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THE COMMISSIONER IS A FRAUD

Self-appointed fake-team detective discovers the prime suspect in his own locker room



> **A 3-1 record wearing a trench coat, fake mustache and absolutely no supporting statistics.**

THE TRADE THAT AGED IN DOG YEARS

One week after Chris sent Chuba Hubbard and Nico Collins to Billy for Ja'Marr Chase, the outgoing pair detonated for 48.7 combined points. Chase scored 2.7 and entered concussion protocol. Immediate swing: minus-46.0. Somewhere, a receipt printer is still running.

PERFECT TEAMS, IMPERFECT OMENS

BABY RUTH, Portuguese mosquitos 2.0, CC Chubby Chacers IV, Stars & Bars and Last Mohican all reached 4-0. History says only 3 of 14 previous five-division teams that opened 4-0 finished as champions. Commissioner's Corner examines the curse on Page 10.

ALSO INSIDE: TWO 4-0 TEAMS COLLIDE | Girth Brooks FALLS | BLACK SHEEP STANDS ALONE

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POWER, PANIC & PUBLIC RECORDS

Five standard 10-team divisions, one common measuring stick

THE UNBEATEN FIVE

1	Portuguese mosquitos 2.0	4-0	533.16
2	BABY RUTH	4-0	147.52 W4
3	Last Mohican	4-0	135.18 W4
4	Stars & Bars	4-0	109.22 W4
5	CC Chubby Chacers IV	4-0	448.04 PF

WEEK 4 AWARD DESK

- **SCOREBOARD ARSON** — BABY RUTH - 147.52
- **PROJECTOR FELONY** — BABY RUTH - +43.94
- **BASEMENT OPEN HOUSE** — New League Same Hands - 52.78
- **ESCAPE ARTIST** — Touchdown Syndrome! - won by 0.38
- **GIANT KILLER** — Long Live the sun god - first win, over 3-0 Girth Brooks

FRAUD WATCH

Touchdown Syndrome! is 3-1 with 344.96 points - last in Champion’s - and just 315.62 allowed. No Name is 2-2 despite a Backroom-low 291.22 points. The records look respectable. The underlying paperwork smells like a bait shop in August.

THE NUMBER

3 of 14

Previous standard-division teams to begin 4-0 and still win the TCT title. Perfection is not a forecast; it is a temporary condition.

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NO MORE UNDEFEATEDS

The division spent Sunday removing every halo

CHRIS ESCAPES	JOE ERUPTS	BLUE HEARTBREAK
70.18-69.80	133.22	105.38-106.46
margin: 0.38	division high	Monday: -1.08

THE WEEK THAT WAS

Joe Bettencourt's Unholy Alliance posted 133.22 and ended Put on a wig's perfect start. Bob then buried Dear Mr. Fantasy, 122.42-87.02, erasing the division's other unbeaten mark. Blue Team carried its case into Monday night and lost to Some Dumb Squad by 1.08. Chris escaped by 0.38, improved to 3-1, and somehow made winning look incriminating. The Chase trade immediately became the loudest exhibit: Hubbard and Collins combined for 48.7, Chase produced 2.7, and the new centerpiece left under the concussion protocol. Billy received both the points and the right to laugh first.

COMMISSIONER'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS

Chris has spent weeks calling out fake teams. His own club ranks last in divisional scoring while carrying the fewest points against. This is less a contender than a favorable clerical error. The badge and calculator have been placed on administrative leave.

WEEK 5 DOCKET

Dear Mr. Fantasy vs Put on a wig is the bounce-back bowl: two former unbeaten teams, one fresh bruise apiece. Touchdown Syndrome! draws Unholy Alliance, meaning the league's least convincing 3-1 record meets the manager who just posted the division high. Back in the Pitts and Blue Team meet with both clubs desperate to avoid another close-game obituary.

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BABY RUTH CALLS HIS SHOT

A 147.52-point moonshot keeps the only perfect record alive

BABY RUTH	BIG GAME JAMES	SCORGASMS
147.52	86.00-79.88	127.88-69.08
+43.94 vs projection	Dirty D’s falls	no ambiguity

THE WEEK THAT WAS

BABY RUTH moved to 4-0 with the highest score anywhere in the five standard divisions. The 43.94-point beatdown of his own projection was less “pleasant surprise” and more “forensic discrepancy.” Big Game James ended Dirty D’s unbeaten opening, while Multiple Scorgasms routed Mike’s Legit Team by 58.80. Mike’s Legit Team is now 0-4, a record whose title has become admissible evidence. No Name sits 2-2 despite only 291.22 points scored, turning anonymity into a competitive advantage.

