

The Doggity Chiefs Report
Week 10
Chiefs vs B.I.L.L.S.* from the Head
(Acronym for "Boy I Love Losing Superbowls!")

Overview – The Dog and Mrs. Doggity attended the festivities at the Head. We were in different sections, but experienced the same dilemma. Bills fans with really big mouths and really big flags that blocked out the sun prevented anyone in the same section from seeing the field. The Mrs. played keep-away with one face-painted drunk's flag. When he got his Bud Light breath in her face, she simply explained that when you bring your flag across enemy lines, you had better be prepared to defend it. He started to get nasty so she told him that it was hard to take seriously anybody who painted his face blue and white. Good point. The game wasn't exactly the offensive thrill-ride everyone was talking about. Bledsoe managed to move the chains, but not the scoreboard. The Bills continue to be the zebras' whipping boy. It was nice to see that shoe on another foot for a change. We were the fortunate recipients of a pretty bad interference call, but it makes up for the weekly mauling of Tony Gonzo without any repercussions. Again today, holding or illegal contact could have been called on every play where Gonzalez left the line of scrimmage.

Offense – Talk about getting everybody the ball! Kennison had a nice day with 93 yards on 3 grabs. Johnnie "Milk Carton" Morton was located today. He apparently does still work here – 3 snags for 53. Priest had three, Tony G had two and Marc Boerigter added one more. Priest cracked a grand for the season, finishing with 104 on 31 carries and one more TD to pad the league lead. Most of his yards came in crunch time in the fourth, when the Chiefs needed to move the chains and keep Bledsoe on the bench. The real story was the fleet feet of Trent Donovan McGreen. Four hauls for a blistering 19 yards may not sound like much, but one was a TD run when the cheaters from Buffalo were holding again. Another was in a critical fourth quarter drive when KC had a third and five and needed a first down to ice the game. Trent blasted (dribbled) up the gut for the first down. All on a bad stick that he was obviously favoring most of the second half. OK, OK, he isn't McNabb, and he didn't heave four TD's with a broken tibia, but it was a nice effort.

Defense – This bend-but-don't-break thing is killing the Dog. I may puke if I ever again hear Coach Dick sobbing in the locker room because of Eric Warfield's heroic effort. Warfield had a very timely pick of a potentially game-winning TD pass in the second half. The truth according to Toasty is that he deliberately baited the receiver by laying off of him five yards, only to sneak up and pick the pass. You shouldn't give away your double-secret strategies like that, Eric. Seattle may be listening. From the untrained eye of this writer, it looked a little more like he was burned badly and thankfully Drew under threw the ball, allowing Warfield the ability to jump in front of it at the last minute. Of course, I don't have the keen knowledge that Eric and his coaches have for this sort of play. Eric played OK, sort of. He luckily did not draw a flag when he shoved his receiver out of bounds beyond five yards on one play. He was charred a few times, but nothing that led to points. Crispy Barteel was relieved of his duties and replaced by youngster Cory Harris. Harris proceeded to give up the only TD pass. We will now refer to him as Smokey Harris. Maz had another 8 tackle – 2-assist day. Rookie Eddie Freeman had a sack, and the line generally did a better job of applying pressure. Notice I refrained from calling it good, it was generally better.

Special Teams – Today was another short-bus-special performance. The nearly perfect MA missed a very makeable 45-yarder. Coverage teams were brutal and little Dante fell down a lot – although he was kind enough to sign hats for the Mrs. and Bear-fan buddy Kevin's lovely wife.

The AFC West (in order of my preseason predictions) –

#1 (7-3) San Diego Chargers – Stole one from the Niners.

#2 (5-5) KC Chiefs – One point is enough to bring KC to .500. A summit the Royals may never scale again.

#3 (7-3) Denver Broncos – Softened up the Sea Hags for us

#4 (6-4) East Bay Convicts – Make it a clean sweep for the west.

Throw Him A Bone Award –

The boner goes to Trent Green. A gutsy effort willed this team to victory today. His numbers – 12/20 for 197 – no TDs no INTs are not that impressive. However, his effort went way beyond his passing stats. Enjoy the bone Trent.

The Doggity Dog –

KC Special Teams' coach, Frank Ganz makes it a trifecta. All of the coordinators have taken turns in the kennel.

Next week we fly to the land of Starbucks, Eddie Bauer, Kurt Cobain and Jimmie Hendrix. Thank god they can play baseball in Seattle.

Your faithful scribe,
Mr. Doggity