

## **The Doggity Chiefs Report**

Week 14 – Chiefs vs Donkeys at ACS Field – Score: KC 27 – Den 45

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**Overview** – Sorry Gary – I love you. I respect your opinion, generally. The offense played one good half on Sunday. That was one more than the D. Trent put up nearly 400 yards passing with no INTs, Priest had two TDs. The O put up enough yards and points. The D took the day off. These guys can't tackle. They can't pressure the QB. They can't stop the run. Sunday the kicking game was fine. The offensive performance against a top-5 defense was very good. Dr. Evil and his horrid unit lost this game. There is no covering the stink of the D's rancid performance. You can make all the arguments you want about the gifted child versus the average child. Sunday, the gifted child got a "B" and the average child got an "F". Facts are facts. Clinton Portis ran amok – 218 yards and FIVE touchdowns. Is it really a coincidence that Comedy Central cable channel showed the Austin Powers movie right after the Chiefs game? I think not. They know it was Dr. Evil day, too. I didn't think the Chiefs would go 15 –1. I even worried about this game. That said, it was not even close. The KC D never even attempted to keep the Chiefs in this game. If they play like that in the playoffs, the outcome will be familiar. Greg Robinson is this team's Lin Elliot.

**Offense** – The KC offense traded blows with Denver for the entire first half. Unfortunately, the offense, as it has done a few times this year, played one half and sat out the other one. The Chiefs first punt came on the last play of the first half. They were perfect on third downs, and scored TDs on every possession. Trent Green was 34 of 47 for 397, one passing TD and one rushing TD and a rating of 104.7. Because the offense was playing from behind, due to the defense's total ineptitude, the ball was kept out of Priest's hands in the second half. He only had 12 carries for 44 yards. He did however, score twice, adding to his league lead in touchdowns. Dante caught 11 passes for a buck twenty-four. Gonzo had six grabs for 73 yards. Eddie Kennison ran his considerable mouth this week about the Donkeys and coach Rat-face. However, he showed up with three snags for 83 and a score – his best game of the year. In most games, the offense was good enough to win. Only they didn't. We wondered if the offense could win a shootout if the D couldn't hold the other team down. Apparently not.

**Defense** – You're a foul one, Dr. Evil. You really are a heel. You're as cuddly as a cactus, as charming as an eel, Dr. Evil! Because of contractual obligations to play nice and be objective about the "gifted" offense and "unfairly maligned" defense, it has been two weeks since I told you how much I HATE this defense. What started the season looking like Cinderella has turned back into last year's rotten pumpkin. I can blame some players for failing to make tackles. What I cannot reconcile is the total failure of this unit to have anybody on the second level when Portis broke the contain at the line. You can blame it on execution if it happens once or twice. But when it happens five or six times, and has happened in the last four games, that can only be bad coaching. Sorry Dickie V, sorry Gary, sorry to all the blind fool apologists of this rotten excuse for a defense, but there is no amount of sucking up that can forgive Sunday's total disintegration. KC put no pressure on mistake-prone Jake Plummer. The Chiefs could not tackle, had no answer to the same cheesy mis-direction crap Shanahan has been running since he got to Denver. Nothing they ran was new or inventive. Robinson used to defend the same garbage in practices when he was Denver's coordinator. Someone please explain to me how a coach who used to practice against the same Donkey offense, has practiced against Priest Holmes for three years, plays two games a year against Tomlinson, Portis and Garner, and has seen this year the likes of Jamal Lewis, Rudy Johnson and Ahman Green can be totally clueless on how to defend the run. I'm waiting for the first genius that has the answer. Again, you see what this unit can do when it fails to force a turnover. (Yes, I know the zebras stole a rather obvious fumble in the first quarter, resulting in a TD on the next play – but that hardly made a difference in the game). The dog is rational but not stupid. With apologies to my far too gullible friends, I will not be dissuaded from that opinion until these overpaid alleged "professionals" perform at least as well as one might expect from the average high school team.

**Special Teams** – Overall, it was a much better game for the kids on the special bus. Amazing what kicking in the rarified air, a mile above sea level can do for a punter – Baker had a 46-yard average on his three kicks. Dante didn't get the illusive number five, but still managed 157 yards on kick returns with a long of 61 yards. Ken-L-Ration's penalty was just stupid.

**AFC West** – Here were the week's results in the AFC West:

#1 Kansas City Chiefs – Soundly thrashed by the trash-talking Donkeys. I hate this team far more than I hate the pathetic Convicts. The Raiders are dumb, the Broncos are dirty.

#2 Denver Donkeys – Beat the Chiefs, but will still lose the division and may not make the playoffs. Gee, too bad.

#3 San Diego Lightning Bolts – They won one on the road! Beat up on the awesome Lions.

#4 East Bay Convicts – Mauled by the reeling Steelers. They really are dumb.

**Throw Him A Bone Award** –

Today's bone goes to Dante Hall. Total yards, receiving, rushing and kick returns were nearly 300 yards. He did everything he could to help the team pull out this one. Great field position and clutch catches and runs. The little guy gets another one!

**The Doggity Dog** –

The weekly dog goes to a platinum-level frequent-flyer in the doghouse – Dr. Evil, Greg Robinson. The mastermind failed to get the defense on to the charter flight to Denver. I saw no evidence that anybody in red was on the field during the five Portis touchdown runs. You hate to see your defense playing its worst in December. If this is what we can expect in January, the Chiefs' players will watch most of the post-season on the big screens in their collective basements.

**Tailgate Recipe of the Week** –

*The dog's KC BBQ ribs are always a hit. True fans know that the smoker at Chez Chien runs year 'round. You are about to be let in on the secret to great KC-style ribs:*

**The Dog's KC-style BBQ Ribs**

2 – slabs spareribs, membrane peeled and fat trimmed.

1/2 cup – Dog's Rib Rub (see below)

1/2 cup – white vinegar

1 - beer

2 Tbsp – olive oil

soaked hickory chips

Arthur Bryant's Original BBQ Sauce

**Dog's Rib Rub:**

1 tsp – paprika

1/2 tsp – red pepper flakes

1/2 tsp – coarse ground black pepper

1 tsp – Kosher salt

2 tsp – white sugar

2 Tbsp – brown sugar

Mix all ingredients.

Soak ribs overnight in vinegar and beer in the refrigerator. Remove from brine and allow ribs to come up to room temperature. Rub both sides with rib rub and drizzle with olive oil.

On a charcoal grill, place a pan of water in the center of the coal grate. Place coals around the water pan and light. When coals are ashy and hot, add wet hickory chips and place the ribs over the water pan on the top grate. Smoke for four to six hours, turning ribs every 30 minutes. Add water to the drip pan, and add coals and chips as needed. During the final 30-minute turn, baste both sides with Bryant's sauce – I have tried every sauce I can think of, but none comes close to Bryant's for basting ribs.

Send your recipes to the Dog by e-mail, or fax them to 913-831-1307.

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