BACKROOM ACCOUNTING



One unbeaten record remains, but the ledgers are stranger below it. A 2-2 No Name has fewer points than everyone; an 0-4 “Legit” team has misplaced the supporting documents. The Backroom remains committed to transparency by keeping the lights off.

WEEK 5 DOCKET

BABY RUTH is somehow a slight projected underdog to Big Game James, 92.81-94.00. That is either a warning from the machines or proof the machines also stopped watching after halftime. The division’s question: can the Backroom’s lone perfect team survive the first week when the projection and the opponent agree?

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SOMETHING PERFECT MUST DIE

Portuguese mosquitos 2.0 and CC Chubby Chacers IV meet at 4-0

MOSQUITOS	CHUBBY CHACERS	FUEL MAN
140.32	119.52	125.76
533.16 season PF	4-0 again	premium grade

THE WEEK THAT WAS

The Bush has produced the week's cleanest main event: its two 4-0 teams face each other next. Portuguese mosquitos 2.0 owns 533.16 points and a staggering +190.80 scoring differential. CC Chubby Chacers IV is also perfect, but carries an uncomfortable historical footnote: the same franchise began 4-0 in 2025 and finished sixth. At the other end, Kat's Kittys and GillisTime both remain 0-4. GillisTime's -164.38 differential suggests the clock is not merely wrong; it is on fire.

THE 2025 GHOST



CC Chubby Chacers IV has seen this movie: 4-0 last season, sixth place at the finish. The Mosquitos have the league's biggest standard-division point total, but history does not swat easily. One perfect record ends Sunday.

WEEK 5 DOCKET

Portuguese mosquitos 2.0 vs CC Chubby Chacers IV is the undefeated collision and the clearest referendum on the curse. One team owns the numbers; the other owns lived experience with precisely this trap. Fuel Man waits just outside the spotlight after a 125.76-point week, holding a gas can and plausible deniability.

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TWO KINGS, ONE DRAIN

Stars & Bars and Last Mohican remain 4-0

LAST MOHICAN	STARS & BARS	AUBREY'S ANGELS
135.18	109.22	121.70-118.36
perfect with force	perfect with restraint	hat taken

THE WEEK THAT WAS

Last Mohican made perfection look convincing with 135.18. Stars & Bars stayed unbeaten at 109.22, winning without turning the septic lid into a trampoline. Aubrey's Angels survived Courtney's Maye I take your hat sir?, 121.70-118.36, in a matchup that required both a box score and a punctuation hearing. New League Same Hands scored 52.78, the lowest total in the five standard divisions. Young Nillas managed only 55.28, narrowly avoiding the week's ceremonial plunger.

HAZMAT REPORT



The top is spotless. The bottom is not. A combined 108.06 from New League Same Hands and Young Nillas barely clears several individual team totals elsewhere. Protective footwear is mandatory until further notice.

WEEK 5 DOCKET

The division now has two perfect teams and a growing question about when their paths collide. Until then, every opponent gets a chance to become the first stain on the record. The middle remains volatile; one good Sunday can still turn a septic emergency into waterfront property.

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THE SUN GOD RISES

The winless team topples the unbeaten team

SUN GOD	KENNY'S TEAM	EXEMPT LIST
116.40-84.16	3-1	481.42 PF
first win	474.20 PF	only 2-2

THE WEEK THAT WAS

Long Live the sun god entered 0-3 and knocked Girth Brooks from 3-0 to mortal, 116.40-84.16. It was the week's purest upset and a reminder that fantasy dignity has no guaranteed renewal date. Kenny's Team climbed to 3-1 with 474.20 points. Commish's Exempt List leads the division with 481.42 points yet sits 2-2, the statistical opposite of Chris's Champion's Division magic trick. Peter NorthStars fell to 0-4 with a -132.76 differential and has begun trading from the wreckage.

TRADE WIRE



On October 6, Long Live the sun god acquired Trey McBride while Peter NorthStars received Tetairoa McMillan. It is a rare exchange in which both parties can claim a plan and the league can wait politely for evidence.

