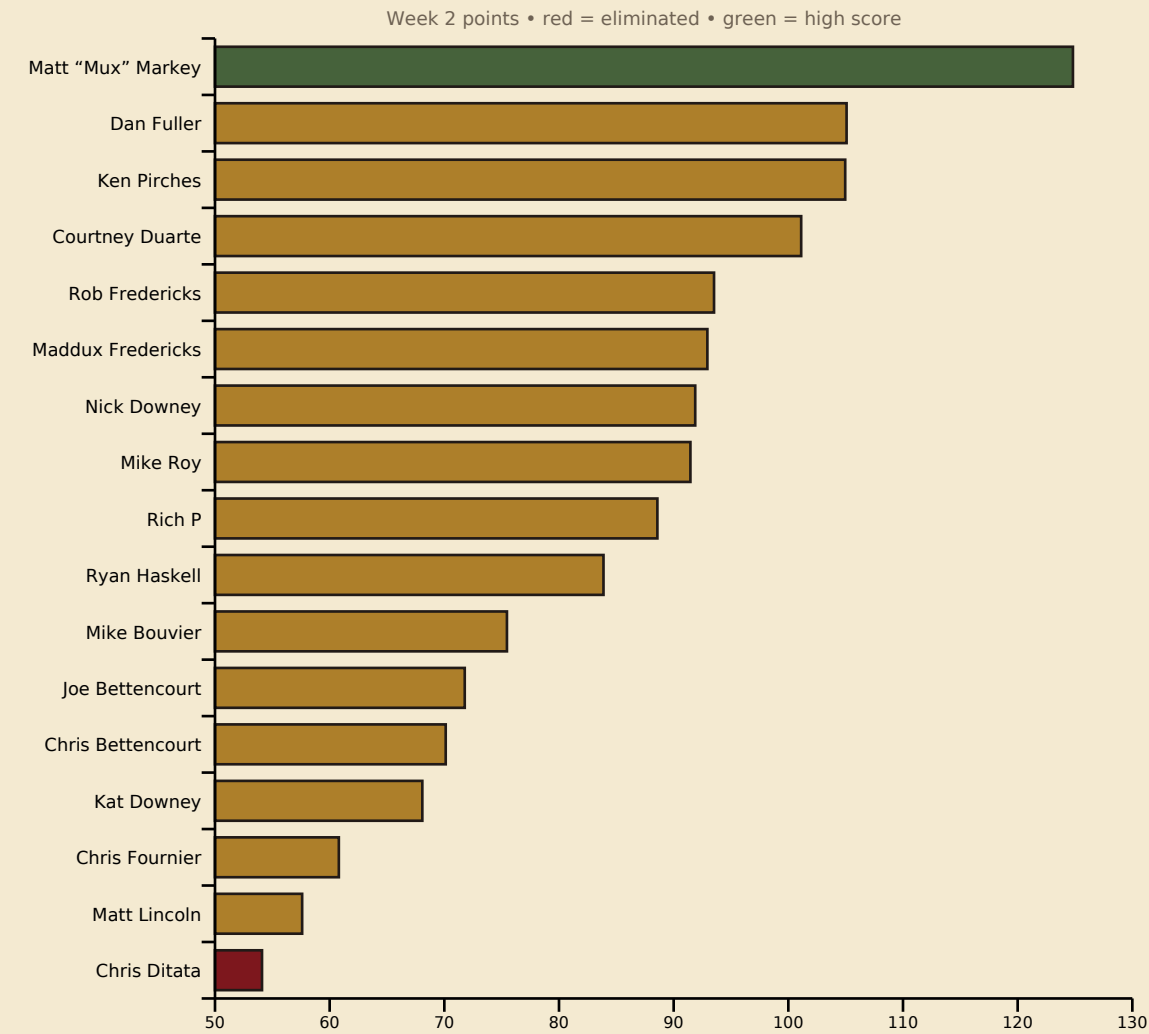
The bench could not save him

Bench	Pts
Justin Herbert	9.88
Tyjae Spears	8.00
Troy Franklin	3.20
Gunnar Helm	2.30
Jordan Mason	0.00
Chris Bell	0.00

Herbert over Love loses 3.92 points. Spears over Barkley adds 5.50. Even making both hindsight-perfect swaps lifts Team Crit only to 55.68 - still 1.92 behind Matt Lincoln. Chris was not one clever click from survival. He needed a different universe.

THE SURVIVAL LADDER

Seventeen active teams entered Week 2. Sixteen left with a pulse.



Bottom five	Score	Above Ditata
Chris Ditata	54.10	ELIMINATED
Matt Lincoln	57.60	+3.50
Chris Fournier	60.80	+6.70
Kat Downey	68.08	+13.98
Chris Bettencourt	70.12	+16.02

A narrow escape with a quarterback-shaped crater

Matt Lincoln received 0.80 from Jaxson Dart and still escaped. Parker Washington led You Mayer with 13.30, while Bucky Irving and Chase Brown supplied just enough adult supervision. Lincoln survived by 3.50 and immediately spent \$41 on Jordan Love, the fantasy equivalent of installing a fire exit after smelling smoke.

