THE CHOPPING BLOCK

WEEK 7 - THE CLOSEST CUT YET

SEVEN-TENTHS FROM SAFETY

Mike Bouvier posts 78.08. Joe Bettencourt survives with 78.78.

ONE CATCH. SEVEN YARDS. ONE EXTRA POINT. ANYTHING.



PLUS: BIJAN $517 - PUKA $401 - THE $918 FEEDING FRENZY

THE 0.70-POINT FUNERAL

Mike Bouvier did not get blown out. He was shaved, nicked and finally removed from the league with the fantasy equivalent of a paper cut. Joe Bettencourt's 78.78 was barely enough to keep the rope from snapping, while Bouv's 78.08 became the cruelest losing score of the season.

MARGIN OF SURVIVAL

0.70

Bouv's Starting Eight

Sam Darnold	14.98	Matthew Golden	6.90
Bijan Robinson	14.70	Harold Fannin Jr.	10.10
Justice Hill	4.80	Brandin Cooks	1.80
Puka Nacua	17.80	Dalton Schultz	7.00

The killers: Cooks 1.8, Hill 4.8, Golden 6.9

There was no secret 20-point rescue sitting on the bench. George Holani scored 2.8; Jeremiyah Love, Mike Evans and DeVonta Smith scored zero. Bouv's lineup was battered, thin and still only seven-tenths short. That is not a bad beat. That is a fantasy-funeral invoice itemized to the decimal.

THE MAN WHO LIVED

Joe Bettencourt - 78.78

Joe survived despite getting 0.7 from Jaylin Noel, 2.2 from Isaiah Likely and 3.0 from Pat Freiermuth. Joe Burrow's 28.88 and Blake Corum's 16.6 dragged the Unholy Alliance across the line by its fingernails.

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COMPLETE WEEK 7 SURVIVOR SCOREBOARD

THE SURVIVORS

01 Mike Roy - Not The Cunt	117.08
02 Maddux Fredericks - Pray to the Sun God	112.60
03 Nick Downey - Dirty D	111.52
04 Rob Fredericks - Price for Coke	105.22
05 Matt Lincoln - Atlanta Hawkeyes of Iowa	93.76
06 Kat Downey - Team Katskitty	93.02
07 Ken Pirches - KP Squad	90.12
08 Courtney Duarte - Maye I Cee Your Woody?	88.74
09 Ryan Haskell - Phil (maybe)	84.28
10 Matt Mux Markey - 1stOneOut	83.82
11 Joe Bettencourt - Unholy Alliance	78.78
12 Mike Bouvier - Smoove Bouv	78.08

Dispatches From the Blade

TOP GUN Mike Roy piled up 117.08 behind Dak, Tee Higgins and Trey McBride.

POLLARD EXPRESS Tony Pollard dropped 35 for Kat, personally accounting for more than one-third of her total.

MUX FLIRTS WITH DISASTER Bryce Young scored 7.42 and Rashee Rice posted a zero. Mux still found 5.04 points of breathing room.

PHIL IS BROKE, NOT DEAD Ryan Haskell survived with 84.28 and entered the auction with exactly $0 remaining.

$918 FOR TWO PLAYERS

Bouv's body was not cold before Rob Fredericks and Ken Pirches turned the waiver room into an arms auction. Bijan Robinson and Puka Nacua alone consumed $918.



PRICE FOR COKE

BIJAN $517

Rob beat Ken's $510 bid by seven dollars.

KP SQUAD

PUKA $401

Kat offered $357. Matt Lincoln offered $312.

THE WAIVER ROOM LOST ITS MIND

Two players. Nine hundred eighteen dollars. Rob walked away with the hammer; Ken walked away with the most dangerous receiver on the board and only $86 left in his wallet.

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THE COMPLETE WEEK 7 AUCTION LEDGER

WINNING CLAIMS

Nick Downey	Matthew Golden	**$89**
Matt Lincoln	DeVonta Smith	**$86**
Nick Downey	Mike Evans	**$47**
Matt Lincoln	Brenton Strange	**$39**
Mike Roy	Jeremiyah Love	**$21**
Ken Pirches	Trevor Lawrence	**$12**
Ken Pirches	Harold Fannin Jr.	**$11**
Maddux Fredericks	Kendrick Bourne	**$3**
Kat Downey	Jacoby Brissett	**$2**
Ryan Haskell	Justice Hill	**$0**

THE FAILED-BID GRAVEYARD

Ken Pirches	Bijan Robinson	**$510**
Kat Downey	Puka Nacua	**$357**
Matt Lincoln	Bijan Robinson	**$312**
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Nick Downey	Bijan Robinson	**$268**
Joe Bettencourt	Bijan / Puka	**$250 each**
Courtney Duarte	Bijan / Puka	**$207 each**
Maddux Fredericks	Puka Nacua	**$160**
Rob Fredericks	Puka Nacua	**$112**

FINAL WORD

Bouv lost by 0.70. Rob won Bijan by $7. In this league, cruelty apparently comes in small numbers.