WEEK 5 DOCKET

The Week 5 chase centers on whether Girth Brooks responds or becomes a two-part country tragedy. Long Live the sun god must prove the upset was sunrise, not a flashlight. The standings remain compressed enough that one strong week can reorder everyone above the basement.

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THE OTHER ANIMAL ENTIRELY

No cross-division score comparisons. Different format, different ecosystem.

THE OUTSIDER	DAKS SACK	THE EQUALIZER
137.12	132.22	4-0
559.92 season PF	4-0	269.98 points allowed

THE PERFECT PAIR

Daks Sack and The Equalizer remain 4-0, but they arrived by different roads. Daks dropped 132.22 in Week 4. The Equalizer has surrendered only 269.98 all season, a schedule so gentle it should be sold with spa music. The Outsider is 3-1 and leads the league with 559.92 points - the strongest raw body of work inside this format.

BASEMENT PEN

MattSobral is a Cuck and Catalina Wine Mixon are both 0-4. MattSobral posted 71.28 in Week 4. In a 12-team half-PPR league, depth is not a luxury; it is the emergency ration someone already ate.



WEEK 5: THE PROJECTIONS HAVE TURNED

Both undefeated teams are projected to lose: The Equalizer faces Dark Horse, while Daks Sack meets Jerry's Kid. The models have filed a joint motion to end perfection. The Outsider, meanwhile, can take over the narrative without ever entering a cross-format comparison.

> **Black Sheep scores stay in Black Sheep. The sheep may wander; the scoring format does not.**

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THE LEAGUE’S PUBLIC SAFETY PAGE

No sirens were harmed, but several projections were

INJURY REPORT

JA’MARR CHASE - Concussion protocol after leaving Week 4. Status must be monitored through the final practice reports. His 2.7-point debut for Touchdown Syndrome! turned a blockbuster trade into an immediate emergency broadcast. EDITOR’S RULE: Injury designations move quickly. Managers should verify Sunday actives before kickoff; the Tribune refuses responsibility for lineups set during brunch.

TRANSACTIONS & COMEBACK DESK



MIXON’S ONE-NEWS-CYCLE COMEBACK: Seattle planned to add Joe Mixon after a workout, then reversed course after his physical. The veteran remains a free agent - close enough to create waiver-wire smoke, not close enough to score points.

SEPT. 30 - Chris gets Ja’Marr Chase; Billy gets Chuba Hubbard and Nico Collins. Week 4: 2.7 vs 48.7. | OCT. 6 - Sun god gets Trey McBride; Peter NorthStars gets Tetairoa McMillan.

POLICE BLOTTER

CHAMPION’S	Commissioner found impersonating a 3-1 contender with 344.96 points.
BACKROOM	BABY RUTH cited for exceeding projection by 43.94 without a parade permit.
BUSH	Two undefeated teams scheduled for mutual destruction.
SEPTIC	New League Same Hands reported missing after scoring 52.78.
DEAD-BOTTOM	Sun god questioned after an apparent giant killing.
BLACK SHEEP	The Equalizer’s schedule investigated for excessive softness.

CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED: Points against for Touchdown Syndrome! Must be gentle, nonjudgmental and available Sundays. | FOR SALE: One 4-0 start, lightly used, no guarantees after October. | LOST: Mike’s Legit Team’s first win. If found, please return before the name becomes satire.

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THE 4-0 CURSE

Perfection in September has rarely survived the full TCT calendar

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Only three of the fourteen previous teams in the five standard divisions that opened 4-0 went on to win the championship.

THE THREE WHO FINISHED THE JOB

2016	**Dirty D’s**	Nick Downey
2017	**Not Last Place Yet**	Chris Stephens
2022	**Donald Trump UA**	Anthony Caton

EXHIBIT A: THE CHUBBY COLLAPSE

CC Chubby Chacers IV began 4-0 in 2025 and finished sixth. The same franchise is 4-0 again. This is either redemption or the most expensive rerun in Bush Division history.

THE 2026 DEFENDANTS

BABY RUTH

Portuguese mosquitos 2.0

CC Chubby Chacers IV

Stars & Bars

Last Mohican

> **“ A 4-0 record is not a championship banner. It is merely the league handing you a taller place to fall from.**

COMMISSIONER’S VERDICT: Celebrate the clean starts, but preserve the crime scene. Eleven of fourteen predecessors failed to convert perfection into a title. The curse does not care about projections, point totals or how good the team name looks in bold. Week 5 begins the cross-examination.