MUX STILL OWNS THE PENTHOUSE

124.82	40.82	27.20
Mux team total	Josh Allen	Jonathan Taylor

Starter	Pos	Pts
Josh Allen	QB	40.82
Kenneth Walker	RB	20.80
Chuba Hubbard	RB	13.40
Rashee Rice	WR	10.30
Jameson Williams	WR	4.30
T.J. Hockenson	TE	4.40
J.K. Dobbins	FLEX	3.60
Jonathan Taylor	FLEX	27.20

The \$830 receipt starts paying dividends

Jonathan Taylor scored 27.20 in his first week for Mux. Added to Josh Allen and Kenneth Walker, the expensive new arrival helped 1stOneOut lead the league for a second consecutive week. The irony has stopped being cute and started becoming a threat.

Ocean Clams: rescued by two men and a prayer

Starter	Pos	Pts
C.J. Stroud	QB	17.02
Jacory Croskey-Merritt	RB	5.30
MarShawn Lloyd	RB	7.60
Jayden Reed	WR	0.90
DJ Moore	WR	-0.10
Dalton Schultz	TE	20.00
Jalen Nailor	FLEX	1.40
Denzel Boston	FLEX	18.00

Dalton Schultz and Denzel Boston combined for 38.00. Jayden Reed, DJ Moore and Jalen Nailor combined for 2.20. Ocean Clams survived at 70.12, but the score hid an offense held together by Houston targets, rookie duct tape and the contractual obligation that somebody finish sixteenth.

THE INFIRMARY REPORT



Ocean Clams loses the top of the draft

The first three Ocean Clams selections were Brock Bowers at 1.18, Nico Collins at 2.01 and DJ Moore at 3.18. All three are unavailable for Week 3. It is difficult to build around your stars when the stars have been replaced by medical paperwork.

Draft pick	Player	Week 3 problem
1.18	Brock Bowers	Knee - out
2.01	Nico Collins	Hamstring - unavailable
3.18	DJ Moore	Shoulder - unavailable

The league-wide body count

At publication time, at least 13 start-worthy players tied to surviving rosters were out, expected to miss, or carrying a meaningful Week 3 concern. The list included Bowers, Collins, Moore, Jayden Reed, Jayden Daniels, Jaxson Dart, Puka Nacua, Zay Flowers, Saquon Barkley, Mike Evans, Jonathon Brooks, J.K. Dobbins and Ladd McConkey. This count excludes minor practice limitations and deep-bench injuries.

Official diagnosis: everybody hurts

DITATA'S ESTATE SALE



A strong roster died young and left behind a very expensive will. Seventeen managers arrived with calculators. Several left without dignity.

Player	Winning manager	FAAB
Breece Hall	Kat Downey	\$377
Saquon Barkley	Rich P	\$351
Ladd McConkey	Chris Bettencourt	\$127
Stefon Diggs	Chris Fournier	\$105
Jordan Love	Matt Lincoln	\$41
Tyjae Spears	Chris Bettencourt	\$11
Marvin Harrison Jr.	Rob Fredericks	\$2
Jordan Mason	Rob Fredericks	\$1
Justin Herbert	Ryan Haskell	\$0

THE SECOND FAAB MASSACRE

\$377	\$351	\$127	\$105
Breece to Kat	Saquon to Rich P	Ladd to Ocean Clams	Diggs to Fournier

Breece Hall: Kat wins the real auction

Bidder	Bid	Result
Kat Downey	\$377	WON
Rich P	\$351	Lost by \$26
Chris Bettencourt	\$307	Lost by \$70
Chris Fournier	\$155	Lost by \$222
Courtney Duarte	\$103	Lost by \$274
Rob Fredericks	\$101	Lost by \$276
Matt Lincoln	\$85	Lost by \$292

Saquon Barkley: Rich buys the name and the medical chart

Bidder	Bid	Result
Rich P	\$351	WON
Chris Bettencourt	\$207	Lost by \$144
Ken Pirches	\$200	Lost by \$151
Dan Fuller	\$167	Lost by \$184
Nick Downey	\$137	Lost by \$214
Chris Fournier	\$125	Lost by \$226
Matt Lincoln	\$124	Lost by \$227

The bargains

Rob Fredericks paid \$2 for Marvin Harrison Jr. and \$1 for Jordan Mason. One was a premium draft name coming off a zero. The other is on injured reserve. Rob bought one lottery ticket and one souvenir.

THE WEEK 2 BLADE REPORT

Execution	Chris Ditata • 54.10
A good roster encountered one catastrophically bad week. That is the entire format in one sentence.	
Escape Artist	Matt Lincoln • +3.50
Survived a 0.80-point quarterback performance and immediately purchased Jordan Love.	
King of the Block	Matt “Mux” Markey • 124.82
Second consecutive league-high score. The \$830 running back scored 27.20.	
Bench Warrant	Kat Downey
Darren Waller scored 16.80 on the bench while Brenton Strange scored 2.70. Kat survived anyway.	
Emergency Responders	Schultz & Boston • 38.00
They supplied 54% of Ocean Clams’ total and covered for an entire missing receiving corps.	
FAAB Arsonist	Rich P • \$351
Bought Saquon Barkley while the MRI ink was still drying.	
Dollar-Store Winner	Rob Fredericks • \$3 total
Marvin Harrison Jr. and Jordan Mason for less than a tavern beer.	

SIXTEEN REMAIN. THE HEALTHY ARE NOW A MINORITY.

DATA NOTE

Scores, Week 2 lineups, player points, draft positions and waiver results are from the GuilloTINE Can Tavern Sleeper league. Injury classifications are a publication-time snapshot and may change before kickoff. The injury count is deliberately limited to start-worthy players with material availability concerns.